



# Newsletter

May 8, 2007.

## **FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME...**

*In her capacity as Volunteer Coordinator, Gerarda Savoie has been a key contributor since the 2004 inception of our club. Her efforts in getting family members and friends actively involved in gameday activities have been a big part of our off-field success, and her passion and commitment are (thankfully!) contagious.*

### **ATTENTION PARENTS AND SPEARS FANS - WE NEED YOU!!**

To have a successful Spears season, we require volunteers to have our home game days run smoothly. Many hands make light work. We have several areas that require volunteers, such as concessions, gate ticket sales and ticket takers, 50/50 ticket sellers, runners/set up crew/tear down crew, BBQ staff, cooks, servers...and much much more.

Your commitment as a volunteer for home games Home Games entitles you to a free pass to our home games, gets you acquainted with other parents, coaches and players, a great feeling of helping Spears be successful at running a smooth, fun filled game day. Your commitment as a volunteer does NOT mean you have to be available to work each and every game. We are not demanding, and we are certainly grateful for any and all time you devote to assisting. You tell us when you are available, some are able to help at all games, some at a few and some an hour here or there. We appreciate it all.

Although I have spoken to many of you, at a practice or on the phone, I would appreciate you giving me a call and letting me know when you are available and what you would like to do.

Please note my number is also my line for Statistics Canada, so don't hang up when you hear the message...simply hit the # key and leave a message. The number to call for volunteers, ideas or suggestions for gameday VOLUNTEERS is 905-295-8630. My cell is 289-213-9237. I look forward to hearing from you...FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME...

Gerarda Savoie

**A meeting for any interested volunteers (or if you'd just like more information prior to making a commitment!) will be held at the Russell Avenue Community Centre (corner of Catherine Street, just north of the present practice field) on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there!**

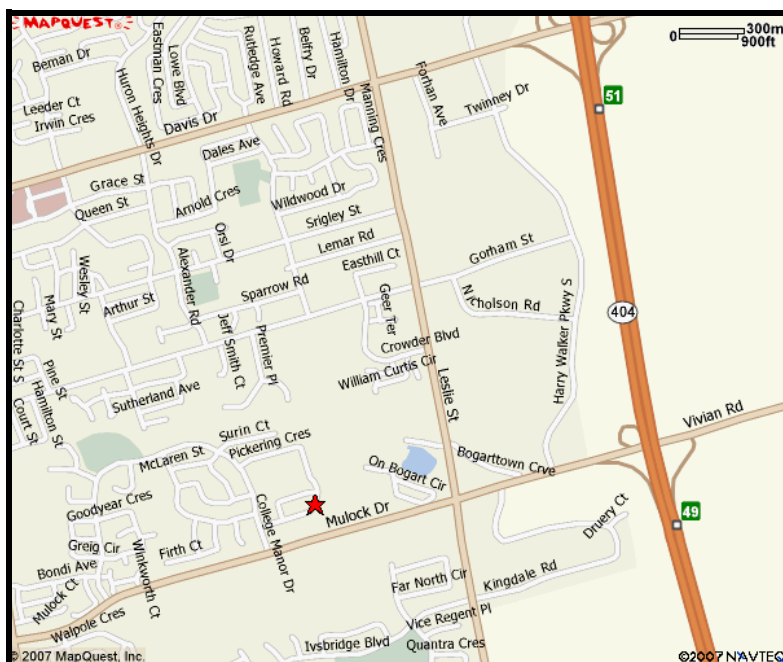
## **ABOUT THE SCHEDULE...**

We said that previously published schedules were "tentative", right? As luck would have it, there has been an unavoidable series of changes at the OVFL level that will likely affect up to four Varsity games (also still tentative). The most significant change would see a bye on May 19<sup>th</sup> and a new game slated for the previous bye week of June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Other changes affect opponents only. Rather than compound the confusion, we will hold off on publishing a new schedule until we receive official confirmation from the League. The Junior schedule is not expected to be affected.

## SATURDAY'S CONTROLLED SCRIMMAGE at NEWMARKET

Both teams will be traveling to Newmarket on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** for controlled scrimmages against the York-Simcoe Storm ([www.stormfootball.ca](http://www.stormfootball.ca)). The Junior scrimmage is at 12 noon and the Varsity scrimmage follows at 3pm. Buses will depart Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School in St. Catharines at 8:30am (Junior) and 11:30am (Varsity). Buses are expected back at SWC at approximately 5:30pm (Junior) and 8:30pm (Varsity). Coaches will be relaying dress code expectations during this week's practices. Player golf shirts have been ordered and are expected to be available prior to first regular season game.

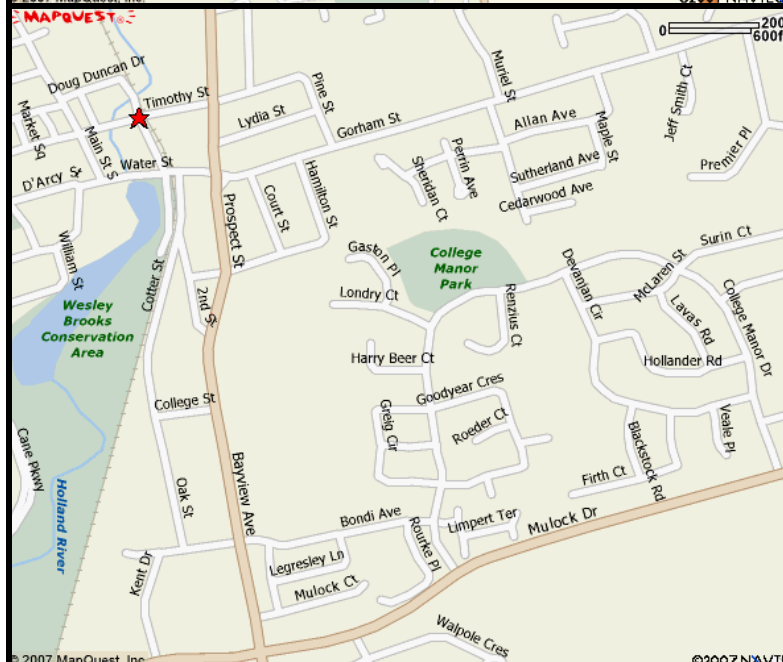
Please note that, for this trip only, some players may be asked to travel with coaches/parents due to the reduced capacity of the school bus (48 vs. 54-seat coaches during regular season). Please also note that the change room facilities in Newmarket are located several blocks from the field. Maps and directions to both locations may be found below. Parents may pick up players at the change rooms following the game for travel home, if desired (requires waiver).



### Newmarket High School (field-505 Pickering Crescent)

- 401 eastbound, past 400, exit 404 northbound
- exit Mulock Dr., go west
- turn right (north) onto College Manor Dr.
- turn right onto Pickering Cr.
- field is behind school

(alternate approach: 400 northbound, exit at Davis Dr./Hwy #9 east, south on Yonge St., east onto Mulock Dr.)



### Newmarket Community Arena (change room-200 Doug Duncan Dr.)

- (from field) Pickering Crescent back to College Manor Drive
- right (west) on Mulock Drive
- right (north) onto Bayview Ave. (turns into Prospect Dr.)
- left (west) onto Timothy Street to northwest corner at Doug Duncan Drive