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Maitland Valley CAMERA CLUB

The first meeting of 2023 was held on January 5th in the upper level of the Brussels Library. Gary Moon was the guest speaker. He spoke on Portrait Photography and provided props for members to take photos of each other. The props were special lighting equipment with spot lights and circular lighting, reflectors and filters. Gary walked them through each step of how to take a good portrait, best placement of our tripods for portraits and many sitting positions. Reflectors (which can be white or foil covered) were held to highlight the

person in the photos. Each member received homework from this evening. They will review their images at a Spring Critique Presentation Meeting. Gary was thanked for taking the time to share his photography skills.

The meeting on February 5th will be on Light Bulb Photography. They will learn which light bulbs are best to use, how to use reflectors with light bulbs, the correct mode for taking the photos and exposure using light bulbs.

The camera club gathers in the Brussels Library in the meeting room. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. from December to April the 1st Thursday, from May to November the 1st and 3rd Thursday.

Join them for a meeting to find out more about the club!! You can also follow them on Facebook – Maitland Valley Camera Club.

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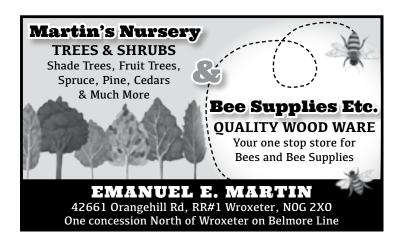




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Siblings. Can't live with them, can't live without them. My three little monkeys are growing like beautiful weeds, learning how to play together, figuring out how to push each other's buttons, it's wonderful. It used to be (and often still is) that when things got quiet, you better run to see what mischief they're getting into. But lately I've been pleasantly surprised to see my oldest two contentedly entertaining themselves or each other. It makes the mom-life a little more enjoyable when you see this development and can enjoy a few moments of peace or have an opportunity to be more productive.

This winter has been a strange one for weather. I usually aim to get the kids outside more regularly, however the muddy/frozen dirt isn't very enticing, and the grey skies not so inviting. Thankfully snow has returned, and plans for sledding and fort-building can resume. This month we also get to enjoy the 'Family Day' holiday, so I hope you're able to enjoy some skating or

other wintery activities with friends and family.

Take care!





Deadline for the next issue is Feb. 20.

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HOWICK LIBRARY

ALZHEIMER'S INFORMATION

Friday February 10 at 1pm: The Alzheimer's Society is coming to Howick library to do a short presentation about the difference between



dementia and Alzheimers, early warning signs, and what to do if you know someone who might be exhibiting symptoms.

Are you a community group or organization interested in partnering with the library to do a special program (ie. book talk, demonstration, craft session)? Send a quick email to: howicklibrary@huroncounty.ca to see how we can work together.

EarlyON Program

Monday mornings - 10am

2023 ONTARIO PARKS

Day-Use Permits are now available to borrow.

To find out more information on any of the programs happening at the Huron County Library please contact us at 519-335-6899, or visit our website at www.huroncountylibrary.ca

2023 GARBAGE AND RECYCLING PICKUP SCHEDULE

Howick Township provides bi-weekly curbside collection of household garbage and recycling for all residents. To ensure pickup, all materials must be properly sorted and at the curb by 7:00 a.m. For the month of February, East Side of McIntosh Line is picked up Wednesdays Feb. 1 & 15; West Side Wednesdays Feb. 8 & 22.

Bag Tags Cost: \$2.75/tag

Available at: Municipal Office, Howick Landfill site, Bare Necessities (Fordwich), Watson's Hardware (Gorrie), D & M Auto Service (Gorrie).

How do I report a missed collection? Directly to your waste/recycling collection provider Waste Management by phoning 1-888-730-3344

www.howick.ca/landfill-recycling

FROM THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

Wow! Hard to believe we're already into the second month of 2023! The Township of Howick Council meetings for the month of February will take place **Tuesday**, **February 7**, **2023 at 9 a.m.** and **Tuesday**, **February 21**, **2023 at 7 p.m.** at the Township Municipal Office. The 2023 Council Meeting Schedule is available for viewing or download on our website at: www.howick.ca/content/government/agendas-minutes

The Howick Township Municipal office will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023 for Family Day. This holiday was established in order to give hard-working individuals more time with their loved ones. It celebrates the importance of families and family life to people and their communities. However you choose to spend it, we hope you enjoy the day!

Council and Staff are currently working on the 2023 Budget. We thank everyone who took the time to complete the online Budget Survey.

The 2023 Interim Tax bills will be processed and mailed out in late February with due dates of March 24th, 2023 and May 26th, 2023. Your Interim Tax Bill is calculated at 50% of your previous year's Final Taxes.

