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## Less than half the picture: *By Richard Bercuson*



# It's not just Santa coming to town

Such is the guilt of law-abiding citizens. I am heading east on Conlin Rd. I make it through the roundabout at Thornton and continue towards Simcoe. Just past Stevenson Rd is a speed radar sign indicating I'm driving 15 km/h over the speed limit.

Oops. I lighten up on the gas to bring it down to a respectable (acceptable?) 10 over. If the speed trap I've often seen at the light at Durham College is operating, I should be fine. There's no officer there and I roll by.

Still on Conlin, with the foot admittedly plantar flexing a tad more, there's yet another speed radar sign. This one shows I'm going 18 over. Now we're getting into dangerous - and expensive - territory. Again I lighten my touch.

All of which is to say those electronic signs have an impact, on me

at least. And, like I wrote last issue, I'm a born-and-bred Montreal driver with a memory of those halcyon days when speed limits and stop signs were options.

While signage per se doesn't work (as Mayor Mitchell said in our interview two weeks ago), this kind of warning is at least a start. He also mentioned that engineers have long been wrong about such things as widening roads. People will drive, he said, to the road's design. So if you look at a map of Brooklin, you'll see mostly straight or slightly curved roads.

Another traffic calming solution - and a much less expensive one than trying to redesign or retrofit roads - is the use of bollards. These are short vertical posts, either permanent or "flexible", installed along strategic sections of roads. Run over one at your own risk. (No, I haven't tried it and no, they did not exist in Mon-

treau way back when.)

Let me throw out one instance of how even the curvature of a road did nothing to slow down drivers. Brooklin High School hosted an afternoon walkout some weeks ago in support of the recognition of climate change. About 300 students marched along the sidewalk in front of the school. Clumps of others, having been released from educational bondage for an hour, traipsed here and there and mostly walked home. Yet a few

climbed into cars and snatched the opportunity to fly past the marchers at a darn high rate of speed, honking and shouting out windows. Why? Because they could. There was nothing on that stretch of Carnwith to force them to slow down even though the westernmost end of the school parking lot had an exit right into their path.

Bollards and radar signs are coming and none too soon.

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## Rogers Hometown Hockey Coming To Whitby

This December 28 and 29, Whitby's Iroquois Park Sports Centre will serve as one of 25 Canadian stops on the 2019 **Rogers Hometown Hockey™** Tour – the ultimate NHL experience celebrating the local hockey stories that connect the nation.

The free weekend festival will feature live entertainment, NHL alumni, and hockey-themed activities, culminating with a live outdoor viewing party of an NHL broadcast from the Sportsnet Mobile Studio on the Sunday evening.

As part of the lead up to the event, the Town is inviting all local schools, hockey associations, businesses and residents to show their community spirit by participating in a "Paint the Town Red" contest.

"Rogers Hometown Hockey is about more than the two-day event; it's about showcasing our Whitby pride and community spirit," said Whitby Mayor Don Mitchell. "From now until December 29, I encourage everyone to join in the fun and decorate their schools, arenas, windows, storefronts or lawns with as much red as possible."

The deadline for contest entries is Monday, December 16, with the winners of each category (noted below) to be announced via the Town's social media channels on

Thursday, December 19.

Prizes to be won include a number of Rogers Hometown Hockey prize packs, as well as an on-site event experience.

### Paint The Town Red™ Contest Details

#### Who Can Participate

The contest is open to all members of the community and will be separated into four categories:

- Residential
- Business
- School
- Minor Hockey Association

The winners of each category will be selected by a panel of judges and announced via the Town's social media channels on Thursday, December 19.

#### How to Get Involved

From schools decorating their walls and classrooms with a Hometown Hockey colouring page or red to minor hockey organizations encouraging fans to wear red at one of their games, it's easy to get creative and participate.

Follow these three simple steps for your chance to win great prizes from Rogers Hometown Hockey:

- Register online at [whitby.ca/hometownhockey](http://whitby.ca/hometownhockey)
- Snap a photo of yourself, your

space or your group in a red Hometown Hockey theme

- Share your photo on Facebook or Twitter tagging Town of Whitby and Rogers Hometown Hockey, using the hashtag [#whitbyhometownhockey](https://www.facebook.com/whitbyhometownhockey)

Rogers Hometown Hockey window decals and colouring sheets have also been created and made available by the Town. To request a window decal, email: [events@whitby.ca](mailto:events@whitby.ca).

Please note that decals must be

picked up at Town Hall. Colouring sheets can be downloaded from <https://whitby.ca/en/discoverwhitby/hometown-hockey.asp#colouringpages>

#### For More Information

For more information about Paint the Town Red or other Rogers Hometown Hockey activities, visit [whitby.ca/hometownhockey](http://whitby.ca/hometownhockey).

Contest terms and conditions can be viewed at: [https://icreate4.esolutionsgroup.ca/230767\\_Whitby/en/discoverwhitby/resources/EVENTS/Paint-the-Town-Red-Contest-Rules-2.pdf](https://icreate4.esolutionsgroup.ca/230767_Whitby/en/discoverwhitby/resources/EVENTS/Paint-the-Town-Red-Contest-Rules-2.pdf)

## GO Train and Iroquois Centre Parking Instruction

This fall, the Town of Whitby has been working to build awareness among Iroquois Park Sports Centre (IPSC) and GO Transit users of where to park at the recreational facility.

