



RTOERO DISTRICT 28 – REGION OF DURHAM

OCTOBER 2022 – E-BLAST

Welcome to Fall everyone. It's truly a wonderful time of the year. After a very successful No-Bell Luncheon, and a great September Coffee-on-us, we have slowly started to see each other again. This has been the best outcome! We look forward to seeing many more at the Wine and Cheese in the large hall at the Woodview Community Centre on October 19th.

Long-Term Care Placements: Bill 7

Recently, there has been a lot of controversy about the provincial government's legislation allowing the mandatory transfer of seniors from hospitals to Long Term Care homes up to 70 km away (150 km in the north). RTOERO has reacted to this, along with a number of seniors organizations, to outline why and how this legislation is a poor attempt to repair a broken situation. To learn more about this, and to read the full letter, [click here](#).

OUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee took a much-needed break for the summer after our exciting, first in-person, post-lockdown event - our wonderfully enjoyable Golf Tournament, and started the new school year by hosting the traditional celebration for the first day of school.

The No Bell Luncheon was held at the Mandarin Restaurant in Pickering where 155 members and their guests enjoyed their traditional delicious buffet. As usual, our longstanding patronage was recognised by a significant reduction in the regular price and so, after District 28's generous reimbursement, members were able to celebrate very economically. Well over a dozen brand new retirees were enthusiastically welcomed to this wonderful new lifestyle.



The general mood of celebration was reflected in the incredible generosity expressed in the collection of an astonishing \$642 in the 50/50 draw which sent \$421 to our new fundraising beneficiary, Hearth Place Cancer Support Center, Oshawa. Yes. You noticed that the donation amount was not 50%. That is because our wonderful winner, Nancy Dalrymple, promptly turned around and donated \$100 of her prize back to Hearth Place. As was observed at the time "That's the way teachers roll!"

Speaking of which, it looks like a record crowd is going to roll out for our Annual Wine and Cheese on October 19th (Free for members and only \$15 for their registered guests) so if you haven't responded yet, now's the time to do so. A final email registration form will be coming your way soon.

DUSTOFF

Do you have a submission for our semi-annual magazine? The deadline is November 1, 2022. Please submit to [Sue Nieuwenburg](#)

RTOERO Hikers!

On Thursday Oct 20 at 10:00 a.m., come and enjoy a wonderful outing along the Seaton Trail in Pickering. We will meet at "Clarks Hollow," which can be found by driving along Taunton Road and turning South at Whites Road. (Lights, just west of the Bridge over Duffins Creek, and East of Rosebank Drive) Take the first Road on the east side south of Taunton (also called Old Whites Road or even Forestream Trail) and we'll meet in the parking lot about 100 meters after you see the bridge.

The Seaton Trail has some hills to climb as we hike, so be prepared. Please dress according to the weather and consider wearing sturdy footwear. Hiking poles, if you have them, would be helpful to some. You may wish to bring a camera to

capture some impressive views of Duffins valley and its high clay, riverbanks. I look forward to seeing you!

Don Farquharson

DO you wish to get the most out of your walking??

Step It Up: 7 Reasons Nordic Walking Is Better for You Than the Normal Kind

<https://www.everythingzoomer.com/health/2022/08/14/7-reasons-nordic-walking-is-better-for-you-than-the-normal-kind/>

Coffee on us this month -

The last Wednesday/Thursday, October 26, 27 of the month in your area

Ajax: WEDNESDAY 245 Salem Road South

Bowmanville: WEDNESDAY 350 Bowmanville Avenue

Oshawa: WEDNESDAY 1361 Harmony Road North

Port Perry: WEDNESDAY 15930 Old Simcoe Road

Uxbridge/Beaverton - WEDNESDAY 325 Toronto Street South

Pickering: THURSDAY 742 Kingston Road

Whitby: THURSDAY Brock Street/401

NORTH DURHAM NATURE PRESENTATIONS

Algonquin to Adirondacks with Emily Conger - October 25, @ 7:00 p.m. - Zoom Meeting

The Algonquin to Adirondacks region is unique and essential to wildlife conservation in eastern North America. As an active member of the Algonquin to Adirondacks Collaborative, Emily is working with its 50+ partners and other stakeholders to address the urgent need to protect and enhance this north-south, international wildlife corridor. Emily's tireless and positive energy will inspire!

Ethical Wildlife Photography with Mark Peck - November 22, 2022, 7 pm - Scugog Memorial Library, Port Perry, ON

The popularity of wildlife photography has exploded in the last 20 years with the arrival of digital photography. But are we loving our plants and animals to death? Please join Mark for a look at how wildlife photography has evolved and what impact photographers might be having on their subjects and, more importantly, what photographers can do to better support conservation initiatives.

Become a member of North Durham Nature at www.northdurhamnature.com

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Join Us to Celebrate 50 Years of
Community Building! Further
information and link to Reunion
website on the G. L. Roberts website:

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school/gl-roberts-50th-](https://glrobertscvi.ddsb.ca/en/our-school/gl-roberts-50th-)

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