

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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in Howick



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servicing up a BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

What an incredible morning at our Spring 2026 Firefighters Breakfast on May 3! Thank you to everyone who came out to support us – it was a huge success with almost 1000 meals served. From familiar faces to new ones, we loved seeing our community come together over great food and even better company. A huge thank you to our amazing team who worked hard to make it all happen and to our generous donors and supporters, your contributions truly make a difference. We're already looking forward to the next one this fall!

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Community Calendar

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SPLASH PAD OPENS! Starting June 1 by the Gorrie pool.

TOWN WIDE YARD SALE - Sat. June 6 in Gorrie, and Sat. June 13 in Fordwich.

BEEF & PORK BBQ by Cardiffs, Wed. June 10 from 5-7pm at Belmore Community Centre. See page 12.

FISH FRY at the Wroxeter Hall on Fri. June 12 from 5-7pm. See page 11.

HOWICK HAWKS MINOR BALL DAY, Sat. June 13. See schedule on page 11.

PUB NIGHT at Wroxeter Hall, Fri. June 19. \$7 Dinner served at 6pm.

HOWICK IDOL PRELIMINARY NIGHT - Sat. June 20, 8pm at the Howick Community Centre. Also an Optimist Wing Night. (doors open at 6pm).

DROP-IN SESSION on June 25, 10am-2pm, Gorrie Hall. Learn about Principal Protected Notes by Cheryl Mann. See page 12.

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL FUNDRAISER for the Alzheimer's Society at Fordwich Village Nursing Home, Thurs. June 25 from 2-3:30pm. See page 12.

HOWICK HOMECOMING 2026 will be from July 3-5. See page ? for more info.

HAYLOFT MUSIC FESTIVAL - Aug. 1 & 2 in Listowel. See back page for details.

PSYCHIC MEDIUM COMEDY SHOW - Fri. Aug. 14 at the Howick Community Centre. See page 22 for ticket info.

HOWICK TURNBERRY FALL FAIR - Sept. 25 & 26. "Rural Roots & Country Boots"

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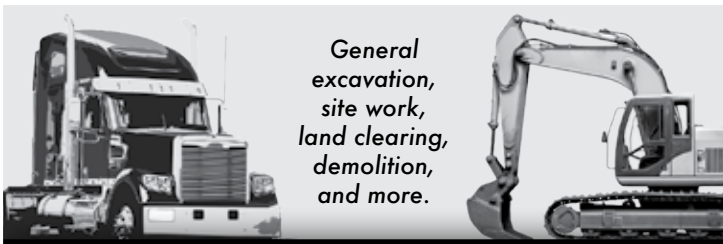
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eventual progress

So, funny story. I like to keep my cut Christmas tree set-up as long as possible in the winter. It moves into our unheated sunroom for a few months before being sent outside late March, still sitting in the stand beside our entrance. Before we had a chance to throw it on the burn pile, a robin quickly made a nest and laid some eggs... so the tree progressed to a lovely rust colour and greeted

people as they came... didn't quite match my spring decor, but it was fun for the kids (and for me) to get a close up view of the chick hatching and develop from scrawny skin and bones into a more recognizable bird. It recently flew away, and the tree has finally been removed.

I've made some progress with my new garden project. A few other things have slowed me down, the weather being one of them – it was either too hot or too cold and wet for awhile. The conditions are looking great for the next couple weeks. Currently I'm working on a pathway, and then I'm ready to buy and get some plants in the ground – probably my favourite part, but it's also somewhat stressful trying to imagine how everything will look together as it becomes mature and fills out. It's a fun challenge that is rewarding. And if it's not looking right, you can take it out or move the plant. We can't get too hung up on getting things right the first time, which is true for most things.



Angie Koersen

Deadline for the next issue is June 20.
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

June Council meetings are scheduled for **Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** Both meetings will take place in the Council Chambers at the Township Office. The 2026 Schedule of Regular Council Meetings can be found on our website.

