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Town plans meetings to decide ward ballot question

Aurorans will soon be asked to express their opinions on implementing a ward system for future terms of council at public meetings to be held this year.

Last week Mayor Phyllis Morris recommended that a town hall meeting be held "with a view to solicit input from the public about a ward system for Aurora as soon

as possible."

"The purpose of that is that we could get some information out to the public," she said. "It would give us a sense of who is interested and give us some diverse opinions to take into consideration."

The move comes after town staff reported back to council

recently over an outstanding issue from the previous council meeting January 26.

At January 26's meeting, Councillor Stephen Granger asked staff to report back to the next general committee with a report on the various means of getting a ward system question on the ballot, as well as the out-

comes faced by council depending on the question's wording.

Councillor Granger's draft question was, "Should council explore the merits of implementing a Ward system for Aurora during the next election term? Yes or no?"

When the question was originally brought forward, some councillors were concerned over the nuances of such a question, whether it would be considered a binding referendum or simply a question to get the views of the electorate.

"If the question on the ballot is 'Do you want a ward system or not?' and the ultimate answer is yes, what are the repercussions?" asked Councillor John Gallo. "Does that give council a mandate to go forward without question?"

According to Aurora Clerk

John Leach, in order for a referendum question to be binding, at least 50 per cent of the eligible electorate must turn out to vote, with a clear majority voting in favour of the question.

One public meeting would have to be held at least by early Spring, as the deadline for council to approve a ballot question is April 28.

Similar issues brought forward at previous meetings were again at the table last week as councillors hammered out the true intent and ramifications of including this question on the ballot.

"I'm getting a sense that the issue is getting some feedback in terms of whether Aurora wants a ward system," said Councillor Gallo. "I'm questioning the medium in which we do that. We could

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Petch House: save or demolish it, is question facing councillors

Repurposing Aurora's Petch House would prove to be costly, according to a report by Ilmar Simanovskis, Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services, but councillors have proposed alternative means for the building living on in the community.

Councillors were torn about the future of the house after the report on cost estimates for preserving the structure was handed down at last week's general committee meeting.

The report followed Council's direction to obtain an estimate on dismantling and reconstructing the house for use as a storage facility, or facility combined with potential office use.

According to the report, three viable options were available for the building sitting on Leslie Street.

The first was to dismantle and reconstruct the house for office and storage space for \$440,000.

The second was to dismantle and reconstruct the house for storage use only which came with a \$415,000 price tag.

The cheapest option available to the town based on the estimate was to dismantle the house to store for future use for \$51,500 excluding the cost of storage, which would have amounted to \$7,000 yearly if additional storage space was required.

The Town approached the Aurora Minor Baseball League as well as Aurora Minor Soccer to



ABANDONED PETCH HOUSE SITS ON LESLIE STREET

gauge their interest in using the house as office or storage space at Stewart Burnett Park.

Interest from these parties was minimal.

Councillors, however, balked at the price tag that would face taxpayers.

"Never would I support a dime being spent on this!" said Councillor Al Wilson at the meeting. "I could not look the taxpayer in the eye and say this is tax money well spent. We have no use, we don't know what we're going to do with it, we can't put it anywhere, nobody wants it, and we've been haggling with a deci-

sion for four years. Even the thought of spending \$100,000 on this.... Somebody would have to come up with a pretty strong rationale. I would never be supporting money for this."

Councillor Bob McRoberts said he shared the same "gut" sentiment as Councillor Wilson, but said creating a historical site or preserving a portion of the house was something the town should consider.

"Perhaps we take part of this building and erect some sort of monument or memorial of some sort to say, 'Here stands the Petch

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Briefly

Nearly sold out

According to the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, this year's edition of the Aurora Home Show is almost sold out.

The popular show, set to run this year April 16, 17 and 18, is held on both ice surfaces of the Aurora Community Centre.

So, if you are interested in a booth or Marketplace table you should call Nancy at the Chamber office at 905-727-7262.

By the way, the Chamber is also looking for volunteers for the ticket and chamber booths. Nancy can help with that, too.

Family Day

Next Monday is Family Day...a holiday, and the Town of Aurora has big plans for the afternoon.

You can see the newly remodelled Aurora Cultural Centre (Church Street School) from 1 - 4.30 p.m. and attend a variety of cultural activities for all ages.

From 1 to 2 p.m. "A Glimpse of Chinese Culture" crafts workshop will be held.

From 2.15 to 3.15 a Celebration of Black History Month will occur with stories from "The Lion King".

From 3.30 to 4.30 p.m. artist Deborah Campo will hold a mixed media workshop.

There is no cost for this program, but officials advise it's wise to pre-register, and you can do that by contacting the Cultural Centre at 905-713-1818.

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Visions, an art exhibit by Christine Valentini, will continue at the Skylight Gallery in the Aurora Town Hall until February 26th, weekdays from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

The Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 8 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North in Aurora. Visitors are welcome for only \$2. For more information call Ray at 905-727-6168.

York Highlands Chorus is an award-winning a cappella Sweet Adelines chorus, a group of women who gather Tuesday evenings at the Old Firehall, Newmarket, to sing, share in the harmony of friendship and learn the barbershop art form. York Highlands is always looking for new women who share the love of a cappella music. Call Karen at 905-726-2113 or Vikki at information@yorkhighlands.com.

The Upper Canada Chordsmen, Aurora-Newmarket's award winning chorus, is looking for male singers. The group sings about love, friendship, family, humour and brotherhood and meets every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Old Firehall, 140 Main Street South, in Newmarket.

The Optimist Club of Aurora meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Aurora Legion. New members are welcome. Call 905-727-5012 for more information.

The Aurora Lions Club meets the second and fourth Thursdays at the Aurora Lions Hall, corner of Mosley and Victoria Streets. Co-ed club welcomes new members. For further information, call 905-727-6079.

Every Thursday, Martha's Table serves home-made soup, sandwiches, and dessert in St. Andrew's Hall at the Presbyterian Church, corner of Mosley and Victoria Street. Cost is minimal, and the volunteer-run program enabled the church to give more than \$5,000 to local charities in 2008 alone. You can enjoy lunch, conversation, and a sense of community between 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. weekly.

The York Regional Police Male Chorus is looking for new members. You do not have to be a police officer nor are you required to read music to volunteer. The group rehearses Monday evenings between 7.30 and 9.30 p.m. For further information, contact the chorus supervisor at 905-727-9676 or the coordinator of volunteer services for YRP at 905-830-0303, extension 6717.

Aurora's Air Cadets meet every Tuesday night at Cardinal Carter School from 6.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., and offer a program for 12 years and older boys and girls.

Aurora Opera Childrens Chorus welcomes treble voices. It is a choir dedicated to nurturing and providing opportunities for children to express their musical abilities. The chorus is open to boys and girls ages 5-17. Contact the general director at keepsinging@rogers.com

Community Home Assistance to Seniors (CHATS) is looking for volunteers to assist with the activities in its Adult Day Program. The positions call for a commitment of a few hours a week at its Aurora location. Various times are available. Call Christine at 905-713-3494.

Every Wednesday from 6.30 to 8 p.m. the Pioneer Club for boys and girls, age three to Grade 4 and the Junior High Club for boys and girls, Grades 5 to 8, will be held at the Aurora Cornerstone Church, 390 Industrial Parkway South. For more information call 905-841-8884.

A drop-in centre will operate every Wednesday at the Community Bible Church on Bathurst Street just south of Henderson from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information e-mail Judy Hoffmann jhoffmann@sympatico.ca.

Scottish Country Dancing on Tuesday evenings at 8.15 p.m. at the Aurora Heights Public School and on Friday mornings at St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church beginning at 10.30 a.m. No partners are needed and beginners are welcome.

Aurora Rotary Club meets every Monday at 6.30 p.m. at Gabriel's on Yonge Street. New members are welcome. For further information call 905-841-1352 or 905-713-9356.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge 148 meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at 15216 Yonge Street, south of Wellington. For more information call 905-830-9205.

Masonic Rising Sun Lodge meets the first Thursday of each month at the Rising Sun Temple, 57 Mosley Street, Aurora at 7.30 p.m.

Robertson Masonic Lodge meets the third Saturday each month at 57 Mosley Street at 10.30 a.m. Coffee Club at 9 a.m. and lunch at noon. Call 905-727-3032 or 905-727-1080 for more information.

Gamblers Anonymous meets every Tuesday night at Trinity Anglican Church, Victoria Street, at 7.30 p.m.

Progressive Euchre every Thursday night at the Aurora Legion at 7.30 p.m. Call 905-727-9932.

Canadian Federation of University Women holds monthly meetings at the Aurora Legion with a variety of speakers. Contact Beverley at 905-727-2151.

The Aurora Seniors Evergreen Choir practice in the West-McKenzie Hall of the Seniors' Centre, every Wednesday from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. under the direction of Enid Maiz.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Book launch for "Vision Speak", written by Aurora author Eden Remme Watt, will be held between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Aurora Cultural Centre (Church Street School, at the corner of Church and Victoria). The event will be held in the Research Room which houses

the Aurora Historical Society's book collection. The Cultural Centre is just opening and this will be the first book launch held there. Local Bookseller R & R Revisited will be onsite to sell copies of "VIsion Speak".

Amnesty International meets at Trinity Anglican Church in the Rectory (house east of parking lot), 79 Victoria St. at 7.30 p.m. New members are welcome. For further information call 905-713-6713.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

A benefit coffee house for Doctors without Borders serving in Haiti will be held at St. Andrew's Church, corner of Mosley and Victoria. The event, which begins at 7:30 p.m., features music, readings, and refreshments. Call 905 713-3203 for more information.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

It's Family Day at the Whitechurch-Stouffville Museum on Woodbine Avenue from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2. Call 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337 for further information.

Arctic Adventure at Aurora's Town Park, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Countless activities available.

The afternoon is packed with events at the Aurora Cultural Centre today. From 1 to 4:30 p.m. there will be a variety of cultural activities for all ages. From 1 to 2 p.m., "A Glimpse of Chinese Culture" will take place, followed by A Celebration of Black History Month from 2.15 to 3.15 p.m. From 3.30 to 4.30 p.m., a mixed media workshop will take place. There is no cost for this program. Call 905-713-1818 or click on www.auroraculturalcentre.ca to register as space is limited.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

The annual general meeting of the Aurora Historical Society will be held at the Church Street School Cultural Centre beginning at 8 p.m. The meeting will be held in Brevik Hall and will include a review of the society's work in 2009.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Today is Ski Day for the Aurora Chamber of Commerce. The annual event will again be

held at Osler Bluffs Ski Club in Collingwood. The cost, \$115, includes return bus trip from and to Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket, a lift ticket, lunch and apres-ski events. The day begins at 7 a.m., ends at 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

The Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society presents its Dessert Competition and Social Meeting at the Aurora Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North, beginning at 8 p.m. All visitors welcome for \$2.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

The annual Sponsor-A-Student luncheon will be held today at the Tuscany Event Centre from 11.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Guest speaker is Bob Abrames and his topic is "Is Your Team in One Canoe?" Cost is \$40 for chamber members; \$50 for guests; and \$30 for students.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

As part of its Montessori Week celebrations, the Aurora Montessori School will host a Juvenile Diabetes community event at the school, 330 Industrial Parkway North from 7 to 8 p.m. Officials say the event has two goals: to raise money for juvenile diabetes research and the inform the community about the facts of the disease.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Trinity Anglican Church on Victoria Street in Aurora presents the 90-male voice Tri-City Gospel Chorus at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Pancake Brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vandorf Community Centre - 14663 Woodbine Avenue. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$2 for children. For further information, call 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337.

