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Hello Folks,

Views from the Farm

by Tom Black

In this new world of Covid 19 with all its complications, it is hard to predict what the winter supply chain might look like. Many stores have empty shelves in some aisles, and sometime one would wonder why that particular product is short. The world has become very complicated now that most of our companies rely on supplies of parts from all over the world to build tractors, cars, trucks, automated feeders and just about any gizmo you can imagine in every day life.

Some of the delay is related to lack of workers to unload the thousands of sea containers waiting off shore, and other delays are from the lack of trucks to haul these goods across the country. All of this seems to point to a very obvious danger to our existence if we do not become more self reliant by building such products at home in Canada. That obvious conclusion also applies to food.

As consumers we all like cheap food, but if cheap food from abroad replaces more expensive food from Canada, then the farmer who grew it will go out of business. This can go on for years with no real consequence for the consumer, until a crisis arrives and the

ships stop moving our way. As they say, “*a chain is only as strong as it’s weakest link*” so when it breaks, everything stops.

So now if we are to remain an independent country, we first and foremost must be able to feed ourselves. With that thought in mind, I want to draw your attention to something the OFA (Ontario Federation of Agriculture) wrote lately about the loss of farmland. According to their research, Ontario is losing 175 acres of farmland every day to development. Most of this is around cities and towns as they expand their borders. Many towns and cities in Ontario were built near rivers and often at the junction with other rivers. Around those junctions there is often large tracts of rich, level soil that is ideal for growing crops of all kinds. This is also ideal land for building houses and infrastructure on to serve those houses. Most all of this development is done on private land.

In Canada, 89% of the land is Crown Land owned by the people of Canada and controlled by our elected government. Only 11% is privately owned and all of the 175 acres lost a day comes out of the 11%. On

top of that, in all of Canada, only 6.49% is considered agricultural land. There are 6 grades of agricultural land included in that 6.49%. Grade 1 is the best and grade 6 is the worst, with rocks, sand and poor drainage. Grade 6 makes up by far, the biggest part of the 6.49% of the land that is rated as agricultural in Canada.

There are 632 acres in a square mile, and at 175 acres per day, we are losing 63,875 acres per year, or 101 square miles. That loss is most always the #1 grade agricultural land around towns and cities.

The question we face today is, do we stop destroying the future for our children before it is too late, or do we wait until the next big disaster, be it natural or man-made when we are faced with hunger, trying to grow food up north on the Great Canadian Shield? **

WHAT TO DO WHEN THEY COME FOR YOU

Updated version

- **Call** for support. Have an OLA contact list available
- **Be** polite, Be Assertive, Stand Your Ground.
- **Record** your visitors with phone, recorder, video, notes etc.
- **If police** with visitor, address them first: Why are you here? Under what authority?
- **If** the Police refer to “Keeping the Peace”, ask the question ... does that mean my Peace as well? Does this mean you intend to protect my rights as well?
- **Record name**, badge #, and headquarters. Get pictures of ID, license plates, vehicles etc. Request incident #.
- **If there is a Warrant** to Search, ask senior officer to read it allowed. Make sure that the Party who swore to the Warrant is present when the officer reads the Warrant. Assuming it is not the Police. For example, Conservation Authority has sword to the Warrant. It is important that everyone know and understand the limitations of the Warrant.
- **Ask** to see the Information to Obtain the warrant (ITO). If there is no ITO, make a verbal note to all that there is no ITO and you Protest the Execution of the Warrant. Do Not Interfere with the Warrant. Argue it later in court.
- Everything must be accurate; name, address, Signatures etc. If anything is wrong, tell the officer you protest the Warrant. That it is invalid for the following reasons. If the officer disagrees argue it in court. Verbal disagreement with the Warrant is not in itself, blocking or interfering with the Execution of the Warrant.
- **Only comply** with what is on the warrant, offer no extra information and verbally protest the extra search. Argue it in court.
- **If just an official;** bylaw etc, ask for 2 pieces govt. issued ID, proof of employment, employee # confirmation phone #(business cards don't count but keep one for later)
They have NO authority without a warrant, ask them to leave. Ask them 3x then call 911.
If they insist they have authority, make them show you. Remember Criminal code is Federal legislation and if no warrant they could be charged with trespass or mischief.
- **Ask** for insurance confirmation and sterile boots and clothing, You don't know where they've been. Follow bio-security measures.
- **If they are there on a complaint,** ask for the name and actual complaint as everyone is allowed to face their accuser. You might have to file a freedom of information request.

ALWAYS REMEMBER:

- **Don't be intimidated** by a uniform!
- **Be firm.** If you don't stop them from walking on your property, it looks like implied consent.
- **Document everything** in writing when visit is over. Witness support would be an asset.
- **When in doubt** ... Verbally Protest the Warrant or the Uninvited Access to your land. Do Not Physically Interfere in a Warrant or Inspection. The court is the place to be. Motion to Quash the Warrant. If the Motion succeeds, then the evidence gathered is thrown out.
- **A Tort** may be the next step after a Warrant is Quashed or an uninvited inspection.
- **Record** All Events while anyone is on your land. Keep your camera handy and the battery charged. The same with a cell phone. Add an additional SD card as well. More storage capacity. Film in low resolution for longer filming.
- **Never** answer a question. Anything you say will be used against you. Especially with body Cameras being used. There is no law compelling you to answer question. However, You Can Ask All The Questions You Want. Ask Them on the record.

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Supreme Court of Canada Grants Intervenor Status to Ontario Landowners Association

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Annapolis Group Inc. v. Halifax Regional Municipality October 22, 2021.

If the government makes a regulatory decision that infringes on your private property rights for a public benefit, while purposefully avoiding an obligation to pay you compensation, then you should be entitled to compensation – right? According to the current state of the law on de facto expropriation, a legal doctrine designed to protect private property owners’ rights in those very circumstances, the answer may be “not necessarily.” Luckily, on October 15, 2021, the Ontario Landowners’ Association (“OLA”) was granted leave to intervene in the Supreme Court of Canada case in *Annapolis Group Inc. v. Halifax Regional Municipality* (“Annapolis”). In this case, the Supreme Court has an opportunity to make it easier for private landowners to obtain compensation when their private property rights have been infringed in this manner, and the OLA will be arguing that the law needs to change.

The appeal in Annapolis involves questions about the legal test private landowners are required to establish when making a claim of de facto expropriation against the government. In the Annapolis case, the private landowner claiming de facto expropriation was a land developer, and the government authority was a municipality that wanted to acquire the developer’s lands for a public park. However, the municipality deliberately avoided zoning the lands as parkland (which would have required it to purchase the lands under municipal legislation), and instead passed a resolution that simply refused to allow the

developer to engage in any further development of its land. In the decision under appeal before the Supreme Court, the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal held there was no de facto expropriation despite clear motive on behalf of the government to avoid its obligation to pay, on the basis that the government had not actually acquired title to the lands in question. The OLA has been granted leave to make two arguments before the Supreme Court in the appeal of that decision. In short, the OLA will argue that:

- In cases such as this one, where the government exercises its regulatory powers for the purpose of evading a statutory compensation requirement to achieve a public benefit, then a rebuttable presumption should arise that the test for de facto expropriation has been established. This means that the courts should presume in such cases that the private property owner is entitled to compensation for de facto expropriation unless the government can demonstrate that they are not; and
- The Supreme Court should abandon the requirement in its prior jurisprudence that the government must acquire a beneficial interest in the property in order for there to be a de facto expropriation – in these circumstances, a change in the common law is warranted.

“This case is significant in that it may potentially result in a formulation of the test for government expropriation of Private Land that is more generous toward the Landowner”, said Jeff Bogaerts, President of the OLA. “Government regulatory expropriation of Private Land must be compensated. Leaving the Landowner in a position of owning the land but being unable to use it is unfair and presents a financial burden.”

The OLA is incredibly excited about the

opportunity to contribute to the law on this very important topic, particularly because the issues at stake, and the Court’s ultimate decision, are squarely within the OLA’s mission and mandate, and directly affects private landowners across the country.

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CANCEL CULTURE: REINVENTING GOVERNMENT

by Kathleen Marquardt

Most people who are awake and aware know about Agenda 21/Sustainable Development, what it is and how it became the law of the land without ever having been voted on by either the people or their “representative” governmental officials in Congress. And many even know that Agenda 21 has made its way into even the smallest government offices of America, through using the President’s Council on Sustainable Development to “buy” local and state politicians with grant moneys that have titanium strings.

What few realize is that there was a twin program set up at the same time by Clinton which was also given to VP Al Gore to put into action. That was the National Partnership for Reinventing Government (NPR) an “interagency task force tasked to reform and streamline the way the federal **government** works. In the second Clinton-Gore term, NPR changed its mission, approach and name — *to focus on leading a fundamental culture change in the government.*”[1] (emphasis mine) It is now the National Performance Review with:

- the need to transfer power from Congress to the executive branch (why Congress has been irrelevant, other than to keep us distracted from where the real crimes are being perpetrated).

- that government employees need to be empowered; i.e., “a transfer of power from Congress to the bureaucracy.”[2]

In 1998, Clinton’s E.O. 13083, which dealt with federalism, redefined what “state” was so that it included different types and levels of government, it delineated between the Constitution and “federalism” and allowed the president to declare a national emergency which would give FEMA the power to direct federal, state, and local governments and control all communication facilities, power supplies, food supplies, etc. [3]

Then, in 1999, Clinton’s E.O. 13132, along with a number of bills submitted by Congress, furthered “the new federalism”. It “internationalized terminology”, and, as Veon said, it is a rewrite of the Constitution “by redefining the levels of government, words, and the powers of government”. It is an empowerment of the federal agencies, i.e., **reinvented government**. So, the balance of power has shifted, “destroying the checks and balances in the Constitution at the

local level, and therefore destroying representative government. *This power shift is a philosophical shift to a completely new form of government. It is a merger between government, corporations, and nongovernmental organizations (emphasis mine).*”[4] Joan Veon put it succinctly: Reinventing government means:

1. downsizing and shifting power from the federal level to the local level, i.e., the community level which includes communication associations and churches*;
2. changing the balance of power by shifting responsibility from Congress to the executive branch and its agencies (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms {BATF}, Environmental Protection Agency {EPA}, National Park Service, Forrest Service, Drug Enforcement Agency {DEA}, National Guard, National Security Agency {NSA}. And the President’s Council on Sustainable Development {PCSD}, to name a few; and
3. establishing public-private partnerships to become the new nucleus of government.[5]

How do you make a fundamental change of a government with the Constitution of the United States that includes the protection of our basic freedoms? You don’t. You just roll over the Constitution.

I listed as one of the three needs for reinventing was establishing Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) to become the new nucleus of government. In the Preamble to the Earth Summit, Agenda 21, it states flat-out that Public/Private Partnerships were the future. Who knew what a PPP was in 1992, let alone now?

“Government, business and industry, including transnational corporations, strengthen partnerships to implement the principles and criteria for sustainable development.”[6] A public private partnership is a partnership that is a business arrangement; it is for profit. A partnership can have two or more partners, plus several layers of partnerships, which are all interrelated. It has partners that are both public, meaning government, in private, meaning individuals, corporations, foundations, and/or non-governmental organizations. A PPP includes all levels of government, from local government to county, state, regional, and federal. In addition to international agencies and foreign governments, public private partnerships include a wide range of non-

governmental organizations. These can include any corporations, national, multinational, or transnational corporations and non-governmental organizations like the Nature Conservancy, Sierra Club, Humane Society of the United States, and foundations like Ford, Mellon, Rockefeller. They also include Facebook, Big Pharma – you get the picture.

When you bring these entities together, where does the power lie? With the deepest pockets. Is that government? Not even close. It's business. Remember, they are "reinventing government", another form of transfer of power and destruction of our American form of representative government. As a result, representative government disappears. Perhaps we should remember that our forefathers in their Declaration of Independence singled out "taxation without representation" as a major no-no, yet we've accepted taxes by the thousands and PPPs take us out of the equation – except for paying for it. This is just a primer on where we are with public private partnerships.

Many, if not most, Republican parties across the nation are, at best, in bed with the Left. Once tainted, can they ever be cleansed of the Marxism? And that goes double for the people we elected. As soon as they are elected, they, right away, go to the U.S. Council of Mayors, National Association of Counties, National League of Cities, National Conference of State Legislatures, Council of State Government, to be indoctrinated into the plan to take down America and Christianity (but it's called something innocuous, like Understanding the New and Improved Government sans that pesky Constitution. All those organizations are 501(c)3s. In other words, private non-profit organizations, to make certain that the mayors, governors, all come out fully in line with Sustainable Development.

Reinventing government is the major tool of Sustainable Development; both PPPs and invade every aspect of our lives. They have the same goal: one world government through the reduction of the human population, the redistribution of wealth, and elimination of private property; as good tacticians, they are attacking from many angles. Reinventing government eliminates the Constitution and its protections of rights; Sustainable Development eliminates most humans on earth and makes slaves of the remaining few.

