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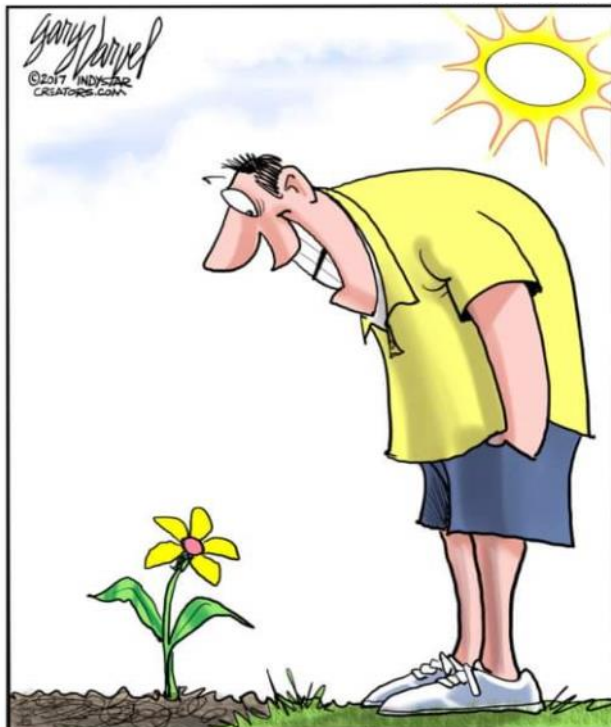
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Brian Beasant, Lynne Lamb and Al Smith**



# WOTL MATTERS

The Wellington on the Lake Residents Association (WOLRA), *Our Neighbourly News Magazine*, our website [wolra.ca](http://wolra.ca) (soon to be brand new!), plus weekly e-Blasts, work together to ensure all WOTL residents feel connected, included and engaged in this great community of Wellington on the Lake!

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We had a great winter with little snow and cold temperatures, and now we are getting into spring. Looks like we will get one last blast of snow before the start of spring.

With the spring weather we will start to prepare for our outside activities. Toward the end of the month, we will have our activities signup and we hope everyone can attend. It is a Coffee Morning and as we have done in previous years, our activity coordinators will be available to provide you with their activity information and sign you up.

We have engaged a landscaping company to prepare and maintain our common area gardens. We know our common areas have been neglected in the past and we are trying to improve this. Further details will be provided.

We have a solar eclipse arriving on April 8 and have scheduled the Outdoor Living Centre for everyone to view the eclipse with others. We have purchased special viewing glasses and hope to see everyone there. Have a specialty coffee from the Cheers Cafe while viewing.

April is Membership Renewal Month. We encourage all WOTL residents to renew and enjoy the benefits of being a WOLRA member, see page 11.

WOLRA's annual garage sale is scheduled for Saturday May 4th. Kevin Flynn is coordinating this year and has a volunteer meeting scheduled for April 1st, see page 23.

The WOLRA Nominations Committee is well into the search for additions to your Board of Directors. If you have the time and you would like to commit to improving our great community, see page 6 for additional information.

We have a last minute Speakers Corner booking for Tuesday, April 9th, see page 28. April 16th is National Care Planning Day and Hospice Prince Edward is having an Advanced Care Planning presentation in our Main Hall prior to this day. The workshop/presentation on April 9th will look at what is a Substitute Decision Maker, how to pick a good one, and what we should know about them. Most importantly, give guidance on how to have conversations with the Decision Maker so that your values and wishes are made known. Bob Hicks will be coordinating this Speakers Corner event.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR A WEBMASTER FOR OUR NEW WEBSITE.** If you have some experience in this field, please let Derek Mendham ([wolra.comm@gmail.com](mailto:wolra.comm@gmail.com)) know. Some of the duties will be updating the Buy & Sell, adding News, setting up Voting, minor wording changes, adding files for Neighbourly News, event photos and Meetings/Financial etc. We will continue to work with our web developer for major changes. The amount of work is minimal.

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### WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR A NEW NEIGHBOURLY NEWS EDITOR AND EDITORIAL TEAM

to help with emails, organizing ads, articles, pictures, calendar, etc. Pam will provide training and support (if you want/need it; you may do just fine on your own). If you have some experience with Word and Word Publisher, or another program capable of supporting the NN, please let Pam know; see articles below.

**Doug Henderson, Vice-President  
WOLRA Board**



**YUP... FEELIN' THE SQUEEZE.** As is widely known, June 2025 (14 more issues) **was** my absolute, final, 10 year deadline as NN editor. However, plans change and there are other things I would like to do and experience so that means...

**NO NEED TO WAIT...** You are welcome to take over anytime now. It can be as bare basics or copious as you choose. It's a fun job (if it wasn't, I wouldn't have done it for so long). And it's a great way to make a valuable contribution to our community on your own time, and from anywhere (even Snowbirds!). You can have as much or as little help as you wish/need. However if no one steps up before June 2025 there is no guarantee that I will be available to help. Remember; a lot of revenue for our community is generated from the advertising in the NN. Something to think about if the NN is lost.

No Experience Necessary • Basic Computer Skills Required  
**LET'S TALK!** [neighbourlynews@gmail.com](mailto:neighbourlynews@gmail.com) ...**Pam Smith**



For many years the Neighbourly News was a print document of 10 to 15 pages which highlighted upcoming events. The Editorial Board would meet and decide which of the submissions received would be included in the upcoming issue and then the Editor would build the document.

Pam volunteered to fill the Editor vacancy 9 years ago with a vision of what she felt would be valuable to the community we so admired. Much has changed in the interim: a switch to a digital format, the addition of advertisers and the inclusion of non essential elements such as humour, historical information and other items thought to be of interest to the community. In addition, we now have the eblast which provides timely reminders of upcoming events and rounds out the communication element.

It is time for another's vision. Rather than detail Pam's approach, why not change this document to reflect what you see as the best approach to the current needs of the community? Pam is available to assist if there are elements you wish to retain but otherwise this would be your "baby". Pam and I are looking forward to a time without commitments that would allow for spontaneous adventures in our final years here.

...**Alan Smith**

**[The first NN in 1992](#)   [Pam's first NN in 2015](#)**





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**“We acknowledge and respect the inherent rights of residents and we attribute to them their long standing efforts and initiatives to make Wellington on the Lake a great place to live and prosper.”**

**WOLRA BOARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**NEWS!** We have three applicants interested in joining the new WOLRA board as of July 1st. We are happy that these persons have stepped forward and indicated their desire to serve their community for the next two years. But the process is still open to anyone else who would like to join the Board and help to contribute to ensure our community remains a great place to live. The different positions on our Board require the various Directors to perform the following functions:

Liaise with Sandbanks, Frontier and Daimler, monitor the needs of our inside and outside facilities, work with our many activity coordinators to fund and ensure that their needs are met, keep our secretarial and financial records, organize special projects, look out for our community’s welfare and the sometimes unique situation of our Leasehold residents.

As you can see, there are a great many ways in which you can serve our community through a Directorship on our Board. We would welcome more nominees and the process will remain open until the May General Meeting of the Association.

