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Ontario anti-fraud task force 2 — reaction: IBC says implement as quickly as possible

Ontario vp Ralph Palumbo said the IBC hopes these changes will be introduced in the next few months. “We will continue to be vigilant on the fraud file and work with law enforcement, insurance companies, government and the public to investigate fraudulent activity and to continually raise awareness of a problem that affects everyone.”

Ontario brokers association ceo Randy Carroll said it is urging the government to fully adopt the report. “If implemented, it will represent a giant step forward to combat fraud and abuse that will ultimately lead to lower premiums for Ontario drivers.” To ensure that auto insurance remains both affordable and available, the association agrees with the report’s overall perspective that everyone has a role to play in combating auto insurance fraud.

This includes the government, consumers, insurance companies, lawyers, paralegals, health care practitioners, tow truck operators, collision repair facilities and all others in the insurance system. “Combating fraud and lowering auto insurance premiums is a non-partisan issue and we’re urging the government and all parties to adopt the recommendations and implement them as soon as possible.” Ontario’s minister of finance Dwight Duncan said: “Our government will continue to take strong steps to crack down on fraud by making changes that will benefit drivers by helping to lower premiums, increase road safety and ensure people hurt in car accidents get the treatment they need.

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Some anti-fraud task force recommendations need work: OTLA

By: Harmeet Singh, Online Editor
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The Ontario Trial Lawyers Association (OTLA) has responded the recent final report from a task force on auto insurance fraud in the province, and while it says it's supportive of most recommendations, some of them could use some work.

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Three Loonies feed Kawartha Food Share

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Byline: ROB MCCORMICK, EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

The Three Loonies on the Street will be back for the 12th time Dec. 14 to raise money for Kawartha Food Share.

Peter Blodgett of Darling Insurance, Robb Bennett of The Lifstock Group and lawyer Bob McGillen will take to the airwaves at King and George streets from 7 to 10 a.m. that Friday morning.

Well, at least Blodgett and Bennett will be there. They aren't too sure about McGillen.

include the Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario (IBAO), the Ministry of Finance, the Canadian Consumer Association (CADRI) and a “consumer representative group.”

But that group needs to be broadened to include the legal system, the media, and other significant stakeholders,” said the report. The group is based in London, Ont. and currently has 10 members.

Read more: Ontario anti-fraud task force report for FSCO in final report

While OTLA includes plaintiff representatives, the report, for example, has several types of law firms that should be included, he added.

Other organizations, such as those representing the legal system, should also be included, Murray said. “You don’t always need to go to court, sometimes you can ask the guy w

Unfortunately our other loonie, Mr. McGillen, was enjoying the Grey Cup immensely Sunday night,” Blodgett said at a promotional kickoff for the event Monday, where McGillen was a no-show.

He was cheering for the Calgary Stampeders, so it's obvious that he is in some remorse today, and we feel sorry for him and hope he gets better soon. We just hope he recovers in time to do the show.”

The last time he was seen was in the bathroom at half time,” Bennett said. “No one has seen him since, and we have no idea where he is. We might be looking for another loonie. It's hard to say at this point.”

The annual fundraiser, which involves the Three Loonies taking over The Wolf and the Kruz radio stations and broadcasting from the street, has raised \$750,000 since its inception. Last year the event raised \$140,000.

This is our biggest fundraiser,” said Kawartha Food Share office and media co-ordinator Deb Aben. “We couldn't do this without this fundraiser.”

The event had modest beginnings, Blodgett recalled.

McGillen and I happened to be at a fundraiser at Fleming College,” he said. “They were auctioning off a chance to be weatherman for a day on the radio, and Bob and I had had enough Coca-Colas that we decided we'd like to do it.

So we got to the station and started yakking and the next thing you know, we said let's do something on the radio and try to raise some money for a charity. We said we'd put up \$400 and challenge anybody out there. We basically did it as a lark.

“We made \$800 and took it to the Brock Mission and that was the start of the whole thing.”

The support from the community has been gratifying, Blodgett said.

“We've gradually grown it and created something of a following, and it's now from what I can see, a standard of the holiday spirit in Peterborough to listen to three silly guys on the radio and donate money to a wonderful cause.”

Each dollar donated, he said, purchases about \$6 worth of food, “all bought locally. All the money stays in the community. Bennett is in his second year as a Loonie, replacing Bruce Fitzpatrick, who joined the second year and left after being appointed a judge in the Thunder Bay area.

Bennett said there was no audition to join the trio because “there's no talent needed.”

Posted November 23, 2012

Immediate Adoption of Auto Insurance

The Ontario Insurance Brokers Association (IBAO) is urging the Ontario government to immediately adopt the report introduced today by the Auto Insurance Task Force.

The report makes 38 recommendations, including that auto insurance claimants be treated fairly, that consumers be informed about fraud at key points, and that resources for the Financial Services Commission be directed to investigating and combating fraud and abuse.

The IBAO is urging the Ontario government to immediately adopt the report as a member of the Consumer Protection Act. “The IBAO is urging the Ontario government to immediately adopt the report introduced today,” stated IBAO CEO Randy Carroll. “It is a step forward to combat fraud and abuse that affects Ontario drivers.”

One of the major concerns of the IBAO has been the growth in accident claims, which has been a major contributor to this growth. The IBAO is concerned about the impact of fraud on the auto insurance system, both affordable and available, the IBAO agrees that everyone has a role to play in combating fraud and abuse, including government, consumers, insurance companies, lawyers, paralegals, tow truck operators, collision repair facilities and all others in the insurance system.

