



CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

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WHY DO WE HAVE BLUE MARKINGS AND FLAGS ON OUR FRONT LAWNS?

You don't have to wonder anymore. Karen English called Durham Works Department and was told that those flags indicate water lines and they are there because the region is putting in fibreoptics. Apparently, they will be doing the same for the other utilities as well.

PORT PERRY MEDICAL ASSOCIATES BUILDING

The gates to enter the parking lots were reactivated mid July so parking fees are now payable.

CANTERBURY EMAIL

The canterbury email, portperryccra@gmail.com is only checked every few days by a volunteer resident, so if you do need a more immediate reply, please contact a committee or board member directly.

CCRA WEBSITE

Dave Streeter

I will not be updating the COVID vaccination situation on the main Resident's Pages, since now everyone 12 and over is eligible for a vaccination. I will keep the information posted about the Durham vaccination website.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Lauren Maher

The Social Committee is actively discussing plans for future events in Canterbury. We encourage everyone to check the CCRA website and the monthly calendar for up-to-date information.

In the meantime, on page 5 of this Bulletin you will find a Scavenger Hunt put together by Ellen Brewer - a fun way to spend an afternoon. All the clues can be found within Canterbury Common. Answers will be in the September Bulletin so you have lots of time to play around with it.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON PLANS FOR THE 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our CCRA Board must hold a 2021 AGM, to approve the 2020 AGM minutes, approve the 2021 auditor, elect new directors and receive reports. Our AGMs are normally held during the summer, and are open to all home owners. Once again, COVID restrictions will severely limit the number of owners who can physically attend.

We can hold our 2021 AGM in The Centre, but must restrict attendance to the current Provincial Stage 3 limit of 25 people. For a quorum, we need one third of homes to be represented. To meet both of these requirements we must rely on a significant number of Proxies, an option that is permissible under CCRA Bylaw #1,

The magic quorum number is now 95, consisting of one owner from any of the Canterbury homes, either physically present, or represented by a proxy holder. We can achieve this by limiting physical attendees to just 25 individuals, but including a number of multiple proxy form holders. Therefore, the 2021 AGM meeting in The Centre will include:

- current Board members
- nominees for director positions
- chairpersons of key committees
- several proxy holders, with enough collective proxy forms to meet the minimum quorum number of 95

The Board will select volunteer proxy holders from CCRA Committees. You will be contacted by one of these proxy holders and asked if they can represent your home by proxy at the AGM. The proxy holder will explain that they can split their proxy votes, if so directed, and that each Proxy Form will have space for a question that owners can ask, if they wish.

More details to follow shortly.

CANTERBURY SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

Martha Simmons

We are pleased to see that the pool is being well used this summer, especially on hot, humid days. Many residents are also enjoying it during the extended hours of 6-8 p.m.

We might have neglected to mention, especially to new residents, that the lock on the pool gate can be opened with the key you were given to access The Centre door.

Please lock the gate behind you when you leave if there is no one left in the pool area. We continue to receive reports of the gate being left unlocked, which is a serious safety/security concern. To address this issue, we plan to get key fob pads activated but until this happens, we do need to be vigilant in locking the gate.

ADMIN UPDATE

Murray Smith

- **KEY FOBS**

If you have a fob (ecard) that has not been assigned to you personally, please return it to me, at your earliest convenience. We will recycle it and assign it to another resident.

We are arranging to have e-readers installed on the pool gates. The padlock will be removed and you will be able to use your fob to unlock the gate entering or leaving the pool. The gate will lock itself when closed. This system provides an added safety precaution. There will be a backup key to open it if for any reason the fob system fails.

- **WATERCOOLER**

There is now a watercooler on the main floor in The Centre. It will dispense cold or room temperature water that is "reverse osmosis" treated. (pure). However, as we are attempting to go "green" we ask that you bring your own vessel with you. This will help immensely with our trash disposal. We no longer offer soft drinks for you to purchase.

