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Senior of the Week



Our senior of the week is 79 year-old Donna Wein, who was born in Strathroy and has 6 children, 14 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

If you would like to nominate someone for Senior of the Week, Contact us at 519-282-9595 (Phone) or 519-284-0042 (Fax), or info@exeterexaminer.com.

The Ex Files

- Plans are starting to come together for a dog park in Hensall. The Dog Park Community Group is working with the Municipality of Bluewater and they seem to have agreed on a wood lot location by the Hensall Arena Community Centre and near the ball diamonds.
- There is still plenty of time to barbecue, hang out on the patio or go for a walk in the park. The forecast looks ideal for any outdoor activities during the first few weeks of Fall. Environment Canada's Peter Kimbell suggests a warmer than normal September will continue into October. According to the weather agency, the average temperature for September has been just over 19-degrees; that's nearly 5-degrees warmer during this time last year.
- A local event is hoping to raise at least \$5,000 for the One Care Easy Ride program. The Good Vibrations event is a live country music night paying tribute to artists such as Merle Haggard, John Denver, Dolly Parton and many more. The event will take place at the South Huron Rec Centre on Friday September the 25th from 5:30-10 PM. The Hear Well Be Well Company is putting on the event and the proceeds will be going towards a program that keeps seniors in their homes.

Business Of The Week

McIntosh Power & Leisure

Our Business of the Week is McIntosh Power & Leisure, your local ATV and snowmobile adventure store. Located at 2557 Perth Road 163 (The Mitchell Road) and owned by Doug and Donna McIntosh, the business has been in the family since 1970.

"My dad, Oliver McIntosh, started it back in 1970," said Doug, owner since 2000. "He started with snowmobiles - Chaparrals and Roll-O-Flex. We got Bombardier Ski-Doos in 1975, and we did the snowmobiles right up until about 2002."

At that time, Bombardier got into the ATV business, and so did McIntosh. Certified Bombardier dealers, McIntosh Power & Leisure now offers the Montreal-based company's sleds, four-wheelers and their newer "Side-by-side" recreation vehicles which came out in 2011 - and much more.

"We do sales, clothing, parts, repairs, all that stuff," he said. "We've got full riding gear, sports wear, parts, accessories for ATVs. A lot of people know we're here, but if people don't yet participate in the sport maybe they haven't been out to check us out. The snow-

mobile trails come right to our door, so that's pretty convenient for riders in the winter."

Because they're located right near the trails, and because they've been around for so long, customers for McIntosh Power & Leisure come from across Southern Ontario, from London to Listowel and from Lucan to New Hamburg.

While the snow has yet to fall, fulfilling the dreams of all those snowmobilers out there, the business has seen its share of sleds lately as part of its "pre-season service to get people ready for winter," McIntosh said.

"The cost depends on how hard they are on their snowmobile," he said. "If they drive them pretty hard it costs a little more, but most of the time they can get it done for less than a couple hundred bucks, and be all ready for the season."

Last year's strong sledding season has ensured that they've been busy working on snowmobiles all through the sizzling summer, but ATVs have also been growing in popularity, he added. "ATVs used to sort of have bursts of popularity in the spring



and then again in the fall, but now it's getting more year-round," he said.

While Doug enjoys riding both snowmobiles and ATVs, he said, personally, snowmobiles are his passion. "I just like the freedom out on the trail," he said. "You can get on a snowmobile right out your back door and drive anywhere in Ontario pretty well. It's family-oriented and you can get out with the kids. It's nice to get out, and let's them have the ability to drive too."

He said in Ontario his favourite spot to head to for snowmobiling is Cochrane. "We don't go to the Muskokas so much because it's so busy around there with sleds - everybody from the Toronto goes there," he said. "Whereas, if you go up to Cochrane, it's nice and open. My two favourite

spots to snowmobile are around here and in Cochrane."

He and his family have also enjoyed sledding in Revelstoke, British Columbia. "Mountain riding, that's a totally different animal," he said.

McIntosh Power & Leisure's hours throughout the early fall are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday, and 9:00 am to noon Saturday. "In the winter, beginning after Thanksgiving, the hours are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday to Wednesday, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm Thursdays and Fridays, and Saturdays 9:00 am to 1:00 pm," Donna said.

Reach them by phone at 519-229-8210 or fax at 519-229-6599, send them an email at McIntoshPower@Quadro.net, or visit them online at McIntoshPower.com.

*** Sudoku ***
Medium difficulty rating

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*** Sudoku ***
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