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Photo - Richard Stroud has taken over the running of the Knights Cruisers Club Annual Cruise-in stepping into the role of president. He is seen here with his Mercury. Photo supplied

By Rosalind Russell - The Knight Cruisers Car Club is presenting their 20th Annual Cruise-In at the Espanola Regional Recreation Center on Saturday, May 27th.

One of the volunteers, Pat Parker says this event has grown to include a Craft Fair inside the Arena on the same day as well as the Plant Sale by the Espanola Gardeners and the Mason's Breakfast and Elk's Barbecue.

Parker says there is a first-time event with the club hosting a Poker Run for cars on the Friday night, May 26th. He says those who take part will drive to a variety of various locations in the Espanola area and get a card at each stop.

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McDonald's McHappy Day In The North Shore Corridor Was A Huge Success This Year.



Jason Bourne, the manager of the Espanola franchise says the outlets in the local market including Elliot Lake, raised an astounding \$26,270.

He says the money will all stay in the local area going to Ronald McDonald House in Sudbury, which provides a home away from home for children receiving treatment at

NEOKids or Health Sciences North.

He extends a thank you to the public for all their support this year.

Photos: McHappy Day in Espanola and Elliot Lake was a resounding success raising \$26,270 this year. Photos by Ty Demerah and Rosalind Russell

Rebuilding a drag car with a bit of help



Photo: On hand to receive a cheque for \$3,000 from Espanola Lions Club member Amy Mathie are teacher Chad Petrenko and his students, all part of the Hot Rod Club at Espanola High School. The funds will go towards rebuilding a 1968 Pontiac Firebird drag car. Photo provided by Espanola Lions Club

Espanola High School's Hot Rod Club has received a bit of financial help from the Espanola Lions Club.

Teacher Chad Petrenko formed the Hot Rod Club at the school and the students are rebuilding a 1968 Pontiac Firebird drag car. Once it is rebuilt, it will be raced at events across Ontario

to highlight the community and school initiative.

To that end, several individuals and businesses across the North Shore have donated parts to help with the rebuild.

2 weeks ago, the Espanola Lions Club donated \$3,000 towards the project, which is expected to be completed soon.

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He adds now, cars without on-board computers and 'limp mode' are hard to find so instead of blowing up a motor, this year we will see an old car torn apart by the Jaws of Life with the demonstration provided by the Espanola Fire Department.

Thanks to Dan's Towing for delivering and removing these cars.

This will also be the first year the event will be held under the guidance of the

new club President, Richard Stroud. Ian Karvonen, still active in the club, is taking a much-deserved break after many years of club leadership.

Parker adds the club appreciates the support of the major sponsors; McQuarrie Motors, Giant Tiger, Napa, and Canadian Tire, and other local businesses, as well as the organizations which are taking part enhancing the annual show of chrome and leather.

Communities Improving Arenas, Community Centres And Attractions Through A NOHFC Grant



Photo - The Espanola Regional Recreation Complex will get some upgrades thanks to a \$375,000 grant. Photo by Rosalind Russell

Several communities will be sharing a \$5 million fund from the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation including Espanola, Elliot Lake, Blind River, and communities across Manitoulin Island. Espanola is receiving \$375,000 to replace the HVAC system and to carry out roof repairs at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex while Elliot Lake is receiving half-a-million dollars for

upgrades at the Ruben Yli-Juuti Aquatic Centre.

A new floating dock system will be installed at the Spider Bay Marina and upgrades to the Manitoulin East Municipal Airport through the grant of just over \$522,000 while the Town of Gore Bay will receive \$199,200 for improvements to the Harbour Centre and waterfront board walk.

The Town of Blind River will also make several improvements at its community centre and arena with a \$388,400 grant while Tekhumah township will get a share of \$167,000 for its nature trail and pavilion.

Another \$83,591 goes to the Municipality of Huron Shores to upgrade Sowerby Hall while \$66,870 for the Township of Cockburn Island to upgrade its community hall.

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities will receive \$150,000 for its economic development initiatives and administration costs.

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Espanola Council Approved A 100-Household Pilot Project To Encourage Countertop Composting.

Town Clerk Joe Burke says FoodCycle Sciences is offering the FoodCycler, which takes compostable waste and turns it into a component that can be added to soil.

He says it has been identified as an effective tool to help residents reduce volumes of waste being sent to landfills, in turn reducing greenhouse gas emissions and costs of waste disposal.

Burke says as part of the project 100 households can receive a unit by investing

\$150 for the 2.4-litre unit or \$300 for the 5-litre system.

He points out the project is highly subsidized with the town investing \$10,000 and other discounts provided by FoodCycle Science and the Impact Canada Fund.

