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Members of the Gloucester Rangers Major Peeewe 'AA' team celebrate after defeating the Moscow Dinamo to win the Bell Capital Cup on Saturday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

## East end revelers ring in the New Year

By Fred Sherwin  
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East end revelers packed local bars, attended private parties or simply hung out at home last night as they rang in the New Year and rang out the old.

At the Orléans Legion about 150 people enjoyed a prime rib buffet followed by an evening of dancing and plenty of frivolity. Party favours and champagne were handed out at midnight and anyone living within Orléans was able to get a free ride home.

Many of those in attendance

at the Legion party were looking forward to coming back Sunday morning for the annual New Year's Day levee which runs from 11 a.m. to well into the night. Entertainment will be provided by such regulars as WRD, Terry McCann and Lauren Hall.

Down the road in Navan, about 175 people attended the Navan Curling Club's second annual New Year's Eve party, while next door at the Navan Feedmill about 80 people celebrated the arrival of 2007.

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## Mayor appeals to city staff to help find savings

By Fred Sherwin  
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Ottawa Mayor Larry O'Brien is already busy at work trying to find ways to reduce the city's projected \$105 million budget shortfall.

His first order of business was to request a city-wide hiring freeze unless the position to be filled is deemed as essential.

His next move was to ask Ottawa residents intent on a tax freeze to put pressure on their local councillor.

Now O'Brien is reaching out to city staff to come up with suggestions on how to cut costs. On Tuesday, the mayor sent a message to all staff members to submit ideas to deliver services more efficiently.

The city went through a similar process in 2003. The resulting 3,000 page document called the Universal Program Review and Opportunity Log contained ideas from the ridiculous to the sublime.

In the end, council adopted a number of the initiatives which resulted in more than \$20 million in savings.

Residents are being invited to give their two cents worth on the budget process during a special council meeting on Jan. 10. The problem is that the meeting is being held during the day, which means a limited number of people will be able to take time off work to make a presentation.

The following day, council

is expected to give their final budget directions to finance staff before they go through the task of coming up with a preliminary budget document.

In order to assist the councillors in their appointed task, the Mayor has given each of them a copy of the 1993 book "Re-inventing Government: How the entrepreneurial spirit is transforming the public sector".

Former Ottawa Mayor Jacqueline Holzman gave the same book to city councillors when she was mayor.

Among other things the book suggests privatizing services such as public transit and fire fighting.

Whether or not any of the city councillors will bother reading

the 404 page book is anybody's guess.

Most are waiting to see what staff will come up with in the preliminary budget and then gauge the public's reaction during a series of budget consultation sessions which will be held in mid-February.

Many fear the city is heading down the same path it took during the 2004 budget process which resulted in massive protests by residents angered over the massive service cuts that were being proposed by staff.

In the end, council rejected many of the proposed cuts and ended up passing a 2.9 per cent tax hike rather than risk incurring the continued wrath of residents.

## Community briefs

### Transportation task force to be announced by mid month

**OTTAWA** — Ottawa Mayor Larry O'Brien plans to announce the make up of a transportation task force charged with the task of coming up with recommendations aimed at addressing the city's future transit and transportation needs and priorities. Transit Committee Chair Alex Cullen says his top priority is to push the task force along. He says time is ticking and there are difficult choices to make. Cullen is hoping to be on the task force which is expected to have a mix of councillors and private citizens on it as well as a six month mandate.

### Sarsfield senior's residence scene of propane explosion

**SARSFIELD** – A propane explosion at a Sarsfield senior's residence on Dec. 27 sent a maintenance worker to hospital and left a number of residents shaken but uninjured. The maintenance worker was changing a propane cylinder in the maintenance room at the Sarsfield Colonial Home on Colonial Road when the localized explosion occurred. The worker was injured in the blast and suffered burns. None of the residence's 46 occupants were injured in the incident and the building did not have to be evacuated.

### City archives in desperate need of new home

**OTTAWA** – The City of Ottawa is being urged to begin the search for a new home for Ottawa's archives before its current lease at the old Ottawa City Hall on Sussex Drive expires. In a recent *Ottawa Citizen* article friends member John Heney says the city must find a new location with more space and more technologically advanced ways to store materials. Heney says a committee on relocation of the archives has been looking for a new home at Bayview, Centrepointe or Lansdowne Park.

### Feds nix plans for new science and tech museum

**OTTAWA** – Officials with the Museum of Science and Technology on St. Laurent Blvd. must go back to the drawing board again after Treasury Board President John Baird rejected a request for \$400 million to build a new museum. The museum was originally looking for \$800 million to build a new facility, but that request was summarily turned down as well. The museum has been looking for a new home for the past five years.

# Freezing rain fails to dampen New Year's Eve

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During the past year the town celebrated the opening of the new Heritage Public School as well as several new businesses including Chilly Chiles, Cafe Resonance and the Domaine Perrault wine store.

In Carlsbad Springs about 180 people rang in the New Year at the new Jacques' Trap Roadhouse which opened for business in October. As the clock neared midnight, party favours and champagne were handed out to everyone in attendance and everyone counted down the final seconds.

At the stroke of midnight, dozens of coloured balloons were released from the ceiling and the partyers started breaking them to find slips of paper inside which could be redeemed for a door prize.

Jacques' Trap manager Sonia Morin was thrilled with how the evening went especially with the threat of freezing rain on everyone's mind.