Don't be discouraged. We can do it. If our Founding Fathers did it, we can. We just need to know what we are up against. This article certainly isn't the be-all and end-all of Reinventing Government, but I want you to begin to understand what you enough to

start fighting in your town or city, and county.

A big part of the fight is knowing you are not in it alone. Mr. Smith may have gone to Washington alone, but we are not in the movies. People, across the nation and in Canada, are putting together Freedom Pods and already seeing successes. Join us.

Now I'd like to address Senators and Representatives (this also includes our governors and mayors). For years you've been standing up there, telling us you're fighting to protect our rights, fighting to protect the constitution — to keep America safe. Yeah? All I've seen for years is you "doing the Trey Gowdy". You stand up there, in the House and Senate, and as you as you put it, "demolish", "wipe the floor with", "destroy" your buddy on the opposition. Or are you doing it for your five minutes of fame? Nothing ever comes of it, just like Gowdy – a distraction for the peanut gallery, the Circuses in "Bread and..." Too many America and Constitution loving patriots fall for it, but it is "All sound and fury, signifying nothing".

For the past 20 years, you have known what, exactly, is going on, you sat there watching your jobs being taken away. And yet you were silent. You saw your responsibilities turned over to bureaucrats. But you kept getting raises. So, you said nothing.

You take money from the Deep State. Yes, it is our hard-earned money, but the enemy of the State, those who stole the election and staged the January coup, give you your paychecks for being traitors.

You have disgraced your office. You have committed treason! You swore to protect the Constitution, then, by your silence, you helped destroy it. Many of you claim to be Christians. Those who are, need to be down on your knees praying that God will forgive you. Many Americans never will.

If you had done as you swore on the Bible to protect the Constitution, you would not have been standing up there, for however many years you have been, lying by omission and telling us, day by day, what was going on – what you told us was gaslighting, brainwashing, and obfuscating. You were part of it. You watched every minute of it and said nothing. Why didn't you tell us what was happening to our lives? Why are you still there?

If you aren't going to stand up for us nationally, go home and start working on saving your local area. Because you, of all people, should know what's coming. Or are you expecting to be useful idiots in the new world order? Good luck there, you will be redundant like the rest of us. Now you are the early version of Transhumanism, like Edgar Bergen's dummy.

Is there one of you who will stand up and give us your excuse why you helped this happen with your silence?

And, to my fellow patriots, think back on all those hard-charging pols, especially those running for President. They knew, yet the remained silent. Ask yourself, what caused every one of them to be yellow-bellied cowards who were willing to do the will of evil men and women who have, in their turn, embedded Cultural Marxism into every institution of America? Blackmail? Bribery? Brainwashing? A combination?

Keep in mind, the new world order goal is to destroy America by destroying the Constitution and Christianity. They are traitors.

There are a few, whom I would never have believed would do this. Woe is me.

As Tom Wood says, Semper fi

[1] <https://govinfo.library.unt.edu/npr/whowear/historyofnpr.html>

[2] Donald F. Kettl, "Beyond the Rhetoric of Reinvention: Driving the Themes of the Clinton Administration's Management Reforms", p.32

[3] Veon, The United Nations' Global Straitjacket, Hearthstone Publishing, 2000, p.88

[4] Ibid, p.89

[5] Joan Veon, Ibid. p.62-63

[6] Earth Summit Agenda 21 page 15.

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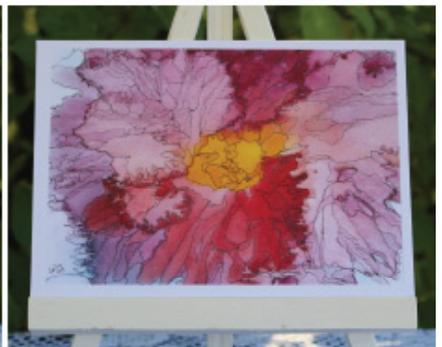
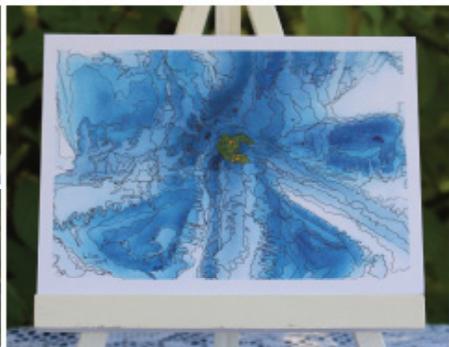


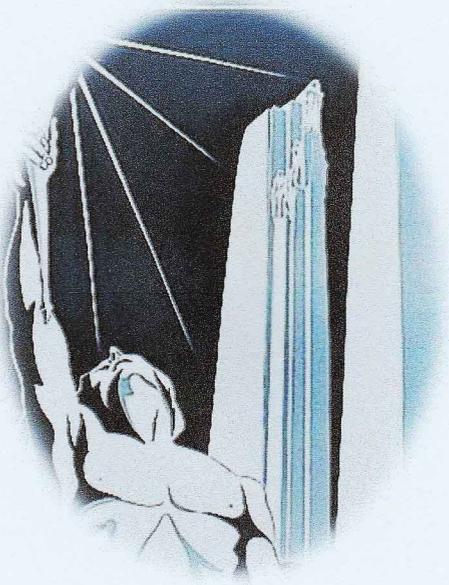
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We are the children of those who went to War

We are the children
of those who went to war
We see what they fought against
knocking at our door

We're on the edge of history
repeating its disgrace
Breaking us apart
at an ever quickening pace

We have many races
calling each other out
Ears never listening to
the others bloody shouts

We have the vaxers saying
let the others die
With statements such as these
How's humanity to survive

We're near the point, on the edge
of "no turning back"
And sadly its government
pushing us down this track

We can stop this train from
falling completely apart
But only if we learn what was
in our ancestors heart

Just like them we need to stand
against this shameful tide
To show them it wasn't in vain
that so many of them died.

History is there
We see it every year
We need to stand together
pushing back against the fear

The torch has been handed
from the hands that had been burned
Are we strong enough
to stand for what they learned

They segregate and discriminate
pitting father against his son
And only if we let them
will the wrong have won

Don't look to government
to make sense of it all
It's government that is causing this
Making so many fall

We are the children
of those who went to war
We're the only ones who can stop
what's knocking at our door

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Veggie Bites 82



by Judith Cox



Greetings fellow gardeners,

The air is cooler each time I go outside. The chickens are not impressed, and I have been putting the tarps up around their enclosure. Winter preparations continue.

I have closed the vegetable garden. All of the vegetables have been harvested and the stems and leaves of everything but the tomatoes are given to the chickens. They are a great help when it comes to composting. While I compost almost all of my plants and weeds, I don't compost the tomato plants. Tomatoes often have blight and other diseases no matter how careful you are, and my compost is not hot enough to kill the blight. I clean up the tomato area, give the fallen fruit to the chickens and put the stems and leaves of the tomatoes in the green bin. Sometimes I put them in a black plastic bag and let them cook in the sun and that kills the blight spores.

I shook the red orach plants so that the seeds are scattered everywhere. Orach seeds easily and I should have little red seedlings to greet me in the spring. My alyssum is still blooming, and I am hoping that it will self-seed. I haven't had that happen in the past, but these plants are large and have lots of seed. I like having alyssum in the vegetable garden as they attract aphid predators.

I emptied all of the pots that held my vegetables as well. Over the season most of the nutrients that were in the pots have been used up, but the soil does well in my compost. I store my pots in a little shed and throw out the damaged ones. I find that plastic pots tend to break after being in the sun for a few seasons. The clay pots are much tougher but do not want to be exposed to winter weather, so I store them as well.

The other chore I worked on this week was digging up dahlia tubers and canna bulbs. I leave them in the ground until it gets cold and then dig them out. It is not set in stone that you need to leave them in until frost; I just enjoy the blooms, so I leave them. The cannas were lovely this year and the bulbs came out all plump and happy. I also had a canna that I grew from a seed! It didn't bloom this year, but the bulb was viable. My dahlias were late this year, I should have started them earlier inside. I have to figure out how I can do this with the too-many cats. I put the dahlias and cannas on newspaper to dry out a bit and wrapped them in netting so the too-many cats wouldn't bat them all around the basement. As they dry, I will wrap them loosely in newspaper and put them in paper bags or boxes.



Dahlia Tubers



Tomatoes finishing up

The wood pile is almost finished, and the pots are nearly all put away. Soon I will be planning next year's garden and hoping for a great gardening season. Enjoy your week. Judith.

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It is coming down to the wire. So many things to get done and the weather continues to cool. I need to keep stacking the wood or the too-many cats will be very upset that the woodstove is not working. Just as I prepare to stay warm this winter, I also need to prepare the garden for the upcoming winter season.



The only way to do this is one log at a time

This summer I played host to a project by a PhD student who was studying bees. She installed special boxes to encourage bees to nest. She came by last week to take the nesting boxes back to the lab where the leaf-cutter bees, who set up shop will be well-observed until spring. I learned a lot by participating in this experiment; bees love my messy garden. I have a lot of weeds and wildflowers that the bees enjoyed.



Off to the lab

I have continued to empty my pots, picking the last of the lettuce and removing droopy annuals. I store my pots in a little shed and I try to clean them up with a mild dish detergent and water. I have been dumping the soil from the pots into the compost or leaving it in the perennial garden. The nutrients have been depleted but I can add compost and leaves, and they will break down over the winter. I like to add compost to my vegetable and perennial gardens in the fall and sometimes I add manure as well; it all breaks down. As I have a maple

tree, I am able to use its leaves on my garden. I add the leaves first before compost and manure. Maple leaves break down quickly. I never use the fruit tree leaves as they are often carriers of fungus or disease, and they take longer to break down.



Maple leaves

As I finish putting the pots away and adding compost and leaves to the beds, I have a chance to check out what kind of plants are left. I cut down the peonies and the phlox because they have mold and mildew. If I cut them down and remove the leaves, there are fewer chances of more mildew next year. I make sure that the roses in and around my perennial beds are wrapped up in bird-netting to catch and collect the snow. The January freeze-thaw is what will kill my roses and tender perennials, but the snow will protect them. Remember that if you use salt on pathways the salt will leach into the soil and hurt your plants. Try to find a less toxic choice.

I leave perennials like sedum and asters because they have lots of seeds and provide shelter for birds and over-wintering insects. The other benefit of leaving your perennials is that they will hold snow on your garden and add protection.



Asters

So, the winter preparations are done. All of the pots are emptied, the compost and leaves have been added to the beds, the roses are wrapped in netting and most of the wood is stacked. Enjoy your week. Judith.

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Challenging Times are Coming

by MP Cheryl Gallant
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Challenging times are coming. Now, it is more important than ever for me to put my experience in Parliament to work for you. Time to get to work! Higher Taxes by way of Inflation. Years and Years of federal budget deficits can no longer hide the fact the Canadian economy is in deep trouble.

High inflation is here

The Governor of the Bank of Canada has finally acknowledged this fact. In economics, inflation refers to a general price increase in all prices. When prices go up your dollar buys less.

If the amount of money is growing faster than the economy, which is what happens when governments borrow excessively, money loses value and inflation happens. That's what happened when Germany fired up the printing presses to pay its World War I reparations.

With the costs of everyday goods like gas, groceries, and housing continuing to reach record levels, Liberal government policy seems to want to let the Bank of Canada inflation target lapse altogether. If this happens, Canadians will see prices climb to levels not seen since Pierre Elliot Trudeau was Prime Minister, and inflation rates stood at 12 per cent."

Wonder why you just do not seem to be getting ahead?

The Trudeau government has been hiding the true rate of inflation for years through "*shrinkflation*". *Shrinkflation* happens when you go to the store and the box of your favourite cereal has less in it or a block of cheese is smaller, but is still the same price. Canadians direct about 17 percent of their expenditures to food, more, if you earn or receive less money.

While the federal government's "official" rate of inflation may be 5 percent, when economists look at

shrinkage in packaging and services, the actual rate of inflation is double or triple the "official" rate.

According to a recent report from Statistics Canada, actual checkout prices on select foods at the grocery store far exceed the overall inflation rate. Average yearly retail price increases for meats, produce and dairy items run as high as twenty to thirty percent in some provinces.

How the Trudeau government benefits from miss-stating inflation.

Inflation is measured by pricing a typical basket of goods a household purchases on a regular basis and comparing the prices to the previous month. This is referred to as the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Food for example, is the second largest component of the Consumer Price Index.

If prices are not rising, so the economic theory goes, neither is inflation. Any increases to the funding of government programs follow the CPI, including things like the Old Age Pension. Old Age Security is adjusted by cost-of-living increases as measured by the CPI.

This inflation tax is great news for the superrich, whose stocks, bonds, gold and property have inflated, but terrible news for the workers and seniors whose dollars buy less and less.

Seniors and any other Canadians on a fixed income are the worse affected by *shrinkflation*. Inflation erodes the value of what a dollar will buy. A 500 dollar election bribe for seniors over the age of 75 does not even begin to match the shortfalls in their pensions.

