



**NEWS**

**November 2024**

**AND**

**VIEWS**

**MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE 22 WATER STREET, MARKHAM , ON**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT...Les Miscampbell**



Hello Everyone,

I hope you enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving and our fine October weather. With the Fall comes a new flu season and the reemergence of the latest variety of Covid 19. Please stay at home if you don't feel well. Test yourself and don't return to the club until you are sure that it is safe to do so. Wearing a mask is an individual choice but it is still strongly encouraged indoors by the health professionals.

Our Annual General Meeting took place on Monday afternoon, October 21st, 2024, and we had an excellent turnout. The board thanks all who attended and participated in the meeting. The board looks forward to our annual meeting as it provides us not only with an opportunity to share information but to recognize and express our appreciation to the many volunteers who run our programs and help at the club in so many other ways. I invite others to join our great team of volunteers by completing a volunteer application. Applications which can be obtained at the front desk or from the washroom wall bulletin board. We are especially soliciting applications from members with backgrounds in information technology, Microsoft Office applications or finance.

We welcomed a host of new members this year. Joining a new organization can be a daunting experience. If you encounter a new member attending one of your activities, please introduce yourself and offer to show them around.

Enjoy your club. Take good advantage of the various program offerings. Wear a smile and offer to help your program organizers and Convenors with the cleanup after your activity. It will certainly be appreciated.

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**MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE**  
**2024 BUILDING CLOSURE DATES**


DATE	HOLIDAY/REASON FOR CLOSURE
Monday, February 19 <sup>th</sup>	Family Day
Friday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Monday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Monday
Monday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Day
Monday, July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Canada Day
Monday, August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Civic Holiday
Friday, August 16 <sup>th</sup> @ 5pm to Sunday, September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Annual Building Maintenance
Monday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Labour Day
Monday, October 14 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving
Friday, December 20 <sup>th</sup>	CLOSES AT 5:00pm
Saturday, December 21 <sup>st</sup> to Sunday, January 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	Closed for the Holidays

**MEMORIAL POSTINGS**

At the October 2024 board meeting, the board approved the posting of a memorial for recently deceased members in the club newsletter. The current form used to request a special occasion card has been updated so that when a member requests that a card be sent in the event of a death, they can also request a newsletter memorial posting. The deceased member's name will be the only information included in the newsletter posting. If there are any postings, they will appear in this space.

Newsletter Contact- [newsandviewsmarkham@gmail.com](mailto:newsandviewsmarkham@gmail.com)

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PRIZES

TICKETS ON SALE TO MEMBERS

MONDAY NOVEMBER 4 TH

Helena Miscampbell



## Snooker Table For Sale

This 5 x 10 ft snooker table is offered for sale to Members. If interested, submit an offer to purchase using the Club's sealed bid process.

On a sheet of paper, write your name, phone number and the amount you wish to offer. Seal the paper in an envelope and place it in the sealed bids box at the front desk any time before 5:00 pm Friday, November 15th.

Bid envelopes will be opened on Monday morning, November 18th. The snooker table will go to the highest bidder. The successful bidder, at their own expense, must arrange to remove the snooker table from the Markham Seniors Activity Centre by Friday, November 29th.

Accessories with the table include one set of snooker balls, one rake and one triangle.

If you have any questions, call the Front Desk (905) 294-5111, leave your name and phone number and you will be contacted.



## Sing, Sing, Sing a-long Together

I am thinking of starting a singing group in the new year. It would not be a choir or karaoke, just a time and a place for people to get together and sing a variety of familiar music (mostly pop) suggested by the members of the group. If you think you are interested, there will be a sign up sheet at the front desk in early November. It would be held on Wednesdays from 11 - 12 pm in the west room.

Donna Jacobs- Convenor

## FALL KNITTING SALE

Tuesday and Wednesday November 19th and 20th in the lobby from 10:00 am till 3:00 pm.

Good variety of items

Hope to see you there

Joyce Bulgin, Convenor



## From the Travel Desk

On Tuesday, October 15th, our bus trip was to Kitchener-Waterloo for an Oktoberfest for Senior event. We were late in leaving due to an accident on the 407, but we had a terrific driver (the same one we had for the 1000 Island Cruise in July) and she made up time so that we did not miss any of the festivities. The group was a small one and everyone was terrific. You made my job easy and I thoroughly enjoyed my day. Thank you.

