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Friday Night Funk

What began in Christian Pritchard's home as a bit of jamming with him on bass and his 12 year old son Lochlan on drums evolved into a full fledged street concert once COVID and good weather intersected. Local musicians, students, and bandmates stepped in to join; a neighbour offered their lawn (and electricity for the instruments, amps and mikes); and quickly just about everyone in the neighbourhood showed up to enjoy some, well, real funky music. After 23 weeks, the Social Distance Orchestra closed out its inaugural summer last Friday, Sept. 4, with a special bluesy rendition of the Gloria Gaynor hit "I will survive," led by Pritchard's god daughter Ainsley on flute. Plans for a world tour are still being "band"ied around.

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Less than half the picture: *By Richard Bercuson*



“Just breathe” - Eddie Vedder (Pearl Jam)

Let's first get one thing out of the way: I'm pro-police. Perhaps it's because I've known, taught or coached so many. (A detective came to my school once to educate staff about gangs. Turns out he'd been in my English class and remembered me - fondly!)

I'm also pro military, pro nurse, pro doctor, and mostly pro teacher. In fact, I'm pro those who protect my butt, save my butt, heal my butt and teach me about my butt. Now you know where I'm coming from. The name-calling

may commence.

Secondly, Brooklin is a wonderfully safe community, despite the alarmist rhetoric spewed on social media.

Long time residents will recall the days before strip malls and housing developments. Brooklin had just three schools, a popular downtown bakery, and Connie's, which closed last fall after 40 years. There wasn't much crime. Maybe the few viable targets were too far apart. Consider how exhausting and time-consuming

it would've been to travel hundreds of meters (then, yards) to break into a car or house. Porch piracy, as both a term and an act, did not exist.

It's inevitable that Brooklin's affluence and growth include a concomitant increase in certain crimes. There are lovely cars in our driveways (rather than in garages) and during the pandemic, our front steps have been festooned with packages. Speeding is a problem. Teens have been out late at night - why? ask their parents - looking for who knows what to do. Graffiti has appeared in places.

We can't prevent some crimes but we can be vigilant and it's pretty easy to do. Not whining on social media is a good start. Demanding to know where the police are suggests we should have cruisers patrolling all night. It's a ridiculous notion, borne of neither thought nor research. If you want your taxes to shoot up to pay for it, then sure, we could have a police station in Brooklin and/or cops everywhere. Similarly, the whole defunding police movement is knee-jerk. I agree:

police don't need to sit at street repair sites nor direct traffic when a light goes down. Perhaps, too, there's a case for other professionals to deal with specific domestic events. Certainly these bear thorough investigation.

And not to put too fine a point on it, it's rather tough to predict crime. Whatever perceived "hotspots" there are in Brooklin are mostly of our own doing.

Solutions, however, abound. What're your teenagers up to? Buy motion-sensor lights and security cameras. Mine and a Facebook posting led to a tipster helping me nail the culprit who swiped Purolator bags from my porch. He said he was bored. At 1:30 am! Mea culpa: I left them out overnight, a clear and dumb invitation, right?

Join Neighbourhood Watch. Do you know your neighbours? Lock your cars and leave nothing in them. Record the plates or take video of dumbass drivers.

But mostly, let's chill. We're dealing with enough to further stir the very pot we're already roiling in.