APRIL 23 AND 24

Aurora United Church spring rummage sale at the church, 15186 Yonge Street at Tyler. Times on April 23 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., the individual sale and April 24 from 9 a.m. to noon for the bag sale. For further information, call 905-727-1935.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

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Grade 7 students at Aurora's Lester B. Pearson public school came up big for the residents of Haiti when they presented this cheque to Aurora Rotarian Jordan Rice, third from left in the top row. While the cheque was more than \$2,000, the students actually raised \$2,423. Students sold Skittles and sought donations as part of their geography unit relating to natural disasters. At a school concert held Thursday night, there was an audi-visual presentation created by the students relating to the Haitian earthquake. Rotary Club will use the money to purchase Shelter Boxes for homeless Haitians.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Speed proposal raises eyebrows

Aurora Council, in general committee last week, narrowly gave the green light to a new bylaw regarding speed limits on Mavrinac Boulevard, a bylaw which raised some eyebrows at the table.

According to a report from Ilmar Simonovskis, Director of Infrastructure and Environment, the motion called for a speed limit change to the first block at the north end of Mavrinac from the typical 40 km/h to 50 km to provide a speed "transition" from the faster main streets.

St. John's Sideroad and Wellington Street bookend the thoroughfare.

The move, however, was met with some scepticism by Mayor Phyllis Morris and some councillors.

"I don't understand the speed transition," said Councillor Al Wilson. "You have to slow down or stop when you turn off Bayview or St. John's when you turn onto Mavrinac, so your speed is already going down to zero almost. We have houses as you go in there, so why would you allow people to go 50 km/h for the first block and then go down to 40 when you get to the second block?"

Mayor Morris said she would not support the motion.

"So I can drive up at 50, I can slow down to 40, and then I can speed up to 50, and then hit a main road?" she asked the Director.

Mr. Simonovskis explained that other roads in this development have similar speed limit structures where internal roads meet primary roads such as Wellington Street and Bayview Avenue.

These structures, he said, were already approved by council when the area was at the development stage.

The bylaw before coun-

cil last week, he said, was intended to close gaps in area speed limits overlooked by existing bylaws.

An identical speed transition at the south end of Mavrinac where it meets Wellington had already been approved under previous bylaws.

Mr. Simonovskis said he was unaware of the town receiving any complaints from area residents over the existing

traffic structure.

The bylaw narrowly passed by one vote and is likely to be discussed again at a future council meeting.

An option was left for councillors to change all speed limits within this development to 40 km/h in the future.

"This development is the only development that has this 50 kilometre transition," said Mr.

Simonovskis. "It's not typical in the town. Through the planning process, the application was made this way. I don't know the history of why it was made this way, and I did want to inform council. If council wants to change it all to 40 km/h, that is a solution, but we're not recommending that."

The bylaw was expected to be read again at this week's council meeting.



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Borje, hopefully, will join such hockey greats as Glenn Anderson, Steve Shutt, Bryan Trottier, Dale Hawerchuk, Billy Smith and Bobby Hull when they meet the Ontario Law Enforcement Torch Team in an exhibition game at 7 p.m. Monday, February 15, in that funny town up the road, uh, oh yeah, Newmarket.

It's the 21st anniversary of the Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge.

The game will be played at the Ray Twinney Recreation Complex.

The complex is located on Eagle Street West, beyond the courthouse. From Aurora, take Yonge Street north to Eagle, turn left and watch for the sign.

And I have tickets to this Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge, which I would use myself, but I'm on holidays that week, so a hockey game will be the furthest thing from my mind.

So, if you want them, call The Auroran at 905-727-3300 anytime between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Referee Ron Hoggarth will add to the competitive spirit, fun and antics of the game.

The Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge is designed to give fans and players an opportunity to celebrate a common joy of the game while at the same time giving much needed funds to worthy organizations. A portion of the proceeds from each ticket will go to the Ontario Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

The Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge will also feature laser shows, Crazy Claude - the trumpeter, the Call to Recycle Tykes and local figure skaters as part of a memorable family fun event.

As an added feature, all fans, if you have an Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge ticket, are invited to bring their skates and participate in a pre-game public skate with some of the Legends on Monday, February 15, between 5 and 6 p.m.

The Oldtimers' Hockey Challenge is family fun entertainment appearing in more than 40 cities from coast to coast in Canada...even if Newmarket is not a city.

It's the most successful tour of its kind in North America and raises money for charity in each arena it visits.

If you miss out on the free tickets, they will be available at the door, one hour before the start of the game and sell for \$20, plus tax.

If you have a hockey team and you'd like to take all the players, discounted multiple tickets are available by calling 1-800-268-7371.

Here's a bit about some of the players who are scheduled to appear.

Gary Leeman, for example, played in more than 700 games between 1983 and 1997 with Toronto, Calgary, Montreal, Vancouver and St. Louis.

He became the second player in Leafs history to score 50 goals, and was on one Stanley Cup team in Montreal in 1993.

Rick Vaive was one of the Toronto Maple Leafs' all time leading scorers as a 50-plus goal scorer. Vaive was captain in the early 80's. He played a total 13 years in the NHL with Vancouver, Toronto, Chicago and Buffalo.

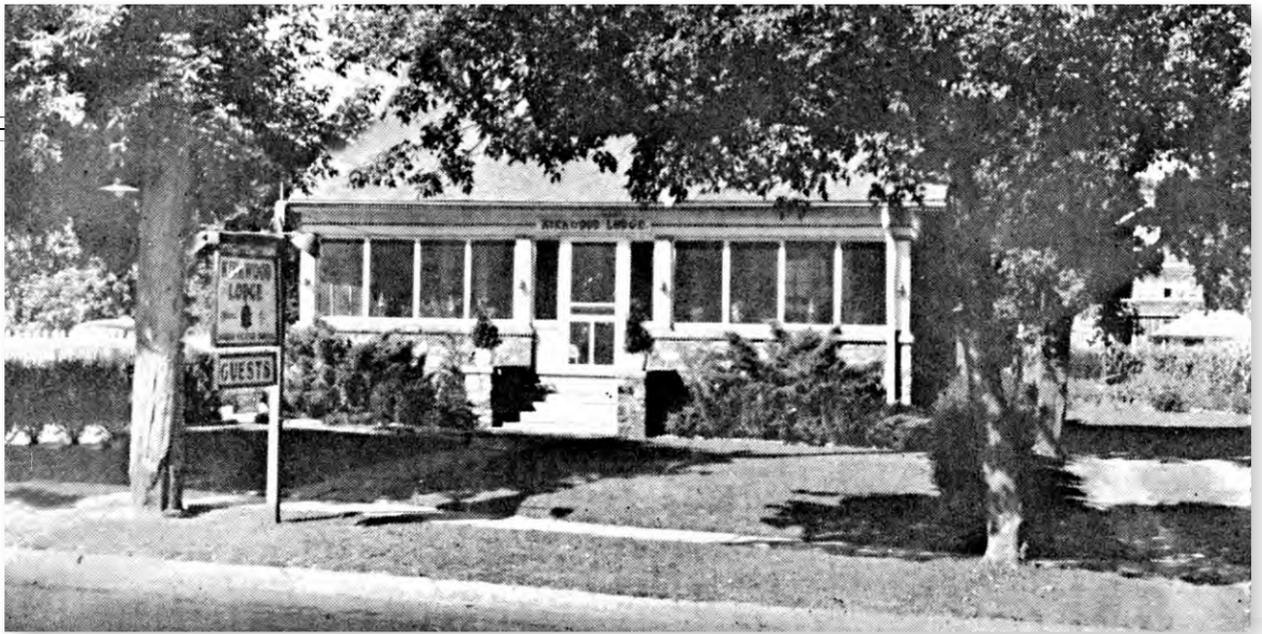
Steve Shutt blossomed into one of the highest-scoring left wingers in NHL history. In nine of his 13 seasons, he scored 30 or more goals. He won five Stanley Cup championships and a Canada Cup. Salming opened the NHL gateway to Swedish hockey players. A six-time NHL All-Star and Toronto's career assist leader, Salming was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1996 and had his jersey honoured by Toronto.

Bobby Hull was considered the strongest player in league history.

Known as the 'Golden Jet', he led Chicago to the 1961 Stanley Cup, and was awarded NHL All-Star status 12 times. This year his son, Brett, was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame, making them the first father - son team inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Ron Hoggarth, the referee, officiated in the NHL for 23 years. He refereed 1500 games, three Stanley Cups and three All-Star games.

With any luck, all the above players will be in Newmarket next week.



In its day, it was known as Kirkwood Lodge, and it occupied space on Yonge Street in Aurora, better known then as Highway 11. These two views came from postcards showing the lodge in its heyday, back in the 1940s. The building is still there on the west side of Yonge, south of Kennedy, today occupied by Neighbourhood Network staffers. The winner of the mysterious mayor is Pat Timms of Aurora. The answer was Dr. E. J. Henderson. She wins lunch for two at the Aurora Legion.

Letter to the Editor

Bylaws serve complainant only, this reader maintains

To the editor,

The Aurora residential bylaw system is flawed.

The system is complaint driven meaning it only serves the complainer.

I have run a small mail order business from my home in Aurora since 1998.

The business was in my home in south Aurora from 1998 to 2005.

I then moved to another house in Aurora in 2005 and have run my business here until now.

A bylaw officer came about a year ago on a complaint and was satisfied I was doing nothing wrong. Fast forward to now and a second bylaw officer visits and I have now been given 30 days by the town to move my business out of my home and relocate it somewhere else.

My wife and I bought a house larger than we needed to accommodate the business and now we are going to have to rent a place to conduct it.

This added overhead may force us to sell our home and downsize because one neighbor decided he didn't like the fact there was a business operating quietly next to his house.

I made the mistake of telling him what I did for a liv-

ing during a friendly "over the fence" conversation one time.

Not long after that the town was knocking at my door.

To add insult to injury it turns out that if I had stayed at my previous home I could have continued to operate the business within the law.

One of the bylaws pertaining to my specific case states that if a legal business has been existing in a residence as of Nov 15, 2001, it may continue to exist there but because I changed locations (even within Aurora) I cannot continue.

This bylaw is part of the "Oak ridges moraine" rules that came into effect Nov 15, 2001.

I support the "saving the moraine" way of thinking but I don't get how having a bunch of boxes in my garage affects the moraine in any way.

Maybe someone else could shed the light on this?

To the good people of Aurora who are running small businesses from their homes started after Nov 15, 2001, beware!

Be it Avon, Pampered Chef, Amsoil, bookkeeping or computer repairs, etc. one call or e-mail from your neighbor to the town will close you down.

I am told by the bylaw office, has no appeal process.

If you actually read the residential bylaws (I have read my fair share recently due to this situation) you would find that we are all breaking bylaws, be it outdoor storage, shed location, park-

ing, noise, etc.

But unless someone complains, the bylaws do not apply to you.

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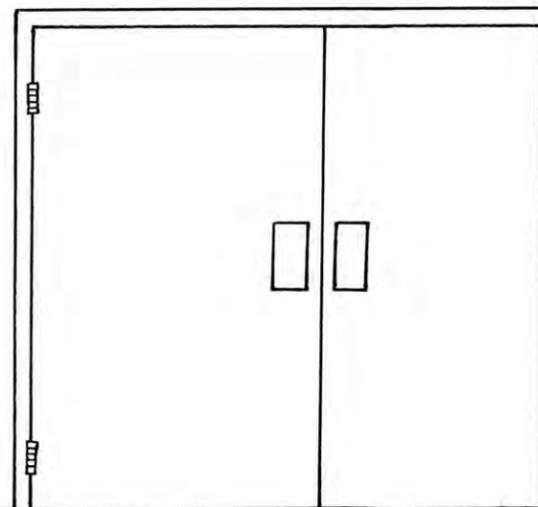
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Front Porch Perspective

By Stephen Somerville

Those loyal readers may recall a series of columns I penned some time ago about general land use issues in Aurora.

