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Low usage could jeopardize library outlets

County library strategy review looks to future

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Some tough decisions may soon be made within the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) Library system.

Having recently undergone a strategic planning review — undertaken by Dysart & Jones, a Toronto-based management services company — the findings revealed the next approach could be the creation of a "chain of command" system.

This would see certain villages, such as Winchester and Morrisburg, have their branches left intact, while becoming a resource hub for neighbouring sites.

This method would be less prohibitive than the current model, the study indicates. Meanwhile, a secondary report by the Administrators of Rural and Urban Public Libraries of Ontario (ARUPLO) found that many of the region's libraries are under-staffed, and too small to survive.

As well, ARUPLO said, some facilities do not operate within enough space to offer acceptable amounts of seating or working space, while, due to depleted population, may offer restricted service, with minimal hours of operation.

Dysart & Jones, meanwhile, conducted a set of surveys — online and by phone — to gauge community response.

A final report, released in January, found that the SD&G County Library experiences notably low levels of use in comparison to other library systems serving a similar population.

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Beasts of the East

Paced by Mitch Kirkwood's four-goal performance and backed by Colin Giberson's flawless goaltending, the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons blanked the Char-Lan Rebels 7-0 Monday (March 5) night to become the 2011-2012 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's East Division champions. See page 13 for more details.

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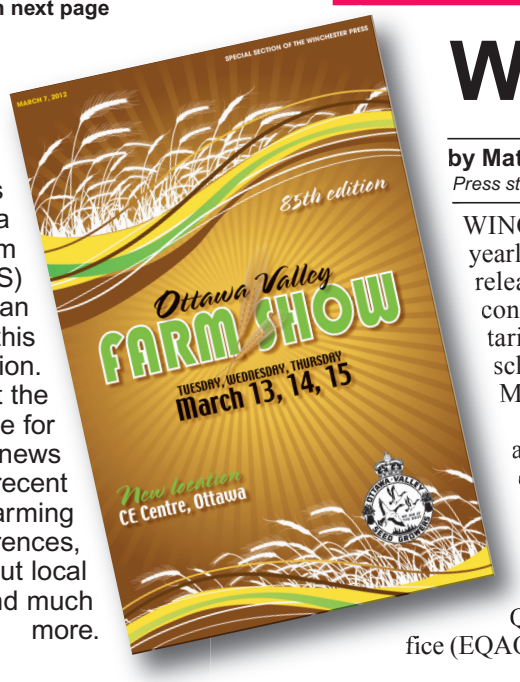
The *Winchester Press* proudly presents its 2012 Ottawa Valley Farm Show (OVFS) supplement, an insert in this week's publication. Check out the informative guide for OVFS info, news stories from recent area farming conferences, information about local business, and much more.



WPS continues to rise in rankings

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — As part of a yearly tradition, the Fraser Institute released its annual — and highly controversial — ranking of Ontario's elementary schools on Sun., March 4.

In total, 2,695 schools from across the province are reviewed on the list, with a breakdown of academic performance based on the outcomes from the Grades 3 and 6 students who write the annual Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) test. The examination, which evaluates reading, writing, and math skills, is administered in public, Catholic, and French-speaking schools each year.

"Using long-term, provincewide school performance data, our school rankings let parents monitor the performance of their child's school over time and also help educators identify key areas for improvement in their classrooms," said Michael Thomas, the Fraser Institute's associate director of school performance studies. "Our report card is the only objective, reliable tool that shows which schools across Ontario have improved, or fallen behind, in terms of reading, writing, and mathematics over the past five years."

Fraser Institute ranks 2,695 Ontario schools

However, not all elementary schools in certain regions are included in the ranking. In some school districts that operate middle and junior high schools, the local elementary school may not enroll students in Grade 6.

As well, schools with fewer than 15 students in either grade are excluded, while private schools, and First Nations-operated, federally funded institutions are not required to administer the EQAO test, and are therefore left off of the ranking.

Schools are also excluded if they cannot generate a large enough set of student data to determine an overall rating out of 10.

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New CEO appointed for Champlain LHIN

WINCHESTER — The Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) has named its new CEO.

Effective Mon., March 5, Chantale LeClerc took over the position vacated by Alex Munter in October 2011. He had been on the job less than a year.

For the past six months, LeClerc has held the top position in an interim role, and prior to that was senior director of health system integration with the local LHIN.

Chantale LeClerc has been hired as the Champlain Local Health Integration Network's new CEO.

She was hired following an extensive national search, in which the LHIN's board of directors considered 17 different candidates.

"As a nurse and healthcare planner, Chantale possesses that wonderful combination of front-line experience and decision-making expertise," Dr. Wilbert Keon, board chair for the Champlain LHIN, said in a press release. "Her innovative work in developing new seniors' programs has been exemplary, and her thoughtful and collaborative approach to complex challenges is one of her greatest strengths."

The LHIN, which controls roughly $2.25 billion annually, is responsible for the health and well being of more than a million Eastern Ontario residents.

Ride the wind

As winter's winds whipped through the region on Sat., March 3, members of the Nation Valley All-Terrain Vehicle Club welcomed more than 100 riders to the Winchester Service Station (Francis Fuels). That day, the NVATVC held its annual winter rally, with riders taking to the area's trails during the roughly eight-hour excursion. Participants didn't go hungry either, as members of the Winchester Fire Department served lunch at one of the many trail stops along the route. Pictured here taking part are Dave (front) and Sam Kinsella. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

Blood donor clinic coming to Winchester

WINCHESTER — Canadian Blood Services is scheduled to be in Winchester on Thurs., March 22.

A blood donor clinic has been slated for that day, from 1 to 8 pm, inside the Winchester Public School's gymnasium.

For more information, call 1-888-236-6283 or visit www.blood.ca.

Libraries

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As well, active cardholders, total circulation, library visits per week, and electronic visits were all lower for the local system than other libraries profiled. Meanwhile, survey numbers showed that about 80 per cent of online respondents ranked the counties library system at a four or five out of a possible mark of five. The phone survey, however, showed that just 42 per cent of residents are annual library users.

For the future, ARUPLO's report suggested that resource branches should have a minimum total square footage of 3,500, a dedicated meeting and programming area, and be open not less than 35 hours per week.

Currently, none of SD&G's branches fit that model, which could mean structural, as well as administrative, changes at some sites.

In Dundas County, sites targeted as resource branches would be Winchester and Morrisburg. The Winchester site would need to be more than doubled in size, however, but it's unlikely that could be done within the current centre. In Morrisburg, the present location, within the village's arena, is likely to become the new home of the Dundas County Food Bank. The library is expected to move into the space adjacent to the former Morrisburg High School site. Currently, the St. Lawrence Medical Clinic is in the space, but will be moving into the first floor of the redeveloped educational facility.

The remaining county sites have been divided into separate categories — ones to be retained, and others that could be closed.

Branches in South Mountain (which is a brand new facility) and Iroquois are likely to remain open well into the future, while it's unclear how much longer libraries in Chesterville, Morewood, and Williamsburg will continue to operate.

The current strategic planning is an ongoing effort, however, with no long-term decisions having been made to date.

Rankings

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In the overall ranking for the 2010-2011 school year, Winchester Public School sits in the 313th position, while the overall rating received by the educational facility was an eight. That mark is up slightly from 7.9 during the 2009-2010 school year.

Chesterville Public School (CPS) placed 2,455 in the overall ranking system, and received a 3.4 overall rating — down significantly from 2009-2010, when CPS' rating was 4.3.

Nationview Public School ranked 1,423 overall, with a six rating, while Iroquois Public School came in at 661, with a 7.2 rating.

Morrisburg Public School's listing was identical to that of the Chesterville school, making them the two lowest-ranking Dundas County institutes in the Upper Canada District School Board.

Other local rankings

Other local schools placing in the overall rankings include: Metcalfe Public School (2,238), Castor Valley Public School (392), Greely Public School (1,370), St. Catherine Catholic School in Metcalfe (1,423), and St. Mary Catholic School in Chesterville (1,991).

For the complete listing, visit www.fraserinstitute.org.

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Rural transit network key to economic prosperity

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Having a job often begins with a ride to work.

However, that factor can be an impediment to the region's poor. It's not often, in today's harsh economic climate, that finding a position is easy, but getting there, in many cases, causes the most problems.

With that in mind, a local charitable group is looking to become a link in the chain of the region's growing transportation needs.

Linking Hands, a project of the House of Lazarus, has begun working on an action plan that would see Dundas County organizations, such as the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre and the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU), band together to improve transit access.

"Yes… This is a daunting task, but the wheels are definitely rolling," Nanda Wubs told the *Winchester Press*.

Wubs, whose business has been providing a Monday-to-Friday shuttle service, which begins in Chesterville and makes stops in Winchester, Vernon, Metcalfe, and Greely, before drop-offs at various stations in Ottawa, has recently been working to add a South Dundas route to the company's burgeoning commuter network.

However, following the Dundas County Community Forum, held in November 2011 at Williamsburg's Christian Reformed Church, transportation became a common barrier for all aspects of rural sustainability.

Few options for working poor

"We are an advocacy group for rural poor, and transportation was a key theme in that forum," Wubs added.

Through a Linking Hands subsection committee, known as the Dundas Accessible Transportation Group (DATG), members are working toward the creation of a 10-year vision, as a means to get the planned network up and running.

As well, in order to get the idea further toward fruition, the DATG held a special session in Chesterville earlier this month, featuring Robert Dupuis and Harry Gow, two Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec transit experts.

Dupuis is the brains behind TransporAction Pontiac, a community transit network in the Pontiac region, while Gow is the founder of Transport Action (formerly Transport 2000 Canada), a non-profit organization working to create affordable transit networks throughout Canada.

"The event was well attended, and there was some good representation of local agencies, including both municipalities," Wubs said. "The next step is to continue investigating other models of transportation networks."

As well, the committee is working on a survey to send out to local agencies to determine the amount of current transportation services, and fleet of vehicles available.

Afterward, a transportation needs assessment will be conducted in order to chart where in Dundas County the service is needed most.

Louise (right) and Ken Arsenault opened the Village Bin's doors for one last time on Sat., March 3. After 30 years of operation, the store has closed. *Press Photo — Smith-Millar*

Residents asked to help shape future of S. Dundas with strategic plan input

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — As promised, community participation will be a key component to shaping the Township of South Dundas' next 10 years.

Through the creation of a community strategic plan, the municipality will be working to bring together a range of interests and priorities in an integrated and balanced policy.

Ottawa-based Dillon Consulting has been hired to spearhead the project, while South Dundas has set aside $25,000 for the strategy's creation. (Dillon secured the contract with a winning $24,870 bid.)

The action brings the township one step closer to the fulfillment of campaign promises made by those vying for a seat at the council table during the October 2010 municipal election.

The issue was highly prioritized by Mayor Steven Byvelds, who has been calling for a plan's completion since his time as a councillor in the previous administration.

"It's important that we have a strategic plan made by the people of South Dundas," he said during a council meeting late last year. "I certainly hope we get as many as possible to participate. We need to get an idea of where we're going as a community."

Highlights of the plan are to include creating community interest and participation; determining strategies and action plans for required resources; and conducting various community consultations in order to stimulate the planning process.

The plan is also expected to take into account possible expansions to the municipality's business community, as well as population increases.

In order to chart community response, a set of public consultations has been scheduled.

The first in the series of meetings is scheduled for Wed., March 21 from 2 to 4 pm at Matilda Hall in Dixons Corners. Later that evening, from 7 to 9 pm, another session is to be held at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. On Thurs., March 22 a third meeting is planned for 2 to 4 pm at the Iroquois Civic Centre, while a final forum is to take place from 7 to 9 pm at the Williamsburg Oddfellows Hall that night.

As well, citizens are encouraged to complete the created survey, or submit pictures for an online photo journal.

For more information, visit www.southdundas.com and click on the community strategic plan link.

Village Bin closes after three decades

WINCHESTER — Main Street has lost another stalwart business.

On Sat., March 3, the Village Bin closed its doors after 30 years of business.

Owners Louise and Ken Arsenault made the tough decision following declining sales, and rising operational costs.

"The Bin," as it has been affectionately known, began in the 1980s, when original owners Monique Beauchamp and Millie McClatchie first opened the shop to the public.

The Arsenaults took over about 11 years ago, and since that time, had continued serving the area's bulk food needs, one scoop at a time.

Despite the closure of the Winchester location, the couple will still play a part in the region's business community, as they are the owners of Louise & Company in Kemptville.

South Dundas paring down 2012 budget

WILLIAMSBURG — This year's budget process has begun in the Township of South Dundas.

On Mon., March 5, following a day-long meeting, council members worked this year's potential tax increase down to approximately 3.27 per cent, noticeably lower than the 5.92 per cent the meeting started with.

"Nothing is final though, and there's the possibility it could go down further," Shannon Geraghty, South Dundas treasurer, told the *Winchester Press*.

Combined, approximately $125,000 was removed from various township departmental budgets, which is a fairly low figure, Geraghty added.

"I think the process went well… Better than I expected," he said.

However, work is far from over. A second meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Thurs., March 8. (South Dundas council members were expected to set an official date and time at the township's Tues., March 6 council meeting.)

If the remaining process runs smoothly, Geraghty said, the 2012 municipal budget may be passed at the Tues., March 20 council meeting.

In 2011, South Dundas' tax levy was increased by 3.94 per cent, which was the first rise in the township after years of zero per cent increases.

North Dundas hires company to develop economic strategy

WINCHESTER — Community input is to be the integral part of the Township of North Dundas' new economic development strategy.

By way of an official announcement on Fri., March 2, the municipality has hired McSweeney and Associates to develop the long-term action plan. (The same firm has been hired by the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry to create a counties-wide strategy.)