NOMINATION PACKAGES - NOW AVAILABLE!

PASSIONATE ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY?
PUT YOUR NAME FORWARD!

Whether you're a first-time candidate or a seasoned leader, your involvement strengthens our community. **Nomination period began May 1, 2026, and closes August 21, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** Nomination packages are available at the Municipal Office by appointment only. Please call Deputy Clerk Alana Dick at 519-335-3208 x9 to schedule your appointment to pick up and complete your Nomination Paperwork.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT?

Residents interested in running for municipal office in the 2026 Municipal Election are invited to attend a **Huron County Candidate Information Session on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at Libro Community Hall in Clinton.** This free public session is intended for anyone considering becoming a candidate in the 2026 municipal election or for those wanting to learn more about local government. The session will provide prospective candidates with an overview of the municipal election process, voting methods, the voters' list, and the role of Huron County Council. Presentations will feature representatives from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local municipal clerks, and Huron County staff.

QUESTIONS ABOUT WASTE CART COLLECTION?

WE'VE GOT ANSWERS!

WASTE CARTS ARE COMING! *join us!*

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE
come see the carts in person!

Everyone Welcome!

Monday, June 22, 2026

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Howick Community Centre



June

Waste Management is switching their fleet to automated dual collection trucks in Howick this summer. We want to help you feel prepared and confident before rollout day!

Join us for a Waste Cart Information Night
Monday, June 22, 2026

5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Howick Community Centre

Come see the new carts up close, learn how they work, practice wheeling and maneuvering them, and ask any questions you may have about the new collection program.

Representatives from Waste Management and Township Staff will be on hand to explain:

- How to properly place your cart for collection
- Where to set carts on collection day
- Cart spacing requirements
- Winter placement tips
- What can and cannot go in your cart

Whether you're excited, curious, or just have questions — stop by and get a feel for the new system before collection begins. We look forward to seeing you there!

Waste and Recycling Carts will be delivered to all residents between July 6 and July 25, 2026. Industrial, commercial and institutional properties will receive Waste Carts only.



BAG TAGS ARE NON- REFUNDABLE

The first day of Waste and Recycling collection with CARTS is

AUGUST 3, 2026 (West Side Collection)

Please only purchase the amount you can use before August 3, 2026.

Clear bags are still required, using clear bags makes it easier to identify recyclable materials, which encourages proper sorting and increases recycling participation. This helps reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill and supports more sustainable waste practices.

Clear bags also help prevent hazardous materials—such as batteries or other prohibited items—from entering the regular waste stream. When these items are visible, they can be removed and disposed of safely, reducing potential environmental harm.

HOWICK TOWNSHIP LANDFILL AMNESTY DAY!! - SATURDAY JUNE 13, 2026

Let's get Howick shining before Homecoming! As we prepare to celebrate the Howick 170th Homecoming, now's the perfect time to tackle those items you've been meaning to clean up around the yard, shed, garage, or fence line! Let's come together and help make our community look its very best.

CLEAN UP FOR HOMECOMING! pride starts at the curb!



AMNESTY DAY!
Saturday June 13, 2026
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
HOWICK LANDFILL



Residents can **dispose of eligible items FREE OF CHARGE** during Landfill Amnesty Day! Bring your yard cleanup, brush, outdoor waste, and bulk items that have been sitting outside in your yard to the landfill and take advantage of this one-day opportunity to declutter and beautify your property.

Clean up, and clear out your yard, and show your community pride before Homecoming! Together, let's make Howick look its best for 170 years of celebration.

Household waste and recycling are subject to regular tipping fees and are not included in the Amnesty Day. Amnesty items are up to the discretion of the Landfill Attendant.

For anybody unable to make it to the landfill on this day, please call the Township Office to pre-arrange a pickup and to confirm what you have to dispose of.