#### What You Need to Know

To help accommodate GO passengers, the Town leases areas for parking to Metrolinx - the operator of the Whitby GO station. Through these leases, the Town provides 300 parking spaces at IPSC, as well as an additional 500 parking spaces at the neighbouring Whitby GO Station.

The spaces available at IPSC for GO Transit users are located on the east-side of the facility, closest to the Whitby GO station. These spaces are clearly marked and are the only spaces available at IPSC to GO Transit users.

#### Quick Facts

Each day, IPSC (located at 500 Victoria Street West) welcomes an average of more than 5,000 visitors who attend paid programming, making the facility one of the busiest of its kind in Canada.

IPSC is adjacent to the second busiest GO Transit facility in Ontario: the Whitby GO Station. Residents who have questions about GO Transit parking are encouraged to contact Metrolinx's Customer Care Line at **416.869.3200**.

For more information on programming or events taking place at Iroquois Park Sports Centre, please contact the Town's Community Services Department by email at [facilities@whitby.ca](mailto:facilities@whitby.ca) or by phone at **905.668.7765**.



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## Brooklin Student Wins National Performance Award

Brooklin's own Kaden May, age 13, has won a prestigious Joey Award, which are handed out to young Canadian performers. He was nominated for two but won in the category for Best Male Host or demonstrator for his role as Jack in the Jack and Brody Show.

The awards, named after a joey which is a baby kangaroo, were presented at a gala red carpet event in Vancouver earlier this month.

Kaden began his young career as an extra in the movie *Suicide Squad* when it was filming in Toronto in 2015. Although his scene ended up on the cutting room floor, he persevered to do more background work, including spending the March break of 2018 filming *Shazam*.

### Joined agency

After seeing a posting from an agent, he submitted a tape to demonstrate his abilities and the agent liked what she saw. He thus signed with his current agent, Tammy Godfrey of Soho Management, in 2018. He has also taken acting courses and works with a coach for his auditions.

Since being with his agent, Kaden has been in three short films (*Lagoon*, *The Difficult Kids* and *Paperboy*), a movie review crew (*Kidz Review Crew*), an online campaign for a shoelace company (*Xpand*

*Laces*), a web series for *Spin Master* for a new toy called *Dragamonz*, a popular TVO kids program and, most recently, a popular sci-fi TV series. He has recently become a full member of ACTRA.

He was also nominated at the Jokeys for Best Actor in a Student or Youth Made Short Film, Age 10-12 in addition to the category for which he won. Kids from all over Canada flew to Vancouver to take part in the ceremony.

### Thrilling experience

"As parents, we thought the awards were really well done and a great platform for the kids," said his mother, Kelly May. "They were able to meet peers from all over Canada and bond with those who are interested in the same thing."

"Kaden loved being at the awards," she added, "including being interviewed and walking the red carpet. He also loved being up on the stage to accept his award and thanking those who had helped on his journey. He's hoping he will be nominated again next year so he can participate again."

More episodes of his show *The Jack and Brody Show* will be released shortly. His ultimate goal is to work in film or tv and he would love to play a character in the *Marvel Universe*.

## Another Sleepless Night - Outdoors!

For the second straight year, armed with a sleeping bag and a piece of cardboard, Brooklin resident Jim Smillie slept outside on the street so that the youth at Covenant House Toronto could ignite their potential and reclaim their lives.

"Every child deserves a safe place," says Smillie who on Nov. 21 participated in the 'Sleep Out' movement to raise awareness of youth homelessness and raise funds for Toronto's Covenant House. "As a parent and a grandparent, it breaks my heart to see the growing number of homeless youth on the streets. No kid should have to sleep on the street!"

On any given night in Canada, there may be 6000 homeless youth on the streets. As Canada's largest agency serving youth who are homeless, trafficked or at risk, Covenant House Toronto offers the widest range of 24/7 services to about 350 young people each day. Across Canada, vulner-

able young people find themselves with no place to call home. Due to a wide range of reasons, they are forced to be on the streets in brutal and unsafe conditions with no support and no basic nutrition.

While young people may think running to the street is a means of escape, they soon find it can lead them on a dangerous path. It is estimated that 60% of homeless youth are victims of a violent crime with Ontario being a major hub of human trafficking, having 65% of police-reported cases in Canada.

To support Jim's personal fundraising page: <https://covenanthousetoronto.akaraisin.com/pledge/Participant/Home.aspx?seid=20187&mid=9&pid=4370668>

Covenant House Executive Sleep Out Toronto: <https://covenanthousetoronto.akaraisin.com/Common/Event/Home.aspx?seid=20187&mid=8>

## Festive R.I.D.E. Results: Weeks One & Two

### Week One

DRPS completed its first week of the Festive R.I.D.E program with two days of checks, stopping more than 1800 vehicles and charging eight drivers with drinking and driving offences.

Durham Regional Police officers conducted R.I.D.E. checks in Ajax, Pickering, Whitby and Oshawa, with the following totals (the numbers in brackets reflect 2018 first week totals for comparison):

1882 (873)

Vehicles stopped by R.I.D.E.

60 (41)

People given Roadside Breath Tests

10 (5)

People received "3/7/30 Day Suspensions" for registering a "WARN"

0 (1)

Novice Driver received a 3-Day Licence Suspension

8 (6)

People were charged with Impaired/Exceed/Refuse

1 (7)

Person was charged with other Criminal Code offences

43 (25)

Charged with various Highway Traffic Act offences

After the first week, the Festive RIDE team charged eight motorists for drinking and driving offences. Last year at the same time, six had been charged. Another 10 motorists

have registered a WARN on a roadside screening device and had their driver's licences suspended for 3 or 7 or 30 days. Last year, five drivers had their licences suspended for registering a WARN.