Payments for taxes and accounts can be made through various methods: in person at the Municipal Office, or by dropping cheques through the mail slot at the front door outside of our regular office hours. You can also set up payments through your online banking by using your roll number for taxes or your phone number for miscellaneous accounts.

We accept payments by credit card, Etransfer and Interac online. Visit our website at www.howick.ca and select the box "paying by credit card". This will take you to a 3rd party site called Pay Simply. Processing charges are applicable. Preauthorized payments can also be set up, with 2 payment date options – the 15th of each month or on the installment due dates for property taxes.

DOG LICENSES

A reminder to all dog owners that all dogs residing in Howick Township must be registered with the Township annually on or before March 31st. 2023 dog tag invoices will be mailed to currently registered dog owners. Dog tag prices are as follows:

1st dog -\$30 2nd dog - \$50 3rd dog - \$80.00 Kennel Licence - \$200.00

Kennel operators are required to book an inspection prior to the issuance of licence. It is the responsibility of dog owners to ensure that all dogs are licenced and to contact the Township if there are any changes to your dog ownership status. A fine of \$100 per dog is possible for any dog owner who fails to register their dog(s).



HOWICK TOWNSHIP OPEN AIR BURN PERMITS 2023

A burn permit is required annually ONLY for rural open air burning. The cost of a burn permit is \$50.00 and is valid for the property registered. If you own multiple properties where burning might take place, they can be registered on the same permit.

This single point registration will be kept on file and will eliminate the need to call in prior to each burning. You will also be provided with a copy of the Howick Township Open Air Burning By-law for your reference. **Recreational campfires DO NOT REQUIRE a burn permit.** Please remember that YOU are responsible for your burning and any costs associated with any fire department response to an unauthorized open air burn.

You can fill out the 2023 Township of Howick Open Air Burn Permit application application included below or online and submit it by email to deputy@howick.ca. Alternatively, you can fill out the application at the Howick Township Municipal office at 44816 Harriston Road, Gorrie during our normal, weekday business hours.

To pay the \$50.00 burn permit fee online, choose HOWICK TOWNSHIP TAX as your payee, enter your full ten (1) digit phone number as your account number and add "0's" after the number to fill the required number of spaces. Add Burn Permit and your name into the Notes of the bill payment. Open Air Burn Permits are not valid until payment has been made, the application approved, and a Permit Number has been assigned and issued to you by Township staff.

For more information, contact Fire Chief Josh Kestner at 519-335-3202 or by email at howickfire@howick.ca

WINTER PARKING CONTROL/SNOW REMOVAL

The Township of Howick restricts on-street parking to provide safe snow removal and emergency services to Township residents. As per the Traffic and Parking By-law No.05-2021, on-street parking (including road allowances) is prohibited between November 1st to March 31st between the hours of 1 a.m. to 7 a.m. Applicable fines will apply and vehicles impeding snow removal may be towed at the owner's expense. Waste receptacles should be placed in a way that does not interfere with snow clearing and mail delivery on your scheduled pickup days.

Just a reminder that it is an offence under the Highway Traffic Act to push snow onto any roadway. Please exercise caution when removing snow from your driveways or walkways. Thank you for cooperation and allowing our winter maintenance crews to plow faster and more efficiently.

Do you have a community event you would like posted on Howick's website? Submit your information at https://howick.ca/add-your-community-event.

For up-to-date information, contact the municipal office at 519-335-3208 or check out the website at **www.howick.ca**

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ADDITIONAL PROPERITES (business only):	
Open Air Burn Permits are valid from January 1 – December 31 and must be purchased annually.	
You are responsible for your burning. Conditions of the Open Air Burning By-Law are to be adhered to.	
By entering my name below, I confirm I have received a copy of the Howick Township Open Air Burning By-Law	
SIGNATURE: DATE:	



HOWICK OPTIMIST TIN CAN CURLING TOURNAMENT - Feb. 10

HOWICK BLOOMERS will meet at the Howick Library on Feb. 13 at 7pm. See ad to the right for more info.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE INTERNATIONAL MEETING, Feb. 16 at the Howick Community Centre, 1pm. See ad below for more info.

TEA LUNCHEON & HISTORIC WEDDING DRESS DISPLAY, Sat. Feb. 18, 11:00-2:00, Trinity Lutheran Church, Kurtzville. Email trinity150anniversary@gmail.com for more info, or to request advance tickets, \$20 each.

PANCAKE SUPPER, Tuesday, February 21 from 5-7pm at Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church. 6784B Perth Line 88. A freewill donation will be accepted (suggested pricing: adult \$10 and child \$5).

PUB NIGHT at the Wroxeter Hall, Fri. February 24. See ad below.

