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The Cumberland Cobras Breah Galley breaks past an Ottawa Internationals defender during their ERSL Cup semi-final on Monday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

New school year greeted with mixed emotions

By Fred Sherwin
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As area students headed back to school on Tuesday the level of enthusiasm was mixed.

Although most were excited about the chance to reunite with old friends, their enthusiasm was tempered by the prospect of another nine months of homework, tests and exams.

Ten-year-old Olivia Wood was looking forward to seeing all his friends again at Fallingbrook Community Elementary School.

"I'm totally excited and a

little nervous," said Wood. "I'm excited to see all my friends again, but I'm nervous about having a new teacher and a new classroom."

Wood's friend Serena Rowsell was also a little anxious about starting a new school year, but her anxiety was eased somewhat as a steady stream of familiar faces started to arrive at the school.

Eight-year-old Rhyann Rebus brought a backpack full of small friends with her called Web-kink.

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Cumberland residents angry over proposed development

By Fred Sherwin
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Residents living east of Cumberland Village along Lough Drive are upset over a planned development that would see 19 estate homes built on two acre lots south of Wilhaven Road between Lough Drive and Royal Orchard Drive to the west.

Their beef is not so much with the development as it is with plans to provide access to the houses through Dagg Court, which runs off of Lough Drive, rather than Wilhaven.

David Kingstone lives on Lough Drive and says that only permitting access to the development through Dagg Court will greatly increase the amount of traffic on both Dagg and Lough Drive and lead to the

potential for more accidents on the windy road especially during the winter months.

"When it snows it turns into a slalom course," says Kingstone. "People end up in my yard every winter."

The city's argument against having access to Wilhaven is that the access road would come to close to an existing curve which would create an unsafe situation.

But Kingstone argues that Dagg is just as unsafe because it is also on a curve and the traffic along Lough Drive would become more hazardous because it would have to accommodate the increase in cars coming and going from the development.

"We estimate that (the development) would add an extra

100 to 150 trips a day," says Kingstone who is among 30 local residents concerned about the impact the development will have on their lives.

Besides the traffic concerns, the residents are also worried about the impact the development will have on ground water run off and their wells.

According to Cumberland Ward Coun. Rob Jellett the development is still in the planning stages and there is still time to make some limited changes.

Whether or not the city will allow for access to Wilhaven will be discussed at a meeting this Monday night at the R.J. Kennedy Community Centre in Cumberland Village.

The residents have retained

the services of Dr. Barry Wellar who is an expert in municipal planning and will argue their case at the meeting Monday night.

Jellett is hopeful the residents' concerns can be addressed, pointing out that there is an 800 metre section along Wilhaven where an access road can be built.

"One of the problems was that the original plan was submitted with the access road too close to the curve which is why it was rejected by staff. There has been no discussion of other possible options yet," says Jellett. "That's why we're having the meeting to get everything out on the table."

The meeting is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

Community briefs

Arts Centre partnership receives \$13,000 grant

ORLEANS — The Orleans Arts Centre partnership has received a \$13,000 Trillium Foundation grant to help conduct a needs assessment study that will be used to plan future programming once the various arts groups move into the new facility scheduled to open in the fall of 2009. The five groups which make up the partnership are Arts Ottawa East, MIFO, the Orléans Young Players Theatre School, the Visual Arts Centre Orléans and the Gloucester Pottery School. All five organizations believe the new facility will allow them to greatly expand their programs.

Cumberland museum hosts pair of exhibits

CUMBERLAND — The Cumberland Heritage Village Museum is hosting a pair of interesting exhibits this weekend including a day devoted to handmade objects this Sunday during which visitors can see amazing handmade items produced by artisans and skilled workers from the 1930s in the areas of blacksmithing, soap making, toll painting and sewing. Demonstrations include woodworking, knitting, painting, weaving and rug braiding. Children can make an old-fashioned toy in the one-room schoolhouse. Visitors to the museum can also see a display of period photographs depicting Cumberland Township through the ages. The exhibit runs until Oct. 2 in the museum's community hall. The Cumberland Heritage Village Museum is located on Old Montreal Road in Cumberland Village. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students and \$15 for a family of four. For more information visit www.ottawa.ca/museums.

Orléans Terry Fox Run set for Sept. 15

ORLÉANS — Organizers of this year's local Terry Fox Run are busy preparing for the event which takes place this Sunday, Sept. 16 at Sir Wilfrid Secondary School on Tenth Line Rd. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. with a shot gun start at 9 a.m. The five kilometre route is the same as last year along Charlemagne Blvd. with a small detour along Merkley, Carrigan and Wilkie. Wheelchairs, bicycles and rollerbladers are all welcome. To date the Terry Fox Run has raised more than \$400 million world wide. To find out more about on-line pledging visit <https://www.terryfoxrun.org/english/corporate/default.asp?s=1>.

First day back goes off without a hitch

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The Grade 3 student wanted to show off her collection of Webkinz – small stuffed animals that turn into virtual pets once you enter their code on the Webkinz website.

Within minutes of arriving at school, Rhyann was surrounded by a small group of friends who wanted to see the latest additions to her collection.

Meanwhile Rhyann's mother Cheryl Bateman, was helping bring a semblance of order to the chaos that usually accompanies the first day of school.

Bateman was among a handful of parent volunteers armed with class lists that were giving directions to the kids on where to go.

Like many parents she shared her daughter's enthusiasm about the first school, although not necessarily for the same reasons.

"I think I'm more excited than she is," said Bateman. "Stay at home moms are always excited about the first day of school."

While fellow stay at home mom Deanna Gleason was also looking forward to some peace and quite after a hectic summer with her three school aged children, she also felt a tinge of sadness at seeing her kids head off to school for another year.

