



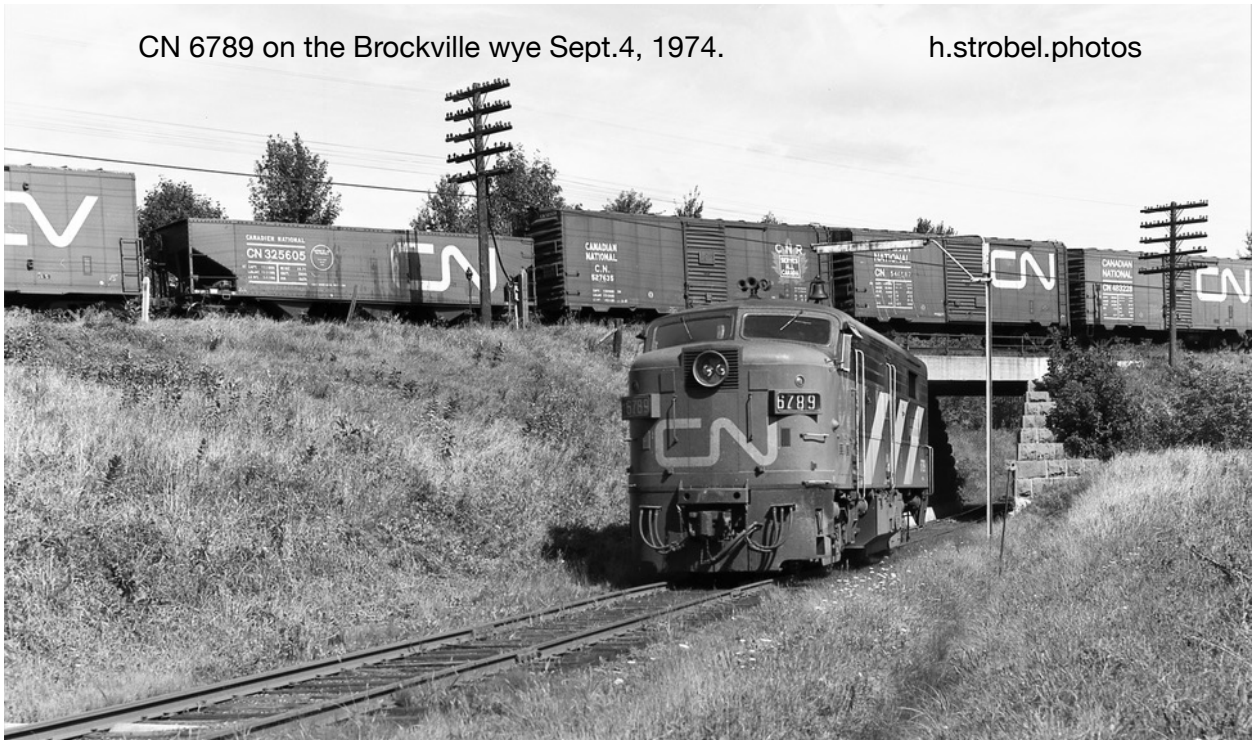
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# Belleville and District Newsletter

Spring 2022 Edition (May)

CN 6789 on the Brockville wye Sept.4, 1974.

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*May They Rest In Peace:*

<i>Mary F White</i>	<i>8 December 2021</i>
<i>Wilma Eldrena Guest</i>	<i>17 December 2021</i>
<i>Jo-Ann Nancy Ferguson-Allinson</i>	<i>29 December 2021</i>
<i>Dorothy May Hunter</i>	<i>8 January 2022</i>
<i>Kennon Elizabeth Donovan</i>	<i>11 January 2022</i>
<i>Dorothy Edna Riley</i>	<i>28 January 2022</i>
<i>Julie Ann Taylor</i>	<i>5 February 2022</i>
<i>Marie Velma Gilhooly</i>	<i>7 February 2022</i>
<i>Carmelita Catherine Craig</i>	<i>10 February 2022</i>
<i>Doreen Vernetia Green</i>	<i>21 February 2022</i>
<i>Esther Doogan</i>	<i>22 February 2022</i>
<i>Thomas Andrew Collyer</i>	<i>5 March 2022</i>

*"A sage thing is timely silence, and better than any speech."  
- Plutarch*

## ***Belleville Council (C3)***

General meetings/dinners are held at 12 noon on the 3rd Wednesday of every month except June, July, August and December.