Online survey available

The intent of the process is to provide direction and actions to strengthen and diversify North Dundas' economy, and municipal leaders want to hear from township residents.

In order to stimulate resident response, McSweeney and Associates has developed a survey, which is accessible on the township's website (www.northdundas.com).

"Community engagement is a key part of the process of developing the economic development strategy," Rob Hunter, North Dundas' economic development officer, said in a press release. "We encourage all township residents and businesses to participate in the process."

The survey is to be available for completion until Fri., March 23.

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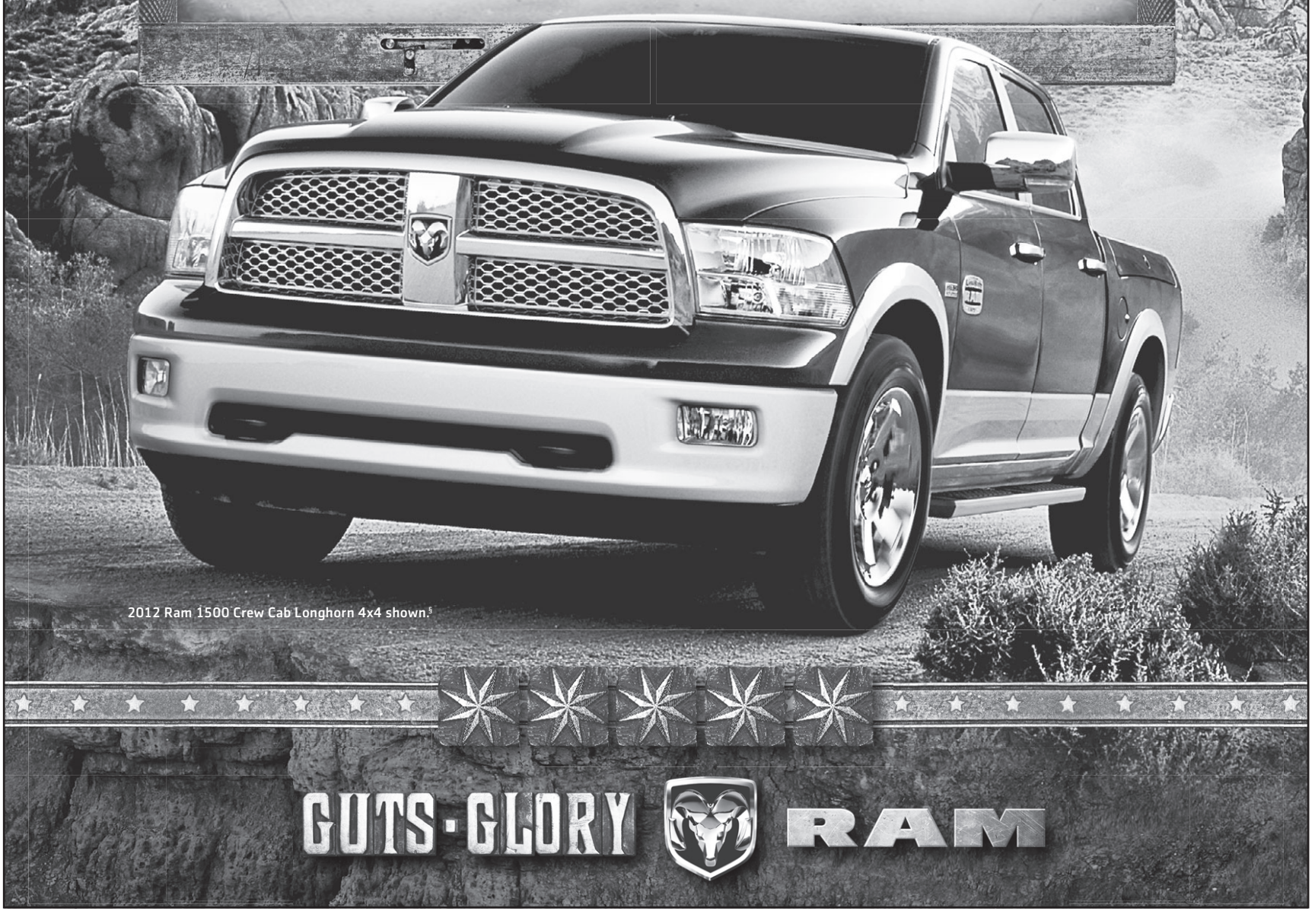

Hockey equipment headed north

Local initiative to help Inuit women play their game

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

Winchester resident Amy Fraser has helped to collect 22 bags full of hockey equipment to be shipped to Rankin Inlet, Nunavut.

Press Photo — Uhrig

WINCHESTER — It's a quintessential Canadian story.

On a cold winter's morning, with the sun having not yet perched itself in the sky, parents are bundling up their children, and loading the equipment into the family vehicle, en route to an arena somewhere.

But suppose the key element to the hockey game — the equipment — was missing.

Unaccounted for are the stick, the shoulder, elbow, and shin pads, and the helmet, among other things.

What if you, more than anything else, wanted to play the sport alongside friends, instead of just fawning over the stars of the National Hockey League?

In Rankin Inlet, a small Inuit community in Nunavut, located on the northwestern shores of Hudson Bay, that is the case. However, in that tight-knit community, it would appear one sex wins out over the other in hockey dominance.

Ask Lisa Brunet, a one-time Winchester and District Ladies Hockey League (WDLHL) player, and you'll get a first-hand account of the experience felt by female players in Canada's north.

Brunet, who has been playing hockey since she was seven years old, has been in the region for some time now, and recently began coaching.

"Females playing hockey is quite recent, compared to the men," she said, speaking with the *Winchester Press* from Rankin Inlet. "There would be more women playing, but many don't have equipment. Some are even wearing their kids' equipment."

That's the dichotomy, she argues, where kids are given the chance to play, while the mothers don't get the same opportunity.

"Some mothers out there put their kids first, and that means they sometimes get the short end of the stick," Brunet said.

Noticing a trend, she encouraged her players to attempt a fundraiser to purchase new equipment, and at the same time reached out to former colleagues in the WDLHL.

Winchester resident Amy Fraser was one of Brunet's first contacts, and it proved to be the right choice.

"I called Amy… a week later, she tells me that she has 22 [hockey] bags full of equipment," Brunet said. "One call, and look what happens."

Fraser's efforts began in the local community, and quickly branched out to other resources.

"I wanted to help, you know? It's how I was raised," she said when speaking with the *Press*. "I love the game, and I can only imagine how much these women and girls want to play. If I can help them, why not?"

Fraser first contacted the North Dundas Minor Hockey Association, and got them onboard to donate some jerseys and other minor accessories, while the Canadian Adult Recreation Hockey Association, possibly inspired by their efforts, shipped 20 brand new hockey bags to Rankin Inlet. (One-time Winchester resident Rob Raistrick, owner of Barrhaven's Source for Sports, also donated items to the cause.)

Fraser then made contact with another resource at the Ottawa District Hockey Association (ODHA), and was surprised by the windfall.

"The ODHA is continually collecting equipment with the intent of it going to kids who need it," Fraser said.

Not only that, but the Ottawa-based association has partnered with both the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program and the Ottawa Senators Foundation to leverage its ability to help every child who wants to play the game.

Suddenly, Fraser said, hundreds of pieces of equipment were being dropped off at the Winchester Fire Hall. "Elbow pads, gloves, skates, lots of helmets, there was just so much stuff," she said.

Soon the sorting began, as Fraser, with the help of her husband, Township of North Dundas Councillor Tony Fraser, and others, worked to separate the quality items from those having reached the end of their lifespan.

Those pieces that did pass the needs test were cleaned up, thanks to the fire department's heavy-duty washer and dryer, and packed away, patiently awaiting the trip north.

Now, after many false starts, the equipment will finally be shipped to Nunavut.

"I finally made arrangements to get the equipment out of my garage," Fraser said.

Help has come in the form of First Air, an Ottawa-based airline exclusively serving Canada's north, and its director of sales for the eastern region, Ed Picco. (Picco is a former education minister and government house leader in Nunavut's government.)

"He said they could take care of it for free, no problem," Fraser said. "I'm just over the moon about this."

For Brunet, she told the *Press* the equipment will help to make a big difference in a land that has gone through so much change in the past 30 years.

"Nunavut… It's a magical place. The landscape is beautiful," she said. "But times have changed for them [the Inuit] so much. It will be a matter of patience and time to see them truly be on their own feet again. What I've noticed is the big gap between the elders and the children… It seems some children don't really know who to be — white or Inuk."

However, it's the game of hockey that may be able to play a small part in strengthening the ties that will forever bind the community.

"This hockey equipment is being shipped here so that a few mothers can have fun out there on the ice," she said. "What an opportunity."

Lions Clubs re-kick start Rutters fund

WINCHESTER — With a new year in full gear, local Lions clubs have re-initiated their Hailey Rutters Fund project.

The young Finch resident has a large birthmark that covers her left eye. It has required several surgeries already, and more are on the horizon. The unusual skin problem is more than a cosmetic issue, and has obscured the child's vision in the past.

The Winchester Lions Club launched the fund about three years ago, as Rutter's grandfather, Al McRoberts, is a member of the village's group. Money was raised to assist with expenses related to the surgeries and treatment not covered by health insurance or OHIP, as well as drugs, transportation, parking, and other ancillary expenses.

To date, approximately $30,000 has been raised and handed over to the young girl's family, while of late, the fund had depleted to about $800.

"This is certainly an important project we have in place," said Phil Carkner, a Winchester member.

To get the fund underway again, the Finch and District Lions Club recently handed over $1,500.

Carkner added that the money would help to tackle mounting costs.

"One bottle of ointment, which she needs to put on daily, costs $125," he said. "It's a new year, so hopefully we can help a lot more."

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KEMPTVILLE — This year's Soupfest, the first held at the North Grenville Municipal Centre in Kemptville, has been deemed a success by organizers.

The Sat., March 3 event attracted more than 200 attendees, and featured entries from 16 restaurants throughout the region. Also this year, as in the past, the event was held to not only feature local restaurants, but to serve as a fundraiser for South Mountain-based TLC Ministries.

This year's winners were: Nakhon Thai Express in Kemptville, people's choice; while Salamanders in Kemptville and Nakhon Thai Express tied for the celebrity judges choice, having both been awarded first place in best overall soup, as well as most creative entry. The best presentation award, meanwhile, went to Salamanders.

"[All entries] were deserving of winning, and [I think] the public found it hard to pick the best overall soup," said Lynn Ford, lead organizer and TLC Ministries founder.

A proceeds total was not available by press time.

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101 years of battling for women's rights

For many of today's female generation, the suffragist movement means nothing.

It means nothing to many that women the world over joined forces decades ago to battle against what they felt to be severe injustice.

United, they were beacons of a worldwide movement toward gender equality.

Thurs., March 8 marks the 101st annual International Women's Day, and in 2012, it still serves as a day for women of all stripes to come together.

In 1900's Canada, females from coast to coast, led by the likes of Nellie McClung and Louise McKinney, and the remaining members of the "Famous Five," rose up in an effort to have their collective voices heard.

Other women, including British suffragist Emmeline Pankhurst, declared the cause to be a "real war" to claim women's rights.

These women in Britain resorted to what today would be considered modest protest — marching in the street, blocking traffic, scuffling with police, and hurling stones at shop windows.

Hundreds were arrested, and sent to court, but the fighting spirit lived on, as many vowed to trash the prisons they were sent to.

It took some years, a but a key part of the fight was finally won. Women in Canada were given the right to vote. First on the Prairies in 1916, then in Ontario the next year. By 1951, women in all provinces and territories were free to cast a ballot in the democratic state. Some of the first suffragist women also went on to become MPs.

United, these women were beacons of a worldwide movement toward gender equality.

Today, Canada boasts successful female athletes who compete on the world's stage, enterprising women in business, politicians in both the House of Commons and Queen's Park, and many more making a difference at home and abroad.

Yet, the situation is far from perfect, and injustice still reigns in some corners of the world. However, with an attitude of "justice for all," and the mobilized efforts of many, changes can be made in this world. Changes that will mean the world to millions.

More than a century later, though, it is still important to honour the suffragist spirit, identify with their courage, and be inspired by their tenacity.

Thank you.

Remember when...

1922

According to this week's *Winchester Press*, Mormonism in Canada was centered around the town of Cardston, Alta., where a large temple was being constructed by people of the faith. Alberta had been the greatest gathering place for the immigrants from Utah, with $1 million being spent to erect the worship space.

1932

People with points at the tops of their ears, or with no lobes at the bottoms, could take heart, the *Press* assured readers this week. The former were not necessarily monkeys, and the latter weren't necessarily criminals. The modern opinion was that ear-based prejudice made as much sense as assuming people with long noses were liars.

1942

In this week's local Town Hockey League action, the Winchester Cubs eliminated the Inkerman Rockets, and earned the right to oppose the league-leading Rangers in the final playoff series for the David Melvin Memorial Trophy. On Friday night, about 900 hockey fans, the largest crowd of the season, packed the arena for the final game.

1952

An interesting meal idea is this week's *Press*: If you wish a delectable luncheon treat, prepare a three-decker sandwich for each person. Make plain ham sandwiches, and then start the third layer with a thick slice of loaf cheese on top of each. Place a slice of canned pineapple over this with a spoonful of mint jelly in the centre. The decker sandwiches are then slipped into the oven for three to four minutes. Serve on a tea plate with parsley and olives.