Police would like to remind motorists about the cannabis laws while transporting it in your motor vehicle. A driver cannot have cannabis in a motor vehicle when the seal of its original packaging is open and is within reach of the driver, similar to alcohol rules.

Note: Under the Ontario Highway Traffic Act, anyone charged with an impaired driving criminal offence will have his or her driver's licence suspended for 90 days and the vehicle impounded automatically for seven days.

### Week Two

After Week Two, DRPS had stopped more than 2,900 vehicles, charging 16 drivers with drinking and driving offences.

Officers conducted R.I.D.E. checks in Ajax, Pickering, Whitby, Oshawa, Clarington, Scugog and Brock Township with the following totals (the numbers in brackets reflect 2018 second week totals for comparison):

2,978 (6,754)

Vehicles stopped by R.I.D.E.

135 (100)

People given Roadside Breath

Tests

21 (12)

People received "3/7/30 Day Suspensions" for registering a "WARN"

123 (N/A)

Mandatory Roadside Breath Tests (1st time done on RIDE Line)

3 (N/A)

People received "3/7/30 Day Suspensions" as a result of Mandatory Tests

1 (N/A)

People given "Approved Drug Screening Device" Tests

1 (1)

Novice Driver received a "Three-Day Licence Suspension"

16 (15)

People charged with Drinking and Driving Offences

13 (19)

Criminal Code Offences Other

69 (47)

Charged with various Highway Traffic Act Offences

4 (0)

Drug Offences

1 (7)

Cannabis Act offences

After the second week, the R.I.D.E. team has charged 24 motorists for drinking and driving offences. Last year at the same time, 23 had been charged. Another 24 have registered a WARN on a roadside screening device and had their driver's licence suspended for three days. Last year at the same time, 26

drivers had their licence suspended for registering a WARN.

Legislation that came into effect in December 2018 gives police the power to demand a breath sample from any driver who is lawfully stopped. This week, for the first time on the R.I.D.E. line, the R.I.D.E. team conducted mandatory roadside breath tests, meaning every driver entering the R.I.D.E. line was given a breath test for a prescribed period of time.

The results are listed above. An "Approved Drug Screening Device" was also used by the R.I.D.E. team for the first time resulting in a novice driver given a three-day suspension.

During a R.I.D.E. traffic stop, R.I.D.E. officers seized approximately 240 grams of cannabis and charged an individual with **Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking** along with executing three outstanding warrants on the same person. A total of 13 charges were laid.

R.I.D.E. officers were also instrumental in assisting with a fatal hit-and-run collision involving a female cyclist in Oshawa. R.I.D.E. members were among the first officers to respond and secure the scene.

A complete list of those charged with Impaired/Exceed/Refuse will be posted on our website later this week at [www.drps.ca](http://www.drps.ca) under Hot Topics.

## Durham Transit Unveils Holiday Bus

Durham Region Transit (DRT) is proud to unveil a new holiday bus for participation in regional holiday events and to help support Durham Regional Police Service's (DRPS) 2019 Festive R.I.D.E. launch and 31st annual Food and Toy Drive kick-off.



Featuring a creative, whimsical and festive full-body de-

cal, the DRT holiday bus artwork captures the diverse landscape of

the Region of Durham, both the urban development cityscape in lake-shore municipalities, as well as the thriving agricultural geography of our northern and rural municipalities.

The bus used for the wrap is a new addition to DRT's fleet and will not be used in on-street service until 2020, once it has completed Santa's rigorous winter testing at DRT's north pole facility.

Watch for DRT's holiday bus at a number of DRPS donation events, encouraging residents and visitors to **stuff the bus** full of toys and non-perishable food to support Durham Region families in need.

- Freshco Bowmanville @ Longworth Avenue – Sunday, Dec. 8, 10:00 to 14:00

- Canadian Tire Whitby North @ Garden & Taunton – Saturday, Dec. 14, 10:00 to 14:00

- Superstore Oshawa @ Harmony & Taunton – Saturday, Dec. 21, 10:00 to 14:00

With the support of volunteer DRT Community Ambassadors, the holiday bus will also be participating in Santa Claus parades in each municipality this season:

- Uxbridge Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Nov. 16
- Oshawa Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Nov. 16
- Clarington/Newcastle Santa Claus Parade – Sunday, Nov. 17
- Pickering Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Nov. 23
- Ajax Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Nov. 23
- Brock/Cannington Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Nov. 30
- Whitby Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Dec. 7
- Scugog/Port Perry Santa Claus Parade – Saturday, Dec. 7



### Meet November's Trivia Champs:

(left to right): Kim Pileggi, Christine Smith Kim Aloe, Frank Aloe, Jim Smith, Vince Pileggi

## Town of Whitby

November 29, 2019

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Christmas in the Village

Friday, November 29, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Grass Park, Downtown Brooklin. Enjoy ice sculptures, horse and wagon rides, holiday treats, local entertainment and carolers, holiday activities and crafts.

#### Seniors' Mini Bazaar

Wednesday, December 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Whitby Seniors' Activity Centre. Vendors will be on site with crafts, home-baked goods and more. Free admission.