Meeting place - Quinte Sports Centre (Multi Purpose Room)  
265 Cannifton Road  
Belleville, ON

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## *President's Message*

Hi Ladies & Gentlemen

Hopefully this message finds you Happy and Healthy with spring in your step and ready to get working in the flower beds, then sit back and watch the flowers grow. Sounds easy eh but takes lots of weeding for a healthy garden. But after two years of covid and dealing with the issues associated with it anything is possible for us now.

Although we haven't being having our dinners, the Belleville CNPA Committee [C3] has being meeting in person for the past few months to look after the business end of things, if you need help in any way with issues, please feel to contact me or anyone on the committee and we'll get you the help you need. Hopefully, if things keep improving, we'll be able to start our dinners in September.

On behalf of Local C3 Pensioner's Committee I would like to give our **Dave Simpson** a big " THANK YOU " because of his hard work and dedication to the Monument Fund, he along with our fund-raising Chair Mr Adrian Bax have raised our part of the money to match the City of Belleville's half to get the Monument started and completed. Will keep you posted.

The CNPA National Scholarship along with the Trades Bursary has started for another year and runs from April 15 to August 15 /22. All information for this is on our website.

I would like to Thank all our Local C3 Committee Members who give their time to make our committee a success and I get to be part of it.

We're always looking for new volunteers who would like to join us. not much work, no pay, but we have fun.

Hope you all have a Healthy and Safe Summer, don't forget to laugh, and have fun.  
Cheers,  
Les MacDonald

### ***Breaking News....***

CNPA Belleville Council (C3) President, **Les MacDonald**, has recently been appointed to the CNPA National Council as an alternate director representing the province of Ontario. Way to go, **Les**. Congratulations!

"God gave us two ends. With one we think, with the other we sit.  
Success depends on which one you use; heads you win, tails, you lose.

## ***May Birthdays***

- |                      |                              |                     |
|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 3. Terry Burn        | 8. <i>Happy Mother's Day</i> | 6. Dorothy Nolan    |
| 10. Larry Bunnett    | 11. Nancy Carrol             | 11. Mary Czechowski |
| 17. Ann Crabbe       | 18. Robert J. Cousins        | 19. Donald Eves     |
| 20. Kathleen Bronson | 22. Orval Closson            | 25. Anthia Dwyer    |
|                      | 27. Dave Muskiluke           |                     |

## ***May Anniversaries***

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Doran Jack, Shirley   | 2. Bellwood Robert, Donna  | 4. Thrasher Doug, Shirley     |
| 9. Glenn Edwin, Kathleen | 10. Bunnett Larry, Shirley | 31. Millerchuk Barry, Barbara |

One thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play,  
it's always possible to get worse.

## ***June Birthdays***

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. James G. Burns    | 4. Roger McDevitt             | 6. Rosemary Quibel |
| 6. Faye Grant        | 7. Geo. Christopher           | 8. Elaine Chipman  |
| 13. Mary Walsh       | 19. <i>Happy Father's Day</i> | 16. June Burns     |
| 20. Allan O'Hara     | 21. Kenneth Trolley           | 22. Brian Murray   |
| 25. Barry Millerchuk |                               | 25. Deanna Spice   |

## ***June Anniversaries***

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 6. Di Genova Bruno, Peggy | 8. Burns James, June |
|---------------------------|----------------------|