Housing Equity Tax

Those with tangible assets, like property or stocks and bonds, may like to see some inflation as that raises the value of their assets. From a Liberal government point of view looking to raise taxes,

if Canadians' wealth is locked away in real estate, it is harder to tax. The home tax that is being considered by the Trudeau Liberals would be in addition to property taxes paid to municipalities.

Greenflation

While inflation happens when there is a general increase in prices, Greenflation occurs as a result of price increases with the avowed purpose of climate change. Greenflation is Liberal policy. The best example is the Trudeau carbon tax, currently at \$40 per tonne with scheduled hikes until it caps out at \$170/tonne in 2030, (so far). When it comes to the Trudeau carbon tax, higher energy prices are a feature. Better be sitting down when you open your next energy bill if you heat and cook with propane.

Energy Poverty, heat or eat

Canadians are entering winter with alarming energy bills. The cost of natural gas is already up by almost 30%. Forget the Trudeau Liberals blaming supply chain problems and the pandemic, the greenflation policy started with the first deficit budget 6 years ago. This comes at a time when there is scarce scientific or economic evidence that evermore restrictions and runaway inflation are worth the cost of greenflation.

It is not enough to be opposed to emission-free nuclear generated electricity which is the NDP position supported by the new federal Environment Minister. As Europe is now discovering, eliminating clean and reliable sources of electricity will leave people in the dark, shivering in the cold.

Canadians do not know if the benefits from their own government's policies will be worth the costs imposed. This subject is rarely discussed.

According to the federal government-funded Canadian Institute for Climate Choices, government energy policy will eliminate 800,000 jobs in the oil and gas, mining, heavy industry and auto manufacturing sectors.

Those industries account for almost 70 per cent of Canada's exports and generated more than \$300-billion in export revenue and investment in 2019.

Enough

Instead of printing cash with nothing backing it up, create what cash buys: more food, energy, and housing. Here is how.

Make more:

- Approve projects that produce more affordable energy.
- Cut taxes and red tape so farmers, workers, and businesses supply more food and goods.
- Cancel payroll tax hikes to lower the cost of hiring and let workers keep more of their paychecks.

Cost Less:

- Stop printing money for government spending.
- Audit Justin Trudeau's \$100 billion slush fund and return spending to normal pre-COVID levels.
- Shut down the multi-billion-dollar infrastructure bank that has cost a fortune and failed to finish a single project.

Challenging times are here.

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CHRISTMAS 2021

by Randy Vancourt

I regret that I lost both my parents before my children were born so they will never know their grandparents – something that becomes particularly poignant at this time of year. However I often joke that my son is the only kid in second grade with a grandfather who served in World War II. Christmas seems like an ideal time to share some of his wonderful memories.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE PAGEANT

Whoever was responsible for stoking up the fire in the little church that afternoon had miscalculated. They hadn't taken into account the fact that the church would be packed that night from front to back. As I sat there in my winter clothes, the heat was stifling.

My nostrils were assailed by a variety of scents: candle wax, the odour of kerosene lamps, the spicy smell of the freshly-cut Christmas tree in the corner; the kid on my right had a foot-odour problem which his heavy, woolen socks and winter boots were unable to mask and the elderly lady behind me had overdone it with the cheap perfume. The little boy in the next row had done something unmentionable and now sat, shoulders shaking with silent laughter while the kids on either side leaned as far away as possible.

We kids occupied the front rows, while behind us the church was packed to capacity with parents, grandparents, elder siblings and neighbours. This was "The Christmas Tree," the event for which we had been rehearsing these many weeks. The event that was, to us at least, the most important

of the year. Two little one-room schoolhouses, only a couple of miles apart but separated by the county line, had combined forces and their entire enrolment of 40 or thereabouts had come together at the little church that stood midway between, to provide a Christmas entertainment.

Behind me, the sound of many low voices blended into a wordless hum, reminding me of a hive full of bees; while we kids poked, giggled and did all the other devilment that kids do within the anonymity of a group. Wherever the teachers directed a stern look, the commotion would die down, only to break out at a fresh point.

When Santa arrived a few moments later, we were never quite certain whose father or brother was beneath that red suit and all the padding.

Finally, a hush fell over the little church. The minister had stepped onto the improvised stage, a paper in his hand. Tonight he would be our Master of Ceremonies. We kids leaned forward expectantly; the show was about to begin. The teachers had done their work well, every child, from the eldest to the youngest, had one or more parts to perform: a song, a recitation, a part in a skit - perhaps all three. There was a certain rivalry here. We were each of us watching for the kids from the other school to make a mistake.

Starting the show off with the smallest child was probably an error. The first little girl up, a first grader, stood before her audience, head hanging, toes turned in, twisting the front of her skirt, and refused to say a word. From behind the stage curtain, the teacher prompted her first line. The head hung lower, the skirt twisted higher, then suddenly she burst into tears and ran off the stage. The kid with the smelly feet snickered, "I'll bet she wet her pants." The second little girl did

better, reciting her lines flawlessly, although with a few lisps and whistles, caused, no doubt, by her lack of two front teeth.

The show went on, some kids performing well, others poorly. The church organist accompanied the singing on the church's little foot-powered organ. She sat at the organ, back ramrod straight, hair drawn back in a severe bun, hat held atop it by a large hatpin; she could have been a model for a Norman Rockwell painting.

The asthmatic wheezing of the organ's bellows provided a counterpoint to the music and also much merriment to us kids. It was discovered at the last moment that both schools planned to sing "Away in a Manger," so it was decided that we would do it together - the end result was slightly less than melodic.

Finally we kids were finished. Now, we sat back to enjoy the performance of the older teenagers and the adults. A tall young man, who was later to become a lifelong friend of mine, played his guitar and sang. My stepfather brought a roar of laughter when, at a point in the script where he was supposed to wipe his fountain pen on his handkerchief, he hauled an indescribably filthy bandana from his pocket and adlibbed to the audience, "Maw didn't know I had this."

The show was winding down now and we were waiting for the big event of the evening - the arrival of Santa Claus. Just prior to this event each year, a half dozen men at the back of the church would slip quietly out the door, while everyone's attention was fixed upon the stage. When Santa arrived a few moments later, we were never quite certain whose father or brother was beneath that red suit and all the padding. Nor were we ever certain whether it was true that Santa Claus was usually fortified with a couple of pulls from a bottle before making his entrance.

That night as applause for the last performance died down, we heard the jingle of sleigh bells outside and we swivelled round in our seats. The doors burst open with a crash and Santa, bag over his shoulder, came bounding down the aisle with a resounding HO, HO, HO. Had the pull from the bottle affected his judgement? Did the bag over his shoulder upset his balance? We will never

know the reason, but as Santa attempted to gain the stage with one great leap, his foot hit the edge and he rebounded from it and landed on his back, with a crash that shook the little church.

The smaller children looked on in horror and we older ones howled with uncontrollable laughter. The minister and one teacher rushed forward and helped Santa to his feet. Apparently unhurt, he went about his duties of unloading the Christmas tree and presenting the gifts to the children. Then wishing us all a Merry Christmas, he left in a more sedate manner.

That night, as we gathered after the show in groups, the white expanse of the little churchyard, surrounded by snow-laden evergreens and lit by a brilliant full moon, looked like a picture on a Christmas card. Young people slipped off quietly to dark spots, in pairs. Our elders went about shaking hands and wishing each other a Merry Christmas. We kids gathered together, arguing loudly as to whose father it had been inside the Santa Claus costume. I took no part in the discussion, although I knew whose father I had seen rubbing his backside tenderly, when he thought no one was looking.

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Churches, No Cows



by Mel Fisher

Another page from Willie Brant’s diary – So, I went to church on Sunday, was surprised at how small the congregation was, I guess the pandemic has everybody so confused churches don’t even get the legal limit of patrons. Good sermon, the pastor talked about how we are all frightened and confused at our bewildering world, so many lies and contradictions and nonsensical statements we don’t know what to believe, we don’t know what is going on or what we should do. Except maybe make sure we have a supply of toilet paper in the house, and maybe stock up on Kraft dinner and the like as well.

He said we should worry less about what we cannot do anything about, and live our lives as best we can, family, friends, prayer, work and play. Good advice, impossible to do, we are all worrywarts.

Stopped at Joe’s on the way home. Again it is “Coffee time, c’mon in”, interrupting whatever he was doing under his baler, must have found some hay to bale and it needed some work.

So I told Joe about how even the pastor is worried. Joe said he had been doing a lot of thinking since we talked last week, and was even more convinced that religion is our only hope.

“Just think”, he said, “Human nature is not that different from the monkeys and apes, we are full of all kinds of urges and instincts we do not even realize are happening. There are two ways to constrain our evil impulses; one is by a religion, that is a personal code of conduct, where each person takes responsibility for his actions in a belief that we are all two beings, the physical one who dies on this planet, and the spiritual one who lives forever. And his doing evil on this planet will result in serious consequences for that spiritual being!

The other way to curb people’s evil instincts is by coercion, that is an all-powerful elite who

will micromanage every aspect of people’s lives. The problem with this second way is there is no restraining the evil urges and instincts of that elite ruling class, and the worst among them gets to the top. That inevitably leads to harsh dictatorship, conflict, social breakdown, hardship, poverty, death. Look at Cuba or Venezuela. Or the old line from a Russian peasant “we pretend to work, and they pretend to pay us!”

I thought about that, and came up with “I see where you are going, the Americans had their Constitution and we had our Magna Carta to restrain the evil in our leaders, but look at how those are being thrown aside by the monsters in charge, personal freedom and rights under attack, rigged elections and so on!”

Thought some more, then I added “So you are saying the common people who have raised a family and know we are all born with a unique personality have the common sense to know all this, and that is turning them toward religion? Does that mean you think our churches are going to have to get much more active in defending our way of life?”

Joe’s reply “Maybe that is the best hope we have for a future without poverty and starvation. Maybe those pastors doing jail time for standing up for our rights as citizens are a model!”

“Amen” from me, “maybe I will throw an extra 50 bucks in the plate next time I go.” **



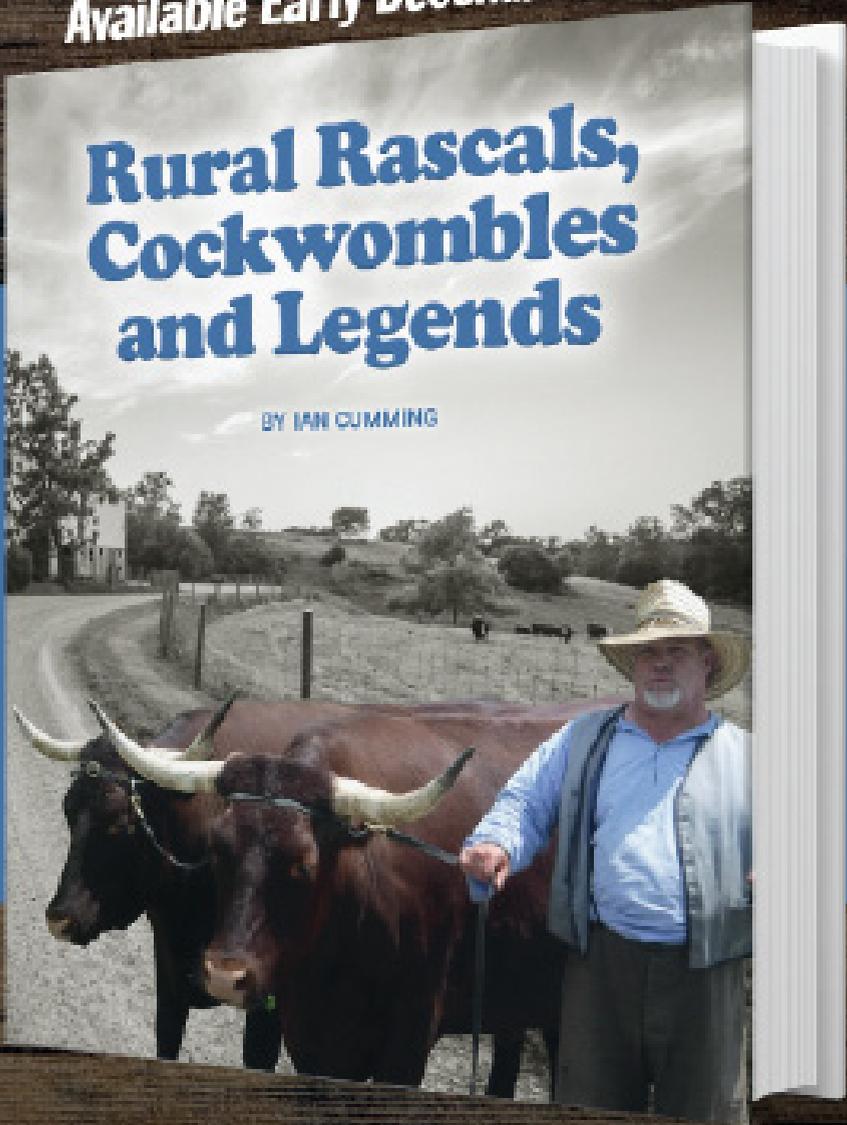
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Media Spin

Bullies honest Journalism

*by Ian Cumming
Agricultural Journalist*

Recently, as in the past, I interviewed a soldier who had served in deadly combat. Soldiers will be the most popular shared tweet by modern media on November 11. But sitting down eye to eye and talking to them, writing their stories – it rarely happens in today’s journalism.

