

RESIDENT NEWSLETTER



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The submission <u>deadline</u> for the next Newsletter is:

Saturday, December 9th by 6:00 PM

Newsletter posting date on the HOA website (https://scahomeowners.com and distribution to the Newsletter Mailboxes of hard copies (for those without a computer) will be the 25th of month unless it falls on a weekend.

Please email submissions for the Newsletter to scanewsletter@hotmail.com

- In typing your submission, please use Verdana, font size 11.
- Use WORD, and do not use excel or .pdf. Omit putting into columns or any 'fancy' formatting as it causes problems when setting up the Newsletter. Just leave the set-up to the Editor.
- Please ensure all pertinent information, (date, location time, etc.) about the event is included in your submission.

Happening at the Wheel

DECEMBER 2023

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT THE WHEEL FEATURING THE EVER POPULAR



Sunday, December 31st Catered Hot & Cold Buffet

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$30.00

BYOB & G

<u>Tickets (limit of 6 tickets per reservation)</u> can be ordered starting

<u>Tuesday, November 14th</u> after 9:00 am by calling Liz Jones at 705-436-5370

(On first day of ticket sales – no voicemail message will be taken as reserved seating)

<u>Ticket Pick-Up: Sat., Dec. 16th</u> between 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Wheel Ballroom

JANUARY 2024

'ROCK & ROLL BINGO' Friday, January 12th

Doors Open at 3:30 pm

Do you know that tune? Is it on your card? Come on out and hear some great music while enjoying the company of your friends and neighbours.

Admission is just \$2.00 at the Door – Share the Wealth and BYOB & G

Please note that this is a **'Residents Only Event'**

PLEASE WELCOME BACK

Saturday, January 27th Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10.00 BYOB & Share the Wealth





Tickets can be ordered <u>starting WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6TH</u>, (please note date change) after 9:00 a.m. by calling Liz Jones at 705-436-5370

Ticket Pick-Up: Saturday, Jan. 13th between 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in the Wheel Ballroom

We request that all tickets ordered be picked up on the applicable date. If you decide not to attend, please cancel your tickets prior to pick-up date by contacting Liz Jones (705) 436-5370- after pick-up check with Liz to determine if there is a wait list.

Ticket Sales – Because we want to showcase the SCA Lifestyle to our friends and family, there are a limited number of non-residents tickets available. For this reason, we may limit the number of times a non-resident attends a dance.

For information on ALL WHEEL HALL Bookings, call Dave Jones at 705-436-5370

WHEEL EVENTS - (Main Hall / Ballroom)

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3 12:00 PM -2:00 PM Comhole Tournament (arrive 11:45 am) 7:00 PM Bingo (Doors open at 6pm)	1:00 PM Monthly Billiards Club Meeting (Downstairs) 1:00 PM -2:00 PM SCA Carpet Bowling	8:00 AM -3:00 PM : Tue sday Shuffeb oard League (Downstairs) 1:00 PM -3:00 PM : Cloggers 7:00 PM -9:00 PM Home Owners Monthly Mtg	9:00 AM -11:00 AM Line Dancing 1:30 PM -2:30 PM Tai Chi	8:00 AM -3:00 PM SCA Shuffleboard League (Downstairs) 1:00 PM -4:00 PM : Art Club	6:45 PM SCA Dart Club Christmas Party (doors open @ 6pm)	6:00 PM : DEADLINE for submissions for Newsletter
10 12:00 PM -2:00 PM Comhole Tournament (arrive 11:45 am)	11 12:00 PM -4:00 PM SCA Carpet Bowling League Christmas Luncheon	8:00 AM -3:00 PM: Tuesday Shuffleboard League (Downstairs) 1:00 PM -3:00 PM: Cloggers	13 9:00 AM -11:00 AM Line Dancing 1:30 PM -2:30 PM Tai Chi	8:00 AM -3:00 PM SCA Shuffleboard League (Downstairs) 1:00 PM -4:00 PM : Art Club	15 10:00 AM -3:00 PM COVID Vaccination Clinic	9:00 AM -1 0:00 AM Ticket P/U Dec 31st Dinner & Dance (Ballroom)
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"IT'S HAPPENING AT THE SPOKE"

DECEMBER 2023



Thursday, December 7
Music provided by DJ Tony
This is now a ticketed event.

