

Let this Funfair be the best ever!

~ May 31st to June 2nd



by Mike Murphy, Funfair Chair

Blackburn, it's time to start the summer off with our community's annual party—the Funfair! Your Funfair team has been hard at work to provide an impressive list of activities and entertainment for our 42nd edition!

The weekend kicks off with the opening of the Fairground Midway Rides at 4 p.m. on Friday, May 31st. Action-packed Friday night includes a BMX and skateboard demonstration at 6 p.m. and new this year, a Giant Screen Movie! The family animated film *Wreck it Ralph* gets underway at 7 p.m. in the arena. Thanks to Jeff Miller of Re/Max Real Estate, this adventure comedy is free for all!

Saturday gets underway at 8 a.m. with a pancake breakfast, followed

by the much-anticipated Masquerade Parade. Decorate your bikes, wagons and even yourselves and join the parade that will travel down Bearbrook Road from École secondaire publique Louis-Riel to the Blackburn Community Centre on Glen Park Drive.

Several schools and community groups have already registered for the parade and will meet in the Louis-Riel parking lot at 9:15 a.m. To participate with your bike or wagon, let us know

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President's Message

Fun Fair is here and you are invited to the party!

Mark May 31, June 1 and 2 on your calendar, because this year's Fun Fair promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Event Chair Mike Murphy and his entire team of enthusiastic and incredible volunteers have done a smash-up job and I want to thank them for all their hard work planning for this annual party.

Don't forget to check the Blackburn Community Association website (Blackburnhamlet.ca) and Facebook page throughout the summer months for upcoming events for all ages.

Skateboard Makeover

And in preparation for this fabulous community fair, the BCA is giving the Blackburn Hamlet skateboard a fresh new look with a complete makeover. On May 24, we are painting the park white and on May 25 we are inviting all the youth in our community to come out and help us celebrate the repainting of the park with free pizza, prizes and fun.

This repainting of the skateboard park also helps combat vandalism by actively involving our young people in making the new artwork on the skateboard park something they, and all of us, can be proud of. We are working with Ottawa Police, the City of Ottawa and the Eastern Ontario Resource Centre to hold this event.

Laura Dudas



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Apologies

Deepest apologies to the family and friends of Jeff Bussière. In Jeff's obituary in the last issue of the Banar, Stéphane Crête's photo was accidentally put in. Stéph and Jeff were friends and co-owners of J&S Service Station.



Jeff Bussière

The BCA websites

Your resource for what, who and where things are happening in and around Blackburn Hamlet are available on the BCA websites. Organizations and Blackburn businesses are welcome to list their website/email link on the BCA website. The Funfair website will keep you up-to-date on the latest info for the big day.

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when you arrive at the parking lot staging area. We're still looking for a tractor or tow truck, which owners can also decorate. Please contact us at infoblackburnfair@gmail.com for more information. After the parade, a double-decker OC Transpo bus will remain onsite to be explored!

In the arena, Little Ray's Reptile Shows will be thrill to watch at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., while kids can enjoy the Bouncy Castle from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The arena will also be the location of the book sale, showcase and silent auction. Who will end up with the coveted Ottawa Senators jersey signed by the whole team? If you have items to donate to the book sale, please drop them off at 4 Burnview.

Splooosh! We're excited to bring back the Dunk Tank! (We're not so sure the dunkees from local schools are as happy!) Check the schedule to see who's "in for a soaking" between noon and 7 p.m. The BBQ opens at 11 a.m. just in time for a performance by the amazing band from École Le Prelude. Sit back and enjoy live music throughout the day with your host, east coast comic Stephen Hannon. There is an awesome variety of top notch talent including choral singers, actors, rock n' roll, country and for the first time at the Funfair, an international recording artist! We are honoured to have JW-Jones perform at 6 p.m. Don't miss his show! There will be a short break in the music during the fireworks display around 10 p.m.

Another Funfair first is Sunday's Community Day. The day starts with a 5k and 1k run, to be followed by the Funfair's first Community Picnic in the park starting at noon! Bring your picnic basket, family and pets and why not pack an extra treat to share with friends and neighbours! Rocky, the mascot from Lafarge will be there along with a big concrete truck.

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Interested in a Rain Barrel???

Another bulk order of rain barrels from Arbour Environmental Shoppe is being considered. If you are interested in purchasing a rain barrel as part of this bulk order (wholesale cost of approximately \$70) please contact Caroline Harris-McDonald by e-mail at harrismc@lao.on.ca by June 10th. A minimum number of rain barrels will need to be purchased by the Blackburn Community Association for the order to go ahead. **P.S.** BCA membership holders (See page 18) will receive an additional discount.

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Who let the dogs out? Who? Who?

The Pet Pride Event will get underway at 12:15 p.m. with prizes in many categories, from longest tail to biggest ears to most obedient pet. Be creative and have fun with costumes for both pets and kids! Magic will take place before your eyes at the 1 p.m. Magic show presented by the University of Ottawa chemistry department, followed at 2 p.m. by awesome power and discipline in a demonstration by Blackburn Taekwon-Do.