The two main things that this writer came away with after some rudimentary research was that Aurora is expected to share in the York Region intensification burden and that there is not a lot of land left in this town for development.

The municipal intensification calculation prepared by York Region shows Aurora having an additional 2,800 residential units by 2031.

These residential dwelling numbers are over and above the average of 431 residential units that have been constructed each year in Aurora between 1986 and 2006.

This translates to an average annual addition of 116 units until 2031 or a 27 per cent annual increase in residential dwelling construction.

However, according to the good folks at the Town planning department, only 11 per cent of Aurora's land is left for development, and 11 per cent does not sound like much, especially if one considers that the population of Aurora is expected to grow significantly.

Aurora has a current population of approximately 50,000.

Our population has more than doubled since 1986 and is expected to grow to 56,000 by 2011 and to 75,400 by 2026.

But this whole issue raises many questions: to wit, are the additional 2,800 units of the right mix for our Town?

Will these units ensure that Aurora has affordable housing?

And finally, the question I want to deal with now, what about legalizing the use of basement apartments in Aurora?

Currently, basement apartments are illegal in Aurora.

Second suites are legal in both Newmarket and East Gwillimbury, while Markham decided against the proposition last year.

But it looks like things are about to change in Aurora.

Aurora, apparently, is on the verge of accepting second suites after years of exploring this issue.

Some background.

In 2004 a Secondary Dwelling Unit Task Force was established by council, then later dissolved.

The reinstatement of the Secondary Dwelling Unit Ad Hoc Committee was discussed in 2007, but did not occur.

However, a public meeting on secondary units was held in the fall of 2008, and another public meeting was held last week.

According to the notes of the 2008 public meeting, Town Planner, Fausto Filipetto, addressed council to provide an overview of the matter of second suites.

The Policy Planner outlined some benefits of legalized second suites as follows:

- Provides assistance in achieving intensification targets.
- Makes efficient use of existing housing stock and infrastructure.
- Provides affordable rental housing options.
- Ensures that health and safety standards of the Building and Fire Codes are being met.

Some barriers of legalized second suites:

- Public reaction regarding property standards and parking.
- Impacts of increased density on hard and soft surfaces.
- Cost of construction upgrades to meet the current Building and Fire Codes.

Mr. Filipetto advised that many second suites are already in existence and that there is little evidence to show that legalizing them would result in a dramatic increase.

The meeting held last week was not well attended, but according to a report, most of the comments were "encour-

Basement apartments

aging" while a couple of the worries "included on-street parking and an increase in garbage to pick up".

Also, "a fee for the registration and required inspections has yet to be set...it would be likely in the \$100 to \$200 range..."

From a purely selfish point of view, who wouldn't want to see all growth and infill - including basement apartments - stop so that we can try and preserve our community and green spaces - in perpetuity - exactly as it is today.

However, Aurora does not exist in a vacuum; we are part of a larger region that is experiencing tremendous growth.

Of the nine local York Region municipalities, Aurora's share of the population growth will be in the lower end.

So the intensification burden we are being asked to carry, on a relative basis to the other local municipalities, is low.

Basement apartments are only a very small part of our housing solution.

As Tom Pearson, Chairperson, Poverty Action For Change Coalition, wrote, "I'd also like to emphasize we don't see legalized basement apartments as a total solution, per se, but as a partial part of easing the crunch. With the economy in the state it is, those waiting list times will only increase and with affordable housing options not being planned to the level needed, every little bit helps".

Any method to increase the stock of reasonably priced housing in our community needs to be fully explored.

It looks like the motion to accept second suites in Aurora should pass a council vote sometime this month.

I applaud council for this. I just wish this had been done sooner.

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Heard About Town

By David Heard

The blades of the plough drove into the soil creating the furrows that would help support many in the community.

Cows would feed, milk would be dealt off to the cobbler who would trade shoes for cloth and wool to be seamed.

It was an incredible network of neighbours and families championing growth in the early days of Aurora, our "Goddess of the Dawn".

Presently, many gather at "Rise and Shine", an initiative at the Aurora United Church on Saturday mornings at 9.30 a.m.

The guests may not trade wares and their labors as much as stories, talents and dreams.

A community coming together with support and a wonderful positive environment which one guest described as "being on a cruise-ship" as the music wafted through the room and sunshine beamed through the south windows.

One morning I dined on the best French toast I have ever enjoyed and then remembered another meal of delight.

It was a dinner at the Trinity Anglican Church each Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. and the most sumptuous home-style meatloaf.

Or was it the chowder at the Presbyterian Church at lunch

hour Thursdays?

All an abundance of caring that had me recall my love of local history and then the apithany...

"Hey; we are supposed to care this much here".

That plough was the famous Fleury, by the way, that is proudly displayed on our town crest and on its inaugural test it snapped.

Joseph Fleury; the founder, had already been abandoned by his business partner when they first arrived in Aurora from King Township, but this did not stop a citizen from believing in Mr. Fleury's passion.

One hundred of the ploughs were ordered and history was made as Aurora helped furrow its mark on the west.

Also of legends being made are the shoes manufactured here at Sisman's and them making steps of courage and freedoms on the soils of Dieppe and Vimy Ridge.

Flour from Baldwin's Mill was to be deemed the "World's Finest" and branded "Aurora Belle" and was feeding those abroad.

The commitment of people helping people put Aurora on the global scale and caring made a small town of fewer than 4,000 succeed to the likes of cities of 100,000.

Rise and Shine

Factory workers, farmers, all dedicated to passing on the gifts and Church Street School became the pride to educate all who wished to learn and be proud of the growing Town and each other.

Failure was not an option and networking with others was the common interest in the early days here.

With the many outreach initiatives Aurora is an example to many communities, however more is needed.

There will be change, I see the vision of more to come in the capacity of caring.

If you also have stories to share of compassion and caring within our rich past or something that will spook us, please email me at david.heard@astepintime.com.

We will have lunch and chat over a meal but please where it is happy, such as one of the mentioned community events.

Okay, elsewhere is fine, but I do love shortbread and the comfort of a hot tea when I meet a neighbour.

On a side note, "Bouquet" from my mentor Dick who wishes to applaud the amazing efforts of The York Regional Police who saved the life of a friend last week.

My heart also stands to salute your courage.

Letters to the Editor

Not one, but two, plans to recommend

To the editor,

My cold is worse. I absented myself from the last week's general committee meeting and did everyone else a favour.

I still need to read and understand the recommendations. Decisions will be made by Council Tuesday.

We had two versions of a Master Parks and Recreation Plan to peruse this weekend.

How so? you ask.

Aye well, let me tell you.

In March, 2007, council awarded a contract for a Master Parks and Recreation Plan at a price

of \$53,226.88.

In January, 2009, the Consultant's draft was submitted but not to council.

Leisure Services Advisory Committee, chaired by Councillor Evelina MacEachern, received it and the Consultant's presentation.

The draft went to a study group of the committee, including Councillor MacEachern and Ken Whitehurst, the mayor's friend.

No notice of meetings were provided. No records maintained. No staff attended.

A year later, despite

repeated efforts to obtain the first draft, council now has two.

The professional document which cost \$53,226.88. The second from MacEachern and Whitehurst.

The first is 79 pages long, the second 76 pages printed both sides. No doubt, no less than a minimum of 35 copies of each.

Inventory of facilities, compilation of statistics, population forecasts, and community input are the same in both. Recommendations are not. For example:

The consultants refer to

\$5 million collected in levies for a gymnasium and youth facility, should be used for that purpose within the period of the plan.

During the same period, land should be acquired for future sports and recreation needs with funds available.

The Official Plan ratio of parks to people is noted.

MacEachern and Whitehurst disagree. They recommend more studies for the youth facility and land acquisition, and the official plan ratio of parks to people be increased to reduce the deficit reflected in needed facilities.

Normal procedure is for

a consultant to present a draft plan to council.

With any luck, the presentation draws public attention.

Like with all those organizations the mayor likes to invite to take advantage of the camera and public attention to council meetings.

Council can change a draft plan with further input from staff and the community.

Things can change between work commenced, the plan being presented and finally approved.

The study recommended using town-owned Leslie Street lands for recreation. Council has already decided to sell the lands, so that part had to change.

Establishing a level of service to support development levies is extremely

important but the significance is lost in the "revisions".

The Plan never made its public debut.

It spent a year under a shroud, in the tight control of a couple of individuals, MacEachern and Whitehurst and probably the mayor.

It is unlikely to receive further scrutiny from council before final approval.

The necessary town resources were expended to create the plan.

It never saw the light of day until it had been thoroughly worked over by at least two individuals, one of whom, neither elected nor accountable, but with full confidence of Mayor Morris.

Eveyn Buck
Aurora

Lots of money for high school but none for Wells, reader says

To the editor,

Last September the York Region District School Board trustees ignored the wishes of our community and voted to close Wells Street Public School.

Former Minister of Education Kathleen Wynne reviewed an appeal application filed by members of the community and agreed to appoint a facilitator to investigate whether the Board failed to follow the proper process when the trustees made their decision.

There are serious questions about whether the trustees conducted an open and fair process when they closed Wells Street.

The community recruited their own industry experts and spent considerable time and effort developing the case for Wells to be repaired and opened.

Rather than acknowledge this work and engage the community in developing solutions, trustees condoned (through their silence) comments by Trustee Bill Crothers that the people

of Aurora were "damned selfish" and "self-serving" because they wanted to save their school.

Why on earth was the Board willing to spend \$40 million dollars to build Bill Crothers Secondary School in Unionville, but could not find the few million dollars to rebuild Wells Street?

One has to question a decision to spend millions of dollars to build a school in the name of a trustee who so unapologetically lashes out at parents and supporters who care about their community and the impor-

tance of a school like Wells St.

While the people of Aurora were having their tax money siphoned off to build new schools in other parts of York Region, the Board let the Wells Street building deteriorate and then announced they were closing it in case there was an earthquake someday.

The Board's decision is not fair. The Minister of Education needs to direct the facilitator to rebuild Wells Street.

D. Walker
Aurora

Board's decision to close Wells St. unfair, reader says

To the editor,

Re: York Region School Board Trustees vote to close Wells Street Public School.

The York Region District School Board's decision to close Wells Street Public School was not made fairly.

The Accommodation Review Committee unanimously recommended that

Wells Street be rebuilt, but the Board ignored its own Committee and then failed to follow the open and fair process it had committed to.

Thankfully the Minister

of Education has now appointed a facilitator to investigate the process the Board followed.

This is a successful step, not only for Aurora, but for other communities subjected to unfair processes.

Congratulations to my friends and neighbours in Aurora for standing up to the Board.

Kate McKay
Olde Aurora
Ratepayers
Association

Two items on Smitherman's watch

To the editor,

Interesting that Adam Giambrone's "customer-service mess" is an issue, according to George Smitherman, because it occurred on "his watch".

One can't help but compare the TTC's problems to

the messes left behind in the eHealth scandal, costing taxpayers \$1 billion, and the unkept promise to fix the systemic and disturbing problems associated with nursing homes that place the lives of thousands of some of Ontario's most vulnerable persons at risk.

