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Council pumped for tests on wells

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER — North Dundas council gave the go-ahead for testing at two of the township's municipal wells, at a special meeting on Monday (Feb. 17). The hope is that the township's existing water resources serving Winchester and Chesterville can be increased, to meet current and future needs of the communities.

North Dundas currently needs to address problems with two of its seven wells before July 1, to maintain certification with the province. Well 1 in Chesterville has been off-line for several years and needs to have its problems corrected or be decommissioned. Well 4 in Winchester needs to be improved to allow the water more contact time with chlorine if it is to stay in use under new Ontario guidelines.

Council heard a detailed presentation from Stantec Consulting associate Fern Dicaire and Berend Velderman of Golder Associates, the two consulting firms that have been studying the township's wells.

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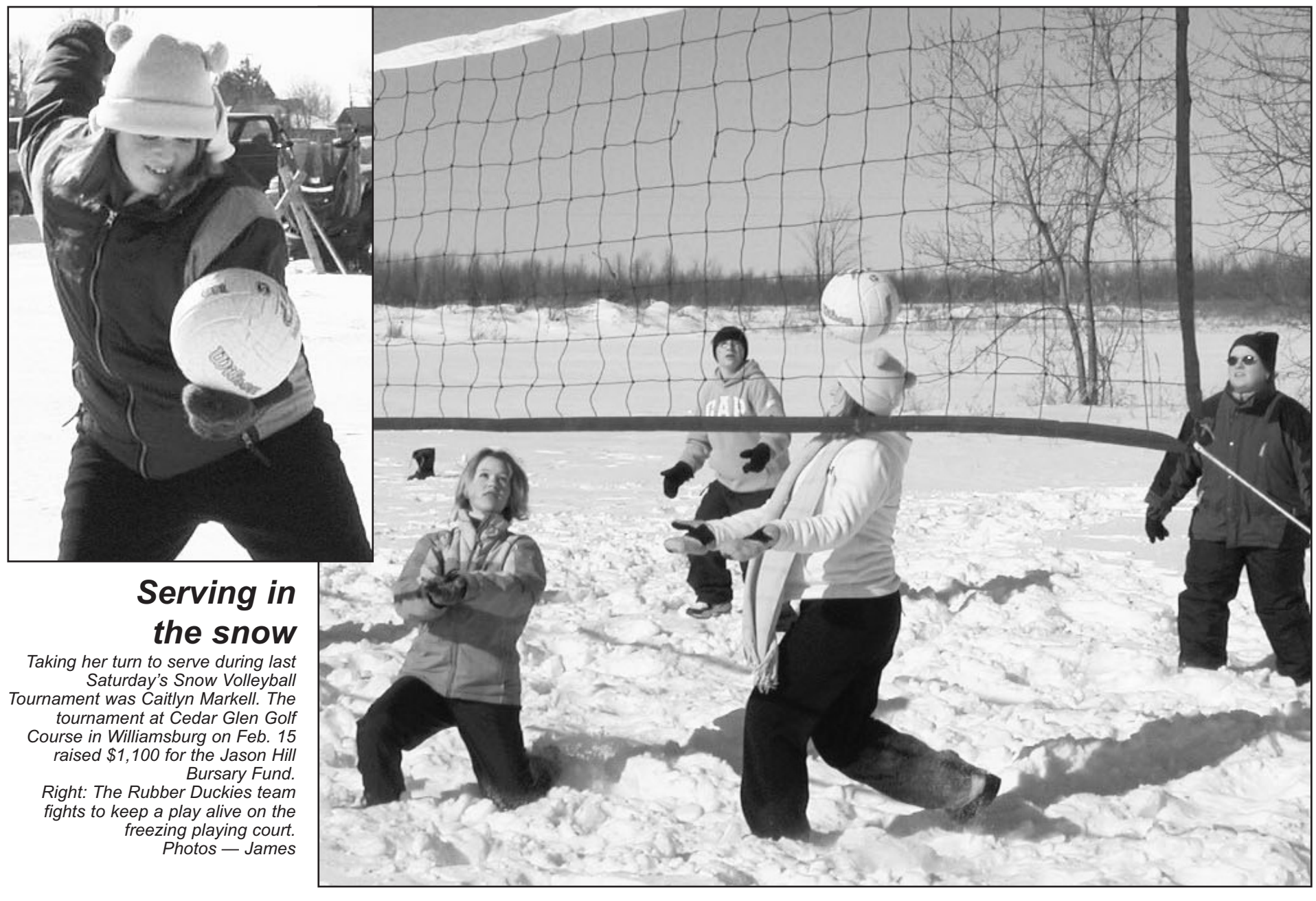

Serving in the snow

Taking her turn to serve during last Saturday's Snow Volleyball Tournament was Caitlyn Markell. The tournament at Cedar Glen Golf Course in Williamsburg on Feb. 15 raised $1,100 for the Jason Hill Bursary Fund.
Right: The Rubber Duckies team fights to keep a play alive on the freezing playing court.
Photos — James

Greens not SDC's natural choice

By Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

BERWICK — The Green Party of Ontario is scarcely known to voters in this neck of the woods. A turnout of only two people, at the founding meeting of the Green Party's in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburg Constituency Association in Berwick on Feb. 17, was a good example of this.

Yet, one Berwick man is convinced the Green Party is what is needed for the rural and agriculture communities of S-D-C and, Ontario residents, and Canadians as a whole. Tom Manley, who operates Homestead Organics, a organic grain elevator, feed mill and food store in Berwick, is the Green Party constituency contact for the area.

Meeting with Manley on Feb. 17 was Carleton University student Matt Takach, the Green Party election co-ordinator for the Ottawa region. Both men agreed it is urgent to nominate a Green Party S-D-C candidate for the next provincial election, which could be as early as this spring. They need five members to receive a certificate of approval and be open to party donations outside election campaigns.

But, what does the Green Party of Ontario stand for? And who are they?

"We are not the NDP or even in the same political spectrum as them or any other party," said Manley. "We are for sustainable community environments and protection of our natural resources, and industries such as agriculture." Both men expressed Green views which spread across the political canvas and are focused on community co-operation for the good of all citizens.

The party's vision states: "Practical solutions, grounded by our shared values, are what Green politics is about;" and "It's no longer about 'left' versus 'right.' In the 21st century, it's about 'green' versus 'grey.'"

The attitude is the Industrial Revolution took more than 100 years, and so will a progression toward a healthy sustainable way of life. Doing things gradually, but effectively, is a significant mandate for the Green Party, according to Manley and Takach.

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Chamber gets back to business

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — All business people in North Dundas Township are invited to drop by the Chesterville Legion on Thursday (Feb. 20) for wine and cheese. The event is being hosted by the North Dundas Chamber of Commerce, from 6 to 8 pm, to entice new members.

Of the approximately 300 businesses in the township, the Chamber has 45-50 paid members. Active members in the organization see the opportunity to foster and encourage economic growth within North Dundas.

The Chamber resumed regular meetings following a break last summer. The wine and cheese party is the group's first major event of the year.

President Gerry Boyce promises it will be a very low-pressure affair. "If people want to come out and shoot the breeze about what the Chamber does, that's great," he said.

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Captain Proulx honored for 18 years of firefighting

by Bonnie James

WINCHESTER — Captain John Proulx has retired from the Winchester Fire Department after 18 years of service. He was honored on the weekend with a presentation at the fire hall by his fellow firefighters.

Proulx has been very involved in the fire prevention program and was also responsible for starting the muscular dystrophy fundraiser that the firefighters run each year. For each of the past 10 years, they have collected about $2,500 in a three-hour blitz where they set up roadblocks and ask drivers for donations. Captain Proulx was also the department's treasurer.

Add nine years of previous service spent with the Limoges Fire Department, and Proulx's history of fighting fires comes to 27 years. He said that when he first came to Winchester he didn't intend on being involved in the fire department; however, then-chief Bruce Kerr approached him and asked him to join.

Proulx commented that he will miss the social part of the job, "with the fellas and the good times." And now that he's got more free time? He's going to put in some longer hours with his regular day job driving buses in the city.

Deputy chief Tony Fraser said, "We'll miss his sense of humor, and his dedication for sure. And he was integral to the department, being involved in the Parade of Lights. John himself drove Santa for a few years. The parade was important to him."



Members of the Winchester Volunteer Fire Department marked the retirement of long-time firefighter captain John Proulx on Feb. 16. At the Winchester Fire Hall were Brad Holmes (back left), Tom Sloane, captain Ken Williams, Kevin Goodwin, Sandy Johnston, deputy chief Tony Fraser (front left), captain Brian Williams, chief Dan Kelly, retired captain John Proulx, Howard Richmond and Harvey Terhorst.

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Water

In both cases, council approved options where the problematic wells will likely be abandoned. To maintain the current water capacity provided to the two villages, the township's consultants will study ways of increasing the capacity of the most productive wells serving the villages.

Decommissioning Well 1 will cost Chesterville 125 gallons per minute of capacity. Council approved a motion for studies to test whether an additional well drilled in the area of Well 5 will replace the capacity that will be lost. Well 5 is currently providing all of Chesterville's water needs.

Velderman explained that testing at Well 5 will have to be done to determine how the aquifer operates, and where the best location for a new well would be on the surrounding land that the township owns. Well 5 currently pumps 300 gallons per minute. Velderman estimated its capacity could possibly increase to 600 gallons per minute. He said the worst case scenario would create an additional 80 gallons per minute of capacity.

Well 4 in Winchester presents a different problem because its capacity is only 35 gallons per minute, serving about 70 homes. Dicaire said increasing the chlorination of the water pumped from the well would cost roughly $10,000.

Council supported a motion to study decommissioning Well 4. For such a small capacity of water, it was judged regular maintenance costs would be too great to justify keeping it.

The township's consultants will test Well 7 serving Winchester, to see whether it has additional capacity. The well currently pumps 350 gallons per minute.

"We are definitely going to have to ask for an extension," said Dicaire, referring to the July 1 provincial deadline to have all these issues solved. North Dundas is in the middle of applying to the Ontario Small Towns and Rural Development fund. OSTAR funding is available to municipalities working toward meeting the province's strict new water polices. Funding for whatever water solutions council proceeds with will be shared in thirds between the provincial, federal and municipal government.

Green Party

Although much of the Greens' support has come for more urban areas in Ontario, Manley said the party focuses on numerous issues pertinent to rural dwellers and farmers who make up the electorate in S-D-C. Manley emphasized that the economy and environment are interlinked for success, and are not opposing forces.

"The so called 'Free Trade Agreement' has had a major impact on our farmers while strengthening the industry to our south," Manley said.

"We are importing cheap food of less quality, while the Canadian government can't compete with the subsidies being given to American farmers."

Manley said he once asked the federal minister of agriculture how many farmers Canada needed, as he was concerned with the state of the important resource industry. "I didn't get an answer," he said.

The organic supporter said long-term sustainability issues for all of Canada's natural resources need to be seriously addressed. While the Greens' vision promotes Ontario consumers' growing concern with food safety, and the use of organic methods, both Manley and Takach said the party wouldn't push mandates down voters' throats.

Manley says the Greens set a mandate for "quality not quantity" and a gradual progression toward communities sustaining their environment and economy, to become more self-sufficient. The Green Party platform is to work toward measuring progress, instead of product, with a Genuine Progress Indicator.

"We have become too much a transaction society, where even cancer treatments and other community ills add to our GDP," added Takach.

Both men also discussed the need for Canada to support and manufacture goods and services in its own communities, instead of relying on the low costing and poorly paid labor-driven products from outside our borders. Takach said citizens of Third World countries could use more of their food to feed their own starving, rather than selling to large multi-national companies.

The Green Party is one of the few political factions represented globally. The Greens have been elected in 29 nations and are part of governing coalitions in seven countries, including Germany, Wales, France, and New Zealand. In Germany the minister of agriculture is a Green Party member.

In the United States, Ralph Nader made the Greens the third-largest national political party in 2000. While in this country the party has earned 13 per cent of the popular vote in British Columbia, and 30 per cent in some ridings, Takach said his Ottawa Green Party organization attracts citizens who once voted for the Grits, Tories, Alliance or New Democrats.

Some of the other mandates of the Ontario Greens include: support for proportional representation for elections and mixed member voting to protect rural area votes with where population is low; fixed election dates; commitment to public transit and renewable energy; a balanced budget; and work-time reduction and job sharing.

Takach admitted the party's policies can't be pinned down to one political wing and can be seen as both economically conservative and environmentally and socially progressive. "We are not a leftist party," Takach said. "There are many things about us which are fiscally conservative, like a balanced budget. What we want is change."

Manley says such conversion begins with communities working for themselves and thus respecting their own "back yards." He says long-term change for issues such as decreasing over consumption and waste, and clean air and water, will not be a burden to the economy, but a job-creator and a "better way to live."

For now, the goals in S-D-C are to find a local candidate for the riding who can take a real interest in the issues of the community and gain some much needed members.

Chamber

One of the Chamber's main reasons for being is to encourage networking among local business people. Another advantage is to consolidate the voice of business within the township. "We want to be one group working together," said Boyce.

The Chamber's annual membership fee is $75. The next regular breakfast meeting is on Thurs., March 20 at 7:30 am at the Country Kitchen in Winchester.



Think Green

Green Party election co-ordinator for the Ottawa region, Matt Takach, left, and Berwick organic businessman Tom Manley, discuss how to seek voters in S-D-C, during a meeting at the South Nation Conservation building on Feb. 17.



Valentine donation

Regional CIBC branch managers presented a welcome Valentine's gift of $60,000 to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Renewing the Vision Campaign on Feb. 14, in the hospital lobby. Lynne Wilson, WDMH foundation and community relations director, said the CIBC contribution is the most substantial corporate donation from a charter bank thus far. Curtis Stange, vice-president of retail banking for Ontario east and north region, spoke on the commitment of CIBC to maintaining the strength of a rural foundation. The hefty donation will be payable to the WDMH campaign over the next five years. Seen here are, from left: WDMH VP of Support Services and Planning Philippe Marleau, Embrun branch manager Jeanette Mongeon, Kemptville branch manager Karen Young and Stange, with the $60,000 CIBC cheque. Press Photo — Bosma

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Council notes from South Dundas

For-profit power supported

WILLIAMSBURG — South Dundas Township council unanimously voted in favor of supporting Rideau St. Lawrence recommendations to continue as a for-profit hydro distributor. Rideau St. Lawrence directors John Allison and John Walsh presented their case to their South Dundas Township shareholders at the meeting on Feb. 13. The directors warned that shifting to a not-for-profit system could create a debt and cause energy rates to rise for township users. While Ontario Bill 210 has put a temporary freeze of 4.3 cents per kilowatt hours for users until May 2006, extremely cold temperatures in January saw a 10 cent per kilowatt hour distributor cost in the region. Allison warned of the increasing demand and decreasing supply of power in the province. "I think there could be a serious problem in two years, even blackouts." He also said while two nuclear plants are set to open in Pickering, the province will still have to plan on increasing its energy supply in the near future. "Getting energy from south of the border will be expensive with the American high dollar." Mayor Johnny Whitteker mentioned the evolution of wind power and the benefits it could provide the province in a possible energy supply crisis, "The wind doesn't cost anything," he said.

Whitteker passionate about Bill 81

Mayor Whitteker, a farmer by trade, spoke out against the Ontario Tory government's Bill 81 Nutrient Management Act (NMA) during the Feb. 13 council meeting. NMA discussion arose after a motion by the County of Grey opposing proceeding with regulations affecting category 1, 2, 3 and 4 farms, without a completed financial analysis. Whitteker said the government hasn't been forthcoming in giving farmers details on compensation they will provide to enact the new environmental measures necessary to meet new restrictions. "Some restrictions begin this April, and farmers need to know if money is coming," Whitteker said. The mayor also referred to the 75 to 90 per cent of reparations the Quebec government has supplied its farmers to meet regulations. All council members supported the County of Grey motion.

Public meeting on smoking

The newly formed township smoking committee will be conducting an open meeting for the public to give their opinions on any possible restrictive smoking bylaws. The meeting will be held at the Matilda Hall on March 20 at 7 p.m. Township clerk Brenda Brunt said the South Dundas smoking committee has met two to three times and has had discussions with businesses to hear opinions and suggestions. Meanwhile, South Stormont Township forwarded a Jan. 22 motion to implement no further bylaws on smoking in municipalities and leave the prohibiting measures up to the province. South Dundas council rejected the South Stormont motion and many councillors were of the belief the municipality shouldn't rule out further bylaws regarding smoking. But, the consensus around the table was if any public smoking bans were to occur, it would eventually come from provincial legislation.

Canadian Club asks for support

Two executive members of the Canadian Club of Morrisburg presented council with information on the annual general meeting of national Canadian Clubs, to be held in Morrisburg on Sept. 19-21. The 125-member local club serves much of Dundas county and the representatives said they are expecting 100 plus delegates for the national meeting. The Canadian Club deputation asked council for a $1,000 grant, the same requested from North Dundas and other area townships which their members come from. The local representatives said there has already been considerable interest from delegates from across Canada in the Upper Canada Village, regional antique scene and the McIntosh Apple history. Mayor Whitteker said council would discuss the Canadian Club's request and talk to North Dundas council to see what they are contributing.

Wireless internet for Brinston?

Anne Marie Waddell, South Dundas Economic Development Commission (SDEDC) co-ordinator, presented council with the latest efforts for federal funding to expand wireless internet service to Brinston businesses. SDEDC requests passed the first phase of funding and council had to decide how to proceed with the steps for a decisive business plan for final acceptance. Waddell isn't too optimistic, as South Dundas has already received funding for broadband internet services currently being implemented in the township. However, she said the business plan is a serious determining factor in whether they will be awarded outside financial support this time around. The project will cost $30,000 (50 per cent match funding) with $1,000 and $6,000 in-kind from the township budget, and $15,000 and $9,000 in-kind from the SDEDC. Despite alarms of filing a business plan before the end of the federal government's fiscal year in March, council decided it was best to tender the business plan to consulting companies.



Osgoode Township Historical Society president Doug Hughes, Museum Curator Michelle LaChance, and Osgoode Ward councillor Doug Thompson were on hand at the Osgoode Township Museum for the kick-off of Heritage Week on Feb. 15. Photos — James

Amalgamation beneficial to Osgoode Twp. museum

by Bonnie James

VERNON — There have been many complaints about the City of Ottawa amalgamation. Rural groups and politicians have feared that urban concerns would dictate spending and legislation, and in some cases they have been right.

However, there are some rural organizations that are benefiting from the city's deep pockets. Curator Michelle LaChance and Osgoode Township Historical Society president Doug Hughes both agreed at the museum's open house on Feb. 15, that amalgamation has been positive for the Osgoode Township Museum, located in Vernon.

The museum used to only be open seasonally. It's now open 40 hours a week, year round. This provides better access for people researching family histories or specific local topics – some of the main ways the museum's collection is used.

