

# Blackburn Area News And Reports

# BANAR

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## It's finally Spring

After a long winter, Spring is here! And what better time to get together with neighbours and friends than at these upcoming BCA events:

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15** – Freshen up your wardrobe at the Spring Community Closet! (page 22)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29** – Help clean up the neighbourhood at the Annual Spring Clean-Up! (rain date April 30; page 22)

**SATURDAY, MAY 6** – Go bargain-hunting at the Annual Community Garage Sale. (page 10)

**SATURDAY, MAY 13** – Learn cycling skills at the Youth Bike Rodeo (page 12)

**MAY 13 & 14** – Learn about trees at Neighbourwoods Training (page 15)

*With many more great BCA events and activities coming up in June and July. Read this issue or visit <https://blackburnhamlet.ca/> for more information on upcoming events.*





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# President's message

The greatest pleasure I get from volunteering for the BCA is seeing firsthand the incredible work of our volunteers. The dedication and commitment our volunteers have to this community is invigorating to watch. This past month we held our Annual General Meeting (AGM), and it provides us with an opportunity to look back on 2022 and all the amazing work our board has accomplished. 2022 was a fantastic year in the community; we were able to hold many of our main events again for the first time since COVID-19. Funfair, Cancer Chase, Spring Clean-up, Pancake Breakfast and Garage Sale to name but a few, plus we introduced new events like the community closets, Christmas Market, and many youth contests and events, all to great success! The years under COVID-19 lockdowns were difficult for our volunteers who thrive on being out in the community, and being able to get back to our regular schedule of events was amazing.

We also hold our annual board elections during the AGM and I am happy to have the entire board returning this year to continue building on the work they have already accomplished. We have an amazing team of volunteers but are always looking for new opportunities. If you have ever been interested in volunteering in the community or are curious about the BCA, I encourage you to come join one of our monthly virtual meetings to find out more.

I would also like to thank all of our outdoor rink volunteers for their efforts this past year at our outdoor rinks at Norman Johnston, Bearbrook and Michael Budd Park. It was a difficult year for the rinks with the weather and we struggled to get them operational and keep them working this year. Our volunteers did a fantastic job and, while it was a short season, we still beat the canal!

Finally, I would like to wish all the best to Christopher Shaeen who has acted as the manager of our local Metro for the past 13 years and has always been a big supporter of our community and the BCA. He will be missed in our community as he moves to a new location. While we will miss Chris in the community we are in good hands with the new manager Sara Antonini, who we would like to welcome back to the community.

**Mark Lister**  
BCA President

## Volunteer needed for BANAR delivery to local businesses

The BANAR delivery coordinators are looking for help with BANAR deliveries to our local businesses five times a year. Interested volunteers can email [BANAR@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:BANAR@blackburnhamlet.ca).

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## EVENTS

**Bike Rodeo:** Robert Bellizzi  
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**Spring Cleanup:** Lisa Margeson  
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## Board meetings

The BCA is a grassroots volunteer-run organization that supports and advocates on behalf of residents, businesses and groups in Blackburn Hamlet, Ottawa, Canada.

The BCA Board meets 9 times a year on the 3rd Thursday of the month (January-June & September-November) from 7:30pm to 10pm. Board meetings have been held virtually since March 2020. Meetings are open to Blackburn Hamlet residents. Contact secretary@blackburnhamlet.ca for the Zoom credentials.

Board meetings follow an agenda, so if you have any questions or topics that you wish to raise, please advise the secretary at least two (2) days prior to the meeting.

**Next BCA meeting:** Thursday Apr 20, 2023

## BANAR delivery routes

Did you know that people of all ages can earn money delivering the BANAR? Currently, all the BANAR routes are filled, but individuals who are interested in future routes can join the waitlist to take over the delivery of routes when they become available.

Those interested in future routes can email BANAR@blackburnhamlet.ca to join the waitlist.

## BCA Membership!

NEW  RENEWAL  DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Your \$10 annual membership helps support BCA activities such as the BANAR, representation to various levels of government, Fun Fair, Hockey Day, Canada Day, Santa's Breakfast, as well as numerous initiatives for youth, seniors and local groups. One membership covers 2 adults and their dependents living at the same address. Please either fill out and mail this form or provide the same information in an email to membership@blackburnhamlet.ca.