Manager of Development and Protective Services Josh Kestner 519-357-5825 or Public Works Manager Scott Price 519-335-3208 X5

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Township of Howick intends to control noxious weeds along municipal roadsides through spot spraying where noxious weeds have been identified. The Public Works Department does not control noxious weeds on private properties. A full list of roadsides to be sprayed are listed on page 21.

Anyone not wishing to have the roadside adjacent to their property treated for noxious weeds should contact Scott Price at the Township of Howick 519-335-3208 ext. 5.

PA DAY CAMP - JUNE 5, 2026! 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Need care for June 5th? We still have spaces available! Regular drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. with pick-up at 4:30 p.m. Need extra flexibility? Early drop-off at 8:00 a.m. and late pick-up until 5:00 p.m. are available for \$6.00 per student each. Online registration is now open visit <https://app.univerusrec.com/townshipofhowickpub/index.asp> to secure your spot today!

SPRING/SUMMER BY-LAW REMINDER

Spring & Summer Yard Clean-Up Reminder, Let's Keep Howick Looking Its Best!

As the weather warms up, it's the perfect time to get outside and tidy up your property! The Township of Howick's Clean Yards By-law is in place to help keep our community safe, clean, and enjoyable for everyone. Properties not maintained may be subject to orders, fines, or cleanup at the owner's expense.

✔ Keep grass & weeds under control

Grass and weeds must be kept trimmed and not exceed 8 inches in height (with some rural/agricultural exceptions).

✔ Remove debris & refuse

Yards should be free of garbage, scrap materials, and clutter to prevent safety hazards and maintain a clean appearance.

✔ Prevent standing water

Eliminate areas where water can collect to reduce mosquitoes and other pests.

✔ Maintain safe, hazard-free properties

Fill holes, remove dangerous materials, and keep walkways clear and safe.

✔ No derelict vehicles

Unlicensed, inoperable, or dismantled vehicles are not permitted unless properly stored.

✔ Manage compost & yard waste properly

Compost must be maintained neatly and not attract pests.

✔ Keep boulevards clean

Adjacent areas should be free of long grass, waste, and pet debris.

Have questions? Reach out to the Bylaw Enforcement Department or review the full by-law for details. Email: bylaw@howick.ca / jmiller@howick.ca

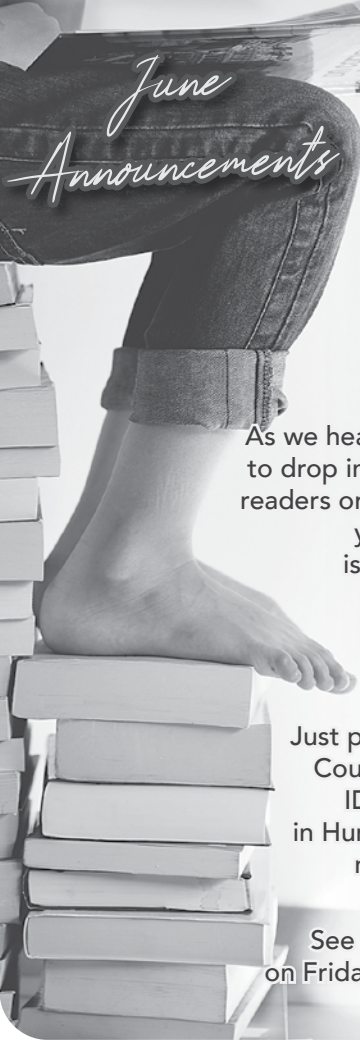
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PUBLIC SWIMMING & SPLASH PAD

The Howick Optimist Pool is opening for Public Swimming beginning June 15, 2026! Gather your family and friends and cool off this summer at 2046 James Street, Gorrie. Even better the Splash Pad opens June 1! A perfect way for little ones to beat the heat and enjoy some outdoor fun. See page 9 for the pool schedule and admission information.

For up-to-date Township information, contact the municipal office at **519-335-3208** or check out the website at **www.howick.ca**

HOWICK LIBRARY



June in our community marks both Father's Day and the end of the school year.