"It's been great. Everyone's in a good mood. For our first time I think we did a pretty good job," said Morin smiling from ear to ear.

Back in Orleáns, a small but enthusiastic crowd celebrated the arrival of the New Year at the Ottawa Gloucester Sports Cub where DJ Johnny V. kept everyone on their feet.

While thousands of people attended one party or another on



Natalie Durand-Bush and Linda Bradley celebrated New Year's at the Navan Curling Club on Sunday night along with 175 other enthusiastic party-goers. Fred Sherwin/ Photo

Sunday night, thousands more gathered at friends' houses or with family to celebrate New Year's Eve in a more private setting. Still others simply curled up with a loved one in the comfort of their own homes and watched their favourite New Year's Eve special on television.

Despite the freezing rain which began shortly after midnight, the Ottawa Police Service reported very few accidents.

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# Year in Review

## Lots to write about during action packed year

By Fred Sherwin  
The Eastender

As years go, 2006 proved to be one of the most newsworthy years in recent memory. There was a federal election, a municipal election, a flood, a quadruple murder suicide and numerous other tales of triumph and tragedy.

But among all the stories that took place over the last 12 months the year will primarily be remembered for two events in particular – the election of Larry O’Brien as mayor and the decision by city council to cancel the \$800 million LRT contract.

Locally, crime stories seemed to occupy the headlines more often than not.

For the second year in a row the east end was rocked by a multiple murder. In 2005, Daniel Maxheleau shot and killed his parents Gerald and Louise Maxheleau as well as his 25-year-old daughter Michelle in their Pineview home.

On April 2, Frank Maily killed his estranged wife Francine and their three children Jessica, 12, Brandon, 9, and Kevin, 6, before killing himself while igniting a propane tank and burning their Dunning Road home to the ground.

Afterwards, family members blamed the system for not stopping Maily from making good on previous threats against his wife and children.

2006 was also marked by several disturbing arsons. In March, arsonists destroyed the Salvation Army Thrift Store on Innes Road. Two months later, the front entrance of the Cumberland HUB day care centre was severely damaged after arsonists set fire to a paper recycling bin near the front door.

And in June, arsonists set fire to the



Fire fighters shift through debris after a fire believed to be set by arsonists, destroyed the Salvation Army Thrift Store on Innes Road last March. Fred Sherwin/Photo

Dynamic Dance Studio in Blackburn Hamlet, but thanks to the efforts of the studio’s owner and a number of supporters it was reopened several weeks later.

The police blotter for 2006 also including a stabbing on Charlemagne Blvd. in December. In November a Topper’s Pizza delivery driver was robbed at gunpoint on a residential street in Fallingbrook South. In October a man was stabbed at a house party in Orleans Wood. A 16-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by three males while walking home in Queenswood Heights in September. And in June, a woman was carjacked while she was using the ATM at the RBC on Centrum Blvd.

In the courts, Chris Myers was ordered to stand trial for the 2003 murder of Ardeth Wood – the proceedings are expected to commence next fall – while the lawyer for accused Orléans terrorist Momin Khawaja successfully got an Ontario Superior Court judge to strike down a section of the Anti-Terrorism Law under which his client was charged. However, the judge still ordered the trial to proceed which spurred Khawaja’s lawyer Lawrence Greenspon to appeal the decision to the Supreme Court of Canada. Arguments in the case are expected to be heard later this month.

One of the stranger events that took place in 2006 was the attempted murder of Herbert Stuemmer by his son Jonathan back in June. The middle of the Stuemmer boys attacked his father with a hatchet while he lay in bed. Stuemmer was later found not criminally responsible for the attack and ordered to undergo treatment for severe depression.

But for all the bad news there was in 2006, there was plenty of good news as well. Orléans resident Jean-Francois Carrey he became the youngest Canadian to scale Mount Everest when he accomplished the feat at the age of 24 last May.

Steffi Didomenicantonio may not be a household name, but Steffi D. certainly is after the 17-year-old Orléans resident captured the hearts of thousands of Canadians as a contestant on Canadian Idol. The Chapel Hill resident will forever be remembered for her trademark bows and bubbly personality which helped propel her into the top five.

In July, nine-year-old Brandon Lee won the Young Dancer of the Year title at the American Dance Awards’ National Championships in New York City, while fellow Leeming Danceworks member Kevin Howe, 17, was second runner-up in the Senior Male Dancer of the Year competition.

In May, long time community volunteer and former minor hockey coach Don Lawlor became the second resident from Navan in as many years to be named Citizen of the Year at the Ottawa Civic Appreciation Awards. Margaret MacNeill was bestowed



Francine Maily was murdered by her estranged husband Frank last April along with their three children Jessica, 12, Brandon, 9, and Kevin, 6. The bodies of all four victims along with Frank Maily’s body were discovered in their burned out Dunning Road home. File photo

with the honour last year.

A number of east end schools celebrated milestones in 2007. Cairine Wilson Secondary School turned 30 and St. Matthew High School, Divine Infant Catholic School and Dunning Foubert Elementary School all celebrated their 25th anniversary.

2007 also saw the closure of the former Riverview Public School in Cumberland Village and the opening of the brand new Heritage Public School in Navan.

