



Canterbury Common Residents' Association

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CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

October 2022

Board of Directors

Lou Rocha

The Board of Directors met on October 17, 2022 at The Centre. The first half of the meeting focused on Strategic Planning. The Board discussed ideas that will be presented to the seven standing committees in November and December.

A letter was sent to Greenwood Retirement Communities on October 4 requesting a start date for the construction of the retirement residence at Country Estates and Simcoe. The letter also asked Greenwood to comply with the direction from the Township of Scugog regarding the condition of the undeveloped property.

Geranium has advised the Canterbury Transition Committee that new homeowners in Phase Two will begin to arrive in November and December. Initial contact has been made with some of the new homeowners and orientation sessions will be held at the The Centre after they arrive. The new homeowners will be formally admitted to the Association before the end of the year.

The Board received a draft of the proposed changes to CCRA By-Law #1 that will bring it into compliance with the Ontario Not For Profit Corporations Act. The ONCA committee will present the changes at a special Board meeting on Oct. 25. A Town Hall meeting is planned for next spring to review all of the amendments with residents prior to formal adoption at the Annual General Meeting in June 2023.

The Board adopted a Recruitment Policy to provide consistency in the nomination of candidates for positions on the Board and the chairpersons of standing committees. The next step will be the preparation of job descriptions for the various positions. This process will involve the seven standing committees.

Suzanne Brolley has accepted the position of Activities Coordinator in the Administration committee. Susan Allward is the new Information Coordinator in the Communications committee. Volunteers are still needed in other committees. Please watch the Bulletin for further announcements.

The Board and all residents greatly appreciate the work done by our volunteers. They should be treated with courtesy and respect at all times. Concerns and suggestions should be directed to the committee chairpersons by contacting the office at 905-985-5258. In the case of an emergency, residents may contact a committee chair directly. The chairpersons are listed in the Chronicle and on the CCRA website.

The Board received a report from House and Property regarding winter maintenance of sidewalks. Snow clearing will be provided after snowfalls of 5 or more centimeters. Salting will be provided only under extreme weather events. This determination will be at the sole discretion of the House and Property committee. Homeowners are ultimately responsible for any buildup of ice and snow on the public sidewalk in front of their houses.

The Adopt-A-Bench project received a quick and enthusiastic response from the community. Seven donors have submitted their payments and have been taken on a site tour to secure locations. The concrete pads should be poured by the end of October and the benches are ready for delivery and installation if winter doesn't arrive too early. A second phase will be offered next spring.

The Board approved \$3,500 additional funding for the new path from Barry's Path to the first fairway. The cost increased because the previous quote expired while waiting for permits. The Board also approved \$9,000 to prepare the bunkers on the first fairway for planting and landscaping. Both projects were approved last year and reported at the Annual General Meeting.

Finance Committee Update

Jim Cushnie

Our Canterbury Common finances are tracking along as expected. There a few updates.

1. The annual assessment collection process for current homeowners is completed. Thank you all for your attention to this important activity. We are expecting some additional funds as owners move in to their new homes in the coming months.
2. We have renewed our insurance policies. These include Commercial Property and Liability insurance, Directors & Officers Insurance and Legal Services insurance.
3. We have renewed our GIC investments with 2 objectives in mind. First, to put your money to work while it is not needed and to ensure we have appropriate liquidity to allow payment of unexpected expenses. The good news is rates are up substantially over prior years.

Gardens Committee Chairperson - Still Looking

Marilyn Bowskill

The H&P committee is looking to fill the volunteer position outlined below. Responsibility for heading up the duties listed would begin with next year's gardening season.

Responsibilities:

1. Work with an established group of highly motivated/self directed volunteers to enhance/maintain all gardens currently located around: the Centre, the Coulter St./ Waterbury Crescent sign post and the Simcoe St./Country Estates Blvd. sign post (includes the island located in this area).
2. Facilitate the team's work by ensuring all necessary material/tools/equipment is available when needed.
3. Schedule/chair gardening committee meetings on an "as required" basis.
4. Develop/manage the annual gardens committee budget
5. Recruit new committee members if required
6. Attend monthly H&P committee meetings (can discuss alternatives if this doesn't work for you)

If you are interested in pursuing/learning more about this opportunity please contact Wreyn (Ren) Blimke at blimkewreyn@gmail.com. Thank you.

1. Installation of Generators

Should you be considering installing a generator please contact Governance before you do so and we will set up a visit with you to discuss the various considerations of which you should be aware. The most important consideration should be a frank and open discussion with your neighbours regarding the location and the noise level. The new, modern generators are usually no noisier than an air conditioning unit and the location is dictated by regulations not the opinion of your contractor. Please contact John Nesbitt or Gord Simmons and we will be glad to help.

2. Participation in The Township of Scugog Strategic Plan

We are pleased to announce that the Canterbury Common Residents' Association will be participating in the Township of Scugog Strategic Plan Process. This is an opportunity for every resident in Canterbury to make a significant difference in the community in which we live. Chad Johnson, Vice-Chair of the Governance Committee is heading up this initiative.

A municipal corporate strategic plan acts as a guide for Council and Staff with identified priorities, objectives, and goals. This will provide a focus for initiatives carried out during each term of Council, however, items will be achieved over longer periods of time or, like advocacy work, will continue in an ongoing capacity.

The Township has a "**Speak up Scugog!**" initiative underway where residents can complete a public feedback survey to evaluate and rank current service delivery, customer service, roads and sidewalks, fire services, parks and programs as well as share ideas for community improvement.

