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After a two-year absence, the public was clearly eager to get back to fun in the sun at the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition, which drew huge crowds all five days. (Leith Dunick)



# Mayor redux?

## Ken Boshcoff files to run for city's top elected spot

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

A two-time Thunder Bay mayor and formal federal politician has shaken up the city's mayoral race.

Ken Boshcoff, 73, who served as mayor from 1997 to 2003 and as a Liberal MP from 2004 to 2008, on Monday filed his nomination papers at city hall, pledging to bring experience and leadership to what could potentially be an inexperienced council.

The veteran politician and consultant said he made the decision to run after current Mayor Bill Mauro decided not to seek a second term.

Boshcoff joins a race that includes entrepreneur Gary Mack, former Chronicle Journal publisher Clint Harris, current at-large Coun. Peng You and newcomer Robert Szczepanski.

"I've been basically constantly approached by people to go for mayor," Boshcoff said, moments after submitting his papers at the city clerk's office.

"With my history of leadership in various organizations, a wide range of experience and my belief in the community, I have the time and energy and health to do it, so I'm going to step forward. I appreciated the support from the community."

### Veteran municipal politician

Boshcoff was first elected to city council in 1979 in Northwood Ward, moving to an at-large seat in the 1985 municipal election, a seat he held until 1997, when he was first elected mayor.

He was re-elected three years later, then left municipal politics for the federal realm, serving two terms before being defeated by the NDP's John Rafferty in 2008.

Boshcoff was then elected again to an at-large position on city council in 2010, but was narrowly defeated in a bid for a third term as mayor by incumbent Keith Hobbs in 2014.

He said one of the reasons he decided to run again was the slate of candidates who have already put their name forward, combined with the retirement of veteran councillors like Rebecca Johnson, Aldo Ruberto and Brian McKinnon.

"It's a terrific crowd of people running for the councillor positions. There's a great blend of newcomers and experience and what they could really use is someone who can chair a meeting with experience and know what to do from the get-go," Boshcoff said.

He added the No. 1 issue that needs to be addressed is poverty and the crime that comes with it, adding while there are plenty of good things to boast about, until crime and poverty are fixed, it will remain a blight on the city's reputation.

"That has got to be front and centre. We have to



Ken Boshcoff served two terms as Thunder Bay mayor, from 1997 to 2003, and two terms as a Liberal MP, from 2004 to 2008.

fix the would to be truly healthy," Boshcoff said.

It doesn't mean he won't consider bigger legacy-type projects, but they certainly won't be a priority should be elected on Oct. 24.

"Some of the fundamentals have to be addressed. There's no doubt some of these other issues will surface, and rightly so. They have to be settled and either laid to rest or put in motion."

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# At large race keeps heating up

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Two-time Northwood Coun. Shelby Ch'ng put her name forward for a third term, only this time she'll be running at large.

"This is a great opportunity to expand my knowledge base across the city and continue to represent Thunder Bay," Ch'ng said.

"I like to think my chances are pretty good. I've represented Northwood very well. Ward meeting attendance has been up. We've had \$16 million in infrastructure - the crossover, the splash pad and the Conservatory. There have been a lot of big pieces that have been moved over the last eight years."

Ch'ng is the 13th candidate to file for an at-large bid, with five seats up for grabs. Two others filed last week, Brian Tsubouchi and Shane Judge, a

former two-time mayoral candidate.

A 14th, Trevor Giertuga, announced he does plan on running at large in 2022, after initially hinting he might retire.

"It's the fact that my health has improved and the fact that I really, truly believe we need leadership and experience on this new council, because we could have turnover like there was in 2000, and we know how well that worked out," Giertuga said.

Former CBC journalist Shane Judge will also go at large this year.

Judge ran for mayor in both 2014 and 2018 and said he'll be running on a platform of fiscal responsibility, adding he wants the city to take a new approach to the spending of taxpayer dollars.

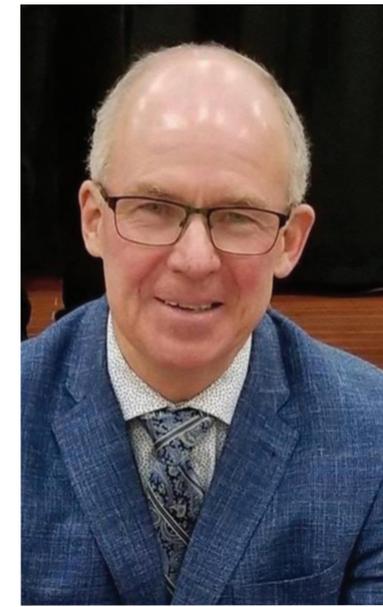
"In the short term, I also believe we need to get a better handle on the state of our roads, especially our

main arteries. I would like to examine the option of in-house roadbed repairs and re-surfacing to see if cost savings could be achieved over strictly using contractors."

