

REPORT FROM YOUR BOARD

Winter, 2022 Lou Rocha, President president@canterburycommon.ca

On behalf of the Board I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Take the time to visit The Centre to see the beautiful decorations put up by our volunteers. The holiday season is a time to celebrate with family and friends. The shadow of Covid need not dim the lights of our celebrations. The majority of Canadian seniors have been fully vaccinated and more masks are being seen in the community as citizens take care to protect themselves and others. The Chief Medical Officer of Health has recommended masks for indoor activities in public places and the mask requirement has been reinstated for all activities in The Centre. We are a vulnerable community where Covid can have serious repercussions for our friends and neighbors. The Board of Directors and our committees are committed to the safety of the residents and will maintain the mask mandate until our provincial health leaders change their recommendation.

Greenwood Retirement Communities has agreed to remove the yellow construction fences at Country Estates and Simcoe Street. The Township has authorized this work to be done as soon as it is feasible. Many thanks to the Canterbury Transition Committee for its perseverance on this matter.

Significant work has been done by the Governance committee to align our By-Law 1 with the updated Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act. The ONCA team met over the summer and fall as it reviewed the Act and compared every article to the 55 sections in our By-Law. The team has met with the Board and will file an application to continue with our Articles of Incorporation. A comprehensive report will be shared with all Members at a Town Hall meeting in the spring.

The Nominations committee has been activated to seek candidates for positions on the nine-member Board. Elections will be held at the Annual General Meeting next June. Three positions will be vacated and three others are eligible for re-election. The Nominating committee will operate under the Recruitment Policy that was approved in October. The new policy sets out the process for soliciting and recommending candidates for director positions. Notices will appear in the Bulletin in early 2023.

The House and Property committee has completed several tasks that were approved last year. Outdoor activities were introduced on Canada Day. Contracts are in place to prepare four bunkers on the former first fairway for flower planting next spring. Eight benches have been donated by residents. The forms have been set for the concrete pads and dedication plaques have been sourced. The extension of Barry's Path to the first fairway should be completed this fall. The committee has also been culling the dead trees that have fallen on our properties. A proposal was made for lighting Barry's Path which the Board has taken under consideration. House and Property has resolved the storage issues in The Centre at no cost to the Association.

I would like to commend the Finance Committee for its astute management of our limited financial resources. The committee has completed its quarterly reports and a copy is available upon request to <u>office@canterburycommon.ca</u>. Recent actions were taken to invest in term GICs that will generate some interest revenue. The committee also approved the recommendation of the Insurance sub-committee to renew three policies for the Association.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Murray Smith, Chair

As you may or may not be aware, storage at The Centre has become a huge problem. In order to come up with a solution, a sub-committee has been assembled to come up with a plan to solve the problem.

Some ideas that were discussed were major undertakings, such as installing outside storage containers, erecting an interior wall at the end of the south wall, or paying for outside storage facilities. Any of these ideas would solve the problem, but at what cost?

In the end, a simpler and cost-free alternative was decided on and changes are currently underway. We have purged the two storage rooms in the south hall and removed some of the shelves and contents to the lower-level changeroom. Included in the move will be all of our seasonal supplies. This will allow us to store all of our tables and indoor chairs in the south hall storage rooms.

The lower-level washroom will now serve as a changeroom as well. No longer will we have chairs stacked up against the walls and in the cloakroom. The gaming equipment will be stored in the lockers which have been relocated to the north hall. The pool furniture has been covered and stored on the pool deck.

We are trying this out for a year at which time we will review to see if this solves the problem or not.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Nora Senechal, Chair

The year 2022 was quite a busy one for the Communications Committee. This year we have internally rewritten the entire website, worked to streamline information distribution within the community, produced an up-to-date version of the community brochure and had new bulletin boards installed in the north hall of The Centre. I would like to thank each and every committee member who has worked so hard on all of these big projects. We couldn't have done it without you. I would also like to thank the House and Property guys who worked so hard to install the bulletin boards – Ren Blimke and Gary Carmichael; we appreciate all you have done.

While working on our big projects, the committee also continued to produce the publications you depend upon for information on what is going on in the community. I would like to take this time to thank everyone on the committee for all the work they do taking pictures, writing articles, preparing information for the website and the EMB, editing *The Chronicle* and *The Bulletin*, and distributing all the information, both hard copy and electronic, to the community. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone as all the contributions are vital to our success. I would like to thank each and every committee member for all their hard work during the year 2022. You can see the names of all these dedicated volunteer workers on the "Information Page" of this issue.

I would also like to thank everyone in the community who has contributed to our publications this year: the board members, activity conveners, and residents of the community who submit such interesting articles and pictures for us to include in each issue of *The Chronicle* and *The Bulletin*. Without you we would have nothing to publish.

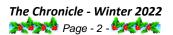
As I look forward to 2023, I see another fantastic year coming for the Communications Committee. This group of volunteers is a strong team of hard-working people who give their time as Mr. Jim Brady would say, "for the good of Canterbury."

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jim Cushnie, Chair

Key Highlights for Canterbury Commons Residents Association, Fiscal Q2:

- The Annual Assessment collection process has been completed. Thank you all for making it a smooth process.
- * GIC renewals have been completed for Lease Settlement, Replacement Reserve and Operating reserve funds. The good news is that rates we are earning are up substantially this year.



- * We have completed the annual review and renewal of our insurance program which includes Commercial Property and Liability, Directors and Officers and Legal Insurance.
- We have had some expenses for the replacement reserve fund this period including replacement of the lights in the parking lot at The Center, picnic tables and bulletin boards.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Gord Simmons, Chair

This year from June 2022 until November 2022 the Governance Committee pre-approved 30 building projects to go ahead in Canterbury. Of those 15 have been completed and 15 are still in progress. Two main aspects of these building projects we find that are confusing for some homeowners are why and when a permit is needed. Rather than give you our definitions as to the why and when, we have copied word for word the reasons directly from the Scugog Township Building Permit Guide for Homeowners:

WHY DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?