1962

The North Dundas District High School board had all but signed on the dotted line for the construction of a new composite school to serve not only the district, but also the entire region of Eastern Ontario. It was announced this week that the new school would be located on the Fulton property, immediately east of Maple Ridge Cemetery, on County Road 43 between Winchester and Chesterville.

1972

The ribbon was cut this week on a Vernon branch of the Osgoode Public Library system by Reeve W.A. Taylor. The politician congratulated the people of Vernon for making such a fine array of reading materials available.

1982

Sixteen-year-old Rodney Barkley of Williamsburg was presented with an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year citation this week during a banquet gala in Toronto. Barkley, blind since the age of three, had become an outstanding disabled athlete, winning gold and silver medals at the recent Canadian Games for the Physically Disabled.

1992

Two dogs per dwelling were all that Mountain Township residents required, council decided this week. A new bylaw placed the limit of two adult dogs in a household, unless a resident was operating a kennel outside of hamlet boundaries.

2002

Following a surprise announcement, it was learned this week that Winchester's Morgan Field would be on the receiving end of a shared $500,000 funding allotment. The money was being made available through a three-way split of funding, with the province and feds kicking in some cash, and the Township of North Dundas covering the remaining costs. Funds were also to upgrade South Mountain's field.

A stark reminder of the wartime efforts made by Canadians coast to coast, as depicted in the victory bonds advertisement published in the Winchester Press this week in 1942.

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97, more than just a number to newest Sen

Matt Gilroy laid in his bed, crying, the night his brother died. Earlier in that August 1993 day, Timmy Gilroy, just eight years old, died from a brain injury.

A few days earlier, Timmy had been in a bicycle accident while rushing to join his neighbourhood friends in a game. Matt sobbed as he vowed to do something to pay tribute to the little brother who was 13 months younger than he was. He vowed that, for the rest of his life, he would wear number 97 — Timmy's number on their minor hockey team — every time he played hockey.

Timmy and Matt Gilroy were among the eight children of Frank and Peggy Ann Gilroy. Frank was a college basketball player, starring at St. John's University in New York, and was drafted by the Philadelphia 76ers. Frank Jr., one of Matt's brothers, ended up playing college basketball. Matt jokes and says that's why he's his dad's favourite. But for Matt and Timmy, hockey was their true passion.

While their father grew up in a time when basketball was the game of choice on the playgrounds, Matt and their friends loved hockey. They lived and breathed it. They grew up on the coattails of the New York Islanders' dynasty in Manhasset, New York, a town of about 8,000 people in Nassau County on Long Island. Although all of the kids had dreams and aspirations of playing for their beloved New York Islanders, Matt and Timmy were huge fans of the Great One, Wayne Gretzky. To pay tribute to Gretzky on their minor hockey team, Timmy wore number 97, and Matt wore number 98.

From the Other Side
by Jeff Morris

Being hockey parents was new to their basketball-playing father and their mother, who once put their shin pads and protective cups on the outside of their uniforms — the first time she ever helped them put their equipment and uniforms on. Matt says that the incident is a family legend. But Peggy Ann Gilroy grew into the role of hockey mom that so many moms in Eastern Ontario are familiar with. She drove here, there, and everywhere and spent hours nursing a hot coffee in a cold arena so that her kids could play hockey.

But after that night in August 1993, Matt Gilroy would never wear number 98 again.

As the years went on, one of the problems with Gilroy's unusual number request was that there wasn't always a jersey number 97 available. On those occasions, he would wear either number 7 or number 9, and his mother would sew a patch with number 97 to the inside of his jersey. Driven to honour his little brother, Matt would star in hockey and lacrosse at St. Mary High School, and he would play for the Walpole Jr. Stars in the Eastern Junior Hockey League.

As an 18-year-old, the year most NHL prospects are drafted, Matt Gilroy stood just 5'7" and weighed 145 pounds. Although he was discouraged from trying out for the Boston University Terriers — he would switch positions from forward to defence for a shot at making the team — he went out anyway and tried out as a walk on. He was so good in scrimmages that he earned the final roster spot on the team.

Once he made the team, he wanted to wear number 97. Boston University's coach, Jack Parker, was an old school guy who did not believe in showcase or hotdog numbers. There would be no Gretzky 99s, Lindros 88s, Jagr 68s, or Lemieux 66s on his team. In fact, the highest number worn with the Terriers was 35, worn by a goalie. Parker came from the school where a hotdog number was a sign of a player putting himself ahead of the team.

Matt, though, had the nerve, the audacity, to approach coach Parker and request the number.

Absolutely no way.

But then, Boston University assistant coach Mike Bavis intervened and talked to Parker. Bavis understood where the young freshman was coming from. After all, Bavis' twin brother, Mike, who was a teammate with him at Boston University during their playing days and had become a scout with the Los Angeles Kings, had been killed on United Flight 175 from Boston to Los Angeles that was hijacked on Sept. 11, 2001, and flown into the World Trade Centre.

Bavis pled Gilroy's case, and the young walk-on would be given the jersey number 97.

By the time he graduated, he was a 6'2", 205-pound defenceman who was only the third player in NCAA history to be named an NCAA All-American three times. In 2009, he won the Hobey Baker Award as the top college hockey player in the United States.

Gilroy had opportunities to leave school early and sign an NHL contract. In fact, he had offers from 23 different teams. Coach Parker even encouraged the best player in college hockey to leave school and turn pro. But he didn't. He stayed one last year, won a national championship, and graduated with his classmates.

The following year, Gilroy found himself playing in the NHL for the New York Rangers. He later joined the Tampa Bay Lightning. At the NHL Trade Deadline last week, Matt Gilroy was traded to the Ottawa Senators.

And if you happen to be watching the Senators on television or at Scotiabank Place, and you are wondering who is wearing number 97, it's Matt Gilroy. But to him, who is wearing number 97 isn't nearly as important as why he is wearing number 97.

Drummond Report stirs up Queen's Park

TORONTO — I just finished my second week back at Queen's Park, and the pace seems to have been cranked up a notch as the three parties returned from the Christmas break.

The auditor general's report had been issued just a few days before the break, with very little time available to debate its long list of concerns over the province's spending. It was quickly forgotten about with the attention turning toward two new events: the Drummond Report, and the ORNGE air ambulance scandal. Add in delegations from the combined conference for the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA), and it was a busy week.

From Queen's Park
by MPP Jim McDonell

The Drummond report was commissioned by the McGuinty government to develop a plan of spending cuts that would eliminate the huge Ontario deficit by 2017-2018. With program spending increased by more than 60 per cent since Dalton McGuinty took over as premier, Don Drummond, an economist with the Toronto Dominion Bank, cautioned that Ontario is on track for a $30 billion deficit, and a tripling of its debt to $411 billion by 2018. His report identified 362 cuts that included such things as the elimination of full-day Kindergarten, raising caps on class sizes, and numerous changes to healthcare spending in which he estimates that 28 per cent of current spending is wasted, and has no impact on results.

Drummond also provided a clear message that it was up to the government to determine which cuts it would make, but for each one it chooses not to implement, there must be an equivalent cut elsewhere to achieve the deficit elimination target.

The ORNGE air ambulance scandal hit a new high this week with opposition parties calling for Minister of Health Deb Matthews to resign, in light of new allegations that employees are being threatened with dismissal and prosecution, if they are caught revealing any details of wrong doing.

Liberal insiders were also identified as having benefited from the Ontario-funded corporation, where the CAO salary was in excess of $1 million. Opposition parties are calling for an all-party committee to investigate ORNGE so that employees are provided full whistle-blower protection.

This issue was first brought up more than a year ago, only for the government to reassure the legislature that they had reviewed the file. Not happy with the answers he was receiving, PC member Frank Klees requested the auditor general to investigate the issue last April, but the auditor was blocked from information until after the election. Add to this the allegations of kickbacks in the purchase of new helicopters, expensive helicopter interior designs which will not allow paramedics to perform CPR on patients, and now this week, news that these new helicopters are not approved to land in the U.S. Matthews is now under extreme pressure to support the all-party investigation, accept responsibility, and resign.

The ORNGE issue and the Drummond report will surely continue to dominate the legislature in the weeks to come.

There's never a dull moment, and with a report out this week that Ontario's hydro rates will be the second highest in North America by the end of 2013, I don't expect things to change.

Until next time.

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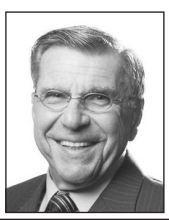
Jim McDonell is the MPP for Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry.

Improving SD&SG's emergency services

OTTAWA — On Fri., March 2, I had the pleasure of taking part in the official ribbon cutting and opening of the new Emergency Medical Services (EMS) headquarters on Campbell Street in Cornwall. What a facility!

Finally, after many years of working out of makeshift facilities located in Cornwall and throughout Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG), EMS has a new home.

The building of this facility was financed through the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund. This stimulus funding was put into place to deal with the global recession. It is an excellent example of what can be done when all levels of government work together. The EMS facilities total cost of $5.1 million was shared equally by the municipal, provincial, and federal governments. This project was one of many similar stimulus projects completed during the past 30 months here in SD&SG, and throughout Canada.



From Parliament Hill
by MP Guy Lauzon

Now EMS staffers have a state of the art facility to work out of. They have proper storage for their equipment and vehicles. They have adequate training facilities. They even have a staff room where they can take a break or eat their lunch. To say that the workers are pleased would be a huge understatement.

All EMS personnel seem very positive and upbeat about this new modern facility. It is an integral part of our riding's infrastructure that will serve Cornwall and SD&SG for many years to come.

The constituents of the riding can take comfort in the fact that they can now depend on an emergency service second to none. When you call an ambulance for a loved one, you can rest assured that the staff and equipment sent to respond to your call will be well-trained, fully equipped, and ready to deal with your emergency in an efficient, professional manner.

I take much comfort in the fact that the residents of SD&SG can now depend on a world class emergency service in their time of need.

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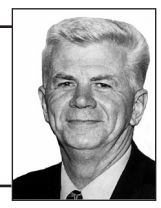
Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon submits regular weekly columns to the Winchester Press. *His provincial counterpart for the riding, Jim McDonell, submits monthly columns.*

In and around Osgoode Ward
by Councillor Doug Thompson



CE Centre officially opened

OTTAWA — Mayor Jim Watson recently joined Capital Exhibition (CE) Centre president Kevin McCrann and Gloucester-Southgate Councillor Diane Deans to officially open the new facility, Ottawa's premier location for trade shows, conferences, and social gatherings.

The new 220,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility was made possible through a public-private partnership with the Shenkman Corporation, the Ottawa Airport Authority, and the City of Ottawa, which invested $8.5 million toward the total cost of $39.2 million. It is expected that the CE Centre will inject $30 million annually into the local economy.

The exhibition hall has the versatility of four adjoining exhibit spaces ranging from 30,000 to 50,000 square feet.

Located at 4899 Uplands Drive and close to Ottawa International Airport, the CE Centre is the largest purpose-built event space in Eastern Ontario.

For more information, visit www.cecentre.ca.

New library CEO

Councillor Jan Harder, chair of the Ottawa Public Library Board, has announced Danielle McDonald to the position of chief executive officer for the Ottawa Public Library. McDonald took charge Mon., March 5.

The new CEO holds a Master of Arts, Public Administration from Carleton University, and a Bachelor of Environmental Studies, Honours, Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Waterloo. McDonald's educational background is complemented by more than 25 years of management experience, including strategic planning, finance, human resources, and technology with the City of Ottawa and the Ottawa Public Library.

Serving more than 900,000 residents, the Ottawa Public Library helps to build a strong, vibrant, and sustainable community by supporting literacy and lifelong learning, fostering inspiration and enjoyment, and connecting people to each other and the world.

Roast beef dinner

Metcalfe's St. Andrews United Church is hosting its annual St. Patrick's Day roast beef dinner on Thurs., March 15. Dinner will served between 5:30 and 6:30 pm.

The cost for adults is $15, children six to 12 years of age are $7.50, while children five and under are free. Take-out is available.

For tickets or more information, contact Nelda Isaac (613-821-2075) or Martha Robertson (613-821-1708).

Easter bunny breakfast

The Metcalfe Cooperative Nursery School will be hosting its annual Easter Bunny Breakfast on Sat., March 31 from 8 to 11 am at the Metcalfe Community Centre.

For more information or tickets to the event, visit www.mcnskids.org, email president@mcnskids.org, or call 613-821-3196.

Youth needed for YAC

Ottawa Police Service is launching a Youth Advisory Committee (YAC), and is now accepting applications. Until Fri., March 23, young people under 24 years of age can apply online at www.ottawapolice.ca/yac.

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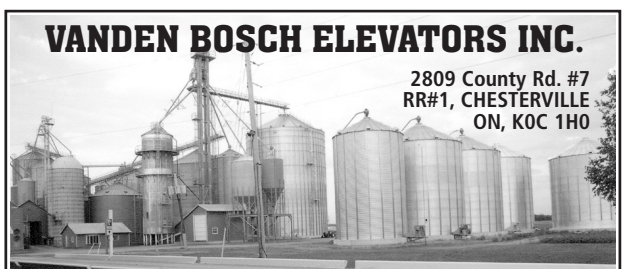

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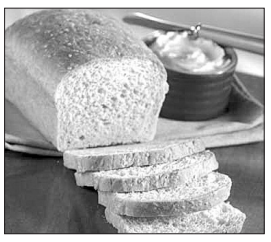

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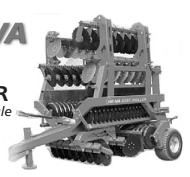

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Skilled students take gold medal honours

WINCHESTER — North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) students returned triumphant from the Skills Canada competition held in Cornwall on Wed., Feb. 29.

The local secondary school captured four gold medals at the trades-based event.