The museum has also started new programs; for example, it will be running a March Break camp for kids this year for the first time. Curator LaChance is excited about the March Break program and revealed that the kids will get to perform hands-on activities, such as making butter and washing clothes in the old-fashioned ways.

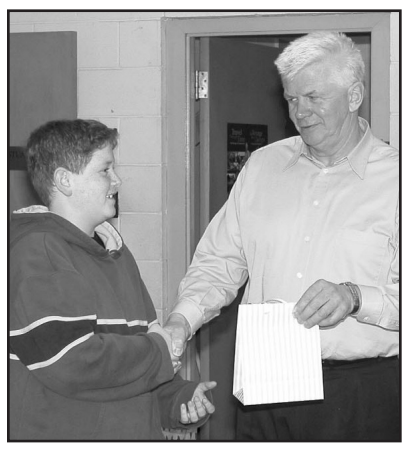
LaChance explained how the museum is re-gearing some of its displays in order to be able to take them on the road to schools, since cutbacks have meant fewer school classes are making the trip to the museum. The museum is also making progress in cataloguing the large backlog of donated items and documents.

How has all this progress been made possible? In addition to the fundraising that the museum and historical society does, it has received about $28,000 in funding from the City of Ottawa.

The Osgoode Township Museum kicked of Heritage Week, and celebrated Flag Day, with an open house on Saturday (Feb. 15). The event included a presentation by historical society president Hughes about the evolution of the Canadian flag.

Osgoode Ward councillor Doug Thompson was also on hand and spoke briefly, sharing the idea that it's time to begin planning for a museum expansion, or a new building. With both provincial and federal elections coming up, Thompson thinks the timing could be right to get some pre-election spending directed towards the museum.

LaChance does fear that with the amalgamation there will be fewer places to "see, talk, and feel" township history, but the Osgoode Museum is dedicated to filling this purpose. The museum will be rounding out Heritage Week and this year's theme of The Heritage of Our Town with another open house and presentation on Sat., Feb. 22. Local historian and author David Gray will talk at 2 pm on the topic of Preserving Heritage in our Communities.



Treasure trove

Joel Duchesne stood in for his sister Janessa who was unable to attend and receive her prize for the Osgoode Township Museum's Valentine's Treasure Hunt from councillor Doug Thompson on Feb. 15.

No provincial money for mandatory road analyses

by Gerrit Bosma
Press Staff

WILLIAMSBURG — Maintaining roads won't come cheap for South Dundas Township in the near future.

A new municipal act legislated by the provincial government is requesting road management and bridge safety analysis be completed, but no financial support to municipalities has been promised. A report must be submitted by the township to Queen's Park by June 30 of this year.

Hugh Garlough, South Dundas roads superintendent, presented the options for seeking engineering consultants' observations for the necessary study to council, on Feb. 13. Council advised Garlough to request proposals of five various engineering consultants. He said no road studies have been done in South Dundas in the past.

"This is not a tendering process," Garlough said. "We will have the five consultants submit what they will do and at what cost. Then we will make a request for a proposal."

Garlough said the road management and bridge safety standards are a must, but said they will be costly to the township. "Under the new municipal act we have to do this, but the province isn't offering any financial help as of yet."

Garlough's concern isn't just the potential hefty expense of getting the work done, but also the barrage of paperwork to come from the number of roads being monitored in South Dundas. Currently there are numerous roads with different names for the various sections they cover. Garlough referenced one eight-kilometre stretch of road between County Road 1 and Highway 31, with four separate names. Due to heritage concerns after township amalgamation, many of the old road names in the various municipalities and rural areas remain in existence.

There are currently 200 roads and 29 bridges in South Dundas, all which must be accounted for and tedious reports filed on. Garlough expects, with the concerns of extreme heat and cold expansion of bridges, they will need to be checked every two years. Roads will have to be analyzed for potholes, snow removal, and adequate road signage.

To save in consulting expenses, Garlough received council's approval to continue co-operating with neighboring townships on seeking the most cost efficient means to acquire a road analysis. As of now, North Dundas and South Stormont townships have agreed to work as a unit with South Dundas. Garlough said North and South Glengarry and North Stormont are still considering the option.

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Morrisburg Historical Society hosts workshop

MORRISBURG — Most families have heirlooms in the house, even if it's only a shoe box full of an aunt's old photographs, or a great-grandmother's wedding veil. Such items reflect a family's roots and will become even more treasured by future generations.

The Morrisburg and District Historical Society will host a workshop featuring local archival technician Susan Peters on Sat., Feb. 22 from 2-4 pm.

The event will enable local residents to learn about the basic care of family heirlooms such as photographs, Christening and wedding dresses, books, newspapers, documents and other items. There will be a nominal registration fee which will cover handouts. Archival-quality storage materials will be available for purchase. Pre-registration is required.

Susan Peters specialized in history at the University of Toronto and holds a diploma in archival and library technology from Algonquin College. Recently she established a local consulting firm which specializes in archival-quality preservation of family heirlooms and keepsakes.

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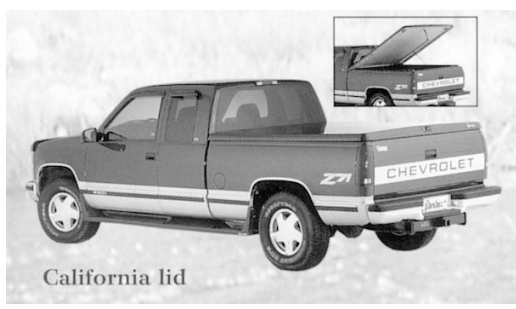

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Moose on the loose

SOUTH DUNDAS — Drivers are asked to use extra caution when travelling along County Road 8 in the former Williamsburg Township. Recently OPP have reported two moose which were sighted in the area north of the intersection of County Road 8 and County Road 18.

OPP are asking drivers to reduce their speed when travelling at night, and to be aware that these animals are on the move in the area and may be fairly mobile throughout the township.

Man charged for $3,200 fraud

NORTH STORMONT — SD& G OPP began a fraud investigation in North Stormont early last month, as a result of complaints received. The investigation indicated a suspect had obtained property of a value of $3,200 by fraudulent means using a credit card. As a result of the investigation, SD&G B&E unit and the crime unit arrested John Bazil Jr., who has no fixed address, and charged him with possession of data from fraudulent use of credit card.

Bazil was further charged with conspiracy to commit an indictable offence and fraud under $5,000. All charges are contrary to the criminal code. Bazil is being held in custody and appeared in court on Feb. 11. Further charges are pending.

Fraud charge laid in Morrisburg

SOUTH DUNDAS — Following an investigation by members of the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry OPP into a reported fraudulent use of a credit card at the Bank of Montreal in Morrisburg on Feb. 13, one person is facing criminal charges.

Charges of possession of a forged or falsified credit card, personation with intent, and fraud are pending against a 36 year-old Ottawa man, who will be scheduled to appear in Provincial Court on April 1 to respond to the charges. No money was obtained during the course of this incident.

Belair charged

SOUTH STORMONT — As a result of an investigation conducted by the SD&G crime unit and break-and-enter unit, with the assistance of the Cornwall Police Services Pro Active Unit, a search warrant was executed in the area of Highway 138 in South Stormont Township. During the search, approximately $40,000 worth of stolen property was recovered. Also found during the search, a single barrelled Russian shotgun, a loaded nine millimetre pistol and a .303 Cal rifle. All were improperly stored. Subsequently, Roger Belair, 37, was arrested and charged with:

Possession of Property obtained by Crime; Possession of Prohibited or Restricted Firearm/Ammunition; Unauthorized Possession of Firearm; Careless Use of Firearm, weapon; Device or Ammunition (two counts) and Breach of Firearms Regulation.

Further charges are pending. Belair is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 24.

Also charged for the same offences as Belair was Clarrisa Thompson, 29. Thompson appears in court on March. 10. The SD&G crime unit and break-and-enter unit are investigating.

Study traces path of local well water

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Municipalities around eastern Ontario are paying special attention to the land surrounding their wells. North Dundas has seven wells to maintain, five in Winchester and two in Chesterville. About 30 people attended a public meeting at the Winchester Community Centre on Feb. 6 to hear and see the results so far of the Eastern Ontario Municipal Groundwater Study.

The study is being conducted through the Raisin Region Conservation Authority. The purpose is to consider the land areas surrounding municipal wells and identify threats to the underlying aquifers. When the study concludes in the spring, the next step will be to develop protection strategies to ensure municipal drinking water supplies are protected.

The Winchester public meeting was one of four conducted in the region, along with meetings in Finch, Glen Robertson and St. Isidore. The study includes wellheads in the United Counties and Prescott-Russell.

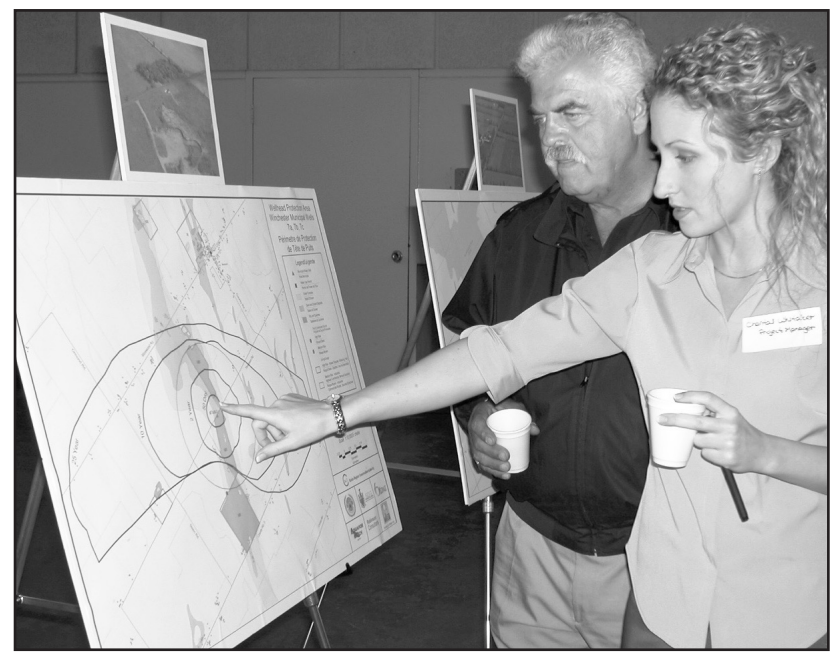
At the meeting in Winchester, a series of maps showed the seven municipal wells in the township. The maps described in great detail how the aquifers that supply drinking water to Winchester and Chesterville are regularly recharged by precipitation and snowfall.

With a series of concentric circles, the maps showed how water moves from the land surface to the aquifer over various periods of time. Over a 50-day period, water supplying an aquifer comes from a relatively small area. Moving out from the well, over periods of time up to 25 years, the area increases.

The Eastern Ontario Municipal Groundwater Study is designed to identify exactly which land areas are in contact with water which will eventually be used for drinking. Once these areas are known, typical threats can be eliminated or managed. A gas station near a well, for example, poses a threat. Other dangers include gravel pits, landfill sites, manure piles, lagoons, livestock, golf courses, roads and pipelines.

North Dundas CAO Howard Smith is a member of the technical advisory group for the groundwater study. He said about 30 people attended the public meeting, including some concerned property owners. Robinson Consultants of Ottawa, hired by the project, explained the process the study is following.

"They had some good questions," said Smith. "There were questions about the mechanics of the model used to find the flow rates." The methods used to calculate the rate groundwater moves at are key to the accuracy of the study's maps and conclusions. Smith said the consultants agreed that the model used for calculations needed review.



Results of the ongoing Eastern Ontario Municipal Groundwater Study were shown at a public meeting in Winchester on Feb. 6. A series of maps depicted the rates of groundwater movement supplying the seven wells in North Dundas. Helping mayor Claude Cousineau read the maps was project manager Chantal Whitaker from the Raisin Region Conservation Authority. Press Photo — Zabel

"There were also a couple of farmers expressing concern," said Smith. Those owning property near municipal wells don't know how their land will be identified in respect to aquifer recharge. The concern is that farms will have land taken out of production.

Smith said it's not clear how the conclusions of the study will be implemented. "That's where the province is going to be involved," said Smith. The wellhead study fulfils one of the many new requirements of the Ontario Clean Water Act, responding to the risks highlighted by the Walkerton disaster.

Crime Stoppers searching for armed robbers

MORRISBURG — Crime Stoppers is asking for the public's help in solving an armed robbery in the Morrisburg area. On Jan. 25 at approximately 3 am, two males entered the McIntosh Inn on County Road 2.

One brandished a knife and demanded money from the employee at the reception desk. One of the suspects jumped over the counter and removed a quantity of cash and cigarettes. The males then fled on foot.

The suspects are described as follows: The first suspect is a white male in his late teens, thin build, approximately 5'6". He was English speaking. He carried a knife and was wearing a dark pullover jacket with a hood over his head. He wore a blue/white bandanna across his face, black gloves, dark shoes and baggy jeans.

The second suspect is also a white male in his late teens, thin build, 5'6". He was wearing a red winter jacket with a black stripe across the front and back. He wore his hood over his head, a blue/gray bandanna across his face, and dark cargo pants with a water bottle in one of the pockets.

Crime Stoppers needs information from tipsters, not their names. Callers remain anonymous, will not have to appear in court and may be eligible for a cash reward of up to $1,000.

Anyone with information on this or any other crime can all Crime Stoppers at 613-937-8477 or 1-800-222-8477.



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Members of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation and the Renewing the Vision Campaign were pleased to accept a generous donation from Herfkens Custom Combining and Service Centre in Crysler on Fri., Feb. 7. North Stormont campaign co-ordinator Marion Byers accepted a cheque for $10,000 from co-owners Michael Herfkens (left), Johnny Herfkens and Albert Herfkens. Courtesy Photo



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NDDHS Notes

by Kathryn Leyenaar



Lifetime Achievement Award goes to Mr. Jean

MAPLE RIDGE — The red carpet has been rolled up and put away for another year. The second annual Oscars, held last Friday night, was an evening of great decorations, tasty refreshments, and proud award winners. A highlight of the evening was the Lifetime Achievement Award, which was given to Mr. Jean for his exceptional contribution to the school over his many years at North Dundas.

As always in the month of February, the guidance office is swamped with work. New students have arrived in the second semester; college application deadlines have just passed; and the course selection for the 2003/2004 school year was due today. Many parents attended an information evening held on Monday night, where they learned of the various courses that are offered at the high school.

North Dundas would like to welcome four new staff members: Mrs. Nathalie Smith will be teaching in the special education life skills program. Mrs. Kathy Pitruniak joins the special education team as an educational assistant. Mr. Paul Hooper will be teaching English, social science and geography. And Mr. Michael Brothers will be teaching English.

This term has also seen the implementation of the new NDDHS dress code. Students were given a copy of the dress code at the beginning of February, and it is included in the new 2003/2004 course calendar. Although many people will not be affected by this code, some students may have to go shopping to slightly alter their wardrobe!

Just as North Dundas students have been selecting their classes for next year, Grade 8 students have been touring the school and choosing what they will be taking in their first year. The peer helper group ran the first Global Interaction Day at the school yesterday. It was a day packed with workshops on bullying, conflict resolution, communication, volunteerism, time management, and leadership.

These sessions were led by members of the peer helper group, and were offered to 25 Grade 8 students from Nationview, Maple Ridge and Russell. These topics allowed students to discuss and debate issues, as well as meet future classmates. This opportunity gave Grade 8 students a more in-depth look at the high school, and we hope they are looking forward to joining us in September!

Marginal levy hikes approved by SNC directors

BERWICK — South Nation Conservation has approved levies to its 15-member municipalities for 2003, all which are up marginally.

"I don't imagine taxpayers will notice any difference as a result of the increases since, in most cases, our levies add up to less than one per cent of total tax bills," said SNC general manager Dennis O'Grady.

O'Grady cited some examples of justified levies: in Augusta Township, the 2002 actual levy was $33,155 while this year, it has been set at $34,978; in the city of Clarence-Rockland, the levy is increasing to $26,411 from $25,034; in Russell Township, it climbs from $50,430 to $53,204; and in Ottawa, by far the major contributing partner, the levy will rise from $593,257 to $625,887.

In total, municipal levies will contribute $954,505 to the 2003 budget, compared to $904,707 in 2002: "For the most part, board members understand that they get back much more than they invest in services from SNC. In fact, every levy dollar generates $3 from outside sources."

O'Grady noted SNC has worked hard to cut costs, reducing the total budget for this year by close to $580,000 over last year, to about $3.9 million. As is typical with an SNC budget, the bulk of expenditures are earmarked for water quality programs, some $2.3 million.

Other spending categories include watershed planning, $174,000; hazard land and flooding programs, $217,800; environmental awareness, $94,700; wetlands and forestry management, $432,000; river access and fisheries, $134,170; and special projects, $55,500. Cost of staffing required to implement the projects is $537,200.

In addition to municipal levies, SNC has several other sources of revenue including a $1 million partnership with Ducks Unlimited, $390,000 in provincial Healthy Futures grants, and $284,000 in contributions under the Clean Water Program.



Angele Boudria makes a play. Photos — James



Rubber Duckies take on the Trailer Park Boys.

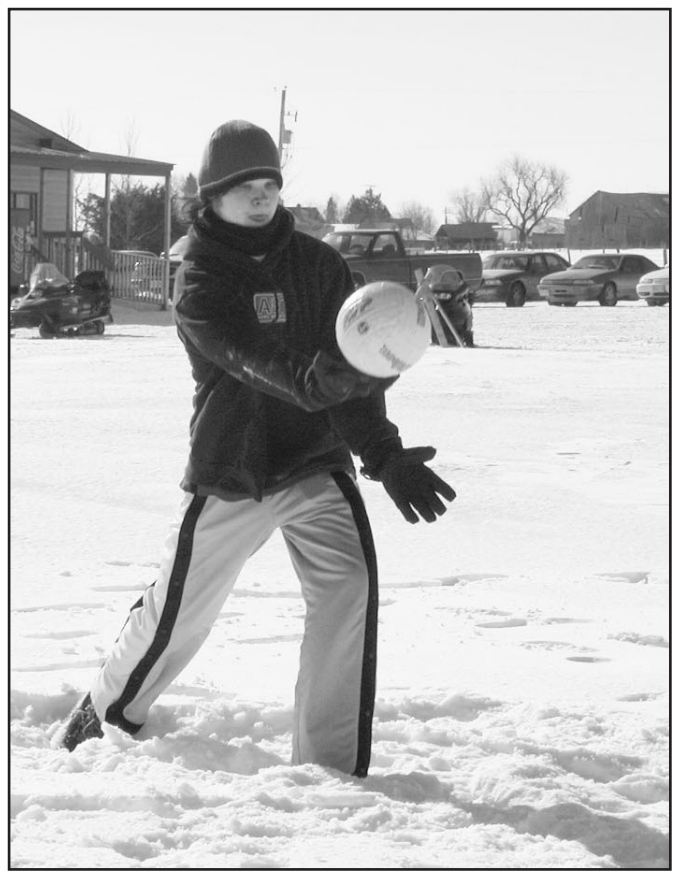
Playing volleyball in the snow, keeping memory of youth alive

by Bonnie James

WILLIAMSBURG — While outdoor volleyball might not be the sport of choice for most in the middle of February, that's exactly what they were playing at the Cedar Glen Golf Course in Williamsburg this past Saturday (Feb. 15).