Building permits are necessary to ensure that zoning requirements, fire and structural safety standards and other building standards are met, primarily for safety and compatibility reasons. Zoning requirements are contained in municipal by-laws and the building standards are contained in the Ontario Building Code. This code is Provincial regulation administered by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Under the Building Code Act, local governments are given authority for the enforcement of the Ontario Building Code within their municipality. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs a website which contains useful information about the Ontario Building Code at www.obc.mah.gov.on.ca. It is the property owner's responsibility to ensure that a building permit is obtained when required.

WHEN DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?

Under the Building Code Act, a building permit is required for the construction or alteration of any structure over 10m2 (108 ft2) in area; for example, a structure with outside dimensions greater than 3.16m x 3.16m (10.37 ft x 10.37 ft).

However, all structures must still comply with zoning requirements. For information regarding minimum setbacks, lot coverage and height requirements, please contact the Township's Development Services Staff at 905 985-7346 ext. 169.

The following is a list of typical projects that require a building permit:

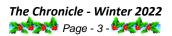
- · new buildings/additions · alteration/renovation · attached or detached garages, carports
- · decks/porches · fireplace, woodstoves & chimneys · garden sheds (accessory buildings)
- \cdot new or structural alterations to windows or doors \cdot one or two storey additions/solariums or

sunrooms \cdot plumbing and/or drain \cdot farm buildings \cdot change of use \cdot demolition of buildings

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Building permit applications are available online at www.scugog.ca or at the Municipal Office, 181 Perry Street, Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7. If you would like a form emailed to you, please contact the Development Services department at Iguarnaccio@scugog.ca. Your completed application form (Permit to Construct or Demolish) should be brought to the Municipal Office accompanied by the following: · Two sets of drawings (three sets for non-residential projects), including floor plans, elevations, truss and HVAC calculations.

Our advice to everyone is that if you are in doubt contact the Township; you will find them very accommodating and extremely helpful.



BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOUSE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The committee has been working on plans to plow the snow on Barry's Path. Salt boxes containing sodium chloride have been put in place. Pathway users are encouraged to spread this salt when conditions are icy. Lighting the path is also important for safety reasons. Discussions are underway to have suitable lighting installed next year. There is a new walking path being constructed this fall behind The Centre. It will join Barry's Path to the existing lakefront access path.

Gardens Committee Chairperson - (Still Looking)

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 Street/ Waterbury Crescent sign post and the Simcoe Street/Country Estates Boulevard sign post (includes the island located in this area).
- 2. Facilitate the team's work by ensuring all necessary equipment, tools, and materials are 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 <u>blimkewreyn@gmail.com</u>. Thank you

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Dorothy Bull, Chair

This is just a reminder that I'm happy to give you a hand if you have any questions or issues with our local governments. I'll do my best to find answers to your questions. Please email <u>dbullmail48@gmail.com</u> or call me at 905-718-9383.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

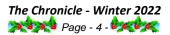
Lauren Maher, Chair

Thanks to the dedicated team of volunteers from the Administration and Social Committees, The Centre was beautifully decorated for the Holiday Season as we prepared to host our popular Holiday Wine Tasting Event and a New Year's Eve House Party. Unfortunately, due to the current Covid situation we were not able to continue with plans for these events. Please drop in to The Centre to see the decorations if you have a chance; don't forget your mask.

Special thanks to House and Property and the Gardening Committees for the attractive outdoor decorations and lighting display at The Centre.

Covid certainly has given us many challenges as we attempt to plan Social events at The Centre. Canterbury has a very enthusiastic committee planning future events, and we encourage you to watch for details posted at the kiosk, in the *Information Bulletin*, on the Canterbury Website, and the EMB at The Centre. We will be advertising events as soon as we have a plan that will work with the current masking rules in The Centre. Coffee Hour and Happy Hour will only be scheduled if an appropriate set up can be planned.

COFFEE HOUR returned with special guests, Harvey & Joan Graham. Be sure to read all about it in this edition of *The Chronicle*, and watch for information regarding future Coffee Hours, convened by Ken Hurst.



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HAPPY HOURS have moved indoors to provide a casual gathering of neighbours and friends. Check for dates on the Monthly Calendar.

Your generous donations to the Operation Scugog Food Bank are most appreciated and will certainly help during the Holiday Season.

"The kids don't want it!" We have the solution for you: the ANNUAL CANTERBURY YARD SALE will return in early May 2023. Keep this in mind as you wonder what to do with all the "stuff" you keep. This is a very popular yard sale, not only for Canterburians, but also for Port Perry and the surrounding area.

We are happy to extend a warm Canterbury welcome to our new residents, and wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season, and a safe journey to our Canterbury Snowbirds. See you in the Spring. Thanks to all for your continued support.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEN'S GOLF

George Clapham, Chair

Golf for the Canterbury Men's League finished at the end of September for the 2022 season. Some members continued to play on Tuesday mornings throughout the fall. Men's Golf had a very successful season with only a couple of drizzly, wet mornings that many members played through. Most Tuesday mornings were beautiful golf days. We will return to Sunnybrae for the 2023 season.

2022 Men's Golf Award Winners

Fred Vorstadt - low gross (best 2 week total 84) Klaus Pirker - low net (best 2 week total 65)

Flight Competition Results

Dave Vernest - Flight 1 (HC 0-8) Mike March - Flight 2 (HC 9-11) Wally Gales - Flight 3 (HC 12-14) Jay Williams - Flight 4 (HC 15+)

Registration for Men's Golf is scheduled for April 18th at 1:00 p.m. at Sunnybrae and our first golf game in 2023 is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25th, so mark your calendars.

Last season we had several new members join us from the Canterbury community. We look forward to welcoming more new residents to our league in 2023.

For more information contact - Roy Wilson mbepic@gmail.com - 647-955-9101 George Clapham claphamg@yahoo.com - 289-356-2825

Enjoy your winter and stay safe. See you next season.