Here at the library there are some great reads for Dad (check out some of our Skip the Lines 7-day loans for hot new books with no waiting period) or check out some DIY books to make something special for him.

As we head into summer, don't forget to drop into the library for some early readers or junior fiction books to keep your skills sharp when school is out. We will also be running the Summer Reading Club again this year...stay tuned for details!

Don't have a library card? Just pop into any branch of Huron County Library with some photo ID (that includes your address in Huron County) and within a few minutes we'll have you ready to start borrowing.

See you at Howick Homecoming on Friday July 3rd from 2:30-4:30pm for some special activities!

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SUNDAY
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STARTS JUNE 20TH

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JUNE 15TH TO 26TH
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HOWICK HAWKS MINOR BALL DAY

Saturday June 13

FORDWICH LITTLE DIAMOND

9:30am > TBall Gold vs TBall Green

11am > 7U Gold vs 7U Green

FORDWICH DIAMOND

9am > 9U Gold vs Arthur Twisters

10:30am > 9U Green vs Listowel Legionnaires

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QUESTIONS?

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Strawberry Social Fundraiser

for the Alzheimer's Society (Huron)

Thurs. June 25 from 2-3:30pm

at the Fordwich Village Nursing Home

There will also be a Silent Auction fundraiser held that day with the proceeds going towards Residents' Council Activity Fund.

Come join us for a piece of delicious strawberry shortcake and some laughs while raising funds for some great people.

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Celebrate Howick's 170th

1. Take a "Selfie" picture of your group and have the **"Welcome to Howick"** sign in the background. If you don't have a camera, smile and go to question #2.
2. Record the name of the first settler in Howick Township and where he settled. It can be found on the Howick Cairn between Fordwich & Gorrie on the Harriston Road.

3. In June 2023, Howick Optimist Pool was given a great addition to their playground area by installing a new Splash Pad. How many Dumping Buckets are on the Splash Pad? _____
4. Fordwich Parks Board has also added new playground equipment to their ball park and made it more accessible. How many slides does the new playground equipment have? _____
5. Wroxeter Hall Board offers a large variety of community events at the Wroxeter Hall. Check out the events in "What's Happening in Howick" newsletter each month. What year was the Wroxeter Hall built? _____
6. Belmore is famous for their Annual Maple Syrup Festival which they have been hosting for 56 years. One of the many volunteer organizations that helped with the Festival was Belmore Women's Institute. What year was the Belmore WI organized? _____ (The answer is on a stone at the front entrance of the Belmore Community Centre.)
7. Lakelet is a small Hamlet that sees a lot of summer visitors, as it sits on the edge of Lakelet Lake. What year was the Lakelet Cemetery established? _____
8. Where is Newbridge?? Name the road Newbridge is on _____ and the year the church was built in Newbridge. _____
9. The monument at the Fordwich Cenotaph was erected by citizens of Howick to honour our fallen soldiers. The Fordwich soldier was the "first bronze statue of a soldier molded and cast in Canada". How many names are inscribed on the front of the monument? _____
10. Howick Agricultural Society has been hosting Howick Fairs since 1859. Fordwich and Gorrie took turns hosting the Fairs until 1974 when the Howick Community Centre was built and became the fair's permanent site? There are Commemorative Stone Gate posts in both Fordwich and Gorrie (near the ball parks) celebrating what HAS event.

11. Howick Central Public School was built in 1962. It was the first Central School in the county to serve an entire Township. Once HCPS opened all of the small one-room schools closed but many are still standing. Find one of these original schools and take a picture or give us the road and fire number where it is located.

12. The Howick Township Fire Department has provided full fire protection services to the residents of Howick since 2010. How many bay doors does our fire hall have? _____
13. There are many Farm Gate businesses in Howick Township. Stop at one of these roadside stands and check out what they have to offer. Take a picture of some of your team admiring the fresh produce &/or baked goods.
14. There are 13 cemeteries in Howick Township. One of the oldest cemeteries is on Creamery Road (west of Tollgate Line). What is the name of the cemetery and when was it established?