The annual Snow Volleyball Tournament is held in memory of Jason Hill, a Seaway District High School student who took his own life in January of 1999. The tournament raises money for the Jason Hill Bursary Fund and a bursary is given every year at graduation to the Seaway student who best represents Jason's qualities.

"Jason was a super kid who always pitched in and helped whenever needed, said tournament organizer Dennis Casselman. "The kids lost a great friend."



Scott Barkley serves up another point.

Some of the teen's friends continue to return and play in the tournament even though they are in college now. Casselman explained that the golf course used to host a snow football tournament every year to raise money for different charities. After Jason's death, they discussed it with the Hill family and decided to convert it into a snow volleyball tournament in his memory.

Jason's father, Jack Hill, said of the annual volleyball tournament, "It's a super memory of Jason and keeps the bursary going at the high school, which Jason would like." He also appreciates that many of Jason's friends return every year to play. He himself is involved in the scorekeeping and game refereeing.

There were eight teams braving the frigid temperatures to participate this year and they raised approximately $1,100 for the bursary fund. Winning the "A" side of the tournament were the Tubie Miracles, captained by John McPherson. The "B" side was won by SSCSC led by Rob Casselman.



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EDITORIAL

The modern horse logger

Advertising as a horse logger, Rob Wallbridge has often found clients expecting a grizzled old-timer. The 29-year-old has been logging with a heavy team in eastern Ontario for the past five years.

Besides farming and logging, he's also been a regular contributor to the regional agricultural media. Wallbridge has appeared on the cover of the Draft Horse Connection, published locally in Addison. "I chose the name TreeSong because one of the best things about horse logging is being able to hear the sound of the wind in the trees, coupled with the rustle of the doubletree though the leaves, or its smooth swish though the snow," is the caption for the picture

Off duty, Wallbridge's horses like to run and kick at each other. Temperatures around -20 C don't bother them at all. They'd be happier pulling in a harness. Wallbridge has been horse logging this winter, and said his favorite temperature for working is -10 C. At that temperature you can stay warm by constantly working. If the temperature drifts to around 0 C, Wallbridge said gloves get wet and hands are cold all day.

Wallbridge is participating in eastern Ontario's farm week by organizing a seminar during Eco Farm Day in Morrisburg this Saturday (Feb. 22). In Winchester Springs he operates a small organic market garden. Part of the quality assurance Wallbridge offers his customers is that their vegetables haven't been around tractors. They have been produced using horses.

For the small farmer, Wallbridge can make a strong case for a pair of heavy horses over a tractor. "Diesel fuel isn't getting any cheaper," he said. "But if you have pasture for horses in the summer, there is very little cost to that."

Considering a tractor next to a pair of heavy horses as an investment, Wallbridge can make a strong case. "The initial purchase cost is a lot less than a tractor," he points out, "And mares can foal, which is another income source." Wallbridge hopes to have foals in the summer.

Tractors compact dirt and burn fuel; horses don't damage the earth and produce fresh manure. "A good horse will usually appreciate in value with work experience," said Wallbridge. Meanwhile, the value of a new tractor depreciates rapidly.

These benefits of horses and more will be up for discussion this weekend in Morrisburg under the theme: Innovations in Organic Agriculture.

Fostering township growth

There are approximately 300 businesses in North Dundas and the township's burgeoning Chamber of Commerce is interested in joining forces with each one of them. All businesses that aren't members already are invited to the Chesterville Legion for a wine and cheese function this Thursday from 6-8 pm.

For the past two years, a core group of members have been working to revitalize the organization which had lost its effectiveness. The Winchester Chamber of Commerce was expanded to include the entire township, and a current list of local businesses has been created.

Part of the reason why the old Chamber of Commerce lost the interest of the business community may have been a lack of focus. The new organization has a clear vision: To foster and encourage economic growth within the Township of North Dundas. Toward this end, the Chamber offers a series of benefits:

— Valuable networking opportunities
— Web presence through the Township of North Dundas Web site
— A percentage of membership fees stay within your village or ward to support projects
— Voice to municipal government
— Seasonal social functions
— Regular regional meetings to network and discuss business needs with fellow business people
— General meetings with guest speakers on business-related topics

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Rubber ducky optional

Shades of Grey
by Lori Gillespie



There is nothing in this world that quite matches a nice, long soak in a warm bubble bath.

Well, that is, unless it includes soaking in a whirlpool tub or a hot tub. Or, come to think of it, in a luxurious hot springs spa in western Canada.

But I digress. Since I, personally, do not have access to such luxuries, my indulgence of choice is a long soak in a hot bubble bath.

Those of you with children may not know what I'm talking about. Or, you may be drooling with jealousy over the fact that, for the time being at least, I have the opportunity to partake in such a blessed waste of time.

A waste of time, maybe, but not a waste of energy.

To make a bubble bath the ultimate indulgence, there are a number of rules to keep in mind.

First off, while it may seem like a good idea to try a "bath des deux," you should only try this if you have a large tub.

Since most of us regular folk have dinky little one-person tubs, your better-half may have to wait his/her turn.

OK, now that we've established the solo tub experience rule, there are other things to remember.

Each of these rules is, more or less, optional, depending on your tastes, budget and degree of dirtiness.

Oh, and the rubber ducky and battleships are optional.

First, if you desire some ambiance, now — before dipping your toe in the water — is the time to find some tunes and, if you wish, candles. Just keep in mind that it's not a good idea to operate an electric appliance, such as a CD player, while sitting in a tub of water. Also remember that candle wax is very hot, especially on certain more sensitive parts of your body that you usually keep covered up.

OK. We've got the music, the lighting and the common sense.

Next, you may desire a beverage of some sort. My own favorite is a chilled glass of chardonnay.

Choosing the water temperature is an individual thing.

My advice is to go somewhere between tepid and boiling.

The bubbles — the most important ingredient in a bubble bath, aside from the water and, I suppose, the tub — can come from whatever bottle of bubble bath you prefer.

You can go very fancy and expensive with beautiful-smelling bath salts and oils, or you can opt for something cheaper and less aromatic, such as Mr. Bubbles. It's all up to you and your taste. Or budget.

Once the music is on, the lighting is set, the wine is poured and the water is just the right temperature with the exact correct amount of bubbles, it's time.

You should be careful at this point and, before jumping right in, check the water temperature once again. Remember, too cold could cause shrinkage; too hot could cause shrieking.

Now is the time you've been working toward: it's time to sink, slowly, into the luxurious bath water and settle in. At my house, at least, sinking in slowly is an important thing to remember, so as not to slosh water across the bathroom floor.

Trust me, sitting in a luxurious bubble bath is not so relaxing if you can't get over the guilt of not getting out of the tub to sop up the water from the floor. But even worse is having to get up and grab a towel to wipe the water up.

At this point, if you've been too careless, your bathing experience has been ruined. You needn't bother reading the rest of these instructions. You've either got some cleaning up to do, or some guilt to sit and mull over.

But if you have been careful in sliding into the tub, good for you.

It's time to sink right down into the water, to about chin height. That is, if your tub is big enough for that kind of move.

You may, at this point, find that you have water seeping out of the overflow drain. This can be a pain, and it may be necessary to stuff a cloth into the drainage slots, so that you can continue to maintain the desired water depth.

Now, the relaxation begins.

How long to remain in your bubble bath, before getting out? That all depends on you, your spare time and the lineup forming outside the bathroom door.

My advice to you, however, is to not stay in until your toes resemble the face of a 95-year-old woman, and to not keep replenishing the hot water in your tub until the hot water tank has been depleted of its supply of hot water.

Somewhere before that is fine.

So there you go. Your guide to the fine art of bubble bathing. I hope you enjoy it.

That is, if you get very far without a familiar banging on the bathroom door, signalling that your time to yourself is quickly coming to an end, which may lead you to: a) hide under the water until the banging stops; or, b) drink more wine.

Mind the shrivelling.



This week in...

by Gerrit Bosma

1923

A debate on God and the media occurred in Avonmore with more than 20 Winchester High School students and principal Copeland participating. The theme of the debate was, "Resolved that the Press is a greater power for God than the Platform." Involved in the debate were and supporting the power of the Press were Messrs. Cecil Dukelow, Elric Lanoue and Garfield Claxton. Entertainment was also provided for the afternoon event.

1933

An annoyed Press reader wrote a letter describing her concern over the increasing number of hobos or "transients" travelling through Winchester. The unknown submitter said they had no problem with unemployed persons who were looking for work, but had no time for transients who boasted about getting three free meals a day. Comments were that the village had no jobs for hobos and that a person would "not care to meet them a lonely place on a dark night." The nomad bashing continued with accusations that hobos were responsible for a series of mysterious barn fires in the area.

1943

Inkerman and Winchester began a playoff series for the David Melvin Memorial Cup, emblematic of the Town League Championship. The 76-year-old Melvin Cup is still being played for today in the Winchester Town League. Although the town league didn't operate in 1943, the two teams agreed to play a best-of-three series for the coveted eastern Ontario hockey prize. Inkerman had lost in the Melvin Cup final the year previous.

1963

Winchester Village council alerted the public to the urgent need for a chronic and recovery wing for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. The crucial exigency for WDMH care had become apparent by the fact the institution was "bulging at the seams" with patients. With a growing demand for beds, council believed immediate action was called for to determine the feasibility of adding the additional hospital wings. Council passed a resolution for the WDMH Board be petitioned to submit to the Ministry of Health for permission to proceed with planning for the addition construction.

1973

Postmaster Steve Corry locked the door of the old Winchester Post Office for the last time. The current, and then brand new post office, opened on Church Street. The original building was operated at the corner of St. Lawrence and Church streets, beginning in 1908. The postmaster suggested reorganizing the facility, and after some confusing initial days, promised the post office would get back to normal. Locking the door to the old mail room was said to be "like locking away an entire generation of happy memories."

1983

The provincial government signed an order to annex an 11.75-acre parcel of land from Winchester Township for a residential subdivision. The annexed land for housing development was located east of the village limits and met Fred and Clarence streets. Land owner Kinell Forming combined the new parcel with an already existing eight-acre parcel for 100 housing units. Earlier in the week Winchester council passed a bylaw to permit annexation of the land. The deal had been ongoing for a number of years and was delayed by the municipal boundaries act, legislated in Ontario the previous year.

1993

About 30 Mountain residents jammed into the Mountain Township chambers to protest worries of a potential traffic hazard caused by a proposed zoning. The backlash came after businessman Dan Wright planned to erect a septic tank truck storage and repair facility near Hallville. During the two-hour public input meeting, residents directed continuous questions at council and Wright's lawyer, on property value, environmental and agricultural concerns and safety issues.

The potbelly

In this Corner — *Maurice Tougas*



Maurice Tougas

I read a quite funny article the other day, defending that noble male attribute, the potbelly. The article -– written by a guy who just had to have an enormous gut himself –- was a paean to the potbelly, in all its many forms. He described the ones that look like cannonballs, others that look like bowling balls, and some that "should have their own postal codes."

Some guys are inordinately proud of their guts, wearing them (as if they had a choice) as a weird, flabby badge of honor. According to these guys, a bloated belly is something to be proud of, and they show them off the way a numismatist might show off his coin collection.

To some, a potbelly is proof of a life well lived. It speaks of quality steak dinners, of a lusty love of food in its finer forms. With most guys, however, the potbelly is the product of beer, chips and TV sports. Nothing much to be proud of there, but still they manage.

I can relate, just a bit.

I have recently embarked on a gruelling (for me) fitness routine because I was developing a potbelly that I was becoming inordinately attached to. I think I had deluded myself into thinking that it was perfectly OK, even expected of me, to develop a gut after 40. (Anything before age 40 is a sign of slothfulness. After 40, it's middle-aged affluence.) I found myself patting it like a puppy at times, which is a very, very bad sign.

But because of my expanding girth, I found I was avoiding some perfectly good shirts.

I have a very nice shirt the boys bought me, a soccer jersey, that I wore when I was coaching. But it's made of jersey material, which is very clingy. The bigger I got, the worse it looked, until I just stopped wearing it altogether. That was a shame, since it was a nice shirt, and a gift.

Well, I've now lost eight pounds, tightening up the chest and abs just a bit in the process. I pulled the soccer jersey out from the furthest reaches of the closest, and lo and behold, it fits a whole lot better.

The gut is far from gone, however. Men store fat in their bellies (women in the rear, as they know), and it is stubborn as hell. I talked to an older guy at the YMCA the other day, who had been a member for some time since retiring. But no matter what he did, he couldn't get rid of the gut. It wasn't huge, mind you. It wasn't one of those bellies that droops like a water-filled balloon over the belt. It wasn't one of those types that sticks out so far, your shirt hangs like a tablecloth over the edge. And it wasn't one of those types that moves in a different direction from the rest of the body, like water sloshing around in a bathtub. But, by golly, it wasn't going to go away anytime soon, but he deserves full marks for working on it.

I have a theory about men's potbellies. A good gut takes years to build up, and once it's there, it's not going anywhere fast. It's pretty easy to jettison the outer layer of flab, since it's new and young. But the older stuff, the fat that's been there since you first took a liking to beer and Doritos, is more like gristle on a steak –- tough and unyielding. If you want to get rid of it, you've got to work at it. Hard. Your potbelly craves the stuff that created it: fatty foods, alcohol, junk food. All the good stuff. Deprive him (and your potbelly is definitely a guy) of his fuel, and he will wither away . . . eventually.

That's why it's so hard to get rid of. You have to essentially reverse all the pleasure you took in creating the belly in the first place.

That must be why so many guys willingly let the potbelly stay around. They've invested so much money and time in creating it, it's seems a shame to get rid of it.

But I'll tell you this. I feel a whole lot better with less stomach than I did with more. The layer of fat that I've still got is a resilient enemy, but he will be beaten.

Now if you'll excuse me, I've got to go. I've got a hankering for a (sigh) rice cake.

Maurice Tougas is a multiple-award winning columnist and journalist with more than 20 years experience. He has worked for the Edmonton Examiner, the Edmonton Journal, the Canadian Press and the Red Deer Advocate. He lives in Edmonton with his wife and three sons, aged 17, 15 and 11.

Letters To The Editor

Punk scene needs better support

The Editor:
The editorial in last week's paper (Feb. 12, Local Punk Scene Loses Credibility) makes some sensible points but seemingly made no attempt to understand punk shows at all, preferring instead to keep a "safe" distanced view.

Kids make mistakes. More established indie/punk scenes have learned some lessons and evolved, but rural scenes have such a high "turnover" rate that there is barely anyone to pass on show etiquette to the younger crop of kids.

At a show here in Ottawa, most of the people have been around for a while, but at rural shows, the age range is much narrower and cuts off at around 20. Kids get into the music in high school, take an interest in it, but then mostly get out of it or move away after graduation.

Because of this, such ideas as treating venues with respect or else losing them, taking a responsible attitude to drugs and alcohol, and looking out for other people have not been impressed on many of the younger show-goers.

Is it better to wash one's hands of the aspirations of kids in the town and surrounding areas, to take a narrow view of their attempts at creatively expressing themselves, just because of the antisocial behavior of a few? Some would say, "Let them express themselves in more respectable manners, then we will support it."

Better that those who want their children to have something to do help them, rather than "never hav[ing] them again," as Mr. Cousineau says. Have someone from the township supervising in a not at all intrusive manner, as has been done in the past. This was the case when I put a benefit show on at the same venue, with the same genre of bands and a similar crop of kids, perhaps two or three years ago. It went smoothly, but we saw no editorial. Why is a show that goes wrong more newsworthy than one that goes well?

Dan Carkner
Old Ottawa South

Be careful of carbon monoxide

The Editor:
Due to the cold weather and furnaces working overtime, the North Dundas Fire Prevention Committee offers a few quick facts about carbon monoxide (CO).

What: A colorless, tasteless gas.

Signs: Stuffy air, water vapor, backdraft and soot from a fireplace.

Symptoms: Headaches, weakness, nausea, vomiting and loss of muscle control.

Effects: If inhaled, CO takes away oxygen from the blood. Prolonged exposure can lead to unconsciousness, brain damage or death.

Causes: Blocked or dirty vents, flues, chimneys and furnaces.

Deaths: Approximately 200 per year.

Safety tips to protect your family:

Have a qualified technician check your furnace.

Make sure a wood stove is properly installed and vented.

Don't operate a kerosene stove or charcoal grill in a closed space.

Clean and inspect your chimneys regularly.

Mike Gruich
North Dundas Fire Prevention Committee

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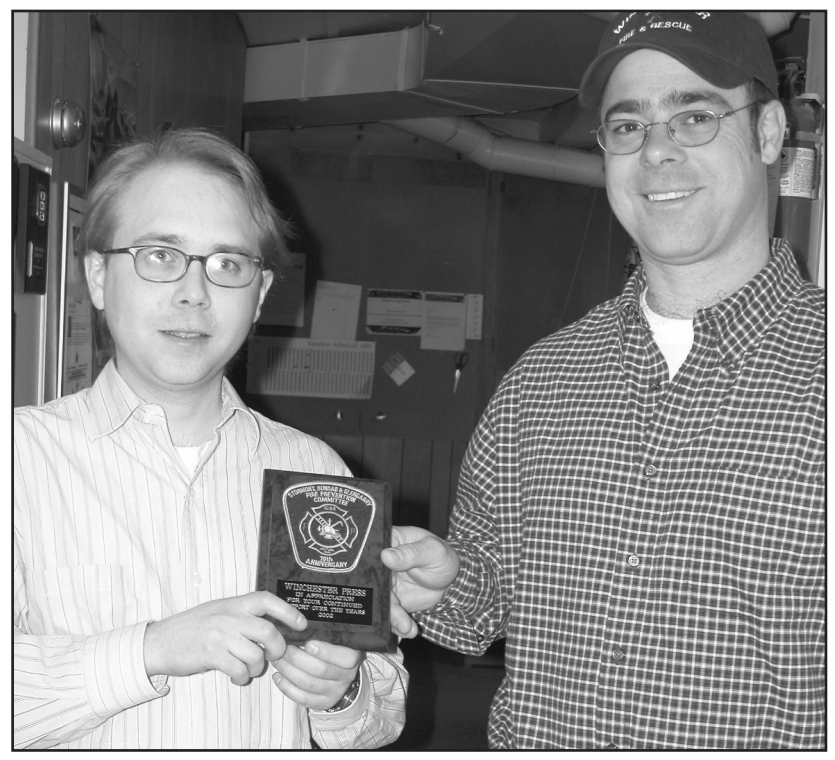

Fire prevention

The SD&G Fire Prevention Committee thanked the Press last week for its co-operation over the years promoting the fire committee's events. Winchester deputy fire chief Tony Fraser stopped by the Press office to present a plaque to editor Chris Zabel. Fraser is an active fire safety volunteer, organizing events with local schools and during Fire Prevention Week in October. Press Photo — Bosma

Thanks to Bowl-athon participants

The Editor:
On behalf of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Cornwall and District, and all our Little Brothers and Sisters, I would like to congratulate the residents of Dundas and Stormont for the excellent results achieved in this year's Counties Challenge Cup.