UPDATE ON OUR SNAPPING TURTLES

The final count of the Snapping Turtles hatched was 32 from the one nest above the pool area. Most emerged on August 30th and 31st and were hand delivered down to the pond. Examining the nest five days after the first turtles appeared, the hole went down eight inches and then went off in the shape of a 'V'. One bottle-shaped area was about twelve inches long and the other one was about six inches long.

Ellen Brewer

With the cooler weather we had earlier this summer, I believe these little ones to be females. Also, with luck they will emerge from our pond or lake in about 18 years to lay

their eggs and continue the circle of life. Since only 1 in 1000 survive to maturity (18 years), I do hope our helping hands have helped their chances of survival. Many thanks to all who assisted in retrieving these little ones!



ACTIVITIES

BOOK CLUB

Robin Stamper

Book Club takes a break in December but will be back Thursday, January 26th at 2:00 p.m. by the fireplace. We will be

discussing *The Paris Bookseller* by Kerri Maher. Everyone is welcome. Come and meet some neighbours.

CANTERBURY ARTISANS Birgit

Birgit Pullen

We had a busy fall with old and new members of this group and created some fun art. Unfortunately, we can only accommodate the number of people in the group right now because of the space we have available. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, please let me know. We now meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of The Centre. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>birgit.pullen@gmail.com</u>.

CHAIR EXERCISE

Jane Lawson

The chair exercise class is now on at The Centre South Hall every Wednesday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and Friday from 11:00 to 12:00 p.m. with a class limit of 25. The class is being provided at no cost by the CCD (Community Care Durham). We have a trained occupational/physiotherapist assistant who runs the class. The goal of the class is to provide a variety of exercises for older adults to keep fit and maintain their independence by promoting strength, flexibility, balance and endurance.

CHAIR YOGA

Sharon Stevens-Hazelton

The Winter session of Chair Yoga will soon be starting: the ideal way to kick off the New Year! Classes will commence at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 9 and run for five weeks. There are many restorative benefits to Chair Yoga: a gentle practice which helps 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. Stay tuned for announcements of future sessions. Looking forward to seeing you there!

CRIB CLUB Bill Anderson and Audrey Thompson

With Scramble Dinners over for this year, we have resumed playing on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. Bring a couple of dollars in small change.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE & BRIDGE WORKSHOP Doug

Doug Thiemann

There is nothing to report at this time. The Bridge Workshop was cancelled due to poor turnout.

BID EUCHRE

Murray Lennox

If it's Monday night at 7:00 p.m. it must be Bid Euchre at The Centre. If you're interested in having some fun, playing some cards and catching up on local news, bring a toonie and show up. It's not a league; you don't have to come every week. Just drop in and play some cards.

For the last few months very few Bid Euchre players have been coming out for our Monday night card game. With so many CCRA residents going south for the winter, we may have to cancel the Monday night games.

EUCHRE

Bill Anderson

If it's Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. it must be Euchre at The Centre.

KNITWITS

Jane Sibul and Robin Stamper

Ah cooler days are coming. Time to gather around the fireplace with your knitting and create all those warm socks,



mitts and hats. We are currently working on slippers for the Hospice. If you would like to see how they are coming along, please drop in on Fridays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. We will be by the fireplace. Everyone is welcome. Please join us.

LADIES' BRIDGE AND MIXED BRIDGE

Carol Hough

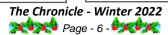
Ladies' Bridge is played on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. All Bridge levels are welcome. Please bring a loonie for prizes. Masks are mandatory. We would love to see some new folks join us for a friendly game in the North Hall.

Mixed Bridge is played on Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. in the South Hall. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the North Hall by Friday of each week so I will know the numbers ahead of time. All levels are welcome and we would love to see some new faces for a fun afternoon. Please bring a loonie for prizes.

LIBRARY

Lorna Zamulinski

Donations of new books to our library have been excellent. Drop by and check out our new book selections. Donations of books in good condition are always welcome. Thank you for all our donations.



LINE DANCING Alice Lynch and Cathy Spohn

Do you like music? Do your toes tap to the beat? Have you ever tried line dancing? Have you ever wanted to try line dancing? Maybe Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. are for you! Come join our beginner group and before you know it you will be dancing to:

New York New York...I Feel Like a Woman...Cowboy Up...Boot Scooting Boogie... etc.

If you want any more information, please call Cathy Spohn at 905-982-2723 or Alice Lynch at 905-982-0766. Or better yet just show up Tuesday Mornings at 10:30 a.m. with comfortable shoes, a water bottle and happy feet.

MAH JONGG

Carol Sambrook

We are back at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Come and learn this interesting game. No money is involved.



MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES **Debbie Fair**

Mexican Train is a very popular domino game. It's easy to learn and fun to play. The goal is to try to get rid of as many dominoes as possible and have the lowest score based on the dominoes remaining. Bring your friends and join us Thursday evenings from 7:00 -9:00 p.m.

NIAGARA ON THE LAKE/SHAW FESTIVAL BUS TRIP

Ken and Frances Hurst

We are happy to report the successful trip that we took to Niagara on the Lake and to attend the performance of The Damn Yankees held at the Shaw Festival Theatre on October 7, 2022. It was a beautiful scenic drive and we had good weather for traveling. The bus was very comfortable and this was the first time our bus had seatbelts! We had 37 people on the bus and 33 people attended the performance while the others spent some time on their own in Niagara on the Lake. After the performance had finished up at 4:45 p.m., we took the bus to the Niagara Golf Club where we had a great dinner of our own choice. Thank you to everyone who joined us. I am still hearing people talk about how much of a great time they had. The restaurant was great but paying our bills: NOT SO MUCH!! - (inside joke). We hope we can do it again soon! Please let us know if you have interest in anything and we will see what we can put together.