**Your Nominating Committee:**

Elaine Jackson (Chair) 613.399.3083    Kathy Memme 416.573.9925  
Christine Trulsen 613.399.3041



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'SURF'S UP!' Photographer Mark E. Hopper FB March 9th

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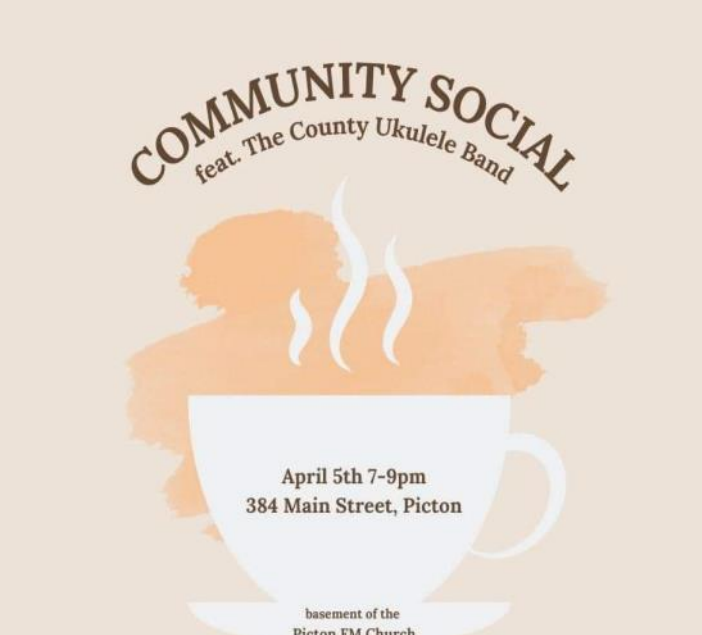
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Also, to call Brenda McDonald at 613-399-5859 to arrange their WOLRA Membership with all the benefits that provides .

NEW NEIGHBOURS

Sorry to say; no new neighbours to welcome this month!



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April 5th 7-9pm  
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Picton FM Church



## OUR NEW WEBSITE IS COMING!! NO, REALLY! PLEASE READ ON...

We have been saying for several months now that our new WOLRA website is nearing completion and we expected to have specific completion dates for you by now. However, we have run into a couple of issues that have necessitated that our developer, Lure Marketing of Kingston, request changes to a Plug-in App on Calendaring from the original App developers.

We are confident that the issues, particularly around room bookings, will be fixed shortly and we will launch the new website by mid-April. We have the launch plan developed and in place, ready to activate as soon as we are satisfied that the new WOLRA Website is fully operational and ready to serve the needs of our community.

### Here is the plan:

First, we will issue a Special Eblast to inform everyone of the date that the new website will be "turned on" and open to everyone. This means that the new website will be open for everyone to inspect, explore and investigate at the same time that the old website will still be up and available for our use. We hope that residents will check out the new site and report any problems or errors that are found. We will endeavour to open a "perfect, error-free" site, but we are not naïve, and we do expect that there will be glitches, hopefully minor, and we will correct them quickly.

In the same Special Eblast we will list the dates and times of several "Information Sessions" that will be scheduled over a three-day period in the Rec Centre. These sessions will be about one hour long and will introduce and describe the website and all the new functionality, such as Room Bookings, that are available – there will be time to answer your questions.

Secondly, we will send an email to every WOLRA member detailing how to "login" to the site, and it will contain your individual username and provide instructions on how to establish your individual password – yes, for security reasons there will be no more standard use passwords, and no one will be able to access the Member Portal without logging in with their individual username and password.

Finally, we will issue a second Special Eblast, approximately a week to 10 days after the new site is "turned on" and it will provide the date when the new WOLRA website will "Go Live". On that date the old website will be taken down and we will use the new site for all our needs.

One last plea for your help...Doug Henderson will take on the role of Webmaster through the final web development stages and the launch and early use of the new website. However, this cannot be a long-term position for Doug, and we are asking for volunteers with solid website and computer skills to come forward and volunteer to be our new webmaster. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact either Doug Henderson [wolra.vice@gmail.com](mailto:wolra.vice@gmail.com) or myself [wolra.comm@gmail.com](mailto:wolra.comm@gmail.com). The new WOLRA website is the centrepiece of our communication plan for the community, and we really do require a WOLRA member to step up and take on the Webmaster role...please consider volunteering.

I would like to thank the Website Committee for all its hard work and the long hours, and we will be in touch with everyone very soon.

**Derek Mendham, WOLRA, Director Communications & Website Committee Coordinator**

WATCH FOR  
E-BLASTS  
ANNOUNCING  
THE DATE!



# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## APRIL IS WOLRA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL MONTH

Spring is here, and one of the things that we do in April is renew our WOLRA membership, so that we can continue to enjoy all the benefits of membership and also support our wonderful community. Renewing your WOLRA membership is easy...

**To renew by e-transfer** just send \$20 per person to wolramemberfees@gmail.com. Please note that this is a different email than the one you have used before, so we suggest that you remove the old address from your bank account, or change it to the new one, before sending funds.

**To renew in person by cheque or cash**, just come and see us in the Rec Centre lobby during one of the following times:

Wednesday, April 3: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon and 3 to 5 p.m.

Friday, April 5: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon and 3 to 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 11: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 p.m.

Additional dates and times, if necessary, will be announced by eblast.

**Drop off your payment** – a locked box is located in the Main Lobby at the Rec Centre. Just fill out your name and address on one of the envelopes provided, place your cash or cheque in the envelope, seal it and deposit it in the box.

If none of the above methods work for you, or if you have any questions, just call Brenda McDonald, WOLRA Membership Chair at 613-399-5859.

As usual, we will be distributing your new membership cards and the 2024-25 Telephone Directory during May (dates to be announced). We appreciate the support of all our members. Thank you.



Photographer Sheila Ascroft [sheilaascroft.com](http://sheilaascroft.com)



# ACTIVITY SIGNUP DAY

Lots of activities here in WOTL now that summer is almost here!

There will be a Coffee Morning / Activity SignUp Day on Saturday, April 27th starting at 9:30am in the main hall.

**BRING YOUR MUG AND \$1 \* 50/50 Draw \***



Many of the activity coordinators will be there to answer your questions and sign you up if you are interested in joining.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

**\* ACTIVITY COORDINATORS \***

Please contact Kevin Flynn at [wolraspecialprojects@gmail.com](mailto:wolraspecialprojects@gmail.com) to book your spot at the Activity SignUp.

**In other news, Police have confirmed that the man who fell from the roof of a twelfth floor nightclub was definitely not a bouncer.**

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# MAJOR CELESTIAL EVENT

The County is in the “path of totality” where the sun will be completely blocked by the moon. This once-in-a-lifetime event will not happen again until 2399, more than 400 years from now. Here, the total eclipse is predicted to begin at 3:21 pm and last for 3 minutes and 2 seconds.

Partial eclipse begins at 2:08 Ends 4:33

**WHEN: Monday, April 8th • 2:00 - 3:30pm (changed from 12:30)**

**WHERE: Outdoor Living Centre (regardless of weather conditions)**

**FREE ADMISSION • FREE SAFETY GLASSES PROVIDED**

Bring Your Own Choice of Refreshments

An educational & entertaining presentation will be provided

on the subject of Solar Eclipses in general

& the significance of this event in particular.

Your WOLRA Board would like everyone to participate in experiencing this phenomena in a fun and safe environment.

