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City seeks funding

Thunder Bay will submit a \$45-million application for the Federal Housing Accelerator Fund meant to kickstart new home builds

By Kevin Jeffrey - TB Source

City council has rubberstamped a revised ask to a federal government fund meant to spur housing development.

Originally a \$50 million ask, staff have said that the now \$45-million application to the Federal Housing Accelerator Fund, should it be approved in full, could help support the construction of roughly 1,700 new housing units over three years.

The program is meant to kickstart 100,000 new home builds across the country, with a focus on urban infill and affordable housing.

At Monday's council meeting, Coun. Rajni Agarwal said that Thunder Bay continues to be in an extreme housing shortage situation, and waiting for approval of the application is not enough.

"[There is a] shortage for any type of housing for the university students [and] the international college students. There's [going to be] an intake of close to 2,000 international students coming [here] in September [and] there is no housing available for them," she added. "We are having an urgency in this matter beyond anything that we can imagine for our city with housing being at a shortfall. These international students are paying a premium and they have no place to live."

The councillor asked administration how they can reduce red tape and get more proactive in getting permits done.

"There have been many changes that [in fact have] increased permissions to build houses and homes and add additional units in Thunder Bay. So, this is work that will be continuing regardless of the application," answered Joel DePeuter, the city's director of development services. "[We also recognize] that the council has prioritized the development of housing in the strategic plan."

DePeuter noted that Thunder Bay will face stiff



IAN KAUFMAN

FUNDING APPLICATION: Coun. Rajni Agarwal asked how the city could consider moving forward with major projects without funding from upper levels of government.

competition for the federal dollars, and is unlikely to receive the full amount it's seeking on paper.

Municipalities are expected to submit an action plan with their applications to the program, detailing specific steps they will take to reach their housing targets.

The city's application lays out growth scenarios through 2026 that range from creating 865 new units all the way to 2,273 new units.

However, based on current trends and without support from the housing accelerator program, the city is on track for just 521 new builds in that time frame, staff reported.

The federal government included \$4 billion for the housing accelerator program in the 2022 budget, running through 2027.

The deadline for the city's application is on Friday, with an application decision expected to happen in November.

Sioux Lookout homicide

OPP have charged two people with first-degree murder following an incident on Aug. 11 that left one woman dead in Sioux Lookout

By Tb Source Staff

Two people face murder charges after a body was found in Sioux Lookout last week.

Provincial police issued an update on Monday, stating that 36-year-old Allen Yerxa and 21-year-old Erin Gray have each been charged with first-degree murder as a result of the investigation. Yerxa also faces a drug trafficking charge.

Emergency services had responded to an incident on Aug. 11, where one person was pronounced dead. Police have not provided any

further details about the individual, or the circumstances of the death.

Both Yerxa and Gray remain in custody and are expected to appear in a Sioux Lookout court on Monday.

Police said investigators do not believe there is an imminent threat to public safety, but cautioned people to be aware of their surroundings and to report any suspicious activity to police.

The charges have yet to be tested in court.

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OPP shooting inquest wraps

The jury in the coroner's inquest examining the death of Daniel Legarde handed down 18 recommendations

By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

The jury in the coroner's inquest examining the death of 45-year-old Daniel Legarde agreed with the joint determination reached by counsel on behalf of all involved parties that his manner of death was homicide.

Legarde died from a gunshot wound to the abdomen following an interaction with the Ontario Provincial Police in Nipigon on the night of Nov. 26, 2016.

The coroner's inquest concluded on Friday afternoon with the jury returning with a verdict after beginning deliberations late Thursday. The jury also handed down 18 recommendations calling for more police training, particularly relating to de-escalation.

Evidence presented throughout the inquest revealed officers with the OPP Nipigon detachment were called to a Park Road residence Nov. 26, 2016 for reports of an

unwanted person.

When officers arrived, Legarde exited the residence and was armed with a knife. Officers first used a taser but it had no effect. Legarde exited the residence a second time and approached officers with the knife raised above his head. It was at that time one of the officers discharged his firearm at Legarde, hitting him in the abdomen.

Legarde was transported to the Nipigon Memorial Hospital, where he died as a result of his injuries.

The jury agreed with the joint determination by all parties with standing in the inquest that Legarde's manner of death was homicide. The finding of homicide as a manner of death is not criminal in an inquest.

The officers involved were found by the Special Investigations Unit to have acted lawfully within the course of their duties and no charges were laid.

A set of joint recommendations were also reached by the parties and presented to the jury on Thursday, with the jury agreeing with the submissions.

