



The Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce's new staff Tara Nichol left, and Vera Dulysh had their first weekend set up in Lyndhurst.

## Chamber's new mobile visitor kiosk comes to Lyndhurst area

Notes from the Farmer's Daughter  
A.K.A. Tanya Hammond

Over the long weekend and this past week, The Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce introduced two new staff members to the community via a mobile Visitor Kiosk set up outside Wing's Live Bait & Tackle in Lyndhurst.

As part of the Chamber of Commerce's promotional outreach project, Tara Nichol and Vera Dulysh have been hired to operate the Visitor Kiosk for the next couple of months. Currently, an RV graciously provided by Chamber Member Heinner Kamann of Gleanna Lea Farms is being used until the custom-designed kiosk trailer is delivered.

Both ladies are eager to assist visitors, residents and Chamber members alike. Tara, who has returned to nearby Athens on a permanent/seasonal basis, brings her own travel experience having spent years travelling and living abroad. A perspective she says makes her realize "how lucky we are to live in an area that is so amazing with what it has to offer both physically and culturally." Tara says the job with the Chamber appealed to her because of her desire to become "more involved with the community and community projects."

Vera, who has lived in

Lyndhurst since 2019, says she loves the area and is thankful for the move. Fluent in Ukrainian and English and functional in German and French, Vera can offer assistance in multiple languages, as can Tara, fluent in Spanish from years of teaching in Mexico. The two tell me that the kiosk has been well received thus far, with visitors stopping in from across Canada, many from Toronto and Kingston and others from the US (New York, Pennsylvania, Montana). Residents, especially those new to the area, have also been stopping to check out the available information.

The current location has proven to be handy for those needing directions to local businesses, nearby parks, etc. According to Tara, the Chamber Executive intends to have the kiosk and staff visit local events and other communities to help "spread the word about what the Chamber has to offer." Chamber President John Sideris, Owner/Partner of Wing's Live Bait & Tackle, tells me that the kiosk will be set up at this year's International Plowing Match in Kemptville this fall to promote the business members and our area further.

The Lyndhurst Turkey Fair will also be another excellent opportunity for the new staff to provide business members with

added exposure by having promotional material available to attendees. As part of their commitment to the Chamber of Commerce, Tara and Vera have been doing lots of homework, getting out to meet members and learn more about the places and products.

The Chamber of Commerce also welcomes members to stop by and introduce themselves to Tara and Vera. Members are also encouraged to schedule a day to join staff and advertise their products and services.

Contact info@LSBChamber.ca or call John at 613-928-2382 for more info. The Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay and District Chamber of Commerce are going the distance to promote its members and our area, one visitor at a time.

## Health unit urges staying up to date with vaccines as cases surge

Despite a decline in hospital numbers and high-risk cases, the Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit is asking residents to stay up-to-date on vaccines as cases continue to surge in the community.

While some who are up to date with at least three doses of vaccine, aged 12 and up, may still develop symptoms, they are less severe and the virus is less transmissible.

The fourth booster dose adds more protection against serious disease, important for those with underlying health conditions.

On Mon., Aug. 8, the Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit reported 159 new high risk COVID cases over the week ending Friday, down from 190 a week earlier and 156 the week before that.

Eight people were in hospital, down from 13 a week earlier. The number of deaths is still 109 in Leeds, Grenville & Lanark over the course of the pandemic.

There were eight outbreaks showing on the health unit web site as of Aug. 8, affecting 74 people, down from 10 outbreaks and 66 people a week earlier.

The Kingston Frontenac Lennox & Addington Health Unit had 218 high-risk cases as of Aug. 2, down from 305 a week earlier. Eleven are hospitalized, up from seven, with two in ICU.

In Leeds, Grenville and Lanark, the first dose vaccination rate for those five and older is 94 per cent and second dose rate is 91.6 per

cent.

For those 12 and older, the third dose rate is 67.8 per cent and 24 per cent of those 18 and older have had the fourth dose.

For youth age 12-17, 87.5 per cent have second doses and 24.2 per cent have third doses. There is no data for the under-5 age group yet.