**2024 04.08**

## SOLAR ECLIPSE

EASTERN CANADA

# APRIL 8, 2024

Timetable for sample cities on the path of totality:

CITY	START	DURATION
Hamilton, ON	3:18 p.m. ET	1 min 50 s
Belleville, ON	3:21 p.m. ET	2 min 4 s
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**COUNCIL POISED TO ELIMINATE WELLINGTON BEACH ADMISSION FEE**



**Source:** <https://inquinte.ca/story/Council-poised-to-eliminate-wellington-beach-admission-fee>

Excerpt:

"Julianne Snepsts, Programs Supervisor proposed creating a Municipal Accommodation Tax-funded "Beach Steward" position to proactively clean, maintain, monitor and assist the public at the beach. The County will also consider recruiting up to two food vendors for the beach food truck program. The changes with the fee and the addition of a beach steward were exactly what Wellington Coun. Corey Englesdorfer was hoping for. Free access to the beach was one of the perks of The PEC Summer Pass program. That program will continue this summer offering County residents free parking at water access points at the ends of Bakker Road and Huyck's Point Road. In 2024, residents will be able to re-use the yellow PEC Summer Passes that they obtained in 2022 or 2023 as long as the vehicle information on the pass is still valid. The yellow passes would be phased out at the end of 2024. Anyone requiring a new pass in 2024 will be issued a new design, which will be valid for three years and include an expiry date.

**Click on the link above to read the whole article.**



**WOTL SINGLES SOCIAL CLUB**

*Not a dating club!*

The Singles Social Club next meeting will be held on **Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2-4pm** in the Card Room. The members will be participating in planning our upcoming spring and summer activities.

Dale & Joyce [WOTLSSC@gmail.com](mailto:WOTLSSC@gmail.com)

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**WOTL's 2024 LINEUP OF EVENTS** (Not Including Many Coffee Mornings & Popup Events)  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**APRIL 8 • SOLAR ECLIPSE**

On the afternoon of Monday, April 8th there will be a major celestial event occurring. Your WOLRA Board would like everyone to participate in experiencing this phenomena in a fun and safe environment. Safety glasses will be provided free of charge. There will be no admission fee. This event will go forward regardless of the weather conditions. Please bring your own choice of refreshments. An educational and entertaining presentation will be provided on the subject of solar eclipses in general and the significance of this event in particular. This will take place at the OLC between the hours of 2:00 and 3:30 pm (time changed from 12:30).



**APRIL 27 • WOLRA ACTIVITY SIGNUP & COFFEE MORNING**

Saturday, April 27th @9:30am: Our annual signup opportunity for community activities will take place in the main hall. This is your opportunity to find out more about the numerous organized activities planned for June 2024 to June 2025. Some activities have limitations on the number of people who can participate so arrive early and make sure your name is on the list. The leaders of each activity will be on hand to answer your questions. Coffee and refreshments will be available.



**MAY 4 • ANNUAL GARAGE SALE - Main Hall**

This is probably one of the most important events in our calendar year. Please start setting aside items of good value that you no longer need and wish to pass on to someone else who could use them. Volunteers for this event will be contacted over the coming weeks to be informed of planning meetings.



**MAY 23 • VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY**

Thursday, 3 - 6pm, Main Hall. More information to come...



**MAY 25 • MARDI GRAS/BAYOU BOOGIE**

7pm - Music by *Shawn Dore*. More information to come...



**MAY 27 • SPEAKERS CORNER "DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES"**

1:30-3pm in the Main Hall. Informative and educational presentation provided by the Alzheimer's Society of Canada

**JUNE 3 • SPEAKERS CORNER "MAINTAINING GOOD BRAIN HEALTH"**

1:30-3pm in the Main Hall. Informative and educational presentation provided by the Alzheimer's Society of Canada

**JUNE 21, 22, 23 • HAPPY HOUR PLAYERS**

The *Happy Hour Players* will present **Take Two!** in three performances: June 21, June 22 and June 23 in the RC. **Take Two!** will once again be focused on an evening of comedy and fun in the form of short plays and sketches performed by your friends and neighbours as members of the *Happy Hour Players*. Stay tuned for more detailed information in the coming months.



**JULY 6 • SOCK HOP**

7pm - Music by *The Shadowz*. More information to come...

**AUGUST 24 • SILLY SUMMER GAMES**

More information to come...



**SEPTEMBER 22 • OKTOBERFEST**

2pm - Music by *Good To Go*. More information to come...







**Bayou Boogie/ Mardi Gras**  
**2024 Theme Jazz Funeral - End of Event**  
**Saturday May 25th**

**Arrival** to New Orleans at 6:00pm

**Indoor Jazz** Funeral to start at 6:30pm

**Dance** the night away with

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**Non Members \$25.00 each**

Tickets go on sale  
April 3 and 4  
main hall lobby 10:00am to 12:00pm

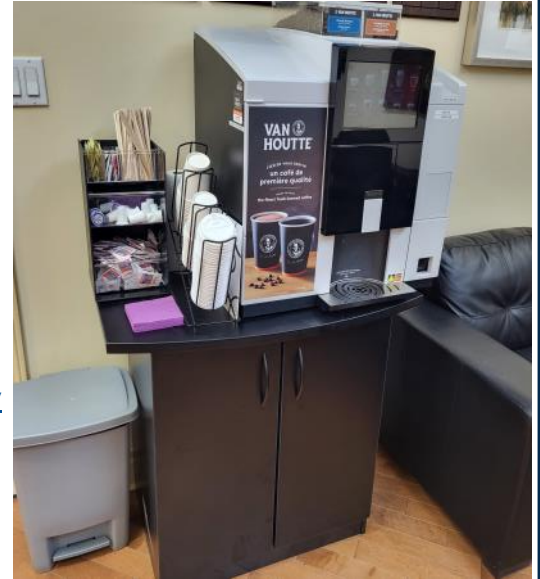
**Snowbirds** *you can email me if you would like tickets*  
*smaureenmcneill@gmail.com*







Exciting news! Thanks to Helen Hood’s idea, research and perseverance, and the Board (obvs), we now have a gourmet coffee machine installed in the library at the Rec Centre! Where else in the County can you enjoy a fresh cup of deluxe coffee (including decaf) for only a loonie and specialty coffee and hot chocolate for only a toonie? And the aroma upon entering the lobby... mmm-mm! So, grab your coins and give it a taste; you will be back! ...**Pam Smith**



**IMPORTANT TO NOTE:**

This is not intended to generate funds for the community as we are a non-profit organization. Any amounts generated in excess of necessary expenses will be donated to [The County Foundation](#). Just another enhancement to our community and the place we call home.

**Kevin Flynn, WOLRA Board**

**AND SPEAKING OF THE COUNTY FOUNDATION...**

It's a bird...it's a plane... it's a camera crew!

A little sneak peek: [The County Foundation](#) is very honoured to have been selected as one of two community foundations from across Canada to be highlighted by [Community Foundations of Canada](#) for how we are using Vital Signs data to make a difference in our community. We have been lucky to spend some time this week with Godzspeed Communications who are here filming around the County - and they were even kind enough to let our very own Anne VanVlack (also a WOTL resident) experiment with their drone. It looks like she'll be taking her work with Vital Signs to new heights from now on! We look forward to sharing more once we are able to but for now if you see any drones flying around PEC, you might know who from our team is responsible...

Source: [The County Foundation](#) FB



**CARD ELIMINATION**

Bev and I would like to thank all the residents and guests who came out to play Card Elimination over this past winter. As you might be aware the last regular Saturday night game will be on March 30th. We have booked the hall for one Saturday night per month until next October when the regular schedule will start again.

These dates will all be TOONIE nights. April 13th, May 11th, June 15th, July 13th, August 17th and September 14th. So bring out your 10 quarters and a TOONIE and let's continue to have fun.