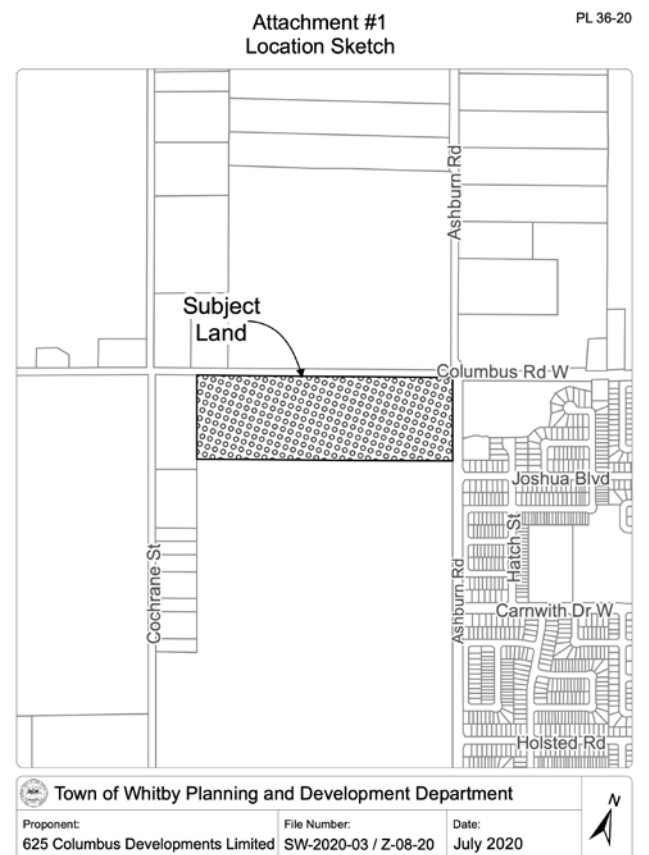
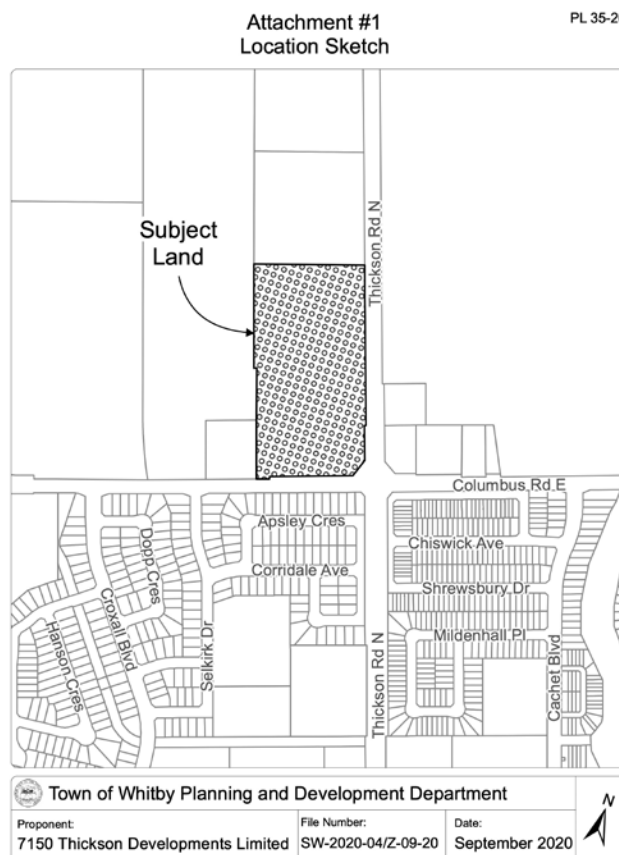
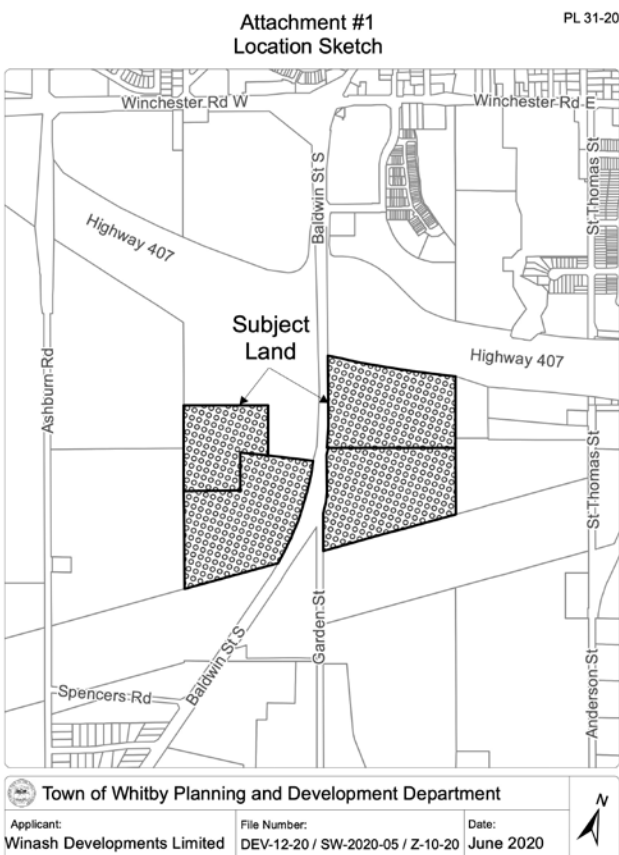
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Future Growth Projects Discussed At Special Meeting



The public planning meeting held on September 8 included three major projects which will impact Brooklin over the next few years: The Winash Development at Highway 407 and Baldwin and future developments on Thickson and Columbus Roads. Applications for other parts of Whitby were also on the agenda.

