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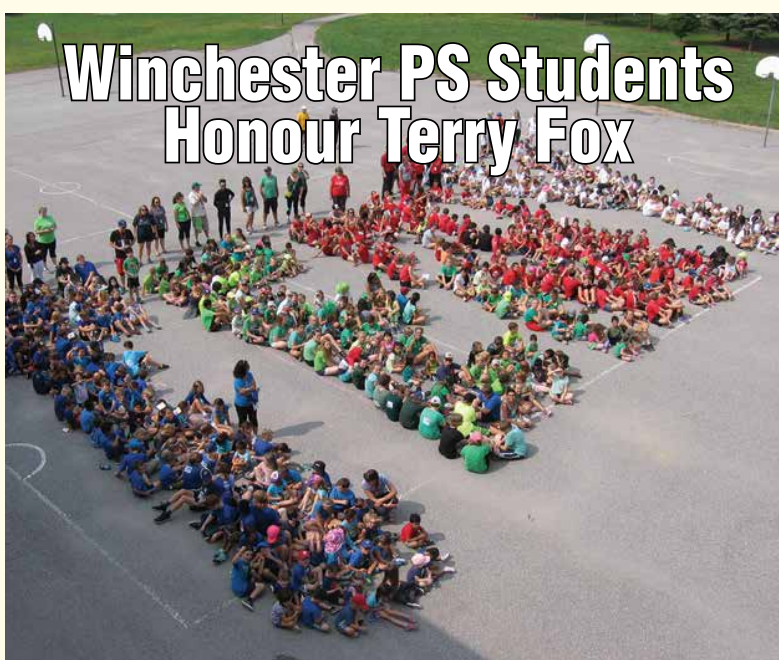
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Winchester PS Students Honour Terry Fox

Winchester Public School's students formed the letters T-E-R-R-Y in their yard on Sept. 15 to honour the memory of Terry Fox. Later that afternoon, the entire school walked/ran around the adjacent soccer field for nearly an hour for their own Terry Fox Run.

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Less than Half the Picture *By Richard Bercuson*

Durham - Crawling, Exasperating, Booming



The Durham region has a transportation master plan. Its motto should be "You might get there from here - somehow, sometime." Instead, it chose the more mundane and less provocative "Durham: Moving, Connecting, Growing." You can slog through it at durhamtmp.ca.

It doesn't take an acutely observant person to notice the population has long since surpassed road capacity. Homes have sprouted; roads not so much. Developers don't build roads. They buy land, construct gaggles of little communities and rake in the dough. Roads - and mass transit - aren't their thing although they pay fees to have roads connect to their sites. Drive through the new developments bounded by Harmony and Conlin to get the picture. Dirt roads, winding crescents, and only a couple of major ways in or out.

The region is a macrocosm of a school whose population growth has forced the existence of a portable city. (How long before BHS, Brooklin's only secondary school, reaches that point?) Our road system is in a similar state: narrow, insufficient, and in dire need of upgrades.

Durham's plan for Brooklin is limited. It indicates the widening of Winchester, a regional road, between Baldwin and Anderson, to three lanes "and perhaps more." This is to be done between 2017 and 2021. The "perhaps more" phrase is off-putting if you live or have a business on Winchester. It suggests razing establishments, a ridiculous thought if partly because it suggests that merely widening current roads solves the problem.

Included in the 302 page report that featured a traffic study from 2011,

obsolete a day after it was completed, was expanding Winchester from Anderson to Garrard to four lanes as well as widening the tiny traverse-challenged bridge over the creek and adding sidewalks "where required." Where required? Shouldn't they be everywhere?

The solution to Durham's, and Brooklin's traffic woes isn't just in widening existing roads. Some key routes need alternatives. Brooklin's Secondary Plan includes a vital route from Cochrane Street, south of the 407, dipping south and then east above Conlin, cutting across Thickson, and meeting up with Garrard. The idea is to reroute drivers travelling to and from the eastern

part of Whitby and Oshawa and thus getting them off the Winchester parking lot. This arterial is labelled as a B level route, akin to Taunton or Rossland in terms of design.

What we need are more such arterial "B" roads. The Durham TMP is mostly about widening. Well, the 401 has been widened aplenty. It's still a slow miserable route at the best of times, which are few.