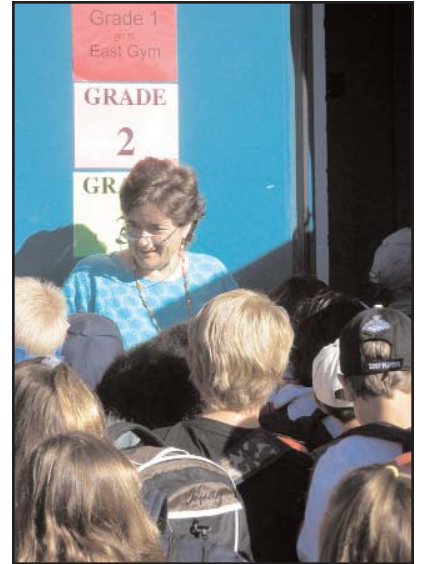
"It's a little bit sad. It makes you think about how fast they're growing up," said Gleason as she waited with her children for their school bus.

Oldest daughter Miranda was more concerned with her outfit than who her new teacher was.

"I like the first day of school because I get to buy new clothes," said the Grade 8 student who was sharply dressed in a pair of khaki capri pants and a printed top.

"When you're a girl it's all about the clothes," joked her mother.

While most kids were looking



A teacher at Fallingbrook Community Elementary School watches as students arrive for the first day of classes on Tuesday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

forward to reuniting with their friends Tuesday morning, Garrett Stephens was more concerned about having to hit the books again.

"Not really," said Garrett when asked if he was looking forward to another year at Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School. "Summer was too short and I hate homework."

Although the feeling of excitement and nervous anticipation was pretty well universal among elementary students, those students heading off to high school were experiencing a different range of emotions.

Brian Ranger was typical of a good number of high schoolers who were less than thrilled at having to get up early to go to school after a summer of being able to sleep in. The Grade 11 student at St. Peter High School had to get up at 7 a.m. to attend classes at 8:15.

"It sucks. I just wanted to stay in bed," said Ranger.

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Provincial election race enters final month

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

With a little over a month to go before the provincial election, the campaign is beginning to heat up as the three main political parties vie for the hearts, minds and votes of Ontario residents.

In Ottawa-Orleans it's largely a two horse race between Liberal incumbent Phil McNeely and Conservative candidate Graham Fox, although Green Party hopeful Akbar Manoussi is looking to get his fair share of votes as well. As of Sept. 7, the NDP had yet to nominate a candidate in the riding.

McNeely won the last election by 4,497 votes, knocking off former Cumberland mayor and Conservative Cabinet minister Brian Coburn in the process. McNeely capture 50.43 per cent of the vote compared to 41.32 for Coburn. The NDP candidate Ric Dagenais garnered 5.49 per cent of the vote and Green Party candidate Melanie Ransom had 2.46 per cent. It was a reversal of fortune for Coburn who was elected to Queen's Park in 1999 with 54.56 per cent of the vote.

Historically all three major parties have held the riding at one time or another during the past 44 years.

PC member Albert Lawrence held the seat from 1964 until 1973 during which time he was a Cabinet minister under Bill Davis. In 1974 the riding was captured by NDP candidate Evelyn Gigantes who held on to it until 1981 when it was retaken by the Tories.

In 1985 Gilles Morin won the seat for the Liberals and would go on to serve for four terms as Deputy Speaker before retiring prior to the 1999 election.

As the current campaign began to unfold over the summer, it became increasingly apparent that the Conservatives believe the riding is winnable as evident by the fact that Conservative leader John Tory has visited the riding five times.

Fox is one of the Conservative Party's young brash candidates who Tory believes is the future of the party.

The 33-year-old public policy analyst and researcher served as chief of staff to former Conservative leader Joe Clark and was a member of Stephen Harper's transition team. He is fluently bilingual and has volunteered with the Franco-Ontarien Festival and the Friends of the Montfort.

If he doesn't win the seat he could very well end up serving John Tory in a policy capacity.

Not surprisingly, Fox's local campaign has mirrored the party's provincial campaign which has consistently attacked the Liberals on the issue of credibility at every turn.

"Our first commitment is to tell the people of Ontario what we plan to do as a government and then keep our word," says Fox

alluding to the many promises the Liberals made in the last election and then failed to keep.

Fox also believes the McNeely has been ineffective as an MPP claiming that he has so far failed to get a fair share of transportation funding for the east end while the west end has received millions, and he failed to bring a Family Health Team to the area.

"I believe this community needs to be heard more loudly. The west gets everything because they have politicians that stand up for their community and that's what I want to do for Ottawa-Orléans.

Speaking in his own defence, McNeely says Fox's criticism is off the mark, especially when it comes to his promise to fix the Hwy. 417/174 split.

While Fox contends McNeely has "done nothing" to fix the split since getting elected, the Liberal MPP points to the current work being done to add a lane between the Hwy. 417 on-ramp and Blair Road as evidence to the opposite.

He also managed to get the Ministry of Transportation to commit \$43 million for traffic mitigation measures both westbound and eastbound, including replacing the Cyrville Road overpass.

"Perhaps my learned opponent hasn't taken the split in the past month. If he did he could see the work being done for himself," says McNeely.

Besides getting the dollars to fix the split, one of the accomplishments McNeely is most proud of is the creation of Team Ottawa-Orléans, a non-partisan economic and social development organization whose goal is to facilitate projects aimed at making Ottawa-Orléans a better place to live and work.

McNeely originally came up with the idea for Team Ottawa-Orléans before former Liberal MP Marc Godbout adopted it during the 2004 federal election campaign.

Local issues aside, both McNeely and Fox are fully cognizant of the fact that the election campaign is by and large a referendum on the Liberals first term in office.