NOTE - TICKET PICK-UP Sat. Nov 25th (11:00-12:00) at the Spoke

Join us on the 1st Thursday of each month for 2 hours of **Music & Dance from 3:00 – 5:00 pm** (doors open @ 2:30 pm). Mix and mingle as we welcome new residents, celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and any other special occasions.

BYOB & G Share the Wealth

Please note, this activity is for Residents Only

Saturday, December 2nd @ 7:00 pm

(1st Sat. of each month)

Admission \$2.00

Join us at the Spoke to play cards, games and darts (bring your own games). Want to Play Darts? **Doors open at 6:15pm** for **Dart registration until 6:45 pm**. This will allow us to get the Dart Tournament started promptly at 7:00 pm.

BYOB & G Share the Wealth

Please note: this activity is for Residents Only

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND DANCE - December 16th



Come wind up 2023 at the Spoke Dinner at 6:30 pm, dance 7:30 – 10:30 pm Doors open @ 6:00 pm

Enjoy a delicious Chicken Parmesan dinner and then dance the evening away to **The Pepper Shakers**

Tickets are \$25.00 each. **Ticket pickup** is **December 2nd**, 11:00-12:00 noon at the Spoke



From the Spoke Committee, We wish you a Merry Christmas And Happy New Year See you in January for Meet and Greet, and Pub Night

Please ensure that if you ordered tickets, they are picked up on the applicable date. And if you change your mind, and cannot attend, please call and cancel your tickets before the pick-up date. **Please do NOT give away your tickets.** Phone the ticket coordinator, Linda Moyles at 705-436-7949 to see if there is a wait list.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Should you notice any maintenance issues with the Spoke, please notify **Ted Moyles, Hall Director at 705-436-7949.** He will then do what's necessary to get the issue resolved. We ask that you do **NOT** go directly to Parkbridge, as we have to track these issues. Thank you for your co-operation.

Again, we ask that when you are finished with the tables, please wipe them down, so that the next group in the hall does not have to clean up after you. Also please ensure that any garbage/recycling is put out. If needed, please vacuum. Thank you.

For Event Tickets - please call Linda Moyles at 705-436-7949 For Hall Bookings - please call Linda Moyles at 705-436-7949.

Please be respectful of volunteer's time and not call past 8:00 pm.

SPOKE EVENTS

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"NEWS from the HUB"

DECEMBER 2023

HUB CHRISTMAS WINE AND CHEESE - Sunday, December 10

2:00 - 4:00 pm (doors open at 1:30 pm)

Entertainment by: John Lemme

Tickets: \$15.00

Tickets: Sue Brocklebank@ 705-436-9994 (after 10:00 am)





Hub TGIF - Friday, December 15 Happy Hour 4:00 pm -6:00 pm (doors open @ 3:30 pm)
Theme: "Wear something Christmasy"

ne: <u>"Wear something Christmasy"</u> Music by DJ "Rockin Rick"

Please note: Admission is \$2.00 and for residents only

\$hare the Wealth - BYOB



HUB NEW YEARS EVE DINNER & DANCE - Sunday, December 31

Catered by The Cove Café and Entertainment by DJ "Rockin Rick" Dinner 7:00 pm; Dance 8:00 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Tickets: \$30.00

Tickets: Sue Brocklebank@ 705-436-9994 (after 10:00 am)

<u>Ticket Pick-up</u>: <u>Sat. Dec 9 @ 9:00 - 10:00 am</u> (Hub Meeting Room)

\$hare the Wealth - Raffle - BYOB

JANUARY 2024

There will not be a dance event at the HUB for January 2024 - TGIF only



Hub TGIF - Friday, January 19 Happy Hour 4:00 pm -6:00 pm (doors open @ 3:30 pm) Music by DJ "Rockin Rick"

Please note: Admission is \$2.00 and **for residents only** \$hare the Wealth - BYOB

<u>TICKET SALES</u>: HUB event tickets may be ordered for a group of up to (6) people, if available. The ticket orderer must also provide the names of those people receiving the tickets to the Ticket Coordinator, including address information, if requested.