The majority of the recommendations were directed at the OPP and the Ontario Police College and speak to enhancing and expanding training, particularly in relation to intimate partner violence, Indigenous relations, and de-escalation.

Recommendations directed to the OPP include developing Indigenous-specific training programs for officers and better relationship-building with Indigenous communities.

Another stated more resources should be provided to the Indigenous Awareness Training Unit to increase the number of courses available to officers.

It is also recommended that more resources be made available to

increase the number of officers working at the Nipigon OPP detachment and similar detachments, and that more officers be dedicated to each shift.

Recommendations directed at the Ontario Police College and the OPP stressed training relating to intimate partner violence and de-escalation.

The jury recommended refresher courses relating to intimate partner violence, particularly considerations for keeping involved parties separate at the scene, be part of annual block training.

Training should also emphasize creating time and distance when dealing with an individual with a weapon as a de-escalation technique.

Other de-escalation techniques emphasized in the recommendations include more training for officers in dealing with individuals in crisis, the use of verbal and non-verbal de-escalation techniques

during annual block training, and the proper application of the trespass to property act.

It is also recommended the incident involving Legarde be used as a scenario in police training while also being mindful to not retraumatize the involved officers.

Other recommendations were directed at the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services, and included improving communication with involved parties.

The Office of the Chief Coroner was called upon to set targets for the completion of inquests and implement strategies to meet those targets in an effort to reduce wait times in the inquest process.

The Ministry of the Solicitor General is also recommended to implement a process to review the Ontario Police Training Aid for effectiveness and make it a living document open to review and changes.

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Cathedral roof job is on track

St. Patrick's Cathedral's \$1.7M new roof is on track to be completed by next month as fundraising ongoing

By Gary Rinne - TB Source

From the air, one of the most visible structures in Thunder Bay right now is St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Looking down, it's temporarily an impossible-to-miss bright blue as a crew continues to work on replacing the roof of the most prominent church in the city.

By the end of the summer, it will have a metal roof that should last for about half a century, but for the parishioners of St. Patrick's Cathedral, protecting the landmark structure from the elements comes at the steep cost of \$1.7 million.

A spokesperson for St.

Patrick's said Monday that the contractors working on the project have made good progress, and are on schedule to finish the job next month.

The original roof, which dates back to the cathedral's construction in 1963, has required periodic repairs in recent years as a result of wind blowing sections of protective rubber sheeting right off, leaving bare plywood that started to rot and expose the concrete beneath it.

Deacon Derek West said support from local businesses, organizations and individuals who have contributed to an ongoing fundraising campaign is crucial, as the church has to pay off loans for this project plus



NEW ROOF: Contractors have made good progress on the new roof for the iconic St. Patrick's Cathedral.

about \$700,000 worth of other work that needs to be done.

"We use the word 'iconic' and I don't think we're wrong in that. It's a landmark of Thunder Bay, it has a lot of history. That window at the end — the knave — that's the second largest knave of its kind in North America. We're pretty proud of that, and rightfully so. Yeah, we want to see this building last."

West added that the members of the church who are in charge of the project joke among themselves that "there's a lot of grey hairs on the committee," so the roof's expected durability "is a lifetime guarantee for us."

After the roof is done, the focus will switch to the next stage of improvements.

"On either side, there's a series

of side chapels, and they have to be done as well," West said. "They're leaking, so they need to be upgraded. A third phase that we may or may not do is the actual rectory roof. We're still deciding whether to continue with that or not, but certainly the side chapels will be done next year."

So far, community fundraising has brought in about one-third of what's needed to pay for the main roof, but the appeal for donations will continue for as long as necessary.

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Conspiracies

There used to be a time when conspiracy theories were relegated to tabloid magazines found on racks in grocery store checkout lines or shouted by someone wearing a sandwich board and a tinfoil hat on a street corner. Now, with the help of social media, conspiracy theories spread like a virus at a rate that would make COVID-19 blush.

And now even major political parties are embracing the same language and, it would seem, the same theories that have been debunked. It can be argued this is merely a way of pandering to those who believe in such theories to secure support, but more worrisome is the fact that the party members or leader might be believers as well.

Social media has been described as a digital town square. Well that town square is now flooded with conspiracy theorists shouting overtop of one another, making it nearly impossible to tune them out and ignore. And more people may stop to listen, and even scarier, some may start to nod their head in agreement.

Make polluters pay To the editor:

More than 13 million hectares of land have burned across Canada. And we're barely halfway through wildfire season. My heart breaks to think of the devastation these fires have caused for people across the country.