As of Monday, with four days to go before Friday's deadline, 42 candidates had filed to run, including incumbent Kristen Oliver in Westfort, who put in her papers last Friday.

Also last week, in McKellar, Stephanie Danylko and Cory Bagdon filed to compete against Lori Paras and incumbent Brian Hamilton, while Michael Zussino, Katherine Suutari and Brad Ford joined the Red River Ward race, going up against Jason Veltri and James Marsh.

In Current River, Andy Wolff filed to run against Andrew Foulds, while Brian Tsubouchi added his name to the growing at large list.



Shelby Ch'ng (left) and Shane Judge will both be on the at large ballot on Oct. 24.

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The rides were certainly the main attraction for many fair-goers at last week's CLE. (Leith Dunick)

# Record crowds

## CLE attendance tops sky-high 74,000

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

On Monday, an exhausted Basil Lychowyd says it was a happy tired he and his staff were experiencing after the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition wrapped up following a record five-day run.

The fair chair said more than 74,000 people poured into the CLE grounds, making up for lost time and a two-year absence necessitated by COVID-19.

Lines were so long at times organizers had to consider opening additional entrances.

"The 74,000 may be a little bit on the low side," Lychowyd said. "But we're pretty close to that target, so yes, it's been a record year, for me anyway, this year. For a five-day fair, that's probably the tops that I've ever seen."

In recent years the CLE, a mixture of amusement rides, entertainment, games of chance and carvinal-style food, has averaged about 55,000 patrons per year.

Lychowyd said they knew they were going to see a lot of people, but had no idea just how popular it would be.

"We got a late start in March," he said,

acknowledging it took that long to get a handle on just what they might be allowed to do under changing provincial restrictions.

"We weren't even sure what to expect, with all the things with the health unit and the closures and the opening, with monkeypox and people afraid to come to the fair. We said let's roll the dice and see where we go. If we make it, we make it. It was a shock to me to see this many people."

For Sierra Sabaz, it's an annual birthday celebration - minus the two years lost to COVID-19, forcing the cancellation of the event in 2020 and 2021.

The just-turned seven-year-old was thrilled to be back at the fair again, one of the first to arrive last Wednesday for the opening day of the five-day celebration.

"I usually come here for my birthday," the youngster said last Wednesday, citing the rides as her No. 1 reason for wanting to attend the CLE.

Missing a couple of years wasn't all bad - it allowed Sierra to grow in stature and qualify for some of the more thrilling rides aimed at older fair-goers.

Lychowyd said planning is already under way for next year's CLE.

**"It was a shock to me to see this many people."**

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## Mayoral race

Thunder Bay's mayoral race just got a lot more interesting.

Former two-time mayor Ken Boshcoff put his name forward on Monday, promising to bring decades of political experience to Donald Street.

It should be interesting to see how the electorate reacts.

Boshcoff is 19 years removed since he last served as mayor, and nine years since his last term of council ended.

In politics, time matters.

But so too does experience.

Peng You has some, with four years as an at-large councillor under his belt, while Clint Harris has none, but has plenty of board room experience from his time at the helm of the *Chronicle Journal*.

Gary Mack and Robert Szczepanski bring plenty of ideas to the table, the former clearly understanding many of the underlying issues facing the electorate as the former director of Shelter House.

The good news is there is no shoe-in this time around, which hopefully bodes well for voter turnout and voter education. The bad news: as of Monday, there's no female candidate.



# Killing Jar a great start for Nicola Monaghan

*The Killing Jar* is a stunning debut novel by Nicola Monaghan who has a powerful, loving and honest new voice. Five year old Kerrie-Ann Hill has an unusual neighbor.

Mrs Ivanovich collects butterflies and she shows Kerrie-Ann how to catch them, take care of them, and even how to kill them using a jar and some funny smelling liquid.

Kerrie-Ann loves looking at these beautiful, delicate creatures, and imagines them flying free.

This is Kerrie-Ann's story. She doesn't know who her father is, and her mother is a junkie.

By the age of ten, she's selling drugs at school. By twelve, she's been beaten up by a customer,

hidden stolen guns, done time in a girls' home, and already has a taste for whizz. And then there's Mark - her only true friend and the one person she can trust.

Their friendship turns into a powerful love and together they are invincible.

But in their world it's easy to lose control. On the drug riddled estate with an atmosphere as lethal as a killing jar, it seems that Kerrie-Ann doesn't stand a chance.

Unless she can make use of what Mrs Ivanovich taught her all those years ago. This novel is both chilling

and deceptively simple. In spite of the suffering there are surprising touches of humor and tenderness that bloom like flowers on asphalt.

Kerrie-Ann has very little to look forward to in life. She seems to be doomed to repeat the cycle that her mother went through of hopelessness and addiction.

Her grandmother tries to help out but gives up and walks out leaving Kerrie-Ann and her younger brother Jon to

defend for themselves. Kerrie-Ann will do anything for Jon and she is determined to do all she can to protect

him from the wolves that prowl around the estate preying on the weak and vulnerable.