#### Whitby Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. to noon in Downtown Whitby. Operated by JCI Durham.

[whitby.ca/calendar](http://whitby.ca/calendar)

### Council Meetings

Committee of the Whole  
December 2 at 7 p.m.

Committee of the Whole  
December 9 at 7 p.m.

Council  
December 16 at 7 p.m.

The meetings will take place at Town Hall, 575 Rossland Road East. For more information, contact [clerks@whitby.ca](mailto:clerks@whitby.ca) or 905.430.4315

### News

#### Celebrate Rogers Hometown Hockey With Whitby Jersey Day

On Thursday, December 19 all students and businesses are encouraged to wear their favourite hockey jersey or red as part of Whitby Jersey Day celebrating the coming Rogers Hometown Hockey. Join in the fun! #WhitbyHometownHockey

[whitby.ca/hometownhockey](http://whitby.ca/hometownhockey)

### Notices

#### Temporary Pool Closure at Civic Recreation Complex

The Whitby Civic Recreation Complex pool will be closed for maintenance and renovations from Monday, December 2, 2019 to Sunday, January 5, 2020 and will reopen on Monday, January 6, 2020.

#### Event Impact on Parking at Iroquois Park Sports Centre

The weekends of November 29 and December 6, Iroquois Park Sports Centre will play host to two large-scale hockey events. To help GO Transit users plan ahead for alternative arrangements, residents are advised that all parking spaces at IPSC will be allocated for hockey tournament and facility users on the following days: Thursday, November 28, Friday, November 29 and Friday, December 6.

[whitby.ca/notices](http://whitby.ca/notices)

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# Happy 100th Birthday Richard Brannigan



Richard Brannigan celebrated his 100th birthday on Nov. 13 at the Court of Brooklin. A World War II veteran who served overseas, Brannigan was joined in the celebration by dozens of residents, Mayor Don Mitchell, Councillors Rhonda Mulcahy and Steve Lee, MPP Lorne Coe, and, most important, the Brooklin Legion Colour Guard.

# Optimist Club's Breakfast with the Clauses



Brooklin's Optimist Club recently held its annual Breakfast with Santa, a Brooklin family tradition. Friends and family enjoyed pancakes, sausages, fruit and hot chocolate bars. Children were delighted to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus! Children also enjoyed making crafts, decorating cookies, having their faces painted and hearing Christmas stories. In the photo, Emmett and Stella visit with Santa and Mrs Claus.

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# Upcoming Holiday Events

Join me and the rest of Council at these upcoming Holiday Events:

## Christmas in the Village

Friday, Nov. 29 • 6pm • Grass Park, Brooklin  
Council singing Christmas Carols  
(apologies in advance from Rhonda, the Mayor made me do it)

## Whitby Tree Lighting

Friday, Dec. 6 • 6pm  
Celebration Square, Whitby Library  
Council singing Christmas Carols  
(again, my sincerest apologies)

## Santa Claus Parade

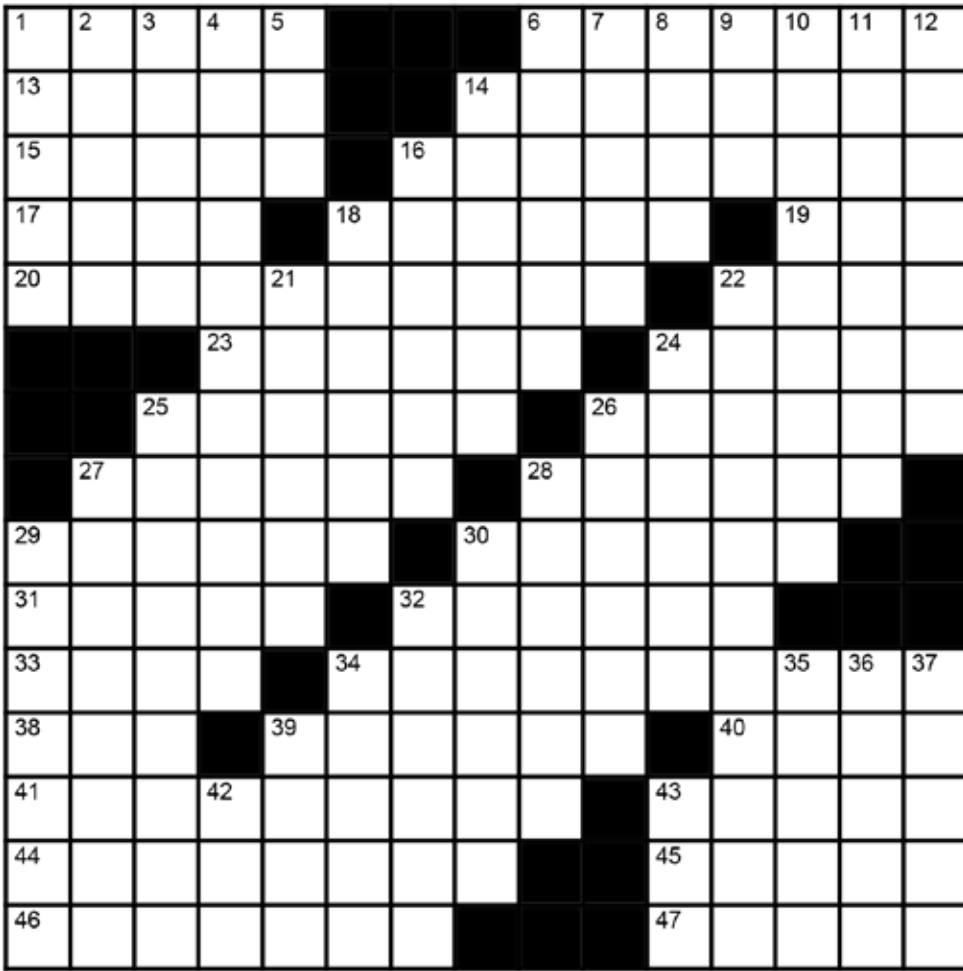
Saturday, Dec. 7 • 10am  
From Manning to Burns along Brock Street in Downtown Whitby  
Theme: Ugly Christmas Sweater  
Wearing our Ugly Sweaters on a Float  
(thankfully there will be music provided, but I'm certain the Mayor will still be singing)