POWER WALKING

Pam Birgeneau and Barbara Pedder

We exercise in the main hall on the upper level of the Centre Monday to Friday from 8:05 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Using a variety of Leslie Sansone DVDs, we power walk while engaging muscles of the upper and lower



body. Each DVD covers a distance of three or four miles with some routines using an exercise band or weights during the walk. This walking program improves range of motion, muscle conditioning, and the ability to stretch to keep our bodies fit (and young?). No cost and no commitment. Everyone Welcome

POKER BOYS

Mike Smith

Come out and join us every Monday night from 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

* 7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. Dealer's Choice - ante 25 cents, max. bet 20 cents, 3 bump max.

8:45 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Texas Hold 'em - \$5.00 by in For further clarification or information, please don't hesitate to call Mike Smith at 647-960-6398 or send an email to mwsmc@rogers.com.

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. All are welcome. Bring your own beverage and enjoy some male company! For more information contact: Mike Pullen at mmpullen@gmail.com.

SHUFFLEBOARD

Our newly created shuffleboard league is now in full swing for the Winter season. We play on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. and

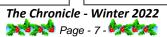


Dave Streeter

2:00 and 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of The Centre. We play a total of four games a day.

On Thursdays there is an organized league with a full roster of 32 players, and on Mondays we have open games with a sign-up sheet for anyone that wants to play. Currently we are getting 10 to 16 people coming out to play on Mondays.

If you are interested in playing shuffleboard on Mondays, please contact Dave Streeter at davestreeter19@gmail.com or (905) 982-0088 to find out how to sign up for Monday games. No experience is necessary; if you want to try it out we can arrange a training session on one of the Monday time slots.



ACTIVITIES

ZUMBA

Zumba is a fitness program that involves cardio and Latin-inspired dance. It was founded by Colombian dancer and



Jolanta Melner

choreographer Beto Pèrez in 2001 and has become a very popular way to work out and have fun! We meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the South Hall of The Centre. Come and join us.

Limited to 20 participants. Registration: Jolanta Melner jolarubym@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS MORNING MEMORIES

MUSIC/ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Frances Hurst

Karen Sallows

KDIDO

For those of you who play a musical instrument and would be interested in participating in a Music Jam Session, please see the sign-up sheet at The Centre or contact Frances Hurst. A date will be determined depending on how many people sign up. Any instrument and music genre are welcome including lead/backup vocals.

Unfortunately, our Christmas Canterbury Chorus is currently on hold until further notice. If you have interest in a Christmas Chorus in the near future, please also sign your name on the same sheet.

When we think of Christmas, many of us are taken back to the days of our childhood. I was the second born of four little girls back in the 1950's when life seemed simpler. If you were a good little girl, Santa came. If you weren't good, he didn't come. We must have been on his good list because Santa always came to our house.

There were rules though! We had to go to bed on Christmas Eve without a fuss.

Of course, even though it was also a tradition for our relatives to visit our home on Christmas Eve and the dining room table was filled with every Christmas treat you could imagine: cookies, candies, a bowl of fruit, pastries, chocolate and the ever-favourite sausage rolls that my mom baked from scratch, we always gave everyone a kiss and trotted off to bed like the good little girls that we were. Well maybe we made a little bit of a fuss!

I shared a room with my sister who was 11 months younger than me and we spent most of the night giggling and listening for Santa to come. He always came after we finally fell asleep I guess, because we never ever heard him come.

On Christmas morning we weren't allowed to leave our rooms until our Dad got up and checked the living room at to see if Santa had been yet! Luckily you couldn't see into the living room from the bathroom, so we could go that far if needed. Once he had verified that Santa had indeed been to our house, we were allowed to go in to the living room.

Checking out our stockings always came first. They were filled with the usual things and there was always an a pople and an orange in the bottom. Remember the fruit bowl on the dining room table on Christmas Eve? It was always empty by Christmas morning so we filled it up with the apples and oranges that Santa brought us and never said a word to our parents.

Next came the presents! Each one was opened, carefully inspected, and shared with the family. All you could hear was, "It's just what I wanted!" and "How did Santa know?" Even the new socks, underpants and pyjamas were greeted with delight!

Some years there was one big present that was for all of us. One year it was a toboggan. Another year it was a brand-new Phonograph that was put to good use by all of us as we became older.

After our Christmas morning breakfast, we would get dressed, make our beds and then lay out all of our gifts on our beds for all of our Christmas day guests to see.

Oh, how I wish I were a kid again! Life was so much fun back then!!

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HOBBY OF A LIFETIME

My hobby started on a kitchen table. The very first model was a F86 Sabre jet. My father and I assembled the kit and painted it. We put in a solid fuel engine and went out to test fly. Awesome! It flew around in a circle very fast and steady; I was hooked!

I have been building and flying model aircraft since the age of ten. Some flew very well and some only lasted one flight. The fascination of seeing something

you build actually fly is exciting. The models that didn't fly became hanging memories in a few little boys' rooms.

My boys used to watch me assemble rockets and airplanes for hours. They would cheer at our good flights and groan at the dismal ones. They now build planes and operate a flight club in their community in a farmer's field.

To this day, I have a spot in the basement where I plan and build my next creation. Building model aircraft is truly a hobby of a lifetime.

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Township of Scugog Bylaw Number 106-05 Regarding Removal of Snow and Ice.

As the winter months begin to take hold, and bring with them snow and ice conditions, this is an important reminder to Canterbury Homeowners. The Corporation of the Township of Scugog has a bylaw requiring property owners to remove snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their properties within 24 hours after a winter event. Failure to do so is an offence and upon conviction the property owner is liable to a fine or penalty. In Canterbury Common, CCRA has contracted with a service provider simply to assist Homeowners in carrying out this function. However, this arrangement does not transfer responsibility for complying with the Township bylaw to our service provider. Ultimate responsibility for being in compliance rests with the property owner to make sure the sidewalks in front of their property are kept free of ice and snow within the required 24-hour time period. The contract with our service provider provides for snow clearing after a snowfall event of five or more centimetres. Salting will be provided only under extreme weather events. This determination will be at the sole discretion of the House and Property Committee.

Sidewalk Liability for Slip and Fall Accidents on Township Owned Property.