Sunday afternoon field games for kids

We will have face painting, a catapult contest, where kids and adults will

throw a tennis ball and the farthest will win a prize.

We will have an obstacle course with a slide, mini trampoline, hoola hoop and bean bags etc...

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Know students needing community service hours?

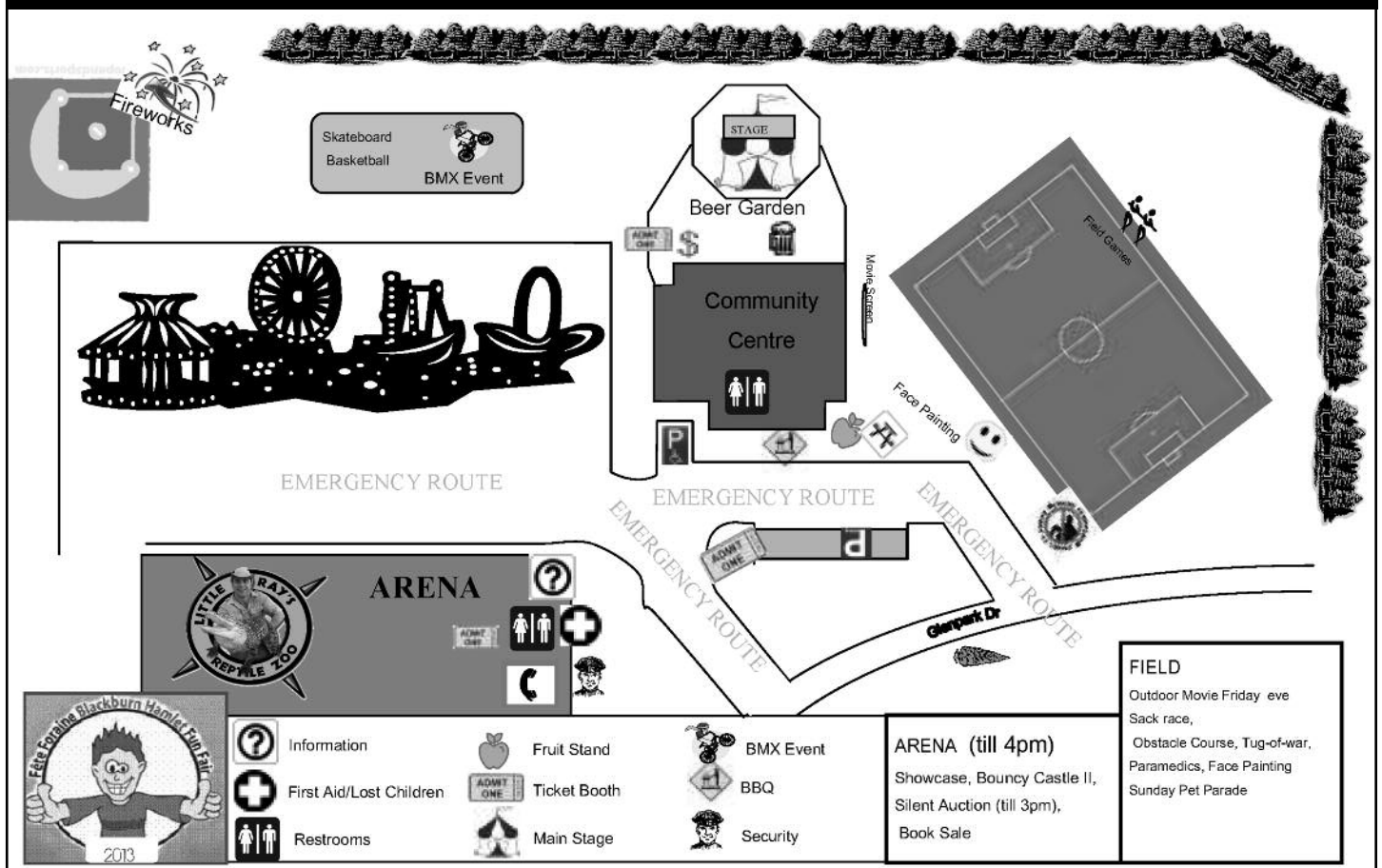
Any students needing community hours are encouraged to join the Funfair volunteer team. Teens can team up with friends to volunteer as a group for even more fun! Volunteers need to be at the arena at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 31 to sign in with the student volunteer co-ordinator, Ali Yassine.



I am honored to be your Funfair Chair and to be working with the dedicated team of community volunteers who make the Funfair possible. It has been fun and lots of hard work! Please take a moment to thank your Funfair committee members when you see them at the fair—you will know us by our red vests!

Mike Murphy (funfairchair@gmail.com)

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Summer 2013—Much Ado about Infrastructure

by Councillor Rainer Bloess

There is a popular quip that Canada has two seasons—winter and construction. For east end residents this summer, this will certainly be true as we deal with an unusually busy summer construction season.