While McNeely and the rest of the Liberal team try to focus on the gains made over the last four years in health care and education, Fox and the Conservative brain-trust continue to hammer away on some of the more unpopular policies the Liberals have instituted such as the health care tax.

Earlier this week the Liberals unveiled their campaign platform which included 71 promises among them extending kindergarten to full days; banning trans fats in school cafeterias; the introduction of free PSA tests for prostate cancer; a \$45 million-a-year denticare program for the working poor; the creation of a new holiday in February; the introduction of a province-wide ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides;



Graham Fox



Phil McNeely

and a \$500 per household grant to help seniors cope with rising property taxes.

By comparison the Conservatives have promised to repeal the health care premium while increasing health care spending by \$8.5 billion over the next four years; extend full funding to faith based schools; crack down on violent crime; increase gas tax transfers to municipalities and increase education funding by \$2.4 billion.

While the NDP have yet to nominate a candidate in Ottawa-Orléans, leader Howard Hampton has been making some promises of his own including placing a freeze on tuition fees at pre-McGuinty levels; ending the use of coal-fired plants by 2014; a review and revamping of the public education formulas to bring them in line with actual costs and the introduction of a per student grant for school essentials to end the need for parents to hold fundraisers.

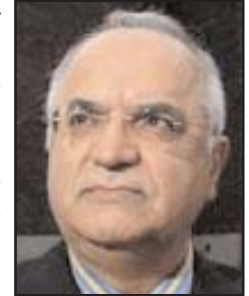
One of the cornerstones of the Green Party campaign platform is a promise to eliminate funding for Catholic board schools, which will make it difficult for local Green Party candidate Akbar Manoussi to make any inroads in a riding where more than 60 per cent of English high school students attend either St. Matthew High School or St. Peter.

Manoussi is a business management professor at Carleton University. He is also secretary general of the Iranian Scholars Association of Canada and chairs the public relations and media committee for the Ottawa Muslim Association.

Manoussi says he joined the Green Party because of their inclusiveness and their policies regarding the environment, health care and education.

"The Green Party is the only party that genuinely welcomes new ideas and new people. (The party's platform) is about protecting the future for our children and our grandchildren. It's also about personal responsibility, local community involvement and long term solutions," says Manoussi.

Ontario voters will held to the polls on Oct. 10.



Akbar Manoussi

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Time has come for O'Brien to break out the Billy Bee

Like other members of the media who have dared to criticize Mayor Larry O'Brien over the past couple of weeks, I've taken a fair share of heat for some of my comments of late. So allow me to clarify.

My problem isn't with his trying to change the corporate culture at City Hall or transform the way the city does business. In fact, I feel just the opposite. I'm pulling for him because the truth is if O'Brien can't change the way the city does business, no one can.

But there is a right and a wrong way to get things done in municipal government and so far O'Brien has done everything wrong that is humanly possible.

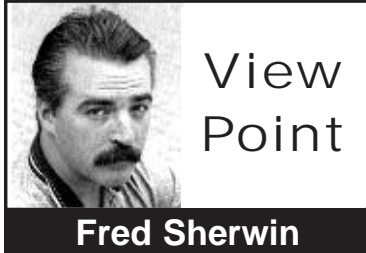
He's oscillated on a number of issues and has flat out flip-flopped on others.

But his biggest faux pas is in alienating everyone at 111 Lisgar from potential allies like Jan Harder to virtually every member of senior staff including the city manager.

He's trying to do it all on his own, and to make things worse, he's flying by the seat of his pants.

While he should have spent the last nine months reaching out to potential allies on council like Jan Harder, Rick Chiarelli, Gord Hunter and Eli El-Chantiry, he's done his upmost to turn them against him.

It's absolutely unfathomable to me that he did not go into the recent Long Range Financial Planning sub-committee meetings without at least some idea of how to find more savings in the budget to get to a zero per



cent and the necessary votes to put his plan in place. But it's hard to have the votes when you don't even have a plan.

My frustration, and anyone who either supported O'Brien in last fall's municipal election or held out hope that he could reel in the municipal bureaucracy should share the same frustration, is that the one man who might have a chance of actually getting the job done is blowing it because he can't adapt from the business world to the world of municipal politics due to his ego and sheer stubbornness.

His current strategy appears to attempt an end around the councillors and appeal directly to residents in the hope that they will raise enough of a rancor to scare the councillors into falling in line.

The problem with that strategy is that a majority of the councillors still remember the budget process in 2004 during which residents were up in arms at the prospect of having their services cut and things like swimming pools and libraries closed. In the end, council relented and reinstated most of the proposed cuts.

But O'Brien doesn't want to cut services, he believes that there is enough waste in the system to realize significant savings without having to cut front line services – and he may

be right, but he needs the support of a majority of councillors to get the ball rolling.

As for whether or not he should be allowed the authority to sign off on the contracts and hirings over \$10,000 during the last quarter of the year, it's little more than a PR move.

First of all the time that would be required to review the contracts, which no doubt number in the hundreds, is insane – and does anyone really think the tendering process should have an additional level of oversight?

Besides, the city already has an Auditor General. Have him look into the city's tendering process and the awarding of contracts and report back to council.

If there's a problem, fix it. But wait, the Auditor General already tabled a report that was critical of the city's management practices last spring which was largely glossed over by council.

To his credit, O'Brien used the report to reorganize the corporate services department out of which was born the business transformation services department. But he didn't go far enough. He failed in using the opportunity to establish an oversight process as part of the corporate service committee's mandate.

In other words, no mechanism was put in place by which senior staff must report back to the committee on a regular basis on what they are doing to address the concerns raised in the Auditor General's report.

The Auditor General should

be O'Brien's best friend in his quest to transform the way the city does business and to my knowledge he has yet to even consider the possibility.