**Rhonda Mulcahy**  
Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor  
TOWN OF WHITBY

## Brooklin Bafflers: by Liz Lowe

## Crossword



## Across

- 1 Prevent the occurrence of.  
6 Derogatory term for a variation that is not genuine  
13 Doglike nocturnal mammal of Africa  
14 A person who putters about  
15 Orderly grouping  
16 The fundamental reasons or logic behind something  
17 Prevaricates  
18 Garam \_\_\_ (Indian spice mixture)

- 19 Tank filler  
20 A conclusive resolution of a matter and disposition of it  
22 An informal term for a father  
23 A familiar term of address for a man  
24 Perfume  
25 A system of electronic message communication  
26 Inferior or inadequate  
27 A shelter or screen providing protection from enemy fire or from the weather  
28 Assumes for one's own use  
29 Catches with a rope.  
30 Removable locks  
31 Pays to play  
32 One who sleeps  
33 First European to get round the Cape of Good Hope  
34 A person who induces hypnosis  
38 Of a thing, of it; possessive form of "it"  
39 A variable quantity that can be resolved into components  
40 Zero  
41 Types of innocence.  
43 Taste or touch  
44 Any of several large primates  
45 A person who makes deceitful pretences  
46 Part of a heartbeat  
47 Pack animals

- 2 High nest: Var.  
3 Special Forces cap  
4 A natural or surgical joining of parts or branches of tubular structures  
5 Sci-fi killer  
6 The branch of biology that studies plants  
7 Not straight up  
8 Ancient colonnade  
9 Mark of perfection  
10 A mineral form of crystalline calcium carbonate  
11 Fails to maintain a higher state  
12 A wardrobe assistant for an actor  
14 Paths set aside for walking  
16 Gad about  
18 Medical practitioners in the armed forces  
21 South American plains  
22 A hot spiciness  
24 A craftsman who makes or repairs wooden barrels  
25 States of elated bliss  
26 Carpenter's tool  
27 Clean  
28 Everything that exists anywhere  
29 Goods carried by a large vehicle  
30 One who takes an examination.  
32 Directions for making something  
34 Nickel, e.g.  
35 Becomes inattentive with "out"  
36 Follow as a result  
37 Marsh growth  
39 Kind of power  
42 Wine holder  
43 Vacation spot

## Down

- 1 Indian dishes made with stewed legumes, onion and spices

## Beware of CRA and SIN Scammers

Durham Regional Police Service warns the public about an increase in scams centering on the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and Social Insurance Numbers (SIN).

The Communications Unit is seeing an increase in calls from residents reporting having received calls from a person claiming to be an officer from the CRA. The scammers are also asking for SIN numbers under the pretense they were compromised. In a new twist, scammers are using the DRPS non-emergency phone number, 905-579-1520, to appear legitimate.

Scammers often negotiate payment and suggest a lesser amount collected by way of a third party card, gift card, credit card, pre-paid gift card or deposits into a Bitcoin ATM, installed at several locations across Durham Region.

Police warn the public to be wary of these types of scams. Police or the CRA will never request payments by prepaid credit cards or leave personal information on an answering machine. It's important to never give out your SIN number.

## How to protect yourself from fraud:

- Caller ID is a useful function. However, criminals can alter the displayed information. Don't rely strictly on the displayed information to confirm the identity of the caller whether it be an individual, a company or a government entity.
- Never provide personal information through the Internet or by email. The CRA does not ask you to provide personal information by email.
- Keep your access codes, user ID, passwords, and PINs secret.

**These warnings should be discussed with seniors or other vulnerable people who do not have access to this information via the internet.**

For more information or to report a scam attempt, visit the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at: [www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca](http://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca) or call 1-888-495-8501.

Anyone wishing to report a fraud in Durham Region is asked to contact Durham Regional Police at 1-888-579-1520.

## Community Calendar

**Fri., Nov. 29: 6 pm - 8 pm: Christmas in the Village Tree Lighting**  
Grass Park

**Fri., Nov. 29: 3 pm-9 pm & Sat, Nov. 30: 9 am-1 pm: Brooklin United Church Craft Sale & Bazaar**  
19 Cassels Road East, Brooklin  
Free Admission & Parking  
Info call: **905-655-3223**

**Sat., Nov. 30: 1-3 pm: Freshco's Meet Santa and toy drive event**  
At Freshco Brooklin  
Bring an unwrapped toy for the Salvation Army Toy Drive

**Thurs., Dec. 5: 9 am-1:30 pm: Lakeridge Health Whitby Holiday Bazaar Fundraiser**  
Free Admission & Parking  
- Everyone welcome  
Gift Baskets - Baked Goodies  
- Gently Used Collectibles  
- Re-Gifting Items (new to you)  
Lakeridge Health Whitby,  
300 Gordon Street

**Sat., Dec. 7: 10 am-3 pm: WindReach Farm Holly Jolly Jubilee Open House**  
visits & photos with Santa, opportunities to meet our animals, wagon rides, children's crafts, a Christmas Market and pony rides.  
Entrance fee is \$25 per car

**Sat., Dec. 7: 10 am-3 pm: The Court at Brooklin Christmas Bazaar**  
Enjoy our selection of crafts, baking, books, white elephant items, craft vendors, door prizes and much, much more!  
For more information, call The Court at Brooklin at **(905)655-7718**  
5909 Anderson St. Brooklin  
Proceeds to be donated to local charities.