The Winash Development, located at 5605 and 5380 Baldwin

South Winash, wishes to develop "an industrial subdivision containing 8 blocks and three public roads, including a community centre block, a business park block, a health precinct block, two gas station blocks, an auto mall block, a prestige industrial block and an open space block."

Whitby Planning Commissioner Roger Saunders provided outlines of these projects to ac-

company staff reports on each. The Town's Planning and Development Department included sketches of the projects, as seen here.

The projects fall under the Brooklin Secondary and Transportation Master Plans as previously reported. Brooklin will see a provincially mandated growth of over 20,000 people within the next 10 to 15 years.

Due to COVID restrictions, members of the public and delegations needed to register in advance in order to attend in person. The public could otherwise watch the meeting via its live stream and submit questions to the Town Clerk beforehand.

In addition to delegations, those in attendance included Town staff and the chair, Councillor Mulcahy.

Automated Speed Enforcement Is Now In Place

Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) cameras became operational in some school zones and designated community safety zones in Durham Region on September 8.

ASE cameras will take images of vehicles that are detected going over the speed limit. These images are then reviewed by a Provincial Offences Officer, and an offence notice will be sent to the registered owner of the vehicle. No demerit points are issued.

ASE cameras were deployed in data collection mode at some school zones and designated Community Safety Zones in June. At two ASE sites near Ontario Tech University and Anderson Collegiate Vocational Institute, one in four motorists were in violation of the speed limit and would be charged if current speeding patterns continue.

This modern tool is used to help enforce speed limits in school zones and community safety zones - where people walk, bike, run and play - and to help improve road user safety by increasing speed compliance, altering driver behaviour and increasing public awareness about the critical need to slow down on our roadways.

This initiative is in support of Durham Vision Zero, a long-term plan to ensure a safe transportation system that sees no lives lost or serious injuries on Durham's roadways. Learn more at durham.ca/VisionZero.

ASE Locations:

Note:

Starting September 8, 2020, Automated Speed Enforcement Cameras will be live at the following locations:

- Bayly Street east of Harwood Avenue near Ajax High School and St. Bernadette Catholic School - Town of Ajax
- Simcoe Street between Taunton Road and Conlin Road near Ontario Tech University and Durham College - City of Oshawa
- Central Street west of Brock Road near Claremont Public School - City of Pickering
- Anderson Street north of Dundas Street near Anderson Collegiate - Town of Whitby

After a period of time, the cameras will be rotated out of these sites and moved to other com-

munity safety zone sites listed below. As per provincial requirements, 'Automated Speed Camera Coming Soon' signs will be installed for 90 days to warn motorists of locations where the cameras will be rotated next.

School Zones:

- St. Isaac Jogues Catholic School – Pickering (Finch Avenue)
- Brock High School – Brock (Cameron Street)

Community Safety Zones:

- St. Mary High School Pickering (Whites Road)
- Beaverton Downtown Brock (Simcoe Street)
- Claremont Public School Pickering (Central Street)
- Elizabeth B Phin Public School Pickering (Altona Road)
- Ajax High School Ajax (Bayly Street East)
- Sinclair Secondary School Whitby (Taunton Road East)
- Anderson Collegiate Vocational Institute Whitby (Anderson Street)
- Paul Dwyer High School Oshawa (Rossland Road)
- Adelaide McLaughlin Public School Oshawa (Stevenson Road North)
- St. Stephen's United Church Oshawa (Simcoe Street North)
- Ontario Tech University/ Durham College Oshawa (Simcoe Street North)
- SJ Phillips Public School Oshawa (Simcoe Street North)
- Beau Valley Public School Oshawa (Ritson Road North)
- Vincent Massey Public School Oshawa (Adelaide Avenue East)
- Eastdale Collegiate Vocational Institute Oshawa (Harmony Road)
- Courtice Downtown Clarington