Instead, he's hired an outsider in Gord Hunter to find out where the waste is at his own expense. Which is fine enough except that Mr. Hunter was O'Brien's campaign manager during last fall's municipal election and he's being paid a king's ransom.

Does anyone else see a conflict of interest here?

O'Brien seems to think that it's okay because the money is coming out of his office budget. What he fails to understand is that it all comes from the same taxpayer. One can only hope that Hunter finds enough savings to at least cover his pay cheque.

The problem is that if O'Brien truly wants to change the corporate culture at City Hall, he's going to need the support of the a majority of city council, and as someone once said – You can accomplish a lot more with honey than you can with vinegar, so break out the Billy Bee while there's still time.

If not, O'Brien risks making himself irrelevant because as sure as day follows night, council is going to take the agenda away from him as they are already threatening to do and he'll be reduced to a figurehead better suited to shaking hands with visiting heads of state than running the city.

(If you would like to comment on this or any other View Point column e-mail Fred Sherwin at fsherwin@magma.ca)



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Young animal fanatic is the east end's newest columnist

Hi, I'm Natasha. Sounds like a pretty ordinary name, doesn't it? I may look pretty ordinary with brown hair, blue eyes and glasses, but let me tell you, I'm not as ordinary as I may first appear.

I'm obsessed with animals. Yes, animalitis is my disease, and there is no cure and no medication. I'll have to live with it my entire life. I have six pets – a dog, a cat, a hamster, and three fish.

MVP's Mighty Mika, a.k.a. Mika (pronounced MY-kuh), is my Miniature Schnauzer. She is my talented agility dog.

Shadow is my Chartreux/Domestic Shorthair cat. She does cat agility, but only when she's in the mood.

Freedom is my Teddy Bear hamster. He always finds ways to make me laugh. Spec is my Common Plecostomus fish. I love the way he's so picky about what people he likes, and that I'm been able to win him over.

Jem is my female Red Tuxedo Swordtail fish. She loves food, and she's the only fish who I can confidently say I've trained. Merle is my male



Red Tuxedo Swordtail fish. He's the most beautiful fish I've ever owned.

I think you probably have heard enough about my pets, although I could talk about them for hours. Now back to me. As you might have guessed while I was talking about my pets, I'm big on training. I do agility (like an obstacle course) with my dog, cat, and hamster and teach tricks to my two Swordtails. (Yes, they're fish.)

My dog Mika is the best trained of the bunch. We do agility two or three times a week, though we practice the weave poles (slalom poles, poles that the dog must weave through) every day to keep her going sharp. We've been in fun competitions and I hope to start competing in real ones next year.

I also love horses, and ride them at least once a week at Queenswood Stables.

I started riding about a year ago. I ride English style, which is the more fancy type of riding, like Stadium Jumping and Dressage. I haven't entered any shows yet, but one day I hope to. Right now I'm riding just for fun.

Lately I've been riding a horse named Pip, but I often ride different horses. Pip is great! He's good for anybody, but he can be a bit stubborn; however once you convince him to listen to you, he's amazing.

I'd like to be a holistic small animal/exotic veterinarian one day, specializing in working dogs like police dogs, service dogs or agility dogs.

This summer I was able to go to the Atlantic Veterinary College Vet Camp in P.E.I. My parents and brothers didn't mind. I think all of us needed a break. I'll talk more about the camp in a future article.

Almost every book I read is about animals. I always come out of the library with a big

stack of animal related books either fiction and non-fiction. In my opinion, a movie can only be truly enjoyed if there are animals in it.

So that's me. I'm sure you'll hear more bits and pieces about me in the articles to come, because that's the thing about animalitis – you don't want to be cured, so you try to find new ways to get involved with animals, to feed the disease so it'll never go away. I'd love to hear about your animals as well.

Some of the topics I will be writing about in the coming months will include things people can do with their pets, things pets can do for people and different ways we can help animals.

Please send me your animal stories or questions to critter-talk@yahoo.ca and I'd be happy to include them in a future article.

(Natasha Farinaccio is an animal fanatic and Grade 6 student living in Orléans. If you have questions or comments please feel free to send them to critter-talk@yahoo.ca)

Local business

Candy bouquets a gift that tickles the heart

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

Arlene Ben-Zur and Lori Levett are passionate about candy, or to be more precise, they're passionate about the power that candy has in bringing joy and happiness to people's lives.

"Everyone loves candy. No matter how down or unhappy someone is, you can always put a smile on their face with candy," says Arlene who was born with a candy in her mouth.

The mother and daughter team recently launched a new business together called Sweet Tinny Tins. It's a new spin on the traditional gift baskets and bouquets that combines decorative tins with quality candy to make candy bouquets.

Sweet Tinny Tins come in five different sizes and are perfect for any occasion including birthday parties, weddings, promotions, get well messages, etc.

"We're always looking for something different and unique to give people, which is how we came up with the idea. It's different than giving someone flowers or a fruit basket," says Lori.

While the pair have only been in business a short while, Tinny Tins are already proving

to be exceptionally popular.

"I brought one to my bank the other day and everyone went into attack mode. Before you knew it, all the candy was gone," says Arlene.

Depending on the occasion Sweet Tinny Tins are great as small centrepieces at weddings and birthday parties, or to bring to someone as a get well present.

"We can make custom tins with specific colours or themes. For instance, if you're planning a baby shower we have candy that are shaped like baby feet," says Lori

The two women are already working on a sugar free line of Sweet Tinny Tins for people who are on a sugar free diet.

The Tinny Tins range in price from \$12 to \$70 depending on the size and style of the tin and the amount and type of candy you want to put in it.

The women put a lot of time and effort into each candy bouquet – from helping to pick out the perfect decorative tin to creating the candy-filled skewers that form the centrepiece.