Under the headline of triumph and tragedy, 2007 saw the passing of several incredible individuals including former Gloucester city councillor and community activist Fiona Faucher who died while waiting for a heart-lung transplant in May and in the fall, Canada’s first ever artificial heart transplant recipient, Noella Leclair, died of heart failure at the age of 61.

One of the more tragic stories of the past year was the passing of eight-year-old Karyne Maissoneuve who died from complications after undergoing a stem cell transplant to treat her cancer in early July.

Two other young people who had battled cancer in their lives also found out that the disease had returned. Nine-year-old Hannah Billings from Navan received the news that she had terminal cancer shortly after Thanksgiving, while Eric Shaw, 17, learned he had only months to live while organizing a telethon in Hannah’s honour at Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School in December.

The telethon ended up raising more than \$15,000 for CHEO’s oncology unit.

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## Year in Review

# O'Brien election the story of the year in '06

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As of press time Hannah was in the company of her parents and sisters at their Navan home, while Eric is recovering from surgery to remove his tumour which should extend his life expectancy from eight to 12 months.

On a positive note, 17-year-old Fallingbrook resident Zach Laroche managed to fully recover from brain surgery at the end of 2006 to return to playing hockey for the Cumberland Barons in October. He was even drafted by the Cumberland Grads in the CJHL Priority Draft in June.

Meanwhile, Chapel Hill resident Dennis Gudbranson continued to do well after undergoing a bone marrow transplant in August 2006. In February he returned to playing House League hockey for the Blackburn Stingers and in June he participated in the Tour Nortel as part of Team McDonald's.

On the political front 2007 was an extremely busy year with a pair of elections yielding equally surprising outcomes.

In January, former Liberal Party member Royal Galipeau became the first Conservative MP to represent Orléans in the House of Commons since Barry Turner did the trick in 1984.

After getting elected, Galipeau was appointed assistant deputy speaker.

As surprising as Galipeau's victory over Liberal incumbent Marc Godbout was in the federal election, Larry O'Brien's ascendency to the mayor's chair in the fall municipal election was the shocker of the year.

O'Brien was a late addition to the campaign which was billed as a two horse race between incumbent Bob Chiarelli and his chief rival Alex Munter.

The high tech executive trailed in the polls for most of the election until the final weekend of the campaign when he surged into the lead on a promise to freeze taxes and re-open the light rail debate.

By the time all the votes were counted, O'Brien won in a landslide, becoming the first person to knock off an incumbent mayor in the past 40 years.

Unfortunately for the new mayor, the honeymoon lasted all of 48 hours. Within days of his electoral victory, he got into hot water for supporting a pay increase without knowing all the details.

He then ended up supporting the same light rail plan he campaigned against with one key change – instead of running the line down Slater and Albert Street he managed to get convince councillors to build a tunnel at an additional cost of \$500 million.

But when the revised plan failed to garner the support of either the federal or provincial governments by the pre-determined deadline council decided to nix the whole deal and risk a potential lawsuit. The city had already spent \$62 million of its own money on the project, not to mention thousands of hours of staff time during the past six years.

The year ended with the news that the city was facing a \$105 million budget shortfall which represents a potential 11 per cent tax increase.

The weather was also a major topic of conversation in 2006.

In January, white out conditions along Hwy. 417 near Embrun caused a massive pile-up that killed five people including Orléans resident Steve Hall.

Then on July 3 a torrential rainstorm dropped 60 millimetres of rain on the area in 20 minutes causing severe flooding in



Larry O'Brien's upset win over Bob Chiarelli and Alex Munter for the mayor's chair in November was the biggest local news story of the year and one that had immediate repercussions. File photo

Queenswood Heights. Over 500 homes were flooded and the city eventually agreed to cover 100 per cent of the cost work to prevent future flooding up to a maximum of \$4,000.

The east end and most of Eastern Ontario was enveloped in a heat wave for most of July after one of the wettest June's in recent memory. All the rain caused an abnormal amount of untreated storm water to be dumped into the Ottawa River which in turn led to the Petrie Island beach being closed for a record number of days in 2006.

Among the other news items that occupied the headlines during the past year was the construction of the Kiwanis Adventure Playground across from the Millennium Sports Park which opened to rave reviews from local kids in October.

2006 was also a year of firsts. The very first Orléans Soap Box Derby was held in June and the very first Orléans Oktoberfest celebration was hosted by Team Ottawa-Orléans.

But one of the biggest stories of the year was the unveiling of the plans for the long awaited Orléans arts facility in September.

The \$36.8 million arts centre is at the centre of a \$220 million development that will also include condominiums, office buildings, a hotel and an expanded YMCA. Construction is slated to begin in the spring.



The future Orléans Arts Centre was unveiled during a public open house in September. Construction of the \$36.8 million, 86,000 sq. ft. facility will begin next spring. Illustration

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## Presenting the 16th annual Fredzee Awards

Wow, has another year passed already? Personally, as years go, I've had better, but I've also had a lot worse. Then again, every year I spend covering the events and people of this amazing community is a blessing and reward all rolled into one. It's hard to believe that I've been covering the east end for more than 17 continuous years now.

At the end of each year I've traditionally written a column handing out awards and naming some of the biggest winners and losers of the past 12 months. Over time they became known as the Fredzee Awards.

This year's Fredzee Awards are dedicated to the Belize electrician who tried to duplicate Benjamin Franklin's lightning electricity experiment with disastrous results when he connected a length of copper wire to the kite without grounding it first. As the saying goes, stupid is as stupid does.