A total of $9,247 was raised at the Chesterville Bowling Lanes on Feb. 9. The total amount raised in Cornwall, Alexandria and Chesterville in the 2003 Bowl for Millions was $66,585.

Our sincere thanks goes out to all the bowlers and those who sponsored them, to all our volunteers, to the businesses and organizations which provided prizes or sponsored our ads, to the local news media for their coverage and to Dave and Susan Bird, owners of the Chesterville Bowling Lanes and our excellent hosts.

We at Big Brothers/Big Sisters are pleased with this year's results and appreciate the tremendous support.

At the present time, we have 12 children in Dundas and Stormont waiting patiently for their own Big Brother or Big Sister. Your efforts will make it happen. Thank you.

Brian Lynch
Executive director

Shepherd Talk

by Rev. Mark Ehlebracht

Let children guide the Easter season

Two little children and their mother were visiting in my office a few weeks ago. This family is faithful in worship and active in their service here at St. Peter's and St. Luke's. The parents have expressed their appreciation for the worship experiences and Christian education that our congregation affords their children. With delight they have witnessed an openness and a blossoming of faith in their children as a result.

On this particular day I was conversing with the mother around some committee business while the children patiently waited alongside her. The oldest child had her chin thoughtfully resting in her hands on my desk, staring at a few pictures on my wall . . . pictures of healthy, but lazy, pure white polar bears lounging on a snow bank.

Out of the blue she said to me in a rather matter of fact manner, "You know polar bears often place one paw over their face to hide their nose. In fact, they often run on three legs so they can keep one paw over their black nose so they won't be seen."

Now this little girl is very bright and I must say I was taken in, until her mother, snickering in the background, indicated that her daughter was pulling my leg. She then told me of a comment her younger child had made not long ago while thinking intensely about Jesus living in his heart. The child said to his Mom, "You know I have Jesus in my heart. I can feel him! [Then a short pause] Do you think he came in through my mouth?!"

Children have a delightful way of looking at everything: a boundless enthusiasm, a joy and a fascination with the world that we adults often lose somewhere along the way. A child's faith is to be honored, respected and treasured for its simplicity and its purity.

Every Sunday at St. Peter's and St. Luke's I thank God for our children, for the gifts of joy and excitement and energy that they bring to our church and to worship.

This March I invite you to enter into the Lent and Easter season with the heart of a child, to see again the Easter miracle through the eyes of a child, and to kneel once again at the cross and the empty tomb as if for the very first time. Expect to be surprised by joy and to be filled with wonder!

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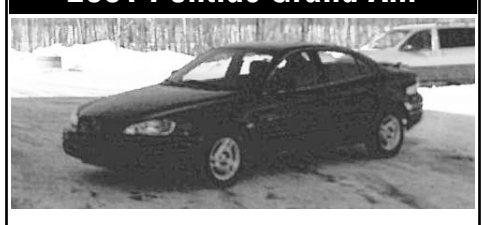
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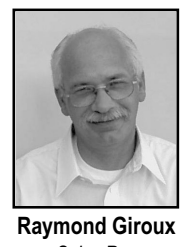
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International Guide/Scout Week celebrated

MOUNTAIN — This week, Feb. 16-23, is International Guide/Scout Week and the First Mountain Scouts have continued in the strong active tradition of the global youth organization.

This past Sun., Feb. 16, a service was held at the Presbyterian Church in groups Mountain to celebrate Guide/Scout week. As well, the four groups of Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers, are promoting a "bring a friend to scouting campaign."

Past activities enjoyed include: Can-Am trip to Pennsylvania, Beaver swim-up, District Cub Camps, fun-fundraising, Winterlude, service hours, archery, Venturer community events, Kub Kar rallies, trips to museums, bird sanctuary trip and Scout Bowl-A-Rama.

The First Mountain Scouts first raffle awarded $150, $100 and $50 gift certificates from Neil's Butcher Block. Winners were Dawna Marquette, Greg Erwin and Nora Sadler respectively.

Other activities have included running the Mountain Snowmobile canteen, participation in Remembrance Day, church services, Santa Claus parade, Lynx and Senators games, caving, soap box cars, rocketeering and space camp.



Philip Baldwin gets messy in noodles, as Shayne Hill (left) and Alex Achron look on, during the First Mountain Venturers Fear Factor night last year.
Contributed photo

Ladies Aid to hold auction

by Betty Larmour

WINCHESTER — The Ladies Aid of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church met in the hall on Feb. 3. President Debra Ann McBride welcomed all present, then read a poem entitled February.

Janet Clapp gave the devotions reading from Ephesians 2, the theme being love. She followed with a story, The Perfume, and ended with prayer.

The hymn Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love was sung, accompanied by Helen Kerr at piano.

Secretary Carol Guitard read the January minutes. Rollcall was answered by 20 ladies, each describing the first Valentine they remember receiving.

In March, the Ladies Aid will be holding an auction. Margaret Johnstone is to bring a travelling basket. The Lord's Prayer closed the meeting.

Mary Stewart and Betty Larmour had candy hearts and chocolate kisses for tea time.

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Rose welcomed to Mountain Seniors

by Nancy Rodger

MOUNTAIN — President Ralph Rodger greeted 45 members and offered a special welcome to a new member of the Mountain Seniors, Ed Rose.

The group held its first meeting of 2003 on Jan. 23 at the Mountain Community Hall.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Marguerite Fawcett as well as two thank-you letters. Mavis Graham gave the treasurer's report and informed the gathering the group is composed of 65 paid and nine honorary members. Year-end reports were also submitted by Irene Crowder for the kitchen committee and Nancy Rodger for the card committee. Three get-well cards were signed.

Keith Fawcett was asked to extend a sincere thank you to Mary-Lynn Plummer and Dwayne Fawcett for their quick response to an emergency call before the Christmas dinner. Without their help the delicious meal would not have been piping hot.

Birthday greetings were extended to Hilda Kirkby and Doris Scharf.

Keith Fawcett said grace before a potluck meal. Following dinner Marguerite Fawcett, Murla Timmins and Orma Prunner recited poems and did readings. Frank and Ernest, two old farmers, then entertained with an amusing skit.

Area rally scheduled for May

by E. Ruth Algire

WILLIAMSBURG — President Isobel Williams chaired the February meeting of the Williamsburg Women's Institute.

Williams and secretary Marjorie Thom provided maps and booklets at New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The members answered the roll call with interesting facts about trips and holidays in those provinces.

The group learned that the first Canadian hockey team, the first Anglican church in Canada, and the first Roman Catholic church in Canada were in New Brunswick. The longest covered bridge, the tidal bore and the reversing falls are tourist attractions.

One of Williamsburg's daughters, Heather Froats, is a United Church minister in Doaktown, N.B.

The area rally will be held in Renfrew in May when FWIC will be featured. A district executive meeting will be held on March 10 when decisions regarding a proposed fundraiser will be made.

Convenor Marjorie Thom introduced guest speakers Ian and Betty Crerar. The Crerars displayed samples of their products and showed a video on the production of honey. They told the group that the early nectar is gathered from maple trees and dandelions, while later it is taken from clover, buckwheat and blossoms.

The queen bee lays 1,600 eggs a day for three weeks and there will be up to 85,000 bees in one hive. Canada is the top producer of honey in the world.

Jean Casselman presented the Crerars with a Tweedsmuir Village History Book. Peggy Thompson and Jean Beckstead served a bounteous lunch enjoyed by all.

UCW meeting held

by Norma Wylie

WINCHESTER — Janice Hyndman welcomed the ladies to the February meeting of the Winchester United Church Women on Feb. 10 in the library room. The meeting began with everyone repeating the group's purpose and vision.

Marion Renwick led the worship service by reading a story about St. Valentine using scripture and prayer. Gloria Armstrong read thank you letters from Rideau Hill camp, Leila Robinson, the Link family and Jim Watson.

June Armstrong showed the group four afghans she made for Dundas Manor and the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for Mon., Feb. 24 and begin at 7:30 pm. Unit 1 meets at the home of Donella MacIntosh. Unit 2 will meet at the home of June Armstrong. Unit 4 will meet at the home of Muriel Merkley. The World Day of Prayer will be held on Fri., March 7 in the Presbyterian church.

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Midwifery practice opens in Winchester

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER — With the opening of St. Lawrence Valley Midwives in January, midwifery services are now offered locally in rural eastern Ontario. Two midwives have started the practice, Céline D'Arcy and Alison Bowen, opening offices in both Cornwall and Winchester.

Before the new practice opened, women wanting the care of a midwife during pregnancy had to make the drive into Ottawa for their regular appointments. The new practice is also welcome because existing practices in the province generally have long waiting lists. "There are not enough midwives to cover the demand," said D'Arcy.

Since 1994, the midwifery profession has been regulated by its own college, the College of Midwives of Ontario. A registered midwife has completed a four-year bachelor degree. Midwifery services are fully funded by the Ministry of Health, so there are no fees to clients.

An increasing number of women are interested in meeting with a midwife during pregnancy rather than their GP or an obstetrician. "We offer really personalized care," said D'Arcy. "We want women to ask all the questions that are on their minds."

Acting as the primary care giver for the mother and her baby, a midwife provides clinical, physical and emotional care to women throughout pregnancy, labor and birth. Pregnant women may see a midwife every four weeks until the 28th week of pregnancy, every second week until the 36th week and once a week until the birth of the baby. Most appointments are 30-45 minutes in length.



Giving mothers choices

St. Lawrence Valley Midwives opened an office in Winchester in January and is currently taking clients. The first midwifery practice to open in rural eastern Ontario is run by Alison Bowen (left) and Céline D'Arcy (holding her six-month-old daughter Camille).

Press Photo — Zabel

The midwife is with the woman throughout labor and birth and a few hours after. During the birth, a second midwife is present to take care of the baby. After the birth, a midwife visits the mother and her newborn at home during the first week, followed by appointments at the clinic until six weeks after.

Bowen stressed that giving the pregnant woman the opportunity to make informed choices during her pregnancy is the goal of the process. "Midwives really believe the woman is the centre of care," she said. "And continuity of care is the other thing." In a large hospital, a woman could meet with one of any number of obstetricians during the course of her pregnancy. "And then they don't know who will happen to be on duty when they're in labor," said Bowen.

Midwives regard childbirth as a normal physiological process and an important event in a family's life. "We encourage women to look and find what's suitable for them," said Bowen. One choice available is to give birth either in a hospital or at home. Midwives offer all of the same options during birth as would be available working with a regular doctor.

"There's a lot of misinformation out there," said Bowen. "Many people have the idea that if you go to a midwife, you have to have natural childbirth. That's not the case."

D'Arcy and Bowen both stressed that a midwife is a trained professional. During the pregnancy, midwives offer all of the same tests and procedures to women as they would receive in a doctor's office. And midwives follow strict guidelines dictating when a pregnant woman requires the attention of an obstetrician or other health care professional.

Meetings with the mother for six weeks following birth are an important part of the care a midwife provides. "It gives us a chance to help with breast feeding for people who choose to breast feed," said D'Arcy "And first-time moms can have a chance if they have extra questions."

St. Lawrence Valley Midwives is currently taking due dates from April 1 onward. Appointments can be made by calling 774-3131.



Cheers for the hospital

A hockey ticket raffle at the Winchester LCBO branch raised $305 for the Renewing the Vision Campaign at Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Dr. Duane Justus, right, accepted the donation on behalf of the campaign from LCBO manager Rick Gilmer on Feb. 7. The tickets to the Ottawa Senators were donated by Eldon Horner, shown left. The winner of the raffle was Craig Patton of Williamsburg. Press Photo — Zabel

OBITUARIES

Eleanor Spearman

Eleanor Spearman entered into rest peacefully at Quinte Health Care — Belleville General on Feb. 14, 2003. She was 89.

She was the beloved wife of the late Rev. Dr. James S.A. Spearman. She was the beloved daughter of the late Anson and Carrie Deeks.

She was the loving mother of Helen (Mrs. John Hocking) of Naperville, Illinois; and Ruth (Mrs. Charles Davis) of San Diego, California. She was predeceased by her daughter Mary Helmer. She was dear mother-in-law of Wayne Helmer of Stittsville.

Mrs. Spearman will be sadly missed by her cherished grandchildren Jennifer (Mrs. Craig Schuler), Heather (Mrs. Scott Spray), Steve (Mrs. Kristen Simmons), Scott (Mrs. Amy Simmons), Michael, Carrie and Nathan Davis, and by her great grandchildren Lorraine and Eleanor Schuler.

She was dear sister of Clara Deeks, Ella Deeks and was predeceased by Dorothy (Mrs. Walter Spearman) all of Willimaburg.

Friends attended visitation at the Burke Funeral Home in Belleville on Feb. 16. A celebration of her life was held at Trenton Wesleyan Church in Trenton on Feb. 17. Interment was at Mount Evergreen Cemetery.

Memorial donations to a charity of choice would be appreciated.

Morrisburg hosts WMS Presbyterial

by Judy Messenger

MORRISBURG — "Remember! Rejoice! Respond!" This was the theme for the annual meeting of the Brockville Presbyterial Women's Missionary Society held recently at Knox Presbyterian Church, Morrisburg.

President Margaret Reynolds conducted the meeting. Devotions, on the theme "Remember Who We Are!", were prepared and delivered by Debra Ann McBride. She encouraged everyone to rejoice in what God has given us and to trust that He will lead us safely through the new year, remembering always that the source of joy is the Lord!

Four Bible Study groups, led by Mary Moorehead, Ruth Kirkwood, Lois Beaton and Judy Messenger, examined Biblical passages which supported our theme for the day.

Synodical president Sheila Patterson brought greetings from this group and announced that the 2003 Synodical meeting will be held in Montreal in April. Four delegates and two alternates from the Brockville Presbyterial were named to attend the April meeting and Debra Ann McBride was named to attend council to be held at Crieff Hill's from May 4-7. In her report of the last council meeting, Margaret Reynolds reported that Making Connections-India will be the study for 2003-2004.

The annual report was presented and adopted and it was agreed that again this year, a donation be made to Gracefield Camp and that Easter cards be sent to past members who are no longer able to attend meetings.

After enjoying a delicious lunch provided by the Morrisburg ladies, Presbyterial members were encouraged to look at the book table which had been set up by literature secretary, Catherine Blatch. Books for personal reading or to help with auxiliary meetings, could be ordered, purchased or borrowed. Blatch, during her morning literature report, urged members to show a video outlining the work of the WMS, to their congregations.

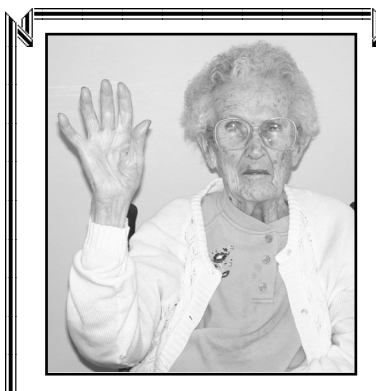
The afternoon speaker was Glen MacMillan from Cornwall. He is the vice-chairman of Habitat for Humanity Seaway Valley, a locally run affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. It is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing organization helping to provide low income, working families with affordable homes. The houses are sold to those in need at no profit and with no interest charged. Volunteers provide most of the labor, and individual and corporate donors provide money and materials to build habitat houses. Partner families themselves invest hundreds of hours of labor — sweat equity — into building their own homes and the homes of others. MacMillan was thanked and given a donation for the work of his organization.

Donna Wilson conducted an In Memoriam service for four members who passed away during the last year. Following this, Henny Donkersteeg gave the nominating committee report and the officers for the coming year were installed by Rev. Darren May. The president gave the courtesies for the day and announced that the next Presbyterial meeting will be held in Lansdowne, March 27.



Friendship Club adds $1,000

At a recent WDMH Auxiliary meeting, Harold and Evelyn Cowan, longtime residents of the Vernon area and hard-working community supporters, presented WDMH's vice-president of support, service and planning Philippe Marleau with a cheque for $1,000 on behalf of the Vernon Seniors Friendship Club for the Renewing the Vision Campaign. The popular seniors' club dates back to 1974 and currently meets every Wednesday at the Vernon Recreation Centre at 7:30 pm for cards and social fun. The first Monday of each month features a potluck dinner, starting at 6:30 pm. Guests are welcome. Courtesy Photo



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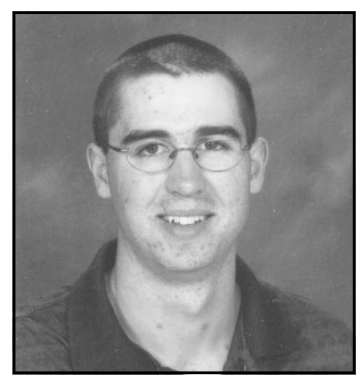

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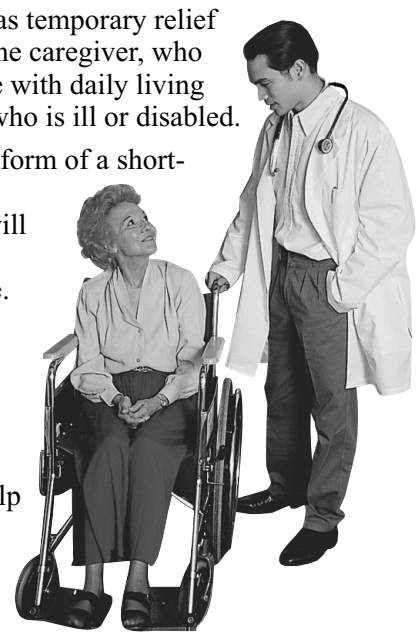

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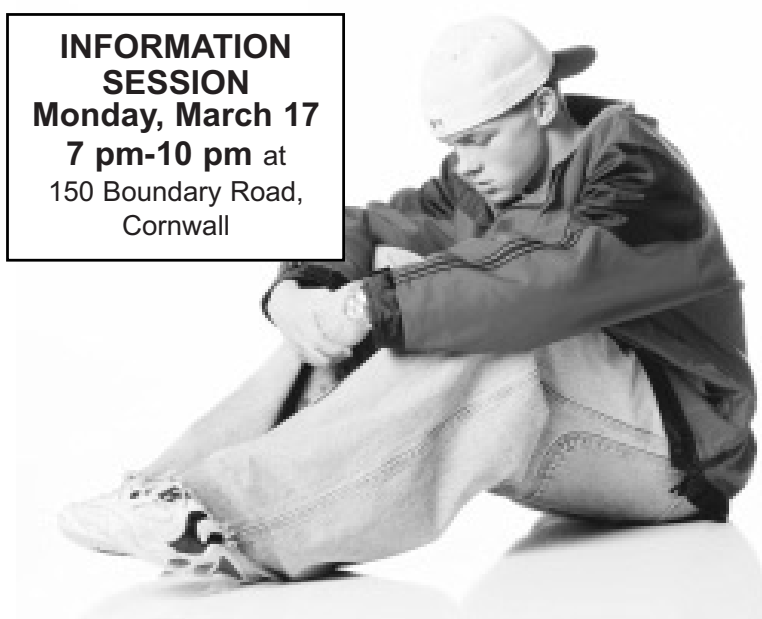

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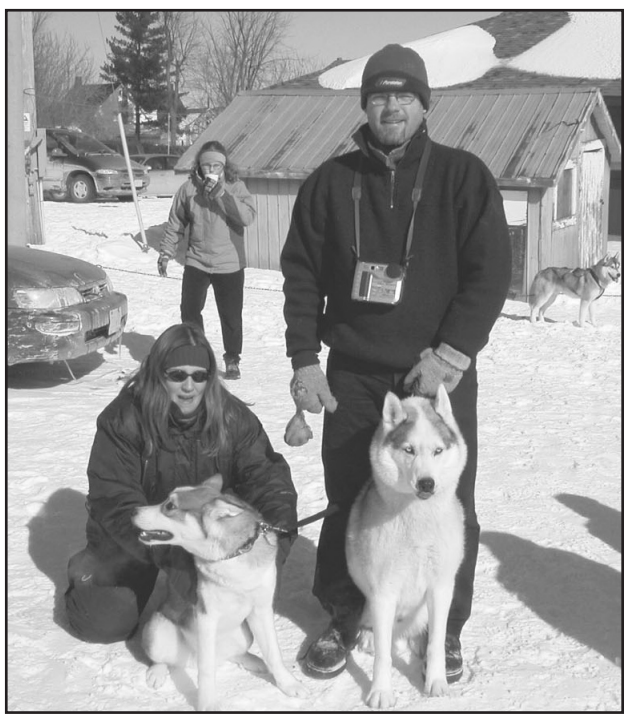





Top left: Ron McKay and Vanessa of South Mountain brought their dogs Bandit and Jasper out to the dog sled demonstration to learn about perhaps getting them involved in the sport. Above: Maegan Wall, 6, bowls with a grapefruit at the Mountain Winter Family Fun day. At left: Cameron Chayer, 5, goes for his first-ever dogsled ride.

