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BAYFIELD NEWEST ADVENTURE FOR FIRST CANADIAN IDOL

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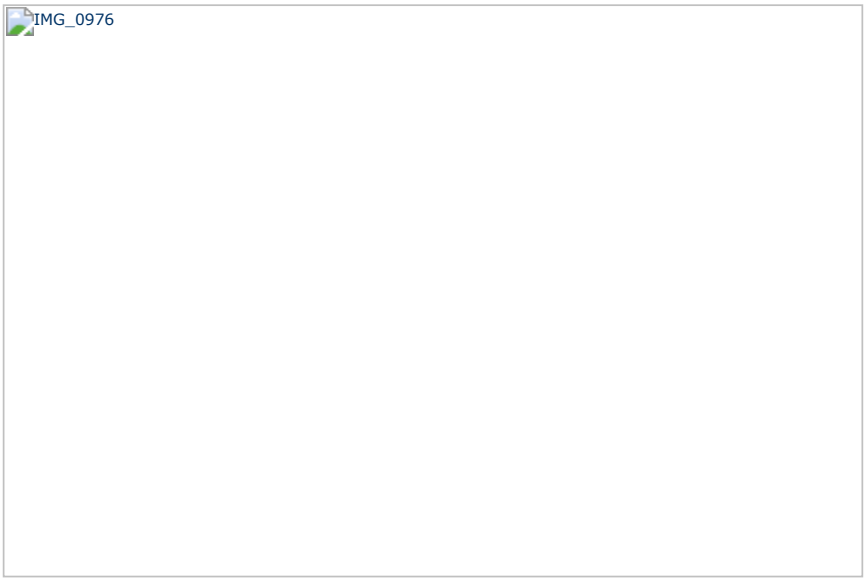
VACATION PUBLISHING DATES

Editor's note: It's vacation time! The Bayfield Breeze will be publishing hiatus issues on Oct. 26 and Nov. 2. If you have an upcoming event occurring during those times that you would like to appear in these issues please get your news into us by Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 4 p.m. The Bayfield Breeze will be back live on Wednesday, Nov. 9.

COOKIE DAYS



One of Bayfield's newest residents, Ryan Malcolm, will be the opening act at a concert held at The Ashwood Bourbon Bar on Saturday night. Elvyn will be the headliner. A group Malcolm describes as fun and energetic.

Say the name Ryan Malcolm to someone locally and their face transforms into a quizzical look. “That name is very familiar,” they generally respond. If you follow up with a “Canadian Idol” the look slowly changes to one of recognition.

Believe it or not it has been 13 years since Ryan Malcolm became the first person to earn the title of “Canadian Idol”. The show would continue for another five seasons capably hosted by Ben Mulroney.

And believe it or not Ryan Malcolm is now a Bayfield resident. Living with his wife, Rebecca, at The Ashwood Inn where she has taken on the role of Innkeeper.

Malcolm recalls the “Canadian Idol” period of his life as something of a “dream”.

“It is hard to explain. I’m from Kingston. I went from singing at someone’s wedding to singing in arenas. It was an incredible experience, a whirlwind year and a half of traveling, touring and recording. I went to Europe a few times and participated in World Idol.”

His debut single, "Something More" was released on radio the day after his win. It went four times platinum on the first day of its release and stayed at number one on the Canadian Singles Chart for 13 consecutive weeks.

On Dec. 9, 2003, Malcolm's debut album Home was released. It debuted and peaked at number four on the Canadian Albums Chart, and was certified platinum, selling 170,000 copies and earning a Juno nomination for Best Pop Album.

“For the first album 140 songs were written in a week and then with the help of the record label 15 tracks were chosen that became the album,” he said.

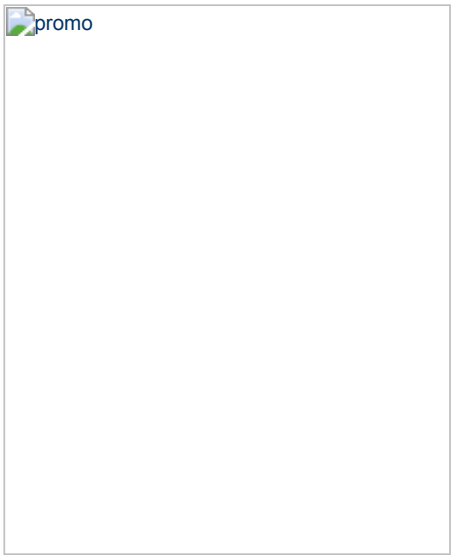
Although he is very proud of his first effort he feels that perhaps the songs chosen weren’t necessarily the strongest choices, explaining the experience got rather “political”.

So following this first adventure he parted ways with the label and took back 100 per cent creative control.

“This is something you don’t get with a major corporation which is too bad really because there is so much great music out there that never makes it to the radio station,” Malcolm said.

In 2006, Malcolm formed and fronted a five-piece alternative rock band known as “Low Level Flight”. The band released their debut album Urgency in the spring of 2007 and their second studio album “Through These Walls” in 2011. Touring in Mexico, the US, the UK, Europe and India were all a part of this next adventure.