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**EMAIL(S):** \_\_\_\_\_

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Add to BCA volunteer list: Yes  No

### PAYMENT METHOD:

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include your name and email or phone in the memo field.

*All memberships expire on June 30 each year.*





The BANAR is published and delivered 5 times a year to Blackburn homes and businesses to celebrate community and provide information on local programs and events (circulation 3,500).

### Article Submissions

Articles (300 words maximum) can be emailed in the body of an email or attached as a Word document. High resolution photos (i.e., 300 DPI) can be submitted as email attachments.

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**June BANAR Deadline: May 4, 2023**

**June BANAR Delivery: May 27, 2023**

**For BCA updates go to [BlackburnHamlet.ca](http://BlackburnHamlet.ca)**

# BCA board meeting highlights February & March 2023

## Highlights from recent BCA board meetings discussions include:

- We continue to pursue the use of the Corine Wilson High School area in conjunction with the Convent Glen Orléans Wood Community Association for the 2023 Cancer Chase to be held in September 2023.
- The East End Community Associations continue their efforts to encourage the City of Ottawa to provide public Wifi at city facilities, including our Community Hall. The BCA is also investigating alternate options to provide this service in our hall.
- Repairs and upgrades to the hall continue. The outdoor bulletin board was repaired, new coat hooks were installed in the hallway, new 20-amp circuits have been installed and new LED lighting will be installed when staff are available. New signs have been installed to encourage hall users to properly store the tables and chairs after each event.
- The 2022/2023 winter weather proved to be a significant challenge for our outdoor rinks volunteers. We are grateful for their dedicated efforts to maintain the rinks for this shortened season.
- Due to unforeseen circumstances, the BCA Canada Day event has been cancelled for 2023.
- Miriam Hampson, our beautification chair, is working to install some light post banners and needs help completing the complex application and funding forms. If anyone is able to assist with this activity, please contact [beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca).

*More details can be found in the BCA Meeting Minutes on our website at <https://blackburnhamlet.ca/about/meeting-minutes/>*

# Calling all alumni of Emily Carr Middle School!

The students and staff of Emily Carr Middle School (ECMS) would like to invite you to our school on May 25, between 4:30 and 8 p.m. to celebrate our 50th anniversary.

Since opening in 1973, ECMS has been a pillar of our community. Raising money for local charities, contributing to community events, and being a hub of learning for young people are just some examples of how ECMS has enriched our community. In turn, ECMS has been enriched by the generations of students and staff who have walked through our halls over the years.

We will begin our celebration with a meet and greet. From 5:30 to 6:30, there will be some special presentations and guest speakers. We will wrap up the evening with more socializing as our guests walk through the school enjoying a blast from the past by walking through our decade-themed instructional areas.

Whether your children are currently attending



ECMS, you have graduated and want to see how your school has evolved, are a past or present staff member, this is your chance to celebrate like a Thunderbird! We hope you will join us and make this special anniversary one to remember.

Please check our school's website ([emilycarrms.ocdsb.ca](http://emilycarrms.ocdsb.ca)) regularly for more information.

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# Young Helping Hands for Seniors in 2023!

by Maureen Forsythe, BCA Youth Director

After the success of last year's youth volunteer service program, Young Helping Hands for Seniors, we are once again planning to match pairs of Blackburn youth who would like to give a helping hand to seniors in our neighbourhood.

Are you a senior in Blackburn Hamlet who could use a hand with light yard work and gardening this spring and early summer? **If so, the BCA would like to hear from you!** Once we have determined the number of older residents who are interested in this opportunity, we will seek to identify pairs of young people in the Hamlet who would be available to help you out for a few hours at a time. Even if you registered last year, we need you to register again in order to participate.

Are you a young person (12-17 years old) living in Blackburn Hamlet who would like to give older residents in the community a helping hand with light yard work and gardening this spring and summer? **If so, the BCA would love to hear from you!** We encourage young people to find a friend who would also like to



participate so that we are mostly registering pairs of youth who would like to work together as a team. If this is not possible, you should still send an email and we will pair you with another young person for this program. Even if you registered last year, we ask that you register again for this year.