Both of these occurred on then-Health Minister Smitherman's watch.

Ellen Watson
Aurora

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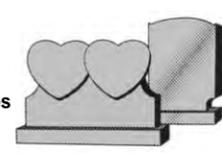
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Aurora woman is star opera singer

By **BROCK WEIR**
Auroran staff

Aurora's Jessica Muirhead did not go out into the world intending to take the opera world by storm. But when she entered McGill University 10 years ago to study voice, opera, she said, found her.

"To be honest, I didn't even think of it as a possibility for a career, really, until University," she said. "In Canada, you just don't think of being an opera singer as a career choice. It's not part of the lawyer - accountant - engineer list of careers, but I had some lucky circumstances and met the right people who encouraged me. I think opera found me."

Ms. Muirhead, 28, is now appearing in the role of Micaëla, one of the four leads in the Canadian Opera Company's presentation of Georges Bizet's Carmen.

Having moved to Aurora at the age of four, Ms. Muirhead said music has always been a part of her life.

Her parents are part of the music ministry at Our Lady of Grace Church, with her mother as a

vocalist and her father on the guitar.

It was while performing with her mother in a production of The Sound of Music that Ms. Muirhead met one person who fell into her "right people" category: Sarah Kyle, of what is now the Aurora Performing Arts Group.

Her meeting with Ms. Kyle proved to be fortuitous in hindsight when she entered McGill.

"I stumbled across Lucille Evans, a voice teacher at McGill, sort of by fluke or the stars colliding, and she was recommended to me by Sarah Kyle," Ms. Muirhead explained. "I had called her up when I got to McGill and asked her who should I put down for my voice teacher and she told me to put down Lucille Evans. That is what changed my life."

In Lucille Evans, Ms. Muirhead said she found a teacher who saw the potential in her and never gave up trying to convince her that one day she could actually make a career from opera.

"At the end of my first year, she said, 'Look, I know you want to switch [courses], but give me

one more year with your voice. I think you have a lot of potential and the right stuff an opera singer needs.' I said, 'Fine, I'll give you another year' and we never had that conversation again." She never looked back.

While at University, she entered into as many singing competitions she could find, from the National Music Festival to the Elora Festival.

She said, however, Montreal's Jeunes Ambassadeurs Lyriques competition gave her the break she was looking for.

"I wound up being the Grand Prize winner of that, and the man who was head of the jury also directed an opera house in Vienna," she said. "[Rudolph Berger] called me up a few months later saying he was considering me for a role in his opera house."

That was her first European gig.

She has now performed all across Europe and North America, in English, German, Italian, French, Portuguese, Czech and Russian, and in countless roles.

After many years, however, one of her earli-

est roles remains her favourite.

While studying for her masters at McGill, Ms. Muirhead first played Donna Anna in Mozart's Don Giovanni.

"I've sung Donna Anna in over 30 performances," she said. "Most sopranos hate that role because it is really, really tough. She's a difficult character because a lot of people think she is wimpy and weepy. But she is so much more complex than that."

"She's challenging, but of all the roles I've sung, I feel that I just get her. I get her character. Vocally, it feels Mozart wrote it for a voice like mine. Oh, I love her! I could talk about her for days!"

In a career that has taken her to so many places and allowed her to explore so many different characters, Ms. Muirhead counts performing in Toronto as her most rewarding experience.

Her first engagement in Toronto was a 2007 production of The Marriage of Figaro as the Countess.

"I had been hired by Richard Bradshaw," she said. "It was already meaningful enough to be able to sing in Toronto on the main stage in the brand new opera house, but to make my Canadian main stage splash, singing this fantastic role on his fantastic stage,

minutes away from my home, so that all of my family could come... and then, on top of that, I was sharing the stage with Russell Braun who had been my idol all through university... that was amazing."

Ms. Muirhead is appearing in Carmen

through February 27 at Toronto's Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts.

Following her Toronto engagement, Ms. Muirhead is making her Lisbon, Portugal, debut revisiting her role as the Countess in The Marriage of Figaro.



Opera singer, and Aurora native, Jessica Muirhead stars as Micaëla in the Canadian Opera Company's production of Carmen. Seen here with co-star Bryan Hymel as Don José, Ms. Muirhead's Micaëla can be seen at Toronto's Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts through February 27.

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Aurora woman is home just "playing the harp"

Aurora resident Martha Cowie says she feels most at home playing the harp.

It's something that has always been part of her life, and is now something she is able to infuse into her work.

Ms. Cowie, 22, is a

part-time resident of Richmond Hill's L'Arche Daybreak, where she works as a personal care worker for adults with intellectual disabilities.

"I use music there all the time," she said. "We do a worship service every Friday night and my

harp stays in the chapel on the main property here."

Music, she said, enriches the lives of residents.

"Many of the people I live with just love listening to music and love being able to get up and dance

and sing," she says. "Having someone who is willing to do that with them is a great way to build relationships."

"One of the things I have definitely learned is that music isn't just a collection of sounds; it's a story and you're supposed to be able to share a story through music."

Ms. Cowie is bringing her harp to the Young Artists' Showcase February 14.

As a student, Ms. Cowie played with the University of Western Ontario Symphony Orchestra for her first two years at the school.

The pinnacle of her musical career, however, has been playing at New York's Carnegie Hall with the Toronto Youth Wind Orchestra as a featured harpist.

"I think Carnegie Hall is the place every musician wants to play at least once in their lives," she said. "I was so blessed to be able to go and play there. It was just incredible to be in a place where so many other amazing musicians have performed. It was humbling."

Ms. Cowie does not consider herself a professional musician because she "just does it for the music".

She has worked as a personal care worker at L'Arche since starting University.

"I was looking for a summer job my first year of university and my mother's best friend lived in this community for three years," she explained. "She suggested it as a place I might enjoy. I've just kept coming back because it's my home."

It won't be her home for much longer, however.

Ms. Cowie is moving to Saskatchewan after mar-

rying in August. Her fiancée is an Anglican priest whose parish is in the province.

At the moment though, Ms. Cowie says she is focused on recovering from a severe bout of tendonitis in her arms so she can get back to music.

"I really want to be able to rest and heal my arms so I will be able to play for the next 40 years of my life," she said. "I just want to enjoy music and share that with the people around me."



Aurora musician Martha Cowie, seen here playing her harp, will be the featured musician in the upcoming Young Artists' Showcase in Newmarket on February 14.

Star reporter speaks to club

A city daily newspaper reporter will speak to the Wednesday gathering of the Aurora Probus Club.

Theresa Boyle, Toronto Star health reporter, will address the monthly meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North.

She has a Masters degree in Journalism from Northwestern University and a BA in economics and politics from the University of Western Ontario.

She has been a reporter at the Star since 1990.

In her newspaper role she has covered political perspectives on long hospital waits and the development of Alternative Long Term Care, a program designed to help free up more hospital beds.

Theresa will speak to other new and interesting developments in health care in the province including increased organ donations through the "domino transplant" project.

The meeting begins at 10 a.m. with the guest speaker scheduled from 11 a.m. to noon.

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Newmarket-Aurora Member of Parliament Lois Brown, left, held a meet and greet coffee event at the Aurora Community Centre Saturday, and learned all about minor hockey. Coach James Scott, in the rear, and four players from the Aurora Canucks Atom Hockey League, Eric Proszanski, James Samson, Jacob LeBlanc and Tyler LeBlanc, spent time with the MP.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Students may join Aurora councillors

Aurora councillors could have two youth counterparts join their ranks as soon as March 1.

The initiative, taken by Councillor Al Wilson and passed February 2, would see two Aurora high school students sit at the council table.

The students - one male and one female - will be selected initially for this pilot project from the Grade 11 classes of Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School and Cardinal Carter Catholic High School.

"There is no attempt to exclude the other schools in Aurora as we are only in a concept development stage of this initiative," said Councillor Wilson.

Councillor Wilson told the meeting of the general committee that when he approached the principals of Aurora's high schools and St. Andrew's College, there was interest and support for the initiative "without exception".

He added though due to time constraints, the two schools have been selected simply for this pilot stage.

"It is unfortunate it was left so late in our term, but I guess that will hang on my hat," he said. "I just wanted to assure you that there's no intent to exclude anyone, but [the idea is] to get a couple of willing participants to help us design and shape [the initiative] and see if there is further interest in this at this point."

The proposed terms of reference slate the youth councillors' term from March 1 through June 30.

According to Councillor Wilson, the purpose of this pilot project is to "engage the participation of youth in the process of local government."

It will also afford youth the opportunity to provide council with "input from this growing segment of our

community" and "ensure that there is a strengthened communication vehicle between council and our youth".

"There is no better time to engage youth than while they are continuing their education and endeavouring to become good citizens participating in their community," he said. "In some cases, these efforts may complement their formal education and required studies at the senior high school level."

The duties of student councillors will include keeping council informed on youth issues, providing input on youth activities, and providing reports to council on their time and experiences at the table in order to adequately expand the program.

Mayor Phyllis Morris said the initiative will not only sow the seeds of civic engagement for youth, but could pave the way for future councils.

"One council gives another council an idea," she said. "It starts with the youth being engaged. We know that many other councils do it this way to engage them."

Town takes advantage of program for its parks

The Town of Aurora is taking advantage of funding from the Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC) program to improve the town's indoor and outdoor recreation facilities.

At last Tuesday's general committee meeting, the town approved proposals for the money going to improving several town parks.

Confederation Park, among other recreational

green spaces, will benefit from the completion of a paved pathway, and the replacement of the park's "shade structure".

McMahon Park and Harmon Park will both see their playgrounds being replaced, while several town parks, including Confederation Park, receive new bleachers.

The plan included one bone of contention for coun-

cillors: the decommissioning of the public washroom in Fleury Park.

The existing bathroom facility will be converted into a storage space, while a replacement structure is built.

"Where will the people go, I mean, literally, where will they go?" asked Mayor Phyllis Morris at the meeting. "To decommission a washroom in this town in a very actively used parkette, you might find a lot of concerns raised."

"The idea is, to a point, where this is such an aged

building that if we want to maintain it as a washroom we would have to put quite a bit of money into it, or we would have to look into another purpose for the building," said Al Downey, Director of Leisure Services. "We will be having some discussions with our user groups and [will] have to come back with a further report."

Construction on the new facility would have to be completed by March, 2011, and Town Staff will seek further public input regarding these projects, he added.

Make a date to fall in love with Moraine

Bring a sweetheart or find a sweetheart with this special Fall in Love Valentine's Day hike brought to you by the Oak Ridges Trail Association (ORTA).

Hiking on the Oak Ridges Trail on Valentine's Day (February 14) is something you can do to woo that someone special or take part in, if you're single, without feeling lonely.

Plan to arrive about 10 minutes ahead of the 1.30 p.m. start, and set aside two and a half hours to hike approximately six kilometres along the main and side tracks of the Oak Ridges Trail at the Eldred King Woodlands.

Hike leader Diana Smyth will set a moderate pace with breaks. Bring water, light snacks, dress in appropriate layers and be prepared with snowshoes, icers or boots with good support and traction. Your dog can join in the fun, but only if he or she is on a leash and well behaved.

To know the moraine is to love it, which is why this Valentine's Day hike will feature added input from hiker Judy Gilchrist who will point out some of the moraine's most endearing features.

RSVP before Valentine's Day, Sunday, February 14, to 416-778-1668 if you intend to Fall in Love with the Moraine.

On the day of the hike, if necessary, call 647-292-6582. Hike participants will meet at the York Regional Forest's Eldred King Woodlands parking lot.