Their mission is to bring as much happiness to the world as possible, thus their company motto "A gift that tickles the heart".

To find out more about Sweet Tinny



Mother and daughter Arlene Ben-Zur and Lori Levett have teamed up to launch Sweet Tinny Tins which specializes in putting smiles on people's faces. Fred Sherwin/Photo

Tins feel free to visit their web site at www.Sweet-Tinny-Tins.com or call Arlene or Lori them at 613-424-2336.

Muscle strain may sideline Bédard for the season

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

Navan native and Baltimore Orioles ace Erik Bédard could be sidelined for the rest of the season after test results confirmed that he is suffering from a strained right oblique muscle.

Bédard last pitched on Aug. 26 when he gave up six runs in six innings against the Minnesota Twins. He missed his next start after complaining of soreness in his side. When the soreness failed to go away, the team scheduled an MRI on Tuesday.

Before last week's loss, Bédard was being mentioned as a possible Cy Young Award candidate along with the likes of Roy Halladay, Josh Beckett and C.C. Seathia.

He currently leads the Major Leagues in strikeouts with 221 strikeouts and is 13-5 with a 3.16 ERA in 182 innings. Between June 10 and Aug. 26 he was 9-0 in 14 starts.

On Friday, the Baltimore Sun reported that the team is still hopeful Bédard will pitch again this season, although the Navan native didn't sound so sure.

"You can look at it both ways," Bédard told Sun reporter Roch Kubato. "On one

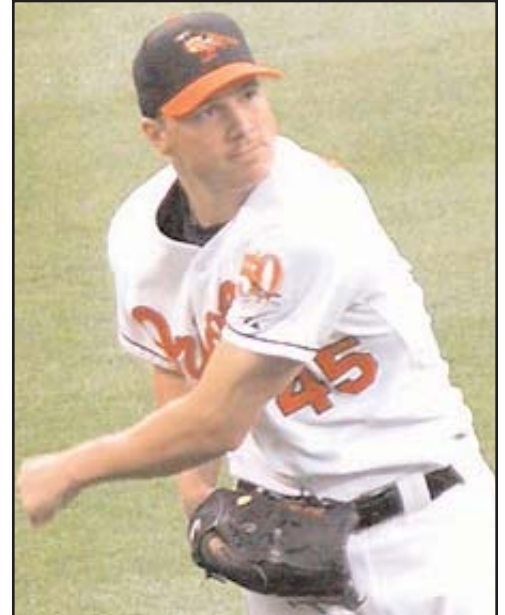
side, I'd love to have a few more starts the rest of the season. But another side is like, what's the point of trying to come back faster and reagravate it?"

Asked how upset he'd be if his season ended prematurely, Bédard told the Sun: "It wouldn't frustrate me. Even if I do pitch, I'd have what, one or two starts? ... You get hurt and you can't pitch and you don't win anything. What are you going to do? I don't lose sleep over it."

If Bédard does shut it down for the rest of the season it would be the first time he will miss a significant number of games since July 2005 when he was sidelined for a month and half with a knee injury.

The 28-year-old lefthander was expected to garner a significant pay raise this year. After going injury free in 2006, the Orioles signed him to a one year deal in the off season worth \$3.4 million.

At the rate he was going this year, he was setting himself up for a possible multi-year deal worth between \$7.5 and \$9 million a year. Another major injury could effect his value, especially in terms of the length of a contract.



Navan native Erik Bédard may not pitch for the rest of the season after straining his right oblique muscle, which covers the rib cage and abdomen, while pitching against the Minnesota Twins last week. File photo

Giroux raising eyebrows in Canada-Russia Super Series

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

Orléans resident and former Cumberland Grad Claude Giroux is proving why he was a bona fide first round pick by the Philadelphia Flyers in the 2006 NHL draft as he continues to rack up the points in the 2007 Canada-Russia Super Series.

With one game left in the series, he's second on the team in scoring with eight points in seven games including a three point effort in Game 5 on Tuesday.

Playing on home soil for the first time in the series, the Junior Canadians totally dominated their Russian counterparts in an 8-1 win.

Giroux started the scoring avalanche with a power play goal at the 3:18 mark of the second period. Skating in on Russian goalie Vadim Zhelobnyuk, he deked left, moved right and slid the puck around the netminder's outstretched skate.

He scored again less than three minutes later off a scramble in front of the net.

Both goals were set up by linemate Sam Gagner who is a first round draft pick with the Edmonton Oilers.

The two future NHLers have 21

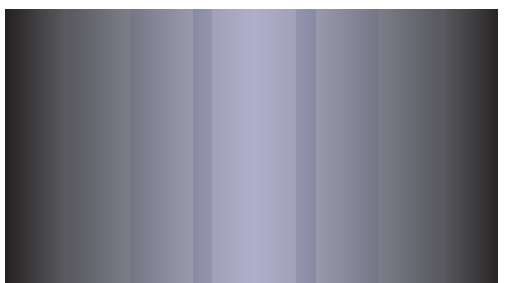


Claude Giroux

points between them in the series including nine goals. Giroux, who played for two years with the Cumberland Barons before joining the Grads for the 2004/2005 season, has three goals and five assists.

"When you play with a good guy like (Gagner) it makes the job a lot easier. I think we can find each other on the ice pretty good," said Giroux after Tuesday's 8-1 win.

Giroux's excellent play in the series bodes well for his participation in the World Junior Championships which take place in the Czech Republic over the winter holidays.



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Local sports

Mosquito Panthers post impressive win over Raiders

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

You know you're doing something right when you can score 42 points in a football game and only get one first down.

Such was the case on Monday as the Cumberland Panthers mosquito team used their quick strike offence to score three touchdowns on first down including a pair of runs in excess of 60 yards by Tyrone Pierre who had five major scores on the day.