If you are a senior who could benefit from a young helping hand this spring or if you would like to participate in this program as a youth volunteer, you are invited to register before May 16, 2023 by sending an email to [youth@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:youth@blackburnhamlet.ca).

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# What's happening at the Blackburn Hamlet Library

Did you know that if you live in Ottawa you can get a FREE library card and have access to all our amazing programs and services?

- **Family Storytime/Contes en Famille:** Join us Wednesday mornings 10:15-10:45 for bilingual stories, rhymes, and songs for children 0-6 years and a parent or caregiver. Please see our website for more details and to register online.
- **Baby Time / Bébés à la biblio:** Thursday mornings 10:15-10:45. Stories, rhymes, and songs for babies 0-18 months and a parent or caregiver. Drop In.
- **Blackburn Hamlet Book Chat:** Meets in branch the third Monday of the month at 2pm. April 17, run by Ann Patchett.
- **Spanish for Beginners:** Auramarina Sawyer from Spanish2Go is offering three evening classes to help get you started! April 11, 18 and 25 at 7pm. Register online.
- **Beginner Car Care:** A must-have course for new drivers or anyone who wants a refresher! This father-daughter teaching team will discuss important car basics in branch, and then everyone will head outside to change a tire and check the oil and fluids. April 22, 11am-12:30pm. Register online.
- **Social Hour:** Last Monday of the month, 10:30am. Grab a coffee and a crossword or have a chat with the neighbours. Bring your own mug!
- **Friends of the Ottawa Public Library book sale:** Come explore the shelves of Mille Feuilles at the Blackburn Hamlet branch. Books, music and DVD's are available for children, teens and adults in both English and French. Prices range from \$0.50 to \$3.00. *It's a bargain!*



**Laura Dudas**

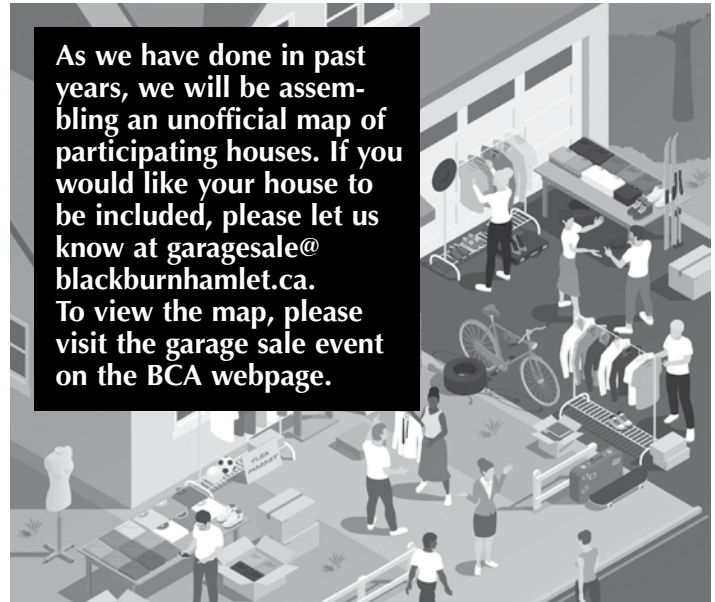
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# Annual Blackburn Hamlet Garage Sale

When: May 6 from 8am to 2pm (rain or shine)

Were you inspired by Marie Kondo to declutter your home this winter, but have yet to have a chance to get rid of everything due to all the ice and snow? Now is your chance to pass these items along, hoping they may 'spark joy' in someone else, and make some extra cash in the meantime! Or maybe you've been searching for a great deal on something that will make you smile and help keep our landfills, well, not full. Join the fun with our annual community garage sale Saturday, May 6 from 8am to 2pm, rain or shine. There is no need to register with the BCA — just set up your garage sale on your driveway or lawn on May 6. For more information contact the BCA Environment Committee at [enviro@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:enviro@blackburnhamlet.ca) or visit the BCA webpage.



## Give your mom a TREE-t!

May 14 is Mother's Day. Why not also help Mother Earth? The BCA's Tree Team has made arrangements to purchase some red oak and white pine seedlings which we are offering for free to Blackburn residents. Why not show your mom(s) or mother figures in your life how TREE-mendous you think they are with the gift that keeps on giving! Those interested should visit the BCA's webpage to register their interest or email [treeteam@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:treeteam@blackburnhamlet.ca). More information will be posted on the BCA website and Facebook page when the seedlings are available!