### The year's BIG winners

1) Larry O'Brien

*(He went into the election as a prohibitive long shot and emerged the victor.)*

2) Stephane Dion

*(The environmentally conscious political nerd went from third place on the Liberal leadership ballot to winning the whole enchilada.)*

3) Cindy Klassen

*(Girl next door becomes Canada's top Winter Olympian.)*

### The year's biggest losers

1) Alex Munter

*(The boy wonder sees his dream of becoming Ottawa's next mayor come crashing to earth after finishing second to political neophyte Larry O'Brien.)*

2) Siemens PCL/Dufferin

*(The light rail consortium gets stiffed out of an \$800 million contract after Ottawa city council votes to renege on the deal.)*

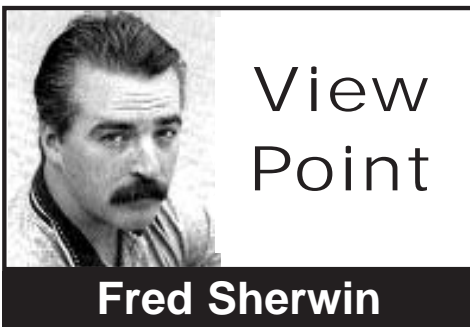
3) Michael Ignatieff

*(From front runner to also ran in the blink of an eye.)*

### Top local stories of the year

1) Larry O'Brien wins mayor's seat

*(Besides the fact that he won in the first place. His victory will have lasting repercussions for years to come.)*



2) City council axes light rail

*(Without a doubt the most controversial decision a city council has made in recent memory and one that could ultimately cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.)*

3) City council approves Orléans Town Centre development and arts facility.

*(In a word, the single most important project ever to be undertaken in the east end since Place d'Orléans was built.)*

### Media events of the year

1) Iraq War

*(It makes you wonder sometimes what the major media outlets would be talking about if there was no war.)*

2) Belinda Stronach and former Toronto Maple Leaf tough guy Tie Domi become an item

*(Probably the most bizarrely fascinating story of the year.)*

### Non-event of the year

1) Human bird flu

*(What was supposed to be the biggest scourge on humanity since the black plague failed to live up to the advance billing.)*

### Worst Mother of the Year Award

1) Britney Spears

*(Procreating with Kevin Federline is proof enough that Britney has no business being a mom.)*

### The Don't Worry It's Only Money Award

To the 12 members of city council including the new mayor who voted to nix the light rail deal despite the fact that the city already spent \$62 million on the project and the risk of multi-million dollar lawsuit that could result in further losses totalling more than \$200 million, or \$1500 for every household in the city.

### Political Spoiler of the Year Award

To NDP candidate Mark Leahy who managed to draw enough support away from Liberal incumbent Marc Godbout to allow Royal Galipeau to win the seat in Ottawa-Orleans.

### The It's-Great-Work-If-You-Can-Get-It Award

To Larry O'Brien's chief of staff Walter Robinson who will be making nearly as much as the mayor when you factor in his benefits and almost twice as much as the city councillors. The word "obscene" comes to mind.

### Marksman of the Year Award

To United States vice-president Dick Cheney who accidentally shot his hunting partner during a quail hunting trip on a ranch in Texas.

### If-We-Win-Everyone-Gets-A-Free-Dilly-Bar Award

To Navan financial adviser and Dairy Queen owner Steve Barban who bought the Cumberland Grads in 2006.

### The Golden Putter Award

To rock and roller Alice Cooper who dropped by the Greyhawk golf course while in Ottawa for a concert in May. Because of rain he only ended up playing two par fives and parred both of them.

### Been-There-Done-That Award

An Ipsos-Reid survey finds that baby boomers between the ages of 40 and 64 are more likely to fall asleep watching *Law & Order* than making whoopee.

### Morons of the Year Award

1) The two guys who got caught urinating on the National War Memorial on Canada Day.

2) John Mark Karr, the guy who falsely confessed to killing Jon Bonet Ramsey

### Five signs that the Apocalypse is upon us

- 1) Pamela Anderson hosts the Juno Awards
- 2) The Baby Surin story
- 3) Pluto stripped of planetary status
- 4) Stephen Harper decides to reopen the Quebec nationalism debate for no good reason at all
- 5) Borat

# 2006 proves to be a very good year for area athletes

By Fred Sherwin  
The Eastender

The year in sports saw a number of memorable accomplishments by local athletes as well as several high school and community teams.

Orléans speed skater Ivanie Blondin continued to show why she's regarded as one of the top up and coming short track competitors in the country, finishing fifth at the National Team Trials to become the youngest person to make the the National Senior Development Team at 16.

During the off season she was chosen by the Ontario Gaming Corporation to appear on the new Quest for Gold lottery tickets along with several other amateur athletes from the province.

But it was at the start of the current season that Ivanie really came into her own. In October, she placed third at the National Team Trials, earning a spot on the National Team that would be competing at a pair of World Cup events in Quebec in November as well as an automatic berth on the World Junior Team heading to the World Junior Championships which get underway this week in the Czech Republic.

Competing on the international stage for the first time, Ivanie was the only Canadian female skater to make an event final at the two World Cup events finishing fourth in both 1500 metre races. She also won a gold and a bronze medal as a member of the women's 3000 metre relay team.