- OVER -

15. Howick Township has created Community Walking Trails in Fordwich, Gorrie and Wroxeter. Stop and take a short stroll and enjoy the scenic view. We would love to see your picture with the animals at the entrance of the Gorrie Walking Trail.
16. There was a Pioneer Settlement "Huntingfield" at the northern most part of Howick Township. What are the names of the crossroads where it was located and what years was it a viable settlement? _____
17. Howick also has its own Grist Mill. It has been in operation since 2014. You can find it on Orange Hill Road (west of Fordwich Line). How many white bins do they have to store their flour? _____
18. There are many small businesses operating throughout Howick Township in our villages and on our back roads. On your travels throughout Howick, find a small business that you did not know existed before now? _____

Once you have completed all of the questions and challenges, please drop this page off in the "drop box" at the front door of Howick Township municipal office and email your pictures to Howick Homecoming Committee tagged with your team name.

[howickhomecoming2026@gmail.com]

All entries must be in by noon on **Tuesday, June 30th, 2026.**

(*Please let us know if you do not want your pictures public. Some pictures may be posted on Howick Homecoming website.)

Team Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone # _____

Email: _____

Howick Women's Institute wants to give you a safe opportunity to celebrate Howick 170th Anniversary and discover what Howick Township has to offer. Take your family or best friend/ friends for a car drive around Howick Township and try to answer the following questions &/ or challenges. This "Explore Howick Township" challenge can be completed at anytime during the month of June, BUT must be returned to the Howick Township office any day before noon, Tuesday, June 30th, 2026.

- Please take a few minutes and read over all of the challenges and questions, before heading out. You can answer the questions in any order you wish.
- Please drive safely and have fun.
- Once all entries have been judged, they will put into a draw for the following prizes. The winners will be announced at the Opening Ceremony of Howick 170th Anniversary.

- Fordwich Diner, Fordwich
- Maitland River Milling, 44798 Orange Hill Road
- Oats & Honey Homestead, 45745 Spencetown Road
- Drudge Family Maple Syrup, Wroxeter
- Bare Necessities, Fordwich
- Schefter Poultry Processing, 44783 Harriston Road
- Topnotch Furniture, 89446 Fordwich Line
- The Perfect Piece Home Shoppe, Creamery Road



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Maitland Valley

camera club

New members were welcomed to our May 7th meeting. It is nice to have new members with new ideas and interests.

Photographers Mark Robinson and Gary Moon had arranged five stations for members to capture photos of bubbles. The stations each had lighting, backdrops and containers of bubble solution to make bubbles. They provided information on how to create good bubbles and camera settings to try. They had a sheet of photos they had taken of bubbles and they were quite colourful and interesting. Everyone had a great time capturing a wide variety of photos. Members brought their cameras, flashes and tripods as well as their phones. We thank Gary and Mark for the challenging workshop. It was great!

May 21st meeting, we viewed our bubble workshop photos and videos with Mark and Gary. The colours were stunning and the videos were very inviting watching the creation of the bubbles and their many colours.

As the nicer weather approaches, the club will be out and about capturing photos.

Interested in photography, bring your camera, your phone and join us for a workshop, a presentation or a photo shoot. Lots of fun. You can challenge yourself! We hope you can join us. The Maitland Valley Camera Club meets in the Meeting Room of the Brussels Library the first and third Thursday of the months April to November and for the months December to March the first Thursday.



HOWICK HOMECOMING

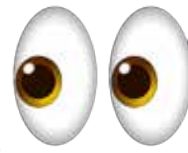
GET REGISTERED!