By the end of May, work on Highway 417 will begin. This widening will cause lane reductions on the 174 west of Blair, between the split and St Laurent. The existing two westbound lanes on OR 174, just east of Hwy 417 will be reduced to one lane between May and September, forcing the redistribution of approximately 2000 vehicles to alternate routes. Highway 417 lane widening construction will also commence in off-peak hours from St Laurent to Nicholas. When work begins on Nicholas in June, commuters heading east will also see the closure of the Lees on-ramp and lane reductions on St-Laurent Boulevard under the 417.

To help reduce traffic congestion, during the Highway 417 and 174 widening we will be increasing OC bus service in the east end. This will include eleven additional direct-downtown routes from Trim Park and Ride in the morning peak and the return routes in the afternoon. OC Transpo will also be adjusting schedules and adding capacity on morning and afternoon peak runs to support residents who choose to take transit while the work on the 417 is

being completed. In September when the 174 returns to two lanes, resurfacing work will be undertaken further east on Ogilvie Road.

Around Blackburn, the Bypass will also be resurfaced although the work will be scheduled to avoid impact during rush hour. At the same time, we will have disruptions in the Hamlet on various streets due to resurfacing and pathway works. Tauvette, Southpark, Ridgeburn Gate, the top of Bearbrook from Innes to Centrepark and the culvert at the Hornets Nest are among the projects in line for this summer.

In addition, watermain reconstruction on Coventry Road is designed to improve the reliability of water service to the east end while Enbridge installs a new gas main along Innes between St. Laurent and Blair.

There is no question that our City is in the midst of a period of significant growth and that growth necessitates infrastructure improvements and adjustments. City staff have been working with our provincial and federal partners to plan and prepare for many projects happening over the next few years. At the same time we are laying the groundwork for the launch of the Confederation Line light rail transit project, a project that will improve and update our municipal transportation system for the benefit of all of our residents.

The timing of a number of upcoming

projects has been staggered to minimize the impact on commuters and the City website and local media will have up to the minute transit and traffic information as work progresses but, for some, there will be no escaping the dust, detours and disruption of extensive roadwork in the weeks ahead. No doubt a little extra patience and flexibility will serve us all well through the summer of 2013. This is a case of short-term pain for long-term gain.

Interprovincial Bridge Update

The National Capital Commission, and its partners, the Ministry of Transportation for Ontario and Minister of Transportation Quebec, announced that Corridor 5, Kettle Island was selected as the preferred corridor for a future Interprovincial Crossing. Additional information can be found online at www.ncrcrossings.ca

The environmental review process is expected to be completed by fall 2013 with approvals by late 2014. This is an important step in the selection and ultimate construction of a future crossing.

The recommended corridor will be presented for public consultation and feedback on May 27th, 2013 at the Shenkman Arts Centre in Orléans from 5 pm to 9 pm.

As usual, if there are any questions or issues related to city hall or our community, feel free to contact me at rainer.bloess@ottawa.ca or by phone at 613-580-2472.

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Lafarge Quarry Update May 8, 2013

Lafarge is eager to have this opportunity to provide information and updates to the Blackburn Hamlet Community regarding our Bearbrook Quarry and its operation.

This opportunity will not only allow us to share information about current issues, questions, and concerns but it will also allow us to give some insight about the regular operations and other events that go on at the quarry.

We will continue to provide updates through this forum focusing on 3 topics: Recent Meetings, Quarry Operations, and Community Events

Recent meetings

A meeting was held on April 19, 2013 at the Lafarge Bearbrook quarry. The purpose of this meeting was to brainstorm ideas addressing the growing concerns surrounding the

blasting activities at the Bearbrook Quarry. The attendees included members of the Ministry of Natural Resource, Ministry of Environment, Councillor Rainer Bloess, MPP Phil McNeely, members of the Blackburn Community Association, as well as a number of representatives from Lafarge. The outcome of the meeting was a positive one and we have committed to a number of items that will help alleviate blasting concerns. The commitments include:

- Lafarge will continue to maintain the blast call list as well as notify the Blackburn Community Association when we are blasting so that a notice can be posted on the Community's Facebook page. We are also looking into creating a Bearbrook Quarry specific website that will host blasting dates and

times. Updates on this project can be found through the BCA website.

- Lafarge will be providing updates, like this one, through the Banar. The article will provide updates on current issues, quarry operations, and any other events going on relevant to the community
- Any blasting complaints received by Lafarge will be passed on to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ministry of Environment. Lafarge will provide all data to these agencies for any investigation that may follow.
- Lafarge will provide a summary of the blast monitoring data for each blast to the Blackburn Community Association which in turn will be made available on their website.

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First point of contact was also discussed during the meeting. It was decided that Lafarge should remain as the first point of contact since measures are now in place to inform both agencies of any complaints received. The main contact for Lafarge is Blair Walker; he is the Environment Manager for Lafarge and can be reached at 613-830-3060. Of course the Ministry of Natural Resources or the Ministry of Environment will take calls directly to discuss blasting concerns or complaints.

Currently there is no formal meeting

scheduled. However, Lafarge will constantly be in touch with the Community Association and periodically will be attending the monthly meetings to provide updates or answer any questions directly.