Sticking with the sport of short track speed skating, fellow Gloucester Concorde member Nicolas Bean won a silver medal in the 3000 metre relay at the World Junior Championships in Romania last January and recently qualified for the upcoming World Juniors in the Czech Republic.

In the sport of downhill skiing, 20-year-old Cumberland native and former Colonel



Segun Makinde established himself as an athlete to keep an eye on after he won the 15 and under 200 metre sprint at the National Legion Track and Field Championships in Burnaby, B.C. this past summer. Fred Sherwin/Photo

By High School student Jonathan Robert finished at the top of the podium in the overall standings at the Canadian Alpine Skiing Championships in Whistler last March.

Closer to home, Stephanie Gould from Orléans finished second in the 12- and 13-year-old age group in the Outaouais ski zone competing as an 11-year-old. She went on to place 11th overall and second in her age group at the Quebec provincial championships in March.

As a two sport athlete, Gould also won gold in the 200, 400 and 800 metres at the French public school board track and field championships in June.

One of the most impressive individual performances of the year was turned in by 15-year-old Orléans sprinter Segun Makinde who swept the midget boys 100 and 200 metre races at the city and east regional high school track and field championships competing for Colonel By High Secondary School. He then went on to win the bronze medal at the OFSAA provincial championships in Toronto.

Following the high school track and field season, Makinde joined the Ottawa Lions Track and Field and would go on to win gold in the 200 metres for boys 15 and under at the National Legion Championships in Burnaby, B.C. in August and silver in the 100 metres.

Fellow Colonel By Cougar Lindsey Anderson rebounded from a second place performance at the National Capital high school cross-country championships in October to win a silver medal in the junior girls event at the OFSAA provincial championships in Thunder Bay.

Other impressive individual performances were turned in by 11-year-old Naomi Ellis who won two gold, three silver and a bronze medal at the provincial junior short course swimming championships in London last May and 13-year-old Amanda Bentley-DeSousa from Blackburn Hamlet who won a bronze medal in the 13- to 17-year-old kata competition at the WKA World Karate Championships in Spain in November.

Other individuals who will look back on the past year with fondness include Claude Giroux and Jonathan Matsumoto who were drafted by the Philadelphia Flyers in the first and fourth rounds of the NHL Entry Draft respectively; and Courtney Pilypaitis (basketball – University of Vermont), John Fiutowski (soccer – Niagara University) and Breanne Williams (golf – Webber International University) who landed scholarships south of the border.

A number of east end high school teams won city championships in 2006, starting with the Cairine Wilson girls hockey team which won the Tier 1 championship last January. In February, the St. Matthew Tigers senior boys basketball team regained the 'AAA' hoops crown they lost to the St. Peter Knights last year and the Garneau Gaulois won their first 'AA' senior boys city championship in 30 years with a 51-49 win over Notre Dame.

In June, the St. Peter Knights won the Tier 1 senior boys rugby championship



Orleans speed skater Ivanie Blondin made a splash on the international scene in the fall by making an event final in the first two World Cup meets she competed in. Fred Sherwin/Photo

while St. Matt's won the Tier 2 title and on the soccer pitch the Colonel By Cougars senior girls team won the Quad-A city championship.

Sticking with high school sports, three of the four city wide boys' volleyball titles up for grabs this past fall were won by teams hailing from the east end starting with the Colonel By Cougars which won the Tier 1 'AAA' championship. The Beatrice-Desloges Bull-Dogs won the 'AA' crown and Cairine Wilson won the Tier 2 title.

In basketball, the St. Matthew Tigers junior girls team repeated as city champs, winning their fourth championship banner in the past five years while the St. Peter Knights fell to the St. Mark Lions by a single point in the senior girls final.

On the gridiron, the Knights three year reign as senior boys champs also came to an end when they lost 51-45 to the Ashbury Colts in triple overtime in what will be remembered as one of the most exciting games in Ottawa high school history.

Several community sports teams were also extremely successful in 2006. The Gloucester Wolverines juvenile girls basketball team won the provincial championship in May; the Gloucester Devils Belle squad won the provincial 'AA' ringette championship in March; the Gloucester Synchro Tier 7 Combo team won the provincial synchronized swimming championship in February and the Orleans Rebels peewee boys fastball team won the provincial championship in August.

East end teams also won six Ottawa and District Minor Hockey Association regular season and league championships; nine East Regional Soccer League regular season titles; four ERSL Cups; and three National Capital Amateur Football Association (NCAFA) championships – two by the North Gloucester Giants and one by the Cumberland Panthers.

# Local sports

## Major Peewee Rangers capture Bell Capital Cup

By Fred Sherwin  
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The Gloucester Rangers Major Peewee 'AA' squad has a flair for the dramatic and a penchant for putting their parents and coaches through an emotional wringer.

Last Friday, the group of mostly 12-year-olds needed a late goal from Nathan Pancel to beat the Boston Jr. Eagles and earn a spot in the Major Peewee 'AAA' semifinals at the Bell Capital Cup.

Once in the semifinals, they needed another late goal from Pancel with 1:40 left in the third period to break a 1-1 tie against the Bridgewater Bandits and earn a berth in the division championship game against Moscow Dinamo on Saturday.

No one gave the local kids much of a chance against the undefeated young Russians who were coming off a pair of impressive wins against the Cumberland Barons and the Moscow Silver Sharks, the latter of which had to be settled in double overtime.