When the going gets really tough Kerrie-Ann talks to Morph, her prized possession, a beautiful butterfly that Mrs Ivanovich mounted in a glass frame as a departing gift before she took her own life.

Butterflies are a metaphor that appear throughout this novel.

Kerrie-Ann dreams of being an ugly caterpillar that is transformed into a beautiful butterfly. She needs to keep dreaming of beauty because she is surrounded by nothing but ugliness.

The killing jar is also a powerful

metaphor that is used at several levels by Kerrie-Ann whose strident voice sounds authentic, her plight compelling and affecting.

On one level the killing jar is the house that she lives in on the vast sprawling social housing estate.

The house is full of half dead zombies that visit Mark for heroin and oblivion from their empty pointless lives.

At the next level the whole housing estate is a killing jar as it traps the people who live within it with 'walls in the head' of low expectations and no vision for the future.

At the highest level the killing jar is the capitalist system of oppression, exploitation and alienation.



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# Time to take out the trash

By JR Shermack

When it comes to taking out the global trash there is a misconception that the two billion tonnes of municipal solid waste generated each year is someone else's problem.

As part of my weekly ritual I was grumbling and complaining to myself the other morning as I lugged my two allotted bags of trash to curbside for pickup.

I really have nothing to complain about - all I have to do is haul the stinky, gooey remains of last week to the street and somebody will come by to take it away.

If I have been especially irresponsible and need to add a third bag of refuse I can attach a two dollar sticker and it will be hauled away too.

What a world of luxury and convenience we live in.

The only thing is, it has to be curbside by 7:00 am or after 4:00 pm the previous day - I can't do it the night before or the urban

fauna will tear the bags apart and scatter garbage in the street.

When that happens I grumble even more when I have to go out a second time to re-bag the spoiled, rotting remnants of last week and put it out again next week.

City life can be challenging but I have to admit that these petty, high-class concerns of mine are insignificant compared to what needs to be done to address the growing global garbage crisis.

As long as humans have hung out together our lifestyle has produced waste - archaeologists rummage through ancient dumps to discover how we produced and discarded so much.

The entrances of primitive cave dwellings were probably littered with old mastodon bones and other discarded animal parts that were too tough to eat.

The first landfill was developed in 3,000 B.C. in Crete and in 500 B.C. the City of Athens passed the first known trash regulation, forbidding residents from

throwing waste in the streets.

Curiously, that regulation is still ignored today in modern cities like Thunder Bay.

Globally the exponential growth of waste generation means that two billion tonnes of garbage produced in 2022 will grow to 3.4 billion by 2050, twenty-eight years from now.

Considering the threats of environmental degradation, carbon emissions and climate change, collecting garbage at the curb as a convenience to over-consumers is stinkin' thinkin'.

Taking out the trash in Thunder Bay may change soon as the city considers a green bin composting system, eventually reducing garbage pickup to every other week.

The plan includes an auto-cart system for both compost and garbage - the bins will be emptied with 'lift assist' arms, eliminating five human jobs.

As part of its solid waste management strategy Thunder Bay will be getting out of the

recycling business which will be the responsibility of the private sector.

Citizens can expect some changes along the way and once the handover is complete in 2026 including standardized containers at the curb.

I didn't notice anything in the city's strategy that would actively encourage citizens to use the third, long-forgotten "R" - Reduce the rampant consumerism at the root of the problem.

The richest person is not the one who has the most, it's the one who needs the least.

The legacy of our civilization will be trash - the remnants of our planet will be particles of garbage drifting through the cosmos and stinking up interstellar space.

As for me, I will only have to make that trek to curbside every second week but I will have those green composting bins to contend with - my high class worries continue.

And I still have to take out the trash.



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# Whalen to be raised

## Historic tugboat sank on May 1 along Kam River

By TB Source staff

The City of Thunder Bay now has a plan to lift the James Whalen tugboat out of the Kaministiquia River, though the work won't be accomplished until October.

The historic tug sank from its moorings at the Kaministiquia River Heritage Park on May 1, becoming largely submerged underwater.

The city announced Friday it had awarded a contract to raise the board and transport it to

temporary storage to LH North for \$793,000.

The local company was one of two to bid on the work, and submitted the lowest bid, said city manager Norm Gale.

The city issued an RFP for the job in July, warning at the time it might not be possible to complete the work until the fall.

Staff said the main priority was to get the tug out before the winter freeze, which could cause further damage.

LH North plans to use cranes to lift the tug out of the river, placing it into a wooden crib at a temporary dry land storage site.

The city said it will also explore the possibility of moving it instead to a permanent dry land location on city property.

The Lakehead Transportation Museum has expressed interest in acquiring the vessel to house at its site near Pool 6.

"We're thinking long-term about the best use and location for this asset," said city manager Norm Gale. "There's various options on the table."