FOR EVENT TICKETS CALL SUE BROCKLEBANK @ 705-436-9994 FOR HALL BOOKINGS CALL CHARLES ASH @ 705-431-2260

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3	10:00 AM-12:00 FM: Helping Hands (crafts) 1:00 PM Dart Executive Meeting 1:30 PM-3:30 PM: Arts & Crafters 6:30 PM: Monday SCA Dart League 7:00 PM: Monday Night Cards	5 10:00 AM Hub Executive Meeting 7:00 PM: Tuesday Night Cards	6:30 PM : Wednesday SCA Dart League 7:00 PM : Wednesday Night Cards	7 7:00 PM: Thursday Night Cards	8 10:00 AM -12:00 PM : Arts & Crafters	9:00 AM -10:00 AM Ticket P/U for HUB New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance - HUB Meeting Room 6:00 PM: DEADLINE for submissions for Jan. Newsletter
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Duties on HOA website https://scahomeownerscom OFFICERS: DIRECTORS:

President - Linda Morris
V. President - Dennis Rodgers
Secretary - Lynne Patterson

Treasurer - Linda Moyles

John Bevand Brian Dusome John Mogan Ken Campbell Ted Gemmell RoseMary Reid

DECEMBER 11th-HOA CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST- Judging starts 6:30 pm

GUIDELINES:

- 1. All Sandycove residents will be eligible to win, with the following exceptions:
 - a) members of the HOA Board of Directors; and
 - b) past winners of the previous 2 calendar years.
- 2. Prizes supplied by Parkbridge and awarded for 1st & 2nd for the North and 1st & 2nd for the South. Your prizes will be distributed within a few days following judging. All winners and addresses posted in eBulletin, Sandycove Facebook Sites & HOA website: https://scahomeowners.com Previous winners are also on the website.
- 3. Judging will be done by HOA Board of Directors.
- 4. Judging will be based on: a) originality; b) creativity; c) overall attractiveness & d) appeal.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: If a house (street address) has won in the previous 2 years, but subsequently sold, the new owner(s) will be eligible to win <u>provided the HOA has been notified of the change of ownership prior to judging: info@scahomeowners.com.</u> Be creative, be careful. Decorations must be temporary with no permanent changes to structure. Good luck to everyone. By participating, you light up Sandycove!

HOA/ROTARY CLUB CANDY CANE EXPRESS:

HOA once again is hosting "CANDY CANE EXPRESS" in Sandycove in support of INNISFIL FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE collecting food or monetary donations. Residents have supported this event generously and the need greater.



Due to the exceptional generosity it's not possible to reach everyone. The train size also makes it impossible to manoeuvre some streets and time does not permit to visit every home. If missed: drop off to Parkbridge office where it will be picked up every day during week after event. This is one of the biggest food drives in Innisfil at Christmas.

December 11 Monday 6:30 p.m. North Side finishing 8:30 p.m.

December 12 Tuesday 6:30 - 8:30 from Lockhart, south to Linden Lane

<u>December 13 Wednesday 6:30</u> – 8:30 p.m. South Side from Linden Lane south to Cornerbrook Trail





The Board of Directors would like to say thank you to all the residents of Sandycove who have supported us over the years by becoming members of the Sandycove Home Owners' Association. The work of the Association does, in some cases, benefit all residents and a good example of this is challenging Above Guideline Increases (AGI) rent increases at the Landlord Tenant Board. Every submission so far has been challenged and reduced, thus keeping that challenged portion that was upheld

from being added to your rent. We also have many value-added programs just for members. With your support as a member of the HOA, the Association can continue to work to make your experience here more enjoyable. Fighting AGIs cost legal fees and the Association will have to face more Above Guideline Increases in the future. Membership is \$10/home/year. We work hard on your behalf.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday & a Happy New Year. May you all enjoy the best of the Holiday Season and keep safe. Looking forward to seeing you in the New Year.

PEEK @ HOA JANUARY LINE-UP HOA:





<u>January 14, 2024 (Sun.)</u>
OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS - OPEN HOUSE - CHEESE & REFRESHMENTS

Wheel - 2:00- 4:00 p.m. (doors open 1:30) Free - come out & meet the Association Directors.

January 15, 2024 (Mon.)

HOA Members-Only Seminar, Spoke 1:00 p.m. (doors open 12:30) New Memberships/Renewals available at all events or from our Directors.

END OF HOME OWNERS' SUBMISSION

SCA Veterans' Social Club

Upcoming events

December 1st dance is **SOLD OUT** and there is a waiting list only. We will again be enjoying the music of **Dylan Lock**.

