

# News in Brief

## Greenprint - Markham Community Sustainability Plan Launched



The draft Greenprint – Markham’s Community Sustainability Plan was launched in early June at the annual Unionville festival, following a preliminary round of community consultation. The plan has four main areas of focus: environmental health; economic vitality; social well being and cultural vibrancy.

Over the next several months, Markham will be working to further develop the Greenprint community sustainability plan including focussing on: Place: which creates complete neighbourhoods as the foundation of a great community; Function: create and maintain robust and resilient infrastructure and People: support continuing health and prosperity. Greenprint will help prepare Markham for future local and global challenges.

To be involved and to learn more, visit [www.markham.ca/sustainability](http://www.markham.ca/sustainability).

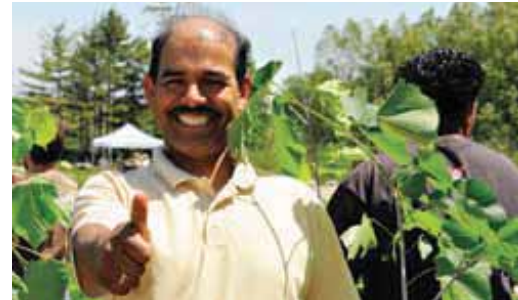
## John Allan Cameron Honoured with Street Naming



Angela Cameron and son Stewart, with the Highland Creek Pipe Band, display special commemorative street sign in honour of John Allan Cameron.

Markham resident John Allan Cameron, known as the “Godfather of Celtic music”, was awarded the Order of Canada in 2003, but throughout his musical career touched the lives of Canadians in hundreds of live performances and TV appearances. Born in Cape Breton in 1938, John Allan was a long-time Markham resident prior to his death in 2006. The Town of Markham commemorated his memory, life and music influences at a special street naming ceremony on June 6, 2010.

## Planting Success 125,000 Trees In Four Years!



Town of Markham Council and Staff celebrated the four-year success of the Trees For Tomorrow program on May 30 by planting the 125,000th tree at the Markham Civic Centre. One of the first mayoral commitments in 2006 was to plant 75,000 trees by 2010, more trees than had been planted in the past 10 years in the Town of Markham.

Thanks to Markham’s community partners, TD Friends of the Environment, Evergreen, 10,000 Trees for the Rouge, Friends of the Rouge Watershed and York Region for their support to Trees For Tomorrow.

## Thornhill Baseball Club Celebrates 25 years

On June 5, 2010 The Thornhill Baseball Club was joined by Markham’s Mayor, municipal representatives from the City of Vaughan and the Thornhill Baseball Club executive to open the 2010 season and participate in the ceremonial opening pitch of the Club’s 25th season.





## Celebrate Fall at Applefest at Markham Museum

Celebrate fall harvest at the 26th Annual Applefest - Markham Museum's largest family event of the year on September 25-26. Applefest will feature entertainment, a variety of hands-on activities for children, pioneer handicrafts and skills and an operating saw mill. The steam tractor will be fired up to give visitors a glimpse of farm equipment from the turn of the last century. The Museum also operates its own apple cider mill which offers samples for visitors.

## Markham Opens New Cricket Pitch

Cricket players from Markham are putting the 'bat to the ball' with the opening of a new cricket pitch in the south part of the community. With the support of the community, the new cricket pitch is part of the Villages of Fairtree 20-acre community park. Played since the 1700s, cricket is popular worldwide and now Markham has a professional pitch for players to enjoy.

The new cricket pitch was officially opened by the Mayor, Council Members and community cricket clubs on June 19, 2010.



St. Robert students sign autograph board at the opening ceremony for the new soccer field at St. Robert Catholic High School.

## We're expanding in our community

Throughout this past spring, the Town of Markham made a number of important announcements about new and expanded facilities for our community. The list of projects includes a new artificial turf soccer field and seasonal dome at St. Robert Catholic High School; a 26,000 sq.ft. artificial ice rink at the Anthony Roman Centre (Markham Civic Centre); indoor tennis courts at the Angus Glen Community Centre and Library, expanded facilities at the Thornhill Community Centre and Library, and a new state-of-the-art community centre and library in east Markham near the Markham Stouffville Hospital.

All these new facilities will significantly improve Markham's recreation and leisure opportunities for residents. And, there is more to come. Visit Markham's website at [www.markham.ca](http://www.markham.ca) for more announcements later this year.

These initiatives put Markham's newly-released Integrated Leisure Master Plan and Markham's infrastructure partnership with the governments of Canada and Ontario into action.

## Come to Party! Milliken Children's Festival • Sept. 11



Come to the biggest children's party in York Region. Markham's day-long Milliken Children's Festival takes place Saturday, September 11 at the Markham Civic Centre (Highway 7 and Warden Ave.)

There's free admission and free activities and entertainment for children 2 to 12. Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the rain or shine event is a great way to play the day away. For more information visit [www.markham.ca](http://www.markham.ca)

## Heritage Stiver Mill to Receive Restoration

Stiver Mill, originally built and operated in 1916, is a designated heritage property under the Ontario Heritage Act. The Town of Markham purchased the Stiver Mill property in 1993, and is now working with the Unionville Conservancy Group, Bob Stiver, Jeanne Ker-Hornell, Richard Talbot, architect David Johnson and engineering consultant Amar Banerjee on the restoration project.