But the Rangers had two things going for them. First and foremost, hey had the fresher legs, having only played two games in 36 hours leading up to the final compared to Dinamo which had to play twice on Friday and again in Saturday's semifinal which finished at about 1:30 p.m. giving them just three hours of rest before the championship game. The Rangers were also familiar with the referee who is known as an enthusiastic arbitrator of the rule book.

"I told our guys that the Moscow kids would probably be a little tired and we knew the referee is not afraid to blow his whistle, so we needed to keep moving our feet," Rangers' coach Sean O'Connor said after the game.

As things ended up unfolding on the ice, O'Connor's advice would turn out to be prophetic indeed. Of the 16 penalties that were called in the game, 11 were against Moscow Dinamo including three hooking calls, two slashing calls and a pair of tripping penalties, all signs that the Moscow team had a difficult time matching the Rangers energy level.

The first Moscow penalty resulted in a power play goal by Adam Lloyd at the 8:12 mark of the first period. Lloyd took a pass from Justin Millson at the top of the crease and used a lightning quick release to fire the puck past Dinamo goaltender Grigory Mastuykov.

Alexander Galchenyuk responded for Dinamo just over a minute later with his fifth goal of the tournament to tie the game at a goal apiece after the first 12 minutes.

Galchenyuk would score again late in the second period to give his team the lead, but it only lasted all of 18 seconds. On the ensuing face-off, the Rangers head-manned the puck up ice to Chad Millett who tied the score at 2-2.

Once again it was Moscow that ended up breaking the tie first, this time on a goal by Sergey Karabulin with 4:31 left in the game. Then in a near perfect replay of what transpired at the end of the second period, the Rangers stormed back on the ensuing face-off and tied the score yet again on goal by Pancel who ended the tournament with four goals in five games including a pair of game winners.

With the score tied 3-3, Moscow was called for an untimely hooking penalty with 3:04 left in the game. They managed to kill off the first 1:40 of the infraction before Jamie Molinski took a perfect feed from



Jamie Molinski celebrates (bottom) after scoring the game winning goal against Moscow Dinamo in the Bell Capital Cup Major Peewee 'AAA' final on Sunday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

Daniel Walsh across the front of the crease and drilled it past Mastuykov to give the Rangers a one goal lead.

For the remaining 96 seconds Gloucester managed to keep Moscow Dinamo at bay. For whatever reason, the Moscow coach refused to pull his goaltender in favour of an extra attacker even when they had a face-off deep in the Rangers' end with 42 seconds left in the game.

When time had finally expired, the Rangers' had pulled off the upset and the celebrating began.

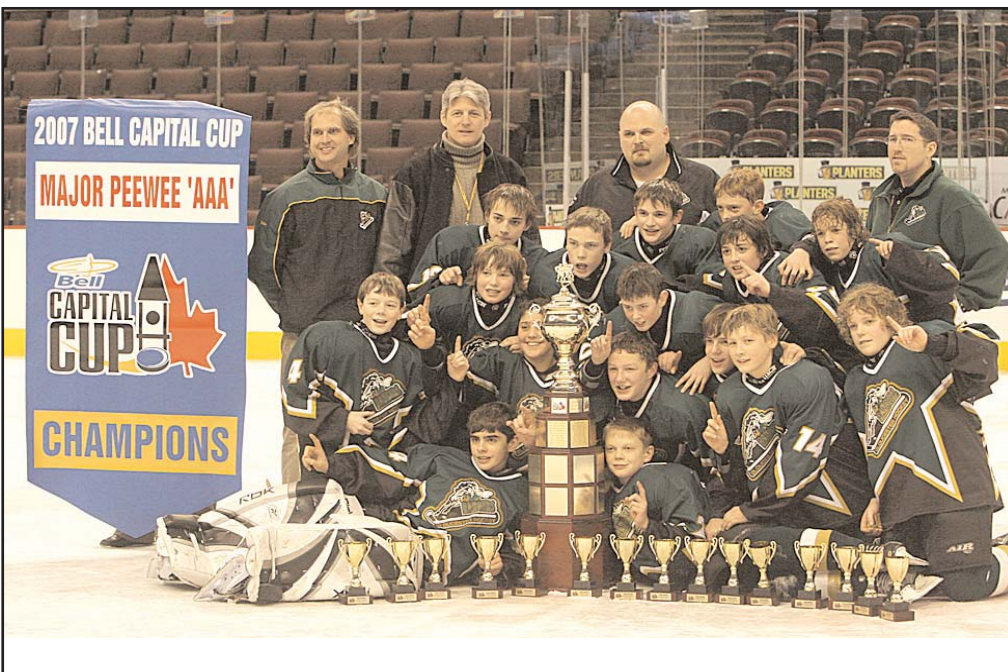
Pancel was named the game's second star, while Molinski picked up third star honours. Galchenyuk, who was Dinamo's best player on the ice by far especially in the second period, was the the game's first star.

When asked to describe his tournament winning goal, Molinski said it was simply a matter of being in the right place at the right time.

"I wasn't really aiming for a spot, I just shot it and it went in," he said.

O'Connor is hoping the Rangers will be able to carry some of the momentum they've gained over the past three days into the regular season which resumes next Saturday.