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Concour de coloriage pour le Jour de la Terre est ouvert seulement au résidents de Blackburn Hamlet. Colorier dans l'espace ici-bas une image qui répond à la question posée. Un (1) tirage au sort d'une (1) carte cadeau Métro de valeur de 50\$. Les chances de gagner dépendra du nombre total de soumissions reçus. Le gagnant potentiel doit répondre à une question d'habileté. Preuve de résidence peut être nécessaire. Tout les âges peuvent participer. Les personnes mineures doivent obtenir le consentement d'un parent ou d'une tuteur.

Dear planet Earth, I just wanted to thank you for....

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Your drawing must be received by April 21st 5pm. Drop off at Ottawa Public Library - Blackburn Branch or Metro (Blackburn Hamlet) in designated boxes. Open only to residents of Blackburn Hamlet. One entry per person. *Votre dessin doit être reçu par le 21 avril à 17hre. Déposer à la bibliothèque publique - succursale Blackburn Hamlet ou au Métro Blackburn Hamlet dans les boîtes désignées. Ouvert seulement aux résidents de Blackburn Hamlet. Limite d'une participation par personne.*

Information—> [www.blackburnhamlet.ca](http://www.blackburnhamlet.ca)

Questions: [enviro@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:enviro@blackburnhamlet.ca)

# The bike corner

The BCA will be holding a Youth Bicycle Rodeo event at the Good Shepherd School, 101 Bearbrook Road, on Saturday, May 13, from 9am-1pm. The event is designed to introduce young bike enthusiasts, aged 6-10, to proper bike riding techniques. The event will be presented in both English and French, and is free to all residents of Blackburn Hamlet. Parents are required to remain onsite.

To register or volunteer please email [safety@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:safety@blackburnhamlet.ca).

## Le coin vélo

L'association communautaire de Blackburn Hamlet (ACB) organise un événement de rodéo à vélo à l'école Good Shepherd, 101 chemin Bearbrook, pour les jeunes le samedi 13 mai de 9 h à 1 h. L'événement est conçu pour initier les jeunes passionnés de vélo, âgés



de 6 à 10 ans, aux bonnes techniques de conduite à vélo. L'événement sera offert en français et en anglais et est gratuit pour tous les résidents de Blackburn Hamlet.

Pour inscrire votre enfant, s.v.p envoyez un courriel à [safety@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:safety@blackburnhamlet.ca).

## Plant swap & sale for Glen Ogilvie

After the success of last year's event, we are excited to invite everyone back again for another plant swap & sale to raise money for the school! Do you have hostas that need splitting? Houseplants that need a new home? Way too many

irises? We'll take them off your hands for a good cause!

### How does it work?

Blackburn Hamlet's Gardeners are invited to donate extra, crowded, or unwanted plants from their homes,

yards, and gardens, and trade up for new ones at a suggested donation of \$2-\$5/plant (cash only). All money raised will go toward improving equipment and programs at Glen Ogilvie School.

The swap & sale will take place rain or shine on Saturday, May 13, 8 am-12 pm, at 46 Centrepark Drive, in the sunken garden area in front of the school.

If you have plants you'd like to donate but can't make it on Saturday, please contact Laura at [GlenOplantfundraiser@gmail.com](mailto:GlenOplantfundraiser@gmail.com) to arrange a drop-off ahead of time. If you don't have plants to bring but would still like to purchase or make a donation to support the school, you are more than welcome!



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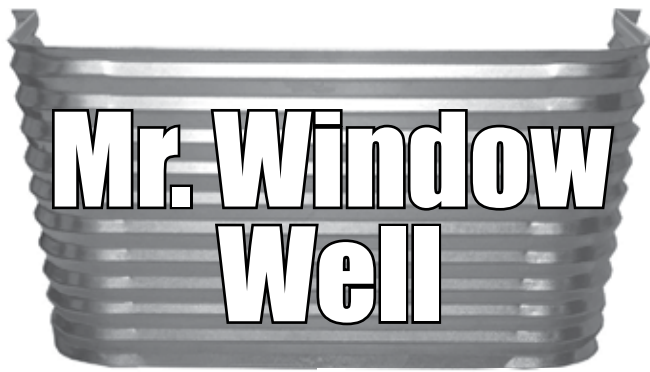