Their recipients included Luke Mollema for small engines, Cam Muir for electrical, Will Fawcett for welding, as well as the team of Daniel Lillico and Cody Morgan in carpentry.

Other NDDHS participants included: Andrew Findlay and Garrett Trumper, cabinet making; Ashley Larmour and Eric Visser, automotive service technician; Ryan Allan, aviation; Cassandra Thompson and Jake Quinton, prepared speech; Melissa Pare, job interview; Rowan Lemire and James Shave and Jalen Sharpe and Chris Gibson, television video production; Rachel Taylor, Ryan Casey, Caleb Robinson, Heather Demers, David McCooeye, Alex Ladouceur, and Trinity Wilson, theatre.

Medal winners will now move on to provincial competitions in Kingston and Waterloo.

Golden gathering

Five North Dundas District High School students were gold medal winners at the Skills Canada competition in Cornwall on Wed., Feb. 29. Included in the winners were: Luke Mollema (above) for small engines and, pictured at right, Dan Lillico (left) and Cody Morgan in carpentry.

Red Knights stack up against competition

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – More than 250 students from six Dundas County schools participated in the Nationview Public School (NPS) annual Sports Stacking Competition and the host Red Knights stacked well against their opponents.

Three Red Knights won medals as top stackers in their respective grades and one of the school's teams captured the overall team champion trophy in the event held on Thurs., Feb. 23.

Competition co-ordinator Robert Matheson explained that in sports stacking students have to stack specially designed cups in a designated pattern as quickly as possible.

Nationview students collected a total of 48 ribbons and medals. Students representing Winchester Public School (WPS) took home 26 ribbons and medals, while Morrisburg's representatives earned 20 medals and ribbons.

Three stackers were dominant in their grade categories, finishing with four points overall, with three points being the lowest possible score. Colin Van Hoof from St. Mary's-St. Cecilia was the Grade 3 champ with four points. Alison and Moriah Vandodewaard, NPS students, finished second and third.

Nationview Public School Red Knights stacker Alison Roach earned second-place honours in the Grade 3 division of the NPS Sports Stacking Competition held on Thurs., Feb. 23.

Kyleigh King from St. Mary's-St. Cecilia won the Grade 5 event with four points, beating out Bradley Larmour of Winchester and Annika Gibbons of St. Mary's. Nationview's Kaitlyn Summers was tops in Grade 6 with four points. Winchester's Samantha Benoit and Morrisburg's Bryce Bradford rounded out the top three.

Red Knight Cam Sherrer led the Grade 4 division, collecting seven points, narrowly edging classmate Delaney Halpenny and Morrisburg's Gabriel Baker.

WPS Grade 2 student Jessica Groves nipped teammate Kailey Cole by one point to win her division. Olivia Kelly (NPS) finished five points back in third.

Three NPS stackers – Ben Roberts, Trinity Oosterhof and Andrew Findlay – swept the Grade 1 awards.

Red Knights Kaitlyn Summers, Jordyn Francis, Logan Tremblay, Moriah Vandodewaard, Ryley Ault and Trinity Oosterhof narrowly defeated Winchester in the team event by four points.

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Gold glow: NDDHS band hits high note

WINCHESTER — Several North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) musicians have been given a reason to celebrate.

On Wed., Feb. 29, the school's band travelled to Cornwall to take part in the annual Kinsmen Music Festival. This year's event was held at Aultsville Hall, adjacent to the city's St. Lawrence College campus.

The 58th annual event featured competition among elementary, intermediate, and senior divisions.

The NDDHS band played two songs during its evaluation — "Lean on Me" and "You've Got a Friend in Me" — and the musical numbers rang in the ears of the judges.

In the end, the local band earned a gold standing, the highest possible award at the competition.

"This is something which has eluded us for a while now," said Peter Pereira, instrumental music teacher at NDDHS. "But the students deserve a big congratulations."

Band members taking part in the event included: Sam Pietersma (alto saxophone), Amanda Prusila (alto saxophone), Marleigh Pemberton (baritone saxophone), Erin VanWinden (clarinet), Rachel Oosterhoff (flute), Patricia Barlow (clarinet), Matthew Adams (bass), Kathryn Johnson (drums and percussion), Alexander Keyser-Cournoyer (French horn), Jesse Proulx (guitar), and Sarah Netherwood (piano).

"I am extremely proud of these people," Pereira added.

Meanwhile, the teacher also credited several students who had practiced with the band throughout the year, but could not make it to the competition. Those included: Evan Snider (trombone), Chris Neal (trumpet), Rebecca Schwerdfeger (trumpet), Emma Paterson (violin), and John Demers (guitar).

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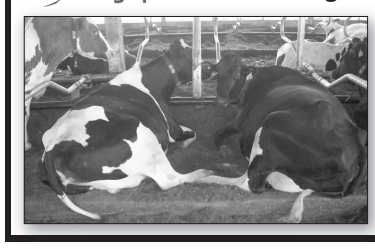
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Glaudale top exhibitor at Crysler Farm Show

CRYSLER — The annual Crysler Farm Show was a success again this year. Visitors and exhibitors alike made the most of the hint of spring — despite the wind — in the air during the one-day event, held at the village's community centre on Fri., March 2.

Exhibitor awards

The Premier Exhibitor Award went to Glaudale Farms of Berwick. The plaque was courtesy of Finch Feed and Seed, while the prize (a bag of corn) was donated by Hyland Seeds. Glaudale also won the Premier Forage Exhibitor Award (which included one bag of NK corn and a gift from Chesterville's Scotiabank branch), and the Reserve Seed Exhibitor Award (the prize was $25 from the Royal Bank in Embrun).

Paynebranch Farms of Finch won the Reserve Premier Exhibitor Award. The prizes were a golf shirt package from the Bank of Montreal in Finch, and $75 from SynAgri. Paynebranch was also recognized as the Premier First-Time Exhibitor (the prize was one bag of NK corn). The farm also received the Premier Seed Exhibitor Award, and one bag of NK corn, and a gift from Chesterville's Scotiabank.

Kelly Fawcett-Mathers (left) presented Kenda Teplate of Finch's Paynebranch Farms with the Premier Seed Exhibitor prizes, which included a gift from TD Canada Trust, and 10 tubes of grease from MacEwen Fuels.

Crysler's McBain Farms was named the Reserve First-Time Exhibitor, taking home 10 tubes of grease from MacEwen Fuels, while Bernard Grady was the Reserve Forage Exhibitor (earning the prize of one bag of forage seed).

Exhibit Awards

Bernard Grady won the Champion Forage Exhibit (hay, haylage, corn silage) with his second cut of bale hay. The prize was a plaque from the National Bank in Crysler and a $100 gift certificate from Pickseed.

Grady's other honours included the Reserve Forage Exhibit (with $50 from the Royal Bank), and the Champion Corn Silage Award (with one bag of NK corn).

Glaudale Farms was bestowed with a number of honours and prizes, including the Champion Haylage Award (with a plaque from Summit Seeds, and a $75 gift certificate toward a $250 purchase from Dave Chambers, Chesterville); the Champion Shelled Corn Award (with $75 from Fife Agricultural Services); the Reserve Champion Shelled Corn Award (with $50 from Fife Agricultural Services); the Champion Ear Corn Award (with one bag of Dekalb corn seed); and the Reserve Ear Corn Award (with one bag of corn from Charles Wert, Pioneer Seed).

Paynebranch Farms won the Reserve Haylage Award (with $25 from Co-operators Insurance in Casselman). The farm also took home the Reserve Corn Silage Award (with 10 tubes of grease from MacEwen Fuels), and the Champion Soybeans Award (with a plaque presented by Summit Seeds, $25 from Co-operators Insurance, and $25 from SynAgri).

Bernard Grady was named the Reserve Soybeans Award winner, taking home $25 from the National Bank.

The day's final award, for the High Yield Contest, went to Alain Legault, who was bestowed with a trophy from Summit Seeds.

Premier Exhibitor

Pictured above are: Paul Oosterhoff (left) of Finch Feed and Seed, plaque donor; award recipient Kevin Glaude of Glaudale Farms in Berwick; and Gabriel Vzeau of Hyland Seeds, which donated one bag of corn.

At left:
Glaude also accepted the award for Premier Forage Exhibitor, which included a gift certificate from Scotiabank in Chesterville, and one bag of corn from Jamieson Campbell. Pictured at left is bank representative Rebecca Meagher.

Press Photos — Uhrig

New DFA directors elected at AGM

CHESTERVILLE — At the Dundas Federation of Agriculture (DFA)'s Wed., Feb. 29 annual general meeting, the region's farming committee elected its new batch of directors.

Representatives from the Township of North Dundas for the upcoming year will be Deborah Patenaude, John Roosendaal, Alvin Runnalls, and Tom MacGregor.

Meanwhile, the Township of South Dundas will be represented by William Martens, Bonna Oosterhoff, Warren Schneckenburger, and Stephen Mellon.

Other highlights from the Feb. 29 meeting included an update on the Lafarge pit project on French Settlement Road. Currently, a petition against the site's expansion is circulating throughout the community.

Meanwhile, Mark Wales, Ontario Federation of Agriculture president, was on hand to discuss some pressing provincial issues, including the recently released Drummond Report. It was noted in the fiscal dossier that the province's Risk Management Program for Ontario Farmers could be a financial uncertainty for the government if faced with a catastrophic drop in commodity prices, and regulatory reform issues.

Also, Rose-Marie Chretien from South Nation Conservation was at the meeting to discuss the authority's woodlot advisory service. The program was implemented about two years ago, with help from an Ontario Trillium grant, and helps landowners to manage woodlots efficiently.

The DFA's next monthly meeting is set for tonight (Wed., March 7) at 8 pm.

GreenTech joins JLD Group

WINCHESTER — One local agricultural business has joined a new ownership group.

It has been announced that GreenTech Ag & Turf, Winchester's John Deere dealer on County Road 31, has been purchased by the JLD Group, a Quebec-based company.

"At JLD, we're always striving to find ways to improve customer satisfaction, and [our] management provides us with the best opportunity to better serve our customers," Frederic Latreille, JLD president, said in a press release.

The JLD Group has also taken ownership of GreenTech's operation in Stittsville, and its new St. Isidore location.

"It takes us from three stores, to a seven store organization," Ron Barr, director of operations - Ontario region, said when contacted by the *Winchester Press*. "[As well], I expect continued [company] growth in the coming years."

He continued, saying there should be a noticeable difference for consumers.

"From a customer base perspective, we will now have access to more inventory — parts and equipment — and with more stores, there will be a wider range of used equipment available," Barr said.

The new owners, meanwhile, are looking forward to continued business success.

"We're excited to have GreenTech as part of the group, and we look forward to many years of successfully serving our customers," Latreille added.

The JLD Group was founded in 1972 in Mirabel, Que., by Jean-Yves and Daniel Dion. The company now has seven established dealerships throughout Quebec and Eastern Ontario to offer customers the best quality service.

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Friends make nice with North Dundas

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — At the Friends of the South Mountain Library (FOTSML)'s Thurs., March 1 annual general meeting, two tools of community engagement were unveiled.

First, the state-of-the-art projector system, ringing in at about $4,000, was showcased. Secondly, the Friends community bulletin board, which has been erected on the front lawn of the facility, was highlighted.

The projector is mounted into the ceiling, with a screen on the adjacent wall. Included with the system is a Blu-ray player, with separate cables to hook up a laptop computer, or other devices.

"It is certainly meant for community use," said Elizabeth Earl, FOTSML member.

The community board, meanwhile, is a two-sided corkboard meant for the posting of local events, and other news. The structure is fully enclosed, with a plexiglass covering on either side.

"We want this to be a centre of traffic, and get people plugged into what's happening in the community," said Ed Dizazzo, FOTSML secretary.

Both pieces have been handed over to the Township of North Dundas. Although the community organization bought and paid for the items, the library is a township owned structure.

"Thank you to the friends on behalf of the township," Mayor Eric Duncan said during the meeting.

The Friends of the South Mountain Library (FOTSML) recently made donations to the Township of North Dundas. Pictured are Ed Dizazzo (left), FOTSML secretary, and Eric Duncan, North Dundas mayor, with the new projector system installed at the library. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

New executive

The FOTSML also elected its new executive at the March 1 meeting, and all were appointed through acclamation. Shelley Lyall remains as the chair, and Dizazzo will continue as secretary. Connie Hutt will return as treasurer.

RHI names new Dundas Manor executive

WINCHESTER — As Dundas Manor's new ownership group continues its takeover, the long-term care facility's new board of directors has been announced.

Rural Healthcare Innovations (RHI), a non-profit corporation supported by Winchester District Memorial Hospital, took control in January, following more than 30 years of ownership by the Alguire family.

The facility's administrator, Karl Samuelson, who also serves as WDMH's vice-president of seniors' services, has welcomed a series of members to the volunteer management team.

Peter Sorby has been elected as chair of the board, and will serve in a leadership role alongside Bill Smirle, who was voted in as vice-chair. The two men will receive guidance from both Samuelson and Cholly Boland, hospital CEO.

"A key role of the RHI Board is to ensure the same standard of excellent care and support is maintained for the residents, families, staff, and community," Sorby said in a prepared media release.

Other members of the new board include: Lisa Little (who also serves as vice-chair on the WDMH board of directors), Gary Annable, Brian Mann (treasurer), Bruce Rowsell, Carol McDermott, and Joan Farlinger.

The new board will be working with the Champlain Local Health Integration Network, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, and WDMH to redevelop the nursing home beds in the next several years as part of the planned Centre of Excellence for Rural Health and Education.