The Rangers are currently sitting in third place with 35 points. They're four points behind the Cumberland Barons with a game in hand and seven points back of the Ottawa Valley Titans who have won all 21 of their regular season games so far this year.



Members of the Gloucester Rangers Major Peewee 'AA' team pose for a team picture after winning the Bell Capital Cup on Saturday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

## Local sports

# Cumberland Arctic Wolves lose heartbreaker in Peewee House 'A' final at Bell Capital Cup

By Fred Sherwin  
The Eastender

When play began in the Peewee House 'A' division at the Bell Capital Cup last Thursday, you kind of had the feeling that the Cumberland Arctic Wolves and the Iqaluit Blizzard would somehow end up meeting in the final.

The Arctic Wolves advanced to the championship game with a pair of New Year's Eve wins over Torino, Italy and the Cumberland Titans. The latter semi-final win was decided in overtime on a goal by Eric Chenier after the Titans had come back from a 3-1 deficit to tie the game in the third period.

The Blizzard needed double overtime to dispatch the Osgoode Rideau Senators in the quarterfinals and then squeaked past the Stittsville Flying Squirrels 4-3 in the semifinals when Alex Suvega scored the only goal in the third period.

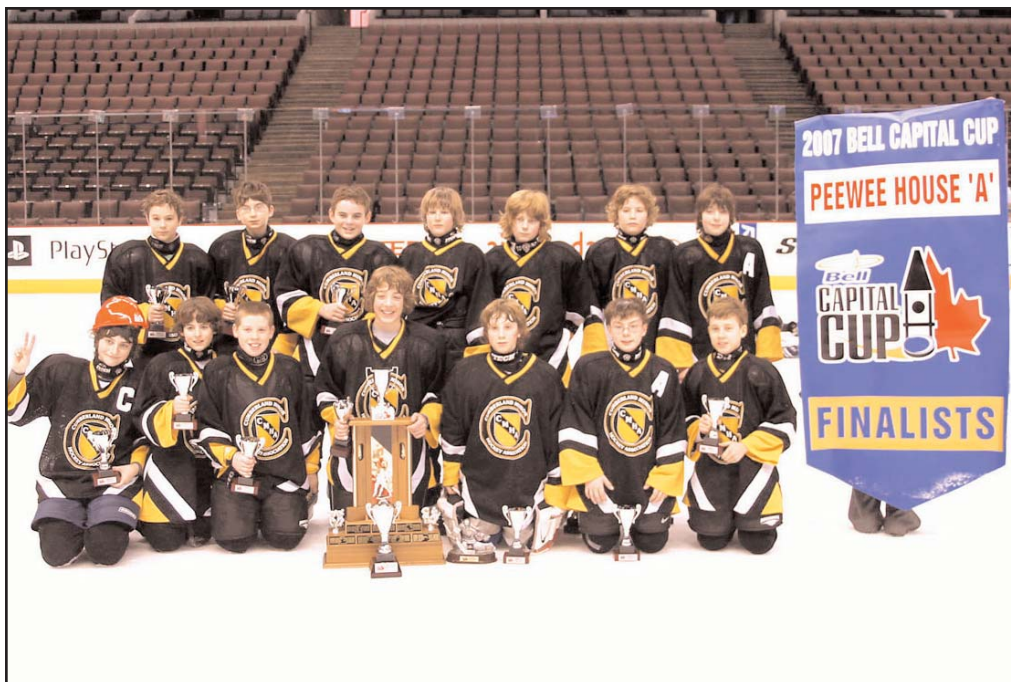
In Monday's championship game, the Arctic Wolves managed to weather the Blizzard's offensive onslaught in the opening period as it became apparent that Arctic Wolves' goalie Rayn Stone would need to be on the top of his game for his team to have any chance at emerging victorious.

Iqaluit eventually managed to score past Stone when Beetanie Eeseemailee scored an unassisted goal at the 9:28 mark of the second period. Cumberland responded with a goal a little over five minutes later when Zachary Bedard converted a pass from Stephane Lalonde. Chenier also picked up an assist on the play.

Things started to get a little tense after neither team could break the deadlock in the third period. After five minutes of four on four hockey in the first overtime period, the two teams were reduced to three skaters each.

At the 8:12 mark of the second overtime session, defenceman Zachary St. Pierre was called for hooking after he brought down a Blizzard player to prevent a breakaway. Because of the infraction the Blizzard were allowed to send out an additional skater.

The Arctic Wolves managed to kill off 15 seconds of the penalty before they were penalized again, this time for hooking,



Members of the Cumberland Arctic Wolves Peewee House 'A' team pose for a team picture after winning the Bell Capital Cup on Saturday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

which allowed the Blizzard to send out a fifth skater creating a five on three situation.

Cumberland did a good job keeping the Blizzard at bay for 33 seconds before Patrick Macmunn finally scored the game winning goal and drove a stake through the heart of the Arctic Wolves and their supporters. Stone was able to make the first two or three saves, but Macmunn was able to get his stick on the puck amid the swarm of bodies and jam into the net.

For his efforts in stopping 22 of 24 shots, Stone was named the game's second star and the Arctic Wolves' MVP. Iqaluit netminder Jutanie Pillaktuaq received first star honours despite only having to face six shots the entire game.

Despite the disappointing loss, Arctic Wolves' coach Gerry Savage was thrilled with his team's play.