On January 2, 2024, we will host our **annual Levee** at the Hub. You will need your 2024 membership card to attend. Please call Pat Laidlaw at 705-431-7028 if you plan to attend. You can see Brenda Peters at the dance or call her to get your new card at 705-436-4208.



MASTER CORPORAL A. E. ATTWELLS CD (interviewed by LL)

Albert was born in Toronto in 1931. Military was a way of life for Albert from the very beginning. His father served in the 48th Highlanders in WWII and their unit helped liberate France, Holland and Belgium. His five uncles also served in WWII and all survived. A younger brother served in Korea. Albert's son was in the engineers for 25 years in the Army and Albert's grandson is presently attending Royal Military College in Kingston.

He joined the Medical Army Corps in February 1953. His training at Camp Borden was the 8-week basic followed by 8 more weeks of intensive training and then another 8 weeks in medical training. He was sent to Korea in January 1954 just after the truce was declared. He was with the Canadian Forces and part of a field ambulance unit. After a short time, he was back in Toronto working at the Sunnybrook Hospital looking after the Veterans.

From February 1956 to February 1958, he was in Germany as part of a NATO Peacekeeping Force again doing field ambulance work. During this time, he was attached to 40 workshops and promoted to Corporal. Back in Canada in Petawawa this time, he was attached to the First Canadian Guard. Albert also spent time in Cyprus in 1961. He finished his career in Downsview where he attended to the medical needs of the troops and also did minor surgeries. He retired on April 30, 1975, as a Master Corporal.

Albert married Barb in 1951 and they divorced after 5 years. Fifteen years ago, Barb traced Albert on the computer and discovered him in Alberta. Albert got back together with Barb in Sandycove after a short time. They moved into Barrie and eventually came back to Sandycove 5 years ago. They are both avid dancers.

Two years ago, Albert received some belated awards from National Defence (SSM-NATO and CPSM) for his 22 years of service to his country.

On December 17th, Albert will be 92 years old.

Note: This article was written in 2015.

You don't have to be a Veteran to join the Veterans' Social Club, but the benefits are worth it. Our events include Remembrance Services for Peacekeepers in Angus each August 9th, the parade and Remembrance Services on the Sunday closest to November 11th. And of course, our dances on the 1st Friday of each month.

Membership offers an opportunity to socialize with great people, tell stories with comrades-in-arms, and save on dance tickets.

Contact Brenda Peters at 705-436-4208 to join.

CLUB ACTIVITY/NEWS

New Direction

We are a group of Sandycovers who are trying to create a new healthier lifestyle and lose some weight along the way. We don't follow specific weight loss plans. We support each other in our journeys through open discussion, and specific topic discussion. Come out and join us, learn a few chair exercises, and get help from friends in the search for better health as we age.

We have weekly and monthly prizes and incentives.

Meetings: Weigh-in 12:15 Fridays - North Hall of the Wheel.

Meeting runs until 1:30

Cost \$5 to join/\$3.00 a week.

For more information,

call: Virginia Samson Smith, 647-200-4411 Or Donna Gimbly, 705-431-4746.

Please note that none of us are professionals in the field, just friends and neighbors with the same focus. We do not promote or sponsor any professional weight loss groups (i.e., WW, Tops etc.)

CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE

Would you like to send a Christmas Card to your friends and neighbours who live in Sandycove? No stamps needed.



Just address your cards with: Your friend's name, and address including street, court as some streets have the same name.

Drop your cards in the NORTH or SOUTH boxes available between Nov. 20th to Dec. 5th at these locations:

- 2 boxes marked NORTH and SOUTH at the West entrance of the Wheel
- 2 boxes marked NORTH and SOUTH at the Spoke

Questions: call Sandy T at 705-728-6499 The Scouts have again kindly offered to deliver the Christmas Cards to your friends and neighbours in Sandycove.

Yoga & Somatic Stretch Classes At the Wheel

For yoga and somatic stretch classes at the Wheel, please bring a mat, a water bottle, a blanket and for somatic stretch, bring extra pillows/cushions for propping.

Please Contact Wendy Gilligan prior to starting. 705-739-3027



SCA CARPET BOWLING LEAGUE



Instead of dreading the winter months, come on out and have some fun1 This just may be what

you are looking for!