The changes reflect the expansion of the local hospital's campus to include not only the medical facility, and the adjacent Dillabough Building, but also Dundas Manor and the yet-to-be-constructed facility on Fred Street. (The new office building, to be erected on the south side of WDMH, will be the new home of four agencies — the Ontario Early Years Centre, Jobzone d'emploi, the Champlain Community Care Access Centre, and the Eastern Ontario Health Unit.)

Mountain Seniors get back on track after winter break

by Huguette Shaver

MOUNTAIN — President Audrey Gibson opened the Wed., Feb. 29 meeting of the Mountain Seniors, acknowledging the 13 members present.

"O Canada" was sung, and the Lord's Prayer recited. A minute of silence was then observed in honour of Doris Scharf who passed away in December 2011.

Minutes of the November 2011 meeting were read by Muriel Milne, and approved by Gibson, as secretary Iris Smith was away. Dave Scharf offered his treasurer's report, and noted donations will be sent to the Alzheimer Society and the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Mavis Graham gave an update on the kitchen, while Milne reported no news in regards to the hall, and noted the United Senior Citizens of Ontario (USCO) zone meeting will be held Wed., March 14 at 11 am at the Winchester Lions Hall. Meanwhile, the annual USCO meeting is scheduled for Thurs., May 31 in Finch. More details will be available in the near future.

Gibson then read a letter from her grandson who is currently teaching Kindergarten in South Korea.

There were no birthdays or anniversaries for January and February. A get-well-soon card was sent to Nancy Rodger who has been under the weather recently.

The group's next euchre event has been scheduled for Mon., May 7 at 1 pm at the Mountain Community Hall.

The meeting's business matters were then concluded, and Dave Scharf said grace, which was followed by a potluck meal. Afterward, Huguette Shaver offered some jokes on motherhood.

The Mountain Seniors' next meeting is scheduled for Wed., March 28 at 11:30 am. Doris Belanger, Cecile Lalonde, and Shirley Levere are expected to provide the day's entertainment.

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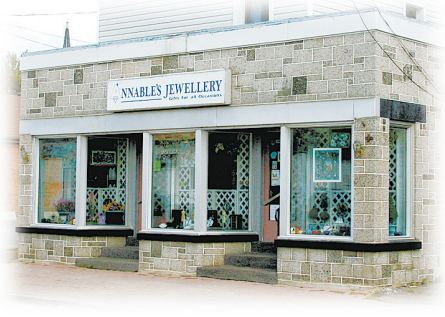

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Eastern champs

North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons forward Mitch Kirkwood (left) ripped in four consecutive goals and goaltender Colin Giberson turned in a flawless effort in the nets as the Demons eliminated the Char-Lan Rebels 7-0 in Monday (March 5) night's Upper Canada Minor Hockey League (UCMHL) East Division championship series. North Dundas won the opener 5-2 Sunday (March 4) in Williamstown and have qualified to defend their UCMHL East/West title against an, as yet, unnamed opponent. Captain Ryan Byers, Mark McRae and Josh Freake also scored for the East Division pennant winners. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

St. Lawrence Division final tied 1-1

Vikings scuttle Hawks 6-5 in OT

CASSELMAN – Adam Wensink scored with 15:21 left in the second period of overtime lifting the home town Casselman Jr. "B" Vikings to 6-5 victory over the Winchester Hawks.

Wensink's OT tally gave the Vikings a 6-5 decision in Sunday's (March 4) tilt and tied the St. Lawrence Division championship series 1-1. The regular-season champion Hawks skated to a 6-4 win on Winchester ice in last Friday's (March 2) opener. Game three was played last night (Tues., March 6) in Winchester. See *Press* scoreboard on Page 17 for the series schedule.

Steven Johnston's goal, set up by Nevin Guy and Aaron Dickenson with 2:28 left in regulation time gave Winchester a 5-4 lead in game two. Jeremy Burley came through with the tying marker 0:46 before the final buzzer to send it into the first OT. The score remained deadlock at 5-5 until Wensink cashed in the winner at 15:21 of OT number two.

Asked for his thoughts on the first two games Hawks head coach Tom Kirkwood said, "Two very good teams… it will come down to a break here and there and who wants it the most. We will be ready."

The Hawks took a 3-2 lead in the opening 20 minutes of Sunday's encounter. Josh Stubbings (18:06), Matt DiMillo (2:00) and Graham Loyst (0:42) put pucks in Alexandre Michaud's net while Wensink (19:02) and Curtis Chennette (6:04) replied for the Vikings.

Thierry Henry tied it 3-3 with the only goal of period two.

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WSC Challenge this Saturday

WINCHESTER – Winchester Skating Club's (WSC) annual competition has a new look this year, and a new name. This year's event, Winchester Challenge 2012, will take place on Sat., March 10 at the Winchester Arena.

A major change will be the addition of the new CanSkate Challenge component. The focus of this event is on individual skill improvement. All skaters will receive a certificate indicating their overall level of performance.

CanSkate Program Format Elements, and CanSkate Team Elements make up the rest of the day's program, with skaters vying for medals in these categories.

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February golden for NDDHS teams

MAPLE RIDGE – There will be additions made to the championship banners hanging in the gymnasium at North Dundas District High School (NDDHS).

The month of February has been a golden one for athletes wearing the navy and white. As five teams of Devils captured SD&G gold medals in a short span of 14 days.

North Dundas' parade to the podium began on Valentine's Day when the Junior Devils, coached by Cheryl Williams, beat archrival La Citadelle three sets to none to become 2011-2012 SD&G volleyball gold medalists.

Two days later (Thurs., Feb. 16) in Morrisburg it was the curlers' turn as the boys, coached by Ian Wilson, and the girls, mentored by Kathi Wilson compiled perfect 4-0 records to repeat as the tri-county gold winners.

The very next day (Fri., Feb. 17) Deanna Corbett-White and the Senior Devils knocked off the favored Falcons 54-39 right on their own Holy Trinity hardwood, striking the fourth gold medal for NDDHS in three days.

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Devils rally for third straight SD&G hockey title

WILLIAMSTOWN – A familiar combination provided the North Dundas District High School Blue Devils with the deciding goal in the 2011-2012 SD&G "AA" boys' hockey championship game.

Captain Ryan Byers set up the opportunity and linemate Brandon Cousineau buried the biscuit with 8:58 left in the game as the Devils rallied for a 4-3 victory over the host Char-Lan District High School Crusaders to become the tri-county boys champions for the third consecutive year.

Byers and Cousineau are a deadly offensive combination for both their school squad and the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons, who are in the hunt to take another Upper Canada Minor Hockey League East Division championship. It was the third high school title for Byers and the second for Cousineau.

Grade 9 rookie Nicholas Carruthers has provided the North Dundas Blue Devils with winning goaltending filling in for injured starter Jason Buma. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

For the gold

The tri-county title tourney was held in Williamstown on Tues., Feb. 28 and involved the Tagwi Warriors, Glengarry Gaels, North Dundas and Char-Lan.

As SD&G champions North Dundas earned a berth in the EOSSAA championship tournament that was played yesterday (Tues., March 6) in Brockville.

North Dundas and Char-Lan completed the regular season with identical 6-1-1 records earning the top two berths in the championship tournament. Char-Lan eliminated Tagwi (2-4-2) 7-0 and the Devils waxed the Glengarry Gaels (4-4-0) 4-0 in the semi-final matches.

Devils 4 - Gaels 0

Backed by Grade 9 goaltender Nicholas Carruthers, filling in for injured starter Jason Buma, the Devils ousted the Glengarry Gaels 4-0 in their semi-final game.

Bryden van Kessel used a pass provided by Mark McRae to record the game-winning goal at 14:34 of period one.

Garrett Milne opened up a 2-0 lead finishing a play started by van Kessel and McRae with 6:49 to play in period two.

Ryan Romans (unassisted at 14:48) and Shawn Simms (from Byers and Josh Freake at 3:20) cashed in third-period markers making it a 4-0 final.

Devils 4 - Crusaders 3

Crusader Justin MacFarlane put the home team on top 1-0 netting the first of his three goals at 10:23 of the opening stanza.

Cousineau got that one back tying it up after Romans and Mason Durant had set up the chance with 49 seconds on the clock.

Byers buried a van Kessel relay with 7:14 left in the second session but MacFarlane answered for Char-Lan a minute later and the count was 2-2. Another MacFarlane marker put his squad up 3-2 at 4:21 of the same frame and Char-Lan carried a 3-2 lead into the third period.

Shawn Simms whipped a Will Fawcett pass in behind Brennan McKenzie at the 14-minute mark and knotted the total at 3-3.

There was 8:58 on the clock when Byers found Cousineau in the slot and put the puck on his stick and he fired home the gold medal goal.

The champs

Members of the 2011-2012 SD&G champion Blue Devils are: Jason Buma, Nicholas Carruthers, Ryan Byers, Josh Freake, Brandon Cousineau, Mark McRae, Bryden van Kessel, Shawn Simms, Ryan Romans, Garrett Milne, Will Fawcett, Stewart McKelvie, Mason Durant, Liam Morrow, Paul Gibson, Brad Stitt, Mitch Kirkwood, Evan Durant, coaches – Stephen Henderson and Scott Reaney.

Minor Midget Demons facing Cornwall Colts in East Division final

LONG SAULT – Travis Marshall cracked in a pair of third-period goals, including the game winner, as the North Dundas Minor Midget "B" Demons knocked the South Stormont Selects out of the hunt for the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's 2011-2012 East Division championship.

Paced by Marshall's late-game offensive effort, the Demons doubled the Selects 4-2 and won the four-point series 5-1. Game one went to the third-place Selects (6-15-2). The number-two ranked Demons (14-8-2) evened it up, posting a 2-1 decision in game two.

North Dundas thought it had clinched the series 2-1 thanks to Dayton Kelly's penalty-shot marker in game three (Thurs., March 1) in Winchester, but because of a running time issue, South Stormont, protested and won, leaving the final result as a 1-1 tie.

Brett Bartholomew cashed in a feed from Kelly at 10:52 of the first stanza. South Stormont tied it up with 5:28 left in the same frame. Matthew Ledrew worked the North Dundas net.

As a result, a fourth game was needed and the Demons doubled the Selects 4-2 in their own barn on Sunday (March 4) winning the series and qualifying for the divisional final against the pennant-winning Cornwall Colts (23-1-0).

East final

The opening game was played Monday (March 5) in Cornwall with the Colts galloping to an 8-1 win. The Demons will host game two tonight (Wed., March 7) in Winchester at 7 pm.

Demons 4 - Selects 2

Demons' Nick Fleury converted a play engineered by Bartholomew into a 1-1 tie with 5:48 left in period one.

The Selects grabbed a 2-1 lead at 15:08 of the final frame forcing North Dundas to rally with three unanswered markers to seal the win and earn a trip to the division final.

Bartholomew knotted the count 2-2, scoring from Dakota Boulanger and Devon Byers with 10:42 on the clock. Marshall sent the Demons into a 3-2 lead finishing a play involving Kelly and Marc Thurler with 6:21 to play. There were five minutes left on the clock when Marshall doubled his team's lead to 4-2, driving a relay sent to him by Patrick Gibson and Kelly into the Selects cage.

Nikolas Carruthers was the winning 'tender.

NCSSAA champions

The Osgoode Township High School Panthers curling team has captured the 2012 NCSSAA championship and has qualified to compete for the OFSAA title in Niagara Falls later this month (March 21-24). The Panthers, skipped by Stuart Leslie, finished the regular schedule as the first-place team in Pool B with a perfect 8-0-0 record. They faced All Saints (8-0-0 in Pool A), the three-time defending NCSSAA champs, in the gold- medal match at the Nepean Sportsplex last week (Tues., Feb. 28) where they stole three points in the eighth end to break up a 3-3 tie and capture the championship. The gold medalists are: Bob Reynolds – coach, Stuart Leslie – skip, Jessica Armstrong – vice, Chris Fliesser – second, Adam Taylor – lead and Evan Cooper – coach.

Hawks

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Dylan Chessell (14:01) put the Hawks into a 4-3 lead only to have the Vikes tie it with a Derek Widenmaier marker at 7:15. Johnston handed Winchester a 5-4 advantage with 2:28 on the clock and Burley evened it at 5-5 46 seconds before the final buzzer sending the game into extra time.

Dickenson (2), Chessell, Guy, Johnston, Matt Sarazin, Evan Walker, Brock Burge, Brodie Boulanger and Ross Urbankiewicz set up the Hawks' scoring plays.

Alex Monk-Cray stopped 34 of 40 shots suffering his first loss since the Alexandria Glens beat him in a shootout on Feb. 3

Game one

Chessell, potted a pair of goals, including the winner, when the home town Hawks launched the best-of-seven series with a 6-4 victory.

Winchester fashioned a 2-1 lead in the first frame on goals by Brandon Belding (16:58) and DiMillo (0:06). Joel Adam (15:10) put the Vikings on the board.

Jesse Barbier (14:01), Guy (PPG at 11:20) and Chessell (5:33) cracked in shots sending Winchester into a 5-1 lead in the second session. Late goals by Kyle Beauchamp-Lalonde (3:37) and Wensink (PPG at 2:07) sliced Casselman's deficit to 5-3.

Chessell's second goal, scored 39 seconds into the third period, pushed the Hawks into a 6-3 lead. The Vikings closed to within two (6-4) when Adam beat Monk-Cray at the 15:36 mark.

Winchester fired 39 shots at Casselman 'tender Michaud. The Vikes pumped 39 pucks on Monk-Cray.

WSC

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More than 100 skaters have registered from 20 area clubs.