(Regional Highway 2)

- Goodwood Community Centre Uxbridge (Regional Highway 47)
- Hamlet of Sandford Uxbridge (Regional Road 11)
- Bowmanville High School Clarington (Liberty Street)
- Sunderland Downtown Brock (Regional Road 10)
- Cannington Downtown Brock (Cameron Street)

How It Works

If a vehicle exceeds the posted speed limit in an ASE-enforced area, the ASE system captures an image that is stored and reviewed by a Provincial Offences Act officer. If warranted, an offence notice (fine), with a digital copy of the image, is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle within 30 days. The offence notice is issued to the registered owner, with no demerit points issued.

The best way to avoid a fine through ASE is to follow posted speed limits. Fines will only be

given to vehicles travelling over the speed limit.

Fines

The fines for speeding in Ontario under the Highway Traffic Act are:

- Less than 20 kilometres per hour over the speed limit: \$3 for each kilometre per hour that the motor vehicle was driven over the speed limit.
- 20 kilometres per hour or more but less than 30 kilometres per hour over the speed limit: \$4.50 for each kilometre per hour that the motor vehicle was driven over the speed limit.
- 30 kilometres per hour or more but less than 50 kilometres per hour over the speed limit: \$7 for each kilometre per hour that the motor vehicle was driven over the speed limit.

Fines in Community Safety Zones and Construction Zones are doubled.

If you are fined through the ASE program, there are a variety of options to pay your fine.

Fines are issued to the owner of the vehicle, so no demerit points are issued.

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A Special 50th Birthday

Meet Bob. Bob lives on Vipond Road. Everyone knows him as he waves and says hi to people going by, whether they're walking, running, skateboarding, cycling or driving.

He's helped with various renovations and small projects at Brooklin's Renaissance Baptist Church. He's even helped neighbours with many tasks including sodding and painting.

His previous two bikes were stolen and vandalized, and so

neighbours and friends thought they would make his upcoming birthday a special one. For his 50th on August 22, 13 local families along with Pastor John and church parishioners collected enough to buy Bob a new bike from Cycle Life in Port Perry. Extra donations allowed them to purchase front and back lights, a lock and a bell, a backpack, and a jacket, accessories provided by D'Ornellas Bike Shop in Scarborough.

To say the least, he was sur-

prised and overwhelmed with the daylong celebration and visits from neighbours, with even the #302 bus drivers honking birthday greetings.

The sad footnote to the story is that his mother, with whom he lived along with his sister, had fallen quite ill and was actually



in the hospital on the day of his birthday. She returned home shortly thereafter and passed away.

Did You Know...



Connect with us!

The Town is offering in-person appointments for the following select services:

- building permit applications
- civil marriage ceremonies and marriage licences
- freedom of information requests
- lottery licences
- parking ticket payments
- viewing of assessment roll books

To book an in-person appointment, visit whitby.ca/appointments

Don't see the service you need listed above? For a snapshot of some of our most frequently used services and how to access them, visit whitby.ca/services



Barbeque Safety in Town Parks

As part of the Town's commitment to safety, barbeques of any kind are currently not permitted in Town parks. Learn more at whitby.ca/parks



Help Keep Our Community Clean!

Have bulky waste items booked for special collection? Ensure they are on the curb no earlier than 8 p.m. the day before pick-up. Learn more at whitby.ca/specialcollection



Economic Recovery Survey

Whitby-based business owners and managers are invited to complete a short survey to help inform and support the Town's Economic Recovery Plan. Have your say at whitby.ca/recoverysurvey



Protect Others, Wear a Face Mask

Non-medical face masks or coverings are mandatory when inside Town facilities and other commercial public spaces in Durham Region. **Remember:** Wearing a non-medical face mask should not be a replacement for handwashing and should be worn when unable to practice safe physical distancing.

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"I like being in health care, ultimately because you are there to help people," he adds. Dr. Yao has lived in the Brooklin area with his family since 2003 and actively participates in local community events such as the Brooklin Harvest Festival.