A couple years later, Malcolm and his wife ventured to Costa Rica for a vacation and “fell in love with the vibe”.



Some of the youngest members of the community will be doing their part to preserve the Bayfield River Flats this weekend when they host a Hotdog Barbecue at Bayfield Foodland, Oct. 15-16.

Members of Bayfield Guiding and their families will be serving up hotdogs with fried onions and a side of freshly popped corn in return for donations to the Bayfield River Flat campaign from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days.

The event also coincides with Cookie Days in Canada and they will be selling both Classic Chocolate and Vanilla Sandwich Cookies as well as the festive Chocolatey Mint Cookies for $5 a box from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the grocery store.

Profit from the sale of cookies helps the girls go on fabulous outings, keeps camping affordable and buys them the supplies they need to enjoy a great program as well as all those badges they earn for community service as well as learning new things and trying new skills.

Anyone who can’t make it out to Cookie Days but still needs their cookies should contact Melody Falconer-Pounder at 519 525-3830.

WITCHES WALK

The 2 KM trail in the forested area behind The Ashwood Inn, just north of Bayfield off Hwy. 21, is going to be transformed into a Witches Walk on the evening of Oct. 29 and all are invited to summon the courage to attend!

Organizers are now looking for local businesses and organizations that would like to create a scary station along the path at the event to run from 6-8 p.m.

Please contact Kirsten Harrett at 519 565-4444 if you are interested in taking part.

MEMORY AND AGING

"Music had worn me out and Costa Rica offered spectacular weather, animals and people. So we decided to move there and opened a restaurant on the Caribbean side of the country where our break became working seven days a week," said Malcolm.

The musician is no stranger to running a restaurant as his parents had owned and operated said businesses for years.

"We offered up handmade fresh pasta daily with local flavors and had a million dollar view that we didn't have to pay a million dollars for," he said.

He also appreciated the genuine quality of the people.

"I am fascinated by people and enjoying meeting new people, especially when they are on vacation, everyone has a story to tell," Malcolm said.

He found his time in Costa Rica rejuvenating and he continued to write and do some recording while there.

"And I've never lost the desire to perform as I would play at the restaurant or at the beach or even on our balcony where I would perform for the monkeys," he said.

But after three years the "call" to come home was beginning to grow.

"We did a five month stint at a ski lodge in Whistler recently. We were in the back country, 45 minutes into the woods on snowmobile," he said.

And then the call literally came in the form of an email from the owner of The Ashwood Inn, Kirsten Harrett, wondering if Rebecca might be looking for work back in Canada.

"So we came out and looked at the place and checked out Western Ontario and said, 'Yes', immediately."

The couple moved into The Ashwood Inn about a month ago and Malcolm has so far found the people to be super friendly.

"I have enjoyed meeting Bayfield people and look forward to getting involved in the community and the area music scene," he said.

He also noted that he hopes to have the band members from Low Level Flight out in the spring.

For now he is taken on another adventure pursuing an alternate career as a Real Estate Agent.

"It has been something I've wanted to try for a while now and it seemed like the right thing to do here. I have been driving around getting a feel for the neighborhoods and the places and farms are just so big and beautiful," he said.

Malcolm has joined the Royal LePage Heartland Realty team owned by Fred and Rick Lobb and will be working from the Bayfield office. The younger Lobb himself is noted on the local music scene as the drummer for The Ashgrove.

"The musical connection is actually one of the reasons I thought their company would be the perfect fit for me," said Malcolm.

The music scene at The Ashwood Bourbon Bar may also prove to be perfect for Malcolm who is on tap to be the opening act at a concert at the Inn on Saturday, Oct. 15.

"I've got the easy job I will be performing acoustically some new songs and some cover songs that I enjoy, easing my way back in," he said.

Elvyn will be the headliner. A group Malcolm describes as fun and energetic. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. The restaurant will also be open for dinner that night. Tickets for the concert are $10 and those with dinner reservations secure priority seating. Call 519 565-4444 to reserve tickets.

All of these experiences have shaped Malcolm's creativity and helps him produce new material. They keep him growing as a person and a performer. The Bayfield community will no doubt be delighted to help sculpt this next adventure for the countries first Canadian Idol.

Editor's Note: With files from Wikipedia.

The Alzheimer Society of Huron County is pleased to offer the Memory and Aging Program at St. Andrew's United Church in Bayfield this October.

The Memory and Aging Program™, developed at Toronto's Baycrest Hospital, is of interest to anyone experiencing normal age-related changes in memory or anyone interested in learning more about this topic. Adults of all ages are welcome, although the focus is on seniors. Participants do not need a doctor's referral and do not have to be clients of the Alzheimer Society to register for this memory strategy program.

The Memory and Aging Program describes what memory is and how it changes with age. Participants learn about lifestyle changes aimed at improving memory. Practical memory strategies are reviewed and practiced to improve your ability to remember everyday things such as names, location of items, and things you intend to do. Equally important, the Memory and Aging Program seeks to build confidence in your own memory ability.

The Memory and Aging Program consists of four weekly, two-hour sessions. The Bayfield course will be held at St. Andrew's from 10:00 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays from Oct. 19 to Nov. 9. There is a fee of $40 per participant, which covers the cost of the program workbook and materials.