Photos – James

Snow dogs highlight Mountain Fun Day



Mountain Rec member Steve Brogan clowns around at the Winter Fun Day.

by Bonnie James

MOUNTAIN — Dogsled rides were the highlight for many at the Mountain Winter Fun Day on Sat., Feb. 15. Members of the SDNG Dogsledding and Carting Association were on hand to show off their dogs and talk to people about the sport, as well as provide rides.

The Mountain Recreation Association has been hosting the Winter Fun Day for five years and RA president Marleen Fawcett says the dogsleds attract a lot of attention to the event. There were also games for the kids on the outdoor rink, sleigh rides, and a great lunch menu for those who wanted to stay warm.

Fawcett gave special thanks to the local businesses that support the RA and especially to the Nation Valley Snowmobile Club for creating a track for the dogsleds with their trail groomer. The Mountain RA also organizes a summer pig roast and volleyball tournament, which this year will be held on July 19.

The SDNG Dog Sledding and Carting Association has seen an increased interest in the sport since the World Cup races in Kemptville a few weeks ago, says association member Joanne Pope of Winchester. She thinks the movie Snow Dogs has also heightened people's awareness.

The club likes to come out to community events like the Mountain Fun Day because it's a great outreach opportunity. They try very hard to educate people about "working dogs." Huskies, malamutes, and similar breeds are high-maintenance dogs that require lots of exercise and are often wonderful escape artists. The club tries to make people aware of these responsibilities before they purchase or adopt dogs of this type.

The club also wants to educate those who are already dog owners and encourage them to get involved in dogsledding. Pope says that about 60 per cent of the dogs in the club are rescuees, meaning they had once been owned by people unable to properly care for and exercise them, or people overwhelmed by the responsibilities these dogs entail.

On the positive side, Pope says that dogsledding is addictive once you get into it and she likens the dogs to potato chips — "Bet you can't have just one." The club is booked nearly every weekend throughout January and February with events similar to the Mountain Fun Day.



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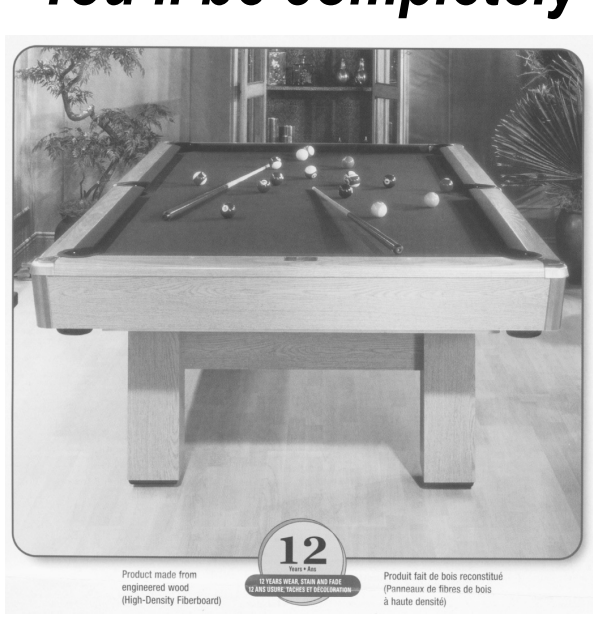

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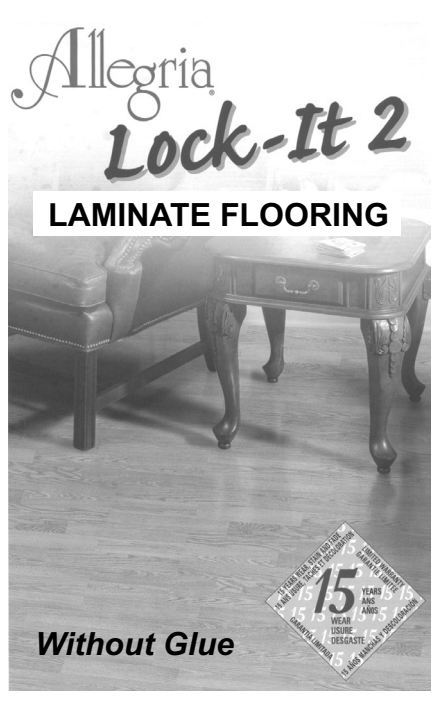

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Gaining ground with a spousal RRSP

WINCHESTER — One of the most misunderstood and under-used elements of retirement planning is the spousal RRSP. But it can be a good tool to help maximize your after-tax dollars in retirement, splitting a couple's income to avoid one spouse carrying a huge tax burden.

When one married partner earns more than the other it can have significant implications not only in the present but in the future as well. When the couple retires, if the higher income earner has a pension plan as well as a registered retirement savings plan, he or she can end up paying much more in income tax than the spouse who earns less. That's why it makes sense to open a spousal RRSP for the lower income earner. That way, the spouse earning more money can direct his or her RRSP contributions to the plan opened in the spouse's name.

The spouse who makes the contribution receives the income tax deduction but when that money is accessed in retirement it is withdrawn by the spouse with the lower income. That means the amount received is taxed at a lower rate, evening out the couple's income. For example, a husband and wife who each generate $50,000 at a 40 per cent marginal tax bracket will have more to spend than the couple with only one partner earning $100,000 taxed at 50 per cent.

Another benefit of the spousal plan is that contributors over the age of 69 can continue to contribute to a spousal RRSP until the end of the year the plan holder turns 69, an advantage when there is an age gap.

There are safeguards in place to make sure spousal plans are not abused. Canada Customs and Revenue Agency guidelines state that any money withdrawn will be taxed at the contributor's income tax rate if contributions were made in the same year or in the two previous years. As with other RRSPs, Canadians are not limited to owning only one spousal RRSP. However, employing a self-directed spousal RRSP will ensure not only convenience in tracking your retirement savings but clarity when looking at the big picture.



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Make interest rates work for you

Experts who observe world markets on a daily basis can offer predictions on whether they expect interest rates to rise or fall. But the offerings are only that: predications. An impossible number of world events can surface seemingly overnight and have an impact on where interest rates stand. That's why it is so important to adopt a strategy so that your investment portfolio works well under a variety of economic and market conditions.

Diversifying your portfolio ensures you have a range of investments offering protection against one stock or bond hurting your portfolio. Investors focused on long-term objectives find Canadian Treasury or provincial securities particularly attractive.

Canadian government or provincial securities

Government bonds offer attractive returns. But they also offer the security of being backed by the Canadian or a provincial government, making them among the most secure investments. Government bonds offer maturity dates ranging from three months to 30 years. Usually, the longer the term, the higher the interest rate. By purchasing shorter-term bonds, however, your money is not locked into one investment for any length of time. As well, although all bond prices move when interest rates move, the prices of short-term bonds are typically more stable than those of long-term bonds. And that is particularly important should you decide to sell your securities before they mature.

Ladder your investments

Diversifying your investments isn't the only way to make the most of your portfolio. You should also consider staggering the maturity dates of the investments. A portfolio with short, intermediate and long-term bonds offers greater flexibility. Some of your money is always earning the highest possible returns, while some of your money is always coming due soon should rates rise. This technique is known as laddering.

Any investor looking for safety and liquidity will want to make laddering part of a sound investment strategy. Here's an example of how laddering works.

Consider Bob and Mary Smith. The Smiths want to invest $80,000 in government bonds. Longer-term bonds have higher rates, but the Smiths don't want to tie up all their money because they want to buy a cottage in a few years. In consultation with their investment representative, the Smiths decide to ladder their investments.

They divide their investments among two-year, five-year, seven-year and 10-year bonds, investing $20,000 in each. Because of their approach, some of their money is earning higher rates, while some money will come due in two years. And that gives them the choice of reinvesting the money or putting it toward their cottage purchase.

These articles were provided by Karen Holmes, an investment representative with the financial services firm Edward Jones, member CIPF.

Easter Seals offers tax tips to care givers and parents

by Margaret Reynolds

WILLIAMSBURG — Care givers can save money on income tax by being aware of disability allowances available to them. The Dundas County District Council of the Easter Seal Society of Ontario wants to ensure that parents of Easter Seal kids in Dundas County know of these benefits.

An information evening sponsored by the district council is scheduled for Wed., Feb. 26 at 7 pm at the Park Lane Seniors Support Centre in Williamsburg.

Allan Bell, of Allan Bell Financial Services in Morrisburg, will give tax tips for disability allowances on tax returns, and answer questions pertaining to the topic.

Bell indicates that many families in the area do not realize the tax benefits available to them if their car is used to transport a disabled spouse or elderly parent to doctor appointments. Plan to attend the presentation to learn which deductions you may claim.

For more information or to register, contact Margaret Reynolds, the district council chair for Eastern Seals, at 613-543-2547 by Feb. 24.

Many ways to pay less tax

WINCHESTER — In Winchester, JMP Business Services Ltd. offers accounting and bookkeeping services, including income tax returns. With February being the month most people start considering their taxes, president Jose Poole offers a few money-saving tax tips.

1. Consider diversifying your investment income. Canadian dividends and capital gains are taxed at a lower rate than interest income.

2. Any interest or other carrying charges you paid to earn investment income are deductible. Fees (other than commissions) paid to a professional investment councillor for managing or for advice on buying or selling specific shares or securities of the taxpayer, are deductible.

3. If you are an employee and your employer requires you to pay out-of-pocket expenses to earn your employment income, or you have a work space in your home, you may be eligible to deduct some of these expenses from your income. You also may be eligible for a rebate of the GST/HST you paid on these expenses.

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Low-impact logger

For the past five years, Rob Wallbridge has been using heavy horses for logging work around eastern Ontario. He keeps four horses on his parents' farm in Winchester Springs, three Suffolk Punch and a Belgian. Press Photo — Zabel

Local logger to speak at Eco Farm Day

Farm update

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER SPRINGS — Eco Farm Day is taking place this Saturday (Feb. 22) as part of the eastern Ontario series of annual Farmers' Conferences. The day of seminars describing Innovations in Organic Agriculture has in recent years developed a strong following of organic farmers and market gardeners.

Notable among the dozen seminar presenters at Eco Farm Day is Rob Wallbridge of Winchester Springs. Equine Power on Organic Farms is his topic.

Wallbridge currently operates TreeSong Horselogging. With three Suffolk Punch horses and one Belgian, he's recently been working in woodlots around the region. Woodlot managers are becoming more interested in selective logging practises that don't damage their ecosystems. Assisting the survival of plants and animals is a growing priority.

Besides logging, Wallbridge has also spent the last five years using a heavy team to grow four acres of organic vegetables. He continues to run a small business selling organic produce to seasonal customers.

Wallbridge has been working at his parents' farm in Winchester Springs for the past five years. After finishing an arts degree at McMaster University, and apprenticing with heavy horses in Nova Scotia and western Canada, he returned to eastern Ontario.

When he came back in 1998, there was plenty of work for a horse logger following the ice storm. "I was pulling fallen trees and limbs out of the river and streams," said Wallbridge. Employed by South Nation Conservation, he used his horses to clear the main watershed artery through Dundas County. "We were literally in people's backyards," he said; "The horses did a lot less damage."

The alternative to a horse logger is a tractor. The modern woodlot owner, or the homeowner coping with fallen trees, can easily appreciate how a tractor will destroy ground cover, while horses will barely change a thing.

Wallbridge suggested that there are enough knowledgable horse drivers around the Dundas County area to assist anyone who wants to use a team of horses for work. "What I would recommend is to do some workshops, and find a teamster in the area willing to give advice."

Another benefit Wallbridge mentioned is that horse logging is a reasonably quiet activity. Chainsaws are still used; however, the sounds of the forest stand out while he's skidding logs out of the bush. Avoiding the constant noise a tractor produces is another benefit when clearing wood near a residential area.

The horses add a natural source of fertilizer, and their own company. "I enjoy it more than being on the tractor. I prefer the relationship to another living creature," said Wallbridge.

Registration for Eco Farm Day begins at 8 am on Saturday at the Operating Engineers Training Institute in Morrisburg. The admission fee includes an organic lunch.

Winter easy on crops but water flows still low

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

WINCHESTER — While water flow levels are down considerably in the Dundas region, the winter hasn't been particularly cruel to local crops.

South Nation Conservation (SNC) reports that water flows were 30 per cent below average in January. Lack of snow and an extremely dry summer and fall have led to such conditions, said Richard Pilon, SNC director of planning and engineering.

"We still have a couple months of winter left and we could still get a lot of snow yet," Pilon said. "We are hoping for more snow and a wet spring."

Pilon said ideal conditions would be for the snow to melt gradually in the spring and for temperatures to rise slowly. Currently the South Nation River and its major tributaries are not under drought status, but are being monitored closely. Flow levels were more stable in January of 2002.

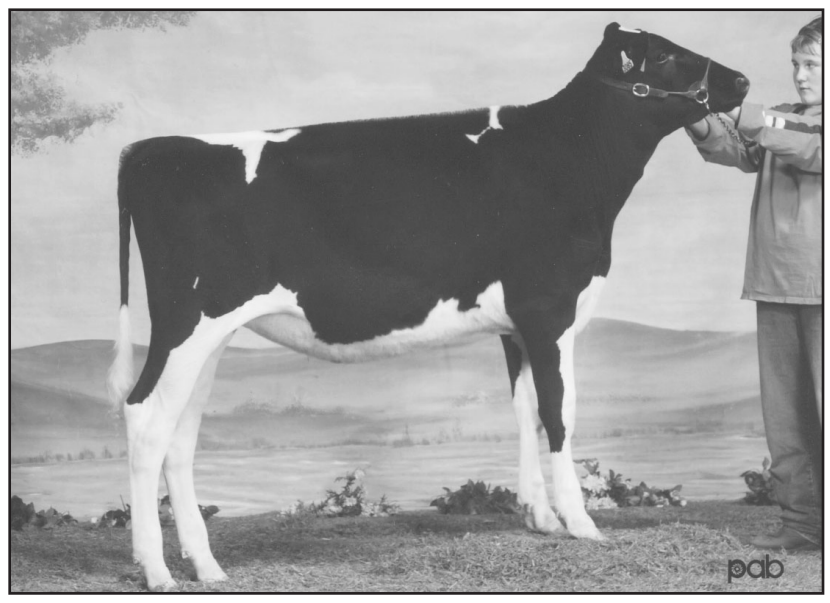
On Sept. 6, 2002 a Level 1 drought notice was issued, followed by a conservation Level 2. Even though the drought status was lifted in December, Pilon is concerned for the future after three years of lack of precipitation in the region.

Yet, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food (OMAF) crop specialist Gilles Quesnel said, this winter hasn't been a hinderance for farmers. "Thus far in these parts the winter hasn't been that bad and is looking good," said Quesnel from his Kemptville office. "The lack of snow hasn't really hurt. Early on temperatures were relatively mild and were proper temperatures for draining."

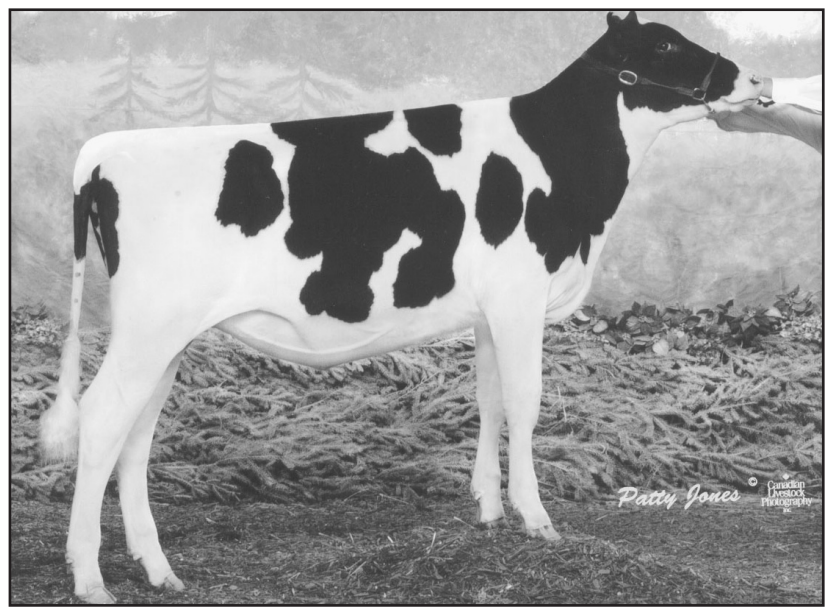
Quesnel said the light fluffy snow the region did get has acted as a blanket and provided good insulation for crops. However, he said, Alfalfa crops are most at risk and need more cover. While the January deep freeze could have killed off most bacteria carrying insects, Quesnel said it wasn't good for alfalfa tap roots. "If the conditions are too cold, the tap roots will pop out of the ground two inches and eventually die," he said. "Yet, the small average of winter wheat which is growing also has snow cover and is doing OK."