Representing WSC are Chelsey Boal, Kendra Bueley, Samantha Cormier, Stephanie Cormier, Madison Crober, Christie Douglas, Olivia Drouin, Cassandra Ferrando-Derby, Hailey Hodge, Selina Landriault, Danica MacQueen-Ladouceur, Caitlin McInnis, Alia McNaughton, Ella McNaughton, Catherine Orlicky, Amy Proulx, Elizabeth Russell, Victoria Russell, Katrina Sharpley, Morganne St-Marseille, Austyn Toll, Ashley Wasylko Fletcher, and Ashley Wheeler.

Skating begins at 8 am, and winds up around 4:30 pm. Admission is free, and everyone is welcome to attend.

Devils

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The next title taken was at the boy's hockey championship tournament (Feb. 28) in Williamstown where coaches Stephen Henderson and Scott Reaney guided the Blue Devils to a 4-0 semi-final decision against the Glengarry Gaels and a 4-3 gold-medal victory over the Char-Lan Crusaders.

On the horizon — the spring schedule including rugby, track and soccer — and perhaps more gold?

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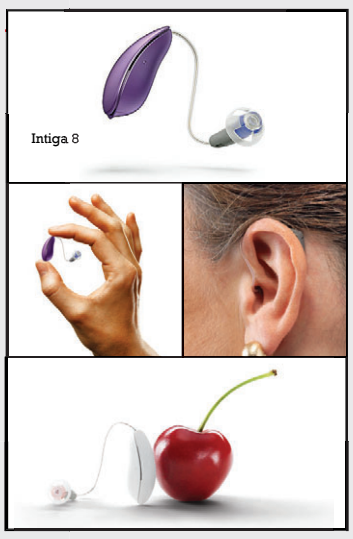

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Falcons down Devils in shootout

LONG SAULT – Sophie Content was the only player to score in a shootout between the Holy Trinity Falcons and the North Dundas District High School Blue Devils. Unfortunately for the Blue Devils Content was wearing a Falcons' jersey.

The smooth-skating Holy Trinity forward deked Devils goalie Lindsay Chambers to the ice and slid a backhander the into the North Dundas cage in the second round of last week's (Wed., Feb. 29) semi-final game of the 2011-2012 SD&G "AA" girls high school hockey playoff tournament. Chambers had stopped the first Holy Trinity shooter and stymied the third. But, at the other end of the Long Sault Arena North Dundas shooters Bailey Milne, Geena Rose and Tori Corkery weren't able to find any success.

The 3-2 loss eliminated the Devils and sent the Falcons into the gold medal match against the La Citadelle Patriotes. La Citadelle qualified for the title match by ousting the Seaway Spartans 3-2 in overtime earlier that morning.

North Dundas District High School forward Geena Rose (No. 3) celebrated her goal that gave her team a 2-0 lead on the Holy Trinity Falcons with 9:29 left in the semi-final game of the 2011-2012 SD&G "A" girls high school hockey playoff tournament played last week (Wed., Feb. 29) in Long Sault. Unfortunately for the Devils, Holy Trinity cracked in a pair of late goals, forced OT and a shootout before finally stealing a 3-2 victory and earning a trip to the gold-medal game against La Citadelle. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

Early lead

North Dundas broke up a scoreless contest with 48 seconds left in the first half. Taylor Cummins made it 1-0 finishing a play created by Amber Cotton and Jenna Warren. The Devils inflated the difference to 2-0 with 9:29 left in the game thanks to Geena Rose who jammed in a loose puck after Anna Stubbings and Cummins had generated the opportunity in a goalmouth scramble.

There was just over five minutes to play in regulation time when the Falcons cut their deficit to 2-1. It looked as if the Devils may squeeze out a one-goal victory when a Holy Trinity attacker whipped a long shot towards the North Dundas net. Chambers got a piece of the puck but it ticked off the knob of her goal stick and caught the top corner of the twine.

North Dundas had to kill a penalty in the 10 minute OT period and held the Falcons at bay forcing officials to invoke a three-man shootout that was won 1-0 by Holy Trinity.

Getting there

North Dundas and La Citadelle compiled a 6-1-0 record during the regular season but the Patriotes took top spot by virtue of a 1-0 win over the second-place Devils.

Holy Trinity went 4-3-0 in their seven games and finished third with 10 points. Seaway posted a 2-4-1 record and claimed the fourth and final playoff berth.

The Char-Lan Crusaders (1-5-1), Glengarry Gaels (1-5-1) and Tagwi Warriors (1-5-1) didn't make the cut.

Pee Wee 'B' Demons eliminated

CARDINAL – A 4-2 loss to the host South Grenville Rangers in Cardinal has forced the North Dundas Pee Wee "B" Demons to the sidelines.

Last week's (Thurs., March 1) setback eliminated the Demons from the second round of the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League West Division playoffs.

Third-place North Dundas (12-10-2), the West Division Sportsmanship award winners, dropped a 1-0 decision to the second-place Rangers (15-8-1) in Prescott on Sun., Feb. 26, but tied the four-point semi-final series 2-2 by beating South Grenville 4-3 in Winchester on Wed., Feb. 29. Their season came to an end the next night in Cardinal by way of the 4-2 loss.

North Dundas eliminated the Athens Aeros (5-3 and 3-0) in their quarter-final series. The Kemptville Panthers did the same to the Brockville Junior Braves and were ousted by the first-place Smiths Falls Bears (21-2-1) in round two. Smiths Falls and South Grenville will clash in the West Division final with the winner moving on to the East/West championship against either the Cornwall Colts or Alexandria Glens.

The series

Following their 1-0 loss in Prescott in game one the Demons rebounded with a 4-3 win in Winchester.

Kyle Findlay netted a pass from captain Kyle DeJong at 12:04 of period one and the Demons had a 1-0 lead. Jack van Kessel made it 2-0 with help from Brandon VanBruinessen and Jacob Robinson with 12.7 left in the stanza.

Ben Ross put the Rangers on the board scoring at 10:45 of period two but North Dundas replied twice and gained a 4-1 lead. Cameron Reid cashed in a relay from van Kessel with 9:47 left in the session and then van Kessel scored after taking a feed from Brandon VanBruinessen and Robinson at 4:54.

Ross and Braedon Miller put pucks into the Demons' cage in the final frame but 4-3 was as close as the Rangers got to tying it up.

A pair of first-period tallies by Jack Messervey (from Findlay and Sandra Morley at 12:18) and van Kessel (from Robinson at 11:44) gave the Demons a 2-1 lead on the Rangers in game three but those were the only two scoring plays the North Dundas offence was able to produce.

The Rangers tied it up 2-2 in the second on Simon Watt's goal and secured a trip to the final with third-period markers by Hayden Sayeau and Ross. Johnny Coligan counted the Rangers' first period marker.

Interclub skaters

Winchester Skating Club senior members Jordan Roberts (left), Erin Wheeler, Isabella St- Marseille and Kayla McMillan recently competed at the Region 4 Interclub in Cornwall. Roberts was first in Solo Spiral and Team Spins, third in Team Elements and fifth in Similar Pairs. St-Marseille finished first in Team Spins, second in Solo Spiral, third in Team Elements and fifth in Similar Pairs. McMillan earned a first in Team Spins, third in Team Elements and was seventh in Solo Spiral. Wheeler earned first-place marks in Team Spins and finished third in Team Elements.

Seven junior skaters from the Winchester Skating Club – Elizabeth Russell (left), Samantha Cormier, Cassandra Ferrando-Derby, Hailey Hodge, Victoria Russell, Morganne St. Marseille and Caitlin McInnis (missing) recently competed at the Region 4 Interclub in Cornwall. Their results were: Victoria Russell – Individual Elements - 4th, Team Elements – 4th, Format Elements – 5th; Hodge – Format Elements – 3rd, Team Elements – fourth, Individual Elements – 5th, Spins and Spirals – 5th; Cormier – Spins and Spirals – 1st, Team Elements – 2nd, Individual Elements – 3rd, Format Elements – 5th. Elizabeth Russell – Individual Elements – 1st, Team Elements – 2nd, Format Elements – 4th, Spins and Spirals – 5th; Morgan St-Marseille – Team Elements – 4th, Spins and Spirals – 4th, Individual Elements – 5th; McInnis – Individual Elements – 1st, Format Elements – 1st, Spins and Spirals – 3rd, Team Elements – 4th; Ferrando-Derby – Format Elements - 3rd, Team Elements – 4th, Spins and Spirals – 6th, Individual Elements – 7th.

Midgets eliminate Selects, beat Lions in series opener

WINCHESTER – A 5-1 victory over the South Dundas Lions has moved the North Dundas Midget House "B2" Demons one step closer to the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's 2011-2012 East Division championship.

Sunday's (March 4) win in Winchester handed the Demons a 2-0 lead in the four-point eastern final. Game two will be played tonight (Wed., March 7) in Morrisburg. If needed, a third game is scheduled for Chesterville tomorrow (Thurs., March 8) at 7 pm.

The first-place Demons (20-2-2) earned a first round bye in the playoffs and then eliminated the South Stormont Selects (7-15-2) in two games – 5-2 and 7-1.

South Dundas scored first in Sunday's divisional opener. Parker Hart used a feed from Joel Johnston and Randy Picotte to put the Lions up 1-0 with 1:46 left in the session.

North Dundas took over in the second stanza thanks to the scoring of Austin Carruthers (from Dan McSheffery and Colton Stitt at 10:12), Mike Ladouceur (GWG from McSheffery and Stitt at 5:36) and Josh Jaquemet (from Stitt and Patrick Speagle at 4:01).

Jaquemet drove the final difference to 5-1, burying passes from Speagle and Aaron Burns at 14:35 and Devin Simzer at the 9:26 mark.

Ryan Embury tended the North Dundas nets and posted the win.

Finish Selects

Seven different shooters hit the target on Thurs., March 1 as the Demons eliminated the South Stormont Selects 7-1 in Long Sault.

Evan Durant cracked in the first-period marker. Burns (GWG), Ryan Carr and Speagle dented twine in period two opening up a 4-0 lead. Markers in the final frame by McSheffery, Stitt and Ladouceur drove the final difference to 7-1. Carr (2), Jaquemet, Carruthers, Durant, Stitt, McSheffery and Ladouceur earned assists.

Embury's shutout was ruined when Dexter Pelkey beat him with 8:57 left in the game.

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Sixth-place KC's wins WDLHL title

WINCHESTER – Jada McNaughton earned player of the game honours for scoring the game-winning goal in the 2011-2012 Winchester District Ladies Hockey League championship game.

McNaughton used a play created by Kelly Francis to break up a 1-1 tie and lift the KC's Lawn Maintenance crew to a 2-1 victory over the Cooper Physio Pinks in Sunday (March 4) morning's "A" championship game.

KC's (2-11-2) finished last in the regular season standings and the Cooper Pinks (7-7-1) fourth, but both teams completed the round robin with four points and a spot in the title match.

The first half of the final was scoreless and KC's took a 1-0 lead at 15:13 of the second session on a goal by Jessica Hendrikx. Jennifer Wilson engineered the play. The Pinks knotted the count at 11:52 when Veronique Daviault finished a three-way play involving Karen Labossiere and Eleanor Robinson. That set the stage for McNaughton to take a feed from Francis and secure a 2-1 victory and the championship silverware.

Kristie Wade was the winning goalie. Lindsay Chambers suffered the one-goal set back.

"B" final

The consolation showdown between the W. S. Trucking Company (10-4-1) and Andy's Foodland Reds (10-4-1) kicked of the morning slate at 8 am.

Both squads also produced identical 1-1-1 records in the qualifying round and squared off in the "B" final. Courtney Barkley-Sadler's unassisted tally put the Reds up 1-0 at 16:57 of the first half. Isabelle Dagenais tied it up scoring on a pass provided by Edith Dagenais and Kathy Kerr two minutes later. Edith Dagenais earned player of the game honours when she broke up the deadlock on an unassisted play early (15:53) in the second half.

Carrie McCadden posted the win and Cristal Beattie absorbed the one-goal loss.

2011-2012 champions

KC's Lawn Maintenance crew edged the Cooper Physio Pinks 2-1 in Sunday's (March 4) Winchester District Ladies Hockey League "A" championship game. KC's rose from a sixth-place finish to become this year's champs. The members of the winning crew are: front (left) – Jada McNaughton, Kristie Wade, Michelle Bouwhuis, Kelly Verhoeven, Sylvie Piche; back (left) – Cheryl Wade, Jackie Boulanger, Jessica Hendrikx, Jacqueline Beausoleil, Kelly Francis, Sue MacDonald, Jennifer Wilson, Julie Drouin, Sandy Roy, Jane Foster. Missing: Erin Wilson and Jessica Dawson.

Pennant winners

Andy's Foodland Reds and W.S. Trucking Company finished the Winchester District Ladies Hockey league season with identical 10-4-1 records. The Reds, by virtue of a win over the Truckers, earned the 2011-2012 regular season title. Andy's Reds are: front (left) – Jane Sachs, Christina Luykx, Cristal Beattie, Courtney Barkley-Sadler; back (left) – Tony Fraser – ass't coach, Marilyn Wade, Margaret Berry, Heather McDiarmid, Edithe Rivet, Sonia Clement, Amy Fraser, Barry Casselman – coach, Mandy Roach. Missing Kelly Zeran and Janice Casselman. *Press Photos – Van Bridger*

Midget House 'B1' Demons facing Brockville in battle for West Division banner

CHESTERVILLE – The North Dundas Midget House "B1" Demons have qualified for the 2011-2012 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's West Division championship series.

The four-point playdown kicks off tonight (Wed., March 7) at 8 pm in Chesterville with the undefeated Brockville Jr. Braves (24-0-0) providing the opposition for the number-two ranked Demons (13-6-5).