Although we are taking a break during the month of December, we will be back in full swing on Jan. 5^{th} . We are looking for people who cannot commit at this time, but would love to "spare" from time to time (with your choice of time). Only \$5.00 ea

Location: The Wheel Ballroom

Time slots available:

- Fridays from 9:15-10:15 am and 10:30-11:30 am;
- Mondays from 1:00-2:00 pm and 2:15-3:15 pm.

Please contact me, if you are interested **Liz Jones**

Res: 705-436-5370, **Cell:** 705-790-0832

Email: ljcarpetbowling@gmail.com

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Health and Happiness for 2024!

PLEASE NOTE - DEADLINE for January Newsletter Submissions is Sat. Dec. 9th at 6:00 pm

ATTENTION ALL SANDYCOVE BILLIARDS CLUB MEMBERS!

The Billiards Club held their Doubles Snooker tournament on Mon. Nov 20th and all members who participated had a great turnout!

Signup sheets for the December tournament were posted on the Billiards Bulletin Board in the **Wheel Basement** on **Mon. Nov 20th**. You must be a member to play.



Our Christmas Luncheon & Raffle for all members will take place after our December tournament. Even if you don't sign up to play, come on out

and mingle with our members.

Billiards Club Singles 9-Ball Tournament and Christmas Luncheon:

Date: Mon. Dec. 18, 2023 Time: 9:00am - 3:00 pm

Location: The Wheel - Basement

If not a member and you would like to join, fees are \$12.00/calendar year.

Please contact Cynthia LeBel at 416-419-5828 or Rick Baxter at 647-968-2290



SANDYCOVE CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Dec. 14 - 2:00pm at the Spoke

'UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN'

Please join us as we celebrate the Saviour's Birth

We will be accepting donations for the three Troy Scott Community Fridges in Innisfil. Items or cash will be gratefully received.

ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME

Refreshments - bring your own mug

Contact Linda Pascoe 436-7325

LADIES' SOCIAL CLUB LUNCHEON



Wed. Dec 20th, 2023 at 12:00 Wheel doors open at 11:15am

MENU

Mac and Cheese Dessert, Tea & Coffee

(Bring your own Mug)

(Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate food allergies)

ENTERTAINMENT

Share the Wealth – 1 strip \$2.00 or 3 strips \$5.00

Luncheon Tickets \$15.00

Tickets can be purchased at the December meeting for next month Please phone Cairine Tessier 705-436-5237

THIS EVENT IS FOR RESIDENTS ONLY

Table numbers are now assigned to the tickets. If you wish to sit with a friend then please make sure you purchase your tickets together

SANDYCOVE ACRES DART CLUB



Christmas
Party
Fri., Dec. 8,
2023
At the Wheel

Doors open at 6:00 pm Dinner at 6:45 pm

(Ham, Pineapple, Scalloped Potatoes, Carrots, Dinner Roll, Salad and Dessert) DJ Dance BYOB & G

Players - \$15.00 - Guests \$25.00 Ticket Sales starts November 6, 2023 Share the Wealth (3 strips \$5) Door Prizes

Ladies' Social Pool Club - Started



September 8, 2023

Friday mornings – 9:30 – 11:30 Wheel - Basement

This is an informal drop-in event with no added charge

- No experience is needed
- We meet to have fun
- You may share any knowledge or skills you have
- please :)
- Let me know your contact information if you would like to be added to list
- If you are sick or the weather is too bad to venture out, you may call or we can check in later with you if you prefer.
- Call Monique 705-790-9600 (call or text) or Penny 705-431-4628 if you have any questions.

Dawn Baxter has sparked interest in a few of us after giving us 4 very helpful lessons. We are very grateful for those lessons and support whenever you drop in!



BINGO

At the Wheel

Sun. Dec 3rd & 17th

(doors open @ 6:00 pm) Play starts @ 7:00 pm



Pop & Beer Tabs

All the Tabs collected will be handed in mid December. If you have more to turn in, I will continue to collect into the New Year. I will let everyone know how much money we got to give to March of Dimes.

Thanks Carol Ann Bramwell, 32 Trellis Lane



SENIOR WISH CHRISTMAS DINNER Sat. Dec. 23rd @ the Spoke

Each year we try to make Christmas a little brighter for residents who will wake up alone on Christmas morning. Usually, we deliver a Christmas dinner but because the weather can be unpredictable, we will be offering dinner and entertainment at the Spoke on **December 23rd at 3:00 pm** to folks. For those who can't drive we have drivers to bring you to the event and take you home. Registration closes on December 11th. To get on the list and get more information call: Linda Lewer @ 705-436-3908



Photography/Camera Club

Are you interested in joining a Photography/Camera Club in Sandycove



Acres? As a club we could do some photography, share some of your photos by talking about them. We can discuss how the

camera works, lighting, models, editing or any other topics to do with photography.