**Gerry Stewart**



**CELEBRATING ST PATRICK**

A special afternoon session of Bingo attracted 37 players. Participants were not disappointed, thanks to the lively calling by our own member of Irish descent, Gerry Stewart. He kept everyone chuckling with his tales of leprechauns, green beer, etc. Cake, various chocolate treats and extra prizes added to the fun.

The happy crowd reciprocated by wishing Gerry and wife Bev "A Happy Anniversary" on 61 years of marriage. As luck would have it, Bev won the final game, taking home a \$75 jackpot.

**Helen Prolas & Louise Kedro**



**A CAPELLA QUINTE BARBERSHOP SHOW**



How would you like to come out and enjoy a musical show three of your fellow residents, Graham Thornton, Dave Wallace and Gerry Stewart are participating in. Well, why not reserve April 20th to attend the A Cappella Quinte Barbershop Show. We will be at the Maranatha Church, 100 College St., Belleville. The show will not only feature the chorus, but will bring you that great local singer Jeanette Arsenault and the Belleville Choral Society Choir as well. Tickets are \$20. And children under 16 get in free. You can purchase your tickets from any of us or pay at the door. So let's get out for a great afternoon's entertainment.

**Gerry Stewart**

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## DINERS & DUFFERS

This is the 20th year that the Rotary Club of Wellington has been selling the Diners & Duffers booklets. All the money raised over the years has been reinvested to enhance our community. Last year we sent several children to enjoy a week at summer camp.

The booklets cost \$40.00 and contain \$4,000.00 worth of coupons to reduce rates at local wineries, restaurants, and golf courses.

Booklets can be purchased at Wellington Home Hardware, Picton Home Hardware, McDougall Insurance in Picton, or from Norm Dodgson at [normdodgson@hotmail.com](mailto:normdodgson@hotmail.com). They will be available for sale starting March 23, 2024.

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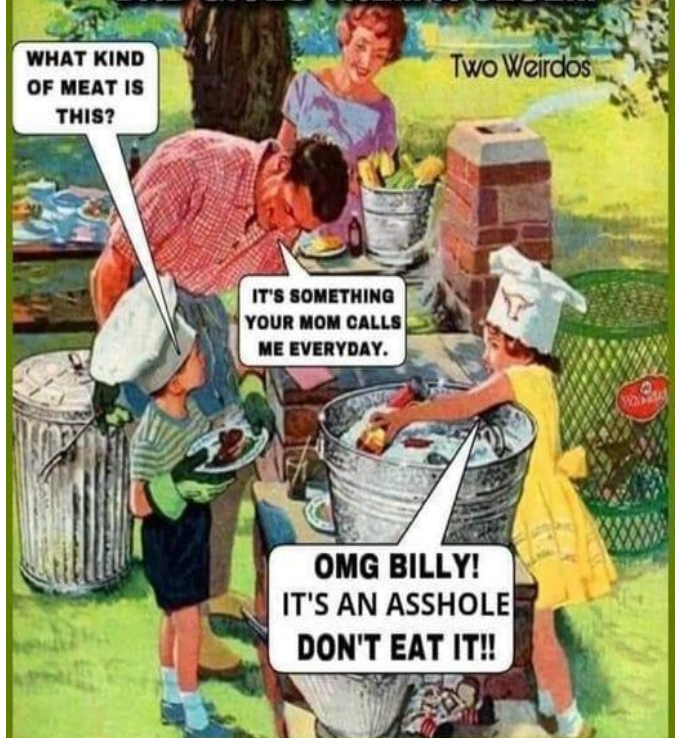
### DAD COOKS DINNER AND USES DEER MEAT, BUT DOESN'T TELL THE KIDS. DAD GIVES THEM A CLUE...

WHAT KIND OF MEAT IS THIS?

Two Weirdos

IT'S SOMETHING YOUR MOM CALLS ME EVERYDAY.

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Spring has sprung... just look at the Buds on the trees. Contributed by Richard Fujimoto



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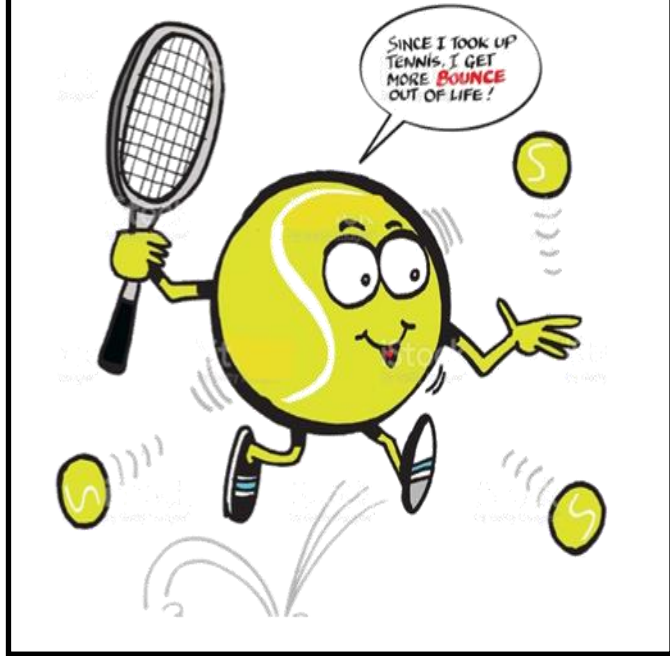
### TENNIS SIGNUP

A notification will be sent out to members of the 2023 tennis group on their intentions for the 2024 season.

For new members wanting to join or get more information, you can contact Jerry at [jerrypuklicz@yahoo.ca](mailto:jerrypuklicz@yahoo.ca)

Games are scheduled Monday to Saturday - all in the morning. All games are in a doubles format with a 90 minute clock.

Last season, we had a beginner's group who mostly played amongst themselves to gain experience with the intention of being integrated with the regular players this coming season. If there is interest in a beginner's group this season, we can accommodate that request if we have the numbers.



REMEMBER OUR GARAGE SALE SATURDAY MAY 4TH

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## GARAGE SALE MEETING FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in volunteering, please note in your calendars that there will be a meeting at the Rec Centre main hall on **Monday, April 1st at 1:pm sharp**. No, this is not an April Fools prank and I'm aware that it is Easter weekend but I'm hoping as many of you can attend as possible. While there, we will go through the planning of the sale event and there will be a time for questions and answers. I know most of you have served in the same capacity for years and we will try to accommodate your preferences as to the department or tasks that you're comfortable with.

You will be asked to wear a red shirt on the Saturday of the sale so if you don't already have one, you have loads of time to get one. Thank you all in advance for your enthusiasm and dedication to this important event.

**Kevin Flynn, Director, Special Projects**

905-877-4006 [wolraspecialprojects@gmail.com](mailto:wolraspecialprojects@gmail.com)



## CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

Finally we can garden! As we get going, think about the upcoming Garage Sale for your cuttings, etc. as we usually have a plant section and they often sell well. Please bring your donations to the Rec Centre on Thursday or Friday, May 2nd or 3rd.

## CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Everyone loves homemade baked goods. Here is the chance for all WOTL residents to put their skills to good use. Types of goodies needed are: muffins, cookies, pies, scones, cakes, breads, squares, tarts, etc.

Sugar free and gluten free would also be appreciated due to our changing food habits.

Bake sale team members will be at the RC on Thursday, May 2nd between noon and 5pm and Friday, May 3rd between 9am and 5pm to accept baked goods. It would be greatly appreciated if items could be labeled 'NUTS' or 'NO NUTS'.