Gale said he could not speak in detail to those options.

The city is continuing an internal investigation into the cause of the sinking, Gale said.

The incident wasn't expected to pose any environmental risk, as the boat was previously emptied of engine components.

The James Whalen also partially sank in 2021, but crews were able to pump enough water out to keep it from fully submerging.



The James Whalen tugboat is expected to be raised in October, at a cost of \$793,000. (FILE)



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# Trail clearing

Here we are mid-August with what seems like the month zooming by. Already I'm seeing plans, thoughts, and Back to school advertising for Autumn.

For us in Gillies Township, chief among the end-of-August plans is the Hymers Fall Fair that takes place on the Labour Day weekend. It is preceded by the Murillo Fair that offers quite different entertainment. Both are well worth attending, especially since neither fair could take place last year.

So, there is much excitement about the resumption of both fairs. I have both books that give details of what categories will exist in which gardeners, farmers, horse riders, artists, can enter to compete. These catalogues are thick and involved one heck of a lot of preparation by skilled volunteers.

Meanwhile back here on the farm I am trying to catch up on chores left in limbo due to my hospital interruption. The riding/walking trails sport several trees down across them blocking riding -definitely, and even walking unless you are a mountain goat or an accomplished bush whacker. Saturday, we loaded the cart with chainsaws and hand clippers and headed off bouncing over the southern field to enter the trail system. I had walked what we call Mountain Trail a week before with pooches to discover several trees down, one of which was an enormous, thick balsam with a smaller one lying on top.

"These trees probably came down during the ferocious storm we had while you were in hospital," surmised my wife, Laura. Yup. Probably since I had trudged these trail two weeks earlier and only a couple of trees

were blocking the path.

I set to with a saw and laboured to cut fireplace-sized block of wood, first delimiting the branches that Laura would haul away. The tree is a balsam and I had hoped it was dead and that the chunks of wood could be hauled back to Casa Jones, split, and used immediately in our fireplace. That was until I tried to lift one into the cart behind the quad.

"Holy cow!" I shouted, "I will get a hernia if I try to lift this." Indeed, the other blocks were equally as heavy. So there went my dead tree theory.

The end of the tree was well hidden by all the other bush surrounding it so I couldn't see if the top branches had green needles on them. They did. As I motored slowly along the trail I cast a glance back and through a gap in the trees I saw that the branches of my downed one were festooned with green needles. Ah well. Have to either return with the tractor and load the bucket or wait until next year when perhaps the chunk will have dried a bit.

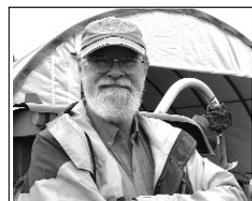
There were four more trees to clear before we could trundle home but not nearly as thick. But by then our insect repellent had worn off and the mosquitoes came on with a vengeance.

"I don't understand," I whined, "Usually the relent lasts longer than this." "Oh," admitted Laura, "we used the non-Deet spray." "What?!" I shouted, "Throw that stuff out. It is no good for what we have to do out here." Laura agreed.

Sunday my son, Doug, came out for a visit and joined me in the retrieval of a downed spruce that was definitely dead and had been lying on the ground for a year.

I set to bucking fireplace-sized pieces and then delimiting the rest of the tree while Doug removed the branches. We succeeded in filling the cart with beautiful wood and then headed home.