If you are interested in joining, contact Andrej Baca. Email abacaphotographer@gmail.com or phone or text me @ 647-545-1442 (if I hang out my window to get cell phone reception). Be patient as I use a computer not my phone, so I will see your messages when I'm next in my office.

If there is interest, I will contact everyone to determine a date and time suitable for us to meet on a regular basis.

SANDYCOVE GENEROSITY DOES IT AGAIN!

Thanks to each and every person who donated new socks for the Homeless.



John and I took 338 pairs of new socks to the Busby Centre and THEY WERE THRILLED!!!!

Just think how great it feels to know there will be 338 people

with warm feet this winter all thanks to you! I will be collecting them again next year, God Willing, hoping we can surpass this year's total count!

If anyone can do it, Sandycove Residents can! Thanks again, Marilyn Sehn

YOUR VOICE, YOUR VOTE

Every four years, voters across Ontario elect municipal officials and school board trustees. Voting in the 2022 Innisfil Municipal Election was only by internet or phone. As a result, many of our Sandycove residents were not able to vote due to lack of technology. Because of the low voter turnout, the Town of Innisfil established an Electoral Engagement Advisory Committee (EEAC) to get feedback from Innisfil residents to assist them in better understanding the reasons behind the low voter turnout and how they can improve voter participation in future municipal elections.

Take the Survey! by

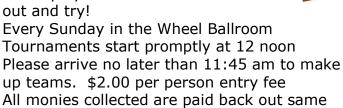
December 15, 2023. You
can enter to win a \$100 Active Innisfil
credit that can be used towards Town
recreation programs. Survey can be found at:
https://www.getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/elections

For residents without computers, a paper copy of the survey is attached to the printed newsletter. Complete and mail to:Town of Innisfil, 2101 Innisfil Beach Road, Innisfil Ontario, Canada L9S Your opinion is important! The feedback received will be used by the EEAC Committee to recommend improvements and changes for the 2026 Municipal Election. Your Voice Matters!

SANDYCOVE CORNHOLE TOURNAMENTS

Must be a Resident to play Never played? That's ok come out and try!

day to



Grand Champs and Consolation Champs If you are interested in playing, please join the Facebook Group 'Sandycove Cornhole' for updates and information.

Please don't forget to bring indoor shoes to The Wheel when the weather is bad. Any questions please contact Marilyn Sehn 705-431-1459



if you have never played *Bridge* but always wanted to

or

if you played *Bridge* years ago and feel you may need a refresher ...

SCA BRIDGE CLUB invite you to "BRIDGE 101" Winter 2024 Session

"BRIDGE 101" is a series of four casual learning sessions designed to provide you with a solid foundation in the game of Bridge, a game in which each deal presents possibilities and challenges for a great source of enjoyment and social connection. What's more, Bridge can be played for a lifetime!

"BRIDGE 101" is open to all residents of Sandycove Acres.

WHEN: Thursday afternoon 1:00 - 3:30 pm **DATES**: January 11, January 18, January 25 and February 1

WHERE: The Wheel - EAST ROOM

COST: FREE – space is limited, so please

register by calling:

Ken May 705–999–3043 Sandra Aldebert 705–795-5622



SANDYCOVE MEDICAL RIDE PROGRAM

Coordinator: Nancy Peters

NOTE CHANGE IN PHONE NUMBER:

647-293-9910

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS PROVIDING RIDES TO MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

We are simply neighbours driving neighbours as a volunteer service. Please note that we do not carry special insurance on our vehicles. You take a ride at your risk.

Please give us at least 48 hours notice of appointments so that we have time to find you a driver. The farther in advance you can call to book a ride, the better.

<u>If this program is going to continue to be in place, and thrive, I need more drivers. Please consider volunteering. It is only usually once a month or less.</u>

This is a personal phone number. PLEASE only call during reasonable hours. If no one answers, leave a message with your name, address, phone number and the details of your appointment. I will get back to you. A driver will call you to confirm your appointment details and establish a pickup time for your appointment.