**Sun., Jan. 26: 7:30-9 pm: Trivia Night**  
At Michael Kelly's Eatery on Winchester and St. Thomas

\$20 per person cash only. Teams of 4-6 ONLY. Each team receives a large pizza and an order of garlic bread, with a beer per person. Winning team members each get a \$10 gift certificate to MK's. Register by emailing your name and number of team members to: [editorofbtc@gmail.com](mailto:editorofbtc@gmail.com)  
Capacity is 42 people, so registration is first come-first served.  
Hosted by the BTC with all proceeds to Prostate Cancer Canada Network (PCCN) Durham.

**Tues., Dec. 24: 6:30-7:30 pm (4th Tuesday of each month) Teen Advisory Group at Brooklin Library**

Whitby Library's Brooklin Branch seeks Teen Advisory Group members to share ideas, and assist with special events and programs. Grade 7-12 students earn community service hours. No registration required. For information, email: [teenservices@whitbylibrary.ca](mailto:teenservices@whitbylibrary.ca)

**Tuesdays: 7:25 pm: Brooklin Toastmasters Club**  
Practice public speaking at Brooklin Community Centre & Library. Contact John Johnstone at [jajhj@sympatico.ca](mailto:jajhj@sympatico.ca) or phone **905-683-4439** or Elaine Goulbourne **289-404-8527** at [elainegoulbourne@rogers.com](mailto:elainegoulbourne@rogers.com)

**1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays Community Care Durham (CCD)**  
Basic Foot Care at St. Thomas' Anglican Church. **905-430-5732**

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**French Family Storytime:**  
Children and their caregivers can join Madame Sue for weekly French Family Storytime! A half hour of French stories and songs, with a dash of English! Drop in at Central Library's Children's Program Room

If you have a community not-for-profit event you would like included in the calendar, please email it to [editorofBTC@gmail.com](mailto:editorofBTC@gmail.com) with the subject line "calendar." Priority will be given to Brooklin events. Some editing may occur.



**Burns Presbyterian Church**  
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10am Worship, Kids Zone Fun & Nursery Care  
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**905.655.8509 www.burnschurch.org**

**Brooklin United Church**  
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**Renaissance Baptist Church of Brooklin**  
40 Vipond Road (Just West Of Library)  
Sunday Worship & Kids Program 10:30 am  
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**Brooklin Village Church**  
At Brooklin High School, 20 Carnwith Drive W.  
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**www.brooklinvillagechurch.com**

**St. Thomas' Anglican Church**  
101 Winchester Road East  
Sunday Services: 8:30 and 10:30 am  
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## Brooklin Heritage Society

# The Wilson Family Mill

By Jennifer Hudgins

In bygone days, communities grew up around flour mills. Such was the case with the Brooklin Flour Mill at 25 Cassels Road East.

Built in 1848 by John and Robert Campbell, it replaced a wood-framed mill that had burned down the year before. A cedar swamp originally covered the area and had to be filled in with trees and stone so the foundation could be built on solid ground. Sonley's brickyard on the 4th Concession (highway 12 and Taunton Rd.) provided the brick. Evidently Mr. Sonley intended the building to last a long time since he made the walls at the base two feet thick.

A year after the mill opened, a large crack running from the eaves to the foundation appeared in the center of the south wall. It was feared the six storey mill would collapse, but 171 years later, it's still standing.

### Shallow pond

The power to run the 18-foot wheel came from a pond near the Meadowcrest subdivision and passed through a mill race along Pearl Street. The pond was too shallow and frequently ran dry.

Charles Wilson, who learned the trade in his father's mills in England moved to Greenwood in Pickering Township in 1905 to manage the Greenwood mill. It was here he met and married Christine Trimble and produced a family of seven children. The Wilsons moved to Port Colbourne where he worked for the Maple Leaf Milling Company. Five

years later, they moved to Brooklin.

The mill's owners changed a few times before he bought it on September 17, 1919. Two years later, determined to make his mill the best equipped in Ontario, he installed a self-contained roller mill called the Midget Marvel.