Our last trip for this year is coming Thursday, November 21st. We will travel to Niagara-on-the-Lake to see a live performance of My Fair Lady at the Shaw Festival Theatre. Lunch will be on your own at Niagara-on-the-Lake. I have been checking out places to have lunch, and hoping we could find a spot where we could all have lunch together but the restaurants on the Main Street are not large enough to accommodate all. We would like to have feedback from the people on the trip. Should we stop at an enroute where we could choose from a variety of food outlets and we would all be under one roof and together. It should be a light lunch since we are having a big dinner at the revolving restaurant at the top of the Skylon Tower. We need to have your choice of meal before we arrive at the restaurant. Anyone who did not make their selection at the time they signed up, please visit the Travel Desk and help us complete this information. The restaurant only needs the total number for each meal. The server will ask for your selection when we arrive at the restaurant. After we finish dinner we will see the festival of lights (and yes I have checked--- they start on the 15th of November)

We are already talking about trips for next year. The Shaw Festival has released their line-up for 2025. Nothing yet from Stratford or the Drayton theatres. There used to be murder mystery luncheons and dinners. One place where we were able to go was the Old Mill, but no longer I asked Craig, our provider, and he said it was expensive to operate, and he has not heard of any around. If anyone gets the line-ups for any of the Stratford & Drayton Theatres and the Capitol in Port Hope or any trips you might think would be of interest, please let us know at the Travel Desk.

We are working on a trip to the Royal Alex. Theatre to see Come From Away in 2025. We have an interest only/no commitment sheet at the Travel Desk for sign-up. So far they have extended the show to March 2/2025. We are hoping it will go into April. We are looking for more interested people. Mirvish has a requirement of a non refundable deposit if we do not get the required number so we want to be quite certain that we can make our commitment.

We will close the Travel Desk on November 21st. until the New Year.

Mary Lou Busato, Convenor



## CURRENT EVENTS PLUS GROUP

The Group Gathers Every Wednesday  
in the West Activity Room from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Come and join our "Group". The program consists of members getting to know each other through, sharing humour, discussing current local and world events, plus other subjects of interest. Pictures and videos related to the subjects of the day will be presented by a member and viewed on a large movie screen.

On entering, please sign in and deposit your \$0.50 in the  
"Room Fee" basket.

Do come and enjoy each other's company.  
See you all on Wednesday afternoons.

Carol McKnight  
Convenor

Robin Bryan  
Co-Convenor



## TAI CHI



The present Tai Chi classes will end on November 6th. The new session which will comprise of five (5) classes will commence on November 13th. The dates are as follows:

November 13th, 20th, 27th, December 4th & 11th, 2024.

The cost of the session will be announced at a later date. All interested participants, please sign your names in the book at the front desk.

May Annamunthodo - Convenor

Nancy Kamanga - Co-convenor

## MELODY MAKERS

Final concert of the year Monday November 25 th ..... 11.45 -12.45

Doors open 11.15 Cost \$2 at door. Coffee /tea \$1.....

Due to the auditorium being closed Dec 16 to Jan 6 we cannot have our usual Xmas concert in December

Please come enjoy and support the band

Our regular last Monday of the month concerts will continue starting January

Norma Matus.



**BOOK CLUB 2**

The 2nd Wednesday of the month from 1-3 pm. This month we are reading “Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter” a novel by Tom Franklin. It’s a murder mystery, involving two boyhood friends, and set in rural Mississippi between the 1970’s and 1990’s.

Convenor- Donna Jacobs

**OUR SUMMER GARDENS**

By the time this newsletter comes out our gardens will be cleaned up, the tools put away and keys returned ready for the 2025 planting. I was very impressed with the variety of vegetables and the skill of our gardeners. I hope to put the sign up list for next year in the binder sometime in April. I will keep you posted.

Convenor - Donna Jacobs

**BID EUCHRE**

**MONDAY EVENINGS - 6:30 – 10:00 (CRAFT ROOM)**

**If Monday is a Holiday we will play on Tuesday same time and place.**

**COST** - \$2.00 (Covers Prize Money and \$.50 Facility Fee)

**PRIZE MONEY** - First \$8.00, Second \$6.00, Third \$5.00

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If you have never played before, the following is a brief description.