North Dundas knocked the South Grenville Rangers (13-10-1) out of the post season, beating them 5-2 (Feb. 27), tying them 6-6 (March 1 in Spencerville) and waxing them 7-2 (March 3 in Chesterville).

Brockville earned a first-round bye before ousting the Athens Aeros (10-11-3) in two games.

Game three

Shawn Buma and Josh Hodgson each potted a pair of goals as the Demons dispatched South Grenville 7-2 in Chesterville on Saturday (March 3).

Craig Christophersen set up Hodgson's GWG at 12:01 of the first frame. Zach Sloane and Andrew Findlay supplied the single goals. Kevin Vandekemp (2), Sloane, Hodgson, Buma and Christophersen earned the helpers.

North Dundas led 3-1 after one and 5-2 after two periods.

Game two

Christophersen turned a play started by Sloane and Alex Porteous into the tying goal 10:19 before the final buzzer when the Demons battled the Rangers to a 6-6 draw in game two.

The score was deadlocked 1-1 after a period and North Dundas owned a 5-4 advantage after two sessions.

Vandekemp was the offensive leader, cracking in three goals and drawing a pair of assists. Buma cashed in a goal and picked up three helpers. Christophersen (1-2-3) had three points, while Hodgson (1-1-2) collected two. Assists went to Findlay (2), Porteous and Sloane.

Game one

North Dundas had put together a 5-0 lead before the Rangers recorded their two goals in the final frame of their 5-2 loss in game one.

Vandekemp pegged the first two markers and Buma followed with two (GWG). Christophersen pumped in the fifth and final shot at 14:30 of the third period.

Sloane, Hodgson, Findlay, Vandekemp and Buma provided the passes.

Jared Schoenfeld and Cam Hunt shared the Demons goaltending duties.

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Mustangs shoot down Jets 5-4

Metcalfe season ended by top-ranked Gatineau

METCALFE – Third-period goals by Simon Johns and Matt Miller gave the hometown Metcalfe Jr. "B" Jets hope of forcing a sixth game in their Metro Division semi-final series with the number-one ranked Gatineau, but in the end the Mustangs prevailed by a 5-4 count.

Johns finished a power play engineered by Miller and Kale Gulliver with 9:51 left in the fifth game of the series, played last week (Thurs., March 1) at the Larry Robinson Arena. Johns sliced the Jets deficit to 5-3. Miller then used a play created by Johns and Gulliver to get his team to within a goal at 5-4 1:16 before the final buzzer. But that was as close as Metcalfe would come to forcing more playing time.

Gatineau (28-7-6-1) finished first in the Metro Division standings while the Jets (17-19-5-1) finished fourth. The Mustangs opened the best-of-seven set with a 6-2 victory. They made it 2-0 nipping the Jets 3-2 and improved their advantage to 3-0 by way of a 3-2 OT decision.

Facing elimination in game four in the Mustangs' corral in Buckingham on Tues., Feb. 28, the Jets upset their host 5-3 and forced game five in Metcalfe on Thurs., March 1 – that's the day Metcalfe's 2011-2012 Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League ended.

Staying alive

Goals by Dawson Fisher (PPG from Glendon Bakker at 8:08) and Derek Shurton (PPG unassisted at 4:45) gave the Jets a 2-0 advantage after 20 minutes of game four.

Gatineau closed the gap to 2-1 when Jean-Phillippe Moisan put a shot by Metcalfe 'tender Ryan McLaughlin 18 seconds into period two. Miller cashed in a relay sent to him by Brett Nooyen and Brandon Abraham at 14:29 and the Jets were up 3-1. Moisan netted his second marker at 13:51 and the 'Stangs made it a 3-2 game.

The Jets cracked in their third PPG with 6:56 left in the session thanks to Scott Flemming (unassisted) who increased his squad's lead to 4-2.

Nooyen converted an opportunity created by Gulliver and Kyle Downey into a 5-2 lead with 4:38 left on the clock. Gatineau made it a 5-3 final on Nicolas Belleville's PPG 15 seconds before the final buzzer.

The Jets out shot their hosts 46-33 and went three for 13 on the PP.

Five and out

Gatineau swarmed the Jets for three goals in the final 4:49 of the second period of game five in Metcalfe and clinched the series with a 5-4 victory.

The Mustangs led 1-0 after a period on a Francis Richards marker.

Moisan (PPG) put the visitors ahead 2-0 at the 16:55 mark of period two. Metcalfe's PP evened the count at 2-2. Tallies by Johns (from Bakker and Ryan Pike at 12:39) and Miller (from Pike and Bakker at 10:22) gave the Jets hope. Unfortunately the Mustangs reeled of three straight markers – Cedric Parker at 4:49, Belleville at 4:32 and Dominik Robinson (PPG) at 1:26 – and changed the complexion of the game.

Late goals by Johns and Miller made it close at 5-4 but Metcalfe's rally fell short.

During the regular season the Jets and Mustangs put together a 3-3-1 record.

Jean-Phillippe Charbonneau stopped 35 of 39 Metcalfe shots for the win. McLaughlin made 23 saves on 28 attempts.

Gatineau will now face the Ottawa West Golden Knights in the Metro Division championship series. The Knights finished off the defending Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League champion Clarence Beavers 7-1 in game seven of their semi-final on Sunday (March 4).

Dundas County Bantam Lions take two wins in post-season

MORRISBURG – Emma Pintal played a perfect game in the Dundas County nets, backing the Bantam House Lions in a 4-0 Ottawa District Women's Hockey Association (ODWHA) victory over Clarence-Rockland.

Sunday's (March 4) win improved the Lions' playoff record to 2-0-0 following up a 3-2 decision against the Kemptville Storm on Kemptville ice the day before (Sat., March 3). The Lions will complete their four-game post-season schedule taking on Smiths Falls in Smiths Falls on Sat., March 17 and Outaouais in Chesterville on Tues., March 20 at 8:30 pm.

The top two teams in the round robin standings will qualify for the ODWHA Championship Day Sat., March 31 in Kemptville. Presently Perth (3-0-0) and Dundas (2-0-0) hold down the top two play-off positions.

Lions 4 - Clarence 0

Dundas cracked in a pair of quick goals in the first period and cruised to a 4-0 win over the visitors from Clarence-Rockland.

Molly Garlough finished a play set up by Marcy Smith and Anna Gruich with 4:44 on the clock for the GWG. Janis Hall (unassisted) made it 2-0 at the 1:50 mark. Smith increased the Lions lead to 3-0, netting a relay from Hall with 4:15 to play in period two. Paige Morris completed the scoring getting help from Garlough 5:25 before the final buzzer.

Lions 3 - Storm 2

Cassandra Young converted a play created by Morris and Kalleigh Young into the GWG with 8:02 left in Saturday's game against the Storm in Kemptville.

Twenty-six seconds earlier Kalliegh Young tied it 2-2 burying a pass from Lauryn Henry. Smith cut the Dundas deficit to 2-1 when she completed a play instigated by Ally Weegar and Hall 2:05 before the end of second stanza.

Kemptville owned a 2-0 lead after one period.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

EASTERN ONTARIO JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

Rideau - St. Lawrence Conference

RECENT SEMI-FINAL RESULTS

St. Lawrence Division Final

Casselman Vikings vs Winchester Hawks

Mar. 2: Winchester 6 - Casselman 4
Mar. 4: Casselman 6 - Winchester 5 2OT

Rideau Division Final

Athens Aeros vs Westport Rideaus

Mar. 2: Westport 8 - Athens 2
Mar. 4: Athens 9 - Westport 5

FINAL STANDINGS

Rideau	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Westport	34	10	1	237	158	70
Athens	30	11	0	277	148	65
Gananoque	27	17	0	210	183	56
South Grenville	16	27	0	154	223	35
Brockville	1	43	0	111	345	3

St. Lawrence	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Winchester	36	4	1	251	110	74
Casselman	32	8	0	239	118	66
Alexandria	25	15	0	194	151	51
Char-Lan	14	24	0	144	232	31
Morrisburg	13	28	0	154	219	27
Akwesasne	9	30	1	123	230	21

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS

St. Lawrence Division	G	A	PTS
D. Chessell, Win.	6	3	9
J. Adam, Cass.	6	2	8
A. Wensink, Cass.	4	4	8
C. Chennette, Cass.	2	5	7
S. Johnston, Win.	2	5	7
B. Burge, Win.	0	7	7
K. Hope, C-L	4	1	5
G. Loyst, Win.	3	2	5
M. Evelyn, Win.	1	4	5
A. Dickenson, Win.	0	5	5

Rideau Division	G	A	PTS
N. Terpak, West.	5	7	12
D. Sinclair, West.	2	9	11
J. Clark, Athens	5	5	10
S. Parker, Athens	3	7	10
D. Germain, West.	3	7	10

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks vs Casselman Vikings

St. Lawrence Division Final Series

Game three: Tues., Mar. 6 @ Winchester 7:45
Game four: Thurs., Mar. 8 @ Casselman 7:30
Game five: Fri., Mar. 9 @ Winchester 8:15
Game six: Sun., Mar. 11 @ Cassleman 7:30
Game seven: Wed., Mar. 14 @ Winchester 7:30

Hawks 50/50 Draw winner
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Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

RECENT ROUND ROBIN RESULTS

Feb. 26:
Country Girls 1 - Annable's Blues 1
Cooper Physio 3 - Andy's Reds 0
KC's Maintenance 3 - W.S. Trucking 1

March 4:
"B" Final - W.S. Trucking 2 - Andy's Reds 1
"A" Final - KC's Maintenance 2 - Cooper Physio 1

PLAYOFF STANDINGS

	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Cooper Pinks	2	1	0	6	3	4
KC's Maintenance	1	0	2	5	3	4
W.S. Trucking	1	1	1	5	6	3
Andy's Reds	1	1	1	2	4	3
Country Girls	0	1	2	4	5	2
Annable's Blues	0	1	2	4	5	2

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Sandra Cloutier, Pinks	2	2	4
Michelle Bouwhuis, KC's	3	0	3
Lana Begg, Blues	2	1	3
Stehpanie Borden, CG	2	1	3
Edith Dagenais, WST	2	0	2
Veronique Daviault, Pinks	2	0	2
Sonia Clement, Reds	2	0	2
Joanne McMillan, CG	1	1	2
Jessica Hendrikx, KC's	1	1	2
A. Rylaarsdam, WST	1	1	2
Joanna Gilmer, Blues	1	1	2
Amy Darling, Blues	1	1	2

Metro - Valley Conference

RECENT SEMI-FINAL RESULTS

Feb. 26: Arnprior 6 - Renfrew 1
- Arnprior wins semi-final 4-0
Feb. 27: Clarence 4 - Ottawa West 3 OT
Perth 8 - Almonte 1
Feb. 28: Metcalfe 5 - Gatineau 3
Perth 6 - Almonte 5 OT
Feb. 29: Clarence 4 - Ottawa West 1
Mar. 1: Gatineau 5 - Metcalfe 4
- Gatineau wins semi-final 4-1
Perth 7 - Almonte 2
- Perth wins semi-final 4-1
Ottawa West 7 - Clarence 4
Mar. 4: Ottawa West 7 - Clarence 1
- Ottawa West wins series

Metro Division Final

Ottawa West vs Gatineau Mustangs

Valley Division Final

Perth Blue Wings vs Arnprior Packers

FINAL STANDINGS

Metro	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Gatineau	28	7	6	217	141	63
Clarence	27	13	1	230	178	56
Ottawa West	25	12	5	195	150	55
Metcalfe	17	19	5	158	169	40
Ottawa	11	25	3	149	196	28

Valley	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Arnprior	31	7	4	212	133	66
Perth	20	16	4	194	181	46
Almonte	15	19	5	186	212	38
Renfrew	16	23	3	157	190	35
Stittsville	14	25	3	143	190	31
Shawville	9	30	0	171	249	21

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

National Capital Junior Hockey League

RECENT SEMI-FINAL RESULTS

Feb. 28: Gatineau 6 - St. Isidore 3
Feb. 29: Embrun 12 - North Dundas 1
Cumberland 6 - Vankleek Hill 3
Mar. 2: Embrun 8 - North Dundas 4
Embrun wins series 4-0
Rockland 10 - La Peche 4
St. Isidore 4 - Gatineau 2
Mar. 3: Cumberland 7 - Vankleek Hill 0
Mar. 4: Rockland 7 - La Peche 4
Rockland wins series 4-0
St. Isidore 7 - Gatineau 4
Gatineau wins series 4-1
Cumberland 4 - Vankleek Hill 0
Cumberland wins series 4-1

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	PTS
Embrun	25	5	2	162	92	52
Cumberland	21	10	1	133	104	43
St. Isidore	20	9	3	147	109	43
La Peche	19	12	1	161	127	39
Rockland	16	15	1	132	132	33
Gatineau	14	17	1	113	136	29
Vankleek Hill	11	18	3	119	156	25
North Dundas	10	20	2	98	155	22
Papineauville	8	24	0	95	149	16

Winchester Town Hockey League

RECENT PLAYOFF RESULTS

Feb. 28: Semi-Final "A"
Green Berets 12 - Sadlers Suds 4
Semi-Final "B"
Chesterville Maulers 7 - McLean Flyers 2

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
S. Suds	15	3	1	127	85	31
M. Flyers	7	9	3	102	109	17
C. Maulers	7	9	3	102	109	17
Green Berets	5	13	1	100	118	11

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Dean Byvelds, CM	34	23	57
Steve Decaire, SS	29	26	55
Nik Paas, GB	25	30	55
Rob Thurler, SS	28	18	46
Dana Schofield, CM	20	23	43
Robyn Sadler, SS	20	22	42
Darrel Moore, SS	20	21	41
Josh McLean, MF	14	26	40
Adam Schofield, MF	19	20	39
Will McLean, MF	17	21	38

Midget 'B' Lions qualify for provincials

WINCHESTER – Casey McNairn used a pass provided by Vicki Van Hoof and Mikayla MacMillan to get the Dundas County Midget "B" Lions their only goal in a 1-1 tie with the Russell Coyotes.