Don't miss out on the activities or meals that require tickets or pre-registration:

- EUCHRE TOURNAMENT
- FISH FRY
- TRIVIA NIGHT
- PARADE (to enter a float)
- CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
- BBQ DINNER
- AGE OF MAJORITY DANCE
- YOUTH ROAD HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Find more info **online** or in the **FREE booklet!**

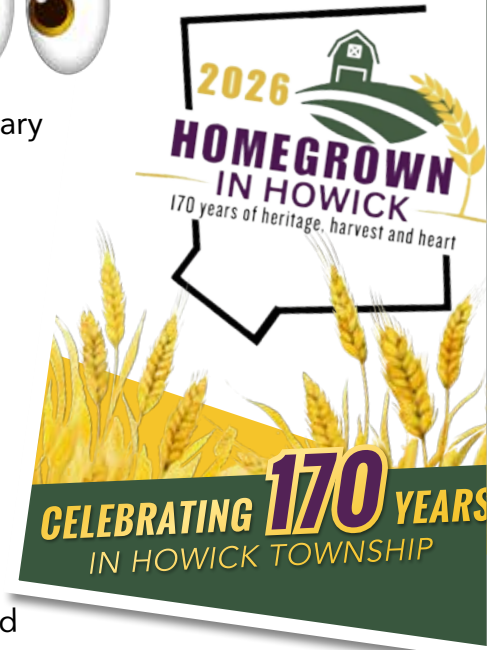
STAY TUNED!



The 170th Anniversary Booklets are **COMING SOON!** Keep your eyes peeled on the socials, website or Gorrie Post Office for information regarding **WHERE YOU CAN GET YOURS!**

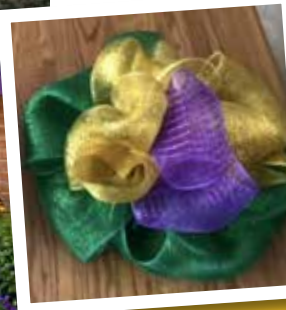
Inside this **FREE** anniversary special, you will find the **full schedule and event details!**

JULY 3 - 5, 2026



GET READY FOR THE HOMECOMING DECORATING CONTEST!

Show off your hometown pride and help paint the community in **GREEN, PURPLE & GOLD** for Homecoming! **Order your bows and bunting online.**



HOWICK IDOL

Preliminary Night on **SAT. JUNE 20** at **8pm**

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Doors open at **6pm**

Donation entry.



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Facebook: "Fordwich BIC Community Church"

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DUCK RACE IN FORDWICH!

On Saturday, May 9th at 11:00 am, 600 rubber ducks raced down the Maitland river in a fundraiser supporting the Fordwich Parks Board. Those who attended the race, enjoyed a barbeque and games Sponsored by Fordwich North Estates.

THIS YEAR'S WINNERS:

1st place: David and Heather Stinson

2nd place: Dominic Hamilton

3rd place: Reese McEwan

4th place: Kristie Woods

5th place: Sawyer McEwan

Last duck: Bill D'Arcey

*Thank you to all who supported this event!
See you next year!*



Obituaries



DUNBAR, Reta Pearl of Listowel, formerly of Wroxeter, passed away at Listowel Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, in her 98th year. Wife of the late Jim Dunbar (1994). Loving mother of Gail & Lloyd Martin of Listowel. Devoted grandmother of Mike & Jen Smith of Listowel, Gary Smith & Beth Fisher of London, and Daryl Smith & Sara Dhooma of

Kitchener, and adored great-grandmother of Bret, Jake, and Chelsea. Sister of Laura Douglas of Stratford, and sister-in-law of Pat Dunbar of Englehart. Predeceased by her parents Les and Eva (Clegg) Earl, brothers Chester Earl, and Arnold Earl, and by her sister Berth Searson. The funeral service was held at Knox Presbyterian Church, Listowel, on Sunday, May 24, 2026 at 2:00 p.m., with visitation one hour prior and reception to follow. The funeral will be livestreamed. Click here to view service. Interment in Wroxeter Cemetery. Memorial donations to Listowel Memorial Hospital or Knox Presbyterian Church, Listowel, would be appreciated.