If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Heather Beaumont, [hbeaumont0@icloud.com](mailto:hbeaumont0@icloud.com) or 613-849-8503.



## GARAGE SALE PICKUP

**8am - 4pm May 2nd (& 3rd if required)**

If you require items picked up for the garage sale on Thursday, May 2nd contact Rick Stevens at 613-399-2022 or email [wolrapresident@gmail.com](mailto:wolrapresident@gmail.com).

No one will be answering the phone or emails on the pickup day(s) as we will be busy out on the road.

**So get your pickup booked SOON!**





### APRIL - TIME FOR A SPRING CLEANUP

For a number of years WOTL volunteers have participated in a spring cleanup around our community. Once winter is over we see the odd bits of garbage that have accumulated in the area.

During the month of April, if you are one of the many walkers in our community, then consider taking out a shopping/garbage bag and picking up some of the trash that is lying around the common areas and along the Millennium Trail. If you do this, then we suggest wearing garden gloves and do please carry it out in a safe manner (be aware of traffic and don't get stuck down in a drainage ditch!). The litter collected can be disposed of with your regular garbage or recycling. It doesn't require a lot of effort to keep the area where we all live looking clean and tidy.



In addition, Evan Nash of *Home Hardware* will be organising a **Wellington Trash Bash** for the week of Earth Day (April 22nd). Anyone interested in participating in this should reach out to Evan and he can provide further details on where to go, where to pick up bags and where to dump them.

Of course it would be best if we did not create all these mountains of garbage in the first place. The keys to this are to reduce consumption, try not to buy over-packaged goods, avoid single use products and to recycle and green bin where possible. Our grandchildren and future generations will thank us for this.

**Kevin and Sheila Hanbury**

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Me:



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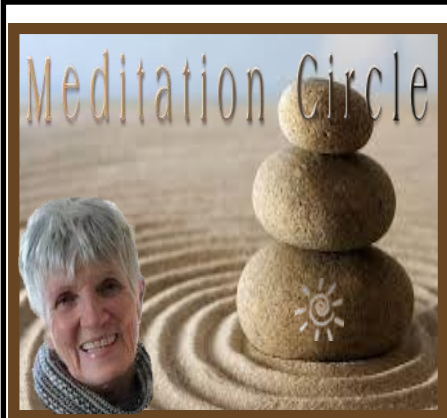
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Any questions, call: Roz 613-3995414 or [rozwriter@hotmail.com](mailto:rozwriter@hotmail.com)

*'Real meditation is not about mastering a technique, it's about letting go of control.'* Adyashanti

March's display of "Dilapidated" was quite interesting and varied. April will feature an exhibition of paintings by Pam Smith (moi!) to be hung April 4th and taken down just before the garage sale in May. After the garage sale will be an exhibit of "My House". Artists will do a painting of the front of their house. Looking forward to that!

**w e l l i n g t o n o n t h e l a k e a r t g r o u p**



**THE GLOBAL BARBER TV SHOW VISITED MARK'S BARBERSHOP IN PICTON IN 2021**

Click on the image below to watch the video. *Root Cellar Boogie* with Lennie Stewart (3.5 minutes).

I know this was a while back, but still... Many sure do miss the iconic barber and musician Mark Redmond who had to close shop a while ago due to back issues... the fastest and most fun barber ever!



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Spring has sprung and so has the spring session of yoga. There may still be openings in some classes. Classes are held every Tuesday morning and cost is \$100 (pro-rated) for ten weeks for a one hour class. Classes offered include Advanced 9am, Chair/beg 10:15am, Yoga with Chair 11:30am. If interested, contact me at [ritaberzins@gmail.com](mailto:ritaberzins@gmail.com) or phone/text 613-399-3783.

From Janice Duffy (our instructor):

### **EMBRACE SPRING: PREPARING YOUR BODY FOR ACTIVE ADVENTURES AHEAD**

As the chill of winter begins to dissipate and the warmth of spring emerges, it's time to shake off the cobwebs of hibernation and embrace the great outdoors. With longer days and blooming landscapes, the transition into spring and summer beckons us to partake in a plethora of outdoor activities, from aquafit to pickleball, and golf to gardening. However, before diving headfirst into these adventures, it's crucial to ensure that our bodies are primed and ready for increased movement.

**Why Preparation Matters:** Transitioning from winter's sedentary lifestyle to a more active one requires a gradual approach. Our bodies need time to adapt to the demands of increased physical activity to avoid injury and maximize enjoyment. Preparing the body involves not only physical conditioning but also mental readiness. It's about establishing a strong foundation that supports our endeavours and promotes overall well-being.

**Aquafit, Pickleball, Golf, Oh My!** Each spring and summer activity brings its unique set of physical demands, and preparing for them requires targeted training. Aquafit, with its low-impact nature, offers a fantastic way to improve cardiovascular health and muscle strength while being gentle on the joints. Pickleball, a fusion of tennis, badminton, and table tennis, demands agility, quick reflexes, and endurance. Golf, often perceived as a leisurely sport, requires core stability, flexibility, and coordination for powerful swings and precise shots.

**Enter Yoga: The Ultimate Companion:** Yoga serves as the perfect complement to prepare the body for the diverse challenges presented by aquafit, pickleball, and golf. Its holistic approach addresses strength, flexibility, balance, and mental focus—all essential components for success in these activities.

- **Flexibility:** Yoga poses (seated or standing) such as downward dog, forward fold, and pigeon stretch target muscles and joints crucial for fluid movement in aquafit, pickleball, and golf. Increased flexibility enhances range of motion, reducing the risk of strains and sprains during dynamic movements.
- **Strength:** Yoga isn't just about flexibility; it's also about building functional strength. Poses like plank, warrior series, and chair pose engage multiple muscle groups simultaneously, promoting overall body strength needed for powerful swings in pickleball and golf, as well as sustained movements in aquafit.
- **Balance and Stability:** Standing balances like tree pose and eagle pose challenge proprioception and improve balance, essential for maintaining stability on the pickleball court, in the water during aquafit, and on uneven terrain on the golf course.
- **Mind-Body Connection:** The meditative aspect of yoga cultivates mindfulness and concentration, honing mental focus crucial for excelling in any sport. Whether it's staying present during a challenging aquafit routine, maintaining composure during a tense pickleball match, or visualizing the perfect golf swing, a calm and focused mind is key to success.

**Start Your Spring Journey:** As we embrace the transition into spring and summer activities, let's prioritize preparing our bodies for the adventures that lie ahead. Incorporating yoga into our fitness regimen not only enhances physical performance but also promotes holistic well-being, ensuring that we can fully enjoy the joys of outdoor recreation without the limitations of injury or stress. So roll out your mat, breathe deeply, and embrace the journey of preparing your body and mind for the active adventures that await you this season. Happy springing into action! Stay tuned for more tips and insights on optimizing your wellness journey in upcoming Neighbourly News issues!

