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A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Embrun bowling team of District #8.



Calling All District Board Members and Volunteers!

Are you currently a district board member or interested in stepping up as a volunteer to make a meaningful impact in your community? Join us for one of our upcoming **Town Hall Zoom Meetings** to learn more about the vital roles and responsibilities of district board members and discover how the OSGA head office can support your success.

Dates and Times:

- Tuesday, January 14th at 1:00 PM
- Thursday, January 16th at 9:30 AM

This is your opportunity to ask questions, share ideas, and explore how you can contribute to promoting health, wellness, and camaraderie within your district. Don't miss it!

Zoom links and additional details will be shared soon.

Please email info@osga55plus.ca if you'd like to be included!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Calling all female hockey players in the

South West...

London District 30 invites you to play in our 6th annual women's game on Wed Jan 22 at 9:30-11:30am, in south London.

We'll make up two teams from all who register & play for fun. It's free with your OSGA membership. We're especially interested in meeting players who are new to OSGA hockey.

> To register, please go to: <u>https://osga55plus.ca/</u> Login with your email address & password.

Then click on CALENDAR. If you don't see **D30 - Women's Hockey**, then look left and choose the View = Region Calendar.

Click on **Register Now**, and proceed through the process. You should receive a confirmation email.

2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games Update!

Sudbury 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games Update

As some members may be aware, changes have been made to the services that will be provided at the Ontario 55+ Games. Registration costs for the Games are being significantly reduced. The additional changes will include:

- Participants will directly book and pay for their own accommodations at the Games
 - Limited transportation to sport venues will be available from designated hotels/accommodations. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to sport venues, if not using the Games shuttle

• Participants will be **responsible for breakfasts and one dinner** at the Games. The remaining one dinner and lunches will be provided by the Games Organizing Committee

The Sudbury 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games are scheduled to take place <u>AUGUST 5th to the 7th, 2025</u>. The Games Organizing Committee for the <u>upcoming</u> <u>summer Games</u> will be providing information about available room blocks and rates to assist with booking your accommodations. Stay tuned for this information in early 2025!

Questions regarding these changes, or specific to the upcoming Games, can be directed to the OSGA.

"Golf Fore All" 2025 is Here! Score Big on

Green Fees!

Get ready to tee off with amazing discounts at some of the best public, semi-private, and resort courses across Toronto and South Central Ontario! ♂ Whether you're a weekend warrior or a seasoned pro, "Golf Fore All" 2025 has you covered with incredible savings. Visit golfforeall.ca for the full list of courses and offers.

Don't wait—start planning your dream golf season today!

To get your order form, email us at info@osga55plus.ca

"Golf fore All" 2025 Special Offer for O.S.G.A.+55 Members

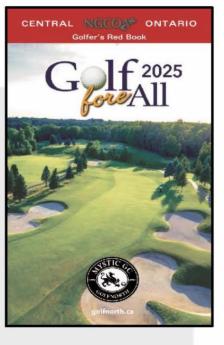
"Golf fore All" 2025 is now available offering tremendous green fee discounts at many of Toronto and South Central Ontario's finest public, semi-private & resort courses (visit <u>golfforeall.ca</u> for a complete listing of courses & offers).

Features:

Over 780 coupons at 134 Golf Facilities Over 210 "2 for 1" coupons Weekend play at 93 courses A great gift item for Xmas or any occasion! Save over \$23.00 off retail!!!

> NEW ADDITIONS for 2025 ... Hornby Glen, Cedarhurst, and Sunnybrae.

Golf fore All 2025 is the perfect gift for that special friend, or family member. The regular retail price of Golf fore All 2025 is..... \$59.99 + \$5.00 shipping + \$8.45 hst = total \$73.44



SPECIAL O.S.G.A. +55 PRICE..... \$50.00 ALL IN !

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The Ontario Caregiver Organization's resource on programs and services



RESOURCES AND EDUCATION

CAREGIVER COACHING

A professional one-to-one

provide caregivers with the

tools they need to meet their

EDUCATIONAL WEBINARS

relationship between a Coach

and a caregiver. The Coach can

challenges and responsibilities. See program webpage for eligibility

Live one-hour webinars presented

by subject matter experts on a

variety of timely and important

topics for caregivers. To register

for upcoming webinars, please

ONLINE LEARNING LIBRARY

OCO offers several eLearning

caregiver knowledge and skills.

can be accessed at any time.