"I thought we played our best game against Turin in the quarterfinals which was supposed to be the team to look out for and then we played a disappointing game against the Titans in the semi. Even though we won the game, I chewed them out a bit. I told them that there was no way we could

pay like that in the final or they'd hand it to us," says Savage.

"Fortunately, we came ready to play and the kids really responded with a strong game. I thought we really made them fight for it. I'm extremely proud of our players' performance."

As for the second penalty that gave Iqaluit a two man advantage in the second overtime period, Savage felt it was suspect but refused to use it as an excuse.

"You don't like to see that sort of thing in overtime, but all the power to Iqaluit. They had a really good team and they won the game," says Savage whose hoping his squad will be able to keep building on the success they enjoyed in the Bell Capital Cup when they resume their regular season.

It should be noted that the Cumberland Titans, who the Arctic Wolves beat in the semi-finals, pulled off a huge upset of their own when they knocked off the previously undefeated Blackburn Stingers in quadruple overtime in the elimination round on Saturday. The hero of the hour was Philippe Allard who scored twice for Titans including the game winner.



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# Local sports

## Gloucester-Cumberland Stars win Bell Capital Cup

By Fred Sherwin  
The Eastender

The Gloucester-Cumberland Stars wrapped up a successful Bell Capital Cup on Saturday by defeating the Burlington Barracudas to win the Atom 'AA' championship thanks to a shorthanded goal in the final minute of the game.

Stephanie Wilson was the hero of the hour as she took the puck off the centre ice face-off and streaked in all alone on the Burlington goaltender before slipping the puck inside the far post.

The Stars controlled most of the early play, building up a 2-0 second period lead on a pair of goals by Jesse Belanger. The second goal opened up the flood gates in what was an otherwise defensive struggle.

During a four minute stretch the two teams exchanged five goals, including a pair of back to back goals by the Barracudas which tied the game at 3-3. The two teams seemed content at that point to play a more conservative, defensive-minded game

The game appeared to be heading into overtime when Wilson pulled the trigger on the game winning goal. She then added an empty net marker with 41 seconds left on the clock to salt the game away.

The Bell Capital Cup is the third tournament championship in a row for the streaking Stars who currently sit in first place in the Atom 'AA' division of the Ottawa and District Women's Hockey Association. Their only tournament loss came in the final of the Toronto Aeros Tournament in October.



Members of the Gloucester-Cumberland Stars Atom 'AA' team pose for a team picture after winning the Bell Capital Cup on Saturday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

Head coach Tim Belanger admitted to being a little nervous when the Barracudas came back to tie the game in second period, but his team was able to regroup and regain their composure before anymore damage could be done.

"We talked to them all along about keeping mentally focused whether they were up or down. We kept telling them positive things," said Belanger, "and then in the last

two minutes they dug down and Stephanie managed to score the winning goal."

Wilson ended up being the top scorer in the tournament with six goals and one assist in five games. Emma Lindblad also had a strong tournament three goals and an assist and Jessica Belanger exploded for three goals and two assists in the playoffs after being kept off the score sheet in the round robin.

# Community calendar

**SATURDAY, JAN. 6**

**OPEN MUSICAL JAM SESSION** from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Orléans Legion, 800 Taylor Creek Rd. All entertainers welcome. For more information visit <http://orleanslegion.tripod.com>.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 7**

**CHARITY HOCKEY GAME** between the Cumberland Barons hockey coaches and the Ottawa Media Team from 5-7 p.m. at the Ray-Friel Centre. Proceeds to benefit the Orleans-Cumberland Community Resource Centre's emergency food program.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 9**

**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**MEETING** at 9:30 a.m. in the Champlain Room at Ottawa City Hall.

**BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** at 4 p.m. in the Colonel By Room at Ottawa City Hall.

**POVERTY ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** at 6:30 p.m. in the Champlain Room at Ottawa City Hall.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at 10 a.m. in the Andrew S. Haydon Hall at Ottawa City Hall.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 11**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at 10 a.m. in Andrew Haydon Hall at Ottawa City Hall.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** at 6:30 p.m. in the Colonel By Room at Ottawa City Hall.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 12**

**GINETTE HAMILTON AND JOANNE MACANN** will be performing at the Orléans Legion, 800 Taylor Creek Dr. from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. For more info visit <http://www.rcl632.com>.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 13**

**ORLÉANS PHOTO CLUB** meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the VACO Gallery in the Orléans Recreation Complex on Youville Dr. This month, past president Frank Dugal will be presenting techniques on portraiture

using low-cost accessories, studio light, and off-camera flash. New members (photo enthusiasts of all levels) are welcome to join us kicking off the New Year. For more information visit <http://orleansphoto-club.com>.

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**SUNDAY, JAN. 14**

**SUNDAY BRUNCH** at the Bearbrook Resort on Russell Road. Menu includes game meat as well as regular breakfast items, special salads and deserts. Bring the family

and enjoy your Sunday at the farm. Seatings at 11 a.m., 12 noon and 1 p.m. Cost is \$18.69 plus taxes for adults and \$9.35 plus taxes for children age 4 to 14. Children under 4 eat for free. By reservations only. Call 613-835-2227.

**MONDAY, JAN. 15**

**FALLINGBROOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING** at 7:30 p.m. at the Ray Friel Recreation Complex.

**MONDAY, JAN. 15**

**CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING** at 9:30 a.m. in the Champlain Room at Ottawa City Hall.