**2024 SATURDAY  
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	8/24/2024 Silly Games
	9/07/2024 ROMEO DRAW
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4/27/2024 Activity Sign-Up	10/05/2024
5/11/2024 HAPPY HOUR PLAYERS	10/19/2024 ART GROUP
6/08/2024	11/02/2024
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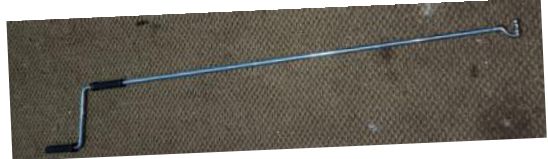
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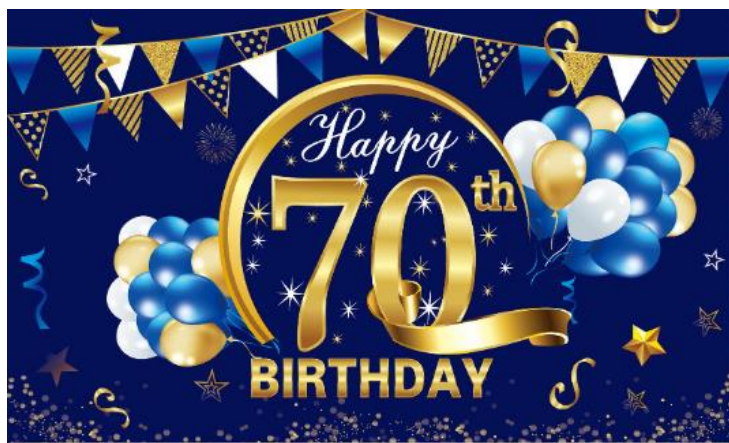
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**INVENTOR OF THE KARAOKE MACHINE DIES AT 100**

On January 29<sup>th</sup>, the man who invented the karaoke machine passed away after having a fall at the age of 100. Shigeichi Negishi was born in Tokyo in 1923 and grew up to run an electronics company. His lightbulb moment came when a colleague heard him singing at work and mocked him for how bad it was. He thought to himself that if he could sing to a backing track, it would change everything, and in 1967 the world had its first karaoke machine, the Sparko Box.



Before his career in electronics, Negishi was in the Japanese military and was subsequently a prisoner of war in various camps in Singapore. After being released, he returned to Japan and used the English language skills he picked up as a POW to sell cameras. Negishi chose the name karaoke as it had long been used in Japan to refer to singers who used backing tracks to perform. The word itself is a mixture of the words 'empty' and 'orchestra' in Japanese.

Despite his idea sparking a worldwide craze, it didn't make him millions as he never patented the invention – and even gave up making the singalong boxes as he 'grew tired of the conflict with musicians and the grind of door-to-door sales and maintenance. However, his daughter, Atsumi Takano, said he was happy just to know that his idea had grown into something so enjoyed: 'He felt a lot of pride in seeing his idea evolve into a culture of having fun through song around the world. *Source: DailyMail.com UK March 16th*

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**Sheila Hanbury**

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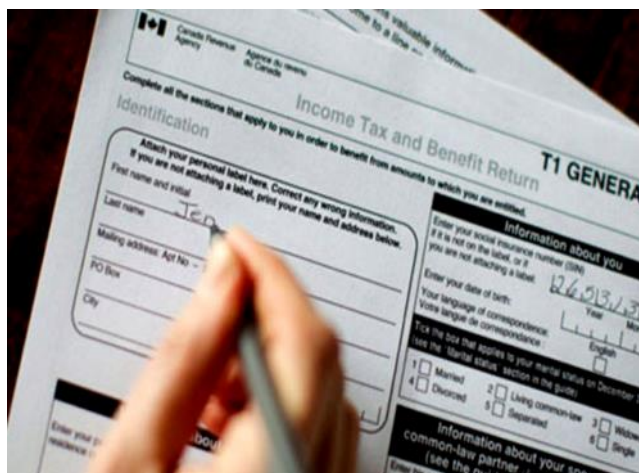


**Good News! County Sustainability Group will be holding our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Rain Barrel sale this spring. Funds will go primarily towards supporting our 2 bursaries : PECEI Student Environmental Award and County Ecological Farmer Award. Site [www.rainbarrel.ca/csgpicton](http://www.rainbarrel.ca/csgpicton) opens after March 22nd...World Water Day....so you can place your orders until a week or so before deliveries begin on Earth Day April 22. Don't delay if you want to have the best selection available of rain barrels, composters, rain tanks and accessories. Please note \* ALL orders MUST be pre-paid online at [www.rainbarrel.ca/csgpicton](http://www.rainbarrel.ca/csgpicton) with a small delivery fee included and your orders are brought directly to your home or business location. Thanks for your ongoing support of this local initiative. Contact Don Ross at [ecodonross@hotmail.com](mailto:ecodonross@hotmail.com) or call/text 613-4768016 if you have any questions.**

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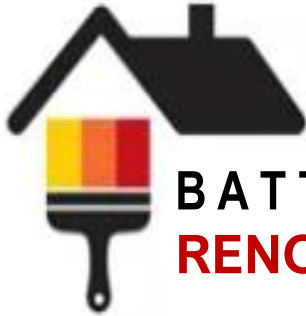
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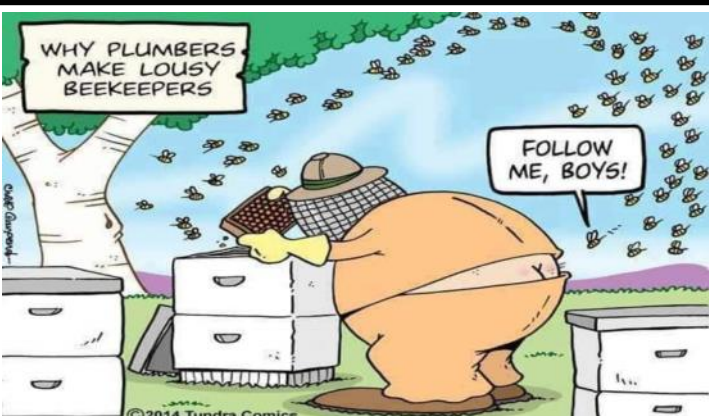


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I'd be happy to come over for a coffee or tea and have a visit. We can talk about anything you like. It doesn't have to be spiritual. I'd like to hear about your life before Wellington and your family. Whatever makes you feel comfortable. If you know neighbours who might appreciate this, please do let them know.

And, as always, if there is anything I can do in respect to talking to you or listening or praying with you and your family, or even to giving a caregiver a break to go for a coffee, I am here for you. Everything said or done will be in strictest confidence.

EMAIL [roanhi17@gmail.com](mailto:roanhi17@gmail.com) PHONE 613-399-5454

**The inventor of the USB stick has died.  
They lowered his coffin, pulled it up, turned it the other way and lowered it again.**

**The Caregiver Support group meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 in the Card Room at the Rec Centre.**

I will send out a blast each month reminding you of the monthly meeting. This support group focuses primarily on the care of stroke, dementia, Alzheimer's and Parkinson's patients.

**Louise Kedro**

CAREGIVER  
Support Group





Prince Edward County (PEC)'s first film festival, the County Adaptation Film Festival (CAFF) will host its first gala screening on May 4th, 2024 at the historic Regent Theatre in Picton, Ontario as a preview event to its festival this coming September. The conversation begins on May 4th with a screening of Hugh Welchman and DK Welchman's THE PEASANTS. Like the festival to come, this special engagement will feature an exclusive conversation with artists and an exciting activation which invites the audience to consider the art of adaptation. Alongside the screening, CAFF will also reveal the full festival branding, introduce the festival's participating venues and programming partners and share the full festival schedule.

THE PEASANTS is an adaptation of Władysław Reymont's Nobel Prize-winning novel CHŁOPI. Utilizing the painted animation audiences came to know in LOVING VINCENT, THE PEASANTS was hand-painted by over 200 artists in four studios in Poland, Lithuania, Ukraine and Serbia over five years of production. Originally shot with actors, the artists put brush to canvas to create oil paintings that would become the frames in the film. Animators then worked to supplement the paintings to create the final product.