With running mate Jaylen King out of the line-up with a dislocated elbow he suffered last week, Pierre was the Panthers go to guy against the Raiders and the lanky 11-year-old didn't disappoint.

After the Raiders got on the board first with a 60 yard drive on their opening series that was capped by a 36 yard touchdown pass to Dimitri Vaillancourt-Veilleux, the Panthers scored on their third play from scrimmage on a 63 yard sweep by Pierre who straight-armed a couple of would-be tacklers as he scampered down the left sideline. Quarterback/kicker Jacob Molinski then kicked the two point convert to give the Panthers the early 8-6 lead.

The Raiders barely got off three plays following the kick-off before when they turned the ball over near midfield on a fumble that was recovered by Evan Jacobs.

Two plays later Pierre was off to the races once again, this time carrying the ball straight up the middle for 58 yards. Another Molinski convert would put the Panthers up 16-6.

When South Gloucester failed to pick up a first down on their next possession they were forced to punt the ball back to Cumberland who scored on their first play from scrimmage when Molinski hit Pierre on a pass and run play that covered 70 yards.

The Panthers had barely run six plays and they were already up 22-6.

Things would continue to go badly for the Raiders in the second quarter. Rather than punt on third and 12, they decided to go for it and ended up turning the ball over on downs on their 23 yard line.

Four plays later Molinski found Joshua O'Connell in the end zone for his second touchdown toss of the game and then added the two point conversion to put the Panthers up 30-6 which is how the first half ended.

The Raiders would score early in the third quarter to narrow the deficit to 30-12 on a seven yard run up the middle by Vaillancourt-Veilleux.

Any hopes of a miracle comeback on the part of the Raiders were shortlived, however, thanks to the running prowess of Pierre who broke down the left side line for a 51 yard touchdown on the very next play from scrimmage to give Cumberland a 38-12 lead.

Vaillancourt-Veilleux then scored his third touchdown of the game for the Raiders that was the result of a textbook block by Avery Morris on the end.

With the Panthers leading 38-20, Pierre still had one more big play up his sleeve, this time running the ball 63 yards on an identical play to his first and fourth touchdowns. Molinski's fifth convert of the game would make the final score 46-18.

In terms of numbers, the Panthers ran 22 plays from scrimmage, five of which went for touchdowns. By comparison the Raiders ran 42 plays from scrimmage.

Pierre accounted for over 320 yards in offence for the Panthers, including 250 yards on the ground, while Molinski threw a pair of touchdown passes and was five for six in the convert department for 10 points.

After the game, Panthers head coach Chris Molinski praised his players for a job well done while reminding them that the playoffs are still a long way off.



Cumberland Panthers running back Tyrone Pierre runs for one of five touchdowns he scored against the South Gloucester Raiders on Monday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

"We played hard today. I thought we deserved the win, but things are going to get tougher and tougher as we move on," said Molinski.

As good as the day went for the mosquito Panthers, it didn't go so well for the tyke squad which lost 20-0 to the Raiders who posted their second shutout in as many games.

The Raider tykes scored on two great runs up the middle by Darius Beckford and a 30 yard punt return by Jarod Bonner in the third quarter.

In the other two games involving the two clubs, the peewee Panthers won 14-7 while the bantam squad squeaked out a 14-13 win to improve their record to 2-0.

Defense wins another one for mosquito Bengals

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

When Orleans Bengals mosquito head coach Dennis Prouse said his team would have to rely on their defense to keep them in games while their offense came along, little did he know just how much they would have to rely on them.

After keeping the Canterbury Mustangs off the scoreboard last week, the Bengals pitched another shutout against the Cornwall Wildcats on Saturday as Deepak Sharma's safety would stand up as the only points of the game in the 2-0 win.

The Bengals young offence did a reasonable job moving the ball, but they were unable to put any points on the board despite being inside the Wildcats 10 yard line on four separate occasions.

Still a win is a win and the Bengals are sitting atop the East Division at 2-0 with the Cumberland Panthers who beat South Gloucester 46-18 on Monday.

Besides Sharma, Justin Ryan also had an outstanding game, making several key tackles and hauling in the interception that iced the win.

On offence, fullback Callum Lurie had several strong runs up the middle to give the Bengals decent field position.

In other action this past weekend, the Bengals peewee team won 18-7, while the tykes and the bantam squads both lost. The tyke team fell 38-8 to slip to 0-2, as did the bantam squad which lost 13-6.

All four Bengals teams will be in action this coming weekend when they take on the North Gloucester Giants.



Orleans Bengals receiver Scott van Steinberg sprints past a Cornwall Wildcat defender during first half action on Saturday. Photo supplied

U12R Cobras advance to ERS� Cup final

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

The Cumberland Cobras U12 Regional girls team became only the second side from the far east end to make it through to the finals of the ERS� Cup after downing the Ottawa Internationals 2-0 on Monday on a pair of goals from Julia Davis and Elizabeth Belanger Hardy.

Both of the Cobra goals came late in the second half after the Internationals managed to play them even through the better part of the first 50 minutes.

Davis' goal came off a scramble in the penalty area with about 10 minutes left in the game. After her initial shot ricocheted off a defender, she drilled the rebound inside the near post to the relief of everyone on the Cobras team as well as their nervous supporters watching from the sidelines.

Coming off a disappointing extra time loss in the semi-finals of the Ontario Cup last Saturday, the Cobras played what can best be described as a disjointed first half in which they failed to take advantage of a stiff tail wind.

After changing ends to start the second half, the Cobras didn't fare much better with the wind in their faces until Davis scored her sixth goal in three ERS� Cup games.

Belanger Hardy would put the Cobras up 2-0 on the final play of the game after an Ottawa defender accidental redirected her shot into the Internationals net.