For purposes of clarification: if someone slips and falls and is seriously injured on a Township sidewalk, it is the Township, as owner of the public sidewalk, that may be held liable for any damages if found to be negligent. The adjacent property owner would not be liable for the mishap unless their actions were in some way a contributing factor to the hazard created that led to the mishap - for example, if they allowed an overhanging eavestrough or downspout to drip water onto the sidewalk and a pedestrian slipped on the ice that formed. In that situation a claim and any subsequent legal action may be instituted against both the Township of Scugog and the property owner. If this were to occur the property owner should refer the claim to their insurance broker/insurance company to confirm that coverage is provided under the liability section of their homeowners' insurance policy. Any Notice of Claim against the Township of Scugog must be made by the injured person within ten (10) days of the injury and must be made in writing and addressed to the Municipal Clerk. In summary, responsibility for any falls that occur on public sidewalks rests with the Township and not the adjacent property owner (unless in some manner the property owner was responsible for introducing the condition that led to the mishap in which case both the Township and property owner may be held liable). Even if the property owner failed to ensure that any snow and ice was cleared from the sidewalk within the required 24- hour period, and someone fell, at best the property owner may only be liable for a fine and not any legal liability for damages. I trust this provides the necessary clarity on this issue.

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Bryan Hazelton



Your Community Broker



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CCRA' S POLAR BEAR SWIM

The last day of swimming in our lovely pool was Friday, September 23rd. It was a beautiful, sunny day but a bit nippy. We had our own Canterbury version of a polar bear swim. Many of the ladies from the Aquafit group and our friend Jane showed up for a last swim. Some just sat on the pool deck and watched.

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered this summer to make our pool season a success. See you all next year!







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Photos: Lauren Maher, Nora Senechal

OAK RIDGES HOSPICE UPDATE

It is with immense gratitude that we share this update with the Canterbury Common community who have supported Oak Ridges Hospice from the very beginning!

Since opening the doors of the Morgan & Sidhu House last year, Oak Ridges Hospice has had the tremendous privilege and honour to care for over 150 residents, as well as support their family members and loved ones. The hospice has developed immensely as an organization over the last several months and we have introduced many programs to help better serve our community.



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In November last year we welcomed our Supportive and Spiritual Care Coordinator, Angelica, who is available in the hospice to support residents and their loved ones throughout their stay. She has also spearheaded our Grief and Bereavement Program which offers several group and individual supports to families after their loved one has passed.

We now have a full-time Intake Coordinator, Mary, who meets with families in community and supports them with the transition into hospice. She helps connect people with additional supports if needed and networks with other community and healthcare agencies – taking a lot of the pressure off of the families during an already stressful time.

Our Kitchen Lead, Joanna, has introduced dozens of delicious recipes to our kitchen and continues to make our residents' favourite meals whenever they ask. Our wonderful team of volunteers help with the baking and cooking too, so when you walk into the hospice, you are often greeted by the smells of a freshly baked muffin or a home-made soup.

The hospice is truly a home away from home. For our residents, they have their own private care suites outfitted with home-like furnishings, as well as big windows to see the wildlife through (our dozens of bird feeders are a popular addition to our outdoor space!). Often, residents will bring their own photos, artwork, and memorabilia from home to really make the room their own.

Our clinical team are on site around the clock and our doctors are on-call 24/7 to ensure the care needs of our residents are being met. There will always be someone available to make sure they are comfortable and getting what they need – even if it includes an Ice Cream Sundae at midnight. We encourage our residents and their families never to hesitate to ask for anything!

When all the care needs are being met, family members can step out of the role of being caregivers and focus on spending meaningful time together. Whether that is just sitting together and talking, watching a hockey game as a family, sharing a favourite meal, or hosting a special anniversary party, we make sure everything is taken care of so they can be present in the moment.

We are so proud that our services are accessible to everyone, from any socio-economic background, as there is no cost to stay at or receive support through Oak Ridges Hospice. This is largely thanks to the generous community of supporters, like you!

As you may already know, our funding covers just 40% of our budget and the rest is made up from donations. We are very fortunate to have a very supportive community who continue to donate, host fundraisers, participate in events, and spread the word about the work we do.

If you are interested in learning more about the hospice, volunteering, or donating, please get in touch! All our contact information can be found online at oakridgeshospice.com or you can call us at 289-225-0202. We are also always happy to host tours of the hospice, so if you're interested in seeing the Morgan & Sidhu House in person, let us know! We'll be sure to point out the Canterbury Common Residents' Association recognition on our donor wall!

Once again, thank you for your support and helping us provide compassionate comfort and care at Oak Ridges Hospice!



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20 REMARKABLY EASY WAYS TO CREATE A DUST-FREE HOME

From the Bob Vila Website

No matter how clean your home may be, it's probably still a little dusty. Minimizing the amount of dust in your home makes a huge difference in air quality, and it can help prolong the life of furniture, appliances, and household electronics.

Use Door Mats

Every time visitors come in from the outside, they track dirt into the house - and small dirt particles are a major component of dust. Use both exterior and interior doormats - especially the kind with a bristle top - to trap dirt and keep it from traveling farther into your home. Wash or vacuum the mats regularly to prevent build-up.

Groom Your Pets

Dead skin cells and dead hair are a major source of dust - and unfortunately, our furry friends produce a lot of hair! Groom pets regularly to help keep dead skin and hair from accumulating. As a bonus, you and your pets will feel better too. Keeping kitty's litter box covered will also help hold down the dust.



Close Windows

It may seem counterintuitive, but opening the windows to get some fresh air actually increases the amount of dust in your home. Dust enters through doors and windows in the form of pollen, mold spores, and airborne pollutants, all of which create a significant buildup that you can see on windowsills. Keeping the windows closed - especially on windy days - will minimize the problem.

Forgo Carpeting

Getting rid of carpet might seem like a drastic measure, but carpeting holds an awful lot of dust - and releases it into the air every time you take a step. If you are thinking of redecorating, consider installing some type of hard-surface flooring: wood, tile, stone, or vinyl are all good alternatives to carpeting and much easier to keep dust-free!