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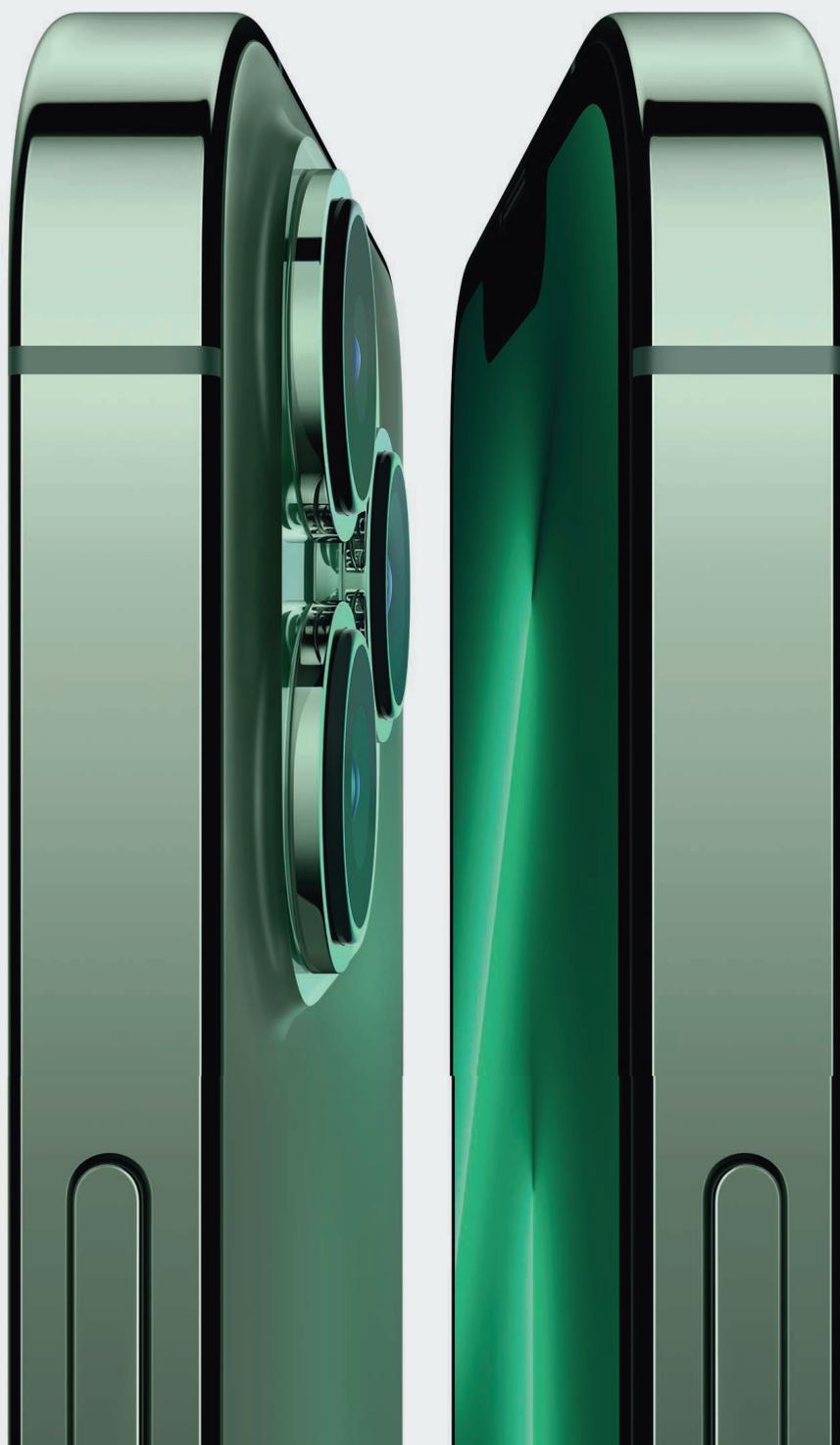
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# Cranking the Shield tough

Dahli Lama XIV said we should do something that scares us as we have nothing to lose but fear itself. A couple weeks ago, I followed that wisdom and signed up for a multi-day athletic event that I was not sure I could be successful at.

After Day 1, I was questioning my sanity as I sat under a waterfall in the ice cold water of Stokley Creek on the far northeastern shore of Lake Superior.

I was not enjoying a summer swim or even trying to beat the heat. Rather, I was washing the mud and blood off my body and soaking my sore muscles in the icy water.

The first day of the infamous Crank The Shield mountain bike stage race in the Algoma region of northern Ontario was just as grueling as its reputation promised.

Over the past four hours and eighty kilometers I turned myself inside out as I raced my mountain bike over steep hills, through muddy swamps, and across several rivers connected with a series of crude trails and forgotten backroads.

An all-terrain vehicle would have been a much more logical method of transportation here.

In total, 135 adventurous athletes had signed up for this edition of the legendary event, including six of us from Thunder Bay. Less than a hundred would be able to complete all three stages as debilitating injuries and broken bikes would claim new victims each day.

To add to the challenge, I decided I was going to race this as hard as I could and target a result, a chance to stand on the podium, which meant a lot of risks would have to be taken. I also wanted to be self-supported, meaning I would carry everything I needed to eat and fix my bike instead of relying on food or help from the aid stations.

Day 1 had us climb over 1,200 metres of elevation as well as descend some notoriously steep and rocky terrain that tested our nerves as much as our bike handling skills. Day 2 was wet and would be much, much harder. For those who survived, Day 3 would see us completing our journey into Sault Ste. Marie.



Keith Ailey competes. (Capitvate Images)

Here we would be rewarded with the fast and flowy singlettrack trails of Hiawatha Highlands before we crossed the final finish line.

The level of satisfaction gained from completing a daunting challenge, reaching a seemingly impossible goal and overcoming our natural fears is not something I can adequately put into words. Rather, it is something that must be experienced. Over the next few weeks, there are several much more sensible challenges happening locally. These are enjoyable, well-supported and low-risk events.

The fun starts this Saturday with the Thunder Bay Cycling Club hosting a women's 100-kilometre challenge ride. Then, the following weekend is the 76-kilometre Kam Krusher gravel road race starting in Lappe.

In early September, the Blacksheep mountain bike club are expecting nearly 200 racers for their annual 40-kilometre Forty Miner race. For each of these events there are shorter distance options as well.