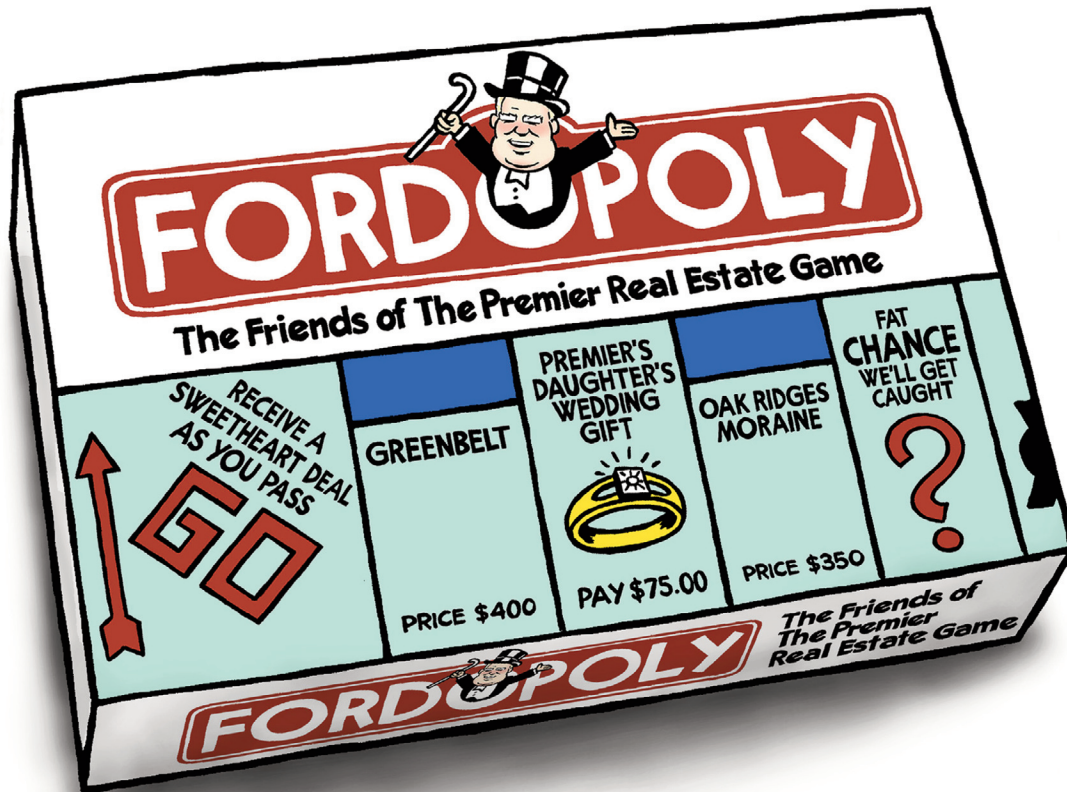
People from coast to coast to coast have felt the impact. We've been breathing in toxic wildfire smoke, thousands have been evacuated from their communities, and four firefighters have lost their lives fighting these flames.

The fossil fuel industry is to blame for the unthinkable tragedies caused by climate disasters in Canada and around the world.

Enough is enough. We have to act now to ensure our political leaders stop subsidizing polluters and letting these dangerous companies slow action on the climate emergency. Most importantly, we need to make polluters pay off their debt to people hit hardest by climate disasters.

Kenneth Deacon

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



A scorching portrayal of a Nigerian woman

The Joys of Motherhood by Buchi Emecheta is a scorching portrayal of a woman's life in working class colonial Nigeria. It is the female, feminist counterpart of Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe.

There is no greater honor for a woman in an Ibo village than to have children - especially sons. Unable to conceive in her first marriage, Nnu Ego is sent away to a new husband in the city of Lagos, where she finally succeeds in becoming a mother.

But things are changing, and a war that unfolds thousands of miles away threatens her family's fortunes and her entire way of life. In a world where motherhood is everything,

what will be left for her at the end of it all?

The novel starts with the tragic death of a child and an attempted suicide. The spirit of a slave who is buried with her master is thought to be to blame - this theme of the power of the 'chi' runs throughout this novel.

The Ibo people living in the village are self-sufficient with a form of primitive communism - there is a power structure but no class system. There are also no antagonisms with other groups such as the Yorubas and the

Hausas.

These harmonious relationships are unsettled by the white colonialists who rule by dividing the people along tribal lines. They also create a capitalist economy that draws people in from the rural villages to the urban centers in vast sprawling cities like Lagos. The Nigerian people become wage slaves to their white masters.