The entrance is on the west side of Highway 48, south of Cherry St., north of St. John's Sideroad, east of Aurora.

All guided hikes offered by the Oak Ridges Trail Association are free to members and non-members alike.

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101 Florida Red Timbits 9. 107 Pittsburgh Powder Blue Timbits 1 - Justin Hicks 1G, Cooper Paterson 1A, Ryan Cariou.

108 Philly Orange Timbits 3 - Cole Nip 1G 1A, Johnathan Avgousti 1G, Nolan Michelberger 1G 1A, Kazuki Negishi 1A, Nathan Mohabeer 1A, Sean Haw 1A, Liam Wilhelm 1A. **104 Los Angeles Purple Timbits 2** - Tommy Green 1G 1A, Christopher Marton 1A, Zoe Rodger 1A, Daniel Walker 1G, Quinn Spicer 1A.

104 Los Angeles Purple Timbits 5 - Christopher Marton 1G 2A, Devon Bourrie 1A, Tommy Green 1G, Eddie Cobbold 1G 1A, Aaron Murphy-Sealy 1G 1A, Quinn Spicer 1A, Aidan O'Toole 1G. **102 Boston Gold Timbits 4** - Ian Hilgendorff 2G, Matthew Pelan 2A, Caden McHenry 1A, Victor Stanica 1G, Stefano Iervasi 1A, Ethan Edwards 1A, Alex Morra 1G.

103 Toronto White Timbits 5 - James Sproul 2G, Riley Klugerman 3G, Evan Ramasra 3A, Joshua Turriff 2A, Anton Sopov 1A, Rory Callaghan 1A. **108 Philly Orange Timbits 2** - Sean Haw 1A, Liam Wilhelm 1A, Nathan Mohabeer 1G, Clayton Hodgson 1G 1A.

107 Pittsburgh Powder Blue Timbits 8 - Ethan Joiner 4G, Jace Jackson 2G 1A, Justin Hicks 1G, Joe Badali 1G, Evan Lajolie 1A, Hunter Edwards 1A. **106 Pittsburgh Black Timbits 1** - Brett Pearce 1G.

101 Florida Red Timbits 6. 105 St. Louis Blue Timbits 5.

407 Pittsburgh Powder Blue HS Financial 5 - James Samson 2G, Cameron Dyer 2A, Matt LeClair 1G 3A, Jacob Leblanc 1G, Keegan Fisher 1A, James Kyreps 1G. **411 Colorado Burgandy Danny's Boys 2** - Patrick Facca 1G 1A, Josh Hookey 1A, Troy Lane 1G.

409 San Jose Teal North York Plumbing & Heating 7 - Niklas Seidel 3G 1A, Chris Walsh 1G 1A, Ben Godber 1G, Jack Chivers 3A, Beckham Georgiou 1A, Jake Polenz 1A, Aidan Burbank 1A, Jack Hosmer 1G 1A, Sean Mackrell 1G. **407 Pittsburgh Powder Blue HS Financial 3** - Matt LeClair 1G, James Kyreps 2G, Tristan Floyd 1A, Pranav Rendalkar 1A, Noah Cepelak 1A, Barrett Scott 1A.

405 St. Louis Blue Laurion Law Office 4 - Jayson Perkins 2G 1A, William Morin 1G 1A, Lucas Alberico 1G, Riley Jackson 1A, Sam Speranini 1A. **411 Colorado Burgandy Danny's Boys 2** - Dylan Clark 1G, Tyler Frise 1G 1A, Troy Lane 2A.

410 Los Angeles Grey McAlpine Ford 6 - Mackenzie Snelgrove 1G 1A, Tyler Justice 2G, Joshua Fallavollita 1G, Adam Vanderkoff 2A, Evan Lambert 2G 2A, Jacob Turiff 1A, Dillon Varone 2A. **406 Pittsburgh Black Compass Ins. Brokers 1** - Justin Miller 1G, Conner Crane 1A.

412 Dallas Kelly Green Aurora Lodge 148 5 - Troy Campbell 4G, David Tonelli 1G 2A, James Freel 1A, Andrew Currie 1A. **404 Los Angeles Purple Mastermind Toys 3** - Cameron End 1G, Owen Bourrie 2G, Jessey Van Soest 1A, Matthew Bolger 1A, Connor MacGrath 1A.

403 Toronto White Optimist Club of Aurora 4 - Hayden Edwards 2G, Nicholas Sever 1A, Kyle Gillies 1A, Callum Correll 1A, Michael Lakotrypis 1A, Jack Dion 1G, Zane Zwicker 1A, Stephen McNeil 1G, David Robertson 1A. **402 Boston Gold Omar's Shoes 2** - Ryan Cameron 1G, Anthony Livia 1A, Christian Ridd 1A, Connor DeVogel 1G, Liam Crone 1A, Ryan Ruuskanen 1A.

401 Florida Red Chouinard Bros. 2 - Dylan McFee 2G, Will Reid 1A, Ryan Vaillancourt 1A. **408 Philly Orange Paragon Asset Management 2** - Jack Campin 1G, Dalton Slind 1G.

412 Dallas Kelly Green Aurora Lodge 148 4 - Andrew Currie 1G 1A, David Tonelli 2A, Troy Campbell 1G 2A, Claudio Basso 1G, Matthew Winters 1G, Jack Campbell 1A, James Freel 1A. **402 Boston Gold Omar's Shoes 2** - Ryan Cameron 1G, Liam DeSouza 1A, Anthony Livia 1G, Evan Bryan 1A.

601 Florida Red Rogers 3 - Joshua Divincenzo 1G 1A, Alexander MacKinnon 1G 1A, Michael Imseis 1G, Michael Dowling 1A. **610 St. Louis Blue Rotary Club of Aurora 2** - Johnny Sherwood 1G, Brenden Ruuskanen 1G, Alex Carter 1A, Christian MacGillivray 1A, Jake McGann 1A.

605 Los Angeles Grey Rival Concepts 4 - Adam Hofmann 1G 2A, Jonathan Jin 1G 1A, Ryan Ouvroules 1G 1A, Ben Kissack 1G. **606 Pittsburgh Black AHPA 2** - Will Ashton 1G, Domenic Fiori 1G, Justin Laird 1A.

604 Los Angeles Purple Swiss Chalet 1 - Emerson Cepelak 1G, Max Bruckner 1A. **607 Pittsburgh Powder Blue Diamond Groundskeeping 1** - Geoffrey Siow 1G, Cole Davison 1A.

602 Boston Gold Tilemaster 6 - Zachary Keller 1G, Riley Callaghan 1G 1A, Andre Cristillo 1G, Rory Hamilton 2G 1A, Paul Mason 1G 1A, Stewart Reid 2A, Marc McCombe 1A, Mitchell Albert 1A, Randy Sutton 1A, Austin Skelhorn 1A, Ryan Batten 1A. **609 San Jose Teal Backyard Pool & Spa 1** - Joey Hodgson 1G, Devon Hope 1A, C. Sreech 1A.

608 Philly Orange Pizza Pizza 5 - Christian Pearce 1G 1A, Micheal Walsh 2G 1A, Matthew Neice 1G 2A, Colin Dyer 1G 1A, Nicholas Pearce 1A, Jack Hughes 2A, Nathan Dinatiale 1A, Grant Kavanagh 1A. **603 Toronto White Aurora Orthodontics 1** - Daniel Cariou 1G, Tyler Wilson 1A, Ethan Mills 1A.

606 Pittsburgh Black AHPA 2 - William Ashton 1G, Anthony Loduca 1G, Giorgio Venosa 1A. **603 Toronto White Aurora Orthodontics 1** - Nick Armour 1G, Jason Ormand 1A.

602 Boston Gold Tilemaster 3 - Rory Hamilton 1G, James Power 1G, Ryan Batten 1G, Zachary Keller 1A, Austin Skelhorn 1A, Mitchell Albert 1A. **607 Pittsburgh Powder Blue Diamond Groundskeeping 1** - Hunter Jones 1G, Geoffrey Siow 1A.

609 San Jose Teal Backyard Pool & Spa 4 - Jordan Sreech 2G 1A, Jake Schacter 1G, Joey Hodgson 1G, Aiden Woolsey 1A, M. Boom 1A. **601 Florida Red Rogers 2** - Patrick Bourrie 1G 1A, Josh Divenczo 1G, Jack Bishenden 1A, Michael Imseis 1A.

608 Philly Orange Pizza Pizza 4 - Nicholas Pearce 1G, Jacob Hagias 1G, Matthew Neice 1G, Micheal Walsh 1G 1A, Colin Dyer 1A, Peter McKerracher 1A, Michael McKerracher 1A, Josh Mohabeer 1A. **610 St. Louis Blue Rotary Club of Aurora 2** - Michael Montesanti 2G, Brenden Ruuskanen 1A, Matthew McGann 1A.

604 Los Angeles Purple Swiss Chalet 3 - Bradley Snoutlen 1G, William Stroud 1G, Max Bruckner 1G 1A, Ryan Donovan 1A. **605 Los**

Angeles Grey Rival Concepts 2 - Ben Kissack 1G, Ryan Ouvroules 1G, Adam Wilson 2A, Evan Nichols 1A.

807 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 2 - Matthew Sanita 1G, Matthew Warner 1G, Ethan Cullen 1A, Kieran Cullen 1A, Mitchell Palmer 1A. **808 Philly Orange Pizza Pizza 2** - Russell Johnson 2G.

802 Boston Gold Manhattan Trophies 5 - Scott Cosentino 1G, Corey Young 2G, Quinn McGowan 1G 1A, Michael Perryman 1G, Michael Liscio 1A, Mitchell Arnold 1A. **809 San Jose Teal 1** - Matthew Pelkola 1G.

808 Philly Orange Pizza Pizza 5 - Johnathan Read, shutout, Elias Jerries 1G 1A, Michael McCreesh 1G 1A, Scott Wheeler 1G, Ben Black 1A, Russell Johnson 1A, Austin Megi 1A, David Roberts 1G. **803 Toronto White AHPA 0.**

812 Dallas Kelly Green 4 - Brandon Plourde 1G, Josh Bell 1G, Matthew Roach 2G, William He 1A, Daniel Wochenmarkt 1A, Andrew Staples 1A. **801 Florida Red A.D.C Aluminum 1** - Joseph Veneziano 1G, Matthew Iamonaco 1A.

804 Los Angeles Purple Caruso & Company 4 - Luc Martineau 1G, Nicholas Romano 1G, Thomas Mcdonald 1G, Kentner Arkell 1G, Mark Pressacco 1A, Jesse Borin 1A, Brian Langdon 1A, Duncan Eveleigh 2A, Tyler Futterer 1A, Chris Downs 1A. **807 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 4** - Matthew Reeves 1G, Neil Duggan 1G, Keenan Hull 1G, Kieran Cullen 1G, Christopher Sanita 1A, Christian Frappier 1.

813 St. Louis White 1 - Jimmy Brookes 1G, Dylan Sutton 1A, Adam Petit 1A. **811 Colorado Burgandy 1** - Tyler Indos 1G.

806 Pittsburgh Black Continental Ingredients 6 - Brian Pedron 1G 1A, Nicholas Bertrand 1G 1A, Robert Ruscica 2G, Eric Bulloch 1G 2A, Scott Taylor 1G, Jonathan Caporusso 2A. **805 St. Louis Blue Orr & Associates 5** - Joel Gouveia 1G, Andrew Begg 3G, Tyler Hindley 1G, Thomas Scougall 1A, Nick Moffatt 1A.