Operations

The Bearbrook quarry is a rather unique operation. Rather than have a fixed plant on site 12 months a year, the site utilizes a portable crushing and screening plant that will be set up for a specific operation. The plant consists of various screens, conveyors, stackers, and crushers, that are all fully mobile and once the work is complete the entire plant will pick up and move to another quarry for another operation. The length of the campaign varies from year to year and is extremely sensitive to fluctuations in the market. This system allows us to service many quarries in the Ottawa area with a single plant.

2013 is a unique year due to the many private and municipal projects the crushing facility is scheduled to be operating for the year. The drilling and blasting has largely been focused in the southern portion of the Quarry (closest to Blackburn Hamlet) while the remainder of the year will predominantly be in the northern portion of the Quarry with some blasting in the Southern section. All blast monitoring results have been below the guidelines set by the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministry of Environment and we are committed to staying within these guidelines. As the work progresses

through 2013 and as we plan for the 2014 crushing operation we will be providing updates for the community.

Events

At Lafarge we participate in community events and also host some of our own, and the Bearbrook Quarry is no exception.

During the first weekend in May Lafarge hosted a tree planting event at our Bearbrook quarry with a local scout troop from Orleans. This is part of a continued partnership with Scouts Canada and their "Scoutree" program which is always a huge success and grows every year. Over 200 scouts and their families joined Lafarge volunteers to plant more than 2500 spruce and pine trees in a rehabilitated portion of the quarry. They also managed to put away over 500 pancakes which kept our volunteers very busy.

Look for one of our trucks to participate in the Blackburn Fun Fair Parade on Saturday June 1st, and come see us on Sunday during the picnic where "Rocky" the Lafarge mascot will be hosting a short safety demonstration.

Mark your Calendars! We are also planning an Open House event currently scheduled for Saturday, September 14th. At the last open house we had over 1500 in attendance; this year we want to exceed that! There will be a barbecue, activities for the kids, information booths, tours of the quarry, and one lucky person will have the chance to push the detonator for the live blast demonstration. 🦋

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Report regarding Installation of Anaerobic Digester

by Al Ross

A committee of Concerned Citizens has been formed to react to the installation of an anaerobic digester (AD) as part of Just Foods plan for the NCC Greenhouse property on the west side of Tauvette. There have been a couple of public meetings concerning this project and some literature is available on the BCA website and that of Just Food. When Just Food approached the BCA with their plans for the site, there was little or no information about the AD that was to be built on the land.

The BCA supported the concept of Just Food and were quite enthusiastic about having this land finally used for something that would fit into our community. Since then, some of the residents in the area have looked over the available documentation and have developed some concerns about how the AD would work and what its impact would be on the community. To this end a committee was formed to find out more information and to solicit answers to their many questions. I (Al Ross) was appointed the BCA liaison on this committee.

There are eleven people in this group and they have met twice as a committee. At this time they are not considered a sub-committee of the BCA because the BCA has not been involved in the work they have done to date. Essentially they are in favour of the farm work Just Food are doing but they are against the addition of the anaerobic digester. There are too many questions that need answers before they can support the concept of an AD.

Just Food has submitted an application to the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) to allow them to build an AD and

to have it accepted as part of their Feed in Tariff (FIT) program. This will allow them to sell power to the province and put excess power into the Ontario power grid. This application was submitted in December and they should receive an answer sometime in May.

The committee now has some concerns. After doing some research on ADs they have not found one that operates solely on food wastes, as depicted by Just Food. Most of the applications for ADs are used by farmers for the safe disposal of manure. All ADs the committee found have a manure component to them.

Without getting into a lot of details, other concerns include the amount of food waste required, winter operations, storage of food wastes outdoors, liability, financial aspects, ownership, odours, noise, traffic, proximity to Green's Creek, etc.

Latest action: In order to open up the lines of communications, Bill Bratte, chair, Eloi Duguay, vice chair and I met with Erin O'Manique, the onsite manager of Just Food and discussed our concerns with her. A list was given to her and she said she would pass it on to the president of Just Food and come back with the required answers. She mentioned that there would be no purpose in pursuing this further if their application to the OPA was not accepted. It was agreed that we would wait until probably mid-May for the next meeting. Bill and Eloi made it very clear that we did not have any problems with their original vision of the NCC farm. It was only the AD being installed and fed with trucked in food wastes that was of concern.

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Blackburn looking great after more than 200 volunteer hours

by Barb Sweazey

The Blackburn Spring Clean-up was another great success this year. Held on Saturday, April 27th, more than 100 volunteers from the community showed up despite the cool and overcast day. Considering this was our rain date, we were very happy with the turn out!

In all, the Spring Clean-up resulted in more than 200 volunteer hours put towards removing litter from our highways and byways, and erasing graffiti from signs and utility boxes. Lots of volunteers particularly worked along Innes and Bearbrook this year, as many residents had noticed how much attention these areas needed. We had several high school students join us too, working towards their volunteer hour requirements. Did you

notice how much cleaner the community looked after all this elbow-grease!

We were also pleased to have Ecology Ottawa join us for the day. Many local citizens had an opportunity to sign their current petition against discharging sewage into the Ottawa River.