Nnu's husband, Nnaife, who has status and respect among his people and family, is reduced to washing a white man's clothing. When many

of the whites return to England at the outbreak of World War Two, their black employees are left to fend for themselves.

Nnaife gets a job with the railway company cutting the grass back along the trackside, but it does not pay enough to support his family, and so Nnu also has to work, hauling, cutting and selling firewood in the marketplace.

Nnaiffe is kidnapped into the British Army and sent to India and he suffers terribly in Burma. But at least the money he earns there can support Nnu and her children, as well as a second wife, who he inherited from a deceased older brother.

The family income is invested in

their sons who go to school and then university in America and Canada. Their daughters are married off for bride money, which is also invested in the boys. Tribal African society is truly a man's world, but the women accept their lot, and view their place in society as primarily being mothers who give birth to and raise their children.

Nnu and Nnaiffe put all their hopes and dreams in their children, who they think will look after them when they get old. But Nigerian society changes after the war. There is talk of independence and women's rights. Both parents become disillusioned and disappointed in their children.



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Handwriting and penmanship

By John Shermack

You will need a pen or pencil to figure this one out.

During an era when eyes and minds are focused on hand-held devices, younger school-age generations are losing the ability to write or read another's handwriting.

Handwriting was devalued by the increased use of icons, emojis, jargon and abbreviated text to communicate in nanoseconds via thumbs and fingers on keypads and tiny screens.

Soon after schools in Canada and the U.S. abandoned the requirement to teach cursive writing many Gen Z students weren't able to read original hand-written documents.

One high school teacher remarked that handwriting seems unnatural to students who struggle with fine motor skills because they are constantly tapping their fingers on their devices.

They are advised to work on

their tinkering skills by moving loose parts around, playing with clothes pegs and things that develop fine motor literacy skills, including a good pincer grip.

This basic grip requires the manual dexterity to use the thumb together with the forefinger or middle finger to grasp an object such as a pen or pencil.

Toddlers do this instinctively which is a physical key to their amazing intellectual growth.

How ironic it is that this crucial grip that is considered such a significant milestone in child development is now being lost by young people by the time they reach high school.

They may be losing out on other things as well.

There is a school of thought expressing a common concern that handwriting and good penmanship are endangered arts and we may one day lose those abilities altogether.

This crucial developmental skill has been overlooked because many people do not understand



LOST ERA: Cursive writing promotes neural connections in the brain.

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the fundamental benefits of using cursive writing over a keypad.

For example, students who write fluently and take notes while studying do better on exams than those who type their notes.

There is a processing advantage to using hand-generated text over merely transcribing notes by electronic means.

Cursive writing promotes neural connections in the brain, improves sensory and fine motor skills, boosts creativity and increases memory retention.

The pen is mightier than the keypad.

Unfortunately, cursive writing was dropped as a mandatory part of the Ontario curriculum in 2006 but beginning this fall it will be reintroduced in provincial schools.

In response to supporting scientific evidence, educational data and even recommendations from the Human Rights commission, many educators welcome the change.

Experts in language and literacy foresee big benefits for students who are taught to use cursive writing – there is no other way to engage hand/brain neural pathways other than writing.

According to Ontario's Education Minister, "...what clearly works is the return to phonics, the use of cursive writing, the embrace of digital

literacy and critical thinking skills."

This is part of a much broader acceptance of the importance of explicit instruction in fundamental, foundational skills or to put it another way, getting back to basics.

As for me, speaking as someone who scribbles down a few words every now and then, the old-fashioned way, I am no stranger to pencils and ball point pens.

I am grateful for my word processor and it makes word-crafting much easier but as a creative tool I find it has limits.

When I am really stuck for ideas I grab a pencil and a notebook where I can write, draw and doodle to my heart's content until something interesting emerges.

That hand/pencil/paper connection is the only route to the sweet spot in my brain where all the good ideas live.

I invite everyone to grab a pen or a pencil and explore some new neural pathways you haven't used since grade school.

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Rolling through town

The Rolling Barage ride aims to raise awareness for PTSD, other mental health challenges, as well as physical challenges from dealing with mental health issues

By Justin Hardy - TB Source

Visitors at the Terry Fox Scenic Lookout were treated to quite a sight on Friday as roughly 75 motorcycles thundered up the highway to make a stop along their cross-country journey.

The Rolling Barrage 19-day ride started on Aug. 1 in St. John's, NL, and hopes to bring awareness to post traumatic stress disorder, other mental health challenges, as well as physical challenges that can also play a part in dealing with mental health according to Rolling Barrage CEO Christian Carter.

