

The ROCKWOOD Miller

Eden Mills Christmas Bazaar with a green twist



BAZAAR HELPERS: Volunteers for the popular tea (left) Hannah Landy, Anna Zawadzki, Manon Bourgeois, Vanessa, Callum Williams, Ashleigh Campbell and Ashton Darmon.

By: Vivien Fleisher

This year's Christmas Bazaar at the community hall in Eden Mills took a green turn this year. As part of the town's efforts to become carbon neutral, the bazaar featured all the great things people come for every year - the penny table, the beautiful full-service tea in the basement - but this time around, things were definitely more local than ever. There were of course all the baked goods which have always been local, but

this year saw the addition of teas, mincemeat and fruitcakes made with mostly locally sourced ingredients, local produce and honey, dog biscuits, granola, decorative greenery for the home, and a whole table devoted to local garden seeds that resident artist Charlotte Reinhold put together with lots of help from people in town. She created the drawings for each seed package, which ranged from vegetables to flowers to herbs.

Seed saving is part of a larger initiative

to raise awareness and inspire people to become seed savers; it's a movement that aims to keep the costs down for growers, retain control of seed stock within smaller agricultural communities, and support plant diversity.

The money tree was there again, always popular, although the crisp vintage one and two-dollar bills were not up for grabs sadly.

Organizer Barb Marshall says the annual event has been going for years, long before her time as a lifelong resident. And as always business was booming.



CORNER COLLISION: A two vehicle accident, which occurred at approximately 2 p.m. Saturday, on Wellington 44 involving a white pickup and a compact black car that ended up in the ditch. No further information was available at press time. - Vivien Fleisher photo

OPP REPORT



Drinking and Driving

On November 23 at approximately 9:30 p.m., Wellington County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers responded to a two vehicle collision at Wellington Road 124 and Wellington Road 32, Guelph-Eramosa Township involving a 2003 Toyota and possibly a Hyundai Elantra.

Police arrived and only one driver remained at the scene. Police spoke with the male driver of the Toyota and believed he had consumed alcohol. A roadside screening device was utilized and the driver failed the test. He was arrested and transported to a

local OPP Operation Centre for further testing.

His driver's licence has been suspended for 90 days and the vehicle impounded for a period of seven days as per statute.

A 48-year-old of Cambridge man has been charged with Care or Control Over 80 mgs contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada. He is scheduled to appear in Guelph Criminal Court on January 15, 2016.

Provincial Constable Tim Sturgeon would like to speak with the other driver involved. He can be contacted at the South Wellington OPP Operations Centre at 1-888-310-1122.

Driving complaint leads to impaired and dangerous driving charges

On November 19, at approximately 7:14 a.m., Wellington County Ontario Provincial Police

(OPP) responded to a driving complaint that a 1993 Ford pickup truck was driving in an unsafe manner and struck two road signs on Jones Baseline, Guelph-Eramosa Township. Officers stopped the vehicle on Eastview Road, and observed damage to the truck. Police believed that the male driver was impaired by a drug. He was arrested and transported to a local OPP Operations Centre for testing.

The driver's licence has been suspended for 90 days and the vehicle impounded for a period of seven days as per statute.

A 34-year-old Guelph man has been charged with Driving While Ability Impaired by Drug and Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada. He is to appear in Guelph Criminal Court on December 22, 2015.

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