As always, we had many residents and organizations in the community that contributed to our event. Rainer Bloess contributed door prizes for all. Shelley and Howy White, the proprietors from Tim Horton's in the Hamlet, contributed free coffee and Timbits, and Linda Platt, with Health Solutions Santé (see page 16) donated free samples of environmentally-friendly cleaning products and massage gift certificates. Thank you!



Finally, this BCA-sponsored event could not be held without all the many volunteers who go into organizing and hosting the Hamlet's Clean-up, including BBQ flippers, truck drivers, sign posters and registration coordinators. Thanks to all. See you next year for the 14th annual spring clean-up!



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Building a Healthy and Sustainable Community

It was a full-house on May 8th as residents from across Blackburn Hamlet came together to learn about Green's Creek and discuss how to work together to promote a healthy and sustainable neighbourhood.

The meeting was organized and facilitated by Ecology Ottawa, a local grassroots environmental organization. Key resource people were on hand to introduce issues and answer questions. Councillor Bloess and the Blackburn Community Association Environment Representative Paula Rosenquist were also in attendance.

Chris Bisson, who grew up in Blackburn Hamlet and has just completed his Masters in Geography with a focus on land use planning in

Ottawa's Greenbelt, kicked off the conversation with a history of Green's Creek.

Heather Burke from Common Sense Crossings told the group that the National Capital Commission was planning on announcing its recommendation on the location of a new interprovincial bridge on May 14th. Common Sense Crossings has been working to oppose one of the options under consideration which would involve driving a highway through Green's Creek. The NCC will be organizing an open house on this issue at the Shenkman Centre on Monday, May 27, 5-7 pm

Ecology Ottawa will be working with local residents to move forward on a number of different ideas that came

up at the meeting. Some people wanted to know more about the City of Ottawa's plans to improve stormwater management in the area (a major study is currently underway) as well as the National Capital Commission's plans to extend the trail network in Green's Creek. Others expressed an interest working together to take better care of the trees in Blackburn Hamlet and to plant more trees, and educational walks and garbage clean-ups in Green's Creek were suggested.

Ecology Ottawa will be producing a report on the meeting and working with local volunteer leaders to move these issues forward. If you would like to get involved or learn more, please send an email to blackburnhamlet@ecologyottawa.ca

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Linda has studied and is certified in many modalities within the scope of her practice such as the Graston technique, Active Release Technique (ART), Postural Alignment Therapist (Egoscue Method), Ergonomics, Myofascial Release Technique (Viscero & Low back Dysfunction), supplement consultation, as well as Swedish massage.

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2nd Annual Blackburn Cancer Chase 5k run/walk

by Bill Horne

Virtually all of us know someone who has been affected by cancer; many of us personally, or within our family and circle of friends.

Here's your chance to strike back at the devastation caused by the disease. Join over 200 of your neighbours who are determined to chase cancer out of our lives.

Last year, after eight years of organizing Blackburn's Run for the Cure, our new and improved Cancer Chase raised over \$21,000 for the Ottawa Hospital's fight against cancer. All the funds raised stay right here in Ottawa.

Watch and listen to us in the Funfair Parade on June 1; join us at the

Hamlet Fun Run on June 2 at the Community Centre to get all the details.

You'll be able to register online soon

Make your calendars!

**Join in the 5k run/walk on
Sunday, October 20, at 9 am
at the Community Centre**

**Doors open at 8:15 am
You've got to be there!**

at the Ottawa Hospital Foundation's Community Events section of their website. Get a Cancer Chase technical t-shirt designed and produced right here in the Hamlet.

You'll be able to stay up to date with all the news on the Cancer Chase on the BCA website www.blackburnhamlet.ca in Coming Events. Check the pictures from the 2012 edition in Past Events.

All the features you have come to enjoy will be back: great course through the Hamlet, refreshments from our local businesses, amazing raffle prizes and silent auction from Hamlet and surrounding businesses, and more.

Questions, or to volunteer to help with this event, contact Bill Horne, wghorne@rogers.com / 613-837-2166 or Lynn Sewell, lynnstravel@rogers.com / 613-837-4792.



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Une première dans les écoles françaises ontariennes

Les élèves de la 6^e année de l'école élémentaire catholique Sainte-Marie à Blackburn Hamlet ont passé 6 jours au début du mois de mars, à travailler avec le musicien fransaskois Joël Jacques grâce à « Blues In the School », un programme éducatif subventionné par la Banque Royale du Canada.

C'est une première dans les écoles francophones puisque jusqu'à aujourd'hui, il n'y avait pas d'artiste francophone dans le programme. C'est grâce aux efforts de Madame Julie Lasalle qu'on a pu accueillir Monsieur Joël Jacques à l'école Sainte-Marie pour la toute première expérience de « Blues dans les écoles ».

Musicien polyvalent et multi-instrumentaliste, Joël Jacques est entré à l'école Sainte-Marie avec une idée en tête : faire vivre l'expérience de la création artistique à des élèves de 6^e année en passant par la musique traditionnelle canadienne-française. Du début, il a su captiver l'intérêt des élèves par son écoute et sa capacité de cibler les forces de chacune et de chacun.

