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Protecting Foster Mountain Forever

By Taylor McClure
Special to the Brome County News

Those local to the Saint-Étienne-de-Bolton and West-Bolton regions may be familiar with the majestic Foster Mountain located between the municipalities. It is a place where locals take their morning walks, escape to nature, and take advantage of the beauty the world has to offer. For over a decade however, the fate of the mountain was left up in the air. There were individuals who wanted to develop the mountain, but there was much opposition by those who believed that the mountain should be conserved as a green space. When Appalachian Corridor, a non-profit conservation organization that protects the natural areas of the Appalachian region, was made aware of the issue they worked hard to come to an agreement that would allow most of the mountain to be preserved. Now, they are calling on the local communities to help raise the necessary funds to purchase the private land.

Gail Watt, a concerned citizen of West-Bolton, wants to reach out to the community to make them aware of the final steps that need to be taken if this mountain is to be enjoyed by all future generations to come.

“I have lived on a flank of Foster Mountain for over 30 years,” Watt said. “I worked with Appalachian Corridor 16 years ago in 2003 and sold them 12 acres of my own land; I kind of said that I have to help them make this work.”

With living on the mountain for three decades, Watt shared that she has witnessed first-hand the ever-growing desire to build more homes on the mountain. As someone who walks the mountain every day, she started to notice the roads that were popping up along the mountain.

“There was going to be a development of about 70 houses and this issue has been going on for about 12 years. We had a dream that the top of the



PHOTO COURTESY GAIL WATT

mountain would be changed to green conservation.”

Appalachian Corridor then took on the task of finding a solution. “When I saw that Appalachian Corridor was getting involved, I thought there is a chance and this is great.”

After several years of planning and negotiations, they finally reached an agreement that satisfied all parties and allowed for 75% of the mountain to be

protected. When talks of development first emerged 12 years ago, only 5.2% of the territory was going to be preserved. “Appalachian Corridor put together a plan and negotiated with two municipalities, West-Bolton and St-Etienne de Bolton, and the land owner. They managed to get a pretty good deal; 217 hectares of the mountain to be protected forever. They came up with a superb scheme.”

Considering the land is private, however, the organization needs to raise 2.5 million dollars to purchase the land in order for this to be achieved. They raised the majority of the funds through government subsidies and other funding partners, they also received land donations, but they are still short of what is needed. “The total amount needed to purchase that land is

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Brome County Community Bulletin Board

November 16

Ham Luncheon with scalloped potatoes, Saturday, November 16 at noon (12:00). **Bishop Stewart Memorial Church**, 5 Ch. Garagona, Frelighsburg. Contribution: \$12 Adult / \$5 - 10yrs. Reservations: 450-248-1145 or 248-3581.

November 16

The JUNO award winning Ensemble L'HARMONIE DES SAISONS invites you to the court of the princes and promises to regale you with a program of baroque music by composer G.P. TELEMANN for flute, viola da gambas and harpsichord. Lac-Brome: Saturday November 16, 2 p.m., United Church, 234, chemin Knowlton. Granby: Saturday, November 16, 8 p.m., BORÉART art Gallery, 279, rue Principale. Tickets available on EVENTBRITE, at Brome Lake Books and Bijouterie Gervais. Reservations: info@harmoniedessaisons.org. Adults: pre-sale \$28 (\$32 at the door), Students: \$12 and free for children 12 and under.

November 16

Saturday, November 16; **Soup lunch and bake sale at the Church of the Ascension, West Brome**; 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Also sale tables of items for gifts, Christmas decorations, books and attic treasures. Info: 450-263-3025.

November 16

Dance at Waterloo Legion, 77 Lewis East, Waterloo on Saturday, November 16, from 8 p.m. until midnight. Music by Gary Darling. Cost \$8.

November 17

Breakfast, \$8. Sunday, January 13, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Legion Cowansville, 120 Boul. Davignon. Information: (450) 263-3543.

November 17

November-December craft workshops at Marché des Artisanats Dunham. November 17: Shoe bags. November 24: Zentangle. December 1: Iris Folding-Christmas. December 8: Canadian Smocking. All workshops are 1 to 3:30 p.m. \$12. Come join the fun! Go to Facebook

@marchedesartisanatsdunham for additional info, or call 450-295-2252, or email michilynnd@gmail.com.