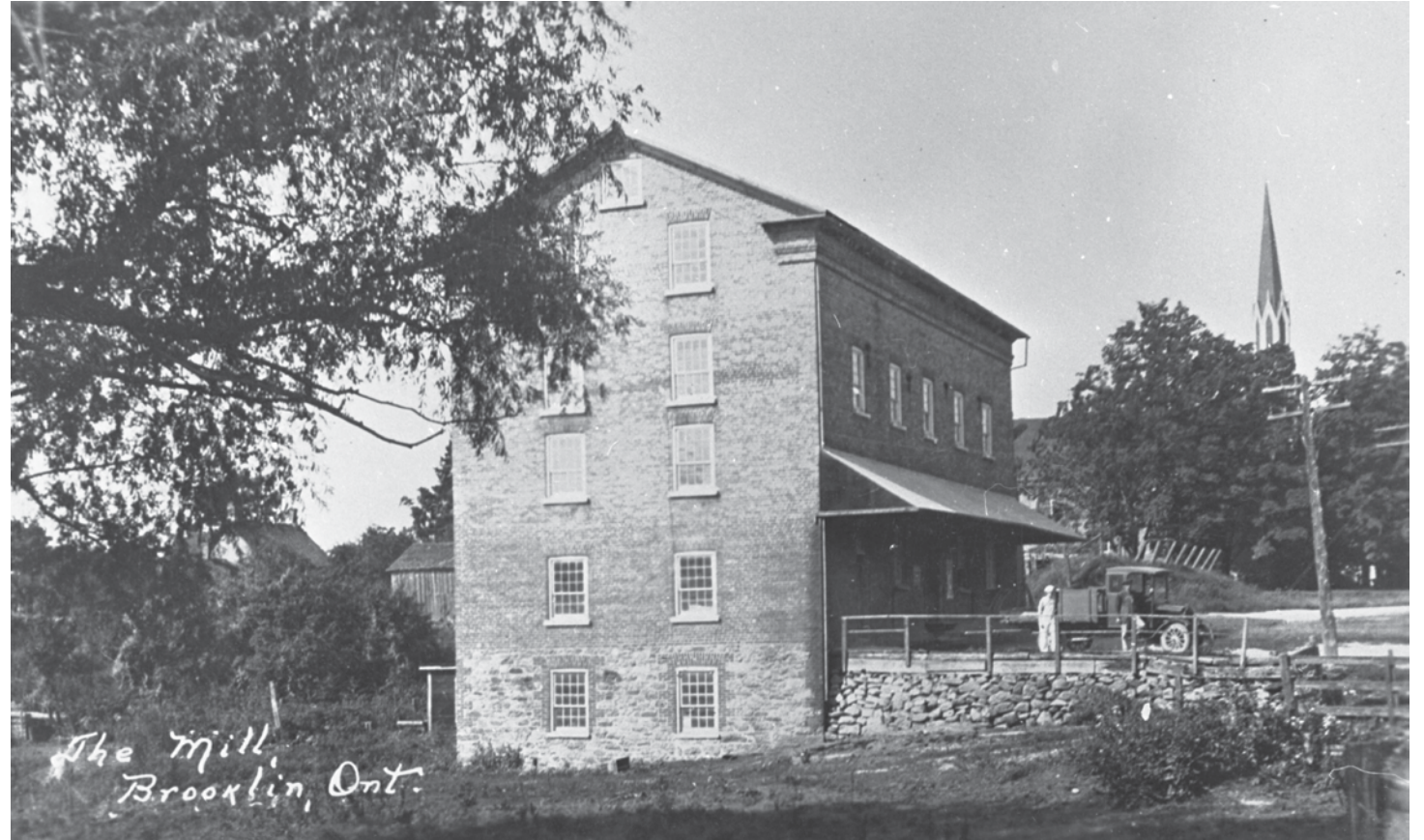


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### Popular flour

The brands of flour Charles marketed were "Marvel Pastry" and "Brooklin Bread", both of which were very popular. During this time, the mill

flour a day, serving customers from Kingston in the east to as far as Bobcaygeon in the north.

By the 1970s, apart from the

the boarding/lodging/house-licensing requirement would remain. Staff do not recommend licensing short term rentals in the town without also changing the Zoning By-laws. It is not appropriate to license and legitimize short term rentals on properties where short term rentals are not permitted under the Zoning By-laws. This will only cause confusion for compliance and undermine the land use permissions in the Zoning By-laws.

### Zoning changes

Since this option would require new regulations and zoning changes, staff recommend engaging in public consultation as part of the process for developing the new rules. Staff envision this process occurring in phases:

(a) Develop information and communication materials for the public regarding moving forward with this option.

(b) Similar to the consultation process in Oshawa, staff will engage with short term rental platforms and hosts/operators, together with other temporary accommodation providers such as legitimate bed and breakfast establishments and hotels/motels. Staff will also conduct public information sessions (through various forms of engagement) to obtain feedback on developing the regulations and zoning

Vanstone Mill in Bowmanville, the Brooklin Mill was the only operating flour mill in the Durham region. A unique architectural landmark, it is one of the few buildings in Whitby with a date on the structure (west wall under the peak of the roof).

### A landmark

The Mill is featured in the book "Rural Ontario" and ranks high among the finest landmarks in the community. Today, it's home to the Brooklin Mill Montessori School.

Charles Wilson died on December 15, 1968, at the age of 83. His sons

continued to operate the mill until September 5, 1978, when they sold the property, thus ending an era of flour milling at the Brooklin Mill.

changes.

(c) Prepare a draft of the licensing requirements, regulations, and zoning changes, and report the details of this work to Council. This report will include comments received from the public, detailed financial implications. As appropriate, the Zoning By-law amendments will also proceed through the statutory notice and public meeting requirements.

(d) Considering further amendments to the draft licensing requirements, regulations, and Zoning By-law amendments, a final version will be presented to Council for approval.

It is estimated that the above process will continue throughout most of 2020. Staff expect that a final decision from the Land Planning Act Tribunal will be issued during this time period regarding Toronto's zoning amendments, which will help guide the formation of the Town's changes. In the meantime, Town staff will continue to enforce the Town's by-laws and Zoning By-laws as currently written.