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*Clifton Charie, BCA Tree Team  
Neighbourwoods Project Lead*

**Date:** May 13 and 14, 2023

**Where:** 190 Glen Park Drive (inside and outside around the Blackburn Community Hall)

**Free!**

A small team of volunteers launched the tree inventory program called “Neighbourwoods” in Blackburn Hamlet last spring. Unfortunately, our training program with Dr. Andrew Kenney was cut short by the unforgettable windstorm “derecho”. The loss of many trees in Blackburn, in part because of the derecho, but also as a result of intensification, disease and pests, has only increased the importance of Neighbourwoods in Blackburn.

**What is Neighbourwoods?** The city has very limited information about trees on private property. The purpose of Neighbourwoods is to gather information

such as the type, size, and health of trees on private property, as well as, in some of our parks, to help us plan better diversity in our tree canopy. Volunteers receive free training from forestry professionals to learn how to identify, measure and assess the health of trees.

More about the free training on the weekend of May 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Dr. Kenney will return to the Blackburn Community Hall to train new volunteers. If you love trees and people, consider registering for the training. If you would like more information about this training, or you would like to register for it, please contact Clifton Charie at [treeinventory@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:treeinventory@blackburnhamlet.ca). We would love to hear from you!

**You can't make the training?** We still want to hear from you, and you can still volunteer!

**For more information about this multi-city Neighbourwoods program check out this link:** <http://neighbourwoods.org/>

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# Registrations

**Blackburn Ladies Softball League:** a fun, recreational orthodox pitching softball league for women 18+ of all skill levels. All games are played on Mondays and/or Wednesdays at the diamond behind the Blackburn Hamlet Arena. Registration began online on February 1st, 2023 with in-person registration opportunities listed on the website ([www.blackburnladiessoftball.ca](http://www.blackburnladiessoftball.ca)). Inquiries can be sent to [blsvicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:blsvicepresident@gmail.com)

**1st Blackburn Scout Group:** Scouting offers a variety of gender-inclusive programs to all youth,

including Beavers (age 5-7), Cubs (age 8-10), Scouts (age 11-14), Venturers (age 15-17), and Rovers (age 18-26). The program runs from January 1 to December 31, with meetings on Monday evenings at Emily Carr Middle School. It's not too late to join! Register at [www.myscouts.ca](http://www.myscouts.ca). Check out [blackburnscouting.com](http://blackburnscouting.com) to see the types of activities in which each section of 1st Blackburn participates. Interested volunteers please contact Joanne at [gc@blackburnscouting.com](mailto:gc@blackburnscouting.com).

To feature registration information for a Blackburn Hamlet-based, volunteer-run, not-for-profit activity, email [BANAR@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:BANAR@blackburnhamlet.ca) with the registration details (100 words or less).

## YOUR HOME INSPECTION

*Don Kelly*

On June 8 the Ottawa Police Services (OPS), in partnership with the BCA, will be holding a Home Security Inspection information session at the Blackburn Hamlet Community Hall from 7-10 pm. It will be open to all Blackburn Hamlet residents.

The session will be presented by our community police officer, Constable Marc Leroux. The presentation will highlight the features of the OPS home security inspection program that is designed to reduce the risk of break-ins, theft, property damage or vandalism. Constable Leroux will also highlight the OPS safety audit that can identify home safety improvements and other crime prevention initiatives.

To register or volunteer for this event email [safety@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:safety@blackburnhamlet.ca).

## The adult bike ride

*Don Kelly*

The BCA will be conducting an Adult Bike Ride on Saturday, June 10, from 9-12 am. This event is designed to provide adult bike riders (18+) with safe, effective bike riding strategies. There will be information sessions, held at the Blackburn Hamlet Community Hall, on subjects that include law enforcement, bike riding strategies, new bike safety features on large vehicles, and bike maintenance. After the information sessions there will be a controlled bike ride on the Hamlet roadways, including a controlled bike ride down Bearbrook.

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### Love is in the air



Snow will melt, flowers will bloom again and mating season for cats will begin.