The preview event will feature an exhibition of original oil paintings created for the film, a virtual introduction by the filmmakers and a post-show discussion with one of the film's creative team. Paintings will have been selected for exhibition in partnership with the event's title sponsor Oeno Gallery.

"Aside from being a visually stunning film, and a creative feat involving thousands of paintings and hundreds of artists, THE PEASANTS encapsulates the spirit of adaptation that our festival seeks to explore," said Alexandra Seay, Co-founder & Artistic Director of CAFF. "Our festival invites audiences to think about the process of adaptation in all forms; in this case, from page to screen and from live action on greenscreen to oil on canvas. The film presents a jumping-off point for a multi-faceted conversation. I am utterly thrilled to be able to bring the physical paintings to Picton. Consider this a taste of things to come in September."

Hugh Welchman will provide a virtual introduction to the film. But the evening's in-person guest will be Monika Folkierska-Zukowska who served on THE PEASANTS as a director's assistant, a visual effects artist, and a script supervisor. Ms. Folkierska-Zukowska will participate in an exclusive on-stage conversation on the process of adapting the film and the many visual influences on the painting.

CAFF is a project of Picton's Regent Theatre. The festival advisory committee includes Michèle Maheux, Hussain Amarshi, Tim Smythe-Bishop & Devyani Saltzman. The planning team features The Regent Theatre's Executive Director, Alexandra Seay as Co-Founder and Artistic Director and John Galway of Corrib Entertainment as Festival Producer. CAFF is proudly supported by its core funder, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, and founding partner The Royal Hotel. Venue and programming partners for the full festival will be announced on May 4th. The 2024 edition of CAFF will take place from September 27-29, 2024.

Tickets to the May gala screening of THE PEASANTS are available now and can be purchased at the Regent Theatre box office or online [here](#). 7PM screening with discussion following. Tickets \$24 including tax and fees. Click on the image below to watch the 1 1/2 minute trailer.







**2024 DINNER OFFERINGS**

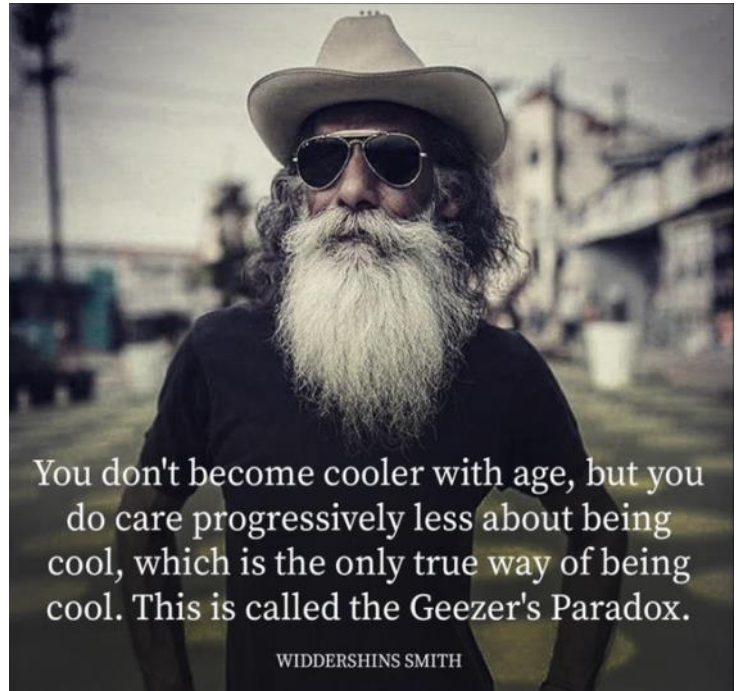
19 April	Fish Fry	4pm to 7pm	\$20/person
12 May	Mother's Day Breakfast	8:30Aamto 11am	By donation
16 Jun	Father's Day Breakfast	8:30am to 11am	By donation
4 Oct	Ham & Turkey Roll	Start 8pm come early & chat with friends	
18 Oct	Fish Fry	4pm to 7pm	\$20/person
13 Dec	Turkey Roll	Start 8pm come early & chat with friends	

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**Jennifer Cobb, FB**



You don't become cooler with age, but you do care progressively less about being cool, which is the only true way of being cool. This is called the Geezer's Paradox.

WIDDERSHINS SMITH

Contributed by Richard Fujimoto



Our bodies may not always work as they used to and sometimes we may not sleep well at night. Life may not always be 'perfect'...

But we can be grateful to be alive and happy to have good times and the good friends that we do in this caring community of ours.

Photo Credit Sheila Ascroft

**HISTORIC LANCASTER BOMBER MOVES TO BASE 31 IN PICTON**

Source: *Belleville Intelligencer March 18th*

Avro Lancaster bomber KB 882, a rare icon of Canada’s aviation history from the Second World War, traveled to Picton as part of a new partnership between the National Air Force Museum of Canada at CFB Trenton and Base31. The Trenton-based museum said it was transporting the retired Royal Canadian Air Force Lancaster KB 882 in pieces on a fleet of five flatbed trucks into Picton.

Amid ongoing RCAF 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, Base31 said it will then host the plane for four to five years in the covered, safe environment of the Base31 museum that allows for continued restoration efforts until it returns to its permanent home at the air force museum located at CFB Trenton. To coincide with the RCAF’s Centennial celebrations, the NAFMC will unveil Lancaster KB 882 to the public over the course of a few days in June 2024 at Base31.

“The NAFMC board of directors is thrilled to be partnering with Base31 as we work towards completing the restoration of KB 882”, said Susan Scarborough, air force museum chair, in a news release.

“Celebrating our site’s past is an integral part of the creation of Base31 as a cultural destination here in The County. The Lancaster KB 882 is not only an important national artefact, but a vital symbol and reminder that the fight for freedom and democracy continues to this day”, said Tim Jones, CEO, Base31. “We are so pleased to be partnering with the NAFMC to showcase this remarkable part of our collective history.”

To read the full story, click on the image to the right.



The County 'C'

The County C draws inspiration from sand dunes, crops, vines, and lapping waves. With hues mirroring plant life, beaches, and sunsets, its mosaic logo reflects the region's natural beauty and artistic spirit, nodding to traditional barn quilt patterns.



The Palette

Our palette mirrors the region's essence with County Green and vibrant County Gold. From deep hues to light tones, they conjure images of sunlit farmland and stylish evenings. The secondary colors capture warm sunsets, winter light, blue skies, and Lake Ontario's turquoise waters.