An effective way to combat fraud is to cut off the flow of money to fraudsters. The report states that fraud cost Ontario drivers as much as \$1.5 billion in 2011. The GTA is up to \$540 per insured vehicle. “We can't remove that cost,” says Randy Carroll. “Auto insurance premiums is a non-partisan issue and we're urging the government and all parties to adopt the recommendations and implement them as soon as possible.”

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Insuring kids are equipped to become goalies

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Don McLean, of the Sudbury Minor Hockey Association, accepts a goalie kit from Mike Valle, commercial account executive at Raymond Insurance. Supplied photo.

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 By: Sudbury Northern Life Staff

Raymond Insurance, member of the Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario (IBAO) has been selected as a goalie kit "pick-up" location in Greater City of Sudbury, as part of a larger partnership initiative between the Northern Ontario Hockey Association (NOHA) and IBAO. IBAO has sponsored the purchase of 20 goalie kits which includes a bag, chest protector, pads, blocker, catcher's glove, and stick.

Don McLean from the local NOHA affiliate, Sudbury Minor Hockey Association, recently received the donated kit at Raymond Insurance in Sudbury.

The NOHA and IBAO partnership initiative is an effort to support children who have dreams of becoming a hockey goaltender, by providing a set of hockey goaltending equipment to five- to seven-year-old players interested in trying the position. More than 20 sets of new equipment will be given to young players across Northern Ontario.

"IBAO and Raymond Insurance are thrilled to support NOHA, an organization focused on building and growing the skills of youth in our communities," said IBAO CEO Randy Carroll. "Brokers are committed to the people in their communities. This type of sponsorship directly relates to that commitment by encouraging youth to be active."

The program was launched this year, as an extension of IBAO's existing goaltender outreach program with the Ontario Minor Hockey Association (OMHA). The IBAO and OMHA Goaltender Assist Program was launched in 2011 and sees 40 goalie kits donated to OMHA's minor hockey associations each year.

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NORTHERN DAILY NEWS

Kirkland Lake Minor Hockey awarded goalie equipment

The Kirkland Lake Northern News
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KIRKLAND LAKE -The Kirkland Lake Minor Hockey Association has been given a new set of goalie equipment thanks to the Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario and the N.O.H.A.

The donation part of a goaltender outreach partnership program established between IBAO and

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"IBAO continues to support this great provincial group focused on building and growing the s communities," stated IBAO CEO, Randy Carroll.

"Brokers are committed to the people and programs in their communities. This type of spons that commitment by encouraging youth to be active."

"I would like to first thank IBAO for helping the Associations in the NOHA by offering this pro young child or children who may want to take up the position of goaltender" stated NOHA Pr Macdonald. "This offer will allow the young player the opportunity to see if this is a position th in without the cost being put on to the parents. We are grateful for the great donation from th Association of Ontario."

The Sudbury Star

Goalie equipment donated ; COMMUNITY: Raymond Insurance becomes goalie equipment pickup location

The Sudbury Star
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News Article

HMHA Receives New Goalie Equipment

Submitted By **Dianna Clark** on Thursday, October 25, 2012

Huntsville Minor Hockey Association is the proud and lucky recipient of a set of brand new Reebok goalie equipment courtesy of the OMHA IBAO Goalie Assist Program.



The equipment included a set of pads, chest protector, blocker & trapper, throat protector, goalie stick and a Reebok hockey bag. The Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario (local representative being McIlroy and Payne of Huntsville) and the Ontario Minor Hockey Association teamed up and chose Huntsville Minor Hockey Association as one of the lucky organizations to receive this new equipment. We are extremely grateful and will ensure that this new equipment receives many years of use. Thank you to all involved in making this happen for our minor hockey organization!!

Pictured are: Near North Business Novice Team along with their coach Scott MacInally and Sean MacIlroy from McIlroy and Payne Insurance Company as they proudly receive their new set of goalie equipment.



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Milmine Insurance supports Stoney Creek food bank

Stoney Creek News
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Through its recent barbecue, Milmine Insurance Management raised \$1,000 and collected donations of two shopping carts full of food and 30 fleece blankets for the Stoney Creek Community Food Bank.

"The Stoney Creek Community Food Bank provides an essential service for our community residents, and so it is our pleasure to fundraise this year on their behalf," said Mary Pender, Milmine Insurance Management. "Many of us do not know what it's like to wonder where our next meal will come from, and for those who do experience this uncertainty on a regular basis, the Stoney Creek Community Food Bank is a big support."

"We are hopeful that the blankets, food, and monetary donations raised today will assist the food bank in their sustained efforts to make a difference in the lives of Stoney Creek residents."

Pender also thanked Royal Canadian Legion Stoney Creek branch for its support.

The Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario supports community agencies across Ontario each year by donating thousands of fleece blankets and organizing fundraising events.



IBAO presents hockey equipment

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• / The IBAO (Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario) is donating a goalie equipment bag to selected communities across Ontario. This year Kingsville Minor Hockey Association was chosen as a recipient. Staff from the Will Insurance Brokers Kingsville office were honoured to deliver this equipment to the Kingsville Kings, Team #4. Pictured, Madelyne Bradfield, eight-year-old daughter of Darlene & / Matt Bradfield, politely accepts the equipment on behalf of her team from Bonnie Wilson and Judy Gillanders-Jamieson.