"We engaged the Canadian Forces communities as well as the first responder community and families and supporters of those specific communities as well to join in our ride across Canada," he said.

The riders were met at the Terry Fox Lookout by Thunder Bay Mayor Ken Boshcoff and Thunder Bay-

Atikokan MPP Kevin Holland who welcomed them to the city and offered the group words of support for the rest of their journey.

The Rolling Barrage has seen a slight drop in numbers over the pandemic, but Carter said that the number of riders with them this year despite the almost constant rain shows how the organization is growing once again.

"We had registered 75, and then you have some of the motorcycles have the capacity carrying passengers, so, we were expecting close to like 100 people total, but the rain has seemed to be with us since St. John's and it's continuing to kind of follow us," he said.

"Hopefully we'll see sunshine sooner or later, but you know, despite all that, everyone seems happy and and they're glad they're part of the ride, so yeah, I think you know it's not necessary to have huge numbers, when we did this in 2017, I rolled into here with 10 riders. We've increased

our numbers over the years, but I think there's a matter of quality over quantity."

Carter said that since becoming CEO of the Rolling Barrage, he has made it a mandate that the group be more open and transparent to engage the people most often affected by PTSD like veterans and active military personnel, and first responders.

"They've been very, very supportive of us right across the country so far. We've had escorts from both police, fire and ambulance and it's good to see fire apparatuses on bridges, raising Canadian flags and waving at us along the way," he said.

"We have people in the communities on the side of the road waving to us along the way, so that part in itself too is also great support for those that are on the right."

To find out about ways that you can help out, visit the Rolling Barrage's website.

Quadriplegic cyclist stops in city

By Justin Hardy - TB Source

Thunder Bay played host this week to a quadriplegic hand-cyclist who is travelling across the country to promote activity-based therapy, accessibility, and inclusion of people with disabilities.

In addition to raising awareness, Kevin Mills and his team at Pedaling Possibilities are working to establish a biking route across the country that will be accessible for all levels of ability.

Kevin Mills said it has always been his dream to cycle across the country, but after he sustained a spinal cord injury in 2009, he felt lost and unable to participate in his favourite sports.

Mills said it was thanks to the support he received from his biking partner Nikki Davenport and his personal support worker Candace Wynn, who are accompanying him on the trip, that he was able to embark on the journey at all.

"I didn't think it was possible, I couldn't do it by myself. I couldn't bike alone for hours a day," he said.

He credited Davenport with pitching the ambitious idea.



PEDDLING POSSIBILITIES: Kevin Mills is realizing a dream of cycling across the country, while campaigning for accessibility.

"We were biking after work a couple of days a week, and one day she's like, 'I got something important to ask you' and she just asked if I'd like to bike across Canada, and I almost crashed into her."

The team arrived in Thunder Bay on Tuesday, making a stop at Community Spokes for a tune-up during their visit. They were expecting to depart Thunder Bay on Friday morning.

Those who are interested can follow the team's progress via their Facebook page or website.

The cross-country trek hasn't been without its mishaps. Mills had one of his bikes stolen while travelling through Quebec, but said overall, the support he's received from Canadians so far has been extraordinary.

"Getting the bike stolen was a big hit. I had two bikes and having just one bike made me really nervous, because I'm like, I could break anything," he said.

"But I got a new bike purchased for me from Tony and Rita, a really amazing couple, so now I have two bikes again and I absolutely know I can do it now."

Pedaling Possibilities is a not-for-profit organization that is accepting donations online to help support the journey from coast to coast. Any remaining funds will go to help fund activity-based therapy programs.

Mills does ask that motorists who see the group on the highway give as much room as possible, as he can't always get far enough off the road on his bike.



ROLLING BARRAGE: The Rolling Barrage 19-day ride started on Aug. 1 in St. John's, NL

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Harvest time - and so it begins

Very grateful for the rain we received Thursday and Friday of last week. The much-needed soaking was very good for the garden. Saturday my wife, Laura, The Gardener, announced that it was time to harvest the garlic.

We actually did the harvesting in two spells both Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. While Saturday was gray and cloudy, Sunda was sunny and warm. "I need you to help me with the garlic," Laura said, "It goes much faster if there are two of us." Okay, but what was my part? "Grab one of the large metal bowls and a knife," she instructed. "Right you are, right you are," I thought. We headed to the still-dripping veggie garden.

We stopped at the garlic bed (actually, there are two), and began pulling the long stalks with the gorgeous garlic bulbs attached out of the earth. "Put them in the wheelbarrow and I will rinse off the dirt. Then you cut the stems about

four to six inches up from the bulb and drop the bulbs into the bowl," Laura told me.