November 17

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 77, Waterloo. Breakfast Sunday, November 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 77 Lewis Street. Adults \$10. children 5-12 \$4.

November 22

Annual Holiday Soup, Dessert Luncheon & Bake Sale! All Saints Anglican Church Dunham. Friday November 22, bake sale starts at 11:30 a.m., Luncheon at 12 noon. Donation \$10. Cards will be played immediately following. Reservations: Claire 450-295-2349. Mary 450-263-3329. Remember "Always Fresh - Nothing Frozen."

November 23

A bazaar will be held at St. James Church parish hall, 40 rue du Pont, Bedford, Saturday, November 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bake table, white elephant table, surprise bags. Lunch: chilli or chicken and corn chowder, dessert and coffee, tea or juice: \$8. Information: 450-248-7319 or 450-248-3923. Everyone is welcome!

Church Bulletins

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ANGLICAN PARISH OF BROME

Services are at 9 a.m. First Sunday of the month - Holy Trinity, Iron Hill, and third Sunday of the month - Church of the Ascension, West Brome. Christmas Eve Service will be at 4 p.m., Tuesday, December 24th - St. John the Evangelist, Brome. Rev Tim Smart, rector. Information: 450-538-8108.

BEDFORD PASTORAL CHARGE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

You are warmly welcomed to join us each Sunday as we gather in worship. We welcome you and your ideas as we provide a safe place where all can seek a greater purpose to life. Services take place: November 3 & 10 in Bedford, November 17 & 24 in Stanbridge East. Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. and is followed by coffee and snacks. For more information please visit <http://www.bedfordpastoral.org/> or call 450-248-3044.

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COWANSVILLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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CREEK/WATERLOO PASTORAL CHARGE

Sunday, November 17 - worship, music: Creek United, 278 Brill Rd., West Bolton, service and Sunday school, at 9 a.m.; St. Paul's United, 4929 Foster, Waterloo, service at 10:30 a.m. Reverend Dave Lambie, minister. For information or to leave a message call: 450-539-2129.

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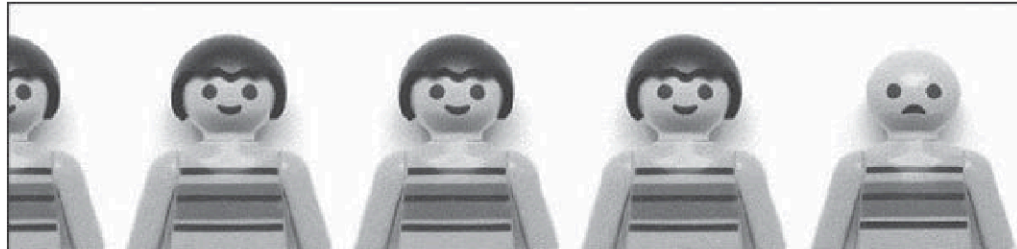
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Heroes' Memorial's Terry Fox goal surpassed!

By Louise Smith

On Friday, Heroes' Memorial School had an assembly to honour students for their fundraising efforts for the Terry Fox Run and reveal the school total. The goal this year was six thousand dollars. The school population is just over two hundred students. The run was held at the end of September and students had gone to family members and the community to raise money.

Students who had raised fifty dollars or more were acknowledged. Those who raised over a hundred dollars had addi-

tional recognition. When it came to Tristan Roy, he had a special distinction, that of being the top individual fundraiser of all time for a Terry Fox Run. He brought in over one thousand dollars!

The top ten students went on the stage to reveal the school total with numbers painted by the daycare students. The big reveal was \$8,255.60, more than two thousand dollars over the goal for the year. It is no wonder that Heroes' Memorial continues its reputation with the Terry Fox Foundation as the "Little School That Can."



Above: The school total this year for the Terry Fox Run was over eight thousand dollars.

Right: Tristan Roy brought in over one thousand dollars! It's a new school record.



PHOTOS BY LOUISE SMITH

100th anniversary of Remembrance Day

Submitted by
Brome County Historical Society

Yesterday, communities across Canada came together to observe Remembrance Day and remember the men and women who served across all branches of the Canadian Armed Forces. This year's commemorations were noteworthy for on November 11, 2019, Canada marked the hundredth anniversary of Remembrance Day.

At 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 1918, the Armistice negotiated between the Allies and Germany came into effect, bringing an end to the fighting on the Western Front. A year later, King George V sent a telegram across the entire British empire requesting two minutes of silence to mark what was then called Armistice Day or Peace Day. Police-men stopped traffic while foremen halted factory machines.

Canada would continue to celebrate Armistice Day until 1931 when Alan Neill introduced a bill in the House of Commons creating what we now know as Remembrance Day. The bill renamed Armistice Day to Remembrance Day, made it a federal statutory holiday, and ensured that Remembrance Day would always take place on November 11. Before Neill's bill, Armistice Day was on the Monday closest to November 11, meaning it took place on the same day as Thanksgiving (the date of Thanksgiving has changed more times that most people would think). The Royal Canadian Legion, created in 1925, lobbied to separate Armistice Day and Thanksgiving, arguing that it prevented Canada from observing a day of commemoration. Moreover, the Legion argued that while "Armistice Day" celebrated the generals and politicians who

negotiated the Armistice, "Remembrance Day" honoured the memory of the soldiers who fought and died.

The creation of a statutory holiday to remember those who fought during the First World War was but one of the many ways in which commemorations of the Great War broke with historic precedents. Many historians have argued that the scale of destruction during the First World War meant that past paradigms of commemoration were inappropriate for the 1914-1918 conflict. Nowhere is this better evidenced than in the case of war memorials. For instance, compare the Knowlton War Memorial with its representation of a winged Victory accompanying a Canadian soldier to Nelson's Column in Montreal erected in 1809 or to the South African War Memorial in Ottawa built in 1902. While Nelson's Column celebrates the Admiral responsible for the naval Victory at Trafalgar, the Knowlton War Memorial honours rank-and-file soldiers. Similarly, the soldier depicted atop the South African War Memorial cheerily raises his cap while the soldier on Knowlton's War Memorial stands determined in the face of the trials that await him.

The popularity of Remembrance Day has ebbed and flowed with the rise and fall of what historians refer to as "memory booms". However, the annual commemoration of the Fallen is an important part of Canadian society, one rooted in a century's old history and tradition.

Right: Canadian Engineers Service Dress, 1918. Belonged to Stephen Munroe Hunt of West Brome. BCHS Collection (1974.69.1)



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Sutton needs you!

DEAR EDITOR:

Our town council is often under pressure from a small group of ever-present activists who focus on zoning rules and subjects, which I find somehow removed from practical town issues. The council is also often addressed in an aggressive tone. This council was elected with 7% less voter participation in the 2017 election. It certainly has its qualities and shortcomings and might not be your favourite. Still, one cannot doubt that many on council are working hard on a demanding mandate.

I recommend you watch and listen to the first question period of the November 4th, 2019 council meeting on YouTube. You can hook up to the video by going to the official town website and selecting the red marker at the bottom of the front page.

The next meeting will be held on Monday December 2nd, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Your council is currently working on our 2020 budget which will determine our tax increases. I believe it would be important for some of the silent majority to come and challenge our council on practical issues. Yes the council meetings are boring with technicalities and lengthy verbiage procedures. Such are the requirements of the administrative process in a democratic body such as our town. Still, you would learn a lot about the many issues facing Sutton. Your concerns can be raised in a courteous and constructive manner. The last thing these meetings need is more aggressive interventions from citizens. Let's bring civility back in the exchanges at our town council.

For my part, I am concerned with our property taxes. The property assessment roll is out for 2020 and beyond. Assessments will go up on average by

8% according to information shared by council yesterday. In 2019 our property taxes went up by 5.8% while the latest inflation figures for Quebec in the current year stands at 2%. Our increase was therefore close to 3 times inflation! In 2018 our property taxes went up by 4.8% in the exterior and 2.9% in the village while inflation was at 1.7%. Therefore the exterior tax increase was again close to 3 times inflation while the village was rounding at 2 times inflation.

Many in Sutton are on fixed income. Pension statistics show that most in Canada are not getting revenue indexing to inflation such as the privilege few. This causes many to lose buying power with inflation and therefore straining household budgets. What can we expect in Sutton for 2020? With the roll call up by 8%, even if the council leaves the mill rate untouched our taxes would go up by as much on average! The National Bank of Canada's economic pages are forecasting inflation for 2020 again at 2%. That would leave Sutton citizens forking out property taxes out of pocket payment at 4 times inflation! I am of the opinion that our 2020 increase should be below inflation therefore allowing our taxpayers to catch their breath given our recent track record. Will our mill rate be adjusted?

What are our council's priorities? Are our town expenses under control? Will our town become a community limited to the very wealthy?

Sutton needs you! Come to your council meeting and please courteously raise your questions about your concerns.

GAËTAN MARCEAU
SUTTON TAXPAYER

*Inflation data: Institut de la statistique du Québec
Voter participation data: 2017 Election results report on the Town of Sutton website*

Knowlton Lions support Horizon pour Elle

Submitted by
Knowlton Lions Club

At a recent meeting, the members of the Knowlton Lions Club agreed to give a contribution of \$2,000 to Horizon pour Elle. The local Lions Club wanted to recognize the exceptional work of this institution. Located in Cowansville since 1982, Horizon pour Elle offers accessible, safe, free and confidential assistance and housing services for women who are victims of domestic violence, with or without children. Over the years the Knowlton Lions Club has been a regular supporter of this local based organization.



At the cheque presentation, from left to right: Cathie Sombret, general coordinator Horizon pour Elle and Eileen Mason, treasurer Knowlton Lions Club.

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November 23 – Heroes’ Memorial’s craft sale in Cowansville

By Louise Smith

The annual Christmas sale at Heroes’ Memorial is all set for Saturday, November 23. The tables are all rented. The money raised from table rentals goes to support the Heroes’ Memorial Bursary Fund.

The sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Parents Participation Organization will be running a cafeteria during the event.

The Christmas sale has been in operation for well over twenty years. It began with Sherry Page and it continues today. Close to fifty vendors will offer all kinds of wares from wood carvings to baked goods to a wide variety of arts and crafts.

The school is located on rue Sud (South Street) but the entrance for the sale will be on Davignon Blvd. It will be about a month to Christmas when the sale occurs. That is a perfect time to get Christmas shopping done and now that snow is on the ground Christmas seems just around the corner.

All to say, mark the date on your calendar.

Foster Mountain

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about 2 million dollars and they are short of about 500,000. The major issue at the moment is that there is a time frame. The government subsidies only go until December 31.”

With only a few months left in their time frame, the support of the community is desperately needed.

“My reason to want to speak up is because we are in the last few steps of making this happen and making it a reality. The time is now to show our support for the project for our reputation, the planet, future generations, and the wildlife. It would be great if everyone could donate because it’s more of a communal thing. It’s about the pride of our area. There is a mountaintop that citizens want to protect and they are taking the steps to do it.”


Anyone interested in showing support for the project or making a donation can go to <http://www.corridorapalachien.ca/en/make-a-donation/> or call 450-297-1145.

Ben in Focus



BEN MCAULEY

A junco in the first snow!



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Ask The Pastor - Rev. Tim Wiebe, St. Paul’s, Knowlton

Kanye and the Christians

I started listening to Kanye West’s new album “Jesus is Lord” last week.

I really don’t know Kanye West’s music. I saw his outburst at the Grammy’s a few years ago when Taylor Swift won and he thought Beyoncé should have won and thought it was rude and ridiculous.

He has said and done a few bizarre things, so when the hype hit about Kanye’s Sunday Services at Coachella and other places, I took it with a grain of salt. When the album hit, I was interested.

I really like it. It lasts about as long as from Knowlton to Cowansville (29 minutes) and I have it on repeat.

But as Kanye predicted, the “Christians” immediately started judging. “What would you be hearing from the Christians, they’d be the first ones to judge me, make me feel like nobody love me” (Hands On- ft. Fred Hammond.)

Given his erratic behaviour, was his conversion real? Would it last? After all, he did used to refer to himself as “Yeezus.”

Three things:

We have to remember that there have been some very bizarre conversions in the history of the church. St. Paul had a violent and vehement hatred for Jesus and the church, even seeking to destroy it before his conversion on the road to Damascus. St. Augustine fought his conversion. He notably said “Lord, grant me chastity, just not yet.” C.S. Lewis spent much of his life after the death of his mother as an ardent atheist. He described himself at his conversion as a “the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England.” (Surprised By Joy; The Story of My Early Life)

As Pope Francis famously said “who am I to judge?” It is a great question. When people describe Christians, one of the most frequent descriptors is “judgmental.” Psalm 139 describes the knowledge that God has of us. He knows our thoughts and intentions, when we rise up and when we sit down, before a word is on our lips He knows it “altogether.” He knows the reasons for our reasons. Has God set out a vision for human flourishing, healthy human relationships and right thinking about God, humanity and the universe? Yes, in His love for us He has done that in the Bible. Does that give us the right to sit on his throne pronounce his judgement or blessing? No, Neither.

There is a great Latin philosophical phrase- “res ipse”- the thing itself. Perhaps, rather than judge the person, we might listen to the album, ask questions about the product, like it or not like it. But we need to stop thinking that we can intuit motivation, intention and the outcome. Rather find the point of common ground, find the things that are true, pure, noble, good, lovely (Philippians 4:8) and think on those things, and leave the outcome to God.

SO Is Kanye’s conversion “real”? God knows. Is the album good? I like it.

I hope to feature it on Ask The Pastor on CIDI 99.1FM on Sunday November 17, 2019 (my birthday-btw).



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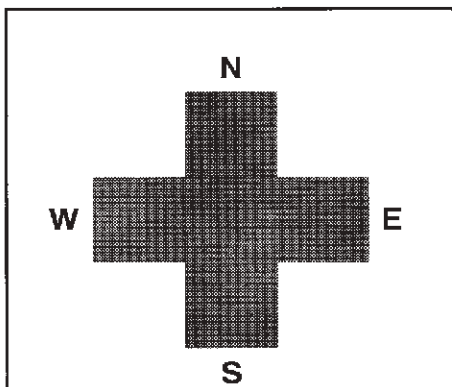
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Fulford News

Judging by the happy faces, it appeared that everyone was enjoying the Harvest Soup Luncheon sponsored by the Fulford Community Club. The selection of four soups and three pies proved delicious, as were items on the Bake Table. Members of the Club were assisted by other volunteers, all of whom were much appreciated.

The Church reading group read "Orphan at my Door" by Jean Little, a story of Home Children, mostly needy youngsters from England who, for various reasons were sent to Canada where some were taken in by loving families but others were not well-cared for.

The season at Fulford United Church has now ended and we are appreciative of Rev. Tom Edmonds and our organist, Susan Reiningger, as well as the Committee members: Peter Quilliams, President, Carla Wright, Secretary-Treasurer and reader, James Wright Trustee, assisted by Patricia Neil and Bev Quilliams; Robert Wright took care of the lawn and the wood stove. Thanks to all.

Submitted by
Margaret Fordham

340 Garage Sales

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I hear the flutter of birds' wings as they fly from branch to branch and tree to tree.

The moon, in her constancy reminds us, another day is coming to an end.

The sun, moon and woodland creatures are doing what they were created to do,

tells me it's only humans who resist and fight their way through.

Oh ! That I could be more like the moonbeams or the waves of the sea.
To use my gifts to do what comes naturally.
To be who I was meant to be
To fulfil my destiny.

Gloria Leney
May 11, 2017

Self-Serving

Often I have looked at my life myself
As I see it
Am I being reasonable or philosophical
Why I turned out the way I did
Was it because of the way I was brought up ?
Or by the way life challenges me ?
To follow my goals and path to who I am now
Why did I make the decision I did along the way ?
And why did I turn out in the way I act, think and behave
What am I looking for - a reason for my behaviour and thinking ?
Why must I depend on my instincts, intuitions and thought process
To see how I see myself in life, and set goals
Where do I fit in?
In the whole picture of where I've been and where I'm going
Who am I - a person who you believe and trust ?
Someone who has something to achieve and accomplish ?
Or am I a person who you feel is a phony, a liar - or a person who can be straight, forthright and honest

With his own feelings and wants and needs I look at myself and see a person who is in conflict with himself,
With his own self - worth, and has only himself to blame
For how others see or perceive me as a person and human being
My own thought is that I'm a person
Who needs moral support, encouragement and trust, goodwill and love
For I don't have a lot of self-confidence
I hope people can see through me - the real me
That I need to be accepted and liked and that I have feelings and pride.
I can easily be hurt by what people say
So please don't prejudge me but accept me for who I am
A person who is just like you in a lot of ways
We all have a past history and my goal is to be a better person to others
And especially to myself

Sincerely,
David

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Full House for Remembrance Day dinner at Legion Branch no. 99

By Louise Smith

On Saturday night extra tables had to be set up to accommodate all the diners for the Remembrance Day dinner held at Legion branch no. 99 in Cowansville. At one point President Robert Bouhot remarked how four years ago only forty had been at that Remembrance Day dinner and this year it was over one hundred.

This is the 75th Anniversary for this branch of the Legion. Much has been done. The refurbishing of the cenotaph and the addition of two columns and work on the walkway and the addition of benches was a significant achievement. It was mentioned at the dinner that the Ladies Auxiliary had raised over \$6,000 towards that project.

The guest speaker was Francois Dubreuil, the Adjutant-Chef or Chief Warrant Officer with the 52nd First Ambulance division in Sherbrooke. He spoke impeccably in both English and French to describe his forty years of service in the armed forces. He has been to many places around the globe including time in Afghanistan. Over 40,000 have served at one time in the Afghanistan campaign.

After the dinner was over all who are veterans came together for a group photograph. It included everyone who has served or who are still active in duty. It was moving to see how large and diverse the group was.

The poppy campaign this year was successful again. Without volunteers, it would not have been possible to have been visible in the community. Anyone wishing to join the Legion can go to 120 Blvd. Davignon in person or can call 450-263-3543.



Francois Dubreuil, the Adjutant-Chef / Chief Warrant Officer with the 52nd Field Ambulance division in Sherbrooke, was the guest speaker at the dinner



The head table at the Legion Remembrance Day dinner.



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A significant number of people who have served, or who are currently in service, joined together for a group photo at the Remembrance Day dinner

Electricity woes extended for many last week

By Louise Smith

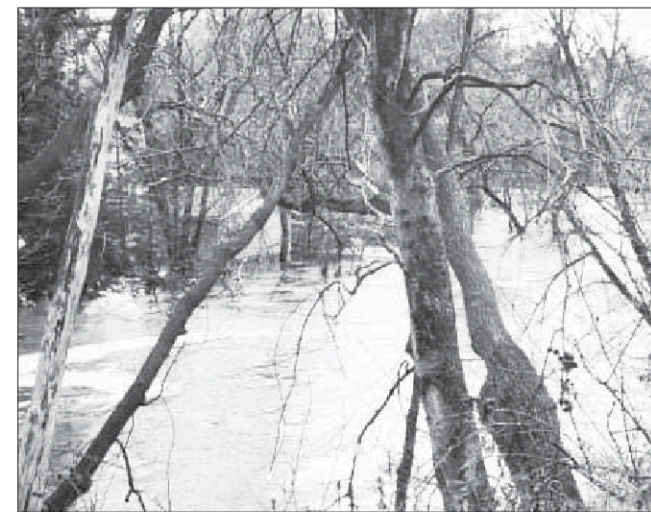
Power outages continued well into last week. By Wednesday most were back on, but it had been a long stretch since the Friday windstorm started the flooding and the cuts in electricity. For homeowners who had to wait four, five, or six days, it was not a picnic, especially if they were on well water. No power equals no water. It was a difficult time for anyone with a farm. Even with diesel generators, the fuel needed to be replaced often and it was stressful to keep barns warm and the water flowing for the animals.

A fallen tree on a line on Bell Street in Cowansville was not cut until Wednesday. The street was blocked with warning tape as the tree could have fallen on cars



ALICE CROSSFIELD

The water rose close to the platform of the covered bridge on Bell Street



ALICE CROSSFIELD

The Yamaska River water roiled and rose all day last Friday.



LOUISE SMITH

A tree precariously hung on wires on Bell Street in Cowansville until Wednesday.

or pedestrians if the wires holding it up gave way.

The flood waters receded elsewhere in Cowansville but a lot of water damage occurred.

The weather episode reminds us that as powerful as man has become, Mother Nature always has one over on us. And since that time, we have now had winter arrive. The deadline for putting snow tires on has moved up to December 1st, but it is reasonable to assume that mid-November is the true deadline to be ready for snow.



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