Burke adds the company will be working with the town to assess the pilot to determine whether it is a long-term initiative the town should invest in.

Anyone interested in taking part can contact the town.

Sables-Spanish Rivers Township Council Passes Contentious Recreational Vehicle Bylaw

Last week's meeting of Sables-Spanish Rivers Township council was a contentious one with police presence.

Over the last couple of months, the issue of establishing a bylaw on recreational vehicles has raised division in the community with some residents verbally voicing their opposition loudly.

To that end, Mayor Kevin Burke had an OPP officer present this week to ensure order when the bylaw came up for final reading.

Deputy Mayor Mike Mercieca was the only councillor to oppose its passing receiving an ovation from the audience

when he made his opinions known.

Following the recorded vote, several members of the audience voiced their discontent.

Despite the opposition, the bylaw is now law and residents will have to pay a \$200 fee this year, \$400 a year starting in 2024 to have a recreational vehicle on their land depending on type and length of use or face penalties for failing to do so.

For the video of the meeting, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16g3Wb1tUuQ>

Shoutout: Give Them Some Rope And See What Happens ... The Community Gets Tied Together To Help Out A Great Cause.



Last Monday, Around & About reported that the rope used as safety apparatus along sections of the Black Creek Sno-Trail was stolen over the weekend. Following getting the word out there, the community came together to provide some 1,000 feet of rope to maintain

the trail.

The rope has been delivered and it now has a hint of orange paint in it. Huge thank you goes out to the Nairn Hyman Firefighters Association and other friends that stepped up.

Photos: Black Creek Sno-Trail

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COMMUNITY NOTES

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Lee Valley Autumn Leaves General Meeting - every 4th Wednesday of the Month. May 24 at 6:30 p.m. New members always welcome.

Knight Cruisers Car Club 1st Poker Run - Friday, May 26, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Start & finish at Espanola Rec Complex main entrance. Proceeds to local charities. Call 705-869-2709 for info.

Masonic Paper Plate Breakfast - In the Espanola Complex Saturday, May 27, 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. Hosted by Espanola Masonic Lodge in conjunction with the Car Show.

Espanola Gardeners Annual Plant Sale - Saturday, May 27, 8:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. in the Complex lobby. If you wish to donate plants, please drop them off on Friday the 26th at the Complex

Knight Cruisers Car Club 20th Annual Cruise-In & Craft Fair - Saturday, May 27, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Espanola Rec Complex/Track & Field. Call 705-869-4757 for info. Food bank donations are appreciated.

Massey Fair Market Day - The Massey Agricultural Society will be hosting a Market day Saturday, May 27. Local vendors and children's activities. We will be distributing chicks for our Grow a Chick program, and handing out free seeds. Admission is free.

Lee Valley Autumn Leaves Music Jam - Saturday, May 27, 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. come and join us for a toe tapping good time! Food will be available.

The Espanola Lions Annual Spring Food Bank Drive - Friday, June 2, 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. at FreshCo, Giant Tiger and Tanner's Independent. Volunteers will provide "menus" with needed food items.

"Marvelous is the power of women of faith" Women of Faith Luncheon - Saturday, June 3rd, 11:30 AM, Espanola Seniors Center Cost - For tickets please contact Doris 705-869-4608.

Webbwood Eagles Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, June 3. Eat in or Takeout 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. No advance tickets, Purchase tickets at the door.

Walford Community Centre Indoor / Outdoor Yard Sale - Sunday, June 11, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tables can be rented to sell your own items or we take donations as well. Call 705-844-2887 for more info. All proceeds to the Walford Community Club.

A.A. Meetings - at St. George's Anglican Church. Wednesday nights from 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

SIT AND KNIT - Do you knit or do stitch work? Come join us at the Espanola Public Library on the third Friday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

The Seniors Choir - We welcome more singers (especially, male voices). Practices are Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Seniors Drop-In-Center.

Narcotics Anonymous meetings - Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, 7:00 p.m. United church, downstairs. 137 Shepard St. Espanola

Al-Anon - support for people affected by someone else's drinking. Meetings every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. St. George's Anglican Church, Tudhope St., Espanola. More information at al-non.Org

North Shore Seventh Day Adventist Church - service, sabbaths (Saturdays) 10:00 a.m. All welcome. 18 Menard Cres, Walford, Spanish.

Parlowe Jammers - Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Queensway Seniors drop in centre, Espanola, the Parlowe Jammers will be playing music. For details call 705-665-6331.

Do you have a note for the community? We invite not-for-profit organizations to submit information on their upcoming events in writing no later than **Wednesdays at 300 p.m. 25 word limit.**

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