If any of these scare you a little bit, then completing them is sure to be thrilling, rewarding and a standout highlight of the summer.



**Keith Ailey**  
the GOOD LIFE

# Carnival food tugs at heartstrings

After a hiatus, the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition finally returned to Thunder Bay this past week and by all accounts, we were very excited for it to be back. There are a number of draws for the CLE for most people.

There are rides, prizes and of course ... food. Lots and lots of food. Several local and traveling vendors are present at the "X" as it was affectionately known during my youth. Yea, showing a bit of my age here.

However, with some notable exceptions, carnival food has been a bit of a steadfast staple with very little deviation over the years. Its familiarity and scarcity have prolonged its lengthy stay in the food zeitgeist.



**Derek Lankinen**

Here's Cooking at You Kid

Even though thanks to Canadian company Pogo the corndog is available all the time, a really good homemade corndog is very rarely found "out in the wild." They aren't the only one, funnel cakes, snow cones, and caramel apples all are rarely found residing on menus at your local diner or restaurant.

Well but why can't I have it whenever I want? Well, the answer for this is a bit complicated but let me break it down for you.

Most carnival food is highly specialized with low food cost, quick ease of preparation and designed to be pumped out quick. That being said, they are typically prep heavy and (usually) messy in a kitchen when you're preparing many other items. Hence when you

find a stand at your local carnival, you will usually find them doing one or two of these items and not much else. The mentality is, "I'm going to be the only one making corn dogs so I'm going to place all my effort into that".

Now it's this nostalgia that chefs love. You will occasionally find classed up versions of this food on fancy dinner menus.

None of us are immune from using this kind of fun familiarity that tugs at your childhood heart strings to make a fun version of carny food that will attract the decidedly less-fun adults to try it. There's also our egotistical nature that will say in the back of our minds, we can do it better, so why shouldn't we?

This challenge has been a favorite of competition cooking shows for years and its wistfulness will continue to draw viewers for years

to come.

The byproduct of such will also put thousands of dollars into Gordon Ramsay's and Alton Brown's bank accounts.

Therefore, these types of shows will not be going away any time soon, nor would we want them to. The challenge in food is always to take something familiar and turn it on its ear so that we can have our own take on it.

Unfortunately, in a lot of the food business, many things have been done already, so until the planet or a lab creates a new animal or plant for us to cook and eat and play with. We may be stuck just deep-frying different ice creams. Derek Lankinen is an award-winning chef, author, and restaurateur. He is the Owner/Operator of Beefcake's Burger Factory and Co-Owner of Elite Beef, Brick and Mortar Food Co. and Eat Loco Tacos.



Carnival food remains popular. (Leith Dunick)

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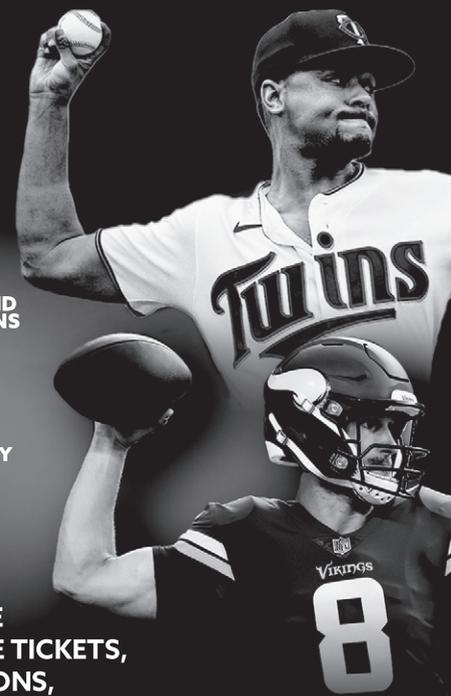
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# Revamped Trooper still super

Ra McGuire and Brian Smith have retired, but the band lives on

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The boys were really rolling. Trooper, Canada's Party Band, lived up to the billing on Thursday night transporting a massive Canadian Lakehead Exhibition crowd back to the '70s and '80s with a collection of hit songs that helped form the soundtrack of a generation.

Formed in 1975, the band has been on the road ever since, though names and faces have changed, including the loss to retirement last November of founding members Brian Smith and Ra McGuire, the duo enjoying their COVID-forced hiatus too much to bother returning to the road.

Their music lives on, however, in a reinvented Trooper, featuring David Steele on vocals, his voice a near spot on impression of McGuire's, no mean feat for a band with a catalogue as well-known north of the



David Steele took over Trooper's lead vocals following Ra McGuire's retirement last year.

border.

It's been a long time since I happened upon a Trooper show. In fact, I think it was 1992, when I was a young university lad of about 23, when I caught them for the first and only time on stage at the Misty

Moon in Halifax.

For a minute on Thursday night, as Steele wove the lyrics of *Santa Maria* into a split version of *General Hand Grenade*, I closed my eyes and was transported back to Halifax three decades ago, their greatest hits

album, *Hot Shots*, still getting worn out day in and day out on the family record player.