811 Colorado Burgandy 2 - Josh Lawlor 1G, Tyler Indos 1G, Adam De Roos 1A, Lucas Brutto 1A. **801 Florida Red A.D.C Aluminum 2** - Andrew Boehmer 2G, Stephen Faiello 2A, Michael Tanel 1A.

812 Dallas Kelly Green 1 - Josh Bell 1G, Brandon Plourde 1A, Kyle DeSouza 1A. **810 Los Angeles Grey 1** - Graeme Allison 1G, Tyler George 1A.

809 San Jose Teal 3 - Gavin Matheson 1G 1A, Nicolas Marrelli 1G, Cody Child 1G, Austin Boudreau 1A, Brady Wilson 1A, Matthew Pelkola 1A, Jamie Wilson 1A. **813 St. Louis White 1** - Alex Harrison 1G, Keith Jarvis 1A.

802 Boston Gold Manhattan Trophies 5 - Quinn McGowan 2G, Michael Liscio 1G, Kyle Nice 2G, Mac Cawfield 1A. **807 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 2** - Christopher Sanita 1G, Kieran Cullen 1G, Matthew Reeves 1A.

804 Los Angeles Purple Caruso & Company 1 - Chris Downs 1G, Duncan Eveleigh 1A. **805 St. Louis Blue Orr & Associates 1** - Thomas Scougall 1G, Andrew Begg 1A, Tyler Hindley 1A.

803 Toronto White AHPA 1 - Liam Devlin 1G, Bailey Miller 1A, Daniel Antoniel 1A. **806 Pittsburgh Black Continental Ingredients 1** - Nicholas Bertrand 1G.

905 St. Louis Blue 6. 902 Boston Gold CW Coops 2.

901 Florida Red Aurora Chrysler 5 - Robert Bulgaretti 1G 2A, Cameron Albert 2A, William Miller 1G, 1A, Marty Wood 1G, Alex Cackirovski 1G 1A, Andrew Seguin 1A, Chris Fafalios 1G, Shawn Hoffman 1A. **906 Pittsburgh Black Ruff N Redi 5** - Erik Lemaire 3G, Cody Rundle - Sanderson 1A, Connor Flynn 1G 1A, Liam Judges 1A, Ali Akbar 1G, Zachary Cook 1A, Taylor Brewda 1A, Kasey Piper 1A.

904 Los Angeles Purple 3. 903 Toronto White Optimist Club of Aurora 1.

903 Toronto White Optimist Club of Aurora 5. 902 Boston Gold CW Coops 2.

906 Pittsburgh Black Ruff N Red 3. 904 Los Angeles Purple 1.

905 St. Louis Blue 3. 901 Florida Red Aurora Chrysler 3.

1013 St. Louis White 5 - Chris O'Hara 1G 1A, Spencer George 1G, Nick Di Nallo 1G, Jamie Hawkins 2G, Jay Finch 2A, Neil Gaston 2A, Stephen Di Nallo 2A, AJ Howard 1A. **1010 Los Angeles Grey 2** - Matthew Schmitt 1G, Jake Boyle 1G, Ben Slimkowich 1A, Tyler Friars 1A, Nick Zebrowski 1A.

1006 Pittsburgh Black 4 - Benjamin Pringle 1G 1A, Jesse Cappell 1G, Dillon Cappell 2G 1A, Matthew Pellegrini 1A, Ryan Bagshaw 1A. **1004 Los Angeles Purple 2** - Carter Schaefer 1G 1A, Marco Santella 1G 1A, Zachary Andrews 1A.

1007 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 3 - Blair Cuthbert 1G, Aaron Empinen 1G, Tyler Clements 1G, Kenton Gamble 1A, Tyler Clements 1A. **1003 Toronto White CAA 0.**

1002 Boston Gold 4 - Paul Tuck 1G, Jonathan Boehmer 1G, Michael Mourtzanos 1G 1A, Kevin Wheeler 1G, Mark Tanel 1A, Wesley Seminara 2A, Anthony Decesare 1A, Dakota Hendy 1A. **1008 Philly Orange Aurora Home Hardware 3** - Tanner Brewer 1G, Taran McGowan 1G, Sheldon Rivard 1G, Robert Revington 1A, Alexander Dunn 1A.

1011 Colorado Burgandy Graystones Restaurant 4 - Brandon Giniotis 1G, Greg Lacroix 1G, Joe Lombardi 1G, Chase Riddell 1G 1A, Justin Killens 1A, Chris Blumreisinger 1A. **1008 Philly Orange Aurora Home Hardware 3** - Brett Richardson 1G, Christian Davies 2G, Nick Gundert 1A, Taran McGowan 2A, Sheldon Rivard 2A.

1012 Dallas Kelly Green Envirocar 3 - Cody Benson 1G, Liam Martin 1G 1A, Adam Stubbs 1G, Chris Tambos 1A, Jake Hindley 1A, Adrian Tobin 2A, Michael Morson 1A. **1007 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 2** - Madison Weber 2G, Kenton Gamble 1A, Andrew Wilkins 1A, Thomas Gans 2A.

1003 Toronto White CAA 4 - Spencer Palmer 1G, Ian Weston 1G 1A, Matthew Miller 2G, Scott Sturges 1A, Stephen Newby 1A. **1001 Florida Red 1** - Adam Clark 1G, James Harkin 1A, Aaron Nusbaum 1A.

1009 San Jose Teal 8 - Andrew Mangialardi 2G 1A, Liam McGoldrick 1G 1A, Dylan Skelton 2G 1A, Paul Kelly 2G 2A, Cory Blom 1G, Michael Bar 1A, Ryan Jones 2A, Rosario Arcuri 2A, Daniel Fusco 1A, Razvan Vela 1A. **1010 Los Angeles Grey 3** - Ben Slimkowich 1G,

Nick Zebrowski 1G, Tristan Miller 1G, Tyler Friars 2A, Jake Boyle 1A, Matthew Schmitt 1A.

1002 Boston Gold 6 - Wesley Seminara 2G 1A, Michael Mourtzanos 2G 1A, Jonathan Boehmer 1G 1A, Cameron Kearley 1G 2A, Paul Tuck 1A, Mark Tanel 1A. **1004 Los Angeles Purple 3** - Kyle Rojas 1G 1A, Daniel Howie 1G, Cameron Meikle 1G.

1013 St. Louis White 7 - Spencer George 2G, Neil Gaston 1G 1A, Kamran Karamchi 1G 2A, Nick Di Nallo 1G 1A, Alex Thompson 1G, Stephen Di Nallo 1G 3A, Jay Finch 2A, Chris O'Hara 1A. **1006 Pittsburgh Black 2** - Matthew Pellegrini 1G, Matthew Semeredy 1G, Adam Gitto 1A, Robert Horton 1A.

1004 Los Angeles Purple 3 - Daniel Howie 2G, Brendan Strachan 1G, Paul Andrews 1A, Brett Matthews 1A. **1013 St. Louis White 2** - Alex Thompson 1G, Kamran Karamchi 1G, Nick Di Nallo 2A.

1012 Dallas Kelly Green Envirocar 9 - Brett Allen 4G, Michael Morson 2G, Jonathan Alcock 1G, Liam Martin 1G, Cody Benson 1G 1A, Jake Hindley 1A, Daniel Cervone 1A, Jamie Cheruti 1A, Adrian Tobin 1A, Scott Cunningham 1A. **1005 St. Louis Blue Sentia 4** - Andrew Osmond 1G, Colin Munn 1G, Louis Lamanna 1G, Geoffrey Gianopoulos 1G, Marcel Lamanna 1A.

1008 Philly Orange Aurora Home Hardware 5 - Brett Richardson 2G, Christian Davies 1G, Taran McGowan 2G 2A, Robert Revington 3A, Brandon Bortolin 1A, Braydon Dunn 1A, Kyle Ozols 1A. **1009 San Jose Teal 5** - Cory Blom 2G, Paul Kelly 1G, Andrew Mangialardi 2G 1A, Chris Tillsley 1A, Michael Bar 1A.

1010 Los Angeles Grey 1 - Ben Mulholland 1G, Eric Abel 1A. **1007 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 1** - Kenton Gamble 1G, Cameron Annear 1A.

1001 Florida Red 3 - James Harkin 1G, Aaron Nusbaum 1G, Sean Takahashi 1A, Brandon Connolly 1A. **1002 Boston Gold 2** - Wesley Seminara 1G, Jonathan Boehmer 1G, Kevin Wheeler 1A, Mark Tanel 1A.

1006 Pittsburgh Black 3 - Zachary Samonas 1G, Dillon Cappell 1G, Benjamin Pringle 1G, Christopher Waller 1A, Jesse Cappell 1A. **1011 Colorado Burgandy Graystones Restaurant 3** - Chris Blumreisinger 1G, Lucas Cristillo 1G 1A, Andrew Cosentino 1G, Scott Tonello 1A, Ryan Antoniel 1A, Joe Lombardi 1A, Nick DiVincenzo 1A.

1002 Boston Gold 8 - Jonathan Boehmer 1G, Anthony Decesare 1G 1A, Wesley Seminara 2G, Michael Mourtzanos 2G 3A, Christian Avolio 1G, Ryan Brown 1G, Paul Tuck 1A, Mark Tanel 1A, Dakota Hendy 1A. **1013 St. Louis White 2** - Jay Finch 2G, Alex Thompson 1A, Jamie Hawkins 2A, Kamran Karamchi 1A.

1009 San Jose Teal 5 - Daniel Fusco 1G, Paul Kelly 2G, Andrew Mangialardi 2G, Michael Bar 2A, Rosario Arcuri 1A, Chris Tillsley 1A, Ryan Jones 1A. **1006 Pittsburgh Black 2** - Benjamin Pringle 1G, Dillon Cappell 1G, Ryan Bagshaw 1A.

1005 St. Louis Blue Sentia 4 - Caleb Gould 1G 1A, Louis Lamanna 2G, Michael Reilly 1G 1A, Geoffrey Gianopoulos 1A, Marcel Lamanna 1A, Drew Coley 1A. **1010 Los Angeles Grey 4** - Matthew Schmitt 1G, Tyler Friars 1G 1A, Mikhal Khamissa 1G, Ben Slimkowich 1G 1A, Matthew Bishop 1A, Jake Boyle 1A, Nick Zebrowski 1A, Adrian Bulfon 1A.

1007 Pittsburgh Powder Blue 3 - Adrian Clark 1G, Tyler Clements 2G. **1008 Philly Orange Aurora Home Hardware 3** - Christian Davies 1G, Taran McGowan 1G 1A, Tanner Brewer 1G 1A.

1012 Dallas Kelly Green Envirocar 3 - Michael Morson 1G 1A, Chris Tambos 1G, Brett Allen 1G 1A, Curtis Stobo 1A, Jake Hindley 1A, Tyler Cassack 1A, Cody Benson 1A. **1003 Toronto White CAA 2** - Matthew Miller 2G, Scott Sturges 1A, Jordan Fantin 2A, Chris Green 1A.

1011 Colorado Burgandy Graystones Restaurant 4 - Scott Tonello 1G, Chris Blumreisinger 1G 1A, Alex Payne 1G, Lucas Cristillo 1A, Andrew Cosentino 1G 1A, Chase Riddell 1A. **1004 Los Angeles Purple 2** - Daniel Howie 2G.

1001 Florida Red 13 - Adam Clark 4G 1A, James Harkin 5G 2A, David Scott 2G,3A, Kyle McCreedy 2G 2A, Michael Wood 1A, Michael Takahashi 1A, Scott Quagliarini 2A. **1013 St. Louis White 4** - Nick Di Nallo 1G, Jay Finch 2G, Jamie Hawkins 1G 2A, Kamran Karamchi 2A, Chris O'Hara 1A.