A ring road south of Brooklin, as described, would be a start. Another one north to meet up with and go through the explosion of homes at the northern points of Whitby and Oshawa would be another. Until such time, breathe, people, breathe.

Celebrate Culture Days 2017

Durham Tourism is inviting residents and visitors to participate in Culture Days, an interactive, free celebration of local arts and culture, taking place September 29 to October 1.

The three-day national celebration sees hundreds of thousands of artists and cultural organizations, in hundreds of cities and towns across Canada, come together to share their cultural spirit and passion. Many free and interactive events will be held during the celebration, in several communities including Durham Region. Durham residents and visitors are encouraged to explore their creativity, and experience creative expression through the region's talented artists, musicians, creators, historians and more.

More than 30 events, throughout all eight area municipalities, have registered on the Culture Days Ontario website. For an updated listing of these events, visit on.culturedays.ca.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

E-Waste Collection Event

Saturday, September 23, from 8 a.m. to noon. Whitby Operations Centre, 333 McKinney Drive.

Whitby Heritage Day

Saturday, September 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Downtown Whitby. Free admission.

Getting Your Garden Ready for Winter Workshop

Thursday, October 12, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Whitby Public Library. Learn how to get your garden ready for winter. Free admission.

Farmers' Market

Every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. until the end of October. 201 Brock Street South.

whitby.ca/calendar

Council Meetings

Planning and Development Committee
September 25 at 7 p.m.

Operations Committee
October 2 at 7 p.m.

These meetings will take place at Town Hall, 575 Rossland Road East. For a full listing of Town meetings, visit whitby.ca/civicweb. For more information, contact the Clerks Department at clerks@whitby.ca or 905.430.4315

Notices

2017 Final Tax Bill Due Residential, Farmland, Pipeline and Managed Forest Properties
The last installment of the final tax billing for 2017 is due on September 25, 2017. For more information on how payment can be made, visit whitby.ca/tax. Questions? Contact the Tax Division at 905.430.4304 or tax@whitby.ca

News

New Edition of The Whitby Perspective Now Available
Learn more about recent Town initiatives, events and news. whitby.ca/publications

Call for Beautiful Gardens
Do you have a garden that you think others would enjoy seeing? Submit an application by September 30 to be part of the 2018 Whitby in Bloom Garden Tour, a free event that showcases the gardens of local residential, municipal and business properties. whitby.ca/whitbyinbloom

Lots to see and do at Station Gallery this fall!
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Whitby Heritage Day

Join us on Saturday, September 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the annual Heritage Day event. This free event features heritage displays, demonstrations and re-enactments; live entertainment; food, farmers' market and community vendors; and more! Families will also enjoy horse and wagon rides, games and kids activities.

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Our Brooklin Kids By Leanne Brown



Talking it out

During a recent park outing, my daughter made friends with a girl about her age. The two started a game and they invited the new friend's younger sister to play. When the younger child didn't want to play their game, the older girls played without her. Feeling offended, the girl went off alone. My daughter's new friend was frustrated. The siblings argued.

My daughter sat down next to her friend and said, "You need to talk it out. If you talk it out then she will feel better and then we can all play together. Come on, I'll go with you."

Listening

The two older girls asked questions and listened to the younger sister. They uncovered that the little sister was feeling left out and had been looking forward to spending time with her sibling at the park. Realizing how she was feeling, the older girls reassured her and then found a game they could all play together.

Restorative practice

Talking it out. It's not an easy skill for little kids to learn. But it's one my daughter has been learning at her school, which takes a restorative practice approach to encourage communication between arguing students. Kids are taught basic social skills to problem-solve and lower the tension on their own. They encourage students to take responsibility themselves and to solve problems through dialogue rather than always running to an adult. It uses a collaborative response, which is intended to be supportive, not demeaning. All opinions matter and everyone is valued. The focus is on cooperation.

How it works

To simplify, kids are taught to think about three things: What happened? Who was affected? How can you make this right?