Though Trooper never hit it big worldwide, much like the Tragically Hip who came afterwards, they were beloved in their home country.

Those memories never really went away. Fans camped out for hours in the seated section and the bleachers at the CLE last Thursday night for a chance to sing along to songs they still know by heart, even as the decades march on.

Trooper opened with a bang, launching into *We're Here for a Good Time (Not a Long Time)*, a song so nice they played it twice, closing their two-song encore with their opener for those who might have wandered over to their set a little late.

They followed with *3 Dressed Up as a 9*, a 1979 hit not included in their greatest hits package, but one that in retrospect was easily a top five Trooper song. The familiar songs kept coming, from *Baby Woncha Please Come Home* to *Two for the Show* and *Ready* before the quintet dove into a trio of deeper tracks -

*The Thin White Line*, *Boy with a Beat* and *Roller Rink*.

*Round, Round We Go* was followed by *The American Dream* and then things ramped up, the *General Hand Grenade* and *Santa Maria* medley leading the band, which includes drummer Clayton Hill, bassist Scott Brown, guitarist Steve Crane and Keyboardist Paul Gogo, the longest-serving member of Trooper, into a four-song finale that included Janine, *Pretty Lady*, *The Boys in the Bright White Sports Car* and the crowd favourite, *Raise a Little Hell*.

With the crowd insisting they do at least one more song, Trooper obliged with a surprise cover of The Beatles' *Helter Skelter* before closing with a reprise of *We're Here For a Good Time (Not a Long Time)*.

The names and faces may have changed, and not even Gogo or Brown, who joined the band in the mid-1990s, were around for Trooper's heyday. But they still know how to rock, and if you close your eyes at just the right moment, you too might find yourself singing along at the Misty Moon all over again.

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# Satirical whodunit

For *Bodies, Bodies, Bodies*, (SilverCity) viewers will have to recalibrate their expectations. This movie is not exactly what it appears to be. Slasher flick? A whodunit? Well, yes and no. The movie flips these genres around for satirical effect. Think: Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None* meets *Lord of the Flies*.

One day/night on a summer weekend, a group of self-indulgent, (mostly) rich twenty-somethings gather at a remote, ridiculously huge gated manse to party-hearty while the parents of their host (Pete Davidson) are away, all in defiance—or weird celebration – of an impending hurricane. Here's a typical bunch of hedonistic idiots just asking for trouble. Snark and toxicity, however, underlies the various relationships.

Amandla Stenberg and Maria Bakalova play a newly-involved, smitten gay couple who are the last to arrive at the mansion. Rehabbing Stenberg comes from a hugely moneyed background, while Bakalova, an émigré, comes from a modest home. A good portion of the film is filtered through Bakalova's eyes.

The group soon partakes in a favoured parlor game called "Bodies, Bodies, Bodies" where the lights are turned low. One drops out of the game once they get a 'death' tap on the shoulder by a designated though unidentified 'killer' within the group.

However, the power goes out, negating lights and the Wi-fi signal, creating an alarming sense of isolation as the storm rages outside. A bloody death actually occurs, as if emulating the game, setting off uber-paranoia where old grudges, catty resentments, secrets, and questionable past actions suddenly burble up, setting off blind accusations and knee-jerk reactions. Who's the killer?

A gun surfaces, accentuating the power dynamic and breathy panic, especially as the body count rises, partly to darkly



*Bodies, Bodies, Bodies* is a twist on a traditional slasher movie.

comedic effect.

The script by Sarah DeLappe based on a story by Kristen Roupenian touches on a number of themes: class and racial prejudice, women's self-image, using

facades to disguise vulnerabilities, the foibles of rich, narcissistic youth, obsessions with cell phones and social media.

The effective cast ranges from the intense Jordan (Myha'la Herrold), to the comically whiny Alice (Rachel Senott), who has a funny weepy moment about podcasts. Davidson looks raccoon-like, coke-wasted, sporting a black eye courtesy of one of his coked-out buddies. His role proves to be key.

Director/actress Halina Reijn

(*Instinct*) makes effective use of Jasper Wolf's moody cinematography and handheld camera. The soundtrack by Disasterpeace achieves a jagged, nerve-jangling effect.

Some of the antagonisms get a bit strained, reflective of the small number of suspects. This comes at the expense of traditionally anticipated scares and mystery, but the film has more artful ambitions.

One remains a bit detached from this largely unlovable, unredeemable bunch yet the movie cultivates perverse curiosity about where this all is going to lead.

The conclusion offers a credible, twisty, witty pay-off, tied to an earlier incident, providing a good guffaw. Whether this will satiate the stereotypical scare-starved move-goer is another question.



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# Hall names inductees

By **Leith Dunick - TBSOURCE**

The Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame has chosen its 2022 class of inductees – and the plan is to officially recognize them in an in-person ceremony on Sept. 17.