If you have concerns about this, please contact us at council@whitby.ca. We also want to know if you agree with it. In the meantime, let's hope this brings an end to the party houses popping up throughout town.

## Deputy Mayor: Rhonda Mulcahy



## Regulating Air BnB in Whitby

Short term rental properties have become an issue in parts of Whitby.

It's unfortunate because the concept is great. I've stayed in many throughout the years and it's proven to be a comfortable and inexpensive way to travel.

However, we have residents enduring property standard issues, by-law infractions, and basically mayhem in their neighbourhoods when short term rentals are used as party houses. It's a concern elsewhere, too.

Our staff were taxed with the job of investigating what other municipalities are doing about it. So this recommendation came to us at council and was endorsed last Monday night:

### Recommendations

Create a regulatory and zoning scheme, for the reasons noted by the Town of the Blue Mountains (noisy cottage rentals, unruly behaviour, and other tourism-related problems). In reviewing the available regulatory frameworks, staff prefer developing a system similar

to that in Oakville, with two substantive changes:

- Long-term renters of a property should not be permitted to further rent out the property as a short term rental. The property owner should have control over how the property is used and choose between a short term or traditional rental. This also helps to support proper care and control over the property, for which the landowner is ultimately responsible.

- Whole home short term rentals should not be permitted. Most issues from short term rentals come from whole home rentals in which the landowner does not use the building as the principal residence. While Airbnb is moving to stop properties from being used as "party houses", having the owner present is the best method of stopping such occurrences. This would also follow the existing definition for bed and breakfasts in the Town, where only a dwelling unit in a person's principal residence can be rented, not the whole building.

As supported by Zoning By-laws,

# Windrow Snow Removal for Seniors

The Town of Whitby provides side-walk snow and windrow clearing services for seniors and individuals with disabilities who reside in

Whitby. This service includes clearing snow from the windrow created by the snow plough in addition to any sidewalks fronting or siding the

property.

Snow clearing on municipal sidewalks adjacent to the property takes

place within 24 hours after a 5 cm snowfall ends. The driveway windrow snow clearing service occurs 36 hours after a 10 cm snowfall ends.

To be eligible for this service you must be registered with the Whitby Seniors' Activity Centre, as either a resident over the age of 65 with no able-bodied person under the age of 65 living in the residence, or a resident who is certified by a medical doctor to be disabled with no able-bodied person living in the residence under the age of 65.

Registration begins October 1, 2019. Print the Windrow Snow Program Application Form and bring it in person to the Whitby Seniors' Activity Centre to be processed.

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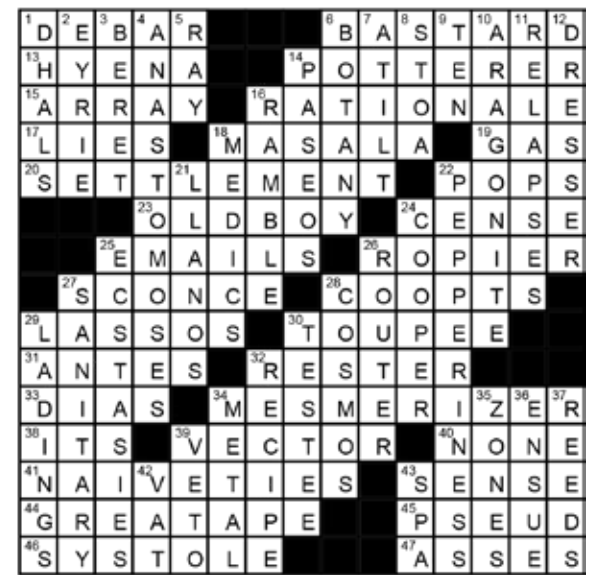
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## Toronto region housing prices could rise 5 percent in 2020, CMHC report says

Canada's national housing agency is forecasting Toronto region home prices to rebound in the next two years, rising as much as 5 percent in 2020.

It predicts prices could average as much as \$949,400 by the end of 2021, a 10.5 percent increase over this year.

Sales and new home construction, led by the highrise sector, are also expected to fully recover after the market lull of the last two years, according to the annual Housing Market Outlook from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. (CMHC)

The complex geopolitical landscape, including an upcoming U.S. election, trade wars and Brexit, made the report's forecast among the most difficult. But those are the conditions that are also expected to keep interest rates low, said Dana Senagama, CMHC manager of market analysis for Ontario.

She said consumers can expect their monthly mortgage payments to remain stable through the end of 2021, the period covered in the report.

CMHC says the Toronto region market is heading back into more balanced and sellers' territory thanks to high employment, the influx of immigrants and migration from other provinces.

Although policy changes such as stricter mortgage qualifications and a foreign buyers tax have slowed housing activity in the last couple of years, the resurgence of Toronto's housing market was inevitable, said Senagama.

"We can play around so much with demand but the supply is so low. Our population continues to increase by 100,000 on average every year. There's a lot of people moving into this region. They need a place to live. The supply simply cannot keep up," she said, adding that speaks to the economic prosperity of the region.

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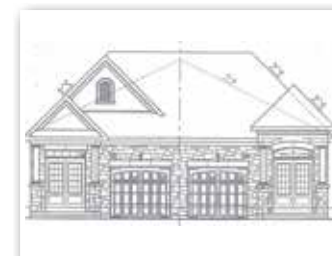
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