When a problem arises, all the parties present their sides and work to resolve the issue and restore their

relationships. The emphasis is on repairing the harm rather than punishing or excluding the offender who are encouraged to be accountable for their actions and given the opportunity to make amends. Kids accept decisions more readily if they have input. When the decision is group-based, the decision is likely to be accepted by all.

Empathy is key

Learning empathy is important because it provides the motivation for impulse control and problem solving. When kids care about the impact of their behavior, they can understand another person's feelings and can see it from their perspective. This allows kids to respond in a caring way, calm themselves down, and control their behavior. The tools are really about highlighting young people's capacity to do things differently. It's about focusing on how we talk to each other and generate solutions.

As for my daughter, it makes me proud to see her able to use these tools with her friends. She's also using them with her parents. I recently had to impose some consequences around tablet use at bedtime. After fuming in her bedroom, she came to



A Brooklin Toddler's Random Thoughts

"When my sister is older maybe she won't bite me"

us to talk it out and share her feelings. We now understand she was frustrated as she needed time to finish up her activity. She also understands we were frustrated she was using the tablet after bedtime. While the consequences were upheld, going forward we've agreed to give her a 10 minute countdown before bed to finish up.

I can't wait to see how she uses these tools as she becomes a teen. We are training today's kids to be formidable negotiators.

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Halftime Stars!

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Community Calendar

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

Fri., Sept. 22: 4:00 - 5:00 pm
(4th Friday of each month)
Teen Leadership Council at Brooklin Library

Whitby Library's Brooklin Branch seeks Teen Leadership Council members to share ideas & assist with special events and programs. Grade 9-12 students earn community service hours. Snacks provided. No registration required. For information, email teenservices@whitbylibrary.ca.

Sun., Sept. 24: 7:00 pm
- Brooklin Pub Quiz Night
\$15 per person for a team of 4-8 but teams of 6 are best. Team gets a platter of wings and fries and a mug of beer. Winning team receives a \$10 gift certificate per person to return to the Brooklin Pub. All proceeds to Pulmonary Hypertension of Canada.
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Wed., Sept. 27: 7 - 9 pm - Brooklin Horticultural Society meeting

Speaker Edith George will lead a discussion on "Heritage Trees - What is a Heritage Tree & Why are we protecting them." Also featuring our Autumn Show. Enjoy refreshments, pick up draw tickets & speak with our gardening experts.
Brooklin United Church, 19 Cassels Rd. E.

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A Special BTC Feature Local Artist Profile: Emma Inkpen

by Brad McIlwain

To mark the 100th anniversary of the disappearance of legendary Canadian painter Tom Thompson, local artist Emma Inkpen went with her family on a canoe trip through Algonquin Park, paddling out to islands on Tea Lake and Canoe Lake. There she aimed to create her own unique paintings in the Ontario wilderness, in the spirit of and style inspired by Thompson and the Group of Seven.

"My husband and I took the kids on a canoe, and went out on an island to do en plein air," says Inkpen. "En plein air, French for 'outdoors', is a style that allows you to paint what's beyond the frame by interacting with the environment. "You take the sketches back with you where you'd paint them back in the studio. I still might do that," she says. "That's how the Group of Seven painted."

Tom Thompson disappeared in Algonquin Park on a canoe trip on Canoe Lake, on July 8th, 1917, and his body was discovered several days later. After his death, his paintings inspired the Group of Seven, Canadian landscape painters that included A.Y. Jackson, Franklin Carmichael, Lawren Harris, Frederick Varley, Frank Johnston, and J.E.H. Macdonald whose works are on display at the Art Gallery of Ontario.

Painting a paddle

"You have to paint quickly when you're in landscape because the light and shadows change," says Inkpen, who began painting outdoors at the age of ten. Her summer canoe journeys inspired her to enter the Algonquin Outfitters, Paddle Art Contest & Auction.

Algonquin Outfitters has received over 200 submitted paddles from local artists. The event closes Sep-



tember 29 and all proceeds will support art and artists in the community through the Oxtongue Lake for Arts and Culture and the Town of Huntsville's reserve fund for future public art acquisition.

"I love being in a canoe," Inkpen says. "I painted a paddle with the Group of Seven on it. It was the perfect project." When she moved to Canada from England, one of the first purchases her family made was a shiny red canoe. That's where her love of the outdoors and being on the water comes from.

