

August 2023

## VOLUNTEER NEWS



The opening ceremonies of this year's event will take place in 34 days.

### Volunteer Update

Thank you to each of the 568 volunteers who have already signed up! We have an amazing group of individuals who have been working over the last year to plan the event and now we have a significant group preparing the grounds and beginning installation of hydro and water.

As we approach our opening day, we still need approximately 170 volunteer shifts filled in key areas: 60 in parking, 50 in traffic and 60 in steppers and greeters. I

If someone you know is interested in any of these please have them complete and submit a volunteer form. They can complete and return the attached form or it can be done online at [plowingmatch.org/ipm2023](http://plowingmatch.org/ipm2023) and submitted electronically.

If anyone who has already signed up as a volunteer could consider one additional shift, it would help us surpass our volunteer requirement.

**Traffic** Our volunteers direct our visitors along the roads and into the relevant parking lots. These volunteers will be the first contact of our visitors.

**Parking** Adding to first impressions of the event the parking volunteers will help direct our visitors in the parking fields. Need 30 volunteers each day, majority of shifts 9:00—12:00 am.

**Steppers and Greeters** As the visitors come out of the parking they will be welcomed and assisted to board the wagons that will transport them to the different venues of the event.

Thank you for helping us share the volunteer opportunities in our community event. It's an opportunity to get involved, meet new people and help make this year's event a success.

If you have submitted a volunteer form and not been contacted by anyone, please let Cindy know at [cindysabo@xplornet.ca](mailto:cindysabo@xplornet.ca).

Cindy, IPM Volunteer

**Construction is underway. Starting Monday, August 21st the snow fences will be installed and the water pipes will be layed. We require 5 people each day to help for approximately one week. Can be half day shifts.**

**If you're interested and available please contact Henrietta at 519-939-7352 or [Henriette\\_kottelenberg@hotmail.com](mailto:Henriette_kottelenberg@hotmail.com)**

## Mandatory Volunteer Orientation

Sat. Sept. 9th 9:00—12:00

Volunteers can park in the green sticker parking lot off the 7th concession north of the 10th sideroad (weather permitting)

Wagon will transport you to the Lounge Tent in tented city.

Registration starts at 8:00

**Volunteers will receive their ID Badge and Lanyard which will be required when working at the event.**

Refreshments served complements of Foodland Shelburne

General Orientation

**Individual Committee Breakout (volunteers working in tented city will receive a ticket that will allow them entrance from their Chair)**

Optional Tour of Tented City

Orientation Manual will be distributed through email following the orientation session. Hard copies will be available at all volunteer venues during the event.

We know that our volunteers have many other things going on in their lives and some might not be able to attend. This orientation session. **If you are not able to attend it is your responsibility to make arrangements to pick up your ID Badge and entrance tickets if required.**

We will be at the Tented City Main entrance on the following dates and times to assist you to pick up your ID Badge and Lanyard.

Wed. Sept. 12th 10 am to 1 pm

Sat. Sept. 16th 10 am to 1 pm

**You are also responsible for viewing the orientation on line and we will have a version available on utube.**



Get your IPM Souvenirs



Amaranth Municipal Office—Laurel    Dufferin Mutual Insurance—Shelburne

Also available for pick up or drop off. Please contact [socialmediaipm2023@gmail.com](mailto:socialmediaipm2023@gmail.com) for more information



BREATHE IN DUFFERIN

ONTARIO'S HEARTLAND

# BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION

GET INVOLVED AND BE CREATIVE!

DECORATE THE ENTRANCE OF YOUR HOME, DRIVEWAY OR BUSINESS TO BEAUTIFY OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE 2023 INTERNATIONAL PLOWING MATCH AND RURAL EXPO. LET'S WELCOME THOSE COMING TO DUFFERIN.

## PRIZE MONEY IS UP FOR GRABS!

PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH OF THE 4 CATEGORIES!  
URBAN, RURAL, BUSINESSES (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES)  
AND BARN QUILTS.

## DISPLAYS MUST INCORPORATE

THEME: BREATHE IN DUFFERIN - ONTARIO'S HEARTLAND.  
FLOWERS: HYDRANGEAS AND FALL MUMS (CHRYSANTHEMUM)  
IPM 2023 COLOURS: CREAM, RUST AND BLUE.

CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE IS AUGUST 28TH, 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION, RULES AND TO ENTER,  
[IPM2023BEAUTIFICATION@GMAIL.COM](mailto:IPM2023BEAUTIFICATION@GMAIL.COM)

[WWW.PLOWINGMATCH.ORG/IPM2023](http://WWW.PLOWINGMATCH.ORG/IPM2023)

Join us on Friday, September 22 to celebrate the achievements of the Plowing Competitors and the crowning of the Ontario Queen of the Furrow.

## Celebration of Excellence

**Orangeville Fairgrounds**

**247090 Sideroad 5**

**Mono**

**Doors Open 5:00 pm**

**Bar Open 5:30 pm**

**Welcome 6:00 pm**

**Buffet Dinner 6:30 pm**

**(county homestyle meal provided by Grace Frey Catering of Elora)**

**Presentation of Awards 7:30 pm**

Tickets Available at [plowingmatch.org/2023](http://plowingmatch.org/2023)

Single Ticket before Sept. 8	\$65.00
Single Ticket last minute	\$70.00
Table of Ten	\$650.00



COMING TO

2023 INTERNATIONAL  
PLOWING MATCH &  
RURAL EXPO

*The Campfire Poets*



16 SEPT

7:30 PM

\$20 ENTRY

RV PARK - 333569 7 LINE, LAUREL, ON

This ticket is included in the RV Camping fee.

Non Camper To purchase tickets open hyperlink

[The Campfire Poets - 2023 International Plowing Match & Rural Expo Tickets, Sat, 16 Sep 2023 at 7:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

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