### *July Birthdays*

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|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Joyce Bowers        | 2. Elaine O'Hara      | 4. Allen Bushell     |
| 8. Robert Duvall       | 8. Alice Knox         | 8. Irene McGinnis    |
| 9. Heather Mueller     | 10. Derrick Knott     | 11. Mary Wade        |
| 13. Bernice Den Hartog | 13. Dale Grant        | 13. Ada Schreider    |
| 15. Estelle English    | 19. Marjorie Smith    | 19. Betty Glenn      |
| 21. Donald Dafoe       | 21. H. Patricia Moore | 22. Virginia Perry   |
| 24. Nora Mortimer      | 25. Birgit Meers      | 26. Joseph Chappelle |
| 26. Deanne Fahey       | 28. Anne Bradley      | 28. Sandra Smith     |
|                        | 31. Dave Schulz       |                      |

### *July Anniversaries*

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 9. Newton Norm & Lyons, Jan. | 12. Den Hartog Bert, Bernice. | 14. Farr Harold, Gail  |
| 15. Craig Joe, Carmel        | 17. McGinnis John, Irene      | 19. Birt Gord, Heather |
|                              | 27. Hebbourn Harry, Emily     |                        |

Jack Nicklaus once explained why he tees the ball so high:  
"Through years of experience, I have found that air offers less resistance than dirt."

For most golfers, the only difference between a \$1 ball and a \$3 ball is two dollars.

## *August Birthdays*

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|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 8. Marg Cousins     | 8. Margaret Haskin  | 9. Shirley Doran   |
| 17. Marilyn Lamorre | 19. Donalene Hebden | 21. Clark Coveduck |
| 27. Jan Lyons       | 29. Larry Hampson   | 30. Irene Craig    |
| 31. Viola Andrews   |                     | 31. Freda Tracey   |

## *August Anniversaries*

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2. Bishop Don, Thelma | 16. Coveduck Clark, Marion | 26. Bowers Arthur, Joyce |
|                       | 31. Fargey J. Lorne, Olive |                          |

Changing crews at Brockville November 24, 1973.

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## *Greetings to our newest members:*

Terry Hannah

Linda Chappell

Robert Doogan

Linda Ann Baker

Beth Collyer

**Q...**I have just retired from **CN** after 35 years of service. Am I not automatically a member of the CN Pensioners Association?

**A...**Yes, you are certainly a recognized member of the association; however, we have **two types of membership:** (1) contributing and (2) non-contributing.

Most community or non-profit organizations have a dues structure whereby dues payments are mandatory. We are a non-profit volunteer based organization consisting of more than 32,000 pensioners and survivors and because we are a democratic association, we do not force members to contribute financially, although, like any service organization, the CNPA does require operating funds to conduct the business necessary for it to function successfully.

**Q...**I am on “bridging”. Can I become a contributing member of the CNPA?

**A...**Absolutely! We welcome you as a contributing member of CNPA. It is important for you to note, however, that until you reach retirement age, you have to pay your annual membership fee by cheque or money order, as your monthly pay cheque does not come from the same fund as pensioners. However, the good news is that once you reach retirement age, you can switch over to payroll deduction.

**Q...**Are spouses of pensioners automatically members?

**A...**Spouses are NOT considered members unless the Dues Fee has been paid for them. If anyone wants their spouse to be a member, we can increase their Payroll Deduction to \$2.00. When a pensioner passes away, the spouse will be sent an application for membership so she/he will have the option to become a contributing member. Nothing is automatic.

*Who gossips to you will gossip of you. - Turkish proverb*



**Q...I am a surviving spouse of a CN pensioner. Can I also become a contributing member of the CNPA?**

**A...YES**, as a surviving spouse you are an important part of the CN pensioner population and we welcome your application to become a contributing member. The CNPA is there to protect the interests of both pensioners and survivors.

*“Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadows”.*

*- Helen Keller*

**Did you know?**

When a contributing member of our association dies, the surviving spouse is welcomed to our dinner meetings (when we have meetings) at no charge for a full year?

**IMPORTANT...**

When a pensioner changes address, a person becomes a new pensioner (retiree or surviving spouse), or a pensioner dies, **CN Pension and Benefits Administration** must be advised (**1-800-361-0739**).

A surviving spouse does **not** automatically remain a member of the CN Pensioners Association.

To remain a member of the Belleville Council, the surviving spouse must complete a new membership application and arrange their own payment of dues (\$1.00 per month).