Quesnel said ideally there will be a slow thawing over a long period in the spring. Until then, he feels Mother Nature has been kind to local farmers. "This is as good as it will get and nothing really extreme has happened."

Yet, weather conditions haven't been so rosy overall. After years of dry summers, Pilon said a wet and mild spring and more plentiful summer rainfalls are a must for the region. "We need rain."



Hesshill Inquirer Charlie Brown earned first junior calf honors at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto last fall.



Helmcrest Farms' Leduc Diane, second place junior calf at the Royal.

Dundas-bred Holstein calves one, two at Toronto's Royal

WINCHESTER — Two Dundas bred calves were recently featured in the latest edition of the *Holstein Journal*.

Inquirer Charlie Brown of Hesshill Farms in Williamsburg and Leduc Diane of Helmcrest, outside of Winchester, finished one-two in the junior heifer calf class at the Royal Winter Agricultural fair in Toronto last fall.

Charlie Brown, bred and formerly owned by Richard, Jane and Rick Hess of Willamsburg, was the first place junior heifer calf at the Royal Winter Fair. The calf is the daughter of Summershade Inquirer and is now owned by Tommy Cote of Durham-Sud, Quebec. A week previous to the Toronto fair, Charlie Brown won the same title at the Quebec International Show.

Helmcrest's Leduc Diane, bred by Richard and Paul Helmer, earned second place at the Royal. The calf was also chosen as All-Canadian 4-H junior heifer calf, All-Ontario junior heifer calf, and All-Ontario 4-H heifer calf. Leduc Diane's picture is featured in the 2003 Dundas County Holstein's calendar.

OVFS to feature 350 exhibitors

OTTAWA — A Country Home Centre featuring crafts and gift items, specialty foods and other attractions will be part of the Ottawa Valley Farm Show for the first time.

The 2003 show — the 76th edition — will be held at Lansdowne Park on March 18, 19 and 20.

New this year will be an additional exhibit area on the Civic Centre Concourse accommodating some 50 new booths, including the Country Home section. There will be 300 other exhibitors on the grounds, featuring everything from machinery and equipment, to services of particular interest to farms and other rural residents.

"The focus will still be firmly on farm equipment, supplies and services," said Lynda McCuaig, president of the Ottawa Valley Seed Growers Association which sponsors the show. "With extra space on the concourse, we decided to introduce the Country Home Centre as an attraction for spouses and others who might want something a little different while touring the show."

The Country Home Centre will be located at the west end of the second level concourse near Bank Street. The east end will be anchored by the Seed Growers Hall of Honor booth which is moving from the Aberdeen Pavilion. Special events such as the official opening on March 18 and the Prestigious Pedigreed Seed Sale for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario on March 20 will also move to the concourse this year. The annual Seed Growers Awards Banquet will be held in the Civic Centre on March 19.

With the addition of the concourse, the Farm Show will occupy every available indoor exhibit space at Lansdowne, said manager Tom Van Dusen.

Horses of Course Club to hold seminar

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — The Eastern Ontario Horses of Course Club is presenting an information seminar by a local veterinarian, on the topic of annual vaccination. The discussion will include the pros and cons of annual vaccinations, as well as an update on West Nile Virus.

Handouts will be available as long as they last. A nominal fee will be charged to help offset costs. The meeting will be this Sunday (Feb. 23) at the South Mountain Agricultural Hall at 1 pm.

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NDDHS rinks off to EOSSAA

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Right down to the wire.

The battle of two North Dundas District High School teams for the SD&G zone mixed curling title came down to each foursome's final rocks, in an upset at the Winchester Curling Club on Feb. 17. The NDDHS team No. 4, consisting of four Grade 10s skipped by Neil Dougall, edged the No. 3 team skipped by high school senior Brentley Summers, 8-7, with two points in the final end.

After burying two rocks in the house in the eighth, Summers attempted to raise take-out, but was unsuccessful. With the miss, Dougall didn't need to throw his final rock and his NDDHS team of Ainsley Glassford – vice, Neil Smith – second and Gina Porteous – lead, celebrated victory.

The Dougall-skipped rink will move on to the EOSSAA championship in Petawawa. They will be joined by the NDDHS high school boys team which doubled Char-Lan High School in Lancaster the same day. The boys squad skipped by Shane Latimer includes Dave Lillico- vice, Andrew Dings- second and Jeremy Griffin - lead.

In the mixed draw, Summers' team opened with three points in the first end, before Dougall responded with one in the second and a steal of three in the third. Dougall's rink then took another in the fourth, but Summers' side responded with two in the fifth. After the No. 4 team took one in the sixth, the No. 3 foursome took a one point-lead into the final end after scoring two in the seventh.

Ian Wilson, NDDHS athletic director, said it was a win-win situation for his school with two teams in the final. He also praised the victory of the boys team which was on the road in Lancaster.





SD&G Zone high school mixed curling champs of NDDHS team No. 4, with their gold medals, are from left: Gina Porteous – lead, Neil Smith – second, Ainsley Glassford – vice and skip Neil Dougall.
Photo, left: Third Melissa Smith helps skip Brentley Summers line up a take-out shot in the third end of the SD&G Zone high school mixed championship between NDDHS teams No. 3 and 4.



NDDHS No. 3 team second Mike Schoeni and lead Stacey Little, sweep the skip stone thrown by Brentley Summers in the third end of the SD&G zone mixed championship game.

Hawks season ends

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

WINCHESTER — With playoff hopes already erased, the Winchester Junior "B" Hawks displayed a classy and tenacious effort in their final three games of the season. The Hawks lost by only one goal to the first and second-place squads and kept their heads up as they completed regular season play in the Rideau-St. Lawrence Junior "B" League, this past weekend.

The Hawks lost 6-5 to the first-place Alexandria Glens on Feb. 14, 5-4 to the Char-Lan Rebels on Feb. 15, and 9-6 to the Kemptville 73s on Feb. 16.

The 2002-2003 season hasn't been kind to the Hawks, who just didn't get the bounces their way. Yet, Winchester coach Dave Corkery is proud of the manner his players conducted themselves in playing a difficult final three games.

"They knew they were out of the playoffs, but they played hard and kept their pride about them," said Corkery. "They stayed out of the penalty box and didn't put on a goon show, which I think many of the league executives expected."

The Hawks bench boss said he was pleased with his squad's clean hockey and solid play against two of the St. Lawrence Division's top teams. Corkery commented on his team being involved in only one fight, which he said both players received aggressor penalties for.

In the Hawks' final home game, a 6-5 overtime loss to Alexandria, Shawn Smail found the back of the net twice in the final two frames. Other Hawks goals came from Collin Bowie, Darren Trenholm and Nik Paas. The Hawks led after the first period, fell behind by one after two stanzas and were leading by one in the final frame until the Glens drew even. The Glens' Louis Brisson scored two minutes into the extra frame.

The next night (Feb. 15) the Hawks lost another nail-biter to the second-place Char-Lan Rebels 5-4. Smail netted a hat trick in the loss and Trenholm added a single marker. In the Hawks' final game of the season they were edged 9-6 by the home-side Kemptville 73s. Finding the mesh for the Hawks in the high-scoring affair were Paas with a hat trick, Smail, Ben Collins, and Bowie.

The Hawks finished their 45-game season in last place in the St. Lawrence Division with a record of 14 wins, 25 losses, three ties and three overtime losses. Winchester finished 21 points behind league leader Alexandria and 11 points from a playoff spot. Yet, Corkery said the team's poor record wasn't indicative of they way they played the entire year.

Although Winchester missed the playoffs, two Hawks were recognized by the league for their individual talents. The Hawks leading point-getter, Shawn Smail, was chosen as second team All-Star left winger, and teammate Alain Michaud was selected to the All-Rookie team for the left-wing position. Coach Corkery said he is proud of both players and believes Michaud has a bright future which may see him drafted to the Ontario Hockey League or the Junior "A" ranks.

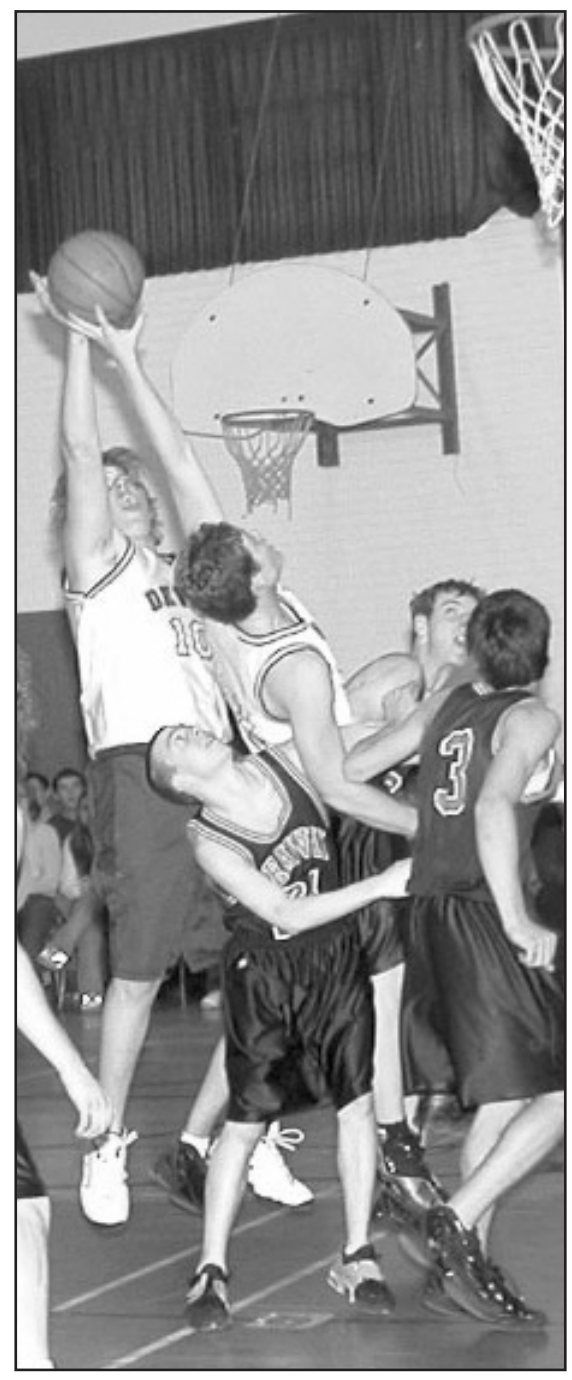
Shawn Smail and Darren Trenholm of the Hawks finished fifth and sixth in the St. Lawrence Division scoring race with 74 and 67 points respectively. Smail had 28 goals and 46 assists, while Trenholm potted 35 goals and 32 helpers on the year. Gregg Griffith was Winchester's top netminder with a 4.34 goals-against average.

Corkery said his team lost 16 games by only one goal in contests which could have gone either way. "It was just one of those years," Corkery said. "We just happened to be on the wrong side, and that's hockey."

"I think the guys represented our community well and with pride all year. Out of 21 guys we had 17 local players and I don't think any other team had that kind of representation at the community level."

In the St. Lawrence Division Junior B playoffs, the Morrisburg Lions open play in Alexandria against the first-place Glens tonight (Feb.19), at 8 pm. They host the Glens in game two of the series on Friday night (Feb. 21) at 8:15 pm.

Spartans rally for victory over Devils



After trailing the Senior Devils for three quarters, the Seaway Spartans used a late fourth-quarter rally to steal a 47-43 SD&G boys high school basketball decision from their North Dundas hosts on Feb. 11. Devils Stu DeJong (#10) and teammate Bob Cooper soared above Spartan Brian Law to gain possession of the ball.
Press Photo — Van Bridger

MAPLE RIDGE — An 11-point effort by Neil Edwards in the final six minutes of the game propelled the visiting Seaway District High School Spartans to a 47-43 victory over the NDDHS Senior Devils.

Edwards drained a trio of deuces and five of six from the line in the final 37 seconds to solidify the four-point victory for the Mark Lewis-coached Spartans. It was the final game of the SD&G boys high school basketball regular season for both squads.

Deanna Corbett-White's Devils, because they are the lone "AA" ranked school in SD&G basketball, finished with a 6-2 record, their divisional ("AA") title and an automatic berth in the EOSSAA championship tournament later this month. Seaway must play off with three other schools to qualify for the SD&G "A" title and the right to represent the board at EOSSAA.

Lewis remarked prior to the match at NDDHS on Tues., Feb. 11 that the game meant nothing in the standings but was a matter of pride.

After the opening half of play it was the host Devils who looked like they would claim Dundas County bragging rights. They rumbled to a 23-8 lead in the first quarter and carried a sizable 30-16 advantage into the dressing room at the half.

After observing that 30-16 lead on the scoreboard, Devils' coach Deanna Corbett-White remarked, "That's a nice lead. We played a good half but you just know they (Seaway) will come back."

And rally they did.

The Spartans whittled the Devils' lead to seven points (34-27) by the 3:54 mark of the third period but the home side used buckets by Stu DeJong and Craig Adams to give their team a 38-29 cushion with one quarter to play.

Lewis was still anxiously pacing the sidelines through the first three minutes of the final session. But the coach's tension was beginning to fade as his charges sliced their deficit to 41-39 at the 2:50 mark.

When Craig Adams (North Dundas' top scorer and go-to guy) drew his fifth foul and was forced to the sidelines with 1:32 to play and the score tied at 41, the tide had turned in the visitors' favor. Kevin Groniger stepped to the line after the call on Adams and dropped in a single to break the tie.

At the 37-second mark, Edwards toed the line again. He hit two for two and opened up a 44-41 edge. At 12 seconds, he was good on two more freebies and made it 46-41. When he hit one of two for a 47-41 difference with one second to play, the deed was already done.

North Dundas led 19-0 after the first five minutes of the opening quarter and 24-8 at the buzzer. It was 30-16 at the half. North Dundas still held a lead (38-29) after three quarters of play. By the final buzzer Seaway was holding a 47-43 advantage.

Craig Adams (15), Brad Campbell (9), Jason Munro (7), Alex Dyer (six on a three-pointer and three technical foul shots), Andrew Clark (4) and Stu DeJong (2) drained North Dundas points.

Neil Edwards was top Spartans shooter, knocking down 22 points. Kevin Groniger (8), Ben Byvelds (8), Chris Douma (6), Brian Law and W. Leroy (1) completed the scoring.

JUNIOR DEVILS

The same afternoon, North Dundas' Junior Devils finished their SD&G "AA" campaign with a 4-4 record after a two-point, 32-30 loss to "A" Seaway.

North Dundas, as the lone "AA" school in SD&G, earned first-place status and a berth at EOSSAA.

Coach Peter Onstein reported his team, basically because of its lack of experience and record, will not use its bye to the EOSSAA tournament. "The team has shown remarkable improvement this year but because many of the players are in their first year in the sport, we determined the competition at the next level (EOSSAA) would be a little too stiff to warrant the cost of making that trip," he explained.

The final game of the season for the Junior Devils was a real nail-biter, coming down to the final seconds before the Spartans were able to claim a victory.

"We had a last-second shot to win but missed. The team played very well. Kurtis Barkley drained two three-pointers with under a minute to go to make the finish very exciting," said the coach.

Seaway led 7-4 after the first eight minutes. But the Devils were up 13-11 at the half. They were still holding on by one (19-18) after three quarters. The fourth-quarter shootout saw the Spartans nip the Devils 14-11 over eight minutes and 32-30 at the buzzer.

Kurtis Barkley topped the Devils scoring list with eight points, including a pair of treys. Blain Moran (6), Tom Bigelow (6), Mitch Hermenson (4), Ben Collins (4), and Matt Holmes (2) also put their names on the score sheet.

Kyle Gervais was top shooting Spartan with nine points. Dan Toonders was next with seven.

North Dundas meets Patriotes in SD&G "AA"volleyball playoffs

MAPLE RIDGE — Playing without two of their key players, the North Dundas Senior "AA" Devils went into St. Joe's and gave the "AAA" Panthers all they could handle in the final game of the 2002-03 SD&G girls high school volleyball regular season.

Patti Hall's squad claimed one win in three games but it was the way the Devils battled in all three sets which led her to declare the St. Joe's encounter, "a real morale booster."

"The first set was very close but St. Joe's won. We won the second to tie it up 1-1. But it was the comeback in the third set that really lifted the girls' confidence. We were down 18-8 and came back, only to lose 25-20. The girls realized after that they can compete against the best teams in the league," explained the coach.

Hall noted that two of the team's top players, Erin Cochrane and Sara Volks, have been sidelined by hockey injuries and aren't available to join this week's playoff against La Citadelle.

"Erin is our leader and Sara is also a top player. We certainly miss both of them. We have just eight players but after the game at St. Joe's, the girls know they can play with eight and still compete against the top schools," noted Hall.

Last Monday (Feb. 10), the Devils hosted the Tagwi Warriors and La Citadelle Patriotes. It was a 3-0 sweep against Tagwi (25-23, 27-25, 25-18). North Dundas managed just one win against the team they will face in the playoffs, La Citadelle. The Devils took the opening set 25-22 but fell by 25-19 and 25-17 counts to wind up 1-2 in the match and 4-2 on the day.

The same day, Kelly Durant's Junior Devils defeated Tagwi 2-1 (25-19, 25-12, 18-25) but were blanked 3-0 (18-25, 21-25, 21-25) by their playoff opponents from ESLC.

"The girls played pretty well against La Citadelle. We were right in the last two, which we could have won," said Durant.

The official combined senior standings show the CCVS Golden Raiders on top with 22 points, ESLC with 21, Seaway with 19, SJSS with 18, NDDHS in fifth with 14, Glengarry with 11, Char-Lan with 11, L'Heritage with 8, Tagwi with 6 and Rothwell/Osnabruck with 4. Because there are just two schools ranked as "AA", North Dundas will play the Patriotes at La Citadelle today (Wed., Feb. 19 at 1 pm) for the SD&G title.

L'Heritage and Seaway met in one "A" semi-final while Glengarry challenged Char-Lan in the other. The "A" title match will be played tomorrow (Thurs., Feb. 20).

It is the same scenario at the junior level with number-two ranked NDDHS and first-place La Citadelle meeting to decide a "AA" championship. That best-of-five final will go at the Cornwall school at 2:30 pm.

La Citadelle led the combined junior rankings with 22 points. Glengarry was next with 20 and North Dundas third with 19. Char-Lan also collected 19 points. Rothwell/Osnabruck had 18, SJSS 17, St. Lawrence 14, Tagwi 11, General Vanier 11, L'Heritage 9 and Seaway six points.