Captain "Libby" Sangster chalked up the team's slow start to overconfidence. Just two weeks ago, the Cobras beat Ottawa rather handily 7-1.

"I think we were a little overconfident coming in," said Sangster. "The first half was a little bit shaky and then we got into a groove in the second half and stepped it up."

The Cobras will take on Capital United in the ERS� Cup final on Sept. 15. United handed the Cobras their only loss during the regular season, downing them 1-0 on a penalty kick on July 4.

Cumberland would win the rematch 2-0 on Aug. 19 to finish the regular season with 11 wins, one loss and two ties.

Cobras' coach Bill Dickson knows that his team can't afford to have a repeat of the first half they played against the Internationals if they hope to have success against United in the final.

To keep the team sharp, he's planned a couple of exhibition games along with their usual practice schedule.

The U12 to U16 ERS� Cup finals will be played at Ben Franklin Park in Ottawa.

Besides the U12 Regional girls team, the Cobras U11 Premier girls squad has also managed to make it through to the Cup finals. They'll be taking on Kanata at Charmaine Hooper Park in Nepean next Sunday.

Both Cobras teams will be hoping to join the club's U18 Premier boys side which won



The Cumberland Cobras Breah Galley breaks past an Ottawa Internationals defender during second half action on Monday. Fred Sherwin/Photo

the U17/18 ERS� Cup last month.

The only other team from the far east end to make the ERS� Cup finals was the Gloucester Hornets U17 Premier girls team which lost 6-2 to Glengarry.

Last year, nine teams from Gloucester and Cumberland made it to the finals, while the year before that 12 teams managed to pull off the feat.

Perfect season proves elusive for U16 Hornets

By Fred Sherwin
The Eastender

It's not easy being perfect. Just ask the Gloucester Hornets U16 Premier girls 'B' team which went into their final game against sixth place West Carleton on Thursday fully expecting to win and finish the season with a perfect 14-0-0 record. Instead they had to fight tooth and nail just to salvage a 4-4 tie.

It didn't help that they came out flat and allowed West Carleton to score a pair of goals within the first five minutes.

Victoria Machin would get one back for the Hornets in the 10th minute on a bizarre goal that came off a free kick from about 25 metres out that appeared to be heading past the left post when it deflected off the right calf of West Carleton keeper Jen Neilsen and into the net.

Josée Archambault then tied the game on a double ricochet shot that rebounded off the defender's legs and then her own leg before going into the net.

The score could have easily been 4-2 or 5-2 in favour of the Hornets at halftime if not for the trouble they had finishing. They had at least a half dozen excellent tries at goal, but either drove the ball directly into Neilsen's chest, or hammered it a foot wide. To her credit, Neilsen held on to every shot, refusing to allow the Hornets to get any second chances.

By the second half the Hornets were in full flight, but their inability to finish still plagued them. West Carleton, on the other hand, continued to have the Midas touch around the net, scoring on their first shot in the 13th minute of the half to take an improbable 3-2 lead.

The Hornets would tie the game once again 12 minutes later when Andrea Way potted home a rebound after Neilsen made an excellent save on the initial shot.

Fate appeared to be against the Hornets, however, as West Carleton took the lead yet again in the 30th minute of the half on a perfectly placed shot that went high into the top of the net.

Refusing to give up their dream of an undefeated season, the Hornets stormed back in the final minutes and had several quality chances at goal before Way deflected home a cross to tie the game in the 40th minute.

The Hornets would continue to press in injury time with Brianne Roberts getting a pair of chances at goal, but to no avail as the game ended in a 4-4 tie.

Despite the disappointment of not being able to finish the season with an unblemished record, the Hornets were still proud of the fact that they were undefeated and had won the ERS� Championship, something they had not done in previous years.

"It's not a victory, so it's not as fulfilling

as it would be if we had won, but were still undefeated which is great," co-captain Kate Cornick said after the game.

With her two goals, Andrea Way finished the season as the league's top scorer with 21 goals in 14 league games. She also had four goals in three ERS� Cup games to give her 25 goals on the season.

Although they were undefeated in league play, the Hornets did lose to the Ottawa South United Regional team in extra time in the semi-finals of the ERS� Cup which pits Premier level teams against Regional level teams.

It should also be noted that the Hornets are actually a U15 team playing up at U16. Because the Gloucester Hornets soccer club has so many girls at the U15 level they decided to take some of the late cuts from the U15 Regional team and mix them in with some U15 Premier players and enter a second squad in the U16 Premier league with their regular U16 Premier team. The result is that the two U16 teams finished first and third.

By finishing in first place, the "B" team has earned an automatic promotion to the U17 Regional division next season which should present them with a significant challenge.

Judging by how well they came together as a team this season, it's a challenge they appear more than ready to take on.

Artscetera

Local art galleries welcome two new exhibits

By Kristen Shane
City of Ottawa

Now that the kids are back at school and you have some free time on your hands why not venture out to the east end's three public art galleries, two of which welcomed new exhibits this week.

The Gloucester Gallery, located on the main floor of the Orléans Client Service Centre on Centrum Boulevard, is hosting an exhibit by members of Arteast entitled "Dreaming in Colour".

According to the literature promoting the exhibit, "Colour can excite the mind and elevate the human spirit to a gratifying state. It can influence mood with our primitive reactions to the soothing blue of a summer sky, the warm glow of a campfire and the vivid display of the harvest on the market."

All of which may be true, but what I came away from the exhibit with was a greater appreciation of how different artists use colour to generate emotion.

The exhibit covers the entire spectrum from the use of vibrant bold colours in paintings like

"Summer of Dreams" by Isabella Lévêque Bouchard and "Mr Majesty" depicting a majestic rooster by Susan Irving, to the subtle use of colour in "Hint of Colour" depicting a stand of birch trees by Mari J.H. Brown.