"I'd never heard of the Group of Seven before coming to Canada," says Inkpen, who studied them more closely at the Ontario College of Art and Design. "I love their style; they are their own genre of art."

Thompson inspired

The paddle's scene of trees and lakes is taken from Thompson's West Wind painting with each colour having its own significance. For West Wind, she chose navy blue. The gold represents light shimmering on the water, and the 'dove grey' because that was the original colour of Thompson's canoe.

"I left some of the wood grain showing in different shades of strain to embrace the natural wood,"

Inkpen has also volunteered with the Royal Canadian Legion and the Town of Whitby to produce the Honour Our Veterans Banner Project, remembering the faces of local troops who served in the two world wars, a project close to her heart.

"My grandparents were part of World War Two and I wanted to respect that memory," Inkpen says. "I have photos of them on my wall in their uniforms."

The project successfully launched last year with banners featuring 81 local veterans' portraits hung throughout Whitby and Brooklin. This year, there will be an additional 55 banners displayed from early October until just after Remembrance Day.

Wartime music

Inkpen carefully scans each veteran's photo and retouches them. As she works, she sometimes listens to Vera Lynn, a British singer of the

30s and 40s, music she knows they would have listened to.

"It's a visual representation, a reminder. All the faces on these banners are local men and women who went to war. I think it's great to see them all on one street and nice to have the names for the families as well."

At the recent Brooklin Harvest Festival, Inkpen was approached by families who had seen the banners last year: "A few people came up to me and said they saw their grandfather's or father's banner. They loved it and are looking forward to seeing them this year."

Family connection

"My husband's grandparents, Harry Inkpen and Lorne Atkinson, have banners as well. They were heavily involved in Whitby. It's also brought awareness to the kids, by seeing the Inkpen name and they ask questions."

In honour of the 100th anniversary of Vimy Ridge, a major battle, on April 9, 1917, Inkpen made sure there were two soldiers who served at Vimy from both Whitby and Brooklin. One of them, Norman George Bailey, did not return, killed



in action in Fresnoy, France at age 26.

"The Banner Project encourages people to walk around the downtown area and find their banner, or learn more about who these people are and were," Inkpen says.

To learn more about Emma's paddle for Algonquin Outfitters, Paddle Art Contest & Auction, visit algonquinoutfitters.com/paddle-art-contest-emma-inkpen.

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The tournament again took place at Columbus Golf Course, with post golf festivities at Shoeless Joe's in Brooklin. The winning foursome was the group "Team Beets" with a score of -13.

For a recap of the day, view the video at vimeo.com/233423040 or visit WolfpackGolfTourney.com.

Blooming in Brooklin By Ken Brown

Summerly for Gardening



We all knew it would happen: summer has arrived. We're past the middle of September and the temperature has consistently been in the 20s with the weatherman saying this is going to continue. Mother Nature really does like to mess with our heads - and gardening habits.

The standard rule was to sow grass seed early in September so it could more easily germinate in cooler, moister days. It would have germinated fine in our August. But now we'd have to turn on the sprinkler every day to get the needed moisture. Let's not worry about the grass and just enjoy this glorious weather.

Peony puzzler

I have a large peony to move and this is the time of year to do it. They have magnificent roots and I'll be attacking it with a shovel, not a trowel. It will probably take a metre wide hole to get most of the root out of the ground. Then the decision: Do I replant it elsewhere, as is, or do I divide it into a few smaller pieces? It's an expensive itoh, or intersectional, peony so getting homes for the extra pieces would not be difficult. It's never performed well in its current location and the garden renovation and downsizing, this year's project, provides the impetus to move it.

It will find a new home in the front

beds where I've been digging out a few perennials that are just too invasive and require me to remove sections of them every year. That kind of repetitive gardening is not part of my lower maintenance plan. I'll miss the tall pink blooms of the Japanese anemone but they're just too aggressive. The peony can have some of their space while a large flowering perennial hibiscus will provide the autumn colour. The frothy pink filipendula has also departed for the compost heap for the same reason, its mid-summer bloom replaced by something less aggressive.

Bacon?