If you have a cute kitten at home you might want to make sure you plan their spay/neuter for when they are about 5-7 months old.

Once they reach puberty, intact females will start howling and may spray inside the house during their heat. This cycle last for about 1 week and comes back every 2-3 weeks until next winter.

Several health benefits are associated with spaying your cat. First, spaying eliminates the risk of ovarian, uterine cancers and pyometra – a fatal condition of the uterus. Second, breast cancer is the number one type of cancer diagnosed in intact (unspayed) female cats which is greatly decreased if a cat is spayed earlier in her life.

What about the boys? For intact male cats, inappropriate urination, strong urine smell and aggressivity are the main problems seen. There is a much more viruses seen (mainly FIV) with intact male roaming outdoors.

Overpopulation is still an ongoing crisis. On average, cats have four kittens in a litter and can litters can range from one to 12. Moreover, a cat can give birth to up to five litters a year. A single female cat can produce up to 420 cats in seven years.... Please be responsible and part of the solution, spay or neuter your cat.

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# Valentine's party in the park

by Maureen Forsythe, BCA Youth Director

On Saturday, February 11 four local youth braved the cold and deep snow to gather outside the Blackburn Community Hall for an hour of fun-filled outdoor activities.

The youth worked in pairs to create jokes by matching questions and answers and then presented the series of corny Valentine's jokes to their audience. Participants then worked again in pairs and raced against the clock to reconstruct a couple of famous love poems — *How Do I Love Thee?* by Elizabeth Barrett Browning and Shakespeare's *Sonnet 116*, of which the lines had been cut out and had to be physically reassembled in the correct order.

Next there was a race to the woods at the edge of the field to find five red hearts hanging from trees just within reach. Also hidden in the woods were bags of Valentine's chocolates that the four young people collected as part of a scavenger hunt. Once the hearts had been retrieved there was a game of heart tag with



Emerson Simser (left) and Charlie Jodoin (right) participating in the balloon race at the BCA Valentine's Party in the Park

each participant being "tagged" by the person with the red heart.

After the game of heart tag, participants once more formed pairs and competed in a balloon race where each team had to run with the balloon being kept off the ground without using any hands. Finally there was homemade hot chocolate and cupcakes for everyone before they collected their treat bags and headed home.

## Grandmas AIDing Grandmas plant and garden sale

Save a spot in your garden this spring for something unique! On Saturday May 27 "Grandmas AIDing Grandmas", together with the Bearbrook Retirement Residence,

will be holding a plant and garden sale on the corner of Bearbrook and Innes Roads. We will feature annuals, perennials, new and old favourites, as well as some very interesting

houseplants. Hours are 9 am to 2 pm.

We will have baking, garden-themed sewing and crafts, and some very interesting baskets to raffle. All proceeds go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation "Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign", which offers community-based support for the dignified and strong African grandmothers raising orphaned children due to HIV, AIDS, and COVID-19.

Plant donations greatly appreciated, will pick up if needed.

For more information, email [grandmas59@gmail.com](mailto:grandmas59@gmail.com) or call 613-824-3524

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# Announcing! 51<sup>st</sup> FUNFAIR

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*Brent Lawrie, FunFair Chair*

Hope everyone is getting excited about the spring and Blackburn Hamlet's annual FunFair.

Your organizing committee has been working hard to put together an abundance of activities and events for the whole community to enjoy. Get ready to have one of the best weekends to kick off your pre-summer festivities!

At this year's FunFair you can expect Northern Screammers to tantalize all ages; Ry-J's Climbing Adventures; the Vengeance Van featuring the ever-popular car smash and axe throwing; the craft brew night; the movie night; expanded showcase and silent auction; the used book sale; the always popular parade (this year honouring our healthcare heroes); field and midway games; fireworks; Jed the Mechanical Bull; the fantastic dog show; the BBQ and various excellent food trucks; plus all the great entertainment on the main stage.

This year we have a couple of great headliners for all to enjoy. Friday night's opening of the craft beer garden features one of Ottawa's favorite bands, Soul Motion! Get ready for a mix of funk, Motown, soul, and many great hits from the 70's and 80's that are guaranteed to get you up dancing. And for the first time ever in Blackburn, for Saturday night's headliner, we have Ottawa's greatest party band, the legendary Ambush. Famous for their live shows, Ambush has built an intensely loyal fan base in Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec. The Ambush Army is a quarter of a million fans strong and still growing! Performing to captivated crowds of all ages, Ambush has been recognized by the Canadian music industry with multiple nominations for Canadian Country Music Association awards, including: Independent Group or Duo of the Year (2006), Independent Group or Duo of the Year (2007) and Group or Duo of the Year (2007). There will be a cover charge for the Saturday evening show from 7 pm until close. Early bird tickets: \$20 (purchase online until April 16); general admission: \$25 (tickets available online and, if not sold out, at the door).



It's going to be one heck of a fair this year! For the tentative schedule for this year's fair, see page 21.

Planning continues, so check [www.blackburnfunfair.ca](http://www.blackburnfunfair.ca) for the latest updates and schedule of events.

For general information contact [infoblackburnfair@gmail.com](mailto:infoblackburnfair@gmail.com).

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at the FunFair web page or e-mail: [funfairchair@gmail.com](mailto:funfairchair@gmail.com). We are always looking for help and new ideas.

## **VERY IMPORTANT:**

**Please mark on your calendars the time of the FunFair parade, as Bearbrook Road between Louis Riel High School and Innes Road, will be closed on Saturday, June 3, from 10 a.m. until approximately 10:45 a.m.**

# Tentative schedule for FunFair 2023

## FRIDAY, JUNE 2

- 4 pm to 10:00 pm** Northern Screammers, Ry-J's  
Climbing Adventures, Vengeance Van, kids games  
(on the ground all weekend)
- 6 pm to 8 pm** Movie night for the kids featuring  
a newly released movie, (TBA)
- 6 pm to 10:30 pm** Craft brew night — with three  
east Ottawa brewers and live entertainment  
featuring Soul Motion starting at 7 pm
- 10:30 pm** Grounds close

## SATURDAY, JUNE 3

- 8 am to 10 am** Pancake breakfast
- 10 am to 10:45am** FunFair parade honouring our  
healthcare heroes
- 10 am to 4 pm** Showcase, used book sale,  
silent auction
- 11 am to 4 pm** Volleyball tournament
- 11 am to 11 pm** Activities and games
- 11 am to 3 pm** FunFair BBQ
- 11 am, 1 pm, 3 pm** Ray's Reptiles
- 11 am to 3 pm** Fruit stand
- 11 am to 4 pm** Bouncy castle, dunk tank

- 11 am to 11:50 pm** Stage show
- 11 am to 11:50 pm** Beer garden \*\*
- 11 am to 8 pm** Family game area (with prizes)
- 1 pm** Cake cutting ceremony
- 6 pm to 9pm** JED the Mechanical Bull
- 10 pm** Fireworks show
- Midnight** Grounds close

## SUNDAY, JUNE 4

- 9 am** In-person registration for  
Fun Run
- 10 am to 11 am** 5K Family Fun Run
- 11:15 am to 12 noon** 1K Kids Fun Run
- 12:30 to 1:30 pm** FunFair dog show
- 3 pm** Ground close

*\*\* Wristbands will be in effect for alcohol consumption in the beer garden, and there will be a cover charge from 7 pm until close. Warm-up band TBA 7-8 pm; AMBUSH - 9 pm to 12 am. Early bird tickets for 7 pm Saturday evening: \$20 (online until April 16); General Admission: \$25 (tickets online and, if not sold out, at the door) [www.blackburnfunfair.ca](http://www.blackburnfunfair.ca)*

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# Join us for the Annual Spring Clean-Up

**When:** Saturday April 29th at 9:30am

**Rain date:** Sunday April 30th at 9:30am

**Where:** 190 Glen Park Dr. (Blackburn Community Hall)

Join the BCA and your neighbors as we clean up the main streets and parks of Blackburn in honour of Earth Day. Meet us at the Community Hall, where we will provide garbage bags and latex gloves, and help you choose an area for litter pick-up. Participants are invited to join us afterwards at 11:30 am for the annual photo to show the impact of our effort, and a BBQ (including vegetarian options) to say thanks for all your 'dirty' work. This event is for everyone: whether you are new to the community or you've lived here for years; if you're a highschool student looking for volunteer hours; if you have children attending school in the area; or if you're looking to get out and get moving once the snow banks have finally melted!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact the spring cleanup chair, Lisa at: [cleanup@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:cleanup@blackburnhamlet.ca)

## Come and freshen up your wardrobe at the Spring Community Closet!

**When:** April 15, 2023 9am to 5pm

**Where:** Blackburn Community Hall, 190 Glen Park Dr. Do you have enough *joy* in your closet? Do you want to refresh your wardrobe *and* support sustainable fashion?