Clean Your Pillows

Even if you wash your sheets and pillowcases every week, dust mites can still live inside the pillows. Using a mild detergent, wash them by hand or in the washing machine, then dry and fluff. Alternatively, take them to the dry cleaners. Whichever route you choose, you'll breathe easier at bedtime.

Damp It Down

Never underestimate the power of water. A good damp mopping and dusting will go a long way towards eliminating 90 percent of the dust in your home, and plain water is just about as environmentally friendly a cleanser as you can find. A damp rag or mop captures and holds dust, which can then simply be rinsed down the drain.

ADOPT-A-BENCH UPDATE

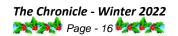
Dorothy Bull

The bases for our eight new benches are being installed this fall but due to the weather it is not clear when this will be completed.

Muskoka Teak has delivered our first order of benches and they will be installed in the spring. Judging from comments I have heard from our residents, we are looking forward to enjoying our new resting spots and meeting places. I have an invitation to meet two of the generous donors for a glass of wine and to watch the sunset, appropriately, on the Sunset Meadow.

You, your family, a group of neighbours or your club can donate a bench with your name or message. If you are interested in hearing more about this program or ordering a bench, please contact me no later than December 31, 2022. I need to advise the supplier how many benches we anticipate needing for the June delivery. No deposit is needed when ordering but payment in full will be required by March 31, 2023. This will be an ongoing opportunity with deliveries twice a year (spring and fall) if required.

We have found a supplier for the bench plaques with the donor's message inscribed. These messages are coming



from the donors' hearts and will be seen and shared for many years. I am confident that this will be decided in the next week or two.

Presently, all donated benches will be placed in our new green space along our own walking trail (the old cart path). I would like to hear ideas, comments and suggestions from residents about other possible locations. Residents who have more limited abilities or have been ill might not be able to walk as far as the meadows. What about locating some benches around our streets, perhaps where there are slightly more open areas, and of course being very aware of sight lines and permission from neighbouring homes? We need to have these conversations so this program can be inclusive.

Below is a personal story about our Adopt-A-Bench program that I would like to share.

I recently had a delightful conversation with two of our residents: Maria Decina and her neighbour Christine Cooke. It filled me with happiness. I feel they epitomised the spirit of Canterbury Common and our 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.

Maria said she was happy and excited when she saw in *The Chronicle* that we were looking for donors for the Adopt-a-Bench program, as this would be a way for her and her family to memorialize their much-loved husband and father, Angelo. However, she wasn't sure how to go about ordering a bench so she asked Christine to help her. Christine telephoned me to inquire and the three of us had a little group conversation with lots of laughter conducted in our Scottish, Italian, and Lancashire accents. As this fall's offering of six benches was increased to eight benches, Maria's name was put on the list for our order of benches.

Now the family can take time and write a fitting tribute for the memorial plaque that will be displayed on the bench. Maria and her family have already identified what they feel is the perfect place for "Angelo's" bench. Here they will take part in community gatherings, enjoy the beauty of Canterbury Commons, and I'm sure feel close to a wonderful man: their husband and father.

We are building a stronger, more connected community thanks to our bench sponsors. Thank you to Maria and Christine for being such wonderful neighbours.

UNIVERSITY IS FOR ALL AGES

The Committee for An Age Friendly University

Who said university is for young adults? Universities are so much more than undergraduate classes. They are involved with world class research, graduate training, community programming, and continuous learning. In an effort to open the doors of the university, <u>Ontario Tech University</u> has committed to being Age-Friendly.

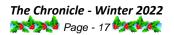
What does this mean? The University has committed itself to the ten principles outlined by the <u>Global Age Friendly Network</u> (details can be found at <u>www.geron.org</u>). These include a commitment to including the voices of older adults in all operations at the university, including teaching and research. As part of this commitment, Ontario Tech University has created a Committee for an <u>Age-Friendly University</u>. Below are some upcoming events that the committee has organized.



Speaker Series: This year we have focused on featuring the work of our internationally recognized researchers. Join us in December for a talk by Dr. Pedersen on *Emerging Embodied Computing, Artificial Intelligence, and Our Changing Lifestyle*. You can register for the event through the university website at www.ontariotechu.ca/agefriendly

Intergenerational Opportunities: Our goal is to create intergenerational volunteering opportunities so that students and older adults in the community can learn from one another. We will be posting a survey to get a sense of what types of services and programs are of interest to you. Please check our website in December for a link to the survey.

Research Participation: We encourage you to participate in novel research studies that are either online, or in our cool laboratories that have state of the art equipment enabling research related to virtual reality, aerodynamics, car safety, neuroscience, and more. You can learn about studies that are actively recruiting for participants by signing up



for our newsletter on our website at www.ontariotechu.ca/agefriendly.

We are open to ideas and suggestions, and look forward to welcoming you to our campus for our annual Campus Community Connect Event, or for a tour for your group. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or ideas!

We hope that you will become part of our Age-Friendly University community.

SMILE OF THE DAY!

I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes... so she hugged me.

My wife says I only have two faults. I don't listen and something else....

Wi-fi went down for five minutes, so I had to talk to my family. They seem like nice people.

Sprinkle on the lawn at night.

