



PHOTO BY BOB OWEN

Vi Warren thanks her visitors from the Cramahe Ratepayers' Association for their card while the Association President, Pieter Wyminga waits to present her with a certificate applauding her latest honour, the Order of Canada.

Order of Canada recipient to be Ratepayer's patron

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Vi Warren, recent recipient of the Order of Canada, received the first local public recognition of her award in an informal presentation last Saturday at her home in Cramahe Township.

The Cramahe Ratepayers' Association decided Ms. Warren's award should not go unnoticed. At its Nov. 18 meeting, the association decided to present the veteran flyer with an arrangement from Colborne's Flowers by Robert - and to ask her to be their patron and honorary member.

Ms. Warren who, in her mid-eighties, continues to take an active interest in local affairs answered the request with a twinkle in her eyes, commenting, "I would love it, and even love it more if I'm first."

Perhaps her comment is not surprising at all. Ms. Warren was active throughout World War 2, ferrying planes across Britain, and after her return from the War, one of Canada's first female bush pilots.

While others around her marvel at her exploits, the diminutive dynamo remembers the other side of war. Always well spoken, Ms. Warren reflects, "It's very fine to look back and remember the humour, but the rest of it lives with you. That's what happened with a lot of the boys who returned. They were never the same."

Relaxing in her log home on Lake Ontario, Ms. Warren recounted some of the highlights of her October 30 trip to Rideau Hall in Ottawa for the presentation of her medal.

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More Colborne Creek lots are available

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The Colborne Creek housing development on municipally owned lands adjacent to the Keeler Centre in Colborne has undergone a thirteenth - and "final" - revision. Cramahe Mayor Lee Dekeyser revealed the revision at council last week.

A number of issues relating to the project were clarified last Tuesday.

Using a wall map, the Mayor outlined an increase in the number of lots available for residential development to 72. The addition of about a dozen lots was accomplished by putting lots back-to-back along Ontario St. and narrowing the walkway that traverses the development from north to south.

Costs are ever at the forefront in discussions of the subdivision, and last Tuesday was no exception.

Steve Bowskill, one of the principal backers of the project and a member of the Builders' Group, explained costs for consulting engineer D.M. Wills will be increasing by about \$5,000 because of the lot changes. He added, in defense of the consultant, that Mr. Wills had been given "a blank paper" and no one has given him any direction since August.

On a more positive note, Mr. Bowskill pointed to a saving of \$60-70,000 that had been made on November 16 by "doing a lot of little things".

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10-YEAR HONOURS



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Cramahe employee, Neil Chapman, receives a 10-year certificate for his work in the Public Works Department from Mayor Lee Dekeyser.

Santa Claus parade
6 p.m. Saturday
in Colborne



Wed 67 years!

Cramahe residents, Bill and Ber-nice Brown, celebrated their 67th anniversary last Saturday at the Salem Reindeer Tea and Bazaar.

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