We harvested a lot. She cleaned the dirt; I cut the stems and dropped the bulbs into the bowl until it was overflowing. "Take the bowl into the house and spread the bulbs on the shelf in the screen porch. We can do the rest tomorrow," she said. I trooped back to Casa Jones and dutifully did as instructed. Gradually the smell around the shelf grew pungent, rife with fresh garlic.

Sunday morning was warm and bright with the sun. Not a cloud in the sky. So into the woods we trod with our dogs. We each had a plastic container just in case we were to find some "bloobs". We did. "Wow!" Laura exclaimed excitedly, "look at these bushes. They're teeming with berries."

Obviously no 'Bruno' had been by.

Back at the house, we went into the vegetable garden to continue with the harvesting of garlic. We filled two, large metal bowls.

Again, I cut off the stems and dropped them onto the aisle way.

"What are we doing with the flowers at the top of the stems?" I asked. "The globules contain garlic seeds," Laura answered, "I will collect them, store them, and then be able

to plant them next year." Great. "I have been told that you can take the seeds and make garlic powder out of them although it would involve a lot of work," Laura said. Work!?! No thanks.

"Take this first bowl in and spread the bulbs again on the shelf in the screen porch and then come back as there will be more," she announced. "More?" I queried, "From where. Haven't we got them

all?" "There are some rogue garlic plants growing, some in the aisle and some in other beds," Laura said. "Rogue? You mean like the 'rogue' dill we find each year or rogue potatoes that somehow managed to infiltrate other beds?" I asked. "Exactly," she answered. Wow! Who'da thunk?

Anyway, we got all the garlic rouge or otherwise, now drying on the shelves in our screen porch. Some of the bulbs are huge while others are small. Some are white in colour while others have a purple coloured skin. Laura came into the house with a bowl filled with the globule flowers and asked me to put it with the drying bulbs. "How many varieties of garlic did you plant?" I asked. "Only two this year," she answered. "Well, what's the difference?" I asked. "I think that one has a slightly stronger flavour." While we were processing the garlic Laura would occasionally show me a bulb that was beginning to split. "This is why we have to

harvest now," she told me, "if the bulbs split they will start to grow new vegetation and be useless for storing." Ah, good point.

This summer has turned out to be very good for growing things. Blueberries, Saskatoon berries, and even wild raspberries. I have spotted some bear poop boasting seeds on our trails with evidence that Bruno had found a raspberry patch somewhere. Everything seems to have "taken off". Our garden is fecund as we grab succulent snow peas off the vine. Carrots are cooking along even after the first crop got completely burned due to the extreme heat and lack of rain. But Laura replanted and this second planting is turning out well. Horses love the green carrot tops too so we don't compost them. We feed them to the equines as a treat.

For me, free feeding on a fresh pea pod or crunching a fresh carrot, or smelling fresh dill and fresh garlic - I am flooded with memories of summers past..



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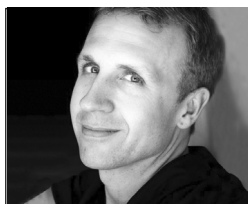
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Go deep for August walleye

By this point in August, walleye anglers often find that fishing has become challenging. Water temperature in most lakes is reaching its peak. Warm water, combined with the effects of a decrease in dissolved oxygen can push walleye deeper than they have been all summer. Of course, they can still be caught in the shallows and along weed edges, but usually only during short feeding windows at dawn and dusk. When the sun is high in the sky, it usually pays to explore the depths.



Keith Ailey
the GOOD LIFE

Back in the spring, when walleye were schooled up and feeding in the shallows, catching them

seemed easy. Now, they are more spread out and in deeper water, so we have to work a bit harder. Pulling spinners baited with large minnows behind bottom bouncers can be a great place to start as it is

a proven technique for locating deep-water fish and triggering strikes.

When they are hiding in the depths, walleye are often suspended just off the bottom, ready to dart up and chase prey. We can increase the number of strikes we get from these fish by length-

ening our leaders, and incorporating floats and big blades into our spinner rigs. The key with larger blades is that they produce more vibration and drag, which



DEEP DOWN: Walleye tend to run deep in the month of August.

helps to lift them up off the bottom.

Big billed, deep diving crankbaits can also be a hot ticket for August

walleye, especially the big ones. It is no secret that trophy walleye have a preference for the larger profile of a deep-diving crankbait. Besides triggering big fish to strike, the advantage of trolling with a deep-diving crank is that you can cover a lot of water and quickly eliminate the dead spots.