A free, short, evidence-based,

health information, tips, and

health letter delivered each week

to your inbox. The letter includes

advice related to the caregiving

90SECOND CAREGIVER

The courses are self-directed and

modules aimed at building

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Free Caregiver Programs & Services

ONTARIO CAREGIVER HELPLINE (1-833-416-2273 or Live Chat)

One-stop resource for information and referrals connecting caregivers to community-based services and support. Service is offered in English and French 24/7 with interpretation services available in 150 languages.

1:1 PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Caregivers can connect with trained Peer Mentor volunteers for 1:1 phone calls to receive emotional support and discuss their caregiving challenges and needs.

ONLINE SUPPORT GROUPS

An opportunity for caregivers to connect with each other in a supportive environment to share their challenges, successes, and concerns. Support groups are offered several times a week with the option to join online or by phone.

SCALE (Supporting Caregiver Awareness, Learning and Empowerment) PROGRAM

The program aims to empower caregivers with practical information and skills to focus on their own mental health and wellbeing needs by offering webinars, strategies/tools, online group/ individual counselling.

180 Dundas Street West, Suite 1425, Toronto, ON M5G 1Z8 Canada

T 416-362-2273 E <u>info@ontariocaregiver.ca</u> 24/7 Helpline 1-833-416-2273 <u>ontariocaregiver.ca</u>

experience.

TIME TO TALK PODCAST

Join our host Michelle Jobin along with subject matter experts and caregivers to discuss things that matter most to caregivers including caregiving challenges, mental health, wellness and many more.

YOUNG CAREGIVERS CONNECT

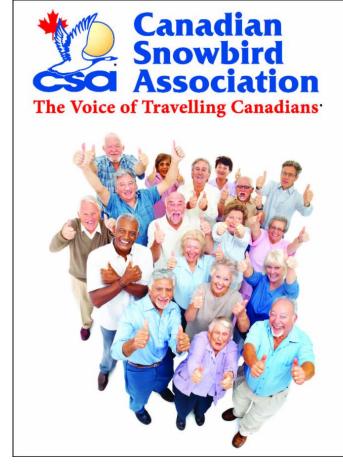
An online resource with information and tools to help young caregivers between the ages of 15-25. They can also join our online discussion forum to connect with other young caregivers.

ADDITIONAL TOOLKITS AND RESOURCES

- <u>I am a Caregiver Toolkit</u> includes information to support new or long-time caregivers.
- Toolkit for Working Caregivers: Work & Caregiving – A Balancing Act – designed to assist working caregivers find the right solutions for them and their employers.
- Health Privacy and Consent <u>Resources</u> – a set of resources to better understand health privacy and consent rules in Ontario as they relate to caregivers.



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The **Canadian Snowbird Association** is a national not-for-profit advocacy and member service organization dedicated to actively defending and improving the rights and privileges of travelling Canadians.

We meet with the federal and provincial governments on many issues pertaining to travelling Canadians. We advocate to reduce the travel restrictions of Canadians (in Ontario we successfully advocated for an extension of health coverage to allow residents to be absent for up to 212 days while still maintaining their OHIP coverage).

Join for only \$25 a year and get many unique benefits, including a quarterly magazine *CSANews*, CSA Travel Information Guide - a 100+ page guide to everything you need to know about being a snowbird, auto/home insurance, currancy exchange program, travel insurance and more!

1-800-265-3200 www.snowbirds.org

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OSGA Online Store





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Explore the Loyal Program: LOYAL Program -InnVest | InnVest (innvesthotels.com) Want to be featured in our Newsletter, or have something exciting going on in your district you'd like to share? Send it to <u>info@osga55plus.ca</u>

You can make a Virtual Appointment for your Health Card Renewal

For more information click these links below:

ENGLISH or FRENCH

OSGA VOLUNTEERS

We are still looking for Committee members!

The OSGA is always looking for more volunteers. There are different ways that you can get involved:

Committees

If you have a skillset that could be of use to the OSGA, but do not have the time to serve as a Board Member, we urge you to consider joining one of our committees so we can continue to grow and move forward.

Marketing, Technology, Revitalization, Rules & Events and Policy 1-2 hours a month time commitment Meetings held virtually

Districts

Our District's have their own committees that work to put on the local Games that you all know and play in. The Districts cannot operate with one person, so building a group to share the workload is imperative. District Committees information

Please e-mail the office if you have any questions or would like to be connected with someone to talk to about your future volunteer opportunities. <u>info@osga55plus.ca</u>





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