PHOTOS BY LIZ ALLAN



The hall is open for coffee from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Monday to Friday. Come meet new and visit with long time friends while enjoying a coffee.

Check us out on Facebook! Wroxeter Community Hall

Hosting a special event! Contact Carol Edgar to book the hall.

DO YOU LIKE FISH???? The 19th Annual Wroxeter Community Fish Fry is Friday, June 12th. The Fish and Chip dinner will be fish with french fries, coleslaw, roll, ice cream and a soft drink. All this for \$20.00 for an adult and children under 12 the price is \$10.00. Dinner is served from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.. This special dinner is sponsored by the Wroxeter Hall Board and hosted by the Brussels Legion. The proceeds from this event will go to the Wroxeter Community Hall Board Operations. Call 335-3245 or 335-3331 for your tickets.

The May 22nd Pub Night was delicious. The doors opened at 4:00 p.m. and dinner was served at 6:00 p.m..

Friday, June 19th, 2026 is **Pub Night**. Cost is \$7.00 Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.. Hall is open at 4:00 p.m..

Thank you to all for your support to the hall. Greatly appreciated.



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WROXETER HALL NEWS

UPDATE

HOWICK CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

SUBMITTED BY PAUL MENARY, PRINCIPAL

May has been and will continue to be a very busy month at Howick. On April 30th our Parent Council ran another very successful Family Fun Night – everyone seemed to really enjoy the evening activities. This month some of our grade 7 and 8 students took part in the Gauss Math Contest. Thank you to Ms Smith for organizing and supervising this for our students. On May 20th our grade 4-8 students all took part in our school track and field day. This is always a fun day of sportsmanship and competition for our students. Thank you to all the staff



that are involved in making this big event a success. Later in May our Band will be taking part in a Massed Band day at Central Huron Secondary School. Ms Kaufman has been working hard with this group of students to best prepare them for the experience. Coming up in June we will have many class experiences happening, primary play day, and our grade 8 graduation.



PUBLIC NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE

The Township of Howick intends to control noxious weeds along the following municipal roadsides through spot spraying where noxious weeds have been identified.

The Following Township of Howick Road Sides:

Huron-Bruce Road from Belmore Line to West Heritage St
(south side of road)

Glenannon Road from Belmore Line to Toll Gate Line

Lakelet Road from Toll Gate Line to Fordwich Line

Salem Road from McIntosh Line to Howick-Minto Line

Forest Line from Salem Road to Huron-Bruce Road

Corrie Line from Salem Road to Huron-Bruce Road

Toll Gate Line from Salem Road to Huron-Bruce Road

Malcolm Line from Salem Road to Huron-Bruce Road

Howick-Minto Townline from Harriston Road to Allan St W
(west side of road)

Mud Lake Line from Salem Road to Huron-Bruce Road

All locations where herbicides will be applied are in rural areas along a highway in which the public has general right of access, but the application does not include any area intended for pedestrian access nor areas where the public is invited to stop such as rest areas or picnic areas.

The Township of Howick intends to control noxious weeds identified along the right-of-way locations noted above using the following pesticides under the Pest Control Products Act (Canada):

- ClearView Herbicide (Registration No. 29752), containing the active ingredients: Aminopyralid, present as potassium salt, and Metsulfuron methyl.
- Hasten NT Ultra Spray Adjuvant (Registration No. 31760), containing the active ingredients: Methyl and ethyl oleate (esterified vegetable oil).
- Navius FLEX Herbicide (Registration No. 30922), containing the active ingredients: Metsulfuron – methyl and Aminocyclopyrachlor.
- Gateway Adjuvant (Registration No. 31470), containing the active ingredients: Paraffinic Oil, and Alkoxyated alcohol non-ionic surfactants.

Anyone not wishing to have the roadside adjacent to their property treated for noxious weeds should contact Scott Price at the Township of Howick 519-335-3208 ext. 5.