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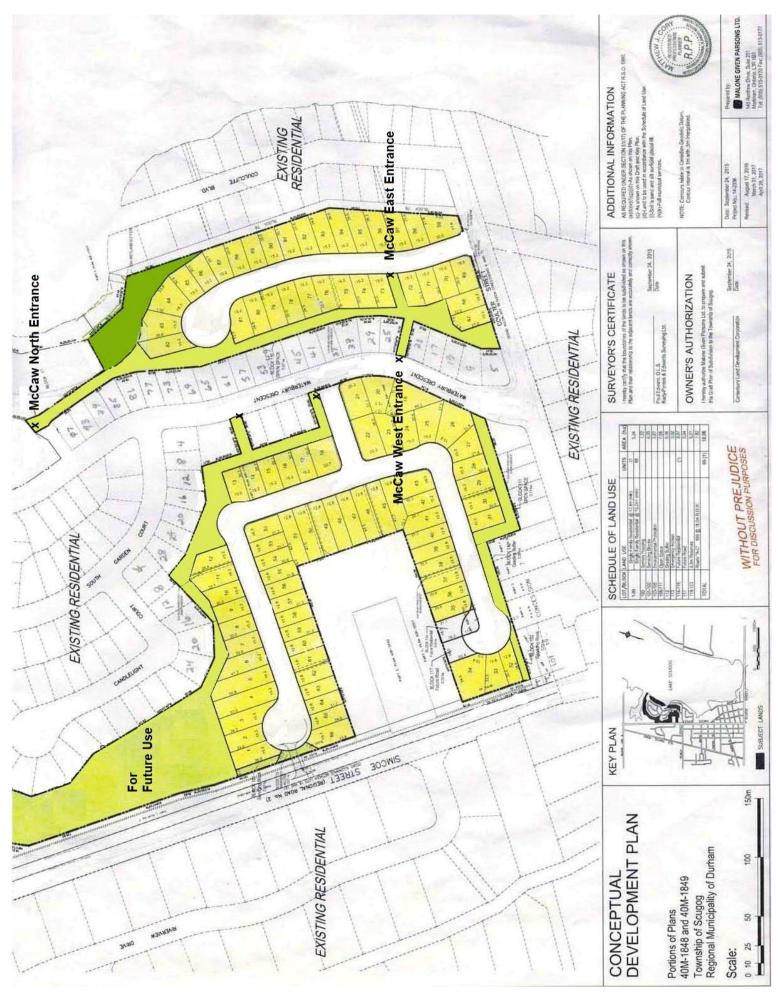




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THE PARKETTES

By Karen English

Many of the new residents of this community have no idea where the Parkettes are and how to access these 'Commons'. Initially there were signs marking the entrance to these areas but in summer 2011 House and Property found that many of the signs were now missing. One suggestion was to mark the curb or pavement to indicate where the entrance is to these areas, but that will need to be approved by the township. Hopefully this article will clear up some of the confusion.

The West Commons:

Between 224 Waterbury Crescent and the back of 284 Waterbury Crescent. Between 7 Commons Boulevard and the back of 96 South Garden Court

The East Commons:

Between 288 and 304 Waterbury Crescent Between 4 Commons Boulevard and the back of 92 South Garden Court.

The entrance to the formerly 9th hole is now the McCaw entrance. McCaw can be accessed in 3 spots. Between 21 and 25 Waterbury Crescent Between 14 and 18 McCaw Court Between 60 and 71 McCaw Court

The community expansion has added a few other areas that are considered Commons areas. They include Sunset Meadow, Northview Meadow and Lakeside Meadow. The entrances have not yet been determined. There is one more area marked 'For Future Use' that will be named once the land transfer has occurred.

The Commons areas are not open to the public and are for the enjoyment of Canterbury residents only.

Please be courteous to the neighbours backing onto these areas.



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PORT PERRY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION NEWS



I hope this year has been one of good health for you and yours. It's been an incredibly busy year at the hospital

and for the Foundation. The much-awaited CT Scanner is forecast for spring 2022 and our medical team is eagerly awaiting its arrival. Community support has made CT at Port Perry possible and what an impact it will have.

Another recent Foundation-supported purchase is a Sonosite portable ultrasound for the Emergency Department. If you think about the difference in a phone camera now versus ten years ago, you'll have an idea of just how much ultrasound imaging has advanced and how much this will help.

I recently heard that worldwide there is a shortage of 18 million nurses; what a staggering indication of the complex human resources crisis facing healthcare. Lakeridge hospitals including Port Perry, just like hospitals across Ontario and the world, are facing unprecedented challenges.

One way we can help locally is to ensure that our already-stretched Port Perry medical staff don't spend precious time chasing down the equipment they use frequently in delivering care. The Foundation is currently raising funds for additional and updated "everyday" equipment like vital signs monitors, a new bladder scanner, and other such machines. I hope you'll help if you can.



Another way to help is to be aware of the best course of action should you or a loved one become ill. Lakeridge Health's Emergency Departments (EDs), including Port Perry's ED are experiencing critical staffing shortages and high patient volumes, impacting overall wait times. For all individuals in medical emergencies that pose an immediate threat to life, where rapid medical help is needed, call 9-1-1 or head to your nearest ED. If you or a loved one is in this situation, you will be seen right away. Life-threatening conditions include unconsciousness, trouble breathing, lack of pulse, chest pain or discomfort, shortness of breath or dizziness, severe bleeding, and other serious trauma or conditions.

If your situation is less urgent, and does not require immediate medical intervention, Lakeridge Health recommends options such as urgent care, walk-in clinics, primary care, and/or virtual care options. A list of these as well as Lakeridge's ED Wait Times Tracker (for less or non-emergency situations) can be reached via www.lakeridgehealth.on.ca/en/ourservices/emergency-department-wait-times.asp

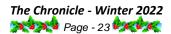
And 'tis the season for colds, influenza, Covid-19 and other respiratory illness. To that end, you're urged to ensure your vaccines are up to date, including getting the flu shot and Covid-19 booster. To help prevent the spread of illness wear a mask, physically distance especially in crowded indoor places, and continue to practice good hand hygiene.

Happy Healthy Holidays. And a Merry Christmas to all who celebrate.

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Rachel Agnoluzzi, CEO, Port Perry Hospital Foundation

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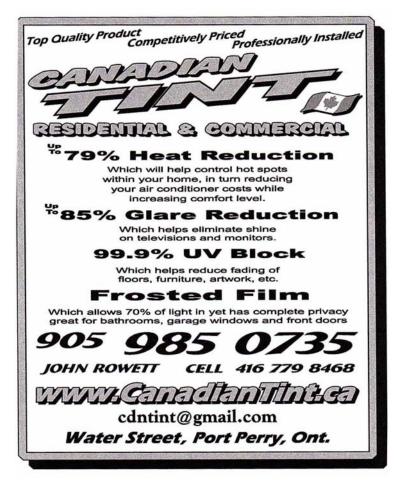


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website. The pictures and ads are so much clearer in colour!