Lorsque nous avons demandé à Ariana Duenas, un élève de l'école Sainte-Marie, de nous dire ce qu'elle avait appris durant les ateliers, elle nous a répondu : « J'ai vraiment

adoré faire ce spectacle, car Monsieur Jacques nous a tellement aidé avec tout, du début jusqu'à la fin. Ma partie préférée de cette expérience était que tout le monde a bien coopéré et participé. Merci Monsieur Jacques ».

En s'inspirant de situations réelles vécues par les élèves, l'artiste a réussi, en moins d'une semaine, à monter avec eux un spectacle combinant la musique instrumentale, le chant, le rap, l'art dramatique et la danse de style « Breakdance ». La beauté du projet est que tout venait des enfants, les paroles, les mouvements de danse, la saynète, le tout accompagnés d'un petit orchestre où les enfants jouaient de la batterie, du clavier, de la guitare voir même de l'accordéon. Le résultat fut une fusion entre le folklore et le contemporain.

À la fin du spectacle, tout le monde était fier de leurs accomplissements. « Je ne pensais jamais composer une chanson à 11 ans », nous dit Callum Séguin. « C'est une expérience que je ne vais jamais oublier », rajoute Marie-Pier Legault.

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- Please contact me as I am interested in volunteering in the community.
- Please send me a BCA Membership. Included is a \$10 cheque made out to "BCA".

Mail to: Blackburn Community Association, P.O. Box 47062, Ottawa, ON, K1B 5B0 or

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Bradley Estates Community Association (BECA) now official

Congratulations to the Bradley Estates Community where they officially formed the BECA on April 25th and elected four Executive Officers in accordance with their newly adopted constitution.

The new community association goals include:

A) to provide a forum for discussion of issues, and reach consensus in the best interests of the community,

B) to facilitate communication and co-operation between residents and local government, established community

groups, and businesses, in order to support community goals and community well being.

C) to inform residents and businesses within the East Urban Community about community issues and activities.

D) to encourage residents and businesses within the East Urban Community to initiate projects that may improve the physical and social

environment of our community.

E) to encourage the participation of local businesses, residents, and organizations, in community activities.

The BCA wishes President Kristy Achter, Vice-President Yasmine Fathers, Secretary Greg Kenney and Treasurer J-P. Gravelle an enjoyable and rewarding experience in serving their community.



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The children's programmer Cathie, is busy planning for the summer. She will be hosting various programs during the summer so be sure to register as of June 19th.

TD Summer Reading Club GO! Opening Ceremony TD Summer Reading Club 2013 Kick-off!

Wednesday, July 3rd at 2 PM (60 minutes). All ages

Passport to Adventure

Wednesday, July 10th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 6-12 years

Outside my Front Door

Wednesday, July 17th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 6-12 years

Choo-Choo Choose Your Destination Presented by Cumberland Museum

Thursday, July 18th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 5-10 years

Flavours of the World

Wednesday, July 24th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 6-12 years

Games Around the World

Wednesday, July 31st at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 6-12 years

Artist's Travel Sketchbook

Presented by the Ottawa Art Gallery

Tuesday, August 6th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 9-12 years

A World in Art

Wednesday, August 7th at 2 PM (60 minutes)

. Ages 6-12 years

By Land, By Sea, by Air!

Wednesday, August 14th at 2 PM (60 minutes). Ages 6-12 years

GO! Closing Ceremony

TD Summer Reading Club 2013

Wrap-up!

Wednesday, August 21st at 2 PM (60 minutes). All ages

Summer Babytime

Thursdays , July 4 and August 1st
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Summer Toddlertime

Thursdays, July 11th and August 8th
10:30 AM (30 minutes)

Summer Family Storytime

Thursdays, July 18th and August 15th
10:30 AM (30 minutes)

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- **Monday, June 17th**

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3rd Annual Allied Memorial Remembrance Ride June 22nd

On Saturday, June 22nd, 10:15 am members of the Canadian Veteran Freedom Riders (CVFR) as well as riders who wish to join them will leave Amica at Bearbrook after a breakfast provided by Amica. Sign-in and breakfast is from 7:30 to 10 am. Please pre-registration by emailing admin@cvfr.ca. The cost to sign up is \$20.

A four-hour group ride will follow the

memorial presentation and as well as a barbeque lunch compliments of Harley Davidson L'Outauais. Net proceeds from the ride will assist military families for Camp Maple Leaf.

The purpose of the CVFR is to provide a riding club that welcomes all veterans and veteran supporters who wish to share their enthusiasm for motorcycling and the camaraderie of military life.

CVFR's vision is to grow the organization to a national level, share the enthusiasm for motorcycle riding and to do charitable works for veterans' organizations that serve members of the Canadian Forces as well as other charitable works such as the Ride for Dad.

For more information please visit www.CVFR.ca.