Registration for the course is mandatory as it is limited to 15 participants and it generally fills up fast! Please call the Alzheimer Society of Huron County to register 519 482-1482 or 1-800-561-5012 or by email admin@alzheimerhuron.on.ca.

TROUT DERBY

Oct. 14-16 are the dates set for the Bayfield Lions' Club's annual Joe Brandon Memorial Fishing Derby.

This popular annual event often sells out with 250 guests. Fish may be caught from the Bayfield River only from 6 a.m. on Friday to noon on Sunday. The weigh station is set up at Rainbow Valley Campground. The fishing is only allowed east of the Hwy 21 bridge.

The top prizes are: first, $800; second, $400 and third, $300.

The Eric Earle Memorial will be awarded to a contestant aged 15 or younger. It consists of a cash award of $100 and a plaque. The Bill Thorpe Memorial will go to a person in the 16-18 years category. It is also a $100 cash award and a plaque. All participants will have the chance to win a variety of other prizes generously donated by local merchants.

Tickets are $25 and can be purchased from Lion Tom Grasby at tgrasby@tcc.on.ca.

GREAT CROWD OUT FOR GHOSTLY WALK

As darkness fell on Saturday night, Oct. 8, a hidden, darker side of Bayfield's past emerged. Over the decades, there have been many unexplained events, cruel murders and strange happenings in the village. Dave Gillians, the author of 'For the Love of Bayfield', on behalf of the Bayfield River Flats fundraising campaign, vividly described documented cases of sightings and unexplained occurrences of real people who lived in Bayfield. A tremendous crowd turned out on a chilly evening to hear these tales that were sure to resonate in their minds, long after the lantern dimmed at the end of the night. Donations to the Bayfield River Flats Campaign were collected for this blood chilling experience. (Photos by Adriaan Schreuder)

NEW PLAY STRUCTURES DESIGNED FOR OLDER CHILDREN

GARDEN CLUB

Sarah Sylvester, of The Little Shed Flower Company in Varna, will be the guest speaker at the next Bayfield Garden Club meeting to be held on Oct. 17.

Sylvester has been displaying her unique and beautiful floral arrangements this summer at the Bayfield Farmer's Market and there are rave reviews of her floral displays on Facebook.

Everyone is welcome to come for the evening, enjoy the speaker and refreshments as well as chat with fellow gardening enthusiasts. The meeting will be held at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building starting at 7:30 p.m.

At this October meeting there will be a sign-up sheet to preregister for the Garden Club's November meeting. On Thursday, Nov 17, members are invited to have dinner at their own cost at Renegades Diner in Bayfield. After dinner the club will visit Huron Ridge Acres for their Candlelight Poinsettia Festival.

FLU CLINICS

It is Flu shot season once again. The Bluewater Area Family Health Team will be holding two Influenza Clinics within the municipality with Bayfield's being held on Oct. 25 at Trinity Anglican Church.

The church is located at 10 Keith Crescent and the clinic will be open from 4-6 p.m.

A second clinic will be held at the Zurich Community Centre on Nov. 2 from 4-6 p.m.

The Zurich Medical Centre will also provide shots Monday thru Thursday from now until Nov. 30 from 1-2 p.m.

Those people receiving the shot are asked to wear a top with sleeves that will roll up easily and also bring their OHIP Health Card.

VALDY CONCERT

The Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society (BTHHS) is pleased to announce that tickets for Valdy, who is scheduled to appear at the town hall on the evening of Oct. 20, have been extremely popular and the concert is now completely sold out.

The BTHHS looks forward to bringing more exciting entertainment to Bayfield in the coming months.

BAYFIELD LIBRARY

The Huron County Library wants to hear from you! Throughout the month of October, we are soliciting input on the services provided by the Huron County Library. As part of a pilot project at the Bayfield

A senior play structure is designed for children five to 12 years of age. It is designed to maximize enjoyment and energy expenditure, while minimizing injury risk in an age appropriate environment. Optimist Mike Dixon, Pat Lewington and Roger Lewington were the coordinators for the project.

New play structures are finally completed in Clan Gregor Square thanks to the Bayfield Optimist Club and village residents that contributed $32,000 to the project. The Municipality of Bluewater contributed the installation costs.

Optimist Mike Dixon, Pat Lewington and Roger Lewington were the coordinators for the project.

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"We are always overwhelmed with the level of interest and community support from local residents," said Mike Dixon. "The project replaces a broken piece of equipment and enhances the equipment that is currently there. The projects centerpiece is a new, more challenging structure for five to 12 year olds. There are also step pods for the monkey bars and an additional sand digger."

"There was definitely a need for additional play opportunities for five to 12 year olds," added Pat Lewington.

A senior play structure is designed for children five to 12 years of age. It is designed to maximize enjoyment and energy expenditure, while minimizing injury risk in an age appropriate environment.

The playground at Clan Gregor Square was originally designed to accommodate all children from 18 months to 12 years of age. Few anticipated the overwhelming popularity of the playground when it was initially installed in 2006-2007.

Library, we are also conducting a Community Needs Assessment specific to the Village of Bayfield and catchment area.