Perhaps modern media know the readership better than I. No one wants to know, only having revulsion. Or prefer not having their sensibilities ruffled.

“I interviewed a great soldier last night,” I said on the soccer sidelines in Ottawa the next night. An educated, smart person beside me started to mockingly quote Kipling, the poem about the British soldier, doing his job. Not for him to question why.

Several days later I repeated the same line to a co – editor of a rural weekly newspaper. “They are brainwashed to think that way, you know,” she said with a not too subtle level of contempt.

No doubt, for Remembrance Day coverage her publication will run the picture of some wreaths laid at the cenotaph. Providing the Health Unit allowed them to be laid by someone representing the Township double masked, triple vaccinated and standing atop of the government mandated socially distanced circle.

How has media got to this point?

It was suggested recently, with the graphic of sucking piglets on a sow, that agriculture journalists were beholden to government. In lieu of the huge grants directed to their publications.

I personally, when operating in my own lane, see that funding as being paid enough so you can do those investigative stories of government ineptness and spin. Versus those without government funding on the moral media high ground, showing the suckling pig graphic, never breaking a story ever.

With little money to pay journalists, totally beholden to advertisers’ whims and whines.

Journalists are a varied lot, but as a group reflect the society they are covering.

A society that is confused, highly reactive to gushing at, or braying in anger at tripe. With limited knowledge of history, the wider world, or even their neighbours’ beliefs.

With governments sending in the robed masked men on horseback behind the fiery cross to frighten the unvaccinated, some reporters mount up and join the posse.

About 60 per cent of my close friends and family are not vaccinated.

What’s my effectiveness as a rural journalist, if my world was so insular, I wasn’t integrated with and aware of both sides?

I never expected my dear friends who milk organic cows to be otherwise. Then there is the nearby, young dairy farming lady, refusing vaccination, with some of the best Holstein genetics in the world.

Who, having COVID along with her family, asked for a medical test and has antibodies 73 per cent above the fully vaccinated level.

Then there are the rural religious communities who logically went for, and achieved, full immunity.

Some are just wary. Like those dairy producers that wouldn’t use BST.

The unvaccinated realize that politicians are too inept to hatch a conspiracy. But know they are controlled by big money. Walmart open, the corner store shut down. Drug companies and China influencing governments.

They also personally look after their elderly. Never trusting when politics and health intertwine.

A renowned Quebec doctor, (a vaccine advocate) shared reality over Thanksgiving turkey.

Every year the normal flu vaccine given in North America is tweaked for new variants. Based in a large part on what Australia – their winter is our summer – had battled just prior.

Some years they get the revised mixture right. Other years it has the medical potency of Holy Water in the back of church.

COVID, albeit with more lethality, is and will continue to be that juggle. Just like the flu. Which has always been with us.

Politics, which can't help itself, falsely gave the impression that this vaccine was like smallpox. We all get jabbed, we are safe.

An historic first for viruses.

Are there people out there not terrified about this ongoing reality, anymore than the flu? Do they feel this doesn't justify shutting down an economy, ruining peoples lives?

Yes.

My unvaccinated daughter in England has never worn a mask teaching, nor any of her students. Her job is secure.

If you're going to quote the Queen, at least know she stands for freedom. And science.

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CLA Campaign to Stop Industrial Wind Turbines in Ottawa

by Shirley Dolan

In April 2020, while following the City of Ottawa's development of their New Official Plan, I discovered a document called Energy Evolution Strategy. Contained in the document was a plan to install 710 industrial wind turbines on prime agricultural land in rural Ottawa. Soon after the discovery of the document, the Carleton Landowners Association (CLA) embarked on a campaign to let as many people know about the City's plans, as possible. Our concern was that the City was not being transparent about their plans. Questions to staff and councillors met with convoluted explanations that there were NO plans to construct wind turbines in Ottawa but their actions demonstrated otherwise.

We were told that the Energy Evolution Strategy was a "concept" so we shouldn't worry too much about what it contains. However, funding from Hydro Ottawa dividends and from the draft Budget 2022 are being directed to implement the projects described in the document.

The CLA used email, Facebook, mail, and unaddressed mail to let residents know about the industrial wind turbines. As individuals, we spoke to friends, family and neighbours and phoned and emailed our City representatives and staff. We attended and spoke at virtual public consultation meetings. We partnered with groups such as Ottawa Wind Concerns and Industrial Wind Action Canada.

And, we made a difference.

Our goal was to alert as many people as possible to the potential for hundreds of wind turbines to be sited on farmland in Ottawa. And we succeeded. Councillors remarked that they had heard from many people who are concerned about the wind turbines.

Ottawa Wind Concerns submitted a motion to amend the Official Plan. This motion was reworded

and submitted at the Joint Planning and ARAC Meeting by Councillor Scott Moffatt. It passed the Joint Meeting and also the Council meeting on October 27th.

The new paragraph in Section 4.11 of the Official Plan reads:

"6) Large-scale provincially regulated wind turbines are not permitted on lands designated Agricultural Resource Area. This policy does not apply to small-scale wind generation associated with a permitted principal use."

A good start but this still leaves lots of farmland available for wind turbines. Lots of farms are designated rural general.

On another note, I finally received an answer to my question about the siting of large industrial sized wind turbines in Ottawa from the Ministry of the Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process. Yes, there is indeed a provincial process for wind turbines in Ontario, contrary to what Ottawa City Councillors and staff are telling us.

According to REA, the regulation that governs the renewable energy approval process is Ontario Regulation 359/09, which is available here: <https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/090359> Among other requirements, this regulation outlines setbacks between project components and sensitive receptors such as residences, as well as setbacks from sensitive natural features. Those proposing to develop renewable energy projects (that require a REA approval) must meet these requirements. In 2019, our ministry made amendments to Ontario Regulation 359/09 to:

- **Require renewable energy developers to demonstrate demand for the electricity they propose to generate**

- This meant that the ministry would no longer accept REA applications from proponents that haven't clearly demonstrated demand for the

electricity they were proposing to produce (either through an energy contract or own use)

- **Give local municipalities authority over the siting of renewable energy projects.**

- o This meant that the ministry would only accept REA applications if the proponent provided confirmation that the host municipality allowed such development in the location proposed

The second bullet is also contrary to what we have been told by Councillors and staff: that the

City has no say over whether we get industrial wind turbines. This bullet seems to indicate that the municipality has quite a bit of say over if/where wind turbines go.

Thanks for everyone’s help and support.

Next step for the Official Plan is the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for approval.

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Shirley Dolan



Acceptable Hatred

by Roger Graves

As I write these words, the latest buzz in the ongoing saga of the anti-Israel boycott, divestment and sanctions (BDS) movement is that an Irish author, Sally Rooney, has refused to allow her latest book to be translated into Hebrew, and thus be read by most people in Israel. This does of course assume that the average Israeli would want to read any of her books, which is not a given, and also raises the suspicion that this was done mainly for publicity reasons, since I for one had never heard of Ms Rooney until now. However, it does raise the question of why people are so quick to cast Israel as the international villain among the nations of the world.

There are many nations which ought to garner our attention as international villains. China is blithely conducting what looks suspiciously like a genocidal campaign against its Uighur minority. Russia will happily imprison political opponents at home and murder them abroad. Many Middle-Eastern countries look more like bloody-minded feudal theocracies than modern democracies, but it is Israel, always Israel, which is the object of our scorn and hatred.

Yet when I say our scorn and hatred, I am really only referring to left-wing types. Rarely will you find a conservative or libertarian indulging in BDS antics. The United Church of Canada, which has been described as the NDP at prayer, is very strong on BDS, but not so the Catholic Church. BDS support is pretty much a given in any university, which are almost always bastions of left-wing thought. Since we have this left-wing/right-wing distinction with regard to Israel hatred, one has to wonder why such a thing should be.

The salient fact about Israel is not so much that it is the only true democracy in a sea of undemocratic nations in the Middle East, but that it

is the world's only Jewish state. Other nations may contain large Jewish populations (both Canada and the US do), but Israel is the only nation which is founded upon the Jewish faith. Since left-wing types do not automatically hate democracy, or at least they pay lip service to the general idea of it, one is led to believe that the left-wing hatred of Israel is at heart a hatred of Judaism, and that hatred of Israel as a nation is merely a disguise for this.

When one considers the history of Jewish persecution, it becomes apparent that Jews have far more to fear from the left wing than from the right wing. Stalin's Russia was famous for persecuting Jews, as was Hitler's Germany (and yes, Hitler was a socialist – for a start, the real name of the Nazi Party was the National Socialist German Workers' Party). So why this antipathy between Judaism and the left wing?

Delving into what seems to be the driving principles of left-wing thought, left-wing types believe in isms. Marxism, communism, socialism – all imply universal social theories to which the human race must be forced to conform. Anything or anybody that gets in the way of the ultimate triumph of the ism of the day must be fought against and rejected (and for preference, sent to the Gulag). Laws, which to the left-wing mind are but petty, man-made restrictions, can and should be ignored if they get in your way. This was very evident in the US recently, when Covid-19 lockdown restrictions were happily ignored by all and sundry when a BLM or Antifa protest march was to take place. 1200 medical professionals recently signed a letter saying that such demonstrations were more important than Covid-19 lockdowns, in spite of the medical profession previously advising everyone that the necessity for lockdowns overrode every other consideration.

In contrast, Jews believe in the law. For nearly two thousand years they have been a stateless people, subject to the whims of any monarch or president who decided they were a temporary inconvenience. Their only refuge has been the law, which in this context means a body of rules about what higher authorities in any land can and cannot do. Laws have not always saved Jews from persecution, but they are better than nothing.

And so we have this fundamental antipathy between Judaism and the left wing. Jews cling to laws because they are their only defence when persecution rears its ugly head, whereas the left wing dislikes and fears the law (unless they in their turn need it to protect themselves) because it interferes with the triumphant march of their latest ism. Small wonder that the left wing is instinctively antagonistic to Israel. They can't at this time come straight out and say they hate Jews (Hitler made that unfashionable), but hating Israel is the next best thing. But give them a chance and it may well become acceptable once more to openly hate Jews, to refuse to shake hands with Jews, to smash the windows of Jewish-owned shops and businesses. After all, if it could be done in Hitler's Germany, why not here? Already in some of our universities, Jewish students don't feel safe.

Who cares about the Jews you might say? But it isn't only Jews who find themselves in the left-wing crosshairs. In the words of Martin Niemöller, a Lutheran Pastor from Hitler's Germany:

*First they came for the Communists—
and I did not speak out because I was not a Communist*

*Then they came for the Jews—
and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew.*

*Then they came for the trade unionists—
and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist.*

*Then they came for the Catholics—
and I did not speak out because I was not a Catholic.*

*Then they came for me—and by that time no one
was left to speak for me.*

In our social media-obsessed society it is becoming increasingly acceptable to express disdain leading to hatred for some group or other. Straight white men, people who aren't vaccinated, women who stay home and raise families rather than having a career – the list goes on and on. Perhaps we should take a step back the next time we instinctively dismiss some group or other, and look at the world from their point of view. After all, who knows when we might find ourselves to be a member of one of these groups.

Perhaps the world would be a better place if we all gave up our isms and the obsessive hatreds they seem to engender. I count myself as a conservative (note the small 'c' – being a conservative doesn't necessarily mean agreeing with everything the Conservative Party says or does). Being a conservative means seeing the world as it is rather than blindly following a universal theory to which the world must be forced to conform. Being a conservative means basing your ideas on the limits of perfectibility of the human race rather than on a blue-sky view of what people ought to be like in an ideal world. And it doesn't require you to hate anyone

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Normal People vs The Awoke



by Michael Ilgert

Generally speaking, there are two broad types of people, each with one or more subgroups. If we look at US politics for example, you would vote either Democrat or Republican and the voting for President is often quite close. In Canada, we have three main parties and some minor ones but it still results in a Liberal or Conservative prime minister.

We often view someone as being on the left or right politically. Again, this is a generalization as the right believes in smaller government, independence, freedom, responsibility and being fiscally conservative. Many on the right are self employed and may operate a business. There is also a subgroup that goes above and beyond. They have enormous courage and confidence and want to make major changes. They are natural leaders but often don't get the support and respect they deserve. Examples in Canadian politics are Max Bernier and Randy Hillier. An example in agriculture would be raw milk farmer Michael Schmidt.

The left believes in larger government, more social services and views government as a friend, a boss, a protector. Many on the left receive some form of government remuneration as a civil servant, teacher, health care provider or on social services. The left also has a larger subgroup that wants government to solve everything. They seem to lack self confidence in themselves and others to solve their own issues and want government to do it for them. Think of the typical NDP voter or leader. They seem to be well meaning nice people but are quite delusional in that they believe money constantly falls from the sky and it is their duty to gather it all up and give it to some worthy cause!