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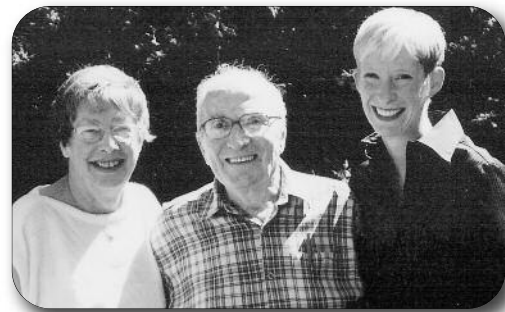
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Les Chansonniers d'Ottawa 8 & 15 juin

Les Chansonniers d'Ottawa sont fiers de présenter leur spectacle de 2013 qui aura pour thème Toi + Moi + Nous + Vous. Les deux représentations auront lieu le samedi 8 juin à Rockland dans la salle de spectacle Optimiste à l'École secondaire catholique L'Escale, 1535 Avenue du Parc, et le samedi 15 juin à Cornwall à l'École secondaire General Vanier Secondary School, 1500, rue Cumberland.

Heure des deux spectacles : 19 h 30

Billets : Rockland : 20 \$ adulte – 15 \$ (17 ans et moins)
Cornwall : 15 \$ pour tous.

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Les Chansonniers d'Ottawa are proud to present Toi + Moi + Nous + Vous to be held in Rockland, ON, on June 8th and in Cornwall ON, on June 15th.

The shows will take place in Rockland at the Optimist Performing Hall, 1535 Avenue du Parc and in Cornwall at General Vanier Secondary School, 1500 Cumberland Street. The show will start at 7:30 P.M.

Tickets: Rockland : 20 \$ adulte – 15 \$ (17 years and under)
Cornwall : 15 \$

Tickets can be booked by e-mail at winchcombe@sympatico.ca please indicated in the subject line "TICKETS".

Orleans Art Studio Tour June 8th & 9th

East end Artists from Orléans and Blackburn Hamlet are opening their studios to the public on Saturday June 8th and Sunday June 9th 2013 from 10:00am to 4:00pm each day. This year is the 7th annual tour with 13 artists, 8 studios and Wall Space Gallery.

The Wall Space Gallery at 2316 St Joseph Boulevard in Orléans is opening its doors for the tour and is hosting a vernissage for the tour artists on Wednesday evening June 5th, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Please drop in to the vernissage to meet the artists and preview their work. Works by each of the participating artists will also be displayed in the gallery over the weekend of the event.

The 13 artists include Hélène Lepage, Zygmunt J. Jakubek, Beata Jakubek, Aline Joanis, Joyce Buckley, Adele Pierce, Lucie Leclerc, Malcolm Cowell, Angela Verlaeclt Clark, Linda Dyson, Virginia Dupuis, Maria Luisa Muñante, and Tricia Wilmot Savoie.

You can find information on each of the artist including photos of some of their artwork at the Orleans Art Studio Tour website, www.oast.ca. Please visit the website for more information including the brochure and a printable map for the tour.

Please join us for this opportunity to enjoy and support the arts in our local community.

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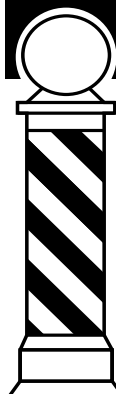
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Petrie Island clean-up June 1st

Friends of Petrie Island, Ecology Ottawa and the Ottawa Riverkeeper are teaming up to organize a family-friendly Petrie Island clean-up on June 1st from 10am to 3pm.

For most people, Petrie Island is best known for its beaches and walking trails, but it is also a rare example of a largely natural island and a Provincially Significant Wetland inside the City of Ottawa. The entire island area is subject to frequent spring

flooding. The floods help to support a diversity of plants and animals but they also dump garbage on the island and its shores.

Ecology Ottawa, Friends of Petrie Island and the Ottawa Riverkeeper are inviting anyone interested in lending a helping hand to come out on Saturday, June 1st for the clean-up any time between 10am and 3pm. There will be a barbeque along with exhibits and displays about the island, and the

nature center will be open to the public .

If you would like to assist in this clean-up, please contact us at orleans@ecologyottawa.ca or go to the events section of Ecology Ottawa's facebook page at www.facebook.com/ecologyottawa . We hope to inspire you to get your hands dirty for the sake of a healthy Island!



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Thurs, 7:15pm
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Invitation to Seniors: A Taste of Amica

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Throughout the day of June 12th, they will be showcasing one of their true passions—the fine dining experience and the culinary excellence of their chefs and staff. Join them any time during this complimentary day. The self-serve continental breakfast will be held 10 am to noon; the Chef Action Stations from noon to 2:30 pm and the Chef Demonstrations and Food Sampling from 2:30 pm to 4 pm.

For more information please call 613-837-8720.

Do vegetarians eat animal crackers?
~ Author Unknown

Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group

This is a loosely organized welcoming group that gathers to promote activities for Blackburn Hamlet citizens 50 plus years of age. Potluck dinners, day trips, discussion groups and seminars are held from time to time.

PUB NIGHT is on the fourth Sunday of the month at the Royal Oak Pub at 2067 Meadowbrook Road (just off Blair). RSVP PLEASE to Julie Kisch at 613- 824-3778 if you wish to attend or require further information.