The purpose of this project is to identify community trends and identify potential gaps in library service delivery.

There are a variety of ways that you can participate! The Bayfield Community Needs Assessment will be gathering information from community members through street interviews, surveys and at a community conversation event to be held on Monday, Oct. 24 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. or Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 6:30-8 p.m., at the Bayfield Library.

For more information, please contact Christa Lehnen, Bayfield branch library community information librarian by calling 519 565-2886 or email clehnen@huroncounty.ca, or County Librarian and Director of Cultural Services, Meighan Wark by phone at 519 482-5457 or email mwark@huroncounty.ca.

CYCLING STRATEGY

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The County of Huron has developed a strategy intended to improve cycling safety and enjoyment in our region. The Huron County Cycling Strategy Committee has created a draft strategy. The committee is comprised of stakeholders from the cycling, health, municipal, police, tourism, and transportation sectors.

Working with the Share the Road Cycling Coalition, a leader in promoting bicycle friendly communities, the committee hosted two public workshops in May of 2016 to discuss education and awareness initiatives, infrastructure improvements and best practices adopted in other areas of Ontario. The resulting Huron County Cycling Strategy recommends a number of actions and an implementation plan that will make our communities more cycling friendly within the next five years.

The draft strategy can be viewed online at www.huroncounty.ca and copies are also available at special kiosks in all Huron County libraries during the

Starting mid-summer the new play structure was installed and other improvements to the existing playground in Clan Gregor Square were implemented. (Submitted photos)

This new “senior” play space will draw the older children away from the main structure where they can be physically active, and challenged in an age appropriate environment. The structure is designed with a six-foot deck height that complies with CAN/CSA Z614 playground standards. It provides a fitness circuit that is cleverly disguised as a playground. This should extend the life span of the park by keeping pre-teens engaged and active for many more years.

DIRECTOR POSITIONS NEED FILLED ON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY BOARD

The fair season is almost over in Ontario; many people expect that the fair organizers start their new planning next Spring but that is not the case. The Bayfield Agricultural Society (BAS) has had two meetings since August and planning is fully in gear for making contacts for entertainment, events and items of interest.

One new contact will be to investigate the possibility of bringing a quilt car for the parade and having it displayed during the fair. The convertible is fully covered with a custom made quilt.

Planning has also tentatively begun on a second Breakfast on the Farm. Volunteers are always appreciated. They are encouraged to let the BAS know of their willingness to support. Send your interest in assisting to info@bayfieldfair.ca.

The BAS is also seeking some community members to fill some of the Director and a few Committee Chair positions. This is an opportunity for people to add a voice and hand to new ventures and carry them out. Does the community want events such as a demolition derby, a baseball competition, a community promotional competition, a remote control road race, a 5 km race, or any number of other events? They can happen with someone committed to being on the BAS Board.

The BAS has a Wine and Cheese Information Evening planned for Nov. 4 in the Bayfield Community Centre from 7 to 9 p.m. Other beverages will be available. Anyone interested in finding out about the BAS can have a relaxing evening and all questions answered. The organization needs dedicated folks who want to ensure the fair remains a vibrant part of the community.

The fair has been a source of entertainment and information for the community for 160 years and is now asking for the community’s support in providing leadership. The BAS Board welcomes everyone to its Information Evening.

month of October. The public is encouraged to provide feedback on the draft strategy by Oct. 20 by emailing planning@huroncounty.ca or calling toll-free 1-888-524-8394 Ext. 3.

WEAVERS AND QUILTERS

The Huron Tract Spinners and Weavers and The Goderich Quilters' Guild will be holding a joint exhibition and sale at the Huron County Museum on Nov. 5-6.

There will be many quilted and woven items as well as other handcrafted fiber creations on display and for sale. On site demonstrations will also be taking place during the show and sale.

The joint exhibition will take place Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Admission to both days is free.

For more information, contact Betty Thomasson, of the Goderich Quilters' Guild, at 519 524-4695, or Karen Blackwell, of the Huron Tract Spinners and Weavers, at 519 524-4497.

ARTIST GUILD

In early spring of 2016 a notice was posted in the Bayfield Breeze asking if anyone was interested in forming an artist association in Bayfield. Many people came forward (and continue to), and thus the Bayfield Artist Guild (BAG) began.

BAG is interested in growing its membership and planning events for the members and the community for 2017. Membership benefits include discounts for supplies, resource list, peer support and lessons, encouragement and camaraderie and new friends.

BAG is holding an important planning meeting on Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to noon at the home of group member, Heide Bateman. Please email Bayfieldartistguild@gmail.com for location information.

This meeting will see the members elect a “council” and plan fundraising events, members painting sessions, how-to sessions, and a “grand finale” event for August 2017. Please consider joining BAG and come out to the meeting.

Visit Bayfieldartistguild.com for membership application, member gallery and more!

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

St. George’s Anglican Church in Goderich is an historic and impressive building. It will be apart of the guest speakers’ topic at the next Bayfield Historical Society (BHS) meeting to be held at Bayfield Lions’ Community Building on Oct. 24.

COUNTY TOURISM PROMOTION CHARTING NEW COURSE

Following approval of the five-year strategic economic development plan by Huron County Council in December of 2015, the Department of Economic Development has been charting a new course for tourism promotion in the county. Tourism is identified in the plan as one of seven key growth sectors and is therefore being resourced as a priority by the department.

To highlight the region's signature visitor experiences and enhance the appeal of our destinations, tourism is being combined with arts and culture. While staple tourism programs will continue in 2017, such as the Ontario's West Coast (OWC) brand and the annual OWC Guide, several new and complementary initiatives are planned, including:

The establishment of Tourism, Arts and Culture Enabling Committee comprised of industry representatives, Huron County Economic Development Board members and staff of the Department of Economic Development. The mandate of the committee will be to work in partnership with the communities that have identified tourism, arts and culture as a key sector in their local economic development strategies.

Responding to marketplace demands, the 2017 Ontario's West Coast Guide will be created in a format that utilizes best practices in terms of design, information and online accessibility.

The Ontario's West Coast brand will remain in place for 2017. Following an industry best practice to periodically evaluate a brand's effectiveness, a review of the Ontario's West Coast brand will be scheduled to occur in the near future.

The County will proudly continue to promote specific tourism opportunities online using Ontario's West Coast assets, including the e-newsletter, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram properties; and, the County will hold roundtable discussions with industry, stakeholders and other levels of government to support tourism, arts and culture in Huron County.

Over the coming months, more information will be made available as the Department of Economic Development powers forward in delivering on its strategic objectives and our slogan: "Huron County: More than you imagined..."

STUDENTS CROSS COUNTRY AT HURON CENTENNIAL

The parish and its records date back to 1835, and its first minister, Rev. Robert Francis Campbell later served at Trinity Anglican Church in Bayfield from 1849-60. The present St. George's building is celebrating the 135th anniversary of its dedication. To celebrate this occasion, Eleanor Smith a former long-time Bayfield-area resident and Trinity Anglican parishioner has published a book commemorating the 43 people honored in its 26 stained glass windows. The oldest window pre-dates the existing church building and the newest was installed in 1964.

She will be presenting a power point program to the BHS, starting at 7:30 p.m., in which she will tell the stories about some of the people to whom the windows were dedicated. The stories are of tragedy and heroism, of victory and defeat.

HARVEST DINNER

The Bayfield River Valley Trail Association (BRVTA) will be holding their second annual Fall Harvest Dinner and Dance on Oct. 15th at Renegades Diner, Bayfield.

Tickets are $35 and the evening starts with a Reception and Silent Auction at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. After dinner, attendees can dance to live music by "Cheap Shirts".

"We hope you can come out for a wonderful evening and support Bayfield Trails!" said Roger Lewington, representing BRVTA.

Folks are encouraged to get their tickets now. Tickets can be purchased by emailing info@bayfieldtrails.com or by calling Roger at 519 565-2202 or Scott at 519 565-2827. Tables of eight or more can be reserved.

The Regional Cross Country Meet for Grades 3 and up was held at Huron Centennial School in Brucefield on Oct. 4. Huron Centennial participated as well as hosting students from Clinton, Seaforth, Blue Water Coast, Hullett, Goderich Elementary, Brookside and Stephen Central. In the photo above students Savannah Gulutzen and Gracie Kinsman race to the finish. (Submitted photos)

REMEMBER ME?

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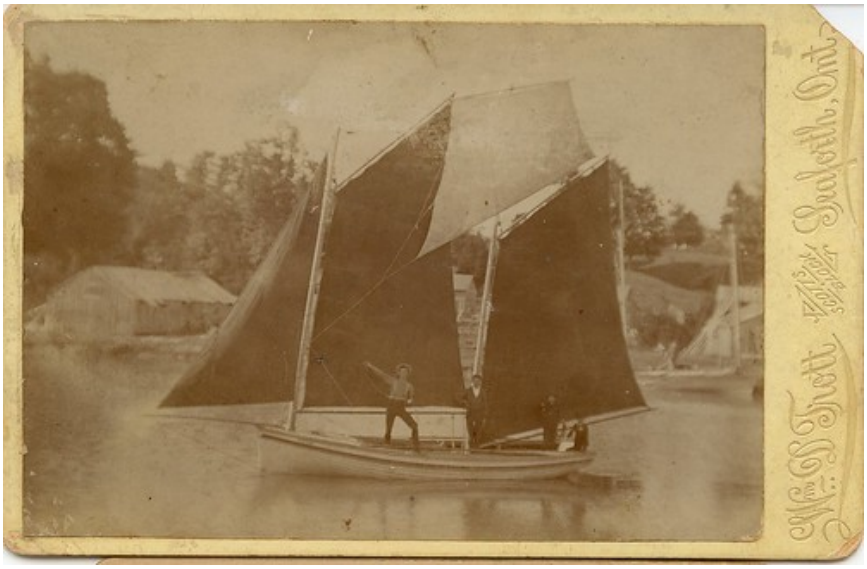
There are countless photographs of people in the Bayfield Historical Society's Archives collection, but sadly their names were never recorded. In this section we will showcase an image with the hopes that one of our subscribers might be able to identify the individual(s) in the photo. Please email your information to the Editor's attention at the address listed near the bottom of the page in "Submissions" or you can email the archivist directly at bayarchives@tcc.on.ca or click on the image and make a comment on Flickr.