This brings me to the global and of course Canadian Covid-19 pandemic and roll out of vaccines. Since March 2020, we have seen a dramatic paradigm shift in views and beliefs. Our governments, health officials and mainstream media have combined to create a sense of fear of impending death to citizens and their families. This has resulted in a literal parade toward totalitarianism!

The majority stayed home, worked from their kitchen table, wore their masks, social distanced and waited for vaccines that seemed to take forever. They believed the "Fear Porn" and ridiculed anyone who did not agree or asked questions or offered safe and inexpensive solutions like building up our immune systems! These are the normal people.

On the other hand, a small majority of critical thinking and courageous citizens questioned the government dogma from the beginning. They wondered, "How serious is this virus?" "Is it worse than the flu?" "If this is a respiratory virus, why is the government not encouraging fresh air and sunshine?" "Why no Vit D, C and zinc therapy?" "Are there other options?"

When the vaccines eventually were available and were called "safe and effective", they questioned how this was possible as it normally takes several years. They questioned the need for two doses, the space between doses and how long immunity would last. Although they were not anti-vaccine necessarily, they were very hesitant of these jabs. Many doctors started to speak out against these vaccines questioning their safety. Some doctors and scientists even said that not only were these

vaccines not safe or effective, that they were in fact dangerous and could cause numerous adverse side effects and deaths after receiving the vaccine! Some of these Canadian doctors included Dr. Mark Trozzi and Dr. Byram Bridle along with nurse Kristen Nagle. They all lost their employment for speaking out!

These people I consider the AWAKE. They for the most part refused the vaccines. For many it cost them their livelihood. Their guiding principles were truth and health and believed the government, medical community and mainstream media were providing neither.

The question I am often asked is, “Why are the majority pro Covid-19 vaccine and a small minority opposed?” Or in other words, why are most people, “normal” and the others, “awake”?

This goes to psychology and belief systems. I admit I am still trying to understand this all. If you believe that big government and our health care system is there to help help you and support you from birth to grave, then you probably swallowed everything about Covid-19 hook, line and sinker! Even if you had doubts, you certainly wanted to believe the government cared for you and knew what was best.

If you had a healthy distrust of government and are an independent thinker and believe in being responsible at least in part for your own health, then you questioned everything. You soon called this a plandemic, a war using bio weapons to reduce the population and enrich the already super rich!

From what I have been reading and seeing, we are in for a rough winter in many respects. There will be food and other shortages. There will be many deaths. Some from the vaccine, some from surgeries that never happened, some from suicides and overdoses.

Here are some solutions:

- Prepare! Have food, money, fuel, etc in reserve. Be self-sufficient as much as possible.
- Look in the mirror! Admit to yourself the truth about your life and strive to be responsible for your own life and your family.

Your job is not to change the world or the government. Look after yourself and your family first.

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Skeptical of the New and Improved PAWS

*Hello from the
old Jackass*

Howdy folks,

On October 28, 2021 courtesy of Norfolk & Tillsonburg News and Postmedia the article “Two calves found dead in possible animal cruelty case in Haldimand” was released.

Being curious and interested in the facts of the discovery I dissected the discovery and remain puzzled.

As all Landowners are aware, the OSPCA exited animal cruelty enforcement following a charter challenge victory courtesy of Mr. Jeff Bogaerts. Incidentally, Premiere Ford’s government over threw the victory and replaced the charity with the new PAWS (Provincial Animal Welfare Services). This group is now under government guidance unlike their predecessors who were a private charity.

The article reveals “40 calves, 2 piglets and a turkey that were believed to be abandoned on the property.”

With puzzled interest I also discovered, “The exact location of the property where the distressed animals were found or the name of nearby communities were not released.” I am totally at a loss why the veil of secrecy over this discovery, yet it is openly released to the media. I can only postulate that the authorities remain mute so no experienced good Samaritans can intervene and appropriately assist the accused.

Ironically, a second case of animal cruelty on Oct 18 involving 5 kittens in a dumpster and one dead in a bucket of water also occurred in Haldimand County in Hagersville. Are the two cases possibly related? Sorry, I’m not a psychic but openly confess I’m a skeptic when it comes to animal cruelty enforcement. Could the entire antics have been staged by some sadistic and devious animal rescue operation?

It seems animal cruelty cases have declined since government has taken the wheel courtesy of PAWS with no charitable agenda.

The news release also relays two calves were found dead at the “abandoned” property. As a well read neo-phyte, I understand dead-stock disposal is currently a non-existent contentious issue within rural Ontario.

Animal cruelty is interpreted in many ways by different people with varied upbringing and idealism’s.

An animal activist may view a dead calf as a crime. In reality calves like all creatures can expire courtesy of a number of reasons, all within the law.

A staunch vegan may equate legal animal slaughter as a murderous ritual. I personally equate slaughter with a delicious future meal. In essence, day to day survival can be a cruel and arduous affair. Renege on paying your property taxes and you will be tossed out on the street.

In closing, animal cruelty sells newspapers and incites emotional responses. Relating only the tip of the ice berg is poor journalism and sadly in no way assists the accused.

Seeing is believing and I have personally waged war against the former OSPCA enforcers. They were incompetent and cruel to the core and this is why I am skeptical of the new and improved PAWS team, many who were former OSPCA. 98% of the former draconian OSPCA Act is encompassed in the new Provincial Animal Services Act. Courtesy of the initial charter victory, what was old is new again. One can christen a dog a pig but unfortunately it will always be a pig. It’s evident that things don’t always appear as they are depicted in the news.

Sincerely,

THE OLD JACKASS

WHAT TO DO BEFORE THEY COME FOR YOU

Many of you will be familiar with a guide called “What to do WHEN They Come for You”. Written several years ago to help landowners cope with unwanted visitors who enter their property unannounced and uninvited, this guide is available in every edition of the Landowner Voices online magazine. At one time, we also had this information printed on small business-size cards that we made available to members and the general public at Landowner meetings.

The information in the guideline is more important than ever in the uncertain times introduced by governments in the hope of controlling COVID. No matter where you stand on these restrictions, especially in Ontario, of lockdown measures and the removal of civil liberties, it is a good idea to know your rights if/when an unwanted visitor comes knocking on your door.

For our “What to do When They Come for You” document, please see one of the editions of the online Landowner Voices magazine at <https://ontariolandowners.ca/>. We thought we should also provide some guidance on what to do BEFORE they come for you. Two simple suggestions:

- Make sure you have a barrier across the entrance to your property. This can be a gate or a chain, or even a rope – something to signal that there is no right of first entry.

- Post a no trespassing sign. In Ontario, a four-inch red dot is a universal no trespassing sign. You will sometimes see these painted on trees in woodlots along the fence line to indicate that trespassing, without permission of the owner, is not allowed. We prefer our OLA Back Off Government/No Trespassing signs. While the red dot may not be understood by everyone, there is no mistaking the message on our OLA signs. Contact your local Ontario Landowners Group <https://ontariolandowners.ca/ontario-landowners-association-ola-chapters/> to obtain a sign. For a limited time, we are offering the signs at no cost to members and for a small donation to non-members.



- It's a good idea to record (video or audio) any discussions with unwanted visitors about their right to enter your property so make sure your smart phone or other recording device is charged at all times.
- The National Farmers Union also offers some information on unwanted visitors to private property in Ontario. See <https://nfuontario.ca/new/know-your-rights-when-dealing-with-trespassers/>.

by the OLA

Letter to Elgin County on inclusion of Natural Heritage Systems Study (ENHSS) into their Official Plan

By Leith Coughlin,

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Dear all,

I share this correspondence with you as I believe you may find it valuable. Many of the points raised are applicable across Ontario as municipalities contemplate their obligations under the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* regarding natural heritage systems' identification and definition. While this is specific to Elgin County (where I reside) the background and overall discussion are applicable everywhere.

I welcome any questions, comments, or concerns you may have.

1. **Introduction**

Under normal circumstances I would be on top of the progress of the Elgin County Official Plan update; regrettably, delayed items due to the pandemic that are seasonal in nature have consumed my attention. I provide this letter as a formal signal of EnPointe Public Affairs' significant concerns regarding the possible inclusion, in whole or in part, of the Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study (ENHSS) produced in 2019 into an updated County Official Plan. The study's methodology, empirical rigour, and scientific defensibility on ecological and legal grounds are untenable in most instances.

2. **Background**

EnPointe Public Affairs has over the past six years represented a large constituency of Elgin County's largest private landowners. The acreage and the operations they support are crucial to this County's economy. Many are significant employers in the various lower-tier municipalities. Most of the interactions on substantive issues with which EnPointe has been engaged rise to the levels of provincial and federal jurisdictions and the delegated agencies of both. The need for involvement with Elgin County has been minimal in comparison.

3. **How Ontario Arrived at Natural Heritage Systems Studies**

The evolution of natural heritage studies' origins, as suggested best practices in environmental stewardship in Ontario, began in the late 2000s. The push to evaluate ecologically significant features in defined regions was rooted in eco-activism voiced by large, often multi-jurisdictional environmental groups. Significant monetary and political capital was expended by these interests between 2005-2014 to persuade the province to mandate natural heritage

systems studies into provincial planning and land-use management regulations and statutes.

As you are aware, revisions to the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) are a pentennial occurrence. The government of Dalton McGuinty twice rejected incorporation of NHSS mandates into the PPS between 2005-2013. The government of Premier Kathleen Wynne however adopted the twice-rejected frameworks for inclusion in the 2014 PPS. There is scant evidence in the public record that any standards of correctness, efficacy, and/or reasonableness were afforded much weight by the province prior to the 2014 incorporation.

This reality has presented considerable (and avoidable) conflicts for municipalities ever since when attempting to adhere to the 2014 PPS. The obligations both direct and inferred go beyond the resources and scope upon which small and medium-sized upper-tier municipalities can rely.

The February 2020 PPS retained, without amendment or revision, the 2014 NHSS mandate and stipulations. EnPointe would be so bold as to declare the current provincial government omitted revision of the NHSS portions of the PPS in error.

Our firm is currently engaged by a multitude of interests across Ontario to provide better alternative options for the province on the NHSS mandate. EnPointe is also scheduled to advocate on fundamental resets for the *Municipal Act* and the *Planning Act* in the latter part of 2022.

EnPointe and its clientele who take interest in these matters support correct, evidence-supported, innovative, procedure-based, and reasonable protection of Ontario's air, soils, water, and wildlife. Current Ontario laws and regulations do not rise to these characteristics.

Ontario's track-record and outcomes in these domains are not positive to date and lack any reliable assessments or metrics. Two obvious examples are found in the two largest resource and conservation expenditures in the province. The superseded Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the province's thirty-six conservation authorities have never had performance audits conducted to determine whether their conservation and environmental management goals are being achieved.

Further, in the rare instances where exceptional analysis

has occurred, the results have been consistently poor. The most telling manifested in the 2018 Auditor General of Ontario's special report into the Niagara Region Conservation Authority. This was the first and only time a conservation authority in Ontario had been performance audited. The results were alarming. I raise these nuances for context and edification.

4. Applicability in Elgin County

It is EnPointe's assessment that any reasonable culmination of the ENHSS can follow effectively two courses of action.

The first and most practical would be to limit any application or validity of the ENHSS to public lands only. This would satisfy the outward intent of the PPS and maintain conformity with the County's obligations under the PPS.

This course of action would also require, and cannot exclude, effective firewalls to prevent encroachment/encumbrances of features designated on public lands onto privately-owned lands. EnPointe would also underscore that identification of features on private lands could neither be included nor appended as "information" to inform readers or government reviewing a new Official Plan. This would be the simplest executable avenue and would enable Elgin to complete its needed Official Plan update. Sorting out the conflicts obvious in the current NHSS mandate would remain a provincial burden to clarify for the next PPS.

The second avenue would be to abandon the NHSS altogether. This presents complications for Elgin County council despite our firm's view that this would ultimately be optimal.

Bad process begets bad policy. Bad policy produces conflict. Conflict costs taxpayers and stretches limited municipal resources.

I am not confident a complete rejection would be embraced by a prevailing majority of the councillors seated around County's hemi-circle; thus, applying a limited application to public lands with no private-land encroachment I suspect would be the most practical compromise.

5. Review Conditions and Interpretations in Elgin County

Our firm will not become engrossed in debate or public litigation with either staff or council as to whether the ENHSS can be adopted or included in piecemeal fashion.

The ENHSS is not simply a "technical" document as articulated on several occasions publicly by councillors Jones, Ketchabaw, Martyn, and Mennill since 2019. These interpretations are incorrect and

demonstrate significant misapprehension/absence of fluency in the ENHSS and the overall PPS obligations.

Another consideration mentioned by councillors Martyn, McPhail, and Purcell is to include the ENHSS as an appendix to a new official plan for "information" purposes that are undefined.

Neither EnPointe nor our clientele regard this positively; interests in Elgin would rely upon this regardless of its status as 'authoritative' or 'adopted' or 'included.' This view is reinforced by conduct observed in recent years even at County.