There are several methods available to provide your feedback.

1. A copy of the survey will be delivered to every home in Canterbury. A drop box is available in the foyer at The Centre should you wish to fill it out and leave it there before November 4, 2022.

2. You can also go online and visit <https://my.scugog.ca/strategicplan> today to have your say. **The survey will be open until November 4, 2022.**

3. We have also arranged a "meet and greet" with the Township representatives to hear them present the Strategic Plan process in the north hall at The Centre on **Monday, October 31, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.**, where they can receive your feedback in person and answer any questions you may have regarding the completion of the survey.

If you wish to attend the October 31st information session at The Centre bring the survey with you and drop it off that day.

This is a great opportunity for Canterbury to influence the direction that the Township will take so please take the time to participate and have your say.

FOBs

Administration Committee

Now that we are using The Centre for social activities and meetings it's important to use the Fob System correctly. Fobs are assigned to individuals, please do not share a fob with your spouse or partner. Please use your fob every time you enter The Centre. If you're entering behind another resident please wait and scan your fob also.

We are able to reassign used fobs for new residents. If you have a fob that was left in your home by the previous owner or from a lost loved one please return it by slipping it in the mail slot in the office door. Right now each fob we lose will cost \$5.00 to replace, it doesn't seem like a lot of money but it adds up. If you have any questions about the fob you are using please contact Nora at office@canterburycommon.ca or leave a message on the office phone at 905-985-5258.

Land Use Committee

Dorothy Bull

Adopt-a Bench Update:

Residents of Canterbury Common, have always had a willingness to help and support each other and come together as a community. Our hope is that the new benches, arriving soon due to our Adopt-a-Bench program, will contribute to this goal and be enjoyed and shared by us all. As this fall's offering of six benches has already been fully subscribed, we will be happy to put your name on the list for our next order of benches in spring 2023.

We are building a stronger, more connected community thanks to our bench sponsors.

Social Committee

Lauren Maher

HAPPY HOUR: October 21st 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Bring your drinks and snacks and join your neighbours and friends at The Centre. If you have new neighbours, bring them along for a Warm Canterbury Welcome.

COFFEE HOUR: October 27th 10:00 a.m. Remember to bring 50 cents and your own coffee mug. "Please wear a nametag, if you have one"

Presentation of Donation by CCRA Scramble Committee to Operation Scugog Food Bank

Guests of Honour: Harvey and Joan Graham, former residents of Canterbury. There will be a card available at The Centre October 21st-27th for your signature. We are taking this opportunity to acknowledge this very special couple, and their recent 65th Wedding Anniversary so many of us were unable to attend. Join us to share memories and enjoy Harvey's vast knowledge on so many topics! COME OUT TO SHARE IN THE CANTERBURY COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Artisan Group

Brigit Pullen

The format for the Artisan Group has changed slightly. We will now meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Centre. We had a huge response for this particular group and due to space constraints, can't accommodate more participants at this time. However, due to the fact that some people will be away during the winter months, I will start a "waiting list" for residents that are interested in this activity. If you would like to be put on this list, please let me know by contacting me at:

birgit.pullen@gmail.com. I would also welcome anyone that would be willing to share their talents, be it as a former teacher or just someone who has done some art or a unique project and is willing to share that with this group, to let me know. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

Book Club

Robin Stamper

Book Club resumes Thursday October 27 at 2:00 p.m. by the fireplace. New members are welcome! It doesn't matter if you haven't read the book yet. Come and meet us and see what we are all about. This month's book is "The Maid" by Nita Prose. Hope to see you on Thursday.

Bridge Workshop

Doug Thiemann

We are revamping what used to be called Bridge Lessons and with a new name. Bridge Workshop is where we can all share ideas and experiences related to bridge. We will discuss modern bidding methods, present techniques to improve your declarer play and maybe even sharpen your defensive skills. BUT our main goal remains to entertain and have fun. We start with a discussion period and then play some hands with an advisor present for help and guidance. Basic knowledge of the game is all you need. Hope you can join us Tuesdays at 10:00am in the North Hall beginning October 25. Hope to see you there. For more info, contact Doug Thiemann (905-985-4644)

Chair Yoga

Sharon Stevens-Hazelton

The next session of Chair Yoga will soon be starting! Classes will resume 11:00 a.m. on Monday, October 31 for 6 weeks. There are many restorative benefits to Chair Yoga, a gentle practice to help improve flexibility and balance, as well as calming breathing techniques. No previous experience is necessary. Registration sheets are posted on the Board in the Centre. Dates for 2023 will be announced shortly. Hope to see you there!

Cribbage

Bill Anderson & Audrey Thompson

We are back to playing on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Bring \$2 for prizes.

Mixed Bridge Group

Carol Hough

The Monday afternoon mixed bridge group is desperately looking for new folks to join the group. We meet at 1:00 p.m. and we collect a Loonie for prizes. This is more of a relaxed group and all levels are welcome to join us. Please put your name on the signup sheet in the hallway before Friday so I will have an idea how many will be coming and I can make the tables even. Looking forward to getting this group together again. Many thanks, Carol Hough 905-982-0748

Pool and Dart Boys

Mike Pullen

We meet on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Centre for a game of friendly pool and darts. We watch a game (if one is on) on the TV downstairs as well. We have resumed for the fall and winter now. All are welcome, bring your own beverage and enjoy some male company! For more information contact: Mike Pullen at nmpullen@gmail.com

November Calendar

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