Rep League

Ajax White 5. Tyke Select A 1 - Evan Vierling 1G.

Tyke Select A 3 - Samuel Morin 1G, Alexand Imperio 1A, Bryson Posa 1G, Dylan DaCosta 1A, Andrew Langlois 1G. **Ajax White 2.**

Markham 3. Tyke Select B 3 - Justin Hicks 2G, Riley Klugerman 2A, Jace Jackson 1G, Christopher Marton 1A.

Novice AA Tigers 1 - Wesley Reid 1G, Malcolm Johnston 1A, Cooper Judson 1A, Matteo Orlandi, shutout. **Newmarket 0.**

Novice AA Tigers 3 - Malcolm Johnston 2G, Ben Liotta 1G. **Newmarket 1.**

Novice A Tigers 4 - Sam Ashton 2G, Matthew McConnell 2A, Jack Campbell 1A, Myles Vasilevski 1A, Blair Crabbe 1G, Matthew Gram 1G, Diam Matthew and Spencer Morrison, shutouts. **Markham 0.**

Novice A Tigers 4 - Blair Crabbe 2G, Matthew McConnell 2A, Jeremy Gonsalves 2G, Myles Vasilevski 1A, Brendan Sanford 1A. **Bradford 1.**

Orillia 4. Novice AE Tigers 3 - Justin Harbaruk 1G 1A, Alex Sandras 1G, Rony Wahab 1G, Luke Catania 2A, Harris Goan 1A, Owen Romano 1A.

Novice AE Tigers 3 - Justin Harbaruk 1G, Anthony Iacovetta 1G, Harris Goan 1G 1A, Luke Catania 2A, Ryan McCartney 1A, Connor Thomas 1A, Colby Prymych 1A. **Orillia Terriers 2.**

TNT 4. Minor Atom AA Tigers 0.

TNT 3. Minor Atom AA Tigers 0.

Markham 2. Minor Atom A Tigers 1

Nobleking 6. Minor Atom A Tigers 0.

Atom AA Tigers 3 - Morgan Frost 1G, Jack Liotta 1G, Brady Futterer 1G. **Richmond Hill 1.**

Richmond Hill 5. Atom AA Tigers 0.

Richmond Hill 6. Atom AA Tigers 4 - Jack Liotta 2G, Brady Futterer 1G 1A, Ben Langlois 1G, Morgan Frost 2A, Katerina Dajia 1A, Thomas Wilson 1A.

Atom AA Tigers 7 - Brady Futterer 2G, Brennan Young 2G 2A, Jack Liotta 2G, Katerina Dajia 1A, Ryan Thornhill 2A, Thomas Wilson 1A, Morgan Frost 1G 1A. **Richmond Hill 6.**

Atom A Tigers 4 - Thomas Kostoff 1G, Rhys Perry 1G, Alexander Simardone 1G, Kyle Rice 1A, Reid Carpenter 1A, Alex Wyndham-West 1A, Jordan Torres 1G 1A. **Nobleking 2.**

Atom A Tigers 4 - Alex Wyndham-West 3G, Lucas Dane 1G, Thomas Kostoff 2A, Eric McGhie 1A, Kyle Rice 1A, Jennifer Steenhorst 1A. **East Gwillimbury 0.**

Atom AE Tigers 3. Richmond Hill 1.

Atom AE Tigers 4. Richmond Hill 2.

Atom AE Tigers 5. Richmond Hill 1.

Markham 2. Minor Peeewe AA Tigers 1 - Cameron Morrison 1G, Patrick Servideo 1A, Austin Kiraly 1A.

Markham 5. Minor Peeewe AA Tigers 2 - Jack Pecora 1G, Cameron Morrison 1G, James Wyndham West 1A.

Minor Peeewe A Tigers 3 - Evan Cherubini 1G, Bryan Manweiler 1G, Alistair Johnston 1G, Mathew Tyndall 2A, Colin Kostin 1A, Brendin Ramsay 1A, Ryan Coveart 1A, Spencer White 1A. **Innisfil 2.**

Minor Peeewe A Tigers 2 - Matthew Liscio 1G, Evan Cherubini 1A, Alistair Johnston 1A, Cameron Zinner 1G, Brendin Ramsay 1A, Colin Kostin 1A. **Innisfil: 1**

Innisfil 3. Minor Peeewe A Tigers 1.

Minor Peeewe A Tigers 3 - Tristan Kuchar 2G, Jacob Hatton 1A, Alistair Johnston 1A, Spencer White 1A, Matthew Liscio 1G, Jack Bryant 1A, Colin Kostin 1A. **Innisfil 1.**

Newmarket 4. Minor Peeewe AE Tigers 1 - Christian Arcuri 1G, Cameron Anderson 1A.

Peeewe AA Tigers 1 - Chris Klinowski 1G, Jake Appleby 1A, Taylor Lemmon, shutout. **Richmond Hill 0.**

Richmond Hill 3. Peeewe AA Tigers 0.

Peeewe AA Tigers 2 - Nicholas Papousek 1G, Austin Riswick 1A, Braeden Kublick 1G, Jake Appleby 1A. **Richmond Hill 2.**

Peeewe AA Tigers 2 - Jake Appleby 1G, Andrew Klinowski 1G, Eddie Duffy 1A. **Richmond Hill 1.**

East Gwillimbury 2. Peeewe A Tigers 1.

East Gwillimbury 2. Peeewe A Tigers 0.

Peeewe A Tigers 1. East Gwillimbury 1.

Peeewe A Tigers 2. East Gwillimbury 0.

Newmarket 2. Peeewe AE Tigers 1.

Newmarket 4. Peeewe AE Tigers 3.

Minor Bantam AA Tigers 4 - John MacDonald 2G 1A, Spencer Green 1G 1A, Liam Coll 1G, Blake Wallace 1A, Konner McMillan 1A. **Richmond Hill 3.**

Monday night hockey standings

TEAM	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Rec Cycle N' Sports	14	2	3	93	56	31
Highland Chev-Cadillac	11	2	6	75	50	28
Baldwin's	10	8	1	69	71	21
Law Insurance Brokers	9	9	1	59	79	19
Tom & Jerry's	7	9	3	72	77	17
Priestly Demolition	5	9	5	68	76	15
FPL Aggregates	4	12	3	51	58	11
Masterclean Contracting	4	13	2	55	82	10

WEEKLY RESULTS

Highlands Chev-Cadillac	5	Sports	4
Masterclean	2	Tom & Jerrys	1
Priestly Demolition	4	Law Insurance	5
FPL Aggregates	2	Baldwins	4

Rob Blakley, Tom & Jerrys	25	15	40
John Andersen, Rec Sports	18	18	36
Mark Swirla, Priestly	18	15	33
John Archibald, Highland	15	13	28
Doug Adair, Rec Sports	8	18	26
Steve Kavanagh, Baldwins	11	14	25
Ken Fisher, Highland	15	9	24
Scott Thomas, Tom & Jerrys	4	20	24
Ed Kilroy, Rec Sports	17	6	23
Mark Lemmon, Rec Sports	12	11	23
Brad McMillan, Baldwins	12	11	23
Tom Hussey, Masterclean	8	15	23
CraigMcConnell, Masterclean	15	7	22
Peter Briand, Baldwins	8	14	22
Julian Dalcin, Rec Sports	7	15	22
Ed Jackson, Baldwins	8	14	22
Sam Speranini, Tom & Jerrys	12	9	21
Mike O'Connor, Priestly	8	13	21
Mark Sedore, Priestly	12	8	20
Paul Gibson, Highland	9	11	20
Gerry Mackrell, Rec Sports	6	14	20
Alain Boudreau, Highland	6	13	19
Paul Wolanski, Law Insurance	5	14	19
Don Nichols, Law Insurance	7	11	18
Tom Webster, Tom & Jerrys	7	11	18
Stephen McDonald, Law Insurance	6	12	18
John Leader, Law Insurance	11	5	16
Gerald Briand, Baldwins	9	7	16
Patrick Davies, Priestly	4	11	15
Scott Shepperd, Rec Sports	1	14	15
Steve Robertson, Masterclean	6	8	14
Jason Muise, Rec Sports	3	11	14
Ken Heinrich, Rec Sports	2	12	14
Ron Thiessen, Tom & Jerrys	1	13	14
Al Perkins, Priestly	6	7	13
Scott Crabbe, Highland	5	8	13
Steve McBurnie, Priestly	5	8	13
Bill Collings, Tom & Jerrys	1	12	13
Rob Stroud, Masterclean	7	5	12
Jerome Flanagan, Highland	6	6	12
Dave Calverley, Law Insurance	5	7	12
Jason Hurlbut, Rec Sports	5	7	12
Brad Wilson, Tom & Jerrys	5	7	12
Phil Podstatzky, Priestly	4	8	12
Bob Ince, Rec Sports	3	9	12
Ken Rumble, Highland	3	9	12
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Dan Cote, Highland	1	7	8
Jody Mathews, Highland	1	7	8

Tigers split 2 games, still haven't clinched a berth in the playoffs

The Villanova Knights, thanks to a 9-3 drubbing of the Aurora Tigers at the Community Centre Sunday afternoon, were able to clinch a playoff berth in Provincial Junior A hockey.

Tigers are still waiting. A day earlier, Aurora took two points from the Mississauga Chargers winning a less than amicable game 5-3.

Aurora has five games remaining in regular league play, but have seventh place in their grasp, six points ahead of eighth-place Vaughan.

As the OJAHL season entered its final month, the Tigers are now finishing their season's series against league opponents.

Saturday was the last time they would play Mississauga and the game could hardly be described as a nice goodbye, as the two teams had some nastiness in their final session.

Mississauga definitely will not make it to the playoffs.

Aurora came out of the gate quickly and were rewarded with a goal in the first five minutes when Michael Sardella scored.

Three minutes later Sardella did it again.

Midway through the period, Lucas VanNatter passed to Greg Cerilli who sent the Tigers to the dressing room with a 3-0 lead.

The second period was costly for the Tigers when Sloan Stewart was hit from behind in the Chargers zone, splitting his forehead open.

He was gone for the rest of the game.

Nick Vangog, during the resulting powerplay, scored to increase Aurora's lead to four.

While still on the powerplay, Cerilli scored his second of the game.

The Chargers then mounted some offence of their own, getting a goal before the end of the period to see the Tigers in front by four after two periods.

The third period was marred with a lot of after-the-whistle scuffles as the two teams said goodbye to each other for the season.

Mississauga found the net twice more to make it close, but never really were a challenge for the Tigers.

Sunday afternoon, in Aurora in front of only 87 fans, the Tigers were shot out of the sky by the Villanova Knights.

Aurora was outthrust, outhit, outchanced, and inevitably outscored 9-3.

Despite the score the game had the hard, fast tempo of two teams heading for the playoffs.

It started early on the Tigers when a shot got through Curtis Black and laid in the crease until a Knight tapped in the loose puck with just over three minutes gone in the period.

Six minutes later Villanova went up by two.

However, 30 seconds later Adam Moody kept the Tigers close going to intermission.

The wheels fell off the Tigers wagon in the second as they gave up five unanswered goals in the period, the first two by Curtis Black and the next three by his replacement, Stefan Dumaresque.

Greg Cerilli's powerplay goal within the first four minutes of the third didn't amount to much as the Knights went on to score two more including a shorthanded marker that took any wind out of Aurora's sails.