In 2015, Elgin County Council deferred adoption (never since reassessed) of the Elgin County Shoreline Management Plan (ECSMP) given the controversial nature of same and, as pointed out by multiple actors (including EnPointe), due to scientific and technical problems identified in the material.

Despite this, Elgin County planning attempted to incorporate technicalities published in the ECSMP in 2018-2019 into recommendations to council on planning considerations. This was despite a decision three years earlier not to use the ECSMP in county planning or as an acceptable technical framework. Analogous to the ECSMP, a tacit inclusion of the ENHSS outside public lands in Elgin County, can reasonably be forecast to set conditions for its acceptance and use. In simple terms: if it lives it will breathe; if it is slain it will die; if it is leashed it cannot run away.

6. Public Notification and Consultation Incomplete

EnPointe would add that there has been little obvious notification in respect of public input. County and the seven lower tiers in Elgin maintain direct lines of communication to ratepayers via tax assessments. EnPointe has frequently observed comments from Elgin County council about inviting public and stakeholder participation but "we hold it and no one comes" (words similar expressed by councillors Martyn and Mennill as recently as the fall 2020).

Publicity on same via print media is ineffective in reaching the majority of local residents. Few subscribe to that media any longer. EnPointe would note that finding any major indications as to County's intent would require significant investigation by a web-user or citizen – particularly those with limited familiarity with how and available time to access municipal

decisions and policies. Notification of Official Plan updates, potential environmental encumbrances, and any zoning and permitted use(s) changes warrant direct communication with affected ratepayers at a minimum. We appreciate that Elgin County has formalized a consultative framework. Why this was done when several other enhanced municipal frameworks were available for adaptation in Elgin is unclear. Any defence ultimately that ‘adequate’ notification has occurred absent a direct notification to a tax-assessed property owner simply does not hold even when the additional, Elgin-devised consultative framework is taken into account. There is no substitute for direct correspondence and notification when increased costs, encumbrances/encroachments, and new rules arise. Jurisdictions in eastern Ontario have felt the impact of citizen backlash in respect of these very considerations since 2015.

7. Next Steps and Request for Direction

EnPointe is prepared to make high-level representations on where the flaws exist on the NHSS, on the incomplete rationale behind its regulatory intent, and why controlled, limited application is warranted. We do however require your office’s direction on the intake options with staff as a substantive review and in any public

process on broad comments.

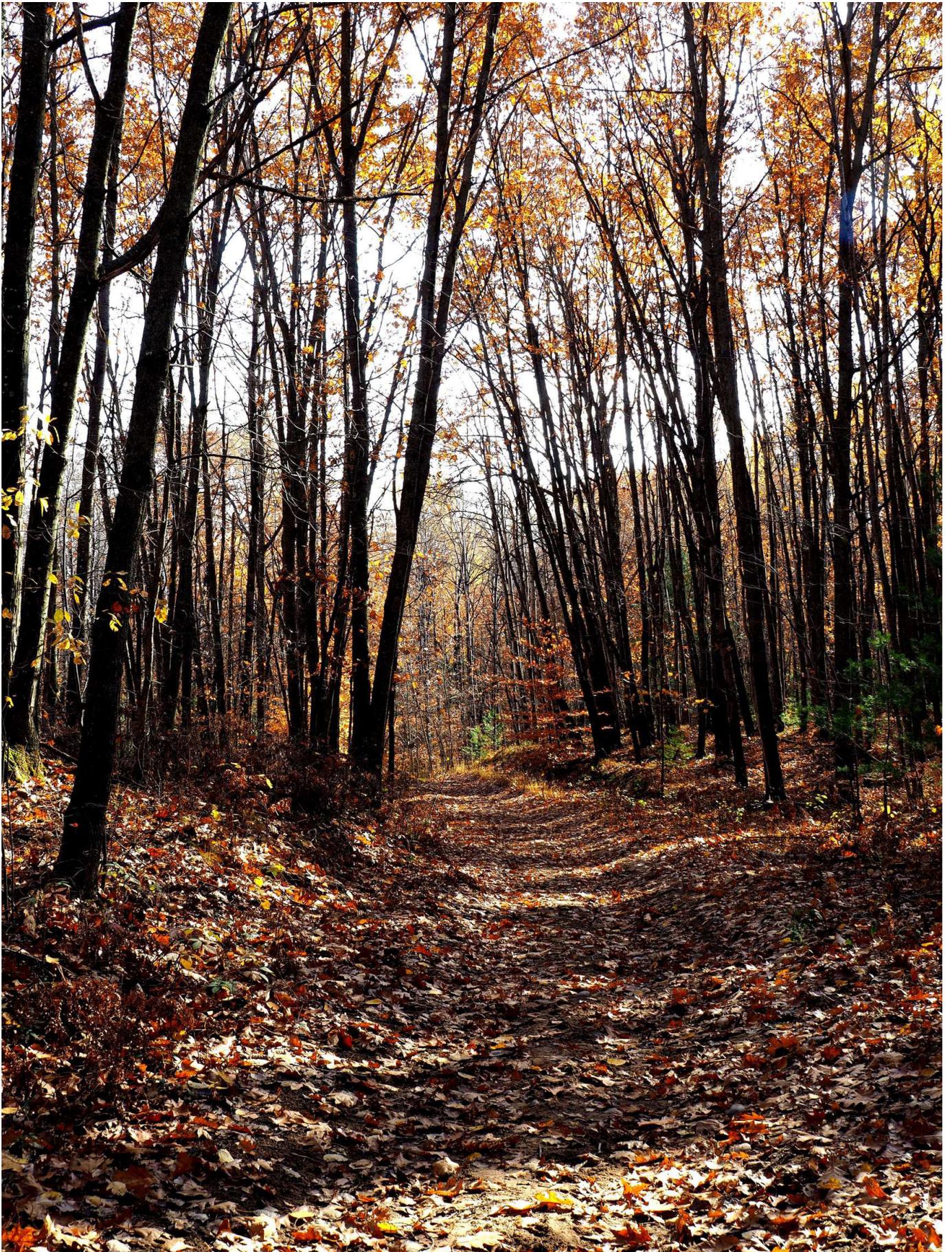
EnPointe wishes to be helpful to inform County beyond what is extant to produce a correct and reasonable outcome. We trust this correspondence will not be viewed as a collateral attack on County’s efforts.

Many of the influencers and personalities that began the ENHSS process are no longer present and the results/recommendations on the table are not organic or native to Elgin County as an institution. The NHSS mandate is not original to Elgin and rests with the province. Permitting the influence and impact however is well within Elgin County’s spectrum of control.

I look forward to your direction and any comments or replies you deem warranted. All are welcome.

Leith R.A. Coghlin





New Summer Challenges What Next?



by Marlene Black

Well, what has changed since the last time that I wrote? Besides all the chickens, ducks and lambs that Tom still has overrunning our back yard, when it came to grain farming, he and our son Jesse decided that after years of hiring custom operators to do our fields, it was time that he and dad branched out and did it themselves. With luck it would be all smooth sailing they hoped, with their fingers crossed.

So the hunt for inexpensive, old machinery that wasn't that popular with the large scale grain farmers, began. Tom spent many hours searching through the internet websites, auctions and machinery dealers looking for what might work. Many were in southern Ontario, a bit of a hike but alas, his search finally paid off.

He found a 'no-till' planter down by Hamilton and so began the journey of bringing it home. With luck and a trucker, we were able to have it arrive a few weeks later. Why No-Till? To cut down on time spent in the field. That are a lot of hours spent sitting on a tractor going over the same 90 acres before the seed goes in. It can involve plowing, cultivating, disking and harrowing which helps loosen the soil, so this was a big consideration. A long standing thought for Tom was that he wanted to try a "no-till" seeder which supposedly plants the seed in ground that hasn't had to be worked up a lot.

They also needed a sprayer and one was found in Shawville, Quebec area which wasn't too far away. Jesse and Tom went up to look it over and although there were some issues that the owner told them about, they decided to buy it and then hauled it home. The price was right and Tom figured that those problems were fixable...and they were.

All looked well but as with any old machine, the kinks are hidden from the

eye and reveal themselves when the machine is tested out. It turned that it hadn't been cleaned before storing and had leaks, broken hoses and pipes, it was missing the main filter (which was later brought to us by the owner) and the foam markers weren't working. With modifications and improvised fix-it solutions and repairs, all the spraying was done without major incidents although the absence of the foam markers saw patches of weeds spring up later in the summer which had to be resprayed.

Besides the combine, the only other essential missing links were the absence of good wagons. We didn't yet have what we needed but luck was with us and our neighbour, who just retired from farming, had three grain wagons and an auger which we bought. My granddaughter was able to patch a few holes in them with some good old duck tape and they were ready to roll.

So with a seeder and sprayer, they were all set to wait for good weather and get the crop started. When the planting of his 90 acres of soya beans was done, there was time now, to search for a combine. Tom had one in mind and Jesse found it through his many searches. It was sitting in a



large barn in Smith Falls having not been used for several years...a bit of a concern. However, it was the well renowned 40 year old Allis Chalmers famous "Gleaner F2" combine. We set up a time to meet the farmer and the three of us went up to see what it was like. It looked good and Jesse spent almost a good hour checking out all the outside parts. There were some concerns but time was of the essence and the price they agreed upon settled the deal.

The first 'red light' was the drive home. It wouldn't go more than 10 miles an hour so it was turned back and parked in the barn until Jesse could return with all his tools to work on it. With oil, fuel and his necessary toolbox, he was able to get it running fast enough for the 2 hour drive home.

When the combine was parked at the shop, a more thorough inspection was done along with the standard maintenance routine. This combined with a few attempts in the field, revealed a long list of issues such as the variable speed which was not working and was the reason for the 10 mile speed limit. As the problems arose, Jesse and Tom tackled them. The wobbly big bearing was replaced as well as the jaws in the slip clutch which were broken in 3 pieces. The combine headed for the field and ran well for the first 20 acres but was cut short by the alternator quitting. Luck was with them when Dan R. Equipment was able to source parts for it rather quickly and it was soon back in the field. Because the plastic fingers on the reels had been chewed by the knives, this caused problems feeding in the beans and many frustrating unintended stops to unplug the machine. This was fixed by adding round bale belting on the reels. It ran better after that but all was still not well. After heading back to the field at the far end of the farm, on a good sunny day, the motor quit. Our good luck combine seemed to be running out of luck.

Studying the manual is a big help but it has its limits. The men were puzzled at this latest curve ball. With the help of some friends with a lot of knowledge on Allis Chalmers they learned that a common issue with these machines was the plugging of the relief valve in the body of

the injection pump. With frustration building and time of the essence, this last problem was attacked and once again, Jesse set out to combine the soya beans.

With all the false starts and a multitude of mechanical problems, this last ditch effort paid off and all the beans were on the wagons, the semi-trailer that we'd hired to transport our beans arrived and the beans were augered into truck and headed for storage.

And that was part of our summer saga...that, and the lack of rain. **



The Following is a letter sent to the Office of the Premier of Ontario from a number of concerned professionals regarding the COVID - 19 vaccine mandates for Ontario's Hospital workers:

October 28, 2021

Office of the Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Re: COVID-19 vaccine mandates for Ontario's hospital workers. Response to the October 19 Science Table COVID-19 Advisory for Ontario recommendations to Premier Ford

Dear Premier Ford, Please accept our response to the recommendations issued by the Ontario COVID-19 Science Advisory Table (SAT). 1 We represent scientists, health experts and professionals, and academics from various disciplines who have closely followed, evaluated, and reported on the province's handling of COVID-19 since the WHO declared it a pandemic. We write in the spirit of informing your assessment of the policy of vaccine mandates for Ontario's hospital workers endorsed by the SAT report authors. We also expect that our analysis will inform your decision on vaccine mandate policy in other sectors, such as education.

Like the authors of the SAT report, we have addressed specifically the province's handling of hospital workers, among which we include frontline healthcare workers, contractors, students, and volunteers. Like them as well, we emphasize the importance of protecting vulnerable patients from SARS-Cov-2 infections in hospital settings, minimizing disruption in our hospitals due to staffing shortages, and protecting the health, safety, and well-being of hospital workers who have been, as the SAT reports rightly points out, the "backbone of the province's response to COVID-19." Let us not forget that not so long ago these hospital workers were highly praised for their dedication and sacrifices in support of those most severely ill with COVID-19.

In a stark departure from the SAT report, however, whose authors advise you to require that all healthcare workers receive the COVID-19 vaccine products, we strongly advise against this policy: there

is no scientific evidence supporting forced vaccination – rather, there is mounting evidence against it - the policy severely undermines both the well-being of healthcare workers and of the patients who need their assistance, and forced vaccination infringes on the universally accepted principle of informed consent, and may even constitute a crime against humanity with major legal repercussions for those who lead, or collaborate with, its implementation.²

The authors of the SAT report base their recommendations on 4 incorrect claims.

1. That COVID-19 vaccines are safe;
2. That COVID-19 vaccines are effective;
3. That general infection prevention and control to reduce the spread of COVID-19 is imperfect whereas vaccines provide safe and effective protection; and,
4. That efforts to counter 'vaccine hesitancy' among the most vulnerable, e.g., racialized workers, through 'education' and 'personalized outreach', will lead to trust building and will avoid losing 'valuable members of the workforce'.