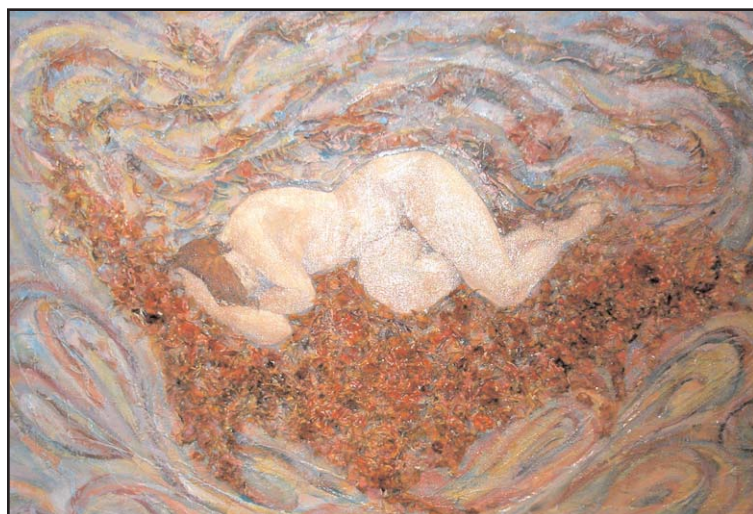
My personal favourites were "Colours of the Field" by Diane Charlebois showing a farm house in a the middle of a field under a cloud filled blue sky, and "Bed of Roses" which is a mixed media work depicting a women lying on a bed of roses by Maureen Rooney Mitchell.

Many of the works are for sale at incredibly reasonable prices, which makes it a must see for anyone looking to fill some wall space with an original work of art.

The Orléans Client Service Centre is also hosting a new exhibit in the Cumberland Gallery which is located on the building's second floor.

"Watermark" is the latest exhibit by Russell artist Carol Rowland-Ullman who produces unique monochromatic prints using a very labour intensive process.

The prints are produced using linoleum mounted on



'Bed of Roses' by Maureen Rooney Mitchell is just one of the paintings in a new exhibit by members of Arteast on display this month in the Gloucester Gallery. File photo

masonite which is then cut out using a jig saw or router. The plates are then engraved and modeling paste is applied to them to provide additional texture.

The completed plates are sealed with varnish and then hand-printed using lithographic inks on damp Arches cover paper which give the finished product an embossed appearance.

Rowland-Ullman took inspiration for the series of prints

from the section of the St. Lawrence Seaway between Cornwall and Prescott and the fluctuation of the river's watermark on the landscape.

Again the prints are all for sale and range in price from \$150 to \$450.

The Gloucester and Cumberland Galleries are open Monday to Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m.

Community calendar

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

GARAGE SALE hosted by the East Ottawa Community Resource Centre starting at 9 a.m. in the parking lot at the Beacon Hill Shopping Centre on Ogilvie Rd., just east of Montreal Road. Proceeds to benefit the many programs offered by the EOCCRC.

GARAGE SALE hosted by St. Margaret Mary's Parish in Cumberland Village from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at 2571 Hwy. 174. in Cumberland Village. Refreshments available.

QUEENSWOOD HEIGHTS BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION for Co-ed Basketball ages 8-10 and 11-14 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Jeanne Sauve School, 1917 Gardenway Cres.

Games are played Saturday mornings from September to April at Jeanne Sauve School. For more information call Dave Armstrong at 613-824-4407, or e-mail darmstrong@sympatico.ca.

ORLÉANS PHOTO CLUB monthly meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the VACO Gallery on the main floor of the Bob MacQuarrie Recreation Complex (formerly the Orléans Recreation Complex). For more information visit <http://orleansphoto-club.com>.

THE GRUFF SISTERS will be performing at Jacques' Trap Roadhouse in Carlsbad Springs from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Free cover. For more information visit www.jacquestrap.ca.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 9

BUFFET BRUNCH at Jacques' Trap Roadhouse in Carlsbad Springs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$13.95 for adults and \$6.95 for children. For more information visit www.jacquestrap.ca.

FROM THEIR HANDS – Come to the Cumberland Heritage Village Museum and see amazing handmade items produced by artisans and skilled workers from the 1930s. Explore the art of blacksmithing, soap making, toll painting and sewing. Browse local vendors' goods for sale. Children can make an old-fashioned toy in the one-room schoolhouse. The museum is located on Old Montreal Road in Cumberland Village. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students and \$15 for a family of four. For

more info visit www.ottawa.ca/museums.

MONDAY, SEPT. 10

NAVAN CURLING CLUB REGISTRATION for new members 7 p.m. at the curling club located next to the Navan Arena across from the Domes. Programs for juniors, adults and seniors. For more information visit www.navan.ovca.com.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

BINGO BUS – The Orleans Lions Club is providing a free bus service to the Rockland Bingo in partnership with the Rockland Lions Club every Tuesday night. Bus leaves St. Joseph Church at 5:30 p.m. and makes stops at Place d'Orléans and the Cumberland Arena. For more information or to

apply for a complimentary bus pass call 613-845-0039.

CROSS TOWN YOUTH CHORUS REGISTRATION 6:30 p.m. at the Resurrection Lutheran Church 1325 Gaultois Ave., Orléans. For more information call Lynne at 613-824-0828, or e-mail info@ctyc.ca, or visit www.ctyc.ca.

14th GLOUCESTER SCOUTS REGISTRATION serving the Chapel Hill area, at Blessed Kateri Catholic School, 6400 Beausejour Dr. starting at 7 p.m. Enrol your sons and/or daughters in Beavers (ages 5-7), Cubs (8-10), Scouts (11-13) and Venturers (14-17). For more information call Joanne at 613-424-1207, or Michael at 613-837-7886.