St. Lawrence went against Glengarry in one Jr. "A" semi-final while R/O and Char-Lan met in the other. The championship match will be played tomorrow (Thurs., Feb. 20).

MIDGET DEVILS

North Dundas' Midget Devils completed their SD&G campaign in sixth place but wound up making it into the semi-finals in the playoff tournament in Cornwall on Feb. 13.

The championship tournaments feature two pools of four schools each. North Dundas split their first match with La Citadelle, winning 25-21 and losing 25-18. In game two they dropped their opener to St. Lawrence 25-8 but took the second set 25-15. It was a 2-0 (27-26, 25-18) sweep of Tagwi that put the Devils into the semi-finals.

North Dundas then clashed with the top team in the other pool, the Char-Lan Crusaders who eliminated them in two straight sets (25-22 and 25-20).

"The girls had to play back-to-back and were a little tired," reported coach Patti Hall. "But overall the team has progressed so much since the start of the season. We lost all six sets in that first tournament but finished winning 11 of 14. Their skills have really improved."

Hornets split weekend games

RICHMOND — The Metcalfe Petite Hornets had an up and down weekend on the local Ringette circuit.

The Hornets met the Goulbourn squad on Sun., Feb. 17, and fell behind quickly 2-0. Allison Ritchie, assisted by Ashley Kelly, rallied for Metcalfe to make it 2-1. Goulbourn pulled further ahead, but Ritchie again shortened the lead to 3-2 from Katherine Heatherington. Just before the end of the first period Christine Rowan tied up the game with a helper from Mikayla Micomonaco.

The close battle continued in the second period with Goulbourn taking the lead, but Metcalfe's Kristin Wyman, assisted by Micomonaco, tied things up once again. Goulbourn managed one more past Hornets' goalie Grace Valentine, but Rowan, assisted by Caitlin Brown, made it even again at 5-5.

Hornets' Wyman, assisted by Alex Borutski, put in the winning goal for Metcalfe and they were able to hold on for the 6-5 win.

The evening before, on Feb. 16, the Hornets played the Goulbourn Vipers in a less successful result. Goulbourn came out with a strong offense and managed a flurry of shots and a total of five goals in the first period against Hornets' goaltender Allison Welk. The Hornets regrouped and Katrina Leach managed two beautiful goals with assists from Kelly Ross and Brianna Sullivan (2). Despite coming back strong offensively in the second period, Goulbourn took the game 8-2. Kudos to the Hornets who braved -20 degree weather to play an outdoor exhibition ringette game against West Carleton at Winterlude in Ottawa earlier the same day.



Big 4 curlers

Skip Brentley Summers (left), vice Melissa Smith, second Neil Smith and lead Ainsley Glassford represented the Winchester Curling Club in the 2003 Big 4 Junior competition (Feb. 8) in Russell. Summers finished up as "B" event finalists. Winchester's Phil Klein-Swormink skipped his team of Liz DeSerres, Geoffery Spruit and Kelsey Erwin to the championship.

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Jump Rope For Heart raises $2,400



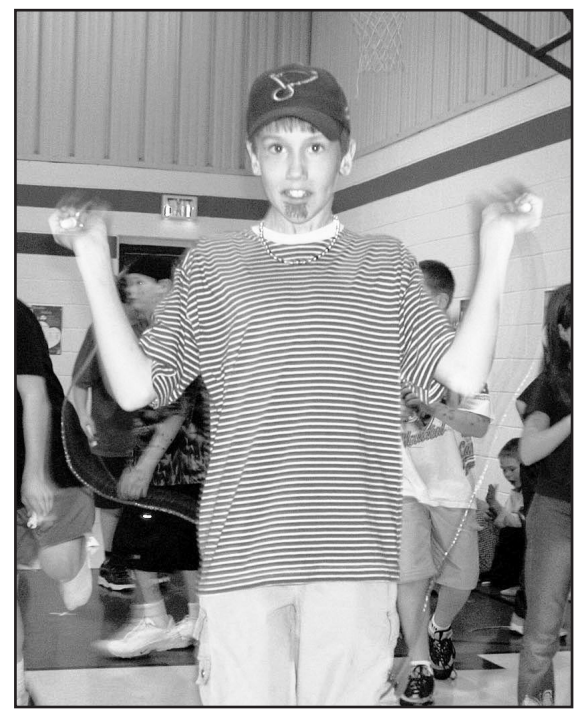
WILLIAMSBURG — Skipping for a healthy heart.

The entire student body from junior kindergarten to Grade 8, participated in the Jump Rope For Heart campaign at Timothy Christian School on Feb. 14.

On Valentine's Day, a time known for gift-wrapped candy hearts, the Timothy Christian School pupils jumped rope for two minutes at a time in teams of eight and raised $2,400 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

The campaign also included double-dutch and long-jump skipping.

At left: In a team effort, Kaitlyn Douma and younger pupil Fayth Ponsen skip as one, in the Timothy Christian School's Jump Rope For Heart fundraiser on Feb. 14. Right: Grade 7 student Scott Douma was all painted up for the Timothy Christian School's Jump Rope For Heart fundraising day.



Wings continue winning ways

METCALFE — The Hicks' Wings remain six points on top the tight Metcalfe Hockey League Standings as their winning ways continue.

The Wings downed the Continental Mushroom Stars 5-2 in one of three games played on Feb. 16. Scoring for the Wings were Ron Flannigan (2), Bob Kemp, Pete Bishop, and Steve Wade. Replying for the Stars were Doug Warren and Marty Campbell.

The Wallace Bruins broke a second-place tie with the Sentinel Blues after doubling their opponent 8-4. Notching markers for the Bruins were Vince Seguin (2), Doug Anderson (2), Don Marcellus, Tyrone Franey, Jeff Hope and Brian Downey. Goals for the losing side came from Jason Gervais (2), Chris Reaney and Jay Dewan.

In the final game of the weekend, the third place Johnston Penguins defeated the McVey Leafs 6-3. Finding the net of the winning side were Dale Carson, Dave Vandergt (2), Sean Wallace, Dale Poirier, and Erin Franey. Scoring for the Leafs came from Joe Scott and Darryl Warren with two goals.

Outlaws earn OHL pennant

OSGOODE — Paced by the two-goal efforts of Brian Downey, Mark Patterson, Grant Anderson and Dale Poirier, the Osgoode Outlaws rode to a 10-3 win over the Blackhawks and completed another Osgoode Hockey League season in first place.

The Feb. 13 win over the Blackhawks left the Outlaws with a 13-1-6 record and a league-leading 32 points. Earlier the same evening the fifth-place Stingers battled the second-ranked Metcalfe Chiefs to a 0-0 draw.

Dave Sheldrick and Jamie Reimer snapped in the singles for the Outlaws. Warren Clarke ripped in all three Blackhawks goals.

The final standings featured a close finish between three teams. The Metcalfe Chiefs (8-7-5) were second with 21 points, the Blackhawks (8-9-4) third with 20, and the Snipers (7-8-5) were fourth with 19 points. The Stingers (2-14-4) wound up with eight points.

The first round of the playoffs get under way this week with the fourth-place Snipers taking on the fifth-place Stingers in a two-game total-goals elimination series (played Feb. 18 and Feb. 20 at 10 pm). The winner of that preliminary set will then advance to the second round (four-point series) against the pennant-winning Outlaws.

Round two will also feature a four-point playoff between the Blackhawks and Chiefs. That round will begin on Tues., Feb. 25 and finish on Thurs., March 13, if it goes the distance. Note all games are 10 pm starts.

The OHL championship series is also a four-point session which will be played on Tues., March 18 (10 pm), Thurs., March 20 (7:30 pm to be confirmed) and Thurs., March 27 (6:30 pm — if necessary).

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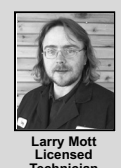
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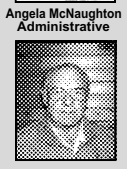
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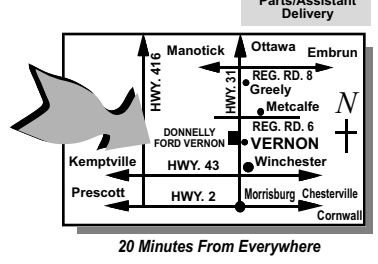

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Seaway Valley Devils capture broomball title

BARRIE — For the 14th time in as many years the Seaway Valley Devils have captured the Ontario Juvenile Girls Broomball championship.

The 2003 edition of the Devils defeated another eastern Ontario entry, the Eastern Thunder 3-0 in the gold-medal match in Barrie earlier this month. As Ontario champs the Devils will now advance to the Canadian National tournament in St. Joliette, Que., April 15-19.

Devils goalie Jackie Hoogeveen was perfect in all four games, backing her squad in four shutout victories.

Captain Nicole Robinson was deemed the tournament's Most Sportsmanlike Player.

The all eastern Ontario final saw Michelle Gibson net what would prove to be the winning goal at 10:06 of the first half against the Thunder goalie. Cindy Cavanaugh assisted on the play and then turned around and scored to make it 2-0 on a powerplay pass provided by Chantal Legault with 3:59 left in the game. With just over two minutes left on the clock, Catherine Lafleche scored from Natalie Legault and Cynthia Wever to clinch the gold medal with a 3-0 final.

A pair of early goals by Jessica Merchback handed the Devils a 2-0 lead on Blyth (Central West) in the opening round. Legault and Annie Arcand cracked in the others in the 4-0 decision. Assists went to Amanda Wheeler (3), Arcand and Catherine Lafleche.

There was plenty of drama in game two as the Devils edged their eastern cousins, the Invaders, 3-0. The final two goals of the match were fired into the empty net by Cindy Cavanaugh with 2:07 on the clock and by Catherine Lefleche with 18 seconds to play. Michelle Gibson scored first from Nicole Robinson 1:01 before the half. Robinson, Gibson and Marie-France Lafleche earned the assists.

It took overtime in game three for the Devils to silence the Eastern Thunder 1-0. Chantal Legault counted the deciding shot on a pass provided by Josee Lafleche.

Eastern Ontario dominated the competition with the Seaway Valley Devils winning the gold medal, the Eastern Thunder the silver and the eastern Invaders the bronze.

McInnis claims WTHL scoring title

WINCHESTER — A six-assist night clinched the 2002-03 Winchester Town Hockey League scoring title for Gary McInnis. With the six helpers the Morrisburg native lead the league in assists with 42. His 15 goals pushed his final total to 57 points.

But in spite of McInnis effort the pennant-winning Winchester Flyers dropped a wild 10-9 decision to the Boyd Chrysler Rams. In the other half of the Tuesday (Feb. 11) night twin bill the second-place Ben's Pioneer Gas Bar Rangers nipped the number-four ranked Country Kitchen Cyclones 5-4 on Mark Guy's 16th goal of the campaign.

With completion of the 18-game regular season the Flyers (11-5-2) topped the standings with 24 points and in goals scored with 134. Ben's Pioneer Rangers (10-5-3) finished one point back with 23 but lead in goals allowed — 67. The Boyd Rams (6-9-3) were third with 15 points and Country Kitchen (4-12-2) fourth with 10 points.

The semi-finals (best-of-three) got underway last night (Feb. 18) with the "A" series featuring the first-place Flyers taking on the fourth-place Cyclones. The "B" set has the number-two ranked Rangers tangling with the third-place Rams. The "B" series with play game two at 7:30 pm on Feb. 25 while the "A" combatants will go at 8:40 pm.

A new WTHL scoring standard was established by Flyers' McInnis and his linemates this season. McInnis (15-42-57), Chris Van Bridger (27-28-55) and Dereck "Wendell" Holmes (34-17-51) combined for 153 points eclipsing the 143 established last year by the Pioneer Rangers trio of Holmes (41-21-62), Mark Guy (19-28-47) and John Guy (22-12-34). A fourth member of the Flyers, Brad Quaile (23-23-46) finished fourth with 46 points. Wes Cory (18-12-30) of the Rams broke the Flyer domination coming in fourth at 30 points.

RANGERS 5 - CYCLONES 4

Mark Guy converted a feed from John Guy and Josh McLean into the winning goal with 2:03 left on the clock as the Rangers finished their season with a 5-4 decision over The Country Kitchen Cyclones.

Jeff Holmes used a pass from Jamie McIntosh to pull the Cyclones into a 4-4 tie 5:22 before the final buzzer but they couldn't hold on for the point.

Rangers led 2-1 at the half. John Guy, Will McLean, Scott Barkley, Josh McLean and Mark Guy counted the Rangers goals in that order. John Guy (2), Mark Guy (2), Josh McLean (2), Ryan Swerdfeger and Troy McNaughton all drew assists. Craig "JB" Smith posted the win.

Chris "Willy" Williams cashed in three of the four Country Kitchen markers. Jeff Holmes netted the single. Kevin Williams (2), Holmes (2) and Jamie McIntosh collected assists. Kent Pilon was in the nets.

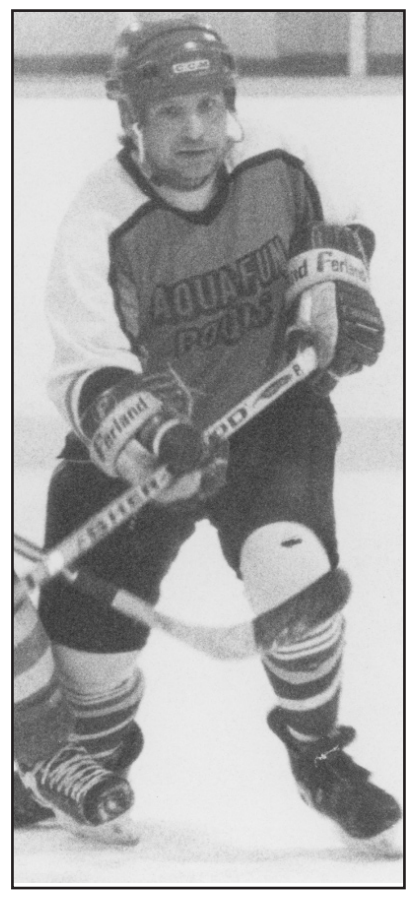
RAMS 10 - FLYERS 9

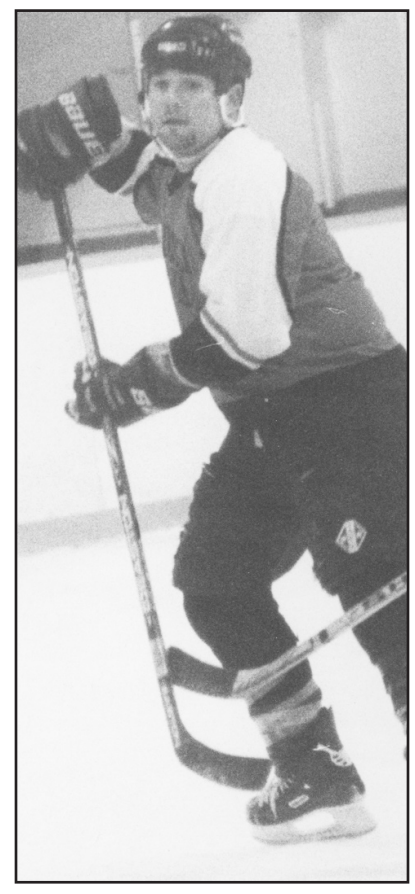
Steven Joyce fired in four goals and Jay Holmes cracked in the winner at 11:04 of the second half as the Boyd Rams held on for a 10-9 decision against the first-place Flyers.

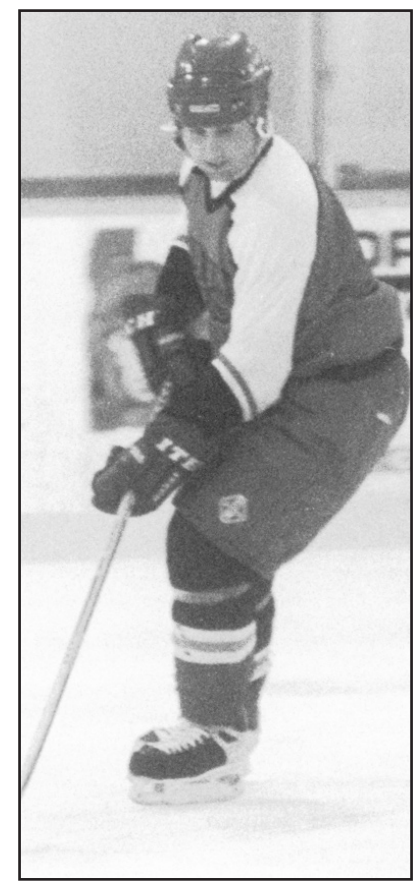
The Flyers were down 10-6 when their offence clicked for three goals. Dereck Holmes (from Gary McInnis and Brad Quaile at 8:57), Chris Van Bridger (from Holmes at 6:40) and Craig Holmes (from Van Bridger at 1:02) beat Doug Rigby and closed the gap to 10-9. Van Bridger rang what could have been the tying goal off the iron with Currie on the bench and play in the final minute by one goal was as close as the Flyers would get.

Steve Joyce (4), Steve Norton (2), Wes Cory, Jay Holmes, Scott Rintoul and Jeff Scott counted the Cyclones goals. Cory (4), Adrian Price (3), Holmes (3), George Baird (2), Kevin Pebbles, Paul Pilotte, Rintoul and Scott drew assists. Doug Rigby posted the win.

Scoring for the Flyers were Van Bridger (3), Dereck Holmes (2), Craig Holmes (2) and Brad Quaile (2). Assists went to McInnis (6), Van Bridger (2), Dereck Holmes (2), Quaile (2) and John Ralko. Chris Currie was in the nets.







Hot combo

Flyers set-up man Gary McInnis (left) led the WTHL with 42 assists and claimed this year's scoring title with 57 points. Chris Van Bridger (centre) finished with 27 goals, 28 assists and 55 points while Dereck "Wendell" Holmes (defending scoring champ) finished third with 34 goals, 17 assists and 51 points. The Flyers' trio totalled 153 points in 18 games.

Press Photos — Van Bridger

Ryan's Reds hold lead

WINCHESTER — The top teams keep winning in the Winchester and District Ladies Hockey League. Last Sunday, Feb. 16, all teams were in action, and one game even witnessed a rare game misconduct after heated words were thrown at an official.