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Brooklin Heritage Society

The Little School That Could

By Jennifer Hudgins



There were no Catholic schools in Brooklin until 1964 when Saint Leos School opened. This despite reference to a Catholic presence in Brooklin dating as far back as 1834 when priests from St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church in Oshawa travelled to celebrate mass with Brooklin parishioners.

Saint Leos was a small brown, four-room building with a tiny office and staff room and just 81 students. Without shelves, cupboards, kindergarten furniture, and few textbooks, the school operated with six teachers under the direction of Principal Noel Woods. A year after opening, it ceased offering kindergarten and grade 8 classes due to the high cost of busing. Instead, these grades attended St. John the Evangelist in Whitby.

Outdoors time

Students and teachers regularly walked to the Brooklin Public Library to enhance learning as Saint Leos did not have one. As well, with no gymnasium, students spent much of their class and assembly time outdoors, in all seasons, utilizing fields owned by the Sorichetti family.

For the first few years, the Brooklin fire department kindly flooded and maintained an outdoor skating rink. Later, students and teachers walked to the Luther Vipond Memorial Arena to skate and play hockey and each Remembrance Day, they made their way to the Veterans Cen-

taph at Vipond where they sang the national anthem and recited John McCrae's poem, In Flanders Fields.

The lack of indoor facilities did not hinder students from excelling in science, many of whom won gold medals at Durham Science and Technology competitions. All the walking and time spent outdoors must have benefited students who also won banners for soccer and cross country runs. Graduates went on to higher education and some earned honours as members of Canadian rowing, mountain biking and lacrosse teams. Former student John Fusco was named to the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 2010.

Extra time

There was a time when the threat of closure compelled staff to make sacrifices to keep the school operational. Custodial services were available only after 3:00 pm; the school secretary worked part time and the Principal taught classes in addition to administrative duties.

Due to Brooklin's extraordinary growth, the "little school" was unable to accommodate the burgeoning student population. The time to tear it down had come. On April 7, 1995, the Catholic School Board of Trustees approved a plan to build a new school and, in 1998, teachers with students moved from its North St. to its current home at 120 Watford Street.

Our Brooklin Kids *By Leanne Brown*



Back-to-school traditions changing

During the week before school returns each September, I normally join throngs of parents in a mad dash to get school supplies. The shopping list usually includes: a new backpack and lunch bag, two pairs of runners, and colouring pencils, among other things.

It's indeed strange how the new normal is messing with our traditions. While back-to-school shopping is something many kids look forward to, it looks quite differently this year.

With some families opting for online schooling, many of the usual supplies aren't needed. For them, technology is replacing pens and paper.

Then there's that first day of school, often a family affair with Mom and/or Dad accompanying kids to the playground who run around catching up with friends they've missed over the summer. The boys romp on the field in impromptu soccer games while the girls hug each other and squeal.

Empty yards

This year though, with staggered start times, there'll be fewer kids and parents in the schoolyard. This means no hugs or games. Recognizing friends in masks may be a challenge. It's also unclear if parents will be able to stay as we used to for the bell to ring.

As to the virtual classroom, going back will be very different. With no backpack or lunch bag to pack, the main issue will centre on navigating the tech setup and ensuring it works.

Another tradition we'll certainly miss is the start of fall sports and activities. The Lakeridge cross country meet, football, and auditioning for the school musical are a few that come to mind. Many of these make school a focal point in the community as are fundraisers like fall fairs and the Terry Fox Run, which children also looked forward to.

New approaches

But as much as we'll miss particular back-to-school traditions, it's also a time to see how new ideas for the old way of doing things emerge. For the past six months online clubs, activities, and fundraisers have been succeeding. Perhaps schools can move clubs like choir and band online. This way kids learning in person and at home can participate safely.

In the end, while many traditions have changed, some will remain. We'll still be able to see happy faces on those first day of school porch photos shared on Facebook.

I'm really looking forward to children's smiley faces hidden behind the masks.

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Plant-Based Eating by Sheree Nicholson

Preparing for snack time

Providing your children with healthy plant-based snacks can pose a problem as some supposedly healthy snacks are loaded with sugar and chemicals. As well, many commercially-made ones may contain almonds, cashews and walnuts, which have been banned in most schools due to nut allergies.