In the event of an Emergency, please call 911 as we do not provide this service.

NOTE: Sandycove Drug Store will deliver your prescription as well as OTC goods for a small fee. And you'll get to see our very own Pat Laidlaw when she comes to deliver.

Regular Rides: This fee goes to the driver to offset their gas.

Alcona/Stroud.....\$15.00 Rizzardo Health & Wellness Centre.....\$20.00 Huronia/Hurst.....\$20.00 Barrie (RVH, Quarry Ridge, Lakeside).....\$25.00

Longer Distances:

Alliston/Orillia.....\$50.00 Newmarket.....\$75.00 Toronto.....\$100

One way is the same charge as both ways.

Failure to notify a Driver of a cancelled appointment = \$10.00 Fee at Pick Up

Parking fees incurred are your extra charge. As an alternative...perhaps you could buy your driver a coffee at the nearest Tim Horton's and make arrangements to call him/her after your appointment.

Amounts are doubled on regular drives if they are over 2 hours. Questions about longer distances/longer appointments? Please discuss this ahead of time with the Coordinator so that there are no misunderstandings.

***Drivers are unable to sign riders out after day surgery. You must make arrangements to have someone with you to sign you out or with the Doctor to sign yourself out.

THE SANDYCOVE ACRES EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TEAM (Part of the Home Owners' Association) ONE QUESTIONNAIRE PER PERSON PLEASE

has prepared the **Questionnaire** of the reverse side for you to complete and return to us if you believe you might require assistance during an emergency situation (tornado, extreme lightning storm flood, etc.) and to help paramedics and firefighters.

The information from this Questionnaire - will be used to determine who will need special help in the event of such an emergency. As 'first contact' in an emergency, The Emergency Preparedness Team provides the information to the paramedic, fire and police services looking after Sandycove Acres. Your information will be kept confidential at all times. The "first responders" (Fire, Paramedic and South Simcoe Police Services) will use the information to assist you during evacuation procedures and/or medical treatment at your home or evacuation sites.

PLEASE

Let us help emergency personnel help you by filling out the Questionnaire, signing it and dropping it into the EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TEAM drop box (white with red lettering) in the East lobby of the wheel near the stairs to the basement.

Or by mailing it to: Sandycove Homeowners' Association Emergency Preparedness Team P. O. Box 7151

Innisfil, Ontario L9S 1A9

If you need an additional Questionnaire or have any questions, please call Linda Moyles @ 705-436-7949 or email eptsca@yahoo.com and we will deliver it to you.



ONE QUESTIONNAIRE PER PERSON INFORMATION TO ASSIST EMERGENCY PERSONNEL	Other Medical Conditions:
NameAddress:	
Number of persons living in Residence	Additional Information to Assist Emergency Personnel:
Telephone No.:	
Email Address:	
Emergency Contact: Name:	
Phone No.:	Please check all of the following statements that apply to you:
Relationship to you:	☐ I would like to be placed on a Priority
(i.e. Son, Daughter, Brother, Sister, Friend, etc.)	Evacuation List in the event of a serious emergency.
Pets: Name(s) □ Dog(s) □ Cat(s) □ Have crate(s)	 I understand and agree that this information is given voluntarily to assist emergency personnel in the event of a
HEALTH/MEDICAL INFORMATION Oxygen in Use:	serious emergency affecting Sandycove Acres and/or surrounding area.
Mobility Aids: Cane Crutch(es) Walker Scooter Wheelchair Powered Manual	Date:
Need Assistance with: Standing Walking	(signature)
Sitting /Toilet/etc.: Yes No	This information is being collected by the
Medical Conditions: please check all applicable Diabetes PicLine Heart Disease/Heart Attack Stroke/Brain Aneurysm/Brain Injury Parkinsons COPD	Emergency Preparedness Team of the Sandycove Home Owners' Association and will be used only for the purposes stated above. All information will be held in strict confidence and your privacy is assured.
 Huntingtons Multiple Sclerosis Muscular Dystrophy Cancer Alzheimers Asthma Sight Hearing Speech 	Please drop the completed Questionnaire in the "Medical/Mobility Questionnaire box in the East/West Lobby of the Wheel, the back entrance at the Spoke or at the Hub (just inside the door) or mail to: Emergency Preparedness Team,

Email to eptsca@yahoo.com

P.O. Box 7151, Innisfil, On L9S 1A9