NHLer Taylor Pyatt is the highest-profile inductee, a group that also includes hockey player Gerry Cizmar, a stalwart of the Thunder Bay Twins, and the 2017, diver and diving coach Jason Napper and Trevor Bonot's mixed curling team that claimed the 2017 Canadian Mixed Curling Championship and earned silver at the world championships.

Cross-country ski coach Patti Kitler and long-time Thunder Bay volunteer and organizer Ken Slater will be inducted in the builder's category.

Pyatt, who retired after the 2014-15 season, was a first-round pick of the New York Islanders in 1999 and went on to play 14 seasons in the National Hockey League, amassing 430 points in 859 career games spent with the Islanders, Buffalo, Vancouver, Phoenix, the New York Rangers and Pittsburgh.

Cizmar, who died in 2006 at the age of 51, was part of four Allen Cup-winning teams in a career that spanned from the 1970s to the 1990s. He was also a champion tennis player and a well-respected coach.

Napper competed for the Thunder Bay Diving Club in the 1980s and 1990s, winning medals at the 1989 Canada Summer Games, the 1991 World University Games and the 1994 Commonwealth Games. He also gave back to the sport as a coach and volunteer.

Kitler spent more than 40 years in skiing, beginning her coaching career in the 1980s and working to provide opportunities for people of all abilities, working with groups such as the Lake Superior Ski Division, Big Thunder Nordic, Cross Country Ontario and Cross Country Canada.

Finally, Slater spent more than five decades serving as a coach, official and



Taylor Pyatt spent 14 seasons in the National Hockey League, scoring 430 points in 859 career games.

organizer in both curling and soccer, as well as serving as chairman for soccer at the 1981 Canada Summer Games.

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# Booth a hub of activity

By Johan Vass – For TB Source

Thunder City Speedway drivers continue to thrill race fans each and every week. The weather conditions give the drivers challenges. Rain makes for a tacky track and hot dry weather makes a dust bowl. Experienced drivers know how to prepare for the changes while those new to the sport are learning to drive under the changing conditions.

I would like to thank Ray Dorval the track announcer for allowing me into his booth. It was very exciting and he does a great job.

The announcer's booth is a hub of activity.

Track manager Rick Simpson has his head set on and he tries to keep the show on time and going.

Transponders are in each car.

The track manager can speak to the drivers but only if their transponder is working. If it is not working car line ups can take a little longer. I learned a lot in that booth. In the old days we never had computers now there are at least three that I know of each doing a job. To all track officials thank you for all you do.

Thank you to the drivers and pit crews for preparing those cars every week. Let's just say there was a lot of crashes causing a lot of car repairs. I understand the amount of time it takes to prepare for Wednesday night regular races.

There are also drivers that prepare for racing in the United States and other tracks like Emo and Kenora.

Thunder City Speedway paid tribute to John (Bunny) Massaro.

We lost a man who was heavily involved in sport in Thunder Bay. Bunny's vintage race car was pulled from the bush at Russ Wanzuk's and a team of people cleaned her up painted her and made sure she was at the track on display as a gesture of respect. It was a very classy gesture by all those involved.

Congratulations to A-mod driver John Toppozini for his first ever checker flag in Hibbing. Toppozini at the time of this story was leading the Thunder Bay Truck Centre Wisconsin Modified Point race at Thunder City Speedway.

Racing action happens every Wednesday night gates open at 5:30 p.m. and the racing starts at 7 p.m.

# Soto debut a trip highlight

I'm back from sunny California, where my family and I spent 10 days split between San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

I caught a couple of ballgames while on the west coast, including a stop at Petco Park in San Diego, one of five parks I'd yet to visit.

It also happened to be the night Juan Soto made his debut for the Padres, and I'm not sure I've seen a more electric crowd in all my years going to major league ballgames.

Soto didn't disappoint, drawing a couple of walks and singling late in San Diego's 9-1 win.

I'm not sure his acquisition is enough to help the Padres win a World Series,

but it's nice to see a small-market team making waves and at least trying to win.

We also checked out a game at Oracle Park, the San Francisco Giants showing they're still no match for the Dodgers, who got homers from Max Muncy and Trea Turner in an 8-2 win.

Oracle Park is still one of the finest in all of baseball, but as I've written in the past, Pittsburgh's PNC Park is still top of my list.

Just four more parks to go: Miami, Tampa, Arizona

and Texas (though I was at their last park twice).

While I was gone, Scott Wilke



**Leith Dunick**  
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captured his first Strathcona Invitational title, knocking off Ryan Pietila 4&3 in the championship final.

Wilke lost the 2019 final to Robert Cumming.

Congrats on the win, it was well deserved.

Serena Williams is retiring, ending one of the most dominant careers in tennis history.

Williams, who has suffered through injuries the past couple of years, will call it quits after the U.S. Open later this month.

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