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CANTERBURY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Included as an insert with this issue is the Canterbury Activities and Events publication. Produced by the Communications Committee, this document lists the many activities and events residents may participate in here in Canterbury Common and even some trips enjoyed in other regions of Ontario. If you have information you feel should be added to this list please send your information to Karen English at the

info@canterburycommon.ca email address.

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all Canterbury Residents from the Communications Committee.



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Christmas Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Words can go in either direction horizontally, vertically, or diagonally.

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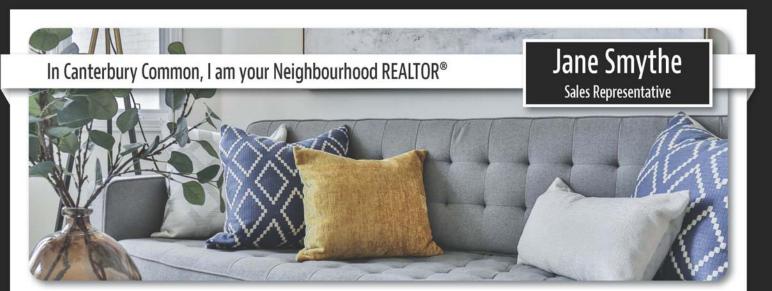


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HARVEY AND JOAN'S 65TH ANNIVERSARY

on Thursday, October 27 Canterbury Common held its second Coffee Hour in 2 1/2 years. Our guests of honour were Harvey and Joan Graham who were residents of Canterbury Common for over 20 years and have recently moved to West Shore Village.

Over the years while living here, Harvey has spoken at our Coffee Hour several times and has shared with us his knowledge and expertise about the farming industry. He also put together some amazing bus trips to share his knowledge of the farm industry so we could see farming in full operation right here in our surrounding area.

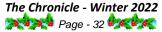
Harvey has always been able to command a big crowd when speaking at Canterbury Common due to his incredible amount of knowledge in the farming industry. He had so much involvement in the industry and it led him is to be inducted into the Ontario Agriculture Hall of Fame in 2018.

Harvey talked about several changes that have happened in the farming industry over the last 45 years with different crops being planted now that were not even thought of years ago. He also shared about different methods of farming from the family farm (for decades owned by families in Durham Region) to today's thousands of acres owned by large organizations. Also, he talked about factory farming that some people view as harmful to farm animals. However, animals are fed better and are kept better inside of massive barns around the community. Harvey's speech was well received with a standing ovation!

This is not the only reason the social committee invited Harvey and Joan back!! In July of this year, Harvey and Joan celebrated 65 years of Wedded Bliss! Our community wanted to honour them with a very special presentation since they were to celebrate right here at our Centre in July. But their plan got changed when Covid struck us once again and The Centre had to temporarily close. The Social Committee presented flowers and a card signed by many residents of Canterbury Common. Lou Rocha, President of the Canterbury Board, with his great technical skills, put together a video presentation of pictures set to music of Harvey and Joan's years in Canterbury Common.

A special thanks to Harvey and Joan for their education, kindness, and friendship. We are happy you are not far,

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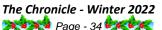
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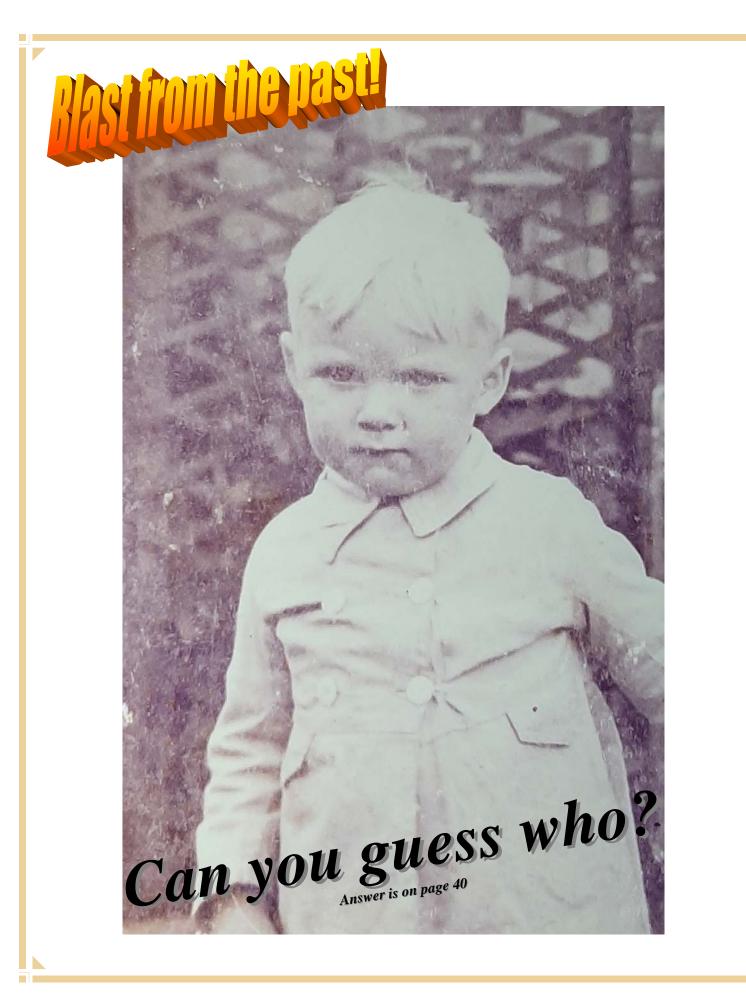
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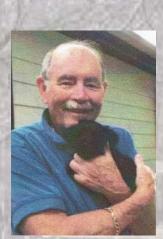


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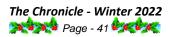
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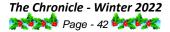
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