- **MESSAGE BOARD**

We are having an electronic message board (50" TV screen) installed in the foyer at The Centre. It will provide residents with a rolling message of upcoming events, bookings, etc. This has been ordered and will be installed very soon.

SIGNS

Gord Simmons

The Governance Committee recently received the following question from a concerned resident, "The Township is giving out "please slow down" signs. You can't put them on township property so they have to be on lawns. Does this contravene our restrictions?"

The answer to that question is "Yes"; those signs would contravene our Protective Restrictions.

The Protective Restrictions state *"No signs (other than standard realtors' signs), billboards, notices or advertising matter of any kind shall be placed upon the Lands, except with the prior consent of the Vendor and provided that the same are not in violation of the Municipal sign by-law or any other applicable authority.*

This provision shall not apply to the Vendor's signage, sales office or other promotional billboards, notices or advertising matters intended to promote the sale of the subdivision lots until the last of such lots within the Canterbury Common subdivision has been sold."

The above statements apply to all of Canterbury Common, not just the new sections under construction. Real estate signs are to be removed two weeks after the sold sign is affixed to the realtor sign and contractor signs advertising work being done on a property must be removed as soon as the project is completed.

ROGERS COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

John Nesbitt

Rogers has been sent a letter to thank them for their rapid response to our issues and to ask for reasonable compensation for the problems we all had either at an individual level or at a community level. I have also asked them to conduct training sessions for residents interested in learning more about Ignite.

Rogers plans on adding Fibre to allow them to split our subdivision in half. This will provide even more capacity than their emergency fix did. No timeline is available yet. City permits are pending.

In the meantime, if you have issues, please call Rogers' repair and if you get nowhere, I can help, as always.

To ensure that Canterbury residents have a real choice in their communications providers, Bell's senior management were contacted and asked about installing Fibre Optic cables in Canterbury.

Discussions between Bell and the city planners have taken place and Bell awaits permits to begin work this summer to complete by the fall. Once they install fibre on the street, they will be able to connect homes. We are on their priority list.

This would mean that Bell can provide High Speed Internet, TV and phone over their new Fibre. It will be a real alternative to Rogers.

More to come on both of these as I know more.

Cheers

John Nesbitt

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'HOW TO WASTE AN AFTERNOON' SCAVENGER HUNT

The aim of this scavenger hunt is to take note of the house numbers for the clues given. ALL answers will be located within Waterbury Crescent, Commons Blvd., South Garden Court and Candlelight Court. Some clues may apply to the same house number.

We regret that we are unable to include McCaw Court due to safety concerns with uneven footings.

Enjoy the hunt and good luck with the clues.

Answers will be posted in the next CCRA Bulletin.

1. "We Stand On Guard for Thee" across the street from the presidential house.
2. Boy sitting with a ball.
3. How many fire hydrants are there on Common Blvd.?
4. "M" marks the house.
5. I share my name with many of the clergy in Rome but at this house I guard an endangered species.
6. Add up the house numbers on Country Estates.
7. Hi Ho, Hi Ho, it's off to work I go.
8. You must weigh in before entering d- House.
9. It goes round and round E I E I O.
10. Always fashionably dressed for 'fowl' weather.
11. A bronze yoga frog taking shelter by the ferns.
12. How many cupolas are there in Canterbury Common?
13. Golfing off the wall / 2 homes.
14. "FORE"
15. Bring "Billy" to life and he will care for your grass, give him a few friends and they will look after the grass in Canterbury.
16. Elizabeth May and Annamie Paul would approve of the colour of this garage.
17. This LARGE frog "only has eyes for you".
18. On Candlelight, birds of a feather fly together (2 homes)
19. RIB IT, RIB IT.
20. A tall rabbit holds a carrot and another FAT white one has eaten too many (2 homes)
21. Rounding this corner, this orange weather-vane is manned by two little people.
22. This Inuit "Inukshuk" is a marker for hunting grounds and symbolizes safety, hope and friendship.
23. Two lions guard the dog.
24. CAN A DA rocks!
25. "The Community Coming Together" symbol.