The new Moderna vaccine for children 6 months to age six is currently available in two doses. Appointments for first dose can be booked by calling 1-844-

369-1234. These appointments cannot be booked using the online tool and walk-ins are not available at this time due to limited supply.

A list of upcoming clinics is available at [www.healthunit.org](http://www.healthunit.org).

Walk ins may be available at clinics based on clinic capacity. Call 1-844-369-1234 or book online.

You can also continue to check with participating pharmacies or your health care provider.

## Public mischief charges laid after false carjacking report

Lanark OPP have charged a man from Newmarket with filing a false report of a carjacking that ended in Tay Valley Township.

The initial carjacking report was made the morning of July 31, and police were provided with a description of a male suspect. The vehicle in question was located by police the same day in Tay Valley Township and it appeared to have been involved in a collision. Further investigation led investigators to conclude the carjacking had not actually occurred.

Raymond Francis-Burroughes, 27, of Newmarket was charged with public mischief and is scheduled to appear in Perth court September 12.

## LIVE MUSIC NIGHTLY

### at The Cove

**EVERY WEDNESDAY – RACK 'n TUNES + OPEN MIC with SHAWN McCULLOUGH & FRIENDS 5:30-8:30pm**

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**Every Sunday – HEAD over HEELS with KEVIN + VANESSA HEAD (Acoustic Blues/Folk/Jazz Duo, Gananoque) 5-8pm**

**Every Tuesday – ERIC UREN (Acoustic Folk/Rock, Westport) 5-8pm**

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**Thu.Aug.11 JAZZ NIGHT with SPENCER EVANS (All Styles of Music!) 8-10pm \$10 Cover**

**Fri.Aug.12 JEFF CALLERY (Folk/Rock, Brockville) 5-8pm**

**Sat.Aug.13 ERIC UREN (Folk/Rock, Westport) on the patio, weather depending 5-8pm**

**Mon.Aug.15 MELLOW LILLY (Folk, Kingston) 5-8pm**

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**Thu.Aug.18 JAZZ NIGHT with SPENCER EVANS (All Styles of Music!) 8-10pm \$10 Cover**

**Fri.Aug.19 KOBO TOWN: A Waterside Caribbean Dance Party! (Toronto) Dinner and Show. 5-9pm**

**Sat.Aug.20 ALL DAY MUSIC! ERIC UREN (Folk/Rock) 12-2:30pm, T.B.A. 3-5pm, NOLAN HUBBARD (Indie/Folk) 5:30-8pm.**

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**Mon.Aug.22 SPENCER SCHARF (Folk/Blues, Ottawa) 5-8pm**

**Thu.Aug.25 JAZZ NIGHT with SPENCER EVANS (All Styles of Music!) 8-10pm \$10 Cover**

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**Fri.Aug.26 NO PRINCIPALS (Folk Harmony, Westport/Rideau Ferry) 5-8pm**

**Sat.Aug.27 Midsummer Night Jazz: WESTPORT LIBRARY FUNDRAISER JAZZ SHOW with JESSICA CHAIKOWSKY QUARTET (feat. JUNO Nominated members) 6-10pm Dinner, Show + Charity \$80 + HST + Gratuity**

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**Thu.Sept.8 STEVE MARRINER BAND (JUNO Award Winner, Toronto) with Special Guest Opener JAKE CHISHOLM 5-9pm Doors 4pm, Dinner 5pm, Show 6-9pm \$90 + HST + Gratuity Dinner + Show**

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## KHSC declares outbreak on Davies 5

Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) declared a COVID-19 outbreak on the Davies 5 unit of the Kingston General Hospital (KGH) site Aug. 5 following three patients testing positive. The unit is now closed to admissions and closed to all non-essential visitors.

KFL&A Public Health has been notified, and KHSC is in the process of notifying patients, visitors and staff affected by the outbreak. Meanwhile, KHSC is also in the process of completing the necessary contact tracing and testing for other individuals within the unit.

**COMING SOON**

**STEVE'S RIDEAU RESTAURANT**  
at 39 Bedford St., Westport

**WILL BE RE-OPENING UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP AS**

**Westport Fish & Chips**

with a full menu, including Pizza & more.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks...