

# Town introduces bicycle lanes on Hansen Blvd.

Originally designed as a four-lane arterial street, Orangeville's Hansen Boulevard has been redesigned as a multiple-use street with two lanes for through vehicular traffic, a centre turning lane and the town's first bicycle lanes at either edge.

The new design is in place from First Street to Blind Line and will extend farther west in future when the street goes at least as far as Veterans Way.

The move to add bicycle lanes is part of an effort by Orangeville Council to promote more sustainable means of travel and to enhance the safety for a situation that already exists - motorists and cyclists sharing the roads.

The project is part of the Town's ongoing efforts to link a transportation system throughout Orangeville that encourages non-motorized travel.

The 1.5-metre wide bicycle lanes on both sides of Hansen designates a space exclusively for bicycles. The bicycle lane is clearly identified with both signage and pavement markings. Except for GO Transit and town buses at bus stops, motor vehicles are not permitted to drive, park or stand in the reserved bike lanes, but signalling right-turning cars and trucks, on yielding to bicyclists, can enter the lane at intersections and driveways to complete their turns.

The signage consists of a white diamond in a black background and the image of a bicycle. Road paint in the bike lane consists of a white diamond with a bicycle below it to indicate the lane is to be used only by cyclists. Sewer grate lids have also been selected so

as to prevent bicycle tires from getting caught in them.

No matter where motorists and cyclists are in the town, they are reminded to be on the lookout for each other and for pedestrians.

Bicycles are considered vehicles under the Highway Traffic Act and cyclists have the same rights and duties as other drivers. Treat them as you would any other vehicle on the road.

Motorists are reminded to pay attention to cyclists and check blind spots on the left and right when turning. Drivers are able to cross the bike lane when coming to the right-turn lanes located at Blind Line and First Street. The line between the driving and bicycle lanes will become broken to signify when it is appropriate to cross into the turning lane.

Cyclists generally ride in the through lane on the right, about one metre from the curb or parked vehicles.

However, cyclists are not obligated to use bike lanes or pathways, and are entitled to cycle on all roads in town.

## Ryan challenging Haddock

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agricultural experimentation.

"I may take years and years to get it going," says Mr. McGhee, "but we have to just ensure we are taking the steps."

Like Mayor Haddock, Mr. McGhee foresees Mono facing a major challenge as it seeks to maintain the municipality's rural nature while, at the same time, deals with the pressure of a growing population.

"It is important to keep in mind the kind of town we will be passing on to our grand kids."

At the last Mono council meeting, Councillor Castel expressed his concern that many potential council candidates are shying away from running because of the current council schedule, which has two meetings a month. One is in the morning and one is in the evening.

Standard biking rules apply in the bicycle lane - hand signals must be used and anyone under the age of 18 must wear an approved helmet. When in the marked lane, bicycles are considered vehicles and therefore cyclists must know and follow traffic laws, signs, signals and road markings.

She is also involved in local education as Co-Chair of the parent council at Primrose Elementary School and has served on the Upper Grand District School Board's Parent Involvement Committee and she is part of the Headwaters Stable Tour organizing committee.

Ms. Capes, her husband and two daughters live on a farm property on the Mono-Adjala Townline.

(WHOA) and Equi-Fest, an annual event at the Orangeville Fairgrounds, Ms. Capes' professional background is in the finance industry, having worked for more than 30 years in personal and corporate banking and in management consulting.

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Orangeville Council passed a motion in 2009 to introduce bike lanes on all arterial and major collector roads, when new ones are built or existing ones are reconstructed and adopted an amendment to the Town's Official Plan to support this approach.

This new initiative, together with the Town's work at building the off-street trail system, offers easier and safer opportunities for people to bicycle.

During the Official Plan update last year, there was public consultation and obvious interest in the introduction of bike lanes in Orangeville.

Although there are no

plans for more bike lanes in the immediate future, the Trails Master Plan identifies a number of potential roads which may be suitable for bike lanes. The Planning and Public Works Departments will work with the Orangeville Sustainability Action Team, the Trailways Committee, and the County of Dufferin (which has already started to introduce bike lanes on County roads) to continue to develop a network of routes over the long-term.

For more information on rules of the road, visit the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's Cycling Skills website at [www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/pubs/cycling-guide/section2.0.shtml](http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/pubs/cycling-guide/section2.0.shtml)

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- Feb. 7 The Orangeville Gogo Grannies will hold a fun-for-all scrabble tournament. Orangeville Seniors Centre 26 Bythia St. 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm. Players of all skill levels are invited to join in. Tickets \$12 available at BookLore. Proceeds go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation Grandmother's to Grandmother's campaign. 519-941-5614 for info.
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- Feb. 9 10:30 am Accessibility Meeting, Council Chambers, main level. Municipal Building, 87 Broadway.
- Feb. 9 9:30-11:30 Shelburne Christian Women's Club Meeting. Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex - Fiddle Park Lane fashions by Pazazz Lug-a-mug coffee. \$4 admission \$1 first timers call Leona 519-925-3130 or Jane 519-938-8838 for reservations.
- Feb. 10 Dufferin soil and crop improvement association. Annual seed and feed show & annual meeting. Amaranth Township Hall, outside Laurel 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. admission \$25. inc 2010 membership & lunch info call Jim 519-928-2100 or Gordon 519-925-2397.
- Feb. 11 Casting call at Century Church Theatre Hillsburgh for "A Sting in the Tale" murder mystery 7:30 p.m. character & plot details at [www.centurychurchtheatre.com](http://www.centurychurchtheatre.com) info call 519-855-4586.
- Feb. 11 Orangeville Christian School will be accepting registrations for next year's JK and SK class, at their Open Houses Thurs. Feb. 11, Thurs. Mar. 11, Thurs. Apr. 8, Thurs. May 13. JK students must be 4 yrs. old by Dec. 31, 2010, and SK must be 5. Please bring in Birth Certificate and Immunization record. Orangeville Christian School call 519-941-3381 for more info.


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