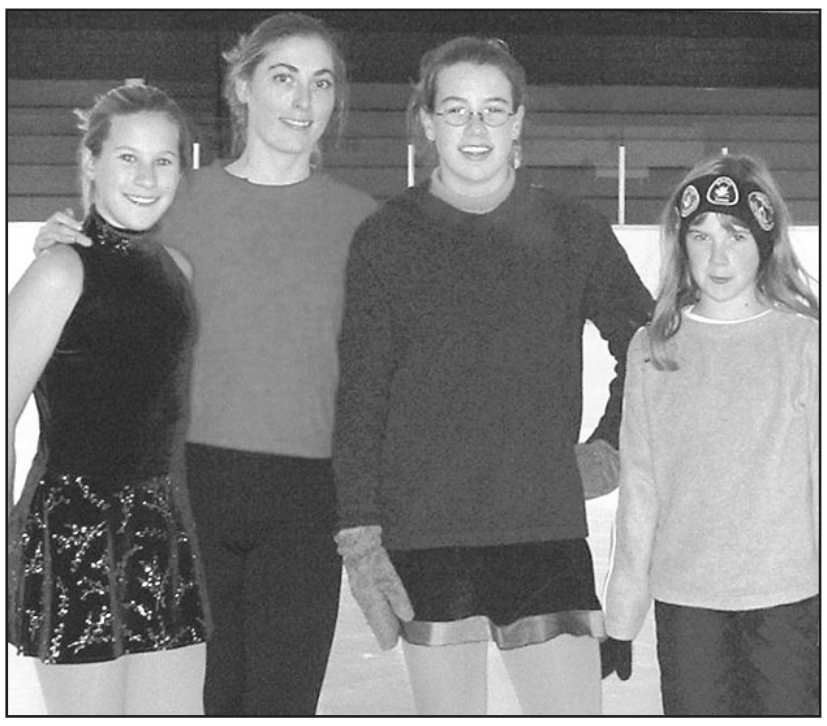
The league-leading Ryan's Restaurant Reds easily handed the third place Andy's Foodland squad a 7 -1 defeat. Sandy Roy scored a hat trick and Kelly Cummins notched two goals in the Reds thumping of Andy's Foodland. Jen Manley and Tracy Dunn added the Reds' other two markers. Red's helpers came from Roy (3), Manley (2), Cummins (2), Karla Marshall, Cheryl Cooper, and Jackie Boulanger. The lone Foodland goal was scored by Diane Downey and assisted by Carrie Gilmour and Tracey Morrow.

With the win, the Reds remain four points up on the Double Beauty squad who blanked the CountryGirls team 4-0.

Double Beauty got three of their goals from Kathy Kerr against the fourth- place CountryGirls. Amy Fraser also scored for the second place winning side and assists came from Karen Benoit (2), Cheryle Shurtliffe, Fraser, and Heather Erwin.

Late in the game CountryGirls' Megan Horseman received a game misconduct after shouting verbal insults toward the referee. Horseman was earlier given a 10-minute misconduct for taking a slapshot down the ice after a Double Beauty goal. After words were continuously directed at the official, she was ejected from the game.

In a matchup of the league's basement dwellers, the last-place Annable's Blues evened their standings position with the fifth-place Stewart Classics with a 3-0 win. Scoring for the Blues were Sheri Richer and Judy Littau, and helpers came from Shirley Velthuis, Richer and Littau.



Metcalfe skaters

Metcalfe skaters Robyn Van Schie, Brandi Fowler - coach, Emily Walsh and Katie Walsh are helping the Metcalfe Figure Skating Club membership prepare for the organization's annual ice show (Night of Magic) on March 3. Van Schie earned her Junior Bronze on Feb. 5. At the Morrisburg Invitational Van Schie place second in elements and fourth in freeskate; Emily Walsh was second in freeskate and fourth in elements; Katie Walsh was fifth in elements and sixth in freeskate. For registry information contact Pam Maxwell at 821-4472. Courtesy photo

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Winners crowned for mixed curling

WINCHESTER — Winchester's top mixed curling teams have emerged from the second draw of the 2002-03 season.

Skip Lester McInnes, vice Carolyn Lillico, second Leeann Chamberlain and lead Judy Somerville emerged as the top team in the Mixed Wednesday Night League standings. Bill Lillico and his rink of Mandy Peddle, Don Hoople and Sandra Latimer finished in second spot.

The Friday Night League's top rink was skipped by Bill Hogaboam and composed of Jeff Robinson, Marcel Soucie and Judy Somerville. Mark Vanasse combined with Janet Levere, Todd Babcock and Susan Rawson for second-place honors.

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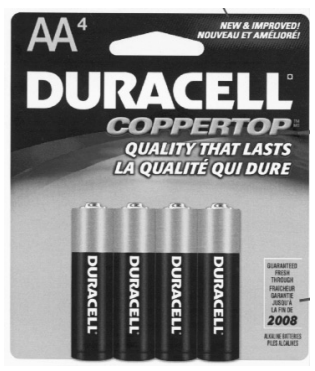

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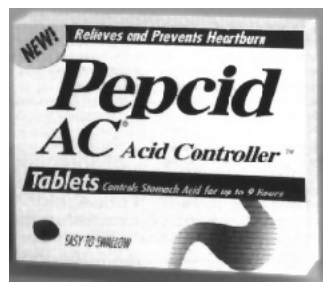

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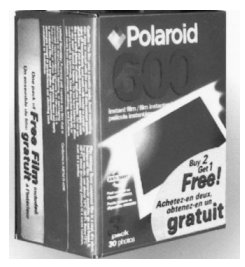

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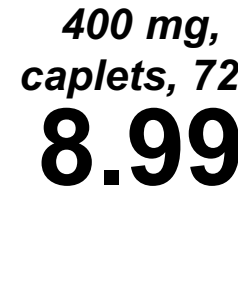

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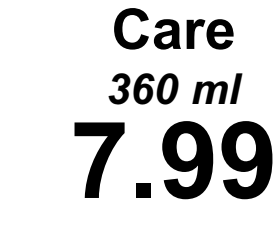

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STANDING TIMBER WANTED – Such as poplar, soft maple, ash, willow, hard maple or white pine. Will take bush off for farm land use. Paid by lump sum or by cord. Also white and red pine, 12" and over. Self loader truck for hire. Call Dave Como at 613-258-3987.
3tfc

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44tfc

RIDE WANTED – Lady(s) require a ride, weekdays, to and from Place De Ville, Ottawa, from Winchester, for 8 am-4 pm shift. Variations considered. Phone 774-2986 anytime.
48-49

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48

WANTED TO BUY – Baby crib, changer and dresser. Call 535-2576 or 535-1369.
48-49

Help Wanted

HELP WANTED – Personal Support Worker or Care Support Worker at Crysler Residence. Permanent part-time, 7 shifts/2 weeks. May fax resume to 613-987-2724 or contact Denis or Nathalie at 613-987-5562.
44tfc

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47-48c

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48-1c

HELP WANTED – Certified Dental Hygienist and Registered Dental Assistant. Part-time for Altima Dental Centre commencing immediately. Please fax resume to 445-2901 or call 445-3505.
48-50c

HELP WANTED – Truck driver with valid, clean licence ("A" Licence is an asset). Must be able to lift 40 kg. Position from April 1-Oct 1. Fax resume to 448-2916.
48

HELP WANTED – Boat repair person required. Experience with fiberglass and jelcote is essential. Resumes to 4340 Rideau River Road, Kemptville, ON, K0G 1J0 or fax to 258-6426.
48-49c

HELP WANTED – Person required to help in general labor at plant. Must be able to lift 40 kg. Loading and unloading of trucks and some deliveries are to be made. Position from April 1-July 1. Fax resume to 448-2916.
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Work Wanted

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47-48

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48tfc

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33tfc

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48c

Accommodation

FOR RENT – 2-bedroom apartment in village of Vernon. Private entrance. First and last month's rent required. No pets. $695 plus utilities. Call 288-3064 ext 4202 (8 am-5 pm) 821-4290 after 6 pm. Apartment available in April.
46-48

FOR RENT – 1-bedroom apartment, $475 monthly includes heat and hydro. Available immediately. 774-2920.
47tfc

ROOMMATE WANTED – To share the expense of a 2-bedroom apartment in Chesterville with a 27-year-old male. Please call 448-2802 and leave a message.
47-48

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47-49

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FOR RENT – 1-bedroom apartment, 540 St. Lawrence Street, Winchester. Heat, hydro and water included. $495 per month. Phone 821-1071 after 5 pm.
48-50

For Sale

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45-48

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48-49

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47-49

Birth Notice

BADHAM – Ian and Julie (nee Moffatt) are pleased to announce the completion of their herd. Laura and Austin have a little brother, Evan James, who arrived on Wednesday, December 18, 2002 with our angel Carrie guarding from above. Special love to Auntie Marilyn for being there.
48

HALL – Greg and Lisa (nee Booth) and big brother Max are pleased to announce the birth of baby Samuel Luitzen, who arrived on Thursday, December 19, 2002. Fourth grandchild for Brian and Freda Booth and second for Barbara Thompson and Bill Hall. Proud great-grandparents are Hazel Booth, Jacob and Peggy Haarsma and Eileen Thompson. Special thanks to our amazing midwife Linda Peters.
48

Death Notice

SANDY MERKLEY
The family of Sandy Merkley is saddened by her death on February 10, 2003 at the age of 47. She is survived by husband Dave and daughter Seanna; Sandy's parents Rudy and Helen Horn of Calgary and sister Susan Suissa (Ralph) and family of California. She will be dearly remembered and missed by her father and mother-in-law, Cleon and Lorna Merkley and family. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the health care professionals who touched Sandy's life throughout her illness. Funeral Services were held at Duncan Funeral Home. Internment will be held at Springhill Cemetery at a future date.
48

Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS – I would like to thank everyone who sent me cards, gifts and phone calls and visited me in both the Winchester Hospital and the Heart Institute. Special thanks to Dr. Prins, Dr. McLean and the nursing staff in ICU at Winchester.
– Betty Hutt
48

CARD OF THANKS – John and Beatrice Smith of Greely, would like to extend their thanks to Isabelle and Al Herbert for their musical performance in honour of John's 87th birthday, held on January 31 at the Billings Lodge Retirement Home in Ottawa.
48

CARD OF THANKS – I would like to thank my family and friends for the cards, visits, flowers and gifts that I received on the occasion of my 90th birthday. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated and will always be remembered.
– Lloyd Merkley
48

In Memoriam

MOFFATT – In memory of a dear sister, Carrie, who passed away February 19, 1998.
Five years have gone by, and we often think of what a special auntie you would be to your nieces and nephews. They are lucky to have you as their guardian angel.
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– Doug, Marjorie, Kaitlyn and Curtis
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When she will go away.
And when the moment comes,
And you can't say goodbye,
The pain just overwhelms you,
And all you do is cry.
We have only memories, Carrie,
To keep our whole life through.
But the sweetness will linger forever,
As we treasure the image of you.
– Forever in our hearts
– Love Mom and Dad
48

MOFFATT – Remembering with love, Carrie, who left us February 19, 1998. A special sister and aunt, our guardian angel.
They have never met you, but you live on through them.
– We miss you more each day.
– Julie, Ian, Laura, Austin and Evan
48

THOMS – In loving memory of a dear father, Henry, who passed away February 18, 1980.
Nothing can ever take away,
The love a heart holds dear.
Fond memories linger every day,
Remembrance keeps Dad near.
– Forever loved and remembered
– Joan and Don MacIntosh
48

O'NEILL – In loving memory of our dear father, Wilbert, who passed away February 24, 1984.
There is a sad but sweet remembrance,
There is a memory fond and true,
And a token of affection, Dad,
And a heartache still for you.
– Your loving family
48

MOFFATT – In loving memory of my dear sister, Carrie, who passed away February 19, 1998.
Remembering you is easy,
We do it every day.
Missing you is the heartache,
That never goes away.
– We love you Carrie
– Marilyn and Greg
48

BYERS – In loving memory of a dear son and stepson, Trevor, who passed away February 19, 1986.
I think of him in silence,
His name I oft recall,
There is nothing left to answer,
But his picture on the wall.
– Lovingly remembered by Linden and Beth
48

MOFFATT – In loving memory of a dear friend, Carrie, who passed away February 19, 1998.
Often we think of you dear Carrie,
And our hearts are filled with pain.
Oh, this earth would be a heaven,
Could we hear your voice again.
– Miss you,
– Garnet and Frances
48

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Coming Events

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An AGM Fundraiser Entertainment evening on Wed., March 5 at 7 pm at the Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church Hall. Turkey dinner and local entertainment. $18 per person. For tickets call Clara Edwardson at 774-2407 or Doug Grenkie at 543-2922 before February 28.
47-48c

HAWAII
With Winchester Travel. Presentation night with refreshments to be held at the Old Town Hall, Winchester, Wed., March 5, 7:30-9 pm. Please RSVP to 774-2424 or sales@winchestertravel.ca
48-50c

EUCHRE
Thurs., Feb. 27 at 8 pm. in the Lions Hall, Winchester. Sponsored by Golden Years Society. Prizes and lunch. Everyone welcome.
48

DUNDAS HOLSTEIN CLUB ONE DAY BUS TRIP
Tues., Feb. 25, Oshawa/Port Perry area. $45 per person. Leave Winchester Arena 7:30 am. Stopping at 5 farms. Stopping for supper. Deadline Feb. 21. Contact Mark Smith 448-1077 or Cheryl Guy 774-3399.
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48-49

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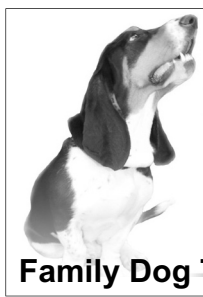
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Brenda M. Brunt, AMCT
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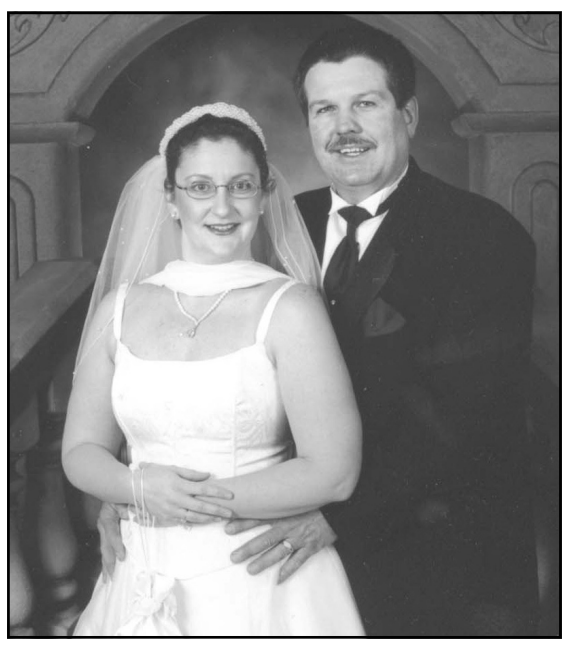

Barkley–Scott

Nancy Scott, daughter of Marjorie Scott and the late Clifford Scott of Winchester, and Benjamin Barkley, son of Von Barkley of Williamsburg, wish to announce their marriage. The candlelight service took place on January 1, 2003 at the Winchester Wesleyan Church.

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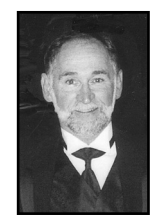

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WINCHESTER - Beauty - Henderson Crescent, 3 bedrooms, 2 fireplaces. **$158,900.**



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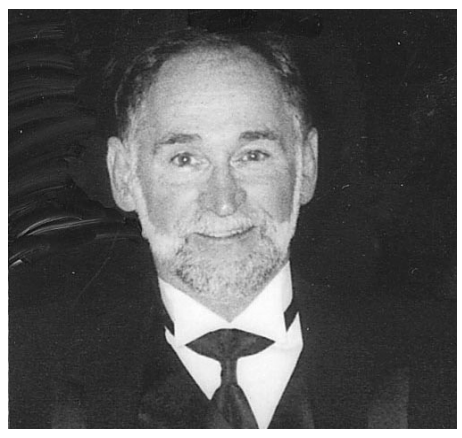

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CHESTERVILLE -Wow, 3+3 bedrooms, rec room, 3-car garage, shop. **$139,900.**



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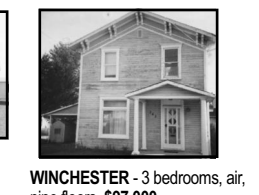

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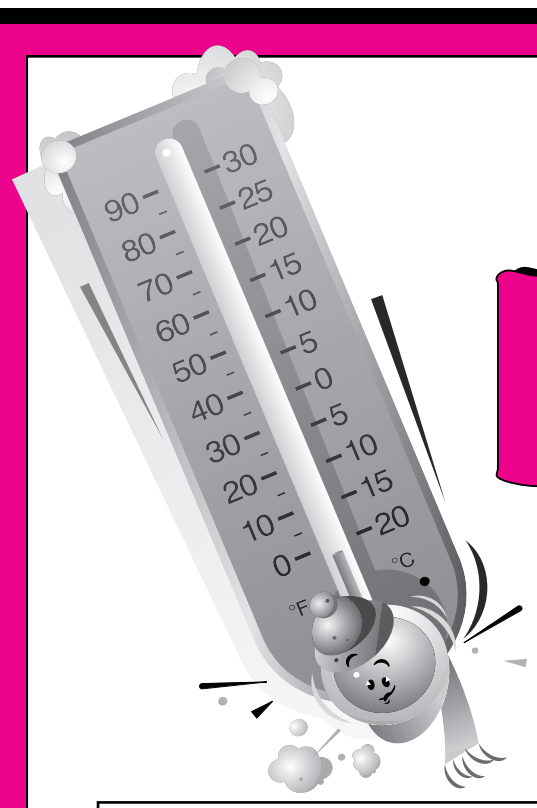

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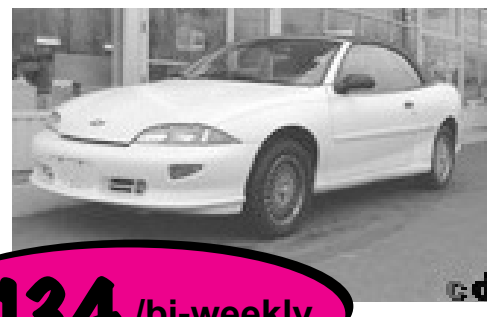

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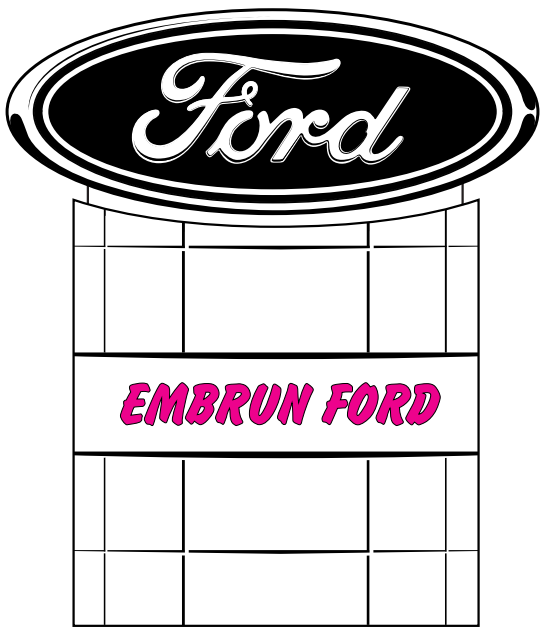

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