A GROUP EXCURSION is planned for some time in late June or early July to Lavender Ridge in Luskville, Quebec. This is meant to be an interesting and educational tour that will be followed by a wine tasting and lunch. Natural products made from lavender will also be available for purchase. As usual, carpooling will be from the Community Hall. Please call Julie Kisch for a date and details at 613-824-3778 if you would like to join us.

Next meeting of the Working Group (everyone welcome) will be held on the third Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m. at the Blackburn Community Hall.

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Mens Fastball	www.bmfl.cabergeronderek@hotmail.com
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Join members of your community
for our annual Strawberry Social.

**Sunday, June 30
1-4:00 pm**

At the Blackburn Community
centre.

Programs

at Amica Bearbrook
(2645 Innes Road)

Craft and Conversation
7 pm the 1st and 3rd Tuesday
of each month

Book Club
7:30 pm last Thursday
of each month

Worship Services

Sunday

At the Church
2750 Navan Rd.
Eucharist Sundays 9 a.m.

Midweek

1st Tuesday 2 pm Blackburn Lodge
3rd Tuesday 2 pm Amica Bearbrook

May (See pages 20 and 21 for events at the Library)

Sat 25	White Out Party - Skateboard park graffiti art project (See page 3 and 4)
Fri 31 - 7:30	Discovery Café - Current Aboriginal Issues (See page 24)
Fri 31	Blackburn Hamlet Fun Fair (See pages 1, 4 and 5)
Sun 26 - Pub Night	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group - Royal Oak Pub - Meadowbrook Rd RSVP (See page 25)
Mon 27 5 pm to 9 pm	Public consultation re Interprovincial Bridge - Shenkman Arts Centre (See pages 7 and 15)
Thurs 30 - 7:00pm	Book Club - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome

June (See pages 20 and 21 for events at the Library)

Sat 1 and Sun 2	Blackburn Fun Fair (See p.5)
Sat 1 - 10 to 3 pm	Garage Sale - Blackburn Hamlet Community Centre
Sat 1 10 am - 3 pm	Petrie Island clean-up (See page 24)
Sun 2 - 9 am	Family Sunday at St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church - All Welcome
Sun 2 - 7:30 pm	Ottawa Fiddle Ensemble Concert - St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church - All Welcome
Tues 4 - 7:00 pm	Craft and Conversation - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Wed 5 - 7 to 9 pm	Vernissage for Artists of the East end Artists tour - The Wall Space Gallery (See Page 23)
Sat 8 - 10am to 4pm	East end Artists Studio Tour - Orleans and Blackburn Hamlet (See page 23)
Sat 8 - 7:30 pm	Les Chansonniers d'Ottawa - Rockland l'École secondaire catholique L'Escale (See page 23)
Sun 9 - 10am to 4 pm	East end Artists Studio Tour - Orleans and Blackburn Hamlet (See page 23)
Wed 12 - 10am - 4pm	A Taste of Amica at the Amica Retirement Community in Blackburn (See page 24)
Sat 15 - 7:30	Les Chansonniers d'Ottawa - Cornwall - Vanier Secondary School (See page 23)
Tues 18 - 7:00 pm	Craft and Conversation - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Wed 19 - 2:00 pm	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group-Working Group Meeting - Blackburn Comm. Hall. (See page 25)
Sat 22 - 10:15 am	Canadian Veteran Freedom Riders - fundraising ride - (See page 22)
Sun 23 - Pub Night	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group - Royal Oak Pub - Meadowbrook Rd RSVP (See page 25)
Thurs 27 - 7:00 pm	Book Club - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Sun 30 - 1 to 4 pm	Strawberry Social & Silent Auction - Blackburn Community Centre

July (See pages 20 and 21 for events at the Library)

Wed 17 - 2 pm	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group-Working Group Meeting - Blackburn Comm. Hall. (See page 25)
Tues 2 - 7:00 pm	Craft and Conversation - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Tues 15 - 7:00 pm	Craft and Conversation - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Thurs 25 - 7:00 pm	Book Club - Amica Bearbrook - All Welcome
Sun 28 - Pub Night	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group - Royal Oak Pub - Meadowbrook Rd RSVP (See page 25)

UPCOMING

Craft and Conversation and Book Club continue throughout the year. **Craft and Conversation** has changed to the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. All are welcome to bring projects to work on. Various talents are represented depending on the attendance, or you can simply join the conversation.

The Book Club continues to meet the last Thursday of each month.

Use the contact number on page 25 to find out if the 50+ group is continuing to meet as well. Don't forget to RSVP before attending one of their events.

September

Sunday 8 at 2pm - Annual Memorial Service - St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church - Navan Road near Innes
Saturday 21 at 4 to 7pm - Messy Church hosted by St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

October

Sunday 6 from 2 to 4 pm - Afternoon Tea and Baked Goods Sale - Blackburn Community Centre
Saturday 19 - Messy Church hosted by St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church
Sunday 20 - Blackburn Cancer Chase (See p.16)

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