During my annual physical, my doctor suggested that I play 36 holes a day.  
So, I went out and bought a harmonica.

*Let me tell you something about....**YOU**....CNPA member*

**Your** story is much more interesting than **you** think!

How and when did **you** become involved with **CN**?

Where did your journey take **you** and what stops did **you** make along the way?

We would all like to know a little more about **you**.

Contact the editor at the dinner meetings or send an email to [jwmueller44@yahoo.ca](mailto:jwmueller44@yahoo.ca) subject line “CNPA Belleville Newsletter”.

## CNPA ONTARIO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL TRADES BURSARY:

CN Pensioners Association of Ontario is pleased to sponsor a CNPA Trades Bursary. The purpose of the Bursary is to assist financially in the educational pursuit and career development of children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of supporting members of the CN Pensioners Association belonging to the Ontario Provincial Council.

There will be one Trades Bursary each year for \$1500.00

Please visit the website [cnpensioners.org](http://cnpensioners.org) – CNPA Ontario Trades Bursary

The Bursary is now open ONLINE to applicants and will close August 15, 2022.

There are 144 Skilled Trades in Ontario to choose from.

## CN Pensioners Association Scholarship Program

The 2022 SCHOLARSHIP Program, sponsored by the National Council of CN Pensioners (CNPA), is open online. Applications will once again ONLY be accepted BY EMAIL and must include all scanned or electronic supporting documentation as one complete PDF file. The application package must be received no later than August 15th. Please read all the instructions, terms and conditions and submission requirements carefully before emailing your submissions as these have been updated. Incomplete submissions will be rejected. Please ensure you use the current application form as it has changed from previous years. Applicants must have a minimum 80% average over the most recent 2 full school years in order to be considered. The results of the Program will be communicated to applicants by September 7th, 2022.

Go to [cnpensioners.org](http://cnpensioners.org) for further details and instructions

While on the website, [www.cnpensioners.org](http://www.cnpensioners.org)

Find out “what’s new”, information about Healthcare and a wealth of other information.

Read stories and newsletters online.

Log in to the Discussion Forum to find out what other pensioners are concerned about.

Have questions? Ask on the Discussion Forum. Get answers.

*“It takes less time to do a thing right than to explain why you did it wrong.”*

*– Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

### **CN Pensioners' web portal**

The portal is now available at [cnbenefits.hroffice.com](http://cnbenefits.hroffice.com)

It will allow you to access relevant pension information and update your address and banking information. On your first visit, you will need to register.

You will then be able to access the portal using your **CN** PIN (login ID) and the password you created. If you require assistance with registering or logging in, please call the Pensioners' Help Line at **1 800 361-0739**.

*Mother to son:*

"I'm warning you.

If you fall out of that tree and break both your legs, don't come running to me!"

### **Newsletters are published each January, May and September.**

We would love to have some contributions from you for future newsletters. How about it? Do you have a story or tale to share with our readers? Maybe you have an idea or other topic of interest to submit. Perhaps you could report on an event you attended.

*"Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value." - Albert Einstein*

### **Railroader in the Community**

The *CN Railroader in the Community* programme provides grants to employees, **retirees & spouses** in recognition of time volunteered to registered charities in their communities.

It is highly recommended to participate in this programme if you qualify.

Not only can your charity benefit from your volunteering, it may also benefit financially!

Further information on the "net" at [cn.ca/employeevolunteer](http://cn.ca/employeevolunteer).

## CN Yardmen Tribute Monument



The online form to make a donation using a credit card is;

<https://forms.belleville.ca/Finance/Live-Forms/Yardmen-CN-Monument>

Donations can be accepted in person or by mailing a cheque to;

City Hall  
169 Front Street  
Belleville, ON  
K8N 2Y8

Please make cheques payable to the *City of Belleville* showing  
*CN Yardmen Monument Tribute* in the subject line.

Tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

### ***Breaking News....***

Hi John,

*The money has been raised for the CN Yardmen Tribute Monument and it will be going up for bid shortly. Hopefully a decent number of our pensioners will turn out for the grand unveiling!*

Dave Simpson