If you locate a productive area and start hitting walleye with every pass over some deep-water structure, it is often worth killing the motor to zero in on these fish with some vertical jigging. Bouncing big jigs through the depths can be extremely effective in late summer, especially if you are able to stay on top of the structure.

In deep, structure-rich areas like main-lake reefs and humps, electronics can be a huge help. In addition to showing changes in

depth and bottom composition, sonar will reveal both baitfish and walleye. Without a shoreline marker nearby for orientation, the ability to drop a virtual waypoint as soon as you hook a fish is a huge advantage to using electronics when jigging the depths.

August is a great time to be on the water. Knowing where to look for walleye that are seeking shelter in the cool, dark and deep water located off points, reefs, and weed lines is key to filling the stringer. Of course, deep is a relative term, but with the walleye in our northern lakes it typically means targeting fish more than twenty feet down. Despite the blazing sun, these deep-water walleye will still be feeding throughout the day, so if you are fishing while the sun is high, it can really pay off to go deep.

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CLE wraps up successful week

By Justin Hardy - TB SOURCE

This year's Canadian Lakehead Exhibition ended on Sunday with a great turnout and even better weather.

Though organizers are a little sad that the experience is over for the year, Basil Lychowyd, fair chair, said that he expected the turnout to make up for what was missed on Friday due to the rain.

"Our attendance has been excellent and we got some stuff still planned for tonight," he said.

"We've got The Tragically Hip cover band playing tonight, we have a nice fireworks display at the back, we have all the things that are still happening with our creative arts, our agricultural display of the animals and some places you can still go get your



WHIRLING AROUND: The fair features around 40 rides, a variety of food and vendor booths, and activities including an agricultural show.

treats and eats and novelties."

Lychowyd said that the annual event usually averages 55,000 to 65,000 attendees over the course of the week and even with the

rained out Friday, this year's event was close to meeting that goal.

"I could see it picked up on Saturday so, you know we're kind

of heading the same directions as we were last year, but it might be down maybe 5,000 to 6,000 I'm guessing," he said. "And I might be totally wrong. We might even hit

the mark."

While attendees of all ages love riding rides and playing games, another important aspect of the fair is the connection being made between the public and various industries in the region, particularly agriculture, according to Julie Grgurich, owner, Northern Townline Equestrian Centre.

"So the biggest part of the CLE is actually built around agriculture, and that's what we are," she said.

"We're informing the public about cows and horses and the need for them, showing children, farm animals and what we do with them and talking about our farm stuff and farming, we actually have pamphlets and leaflets. We're also hatching out chickens in their eggs so people can see."

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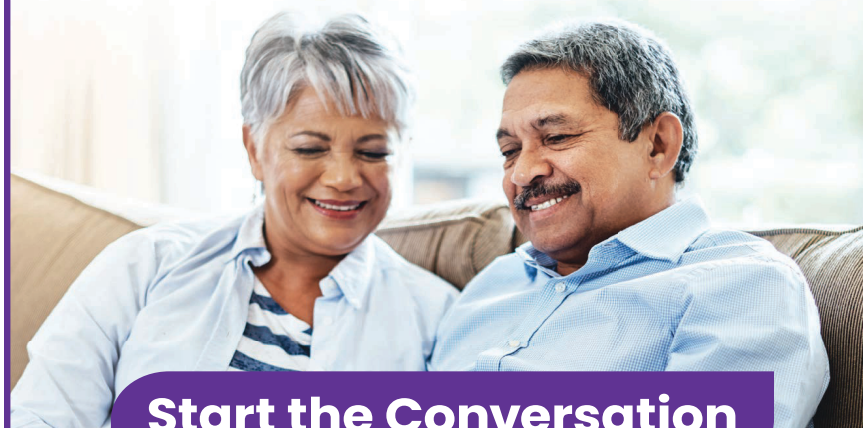
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Turtles can be fun

From the lofty, dramatic intellectual gravitas of "Oppenheimer," one returns to earth, contending with more traditional popcorn summer fare. No snobbery here.

Thanks to positive buzz, this corner approaches "Teenage Mutant Turtles: Mutant Mayhem" (SilverCity) with a completely blank, if guarded, slate having avoided all previous cinematic incarnations plus various iterations on television. There's no nostalgic pull here.

Given the aforementioned output, is there really a pressing need for another theatrical release involving our tortoise shelled, bandit-eyed Ninja heroes?