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Ken and Bev. Budarick – Convenors (905-294-5111 Front Desk)





**DJEMBE DRUMMING**

Wednesdays Noon—1:00 p.m.  
In the Craft Room. Sign up at the front desk  
Cost depends on number of participants.  
Diana Baron, Convenor

**MONDAY MORNING BRIDGE**

9:00 am to 11:30 am  
In the Craft Room. Come out and enjoy a  
game with friends and neighbours.  
Margaret Crowley, Convenor

**CANASTA**

We meet from 12:30 PM—4 PM in the West activity room every Thursday for a fun afternoon  
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Keith Shopman, Convenor



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**REMEMBRANCE DAY**  
 NOVEMBER 11

*Lest we forget*



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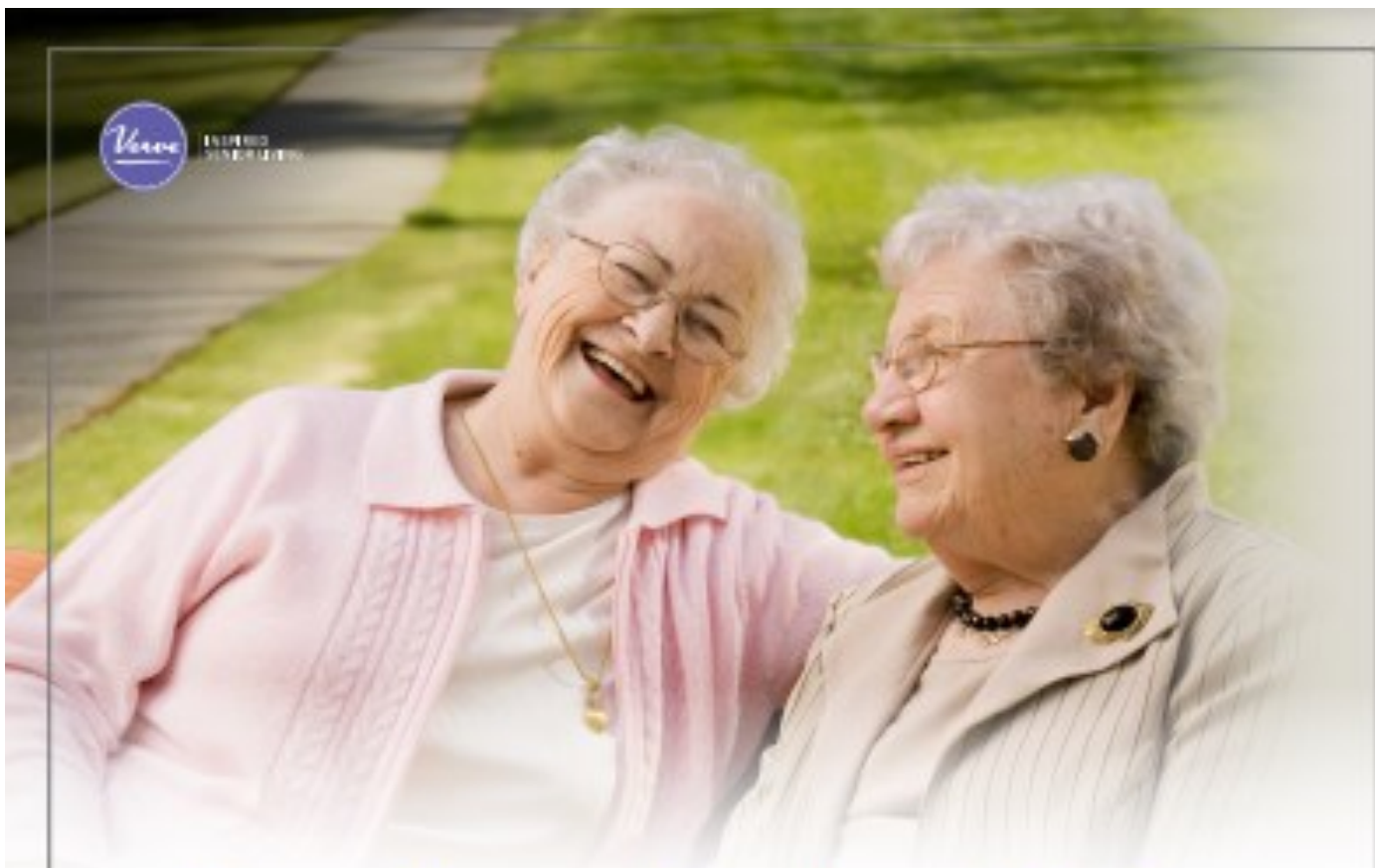
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