Local health food stores like TNS Health and Healthy Planet carry a wide range of plant-based products and some are nut-free. TNS Health also sells fresh produce.

Here are some great plant-based snack ideas some you can make at home or purchase.

- Homemade granola bars
- Fruit/veggies
- Real fruit roll-ups
- Hummus/crackers/pretzels/rice cakes
- Dried fruit
- Vegan muffins
- Plant-based yogurt
- Smoothies – send them frozen, so they are thawed by snack time.
- Plant-based cookies
- Healthy Fig Bars

If you're new to plant-based bak-

ing, it's surprisingly good and I've had great success making muffins, cookies, and even cakes. When substituting regular milk for a plant-based one, avoid soy milk because of its overpowering flavour. Coconut milk is thicker and sweeter, so unless the recipe specifically calls for it, I wouldn't use it. Depending on what you're baking, I suggest cashew, oat or almond milk since their flavours are more neutral.

You can actually "veganize" your favourite recipes by substituting real eggs for flax eggs, and butter with plant-based spreads.

Try this healthy apple cinnamon scuffin recipe from the blog "Veggies Don't Bite" (veggiesdontbite.com):

INGREDIENTS

- 1 ½ cups oat flour
- ¾ cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup plain non dairy yogurt – unsweetened (Yoso is my favourite brand)
- ½ cup date paste leave chunky
- ¼ - ½ cup non dairy milk 1 ¼ cup

chopped sweet red apples
Coconut palm sugar or other unrefined sugar as topping (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C). Combine flour, oats, baking powder, baking soda, salt and cinnamon in a small bowl and set aside.

In a large bowl, combine yogurt, date paste and milk then mix well. Add flour mixture and stir until just combined. Fold in apples.

Place large spoonfuls of the batter on a parchment-lined cookie sheet. Sprinkle tops with optional unrefined sugar and bake for 15-18 minutes, or until set or firm to

the touch. Let cool before eating.

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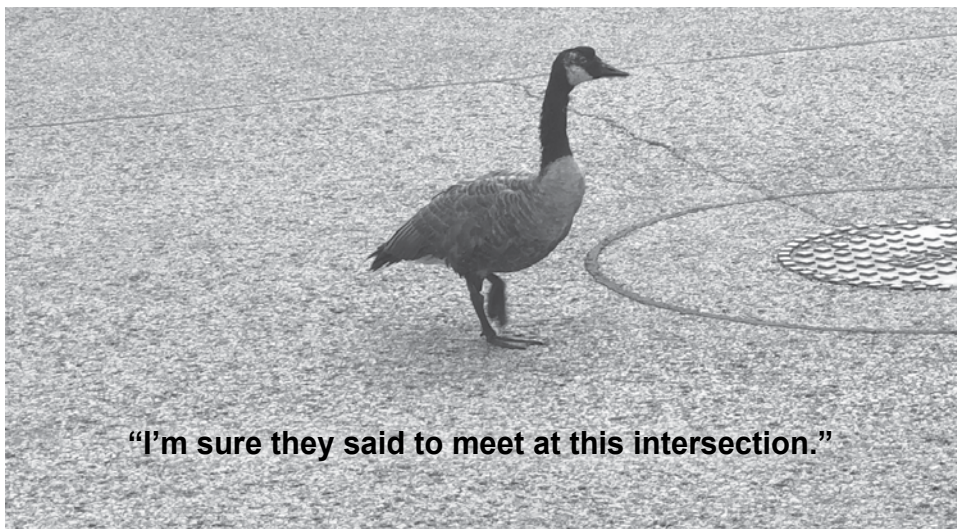
When dates are used as a sweetener, the product isn't sweet like regular baking. If you prefer a sweet scuffin, sprinkle coconut sugar on the top.

Let the mixture be a little chunky versus totally smooth. This gives the scuffins a few date pieces in them.