Note: It is the responsibility of the property owner requesting no spray to contact the person listed above each calendar year prior to the application of weed spray. Property owners requesting no spray will be responsible for all noxious weeds on the road allowance adjacent to their property.

We are controlling noxious weeds under Public Works in accordance with the exception to the cosmetic pesticide ban in subsection 7.1 (2) of the Pesticides Act for the promotion of public health or safety

Commencing **May 26, 2026**, weather permitting and ending approximately **June 30, 2026**.

For information call (Collect Calls will be accepted):

Scott Price

Steve Ford

Howick Township

OR

Green Stream

519-335-3208 ext 5

1-905-510-1229



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

A cheque in the amount of \$4,500.00 was presented to Howick Central School on Thursday, May 13th from the Howick Branch 307, Royal Canadian Legion Scholarship Fund. It is for a grade eight scholarship (based on yearly interest) to someone showing strong Canadian Citizenship.

CLASSIFIEDS

GARAGE SALE June 6, 1040 Brussels Line, Wroxeter. Solid wood table and chairs, 6 foot vinyl slide and more. Priced to go.

EMBARK ON AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY and DISCOVER PORTUGAL with the North Perth Chamber of Commerce. Departure Date from Listowel March 31, 2027. Call the North Perth Chamber, 519-291-1551 or Ship-2-Shore, 519-444-5464 for more information or come to the information session on Wed June 10. Details online: NPChamber.com

POP CANS: will be picked up the first Saturday of each month. You may leave your pop cans in clear plastic bags at the end of your laneway. Monies from the pop cans will go to the Resident's Council of the Fordwich Nursing Home. We thank you for your donation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! ONE CARE is a non-profit agency that supports individuals to stay in their home longer. We need Volunteer Transportatn Drivers in the Fordwich, Gorrie and Wroxeter areas to assist clients to Medical Appointments, Adult Day Program and Social Outings. All volunteers receive training and mileage is reimbursed. Call for more info, 1-877-502-8277 or email volunteering@onecaresupport.ca.

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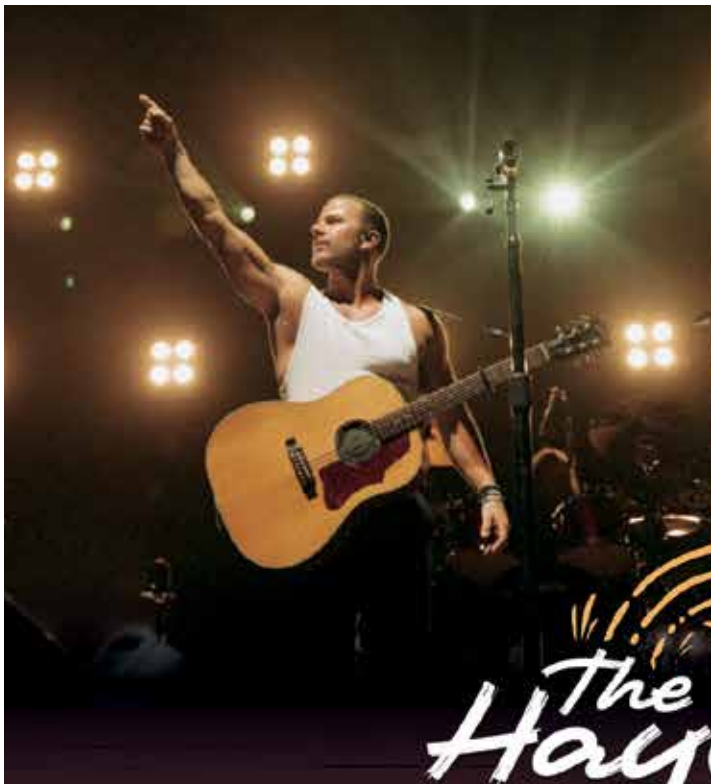
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