None of these claims are based on scientific evidence. Allow us to elaborate:

COVID-19 vaccines are not safe: Phase III trials are the highest level of evidence and our best tool for ascertaining the risks and benefits of a treatment. Results from the phase III trial of the BNT162b2 mRNA COVID-19 vaccine through 6 months were recently reported by Thomas et al. in the New England Journal of Medicine.³ The study, which compared the mRNA COVID-19 vaccine to placebo in healthy adults, showed an absolute risk reduction (ARR) in symptomatic and PCR-confirmed COVID-19 cases among fully vaccinated individuals of 3.7%, *but an absolute risk increase (ARI) of 17.9% in treatment-related adverse effects in that same group.* As well, the study reported an ARR in severe COVID-19 cases of 0.1% among the fully vaccinated, *but also an ARI in serious adverse events among vaccine recipients of 0.5%.* While deaths were relatively comparable across arms initially (15 vs 14 deaths, vaccine vs placebo, respectively), 5 additional deaths were reported in vaccine recipients after cross over, bringing the total

death count after vaccination to 20. (Table 1). *Of note, there were nearly twice as many deaths due to cardiac events on vaccine arm compared to the placebo arm (7 vs 4 deaths).* Results of the BNT162b2 mRNA COVID-19 phase III clinical trial clearly demonstrate at the highest level of evidence that the risks associated with the BNT162b2 mRNA COVID-19 vaccine outweigh the risks of COVID-19 in healthy adults, and do not support claims about the safety of these products, in this or any other population, and regardless of antibody levels.

Additionally, vaccine safety reporting systems are revealing a record number of injuries. As of October 15, 2021, reported adverse events worldwide had surpassed 2,344,240 in the WHO reporting system Vigiaccess.⁴ VAERS, the US reporting system, recorded 122,833 serious adverse events, 17,128 of which ended in death, post administration of COVID-19 vaccine products. For context, the *combined* serious adverse events, including deaths, reported upon administering *all* (over 30) vaccines, except for COVID-19 vaccine products, since 1990 when the system was established, was 103,767 and 9,054, respectively.⁵ Put another way, about 50% of serious adverse events ever recorded in the over 30 years of the existence of VAERS were associated with three COVID-19 vaccine products (AstraZeneca's product was not distributed in the USA) administered within *less than one year*. In fact, these numbers *underreport* the true adverse events post COVID-19 products by a factor of 10⁶ and likely as high as 41.⁷

Concerningly, these reports do not even include adverse events *in the long run*, critical to assess the safety of any medical product, not only vaccines. If the history of drug development – such as that of thalidomide, dengue vaccine, and swine flu vaccine - teaches us anything is that the harm caused by implementing “remedies” that have not been properly tested can be significantly greater than that caused by the “disease” these remedies are designed to treat.^{8–10}

COVID-19 vaccines are not effective: unlike smallpox vaccines, “sterilizing” because they provide full immunity, COVID-19 vaccine products are “leaky”, meaning that they do not prevent infection nor stop transmission.^{11, 12, 13} The most recent system-wide study of vaccine-induced and natural immunity is a retrospective observational study conducted in Israel - one of the most vaccinated countries in the

world - comparing SARS-CoV-2-infected individuals who received a two-dose regimen of the Pfizer mRNA vaccine to previously infected, unvaccinated individuals. The study showed that SARS-CoV-2-naïve vaccinees had a 13-fold greater risk of breakthrough infections with the Delta variant compared to those previously infected with the virus. Study authors concluded that natural immunity confers longer-lasting and stronger protection against infection, symptomatic disease, and hospitalization caused by the Delta variant of SARS-CoV-2, compared to the Pfizer 2-dose vaccine-induced immunity – and with none of the adverse effects.¹⁴ Another study conducted in Dane County, Wisconsin, USA, with among the highest rates of vaccination in that country, indicated equally high viral loads among vaccinated (84%) as among unvaccinated (83%) individuals – in other words, an equal capacity of both vaccinated and unvaccinated to spread infection.¹⁵ General infection prevention and control to reduce the spread of COVID-19, and very critically, early treatment, are far superior to COVID-19 vaccine products mandated by Ontario's current policy. There exists abundant evidence indicating that COVID-19 is a highly treatable disease, and that safe, effective, and inexpensive, generic drugs can be administered in combination for successful early treatment, and even prevention. A systematic review of 15 clinical trials indicated that the Nobel Prize winning antiparasitic drug Ivermectin (IVM) can be successfully applied to the treatment of viral diseases, including COVID-19, and reduces infection by an average of 86%.¹⁶ A more recent report of 64 clinical trials, 30 of them randomized and controlled, indicated 67% effectiveness in prophylaxis, 84% in early treatment, and 20% in late treatment in protocols including IVM at different doses and for different periods of time.¹⁷

In a pathbreaking study of 1,195 healthcare workers in Argentina in the pre-vaccine era, none of the 237 cases of COVID-19 occurred in the treatment group, receiving IVM and wearing PPE, compared to the control group wearing PPE, where all cases occurred.¹⁸ Another meta-analysis of 18 Randomized Controlled Trials of IVM in COVID-19 found large, statistically and clinically significant, reductions in mortality, time to clinical recovery, and time to viral clearance.¹⁹ Finally, many examples of IVM distribution campaigns – in Mexico City, several states in India, and several Argentinian provinces - leading to rapid population-wide decreases in morbidity and mortality, indicate

the safety and effectiveness of this oral agent in all phases of COVID-19.²⁰

In light of the wealth of data supporting treatment modalities that can help to overcome the current public health, social, and economic crisis in Canada, the suppression and gross misrepresentation - by leading regulatory agencies and mainstream media²¹ – and the efforts of medical colleges to criminalize doctors who choose to treat COVID-19 patients with IVM and other repurposed drugs²², is unjustified and nothing short of extraordinary.

Efforts to coerce ‘vaccine hesitant’ Canadians with mandates will fail. Like the authors of the SAT report, we note that healthcare worker shortages pose serious risks to patient health.²³ Unlike these authors, however, we believe that shortages that existed well before COVID-19²⁴ are being *exacerbated* by vaccine mandates. Like others members of the public, many health workers enjoy, according to the US National Institutes of Health, significant natural immunity due to prior infection²⁵. Oftentimes this infection has been caused by exposure to the COVID-19 patients whom they courageously assisted when there were no vaccines. However, these workers are now being forbidden to treat those same patients according to their best clinical judgement, and are even being coerced, by all levels of government - first and foremost Prime Minister Trudeau -²⁶ into accepting these vaccine products as a condition of employment.

This unprecedented measure overwhelmingly affects the very segments of the healthcare labour force that the policy purports to protect, as shown by the thousands of laid off workers who are sharing their stories with organizations such as the United Health Care Workers of Ontario.²⁷ *The clear message to these healthcare workers is that their training, experience and dedicated services are not as important as the unexplained desire for universal vaccination with failing, experimental vaccines, with increasingly evident risks of serious harms and even death.*

In closing, while, as the SAT report asserts, vaccine mandates are not new, coercing Canadians to accept, against their best judgement, experimental medical products whose trials will be completed in May 2023²⁸, is unprecedented. This imposition is especially troubling considering that our healthcare workers risked their lives in the frontlines during the darkest of times. The Guide for Canadian Physicians warns about the illegality of delivering medical treatments

without full patient consent,²⁹ following the tradition established by the Nuremberg Code that, upon the “doctors’ trials” in Nazi Germany, declared that the consent of human subjects, voluntary by definition, is essential when implementing experimental medical procedures.^{2,30}

This principle is also enshrined in the 1964 Declaration of Helsinki and has been reaffirmed in every single update since.³¹ Your efforts to force healthcare workers to overcome their extremely reasonable, evidence-based “hesitancy” will only lead to further staffing disruptions, extraordinary distress among frontline health workers, and worse health outcomes among the most vulnerable. Vaccine mandates are not evidence-based policy and do not protect Ontarians. The policy ignores scientific evidence, ethics in medical practice, and basic principles of justice, human rights, and equity, precisely those that our Constitution and Charter are built upon.

We thank you for taking the time to read our analysis. We will very much appreciate the opportunity to support your efforts to keep Ontarians safe and prosperous by engaging and collaborating with you and members of your team. We look forward to your reply and to your favourable consideration of our recommendations.

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Table 1. Differences in efficacy and safety events reported in the 6-month update of the BNT162b2 mRNA Covid-19 Vaccine

Event	BNT162b2 (n)	Placebo (n)	Absolute Difference (p-value)	Absolute Risk Change* (%)	Relative Risk Change* (%)
Total Randomized Adults and Adolescents (n)	23,219	23,210			
Fully Vaccinated Cases Adults and Adolescents ⁵ COVID-like symptoms + PCR	77	850	-773 (p<.00001)	-3.7	-90.9
Any Treatment-Related Adverse Event Adults ⁶	5,241	1,311	+3,930 (p<.00001)	+17.9	+298.3
Any Severe Event Adults ⁷	278	187	+91 (p=.000022)	+0.4	+48.7
Full Vaccinated Severe Cases Adults ⁸ COVID-like symptoms + PCR	1	23	-22 (p<.00001)	-0.1	-95.6
Severe Adverse Events Adults Prevents daily routine activity or requires intervention or worse	262	150	+112 (p<.00001)	+0.5	+71.4
Deaths during placebo-controlled period [additional deaths during open-label period in vaccine recipients or those that only received placebo] ⁹	15 [+5]	14 [NR]	+1 [+5] (p=.853117)	+0.005 [+0.022]	+7.1 [+35.7]
Deaths due to cardiac events ^A	7	4	+3		

* Significance figures (p-values) estimated using a chi-square calculator available at <https://www.socscistatistics.com/tests/chisquare>. P-values are without the Yates correction. This procedure was applied following the framework used by Classen (2021) in their analysis of “All Cause Severe Morbidity” based on data from the initial reports of the vaccine Phase III trials.²

* Absolute and relative risk change calculations were performed using the common statistical definition, ie. number of events relative to total number of eligible patients for each event analysis reported;³ vaccine efficacy estimates reported at source used total surveillance time as denominator, however, this value is not available for all the events analyzed ≥ 7 Days after dose 2 among participants without evidence of previous infection # Assessed by the investigator as related to investigational product / In calculations combining efficacy and safety events, the number of patients randomized that received any dose of vaccine or placebo was used as the study population in the statistical calculations, following the

framework used by Classen (2021) in their analysis of “All Cause Severe Morbidity”.² Differences in the total (event-incident) population (ITT vs efficacy vs safety) used as denominator are relatively small and are expected to have minimal impact on the relative differences between arms. ≥ 7 Days after dose 2 % During the open-label period, 3 participants in the BNT162b2 group and 2 in the original placebo group who received BNT162b2 after unblinding died. Those with reported cause of death due to: cardiac arrest, cardiac failure congestive, cardiorespiratory arrest, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, hypertensive heart disease, or myocardial infarction.

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Wins for Private Property Owners in Ontario

Support for Legal Gun Owners

On May 1st, 2020, the Trudeau government banned 1,500 firearms by an Order in Council (OIC). They continue to add more guns to this list. This very wrong-headed and ineffective remedy to gun crime has garnered huge support for legal gun owners, including:

- Six legal challenges to the OIC. In one of the challenges, Toronto lawyer Arkadi Bouchelev represents a group of ten public interest litigants in their judicial review. The case is supported by the Ontario Landowners Association by a Go Fund Me Page.

- The Canadian Coalition for Firearms held an Integrity March in September 2020 where a reported 5,000 citizens (including Landowners) from across Canada turned up to show support for hunters and sport shooters.

- Did you know that two of the parliamentary petitions against Trudeau's May 1 gun ban closed with the highest number of signatures in Canadian history? That's right! Canadians are opposing the gun ban in records numbers. A petition by MP Micelle Rempel Garner closed on September 2, 2020 with 230,905 signatures, the highest in Canadian history. Earlier in the year, a petition by MP Glen Motz closed with 175,310 signatures, the second highest in Canadian history.

- In November, the National Police Federation, representing 20,000 RCMP members, said the Liberal government's firearms ban is unlikely to curb gun violence in Canada, and is calling on Ottawa to instead introduce "evidence-based" measures to ensure public safety.

As of November 2020, the federal government had so far failed to secure a private-sector contractor to design a federal buyback program, in which Ottawa will reimburse owners for the firearms that it deemed prohibited. Explicitly named companies that it hoped might offer a bid on the contract, including accountancy firms Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP and Ernst & Young LLP have shown no interest in the \$78 million contract.

Trespass Bill Strengthened for Farm Properties

In June 2020, Bill 156, Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2020 received Royal Assent. This Bill protects farm animals, the food supply, farmers and others from risks that are created when trespassers enter places where farm animals are kept or when persons engage in unauthorized interactions with farm animals. The risks include the risk of exposing farm animals to disease and stress, as well as the risk of introducing contaminants into the food supply.