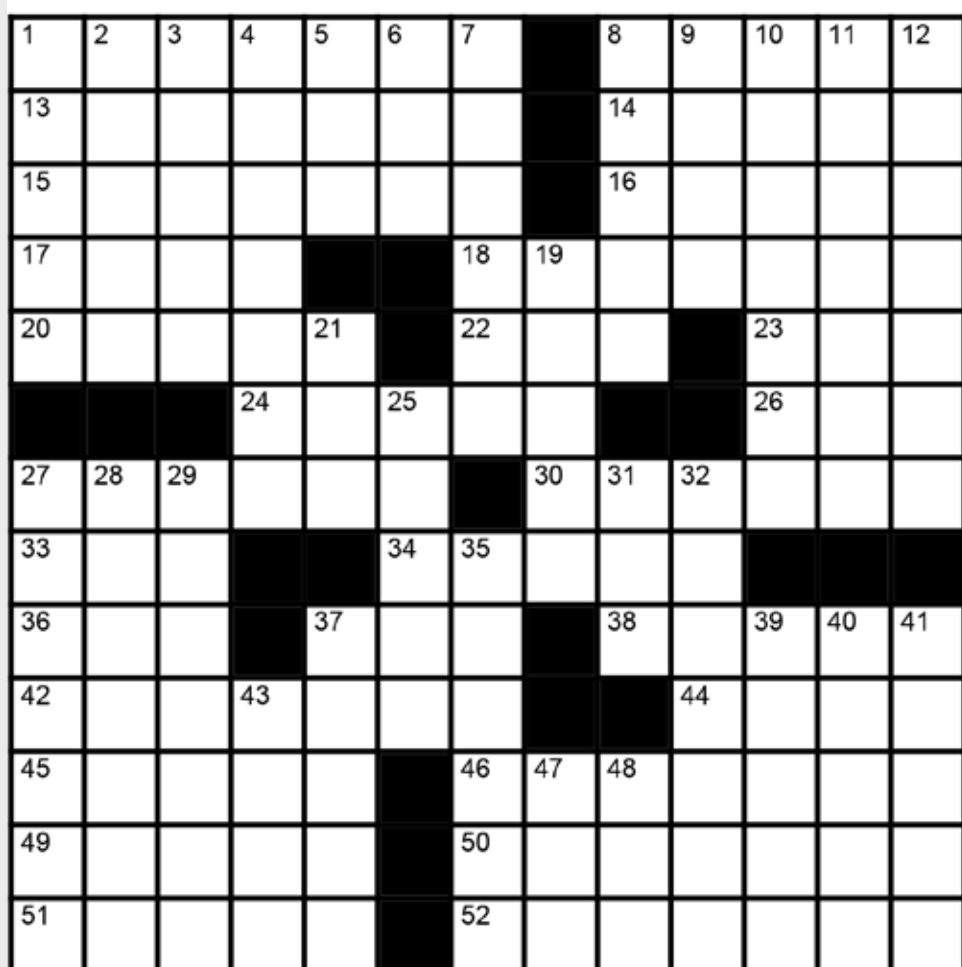
For the milk, begin by using ¼ cup and add more, one tablespoon at a time, if the mixture is too thick when combined.

If your yogurt and/or date paste is thick, you will probably need more milk. However, if it's a little runny, then you may not.

Sheree's Hack: Homemade oat flour can be made in your Vita-mix and will save you money.



Brooklin Bafflers: by Liz Lowe



- 3 feet
- 17 Quote
- 18 (chemistry) containing combined water
- 20 A thermonuclear weapon
- 22 Physicist's study
- 23 Whisper sweet nothings
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- 26 Scoundrel
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- 30 Decorate a surface with a raised design
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- 39 Rally
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- 43 A fitting reward
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- 48 Social connections

Across

- 1 Live in or as if in a tent
- 8 In Turkey, a porter or burden bearer

Down

- 13 Cause to smell or be smelly
- 14 Earlier
- 15 Of or relating to alleles
- 16 Units of length equal to

Down

- 1 A railcar where passengers ride
- 2 Wing it

Take Back the Walk



Detective Damon Thorne addresses the dozens of residents who joined him and other DRPS officers on Aug. 27 for Take Back the Walk, a response to the random and vicious attack in July on Kim Black. To the right is Detective Jill Lock who was his colleague in finding and arresting the alleged attacker.




This group of DRPS recruits joined residents on the walk by running the nearly 5 km route.



Some of the participants in the walk: (from left to right) Tammy Morgan, Annette Cacorovski, Jennifer Webb, Emma Webb, Councillor Rhonda Mulcahy, Chad the Wonder Dog.





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