David Morley's marker with just over a minute left in the game was the final tally in a dismal outing for the Tigers.

The Tigers next travel to the Powerade Centre to face

the Brampton Capitals Thursday, February 11 at 7.30 p.m. Their next home game is Sunday, February 11 when they meet Vaughan at 7.30 p.m.

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Public meetings may decide ward question

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probably do the same thing through a series of open houses and public meetings and promote it in that fashion. By putting it on a ballot, are we tying the hands of a future council?"

Mr. Leach said if the referendum question was resoundingly approved, Council would have to do "everything in its power" to implement a ward system for the 2014 - 2018 term.

Councillor Al Wilson said no matter how it's sliced, the implementation of a ward system will be a key election issue this year.

"I suspect that any candidate running for council will be asked that question, and I suspect the public will elect the ones who answered the question the way they wanted it answered," he said. "You can do it by referendum. You can do it by forcing the public to answer a particu-

lar question...I guess I give the public credit that they are going to end up liking candidates that do what they want to do.

"Whatever anyone is running for, council will be given direction by the public when they are elected to carry out the wishes of the public they represent. One way or another you are going to get the public input."

Even if council opts to pass a bylaw by April 28 to include the question on the ballot, Councillor Gallo said although he is not opposed to the ballot question itself, he fears the results will not be representative of Aurora's true sentiments.

"Perhaps I am just a realist," he said. "I'd be jumping up and down if 50 per cent of the eligible voters came out to the ballot box to cast their votes. I just don't think that is going to happen."

Old seats could stay in Community Centre

The Aurora Community Centre's 44-year-old spectator seats gained a new lease on life last week as council rejected a plan to use federal funding to replace them with new plastic seats.

Town staff proposed at last week's general committee meeting that the seats be replaced with new plastic, spring-loaded seats to the tune of \$120,000, with two-thirds of the funding coming from Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC).

The RInC program, according to a report submitted by Ilmar Simanovskis, Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services, was announced last May to help municipalities fund the rehabilitation, enhancement, retrofitting and repairs associated with indoor and outdoor recreation facilities.

Improving and retrofitting the Community Centre was one of the projects up for RInC funding.

"The issue is a number of different things," said Al Downey, Director of Leisure services, regarding the recommendation to replace the seating. "The mayor had mentioned that the seats don't spring up, so when you clean the rink you have to go around and put the seats up before you can go in and sweep. That is an issue. The seats are so old that when they break or there is a problem, the metal parts aren't made anymore and are difficult to come by. We have to fabricate and fix them as best we can and some of the seats aren't operational. It is an issue at some point that the seats are going to require some replacement."

Council, however, rejected this part of the proposal for the Community Centre, stating some citizens might have a special attachment to the vintage orange and black seats.

"I remember how they felt when Maple Leaf Gardens was losing their seats," said Mayor

Phyllis Morris. "That's how passionately people in this community would feel. If you haven't been and sat in them, maybe they're not the most comfortable and modern. That's the charm of it all."

Councillor Evelina MacEachern said she agreed with the Mayor's sentiment.

"I've been to old arenas where they have replaced the seating with plastic and they lose their charm," she said. "It's not the same. I have been going to arenas and I have never had a complaint. I realize some seats are missing and are broken [but] it would be nice if the money could be used to improve what's there. Considering how everybody is about the environment these days, I don't see why they wouldn't allow us to use the funding to improve what we have versus replacing what we have."

Improving the already existing seats might prove to be a boon to local tool and die mak-

ers as replacement parts for the area's seats aren't typically readily available.

"When it comes down to trying to fabricate the pieces as they become available, I suggest we contact local tool and die makers around," said Mayor Morris. "I suggest that they could fabricate up a piece quite quickly and build a die. There is always a fix for something. It depends [on] what you want to put your money into."

"I don't blame staff for wanting to modernize and make it more efficient, but sometimes a community values other things," the Mayor said.

Council did approve three other components related to the Community Centre proposal, however, including the replacement of a sound system, replacing the dehumidification system, and painting projects.

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This tells the story of a Cindy, a young woman who works in a Laundromat.

It’s her birthday, but her cheerfulness is soon washed away by the news received in a series of letters.

Shortly afterwards, two strangers come into the Laundromat, who are not quite what they seem.

As the three ladies spend time together, they experience a series of highs and lows, and all learn a bit more about themselves.

In the end, of course, everything works out okay, and Cindy realizes she didn’t have such a bad birthday after all.

Along the way, we are treated to almost 50 musical numbers, and some impressive choreography. Fitting this all in, and making it work seamlessly, is director/choreographer Michael MacLennan, who maintains excellent pacing, with the story moving along quickly.

Most of the songs come

courtesy of the heroine, Cindy, played by Jacqueline Omstead, as well as her new friends, Marge (Marika Marosszekym) and Dee Dee (Gabriela Farias).

The characters they portray are very different, and the roles are well suited to each.

All three ladies are recent theatre graduates, but you’d never know that by watching and listening to them.

Apart from the singing and choreography, there is fair bit of comedy, both physical and verbal.

And it is here where Roger Feng, who plays all five men’s parts (and one woman!), stands out. While a good singer, he is also a gifted comic actor, whose appearances on stage, and delightful reaction expressions, always guaranteed a laugh.

The single but functional set, as well as the performers’ costumes, easily bring to life the colours and styles of the 60’s.

Although smaller in scale, with a cast of only four, this production ranks right up there with other excellent musicals at the Factory Theatre.

For anyone reading this who may feel that this is

not their sort of play, take the word of one gentleman in the preview audience who noted, “I don’t nor-

mally like musicals, but I’m really enjoying this!” Evening performances of “Suds” continue at

Theatre Aurora, 150 Henderson Drive, on February 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20, with a mati-

nee show February 14. Tickets for all shows are available at the box office. Call 905-727-3669.



Marge (played by Marika Marosszekym, left) does not seem impressed with the advice being provided by Dee Dee (Gabriela Farias, right) to Cindy (Jacqueline Omstead, centre), in Theatre Aurora’s production of “Suds”, now playing at the Factory Theatre.

Photo by Lori Moritz



by **CHRISTINE MORRISON**
PACT Member

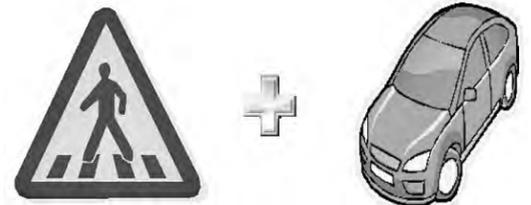
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- L LOOK and LISTEN**
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- I INDICATE your INTENTIONS**
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- T THINK**
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Senior Scape

By BRIAN WARBURTON

Alcohol vote Wednesday

Powerful moments and occasions occur from time to time and on Wednesday, February 10th, starting at 1.15 p.m., the Board of Directors has called a general meeting to discuss, debate and to vote on a proposed application for a permanent liquor licence to allow the sale of alcohol at the Aurora Seniors Association (ASA).

This will be a plus for those who favour alcohol and a minus for those who are against it.

As a member, you will be a positive factor if you attend the meeting and make your views known or cast your vote decisively, and reinforce the number of members who give authority to whatever the outcome may be.

The input from the members attending will be critical in providing membership guidance and the result of the vote will be, in essence, direction to the BoD.

A few weeks back, it was my pleasure to publish the names of most of the volunteers who spend a few hours each week, manning the ASA reception desk.

Volunteers are proud of their contributions to the ASA and often participate in other ASA activities. Well, the following members are also reception desk volunteers and just as proud of their contributions to the ASA: Audrey Pattison, Louise Miller, Mike Sturgess, Nora Tschumi and Toni Worrall.

From my frequent visits to the ASA, the reception desk is a surprisingly busy place with many small transactions involving members, conducted in a pleasing and satisfactory manner.

The reception desk is where visitors are first greeted by representatives of the ASA, and the very essence of where first impressions of the ASA are acquired.

The reception desk is where membership applications are made or renewed. It is also the first place to report a problem and receive capable assistance from a volunteer.

I noted earlier that visitors arrive in ones and twos and sometimes more visitors arrive than can be attended to immediately, and again I ask understanding for the volunteers manning the desk.

The Carpet Bowling level of activity fluctuates and is on an upswing at this time. Joan Best and Betty Moore are the volunteer coordinators for this popular activity and are also participants.

Different forms of bowling are practised and carpet bowling is well suited to indoors where it is warm in winter and cool in sum-

mer. Carpet Bowling is a game, which is easy enough and yet compelling in its simplicity and capacity for accurate bowling.

It takes place each Monday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

Bill Wharton is leaving Aurora and the ASA to take up residence in Mississauga. Bill has been a great supporter of the ASA and a volunteer on several committees, and will be missed together with his no nonsense, sound advice.

An immediate result of his departure will be a vacancy on the By-law Committee, which is an important post that must be addressed promptly.

If you have an interest in the position, inform seniors' coordinator, Karie Papillon.

The equipment in the computer room developed a problem with the server, which a problem was attended promptly and capably by members of the computer club.

They are Ron Humenchuk, Tom Yates and Louise Miller.

The computer room is back to business as usual after the Christmas holiday, and one query I am aware of concerns Word Processing 2007, and is there a demand developing for lessons for it?

If you have an interest, leave your name and contact information at the front counter.

Coming up on the ASA agenda is Pancake Tuesday, February 16th, at noon. Please purchase tickets not later than the day before the event. Please note that Pancake Tuesday takes the place of the Wednesday Budget Bistro for that week.

The Dance Committee has a dance planned for February 19th, and provides a great change of place and opportunity to be physically active, dancing to great music.

Dancing certainly takes the mind away from the winter, and the exercise it provides loosens up the body, and with the days growing longer and spring flirting with our minds and the good weather approaching, every little bit helps!

The Walking Club continues to operate every Wednesday, except when the weather forbids it.

Walks are about one hour in length and participants meet at 9.30 a.m. at the centre. Walking is one of Mother Nature's greatest exercises and can add years of better health to those who are regular walkers.

If you would like to join this group, just show up on Wednesday and you will be an instant addition to members who walk regularly.

Petch House fate undecided

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House," said Councillor McRoberts. "That monument, whatever it might be, wouldn't cost us anything."

CAO Neil Garbe said town staff had not canvassed the town and experts on creating a memorial to the building, but that it was something that could be given due consideration by the heritage planner. This would ultimately save part of the dismantling cost.

"It wouldn't be the full dismantling cost, but you would extract the good corners off it or a particular artefact or way of construction, [and] try to set that somewhere appropriately," he said.

"We would certainly go through that building before

it is demolished and anything worth saving or unique to that period of time we would certainly rely on the heritage planner to help us out and preserve anything that was worth preserving. However, we would provide some sort of tribute and then dispose of the balance."

At the end of the day, however, some councillors expressed frustration with the outcome of the report and the viable options presented within it.

"I am disappointed we can't find a purposeful use for the building, very disappointed it is so costly, and extremely disappointed that DC funding doesn't cover a more significant portion of

it," said Councillor Evelina MacEachern, who chaired the meeting. "I can't support the \$50,000 to dismantle it and put it someone's backyard or someone's barn where pieces disappear over time and it doesn't mean anything but yet the taxpayers pay \$50,000 and \$7,000 a year. I can't support that. In the 10 years I've been here, I've never heard of what happened to a building that got dismantled, got moved away. What happened to it? I don't know. Does the taxpayer have any value for that? I haven't seen it. That part I'm not in support of."

Council was expected to deal with the issue at their regular meeting this week.

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