**VISIT THE COUNTY**



**Sneak Peek at The New Tourism Website & Brand!**





## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Celia Garvey	02	Danny Malcangi	13	Nancy Madsen	22
Joan Hale	02	Sharen Sheppard	13	David Fleming	23
Beverly Larocque	02	Peter Staples	13	Joanne Kristalyn	23
David Rempel	03	Denise Couture	14	Gerry Laurin	23
Linda Purcell	04	Mary Latchford	14	Jan Lavigne	23
Sue Boxell	06	Jacque Verry	15	Ronald McMillan	24
Francine Maurice	06	Annelies Kerkhof	17	Monica Hitchcock	25
John Cormier	07	Lee Cooke	18	Faye Campbell-Bailen	26
Burton Struthers	07	Brad Fowles	18	Randy Logan	27
Sharon Logan	08	Michael Desmarais	19	Jean Perkin	27
Diana Hancock	09	Allen Kuja	19	Donna Purcell	27
Kevin Flynn	10	Steven Benson	20	Susan Froschl	29
Doug Little	10	Sheila Kuja	20	Susan Field	30
Norm Dodgson	11	Lawrence Northway	20	Joel Ledain	30
Joyce Blackburn	13	Cathy Rae	20	Peter Mason	30
Barry Charlebois	13	Jennifer Lowden	21		

• If you notice any errors or missing dates in the Birthday/Anniversary announcements,  
 • or you would like to be added, please do let us know: 613-399-5859 or  
 • [b.mcdonald1048@gmail.com](mailto:b.mcdonald1048@gmail.com)

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Willie and Judy Pawlowsky	04 1981
Gerald and Shirley Jarvis	08 1971
Wim and Annelies Kerkhof	14 1970
Gerry and Patricia Laurin	17 2019
John Traczyk and Grace Hickey	17 1982
Ken DesRoches & Cathie Sutherland	18 2002
Barry and Deborah Barlow	21 2005
Alex and Brenda Garden	23 1977
Lawrence and Claire Northway	29 1979
Robert and Christine Rutter	30 1983

## CONDOLENCES



Our most sincere condolences to his daughter Lynn Webber and the family and friends of **BILL ROSSEAU** (predeceased by his wife June) of Aletha who passed away on February 26th. Cremation has taken place and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorial Donations to PEC Memorial Hospital Foundation Back the Build Fund would be appreciated by the family and may be made by cheque and mailed to 403 Main Street, Picton, ON K0K 2T0 or online at [www.pecmhf.ca](http://www.pecmhf.ca) or [www.backthebuild.ca](http://www.backthebuild.ca). Online condolences at [www.ainsworthfuneralhome.com](http://www.ainsworthfuneralhome.com).

Our most sincere condolences to John Sylvester and the family and friends of **MARG SYLVESTER** of Heritage Drive who passed away March 8th. The family is planning a private celebration of life and interment of ashes, to take place at Catarauqui in April. Those who wish may make a donation in her name to their local SPCA to honour her love of animals. Arrangements by Burke Funeral Home.

Our most sincere condolences to Marilyn Lett and the family and friends of **IRWIN LETT** who passed away March 13th. Irwin and Marilyn were long time WOTL residents on Cretney before moving to Amica in Brampton a couple of years ago. A memorial service will be held at a later date and Irwin will be laid to rest with his sons in Englehart. Donations in Irwin's memory may be made to the Rotary Club of Englehart (e-transfer to [rotaryclubofenglehard@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclubofenglehard@gmail.com) or P.O. Box 488, Englehart, ON P0J 1H0). Condolences at [www.ainsworthfuneralhome.com](http://www.ainsworthfuneralhome.com). Arrangements in the care of the Ainsworth Funeral Home, 288 Noxon Avenue, Wellington.

Our most sincere condolences to Heather Davidson and the family and friends of **DOUG DAVIDSON** of Conger who passed away March 10th. Cremation has taken place at Doug's request. Arrangements by [www.dignitymemorial.com](http://www.dignitymemorial.com).

**DO YOU KNOW OF A WOTL RESIDENT (PAST OR PRESENT) WHO HAS PASSED ON?**

Please email [neighbourlynews@gmail.com](mailto:neighbourlynews@gmail.com) or phone 613-885-6018 with as much information as you are able to provide (all information will be confirmed before posting in the NN).



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REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES: MH Main Hall - CR Card Room - DR Dance Room					
<b>Monday</b> AEROBICS 8-9 MH WALKING EXERCISE 9am MH QUILTING 9:30-2PM DR&CR 2-4 CR only LINE DANCE 10:30- noon MH ART GROUP 2-4 pm DR DARTS 7pm CRIBBAGE 7pm CR	<b>Tuesday</b> YOGA CR/DR Advanced 9-10 Beg/Chair 10:15-11:15 Chair 11:30-12:30 WALKING 8:45 - 9:30 MH SHUFFLEBOARD 9:30am PHYSIO-FIT 10:30-11:15 MH SHUFFLEBOARD 11am RC CLEANING NOON-1PM CARPET BOWL 1-3pm MH HAPPY HOUR PLAYERS 3-5 MH EUCHRE 6:45 CR/DR DARTS 7pm	<b>Wednesday</b> AEROBICS 8 - 9 MH WALKING EXERCISE 9am MH PING PONG 10-Noon MH GAMES GALORE 1-3PM CR LINE DANCE 1:30-3:00 MH CORN HOLE 3:45-5:30 MH LIBRARY SAMBA 6:45 CR BINGO 7 MH	<b>Thursday</b> WALKING 8:45 - 9:30 MH PHYSIO-FIT 10:30 - 11:15 MH SHUFFLEBOARD 10am AEROBIC DRUMMING 11:30-12:15 MH CARPET BOWL 1-3pm MH ART GROUP 2-4pm CR THEATRE GROUP 3-5 MH LADIES 8BALL 3:30-5:30 Snooker Rm BRIDGE 7-9pm CR	<b>Friday</b> AEROBICS 8 - 9 MH WALKING EXERCISE 9am MH SCOTTISH DANCING 10-11:30 MH RC CLEANING NOON-1PM SAMBA 1pm CR UKULELE 1-4 MH BID EUCHRE 6:45-9:30 CR	<b>Saturday</b> CARD ELIMINATION Once a month April to September 7PM  <b>Sunday</b> SHUFFLEBOARD 3pm Hoss Collar (\$1) TEXAS HOLD'EM 6:45pm MH Every other Sunday

Check with the Activity Coordinator (see phone directory pgs.27-29) or the WOLRA website <http://www.wolra.ca/mainstream/activities.php> for signing up to what is available. Above activities (pale font or otherwise) are dependant upon activity coordinators.

APRIL 2024		NN SUBMISSION DEADLINE 6PM 23rd		Need to book a room at the Rec Centre? <a href="http://www.wolra.ca">www.wolra.ca</a>		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>31</b>  Busy day! →	<b>1</b> EASTER MONDAY APRIL FOOL'S DAY * GARAGE SALE MTING 1PM RC *	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> MARDI GRAS TICKETS RC 10-NOON MEMBERSHIP AT RC 10-NOON & 3-5	<b>4</b> MARDI GRAS TICKETS RC 10-NOON	<b>5</b> MEMBERSHIP AT RC 10-NOON & 3-5	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> SOLAR ECLIPSE 3:21 12:30-3:30 OLC	<b>9</b> MEMBERSHIP AT RC 10-NOON & 2-4 HOSPICE PE ADVANCE CARE PLANNING @ RC 1PM	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> MEMBERSHIP AT RC 10-NOON & 2-4	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> COFFEE MORNING CARD ELIMINATION 7pm
<b>14</b> TEXAS HOLD'EM 6:45 MH	<b>15</b> SINGLES SOCIAL CLUB 2-4PM	<b>16</b> CAREGIVER SUPPORT MTING 1-3 MEDITATION CIRCLE 5-6PM	<b>17</b> TAXES FOR A CAUSE AT RC 9-4 IN CR	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> EARTH DAY	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> ACTIVITY SIGNUP COFFEE MORNING
<b>28</b> TEXAS HOLD'EM 6:45 MH	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> LAST DAY TO FILE TAXES	"Missed me?"  ...see you soon...	 The Voice of the County	GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICKUP EVERY THURSDAY 	

Our Neighbourly News Magazine is the thread that ties us all together. Until next time; stay well and laugh a lot!