HOWICK LEGION SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON, Fri. Feb. 24 at the Legion in Gorrie. 11:30am - 1pm. See ad to the right.

HOWICK OPTIMIST HOCKEY TOURNAMENT - Feb. 24-26

Get your community event added to this calendar by sending us a message at:

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GORRIE HALL BOARD

The Gorrie Hall is open for rentals. For rentals, call **519-335-3292**

We welcome new members interested in joining the Hall Board.

COFFEE SHOP is open **Monday to Friday, 6am to 10am.**

Come in for a coffee and a visit with some friends.

Thanks to all for coming to our January 20th Pub Night. Thanks goes to Natalie Irwin for providing us with the entertainment for the evening.

Call Carol Edgar to **BOOK THE HALL** for your special event.

The next **PUB NIGHT** will be on **Friday, February 24.**Enjoy a dinner for \$7 and entertainment.

The Wroxeter Hall Board is looking for **NEW MEMBERS** to join the board. Please contact
Tony Clark for more information.

Follow the hall on Facebook, Wroxeter Community Hall Board 1094 Centre Street

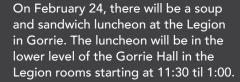
WROXETER HALL NEWS

Spring is coming – honest!

Come join the Howick Bloomers as they welcome speaker Shirley Koch from Riverbend Gardens.

They are meeting in the Library at the Howick Community Centre on Feb. 13th. at 7pm.

HOWICK LEGION



Maida Hunter celebrated her 106th birthday on January 9th at Braemar in Wingham. She is a former resident of Belmore. Congrats!





HOWICK OPTIMIST CLUB "Friend of Youth"

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Howick Optimist Tin Can Curling
 Tournament will take place on FEB. 10.

 Food Booth available & Pub Night upstairs in the Auditorium.
- Howick Optimist Hockey Tournament will take place FEB. 24-26.

Thank you to all who support us and who come to our events!

HOWICK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

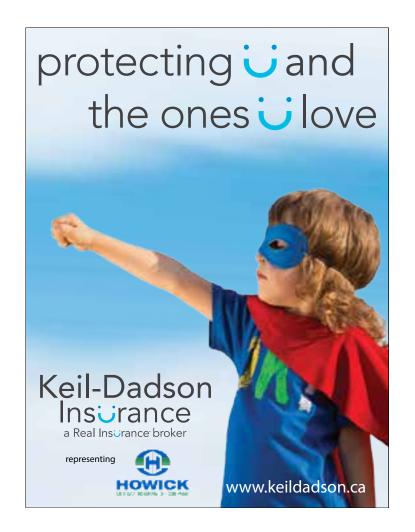
On Thursday February 16th an International Meeting is being held at the Howick Community Center at 1:00 p.m.

This is an OPEN meeting for anyone wishing to have an armchair tour of the world, a history & geography lesson & an experience tasting some new foods.

It is the 45th anniversary of Howick Women's Institute as well as the 126th of FWIO so ice cream & cake will be enjoyed.

Anyone planning on attending is asked to please RSVP by FEBRUARY 9th to either Margaret 33-5-6998 or Ria 291-1755.

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GOOD NEWS







On the weekend of Jan. 12-15, 3 of the Howick Hornet teams participated in Wallace Fun Days. Each team played 3 games and they all had lots of fun. Submitted by Lindsey Dinsmore







Doug Inglis is shown in the bucket putting a new sign on the McIntosh church. The ground crew consisted of Leyland Harkness, Paul Inglis, and Jim and Dan Renwick. Photo by Dwight Metcalfe



A cheque for \$2005.15 was given to the Belmore Community Centre from the Belmore Pickleball Players in November. *Photo by Dwight Metcalfe*





Howick Township has done an amazing job on these trails. Photos show Bob Gibson and Tim Gibson enjoying the Fordwich trail on January 22nd and the Gorrie Trail a week earlier. Photos by Connie Gibson