In the vegetable garden, the bacon made a late appearance this year. Well, it doesn't actually appear in the garden but the only time I buy it is to make a bacon and tomato sandwich and those tomatoes were in no hurry to turn red this summer. I do have a wealth of them now and the weather is ripening them faster than we can fry the bacon.

The "Assistant" gardener did ask about the number of pepper plants this spring. She may have had a point as we now have a plentiful supply. My famous Pillar of Peppers (details on gardening-enjoyed.com) has been successful and peppers now seem to show up at every meal. They're a great addition to a breakfast omelette.

Veggies thriving

The fall planting of cool weather vegetables seems to be thriving and we're already enjoying some early pak choi. They're growing in my sub-irrigation containers and they love the constant supply of water and nutrients.

Saving the best for last, now's the

time to choose a supply of spring flowering bulbs. You want to be ready to plant them in a couple of weeks when the first frost has knocked down the annual flowers. I've shown great restraint and only ordered a few hundred this year. I think a couple of hundred Crocus are destined to be planted in the new backyard grass.

Our Councillor's Report by Rhonda Mulcahy

North Ward Councillor, Town of Whitby • mulcahyr@whitby.ca

Please Slow Down



Traffic safety remains the number one concern at the door. It garners the most calls and causes the most stress among residents. Social media posts reflect the rage, yet the community is at a loss as to how to deal with it.

Here's the sad irony. Nearly 100% of speeding tickets issued by police on residential streets go to folks living in the area. I once had that three year old who took great pleasure in bolting towards the road. For a parent, it's terrifying and it still terrifies me as a driver. I avoid school bell times everywhere in Brooklin when I'm driving.

There is, however, one way to address the issue.

Signs

You may have noticed bright yellow signs popping up in the neighbourhood imploring drivers, "PLEASE SLOW DOWN." These are not a Town of Whitby initiative. It is something that the four ward councillors (Steve Yamada, Chris Leahy, Michael Emm and I) have done on our own. It's an idea stolen from areas of Toronto and Ottawa where it seems to bear results.

The reason it isn't a Town initiative is because it may only provide temporary results. As drivers get used to the signs, they stop noticing them.

Change habits

However, my theory is that if we are dealing with local drivers, we're actually trying to change their driving habits. Research tell us it takes roughly 28 days to change a habit and twice that to make it stick. I'm going to suggest neighbourhoods work together to strategize. Perhaps as an example, we could take down the signs for a week or two between Thanksgiving and Halloween so that when they go back up before Halloween, they have maximum impact.

In installing these signs my crew has been careful to install them only on private property and not to impede traffic sight lines. I ask to do the same.

Other traffic tools

While a great initiative, it has also enabled me to talk again about the tools we have at our disposal. The Pace Car program is another proactive approach where you register



as a Pace Car and literally set the pace as you drive the **speed limit** through town. Road Watch and the DRPS are reactive tools. Both can result in dealing with drivers who speed. The signs, though, are an additional proactive approach that will discourage speeding in the first place. I should add I've had a few police officers request them for their lawns, so I sense they also support this initiative.

More on the way

My first sign order was 150 signs. After a couple of social media posts, they were gone within five hours. I have since ordered another 150 and have started working my way through the waiting list. I should have this complete by the time you read this with very few, if any, left over. As I install them on streets, I'm constantly approached for more. It's become a rather large but entirely positive task as we work together for solutions. I'm uncertain as to when the next order will be, but you can yourself to the waiting list at slowdownbrooklin@gmail.com.

Macedonian Village

An aside to my friends in Macedonian Village, but still traffic related. Through our staff, we have asked Durham Region for a temporary traffic light at Coronation Road and Taunton Road while Country Lane remains closed for 18 weeks for servicing. I understand your dilemma and encourage you to find a safe route around. In the meantime, the contact at the Region to voice your concerns is, ----- . Alternately you can always send this through your Regional representatives on council. Emails are always last name, first initial @whitby.ca as mine shows above.



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Two month old Preston shows off his new fire hat



Elliot Thompson, Age 9, checks out a Whitby firetruck



Christine Andrews with son Simon, age 8, on the Optimist Club wagon ride



Brooklin vendors Emma Inkpen (left) and Cathi Westrop were all smiles in their booth



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