Actually, this animated version has cross-generational appeal, in the same vein as the "Spidey Verse" films, minus the nuanced character interplay and clearly delineated action sequences.

However, director Jeff Rowe and co-writers/producers Seth Rogan and Ethan Goldberg garnish the themes of family loyalty and the need for acceptance with enough heart, comical characters, and action to fulfill the easy-going demands of a summertime popcorn flick.

"Mutant Mayhem" is an origin story framed around conflict involving assimilation versus rebellion. The turtles—and a rat—become mutants courtesy of some ooze leaked from a geneticist's lab into New York's drainage system.

Years later, Splinter the Rat (Jackie Chan) has become the



NINJA TURTLES: The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles are back in theatres.

fatherly overseer to the Turtles, having schooled them in martial arts. The Turtles are voiced by

actual teenagers this time: Nicolas Cantu (Leonardo), Micah Abbey (Donatello), Brady Noon (Raphael) and Shannon Brown Jr (Michelangelo), exuding genuine teen exuberance. They are endearingly naïve, excitable, goofy, wise-cracking adolescents, yearning to enroll in high school but protective Splinter is wary of human anti-mutant prejudice.

They run into April O'Neil (Ayo Edebiri), spunky high school

reporter who has a stage-fright tendency to vomit on camera during in-school broadcasts. She believes that her reports showing the Turtles doing good deeds might earn them societal acceptance.

Opportunity arises when they are challenged by more gross-looking mutants emanating from the same ooze, led by Superfly (Ice Cube who has some hilarious lines). Resentful of being a grotesque outcast, Superfly is assembling technology to wipe out humans.

Therein lies the central conflict, hardly Dickensian but, hey. There is a secondary plot involving a menacing institute led by Germanic-accented Cynthia (Maya Rudolph) who is determined to get Turtle blood.

The film has a distinctive, detailed, visual palette, a striking, grungy, tattered comic-book look. The characterizations are engaging, though it's hard to tell the Turtles apart given the quick pacing, despite each having a noteworthy attribute. Notable voice casting includes Rose Byrne, John Cena, Giancarlo Esposito, and Paul Rudd among others.

The jumbled chases and fight sequences are redeemed by rapid-fire quips and amusing pop-culture references. Even the bad guys are cockeyed funny but not cloyingly cute-ish. The soundtrack embraces needle-drops from the 90s to Bobby Vinton's "Mr. Lonely."

The plot becomes incidental, taking a back seat to the funny dialogue, character interplay, the need for acceptance and school bullying themes.

"Mutant Mayhem's" comedic bits and sweet-spirited tone prevails. Stay around for the credits.



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Drivers gearing up for championship

By Johan Vass

The action is speeding up at Thunder City Speedway. The Drivers are gearing up for the championship points night on August 30th. Then we have a break to get the cars ready for the Thunder Bay Truck Centre Dirt Track Nationals Sept. 22, 23 and 24.

The drivers are putting on a great show for the fans each week. The 50/50 draws continue to be over \$6000. The generosity of the fans for the charity organizations of Our Kids Count and Therapeutic Riding is amazing.

The point race is very tight. The top three in each class are only points apart. I will give you the top three to watch but trust me 4th, 5th and 6th are not far behind.

Thunder Bay Truck Centre Wissota Modified, Tanner Williamson, John Toppozini and Joel Cryderman. Forks South Sports Lounge Wissota Midwest Modified Cole Chernosky, David Simpson and Tanner Ulakovic. Mezo Motors & Machine Wissota Super Stock Cole Chernosky, Rick Simpson and Shawn Polonoski. Mastrangelos Fuels Street Stocks A.J. Kellar, Kyle Bolt, and Steven Piilo. The Bay Lock and Security Hornets Jesse Owen, James Cuthbertson and Brendan Makkinga.

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At the time of this article the races left Aug 16 Napa Autoparts, Aug 23 Equipment World and then Brandt Championship night.



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All Persons having claims against the Estate of SYLVIA GOSMAN (aka SYLVIA MARIE GOSMAN aka JANET SYLVIA MARIE GOSMAN), late of Thunder Bay, ON, deceased, who died on or about June 17, 2023, are hereby notified to send particulars of the same to the undersigned on or before September 14, 2023, after which date the estate will be distributed, with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice and the undersigned will not then be liable to any person of whose claims they shall not then have notice.
 Dated at Thunder Bay, Ontario on the 17th day of August, 2023.

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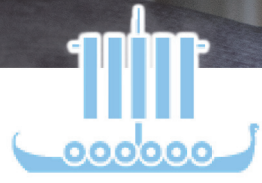
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