Then you must not miss our Spring Community Closet event organized by the BCA's environment committee!

Bring your friends, family and loved ones to the Community Hall on April 15. We will have a variety of new-to-you clothing that is freshly laundered, *free*, and ready to be rocked by you!

To ensure we are creating an inclusive space at our swap, we will be inviting participants to come according to the following schedule:

9-11 am – seniors and adults who benefit from a quiet environment • 11am-1pm - families • 1-5pm-everyone.

Thank you to everyone who has donated this far! Donations for the swap will continue to be accepted until April 8. Please provide *gently used clothing donations only* (we will not accept accessories, shoes, or undergarments). Drop off at 9 Catalpa Court or 2188 Orient Park Dr.

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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You can also sign up to volunteer for one or more events by completing the form on the BCA website at <https://blackburnhamlet.ca/about/volunteers>.

All are welcome and we look forward to having you join us soon!



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*Nicole Charron*

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Le thème de cette année « Nous chanterons! » souligne le plaisir de se retrouver et de chanter ensemble après quatre années d'absence sur scène. C'est avec beaucoup de joie que les membres de cette troupe franco-ontarienne vous offriront ce nouveau spectacle en mai 2023. Au programme, vous pourrez entendre des chansons célébrant notre retour sur scène comme Ça va bien aller et Tout le monde dehors. Il y aura également un pot-pourri des œuvres du regretté Jean Lapointe ainsi que des pièces de différents compositeurs comme Venne, Enya, Zaz, Nevsky etc.

Cette année, la Troupe est constituée de plus de 35 choristes et danseurs. Le but principal de cette Troupe est d'offrir à ses membres un loisir culturel et musical en français, en chantant le répertoire des plus grands chansonniers du monde francophone. Le tout est agrémenté de différentes danses et chorégraphies.

L'année 2024 marquera le 50e anniversaire de la Troupe. À cette occasion, notre spectacle comportera plusieurs extraits de comédies musicales. Nous serons à la recherche de nouvelles voix lors de notre campagne de recrutement en août 2023 pour la saison qui débutera en septembre de cette année.

Pour de plus amples informations sur notre spectacle 2023, consultez la page Facebook de la Troupe à <https://facebook.com/leschansonniersdottawa> ou écrivez à l'adresse suivante : [vicomax47@gmail.com](mailto:vicomax47@gmail.com)

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**Contact:** [beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca)

**Date:** May-Oct

**Where:** Blackburn Hamlet gateway signs and art sculpture

Did you know that underneath this year's blanket of snow below the Blackburn Hamlet gateway signs, the art sculpture and surrounding ground areas of the Community Hall are over 800 tulip bulbs waiting to awaken this spring? These bulbs were generously donated by Ritchie Feed and Seed last fall, kindly delivered by Sarah Walsh, and quickly planted by Garth and Miriam Hampson. We hope to see these pretty coloured flowers brighten our community entrance and focal points soon.

The BCA is recruiting more volunteers this year to help water these gardens filled with annuals and perennials throughout the spring, summer and fall seasons. If you would like to lend a helping hand or if you would like more information, please contact [beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:beautification@blackburnhamlet.ca). We hope you will join our team!



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## BLACKBURN HAMLET GARDEN TOUR

by *Cynthia Hoisak*

**Date:** July 8 & 9,  
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**Where:** Gardens throughout  
the Hamlet (TBD)



*Photo by Sarah Howlett*

After last year's successful garden tour, we're back!

Join us for the second Blackburn Hamlet Garden Tour. There are two ways of participating: include your garden on the tour, or join in on touring the gardens, for free, with family and friends.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Cynthia Hoisak at 613-799-9514 or [gardentour@blackburnhamlet.ca](mailto:gardentour@blackburnhamlet.ca). Further information will be available in the months ahead.



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