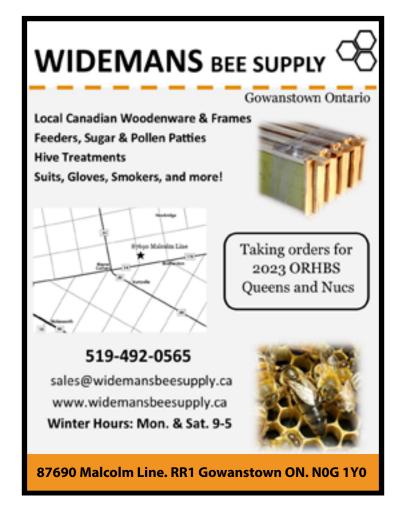






But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt. CHARLES M. SCHULZ









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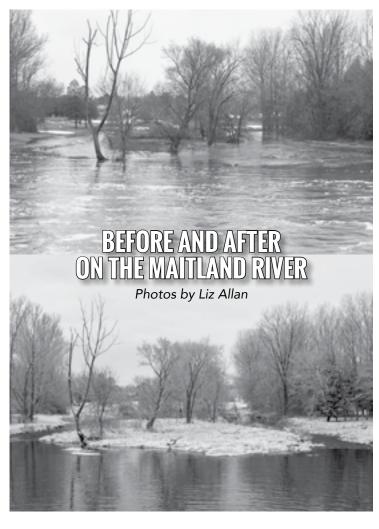
Left to Right - Jacob Schaefer (2nd place for black and white poster), Carson Reichard (2nd place for Intermediate essay), Dakota Sanders (3rd place for Junior Poem), and Gracie Riley (2nd place for Intermediate Colour Poster).

WHAT'S HAPPENING in Howick

Have your photos or events included by by sending us a message at:

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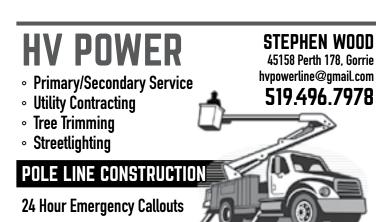




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or Deanne – 519.418.9748



Pituaries

KARGES, ELSIE - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Elsie Irene (Harding) Karges on Thursday, December 22, 2022 at Woodingford Lodge, Woodstock in her 93rd year. She was a remarkable woman that enjoyed her friends and family, as well as walking, bicycling, curling and playing bridge. Elsie, accomplished many things in her wonderful and

full life; including being the first woman to sit on Listowel council (1972 - 1988) and being the first woman Warden of Perth County (1982). She remained an active volunteer in the community after her retirement from politics. Elsie was born on January 4, 1930 in Howick Township to the late Norman and Janet (Doubledee) Harding. She moved to Listowel where she married Oliver Karges on July 19, 1949. They raised three sons, Donald (Lesley) Karges of Woodstock, Alan (Rose) Karges of Trail, B.C., and Peter (Debbie) Karges of Port Rowan. Elsie was the proud grandmother of Tracy Dalgleish (Ben), Kelly Karges (Kamar Gall), and Reid Karges (Jelisa Daniel), and great-grandmother to Megan Dalgleish and Ruby Karges. Sister to Reita Markovich of Edmonton, Alberta, and sisterin-law to Donalda Cunningham of Kitchener. Predeceased by her sisters Jean Wilson, Margaret Wood, and her brother Elmer Harding. Elsie an avid conservationist, will be buried in a natural burial site in Woodlawn Memorial Park in Guelph, Ontario. She has asked that memorial donations be sent to the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority to plant trees in North Perth. A celebration of Elsie's life was held at Trinity United Church, Listowel, on Friday, January 20, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Beth Kerr officiating.



A place to reflect on bits of history as primarily found in the "Lines of Howick" books.





HOWICK COMMUNITY CENTRE | After a mild winter in 1972/73 that had no indoor or outdoor skating options available, a group of residents initiated a committee that researched and fundraised for a new arena. The community enthusiastically supported this venture, and sod was turned in October of 1973, and the arena was officially opened one year later in September of 1974.

Up until that summer, Howick Township was "dry" in regards to alcohol sales, so a vote was taken to see whether Howick residents were "in favour of the sale of liquor under a dining lounge license for consumption on licensed premises with food available?" 83% voted in favour, and this benefitted the community socially and financially as the profits assisted in offsetting operating costs.

While the arena is used for hockey, curling and figure skating during the winter, it initially also had a strong summer season with roller skating. In the '70s and early '80s, you could find 400 skaters, 4 nights a week. It gradually diminished to 100 skaters once a week.

Pictured below are the top contenders for their ages in a skatathon fundraiser in 1974 which raised \$5200. Pictured is: front - Kendra Statia, David Harding, Kim Pfeffer, Dorren Foerter; middle - Duane Foerter, Kevin Hastie, Brenda McCann, Joan McCann, Bob Hastie; rear - David Demerling, Leonard Stamper, Trent Foerter and Lee Griffith.

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IS YOUR DRINKING A PROBLEM OR CONCERN? Help is available. Please call Alcoholics Anonymous for information and local meeting times. All calls are private and confidential. 519-500-0278







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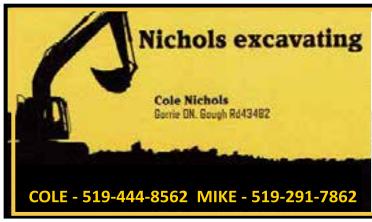
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