The McNairn marker was registered with 3:44 left in the first period of an Ottawa District Womens Hockey Association Region "A" playdown series game played in Winchester on Tues., Feb. 28. Russell's Kiersten Goodman tied the final count at 1-1, completing a play started by Valerie Seguin 3:48 before the final buzzer.

Dundas goalie Megan Van Allen stopped a third-period penalty shot to preserve the tie.

The result gave the Lions a record of 2-0-2 and qualified them for a berth in the provincial championships in Mississauga in April (13-15). The girls earned a bronze medal at last year's competition.

Van Allen registered a 1-0 win over the Angels in Brockville on Sat., Feb. 25, thanks to a McNairn goal and a Van Hoof assist at 3:27 of the opening period.

On Tues., Feb. 21, the Lions battled the Kemptville Storm to a 3-3 draw in Chesterville. Michaela Morrow cracked in a pair of first-period markers, netting a feed from Leah Wells and Hope Klein-Swormink at 5:41 and a relay sent to her by Wells at 7:52 of the same frame. Morrow's third tally was set up by McNairn and Wells 2:45 into the second session, but the 3-0 lead vanished when the Storm blasted three unanswered shots, two by Kylan Ferrin and a single by Shaylin Telford in a span of four minutes to send the 3-3 count into what proved to be a scoreless third period.

Dundas started its four-game qualifying round be beating the Glengarry Highlanders 4-1.

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BALDWIN, Marc
April 4, 1964 - March 6, 2009
We thought of you today, Marc
But that is nothing new.
We thought of you yesterday
And each day before that too.
We see you in our dreams,
And often speak your name.
We laugh about our memories
And keep your picture in a frame.
– Forever missed and always loved,
– Mom, Reg, Marty, Rhonda, Kurtis and families
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In Memoriam

ELDRIDGE – In loving memory of my dear dad, Jack, March 7, 2006.
Your grandson said the other day,
"I wish Grandpa Jack could jump out of the pictures to be with me."
You were so special to all of us, Dad.
Even to Trevor, who never got to know you, as he's only three.
– Loved and greatly missed by
– Louise, Steven, and Trevor
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LLOYD – In loving memory of Bill, who left us March 8, 1993.
Each day brings thoughts of you
Your smile, your laugh, the good times we had fishing, camping, golfing.
So many memories.
– You live in my heart forever,
– Your father, Bill
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REIDS MILLS CEMETERY ANNUAL MEETING
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Coming Events

ELDER ABUSE WORKSHOP
Raise your awareness of elder abuse, attend a free information session on warning signs of elder abuse, and how to prevent it. Thurs., March 22 at the Old Town Hall in Winchester, 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome, register in advance online at Northdundas.com or by phone 613-774-2105.
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"THE MUSIC WITHIN"
The Osgoode Township Historical Society invites the public to a presentation of "The Music Within" by Kathy Kelsey, local filmmaker, on Sat., March 10 at 2 pm. This short film explores the history of Theatre Organs. Light refreshments and a discussion period to follow the film.
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PATTY'S DELIGHT FUNDRAISER
Sun., March 18, 2:00-4:30 pm at DC Community Centre, Dixon's Corners. Join us for an afternoon of music, treats, and silent auction in support of South Branch Wind Opposition Group. Adults $10, under 12 years $5, family $30.
51-1c

CHESTERVILLE GIRLS BALL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Registration is taking place at Winchester Arena, **Mon., March 12** from 6:30-8:30 pm. Girls ages 12 to 16 are welcome. For more information call Kelly at 613-774-5512.
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COMMUNITY DIABETES INFORMATION SESSION
I know better so.... What is my problem? Wed., March 14, 7:00-8:30 pm, Dillabough Board Room (across from WDMH parking lot). Nancy Graham, RN, CDE.
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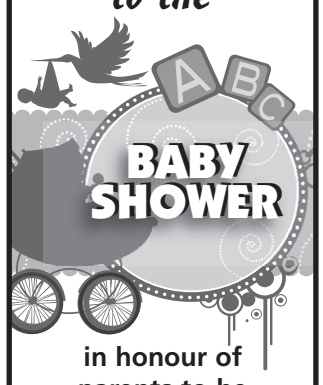

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A sincere thank you to family and friends for the cards, phone calls, visits, flowers, gifts and food brought to our home following my surgery. Heartfelt thanks to my surgeon, Dr. Tadros, and all the wonderful nurses on the 6th Floor of the Ottawa General Hospital. The many acts of kindness shown to me were greatly appreciated.

–Lorna Holmes

Wright–Van Gurp

Jenny Van Gurp and Lee Wright celebrated their wedding on December 31, 2011 in a beautiful candlelit ceremony at Morewood United Church.

We would like to thank our families, friends and wedding party for making our day so special.

March 16, 2012

IN MEMORY OF
Joy Docksteader

A year has past since you stepped over the threshold into God's waiting embrace. You have found peace in the arms of the One who created you.

We miss you dearly and deeply but you have left us with such wonderful memories that we will always cherish. Your role as a wife, mother and believer in Christ will follow you long into future generations.

Our sadness still overwhelms us, but we remember with fondness the sparkle in your eyes and your beautiful smile, and whisper a prayer of thanksgiving for all you gave to us and for all the ways you loved us.

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Lovingly,
Dear husband Carl and family

Thank You

The family of the late Annie Barkley wishes to express sincere appreciation for those many acts of kindness, messages of sympathy, and visits to the funeral home during our recent loss of our dear wife, mother and grandmother.

We especially wish to thank the following: Vicky Byers and the management and staff of the Byers Funeral Home for their professional and heartfelt assistance, the Dundas Manor and their staff for the wonderful care they provided, Dr. Flowers, Rev. Blair Paterson for the beautiful service, the South Mountain Library, Loughlins, especially Diane, for providing a wonderful mercy luncheon, and the pallbearers, Jim Crowder, Chris Crowder, Lyle Byers, Cecil McDermott, and Robert Guy. Finally, we would like to thank Marion Michalicka for her special care of us during a very difficult time.

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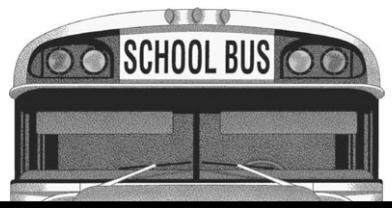

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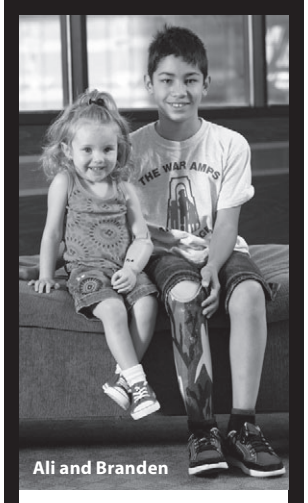
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Draft Proposed Source Protection Plan for the Raisin Region and South Nation Source Protection Areas

Comment Period: March 1st to April 5th, 2012

The Draft Plan policies address existing and future threats to municipal drinking water sources in vulnerable areas at the following locations:

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Winchester	**March 27, 2012**	Old Town Hall, 478 Main St.
Casselman	**March 29, 2012**	J.R. Brisson Arena, 758 Brebeuf St.

Copies of the Draft Proposed Source Protection Plans are available for public comment at the following locations:
- The internet at ***www.yourdrinkingwater.ca***
- Raisin Region Conservation Authority (18045 County Rd. 2, Cornwall)
- South Nation Conservation Authority (38 Victoria St., Finch)
- Municipal Offices

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e-mail: karen.cooper@rrca.on.ca
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Submit all comments in writing by April 5, 2012
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Death notices

Frank Mullen

Frank Mullen, a lifetime resident of the area, passed away at the Carefor Hospice in Cornwall on Sat., Feb. 11, 2012, following a 14-year battle with cancer. He was 83.

Frank was born in Inkerman on April 12, 1929, to his parents, John and Mary Mullen (nee Kelly). Frank married Dolores Hess in July of 1958, and resided in Ottawa, where he gained employment with Voyageur Colonial Bus Lines. Frank drove a bus for this company for 35 years. Frank and Dolores relocated to the Morrisburg area in 1963, and acquired their first home in 1965 in Williamsburg, where Dolores taught at the local school. Following that, they built and opened, The Charcoal Pit with lifelong friends Rae and Betty Casselman, a place where you could grab a burger or a shake, and sit and visit with friends.

Frank continued to be a bus driver and decided to venture into the tour industry. He owned and operated Frank's Tours, taking many country music fans from the area to Nashville Tenn., sun seekers to Florida, and many other destinations. Frank was always very personable and he always made sure every trip was memorable.

Frank is survived by his son, Darrin Mullen of Morrisburg, daughter Devon Wells of Williamsburg, and grandchildren Konnor Mullen, Cobie Wells, and Robert Bird. He was predeceased by brothers, Kevin and Leo, and sisters, Rita Kaufman, Honora Spurrell, and Bernadette Hogan. He was also survived by nieces and nephews.

Friend and family may call at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Sat., April 14 from 12 pm until the time of the memorial service at 2 pm.

Donations made to Carefor Hospice would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Keith Bryson Barkley

Keith Barkley of South Mountain passed away peacefully at the Dundas Manor on Sat., March 3, 2012, in his 96th year.

He was the beloved husband of the late Lila. He was the loving Dad of Elaine Johnson and Don Barkley (Brenda), and the cherished Grandpa of Carolyn, Beth, and Christine. Keith was the dear brother and brother-in-law of Lyle Barkley, Muriel Barkley, and Lois Baldwin, and was predeceased by six brothers and one sister. He was the uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Keith will rest at the Byers Funeral Home, 2990 Church Street, South Mountain (613-989-3836) today (Wed., March 7) from 10 am to 12 pm followed by the funeral service in the chapel of the funeral home at 1 pm. Interment will be held in the spring at Knights Cemetery.

By family request, donations may be made to the South Mountain United Church.

Online condolences may be made at www.byersfuneralhomeinc.com

Obituary

Mary "Maxine" Feeley

Maxine Feeley, a lifetime resident of the Chesterville area, passed away at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Wed., Feb. 29, 2012. She was in her 80th year.

Maxine was born in Dunbar on July 11, 1932, the second youngest of 15 children, to her parents, Edsel and Bessie Merkley (nee Wallace). Maxine is survived by her husband of 60 years, Henry, her children, Barry (Patsy) of Chesterville, Cathy (Ronnie) Carbino of Finch, Tom (Mary) of Ottawa, and Lori (Graham) Ball of Chesterville, and her siblings, Audrey Casselman of Williamsburg, Lois (Jack) McCaughey of Cornwall, Lorna Bolster of Brushton, NY, and Joan Beckstead of Chesterville. Maxine will be fondly remembered by grandchildren; Michelle (Mark), Mallory (Trevor), Michael, Lindsay, Alyssa, Warren, Lauren; and one great-grandson, Colby Morozuk. She was predeceased by sisters, Vera Smith, Dorothy Price, and Emma Hess, and brothers, Walter, Irwin, Lee, Carl, Clifton, Audeen, and Lyle Merkley. She is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Chesterville on Fri., March 2. The funeral service was held at the funeral home on Sat., March 3 at 11 am with Rev. Lois Gaudet officiating, followed by interment at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville. The pallbearers were grandchildren Michelle Doll, Mallory Morozuk, Michael Carbino, Lindsay Feeley, Alyssa Ball, Warren Ball, and Lauren Feeley.

Donations to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com

OBITUARIES which appeared in the *Winchester Press* from 2002-2012 are archived on our web site: www.winchesterpress.on.ca

Thank You

Sincere thanks to family, friends, neighbours and co-workers for the support we received following the death of a dear wife, mother, daughter, sister and aunt, Jayne Rushford.

The many messages of condolence, charitable donations, floral arrangements, cards, food and prayers were much appreciated.

We also wish to express our gratitude to Dave MacDougall and the staff of Brownlee Funeral Homes for their compassion and care.

Thanks to Rev. Mark Bourgon and Rev. Lois Gaudet for their spiritual words.

Tammy and Jennifer touched us with their beautiful music.

Thanks to the ladies of St. Luke's Knox Presbyterian Church for the delicious luncheon after the service. Your thoughtfulness and love has helped us through this sad and difficult time.

The Rushford and St. Pierre Families

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10 am-3 pm	P&E Demos, Games, Displays - Power & Equipment Centre
10 am-3 pm	Food & Nutrition Exhibits, Educational Displays - Purvis Hall
2-6 pm	Western Horse Show - AM Barr Arena
8-10 pm	Farmers' Olympics - AM Barr Arena

EVENTS FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 10

7:30 am-1 pm	Pancake Breakfast - Agroforestry Centre
8 am-12 pm	Livestock Evaluation Class Show - AM Barr Arena
9 am-3 pm	P&E Demos, Show & Shine, Games, Displays - Power & Equipment Centre
9 am-3 pm	Petting Zoo - storage building near main horse barn
9 am-3 pm	Food & Nutritional Exhibits, Educational Displays, Kids' Zone - Purvis Hall
10 am-3 pm	Greenhouse Tour and Plant Sale - Greenhouse
12:30-1 pm	Celebrity Ag Competition - AM Barr Arena
1-2 pm	Assorted Horse Demos - AM Barr Arena
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