Eastern Ontario Wins

In June 2020, Christina Suffel and her family run afoul of a North Dundas bylaw prohibiting the keeping of livestock — including chickens — on residential property.

The municipality ordered Suffel to remove her eight rabbits, two miniature donkeys, two horses and "large number" of poultry and waterfowl from her three-acre Inkerman Road yard by June 12. With the help of the Carleton Landowners Association, Suffel persuaded North Dundas to review this new bylaw and for now, she is keeping her animals.

In the Town of Carleton Place, a proposed power of entry bylaw was unanimously defeated by council on November 24. According to InsideOttawaValley.com "If passed, the bylaw would have allowed municipal bylaw officers to enter land (outdoor private property, grounds, yards or vacant lots) at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection, ensuring bylaws, directions, orders and conditions of a licence were being complied with ... The will of the people was heard loud and clear ... this bylaw is not something the community wants," (Councillor) Fritz said."

Reversal of Official Plan "Deer Feeding Areas" Restrictions in Renfrew County

Renfrew County's New Official Plan contained new mapping for "deer wintering areas" which upset many residents of the County because of the restrictions on development. Following conversations with MPP John Yakubuski, county officials, and the provincial government, these areas were removed from the county's Official Plan.

Land Titles Information Available for Free, Online

All Land Registry Offices closed their doors to the public on October 13th, 2020. Many landowners (and genealogists) rely on the old microfilm records to do title searches back to the original crown land grant. The good news is that these records are readily available online and free of charge. Instructions on how to access these historical books is available on the OLA Website at

<https://ontariolandowners.ca/news/land-registry-offices-closing-to-the-public-by-shirley-dolan/>.

Amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act

On November 5, 2020, the Ontario Government introduced Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act (Budget Measures), 2020. This omnibus bill was tabled by the Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance.

Schedule 6 of the Bill addresses amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act with the intention of returning the CAs to their original mandate.

This Bill received, which received Royal Assent on December 8, 2020, contains many changes which are welcome news to property owners and to the agriculture sector.

Some highlights:

- Returns the Conservation Authorities (CAs) to their core mandate
- Removes the authority of the CAs to expropriate lands
- Requires participating municipalities to appoint municipal councillors as conservation authorities' members and that these members generally act on behalf of their municipalities.
- Enables the minister to appoint a member to the conservation authority from the agriculture sector.

These changes were brought about in great part by the efforts of the OLA Executive, County Groups, our Researcher Elizabeth Marshall and everyone who has ever contacted the OLA for assistance because of a CA encroaching on their right to use, enjoy, and profit from their private property.

Resolution of the Freedom of Information Request for Farm Businesses

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs stirred a wave of anger in the farm community when it disclosed it would release the names of Farm Business Register (FRB) members in response to a request made under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. It followed passage of a law tightening trespass laws on Ontario farms.

Good news! Farmers across Ontario with FBR numbers will not have their names released to an anonymous party. The Information and Privacy Commissioner (IPC) of Ontario informed Keith Currie, OFA President, on Nov. 12 that the request has been withdrawn.

East Gwillimbury

In East Gwillimbury, property “lockdowns” caused by the two-year appeal process brought on by the Lake Simcoe Regional Conservation Authority (LSRCA) was stressful to say the least, especially for those who had plans in those two years or who may have lost out on home sales or equity. This was a major battle and a bittersweet victory.

The East Gwillimbury Landowners Association (EGLA) fought hard to stop these regulations and together they were successful. They no longer have the proposed Environmental

Protection zones on 25,000 (accumulative) acres of their property, and the appeal is now officially dropped by the LSRCA. Landowners who were targeted by the strict regulations are now able to enjoy their original land use zones from the 1997 bylaw.

The OLA Marches On

The COVID-19 restrictions on meetings have been difficult for the Ontario Landowners and county groups. The OLA had no choice but to cancel both the Spring Directors Meeting in the Spring 2020 and our Annual General Meeting this Fall. We have stepped up other forms of communication to fill the gap of face-to-face meetings. The OLA and some county groups are using ZOOM, a video conferencing application, to keep in touch. We continue to provide the latest in landowner news on our Facebook page, and through the OLA ENews. In September-October 2019, we introduced our first edition of the Landowner Voices, a magazine by landowners for landowners and everyone interested in property rights and rural life. In Eastern Ontario, recognizing that not everyone is connected to the internet, four county groups got together to join administrative resources and did a mail out to all members.

Congratulations

OLA President Jeff Bogaerts was selected for the 2020 Outstanding Graduate Human Services award by Career Colleges Ontario. Jeff completed the 12-month Paralegal program at the Algonquin Careers Academy (Ottawa Campus) in just 9 months. According to the Algonquin Careers Academy website: Jeff is one of those paralegals who is driven by his personal values and need to take action. Since receiving his Paralegal license, he has proven over and over again how his skills, experience and drive can make real changes for good, not only for the people of his community, but of his province.

Elizabeth Marshall has been elected to the position of Chair of the Canadian Justice Review Board. Liz Marshall has been a long-time member of the OLA as a board member, speaker, author, political candidate, and a tenacious advocate for Property Rights. She is currently the Director of Research for the OLA and has written numerous articles and reports on Property Rights. Liz was interviewed on the Daniel Smith Show about the Gun Ban introduced in May and has been invited to speak at the 2020 Ontario Libertarian Party annual general meeting.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE ONTARIO LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION (OLA)

Who are the Ontario Landowners and where did we come from?

Well, to understand how this movement got started, we would have to say that if government and their agencies had been doing their job of helping people solve their problems, supporting and encouraging new building and local businesses, and serving the public as they are paid to do, then the landowner movement would have died on the drawing board.

Unfortunately, this is not the case and because of this failure at all levels of government, the landowner movement is growing across Ontario. Our early start was in 2003 in Lanark, when disgruntled landowners received no assistance from authorities when deer destroyed their crops. Their frustration spread across the province and resulted in new landowner groups forming, all fighting similar issues, all suffering under the increasingly heavy weight of oppressive rules and regulations, fines and court challenges and all ready to say, "enough is enough". We hope that you will join this chorus for change with the goal of encouraging a more compassionate and caring government that returns to its mandate of "serving the public".

The Ontario Landowners Association, which formed in 2005, has chapters across the province, each with its own President, Vice-President, treasurer and secretary as well as many volunteers and supporters. Flexibility is a necessary quality in these people because most of us have other jobs, many are farmers, and all of us have busy family lives. Because we are volunteers, we all do what we can, when we can. The Ontario Landowners Association has a President, two co-vice-presidents, and four governors, who keep in touch with monthly conference calls and meetings. The OLA Annual General Meeting is a public meeting and open to all who are concerned with private property rights. The AGM is held in a central location each Fall and often involves an overnight stay for those who have travelled some distance. Each Spring, there is a Directors' Meeting, an opportunity for the chapter representatives to meet face-to-face with the OLA Executive to discuss local issues and share experiences. Each county group sends a delegate to these meetings to represent the local landowners.

Our focus comes from property owners and their stories of injustices. For example, Conservation Authorities have assumed too much power over private land. We are working on taking back what is ours. The Ministry of Natural Resources is another body that likes to assume power over private property, and we are trying to assist landowners who have been charged for doing what they should be doing on their land such as cleaning ditches or improving the landscape. Municipalities across the province have forgotten the rights that were granted to the citizens of this province: the right to life, liberty and use and enjoyment of property. They have assumed power they don't have and seem bent on discouraging landowners from obtaining building permits or doing work on their property. Hefty fines, unreasonable demands and an unwillingness to work with the

property owner for a mutually beneficial outcome, has soured many citizens. As the Midland Free Press noted in its May 2000 article regarding the Roundtree and Tiny Township court battle over beach usage "*If you don't own it, you cannot plan for it*".

We encourage you to follow us along the path to regaining the freedom we once had and in doing so, to honour the fallen soldiers who died in battlefields far away and the early pioneers that built this land, so that Canada would remain strong and free. Let us not forget that.

How to keep in touch

The OLA has a website www.ontariolandowners.ca and a Facebook page. Look for Ontario Landowners Association on Facebook. On our website, you can sign up for our FREE monthly E-Newsletter which is delivered to your inbox on the first of each month. We also have a FREE online magazine called Landowner Voices. Published every two months, LV can be read, downloaded, and printed from our website.

We encourage you to buy an annual membership for \$60. You can sign up online at <https://ontariolandowners.ca/product/ola-yearly-membership/> or use the downloadable mail in form <https://ontariolandowners.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/OLA-Membership-Application-06202019-2.pdf>.

You can also join by contacting your local OLA chapter <https://ontariolandowners.ca/ontario-landowners-association-ola-chapters/>.

Here's how it works: \$25 of the membership fee stays with the OLA (our head office), \$25 goes to the chapter, and the remaining \$10 is put into our litigation fund www.fixthelaw.ca. The litigation fund is used to support court challenges that could help improve private property rights.

The Carleton Landowners Association has monthly board meetings. Everyone with an interest in private property rights is welcome. We also host Public Meetings on specific topics of interest to our member and the public. Membership fees are used to rent meeting spaces, host our website, mailouts to members.

The OLA uses the membership fees to host their website and to cover expenses for their AGM and Spring Directors' Meeting. Our last AGM was held in October 2019 in Arnprior, Ontario with guest speaker Tom DeWeese from the American Policy Centre. More than 80 people attended. The Carleton Landowners Association shared costs of the meeting with the OLA and the Renfrew Landowners Association.

Elizabeth Marshall, our Director of Research has written many reports on Conservation Authorities, Municipal planning and by-laws, Crown Land Patents. The reports are free for download on our website at <https://ontariolandowners.ca/ontario-landowners-association-ola-chapters/>.

We are all volunteers. We do this because we believe in private property rights and want to share what we know about your rights with you!

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The ONTARIO LANDOWNERS Association

*To all past and present landowners,
(This is a copy of a mailout that was recently sent to many
of our members)*

We hope that you are all managing well during this difficult COVID time. Because of the pandemic rules, the Ontario Landowners Association has been unable to hold face to face meetings. We have been active though and we wanted to keep you up to date on what we have been doing.

Some of you may not have heard from us for some time and we want to change that. First off, we have a very strong and active executive that we'd like to introduce to you:

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The OLA Executive and the county group representatives meet regularly, most recently using Zoom and they are planning a Zoom Annual General Meeting.

Some of the projects that we are working on are supporting landowners against some very aggressive by-law officers and conservation authority officers. In addition, last year many in the OLA attended public consultation meetings throughout Ontario, by invitation from MPP Jeff Yurek (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks). The purpose of the meetings was for us to provide input on how the conservation authorities should and should not operate.

We are heavily involved in protesting the May 1st Order in Council (OIC) by the Federal Government that banned over 1500 firearms and turned legal gun owning citizens into criminals. We are supporting all six Federal appeals of the OIC. For example, one of the OLA governors, Stefanos Karatopis, has initiated a Go-Fund-Me site to support the judicial review and interim injunction filed by Toronto Lawyer Arkadi Bouchelev. For more information, see <https://www.gofundme.com/f/gun-ban-court-challenge-judicial-review/>. We also attended the Integrity March on September 12 at Parliament Hill hosted by the Canadian Coalition for Firearm Rights.

We are also doing something new in Eastern Ontario. We are combining administrative and financial resources to better communicate with you. This letter is part of this communication. The four county groups participating are Carleton, Lanark, Leeds & Grenville, and Stormont Dundas. All four county groups will remain autonomous within the OLA and will continue to function

independently to address issues in their area. Combining our resources will allow more time for county groups to focus on issues.

The Ontario Landowners are all volunteers who donate many hours of our time and money to do the work that needs to be done. However, we do require funds to support our website, to buy signs and literature, to hold meetings where we rent halls, pay for guest speakers, and mailouts to our members. Your memberships and/or donations help us continue to advocate for private property rights.

An annual membership is \$60 per household. This money supports both your county group and the OLA. If you feel that you can help us, we have enclosed a membership/donation form and a self-addressed envelope. We appreciate any support that you can give us.

In keeping with the combined administration, please make your cheques payable to:

Eastern Ontario Landowners

One of the benefits of this new system is better communications with our members and supporters. If you have an email address, we will add you to our OLA monthly Enews list. You will receive our "electronic-newsletter" in your inbox on the first of every month which includes articles of interest to landowners. You will also receive a notification of publication of our FREE and printable, online, Landowner Voices magazine. Both the magazine and the Enews are hosted on the OLA website. Check out past issues and articles at <https://ontariolandowners.ca/news/>. The OLA also has a very active Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OntarioLandownersAssociation>.

Finally, when we are able to have face to face meetings once again, we'll let you know about any events happening in Eastern Ontario. Please make sure to include your email address on your membership/donation form or send us an email at info@ontariolandowners.ca to let us know you want to be included in the Eastern Ontario contact list. If you have a friend or neighbour who might be interested in joining us, please let us know. Don't have email? Call Shirley at 613-623-0675. Please also let us know if you would like to be removed from our list.

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Thank you very much for your past support. We couldn't have done all we did without you.

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