Editor's Note: We are now adding the archive's code to the information supplied with the photographs so that if anyone would like to learn more from the Bayfield Archives about certain pictures they can use the code to make the process easier.

This week, another river photo is highlighted. Records indicate that this image of "Dressers Boat" was taken circa1900. (Archives Code: PB10003 PC)



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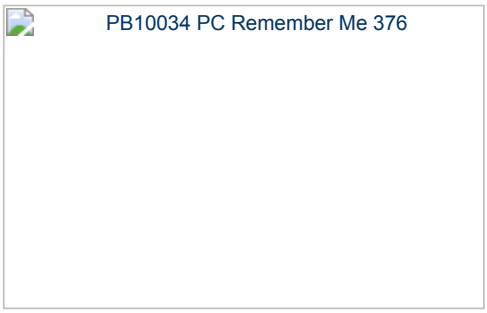

In Issue 376, in keeping with the ongoing campaign to purchase the Bayfield River Flats we share an image circa 1925 of a fellow whose history is now synonymous with the property. Does anyone remember him? (Archives code: PB10034 PC)

According to records, the gentleman in the picture is Lewis Thompson.

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In Issue 379, we feature another river related picture of someone in fancy dress circa 1930. The canoe bares a well-known village name, the "McLeod". (Archives Code: PB10056 PC)

Make your comments...click on any image and it will take you to Flickr.

SHARE PHOTO STORY

HURON ARTS AND HERITAGE

VICTORY PARADE CELEBRATED THE MEN OF THE 161ST

Early birds to the parade got to see the historical re-enactors as they sang and marched their way from the Huron County Museum around The Square to the Goderich Legion where the parade formation occurred.

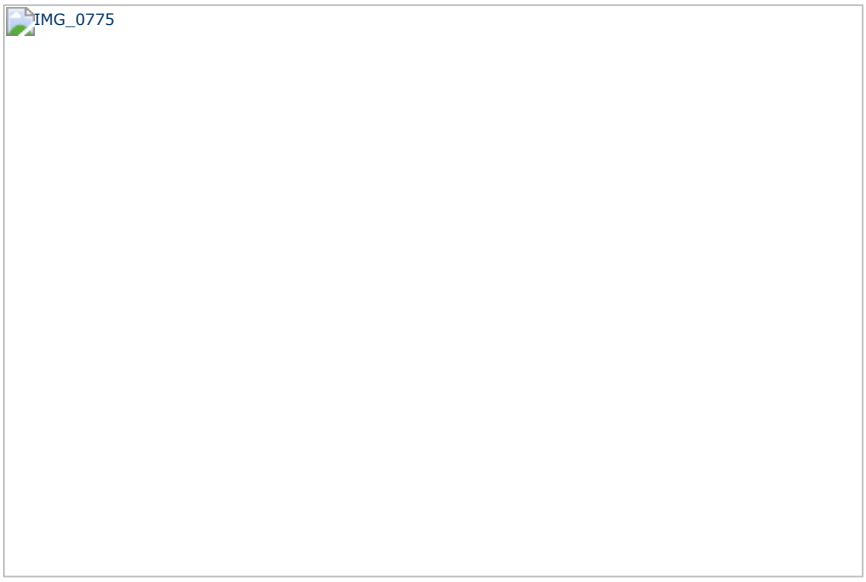
PHOTOS BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

The 161st Battalion of Huron County began their journey to the battlefields of France on Thanksgiving weekend of 1916. Two special events marked the 100th Anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 8. The first event was a Victory Parade that was a partial re-enactment of the final march around Goderich Square and down East Street to the former train station that the 161st made one hundred years ago.

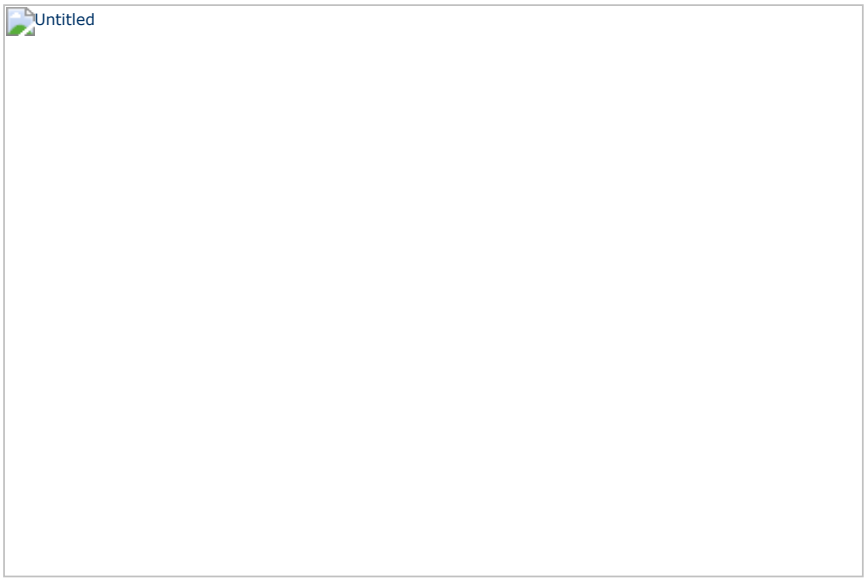
Huron County Museum staff and volunteers busily handed out Union Jacks for those that gathered along the route to wave. It was a chilly, windy afternoon but those that gathered were enthusiastic from senior citizens to young children and their parents.

The Victory Parade began promptly as the Courthouse clock struck two bells. Nine historic re-enactors of The Great War Society, including one on horseback, were featured in the parade that also included the Celtic Blue Highlanders, the Clinton Legion Branch 140 Pipes and Drums, the Goderich Laketown Band and the Seaforth All Girls Marching Band. There was also a contingent from the cadet corps and a Legion color guard. The Huron County Warden also participated in the parade.

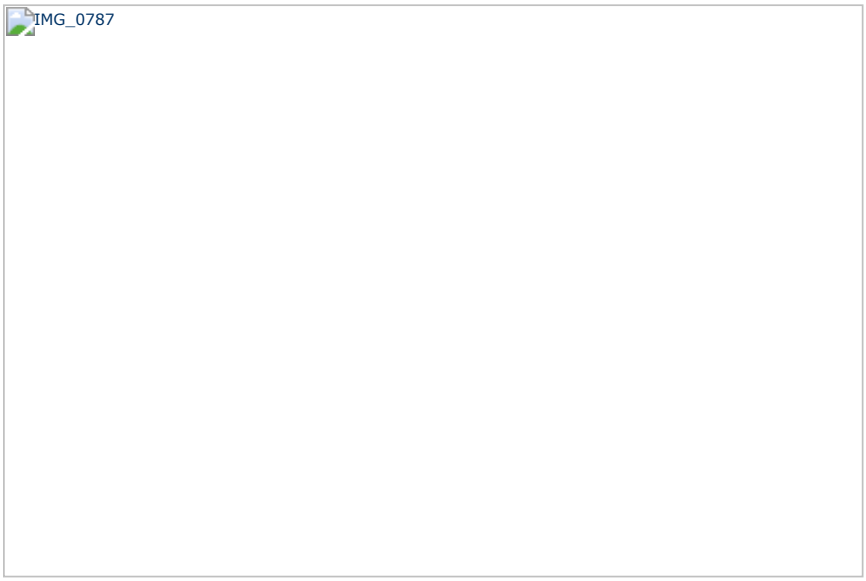
Following the parade, The Royal Canadian Legion, Goderich Branch 109 played host to a 161st Battalion Descendants Dinner. The Legion served a meal that followed the menu from the original dinner that was served to members of the Battalion on Thanksgiving weekend in 1916.



Visitors to The Square on Saturday afternoon were transported back in time to Thanksgiving weekend 1916.

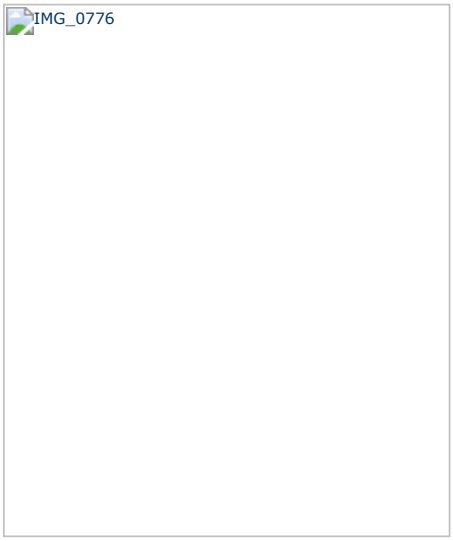


The Celtic Blue Highlanders of Goderich marched in the parade.



The color party rounds The Square toward East Street.

The parade and dinner were part of a series of events taking place this fall to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the deployment of the 161st Battalion and Huron County's role in the First World War. The Government of Canada, County of Huron, Town of Goderich and Huron Arts and Heritage Network provided support to a committee made up of local heritage organizations to develop these events. For more information on the events and the 161st Battalion visit www.huroncountymuseum.ca.



The Great War Society re-enactors added much authenticity to the Victory Parade events.

The Seaforth and District All-Girls Marching Band was just one of four bands in the Victory Parade held in Goderich on Saturday afternoon.

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Before the Victory Parade many people gathered at the Cenotaph in Courthouse Park to view the poppy installation. Each poppy represents a life lost in the First World War by a Huron County resident.

The country's colors were well represented by the Seaforth and District All-Girls Marching Band members.

Following the parade, The Royal Canadian Legion, Goderich Branch 109 played host to a 161st Battalion Descendants Dinner.

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The Great War Society re-enactors paused for a moment near the entrance of the park where the Cenotaph sits before making their way down East Street.

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The parade and dinner were part of a series of events taking place this fall to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the deployment of the 161st Battalion and Huron County's role in the First World War. The Government of Canada, County of Huron, Town of Goderich and Huron Arts and Heritage Network provided support to a committee made up of local heritage organizations to develop these events.

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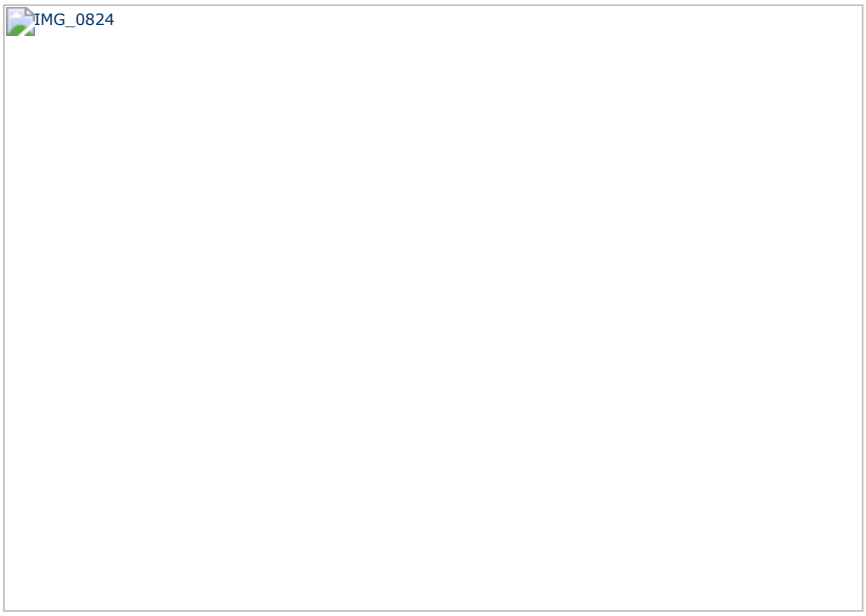
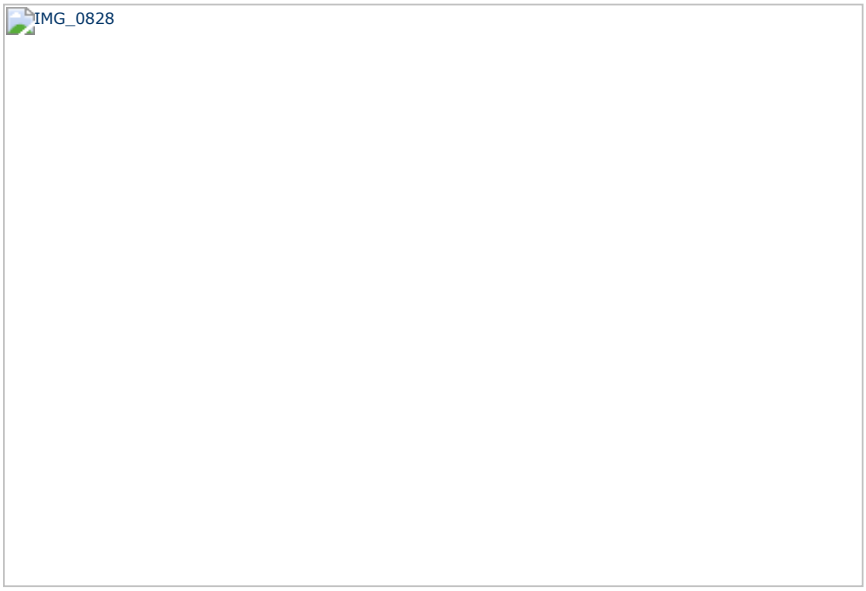
Huron County Museum staff and volunteers busily handed out Union Jacks for those that gathered along the route to wave. It was a chilly, windy afternoon but those that gathered were enthusiastic from senior citizens to young children and their parents.



The lone horse was a very enthusiastic participant in the Victory Parade.



The Victory Parade made its way down East Street to the former train station that is visible here off in the distance. This was the march that the 161st made one hundred years ago.

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Cenotaph in Clan Gregor Square *by Conrad Kuiper*

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Back in July when our grandson had a week's vacation here in Bayfield a highlight of the holiday was a surprise trip to Storybook Gardens. We hadn't been since our two were about 10 or 11 years old and I must say I was impressed with the improvements. Graham had a grin the size of the Cheshire Cat and his eyes gleamed the whole time we were there, while walking along a shaded path he looked up and asked me, "Do you think this is what Disney Land is like, Gramel?"

"Well, Graham," I said. "This place is pretty cool but I think Disney Land is probably even cooler."

I couldn't help but chuckle because little did our five year-old sprite know that in just a few more months he would learn just how cool Disney World (he calls it Disney Land, but we're working on that) really is. Back in the spring we had booked a family vacation there for the end of October.

The big reveal happened Thanksgiving Weekend. He and his sister were told to close their eyes and their Dad put Mouse Ears on their heads and then they were told to open their eyes and look at each other. Two year-old Noelle knew instantly that the picture on her brother's hat was that of Mickey Mouse. And at that moment the same Cheshire sized grin and sparkling eyes returned to Graham's face as he realized that he, and in fact all of us, were going to Disney Land (I mean, World).

I am so looking forward to seeing Disney through fresh eyes once again. I was 22 the first time I rounded the corner of Main Street and saw the castle. You are never too old for such a magical moment and in just 10 more sleeps we'll be living the dream. Nope, it's not just the little kids that are counting down. – Melody

Noelle

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