

Thanks for organizing Toot'n Holler

Thank you to the Tottenham Beeton & District Chamber of Commerce for organizing last weekend's Toot'n Holler. I haven't had that much fun going to yard sales in years!

I'm new to the area and this was my first Toot'n Holler. I was rather surprised to see the extent of the event but found myself enjoying the opportunity to get great deals and meet some fantastic people.

The event seems to be a win-win for everyone. The community is provided an opportunity to recycle material they no longer need thereby reducing the costs of waste management at the municipal and county levels and they are making money that will most likely be put back into the local economy. I imagine the business community would also see a great return on their investment for that day, considering the number of people I saw out and about and the number of visitors it appeared to bring into town. As an example, my parents and I purchased lunch at a local restaurant while we were out. Although I live in the area, my parents do not and they spent over \$100 dollars between the yard sales and lunch!

It also provided an opportunity for long-time and new residents to learn more about their community. Although we did not get to every yard sale we did see fundraisers for dog rescue, MS, a few local churches, a local school, and the Girl Guides. I'm sure there were others we just didn't have time to get to but it was wonderful to meet so many dedicated people and have the opportunity to get information on their various organizations.

It is amazing that something so simple can provide such a multitude of benefits to so many people. I tip my hat to the organizers and sponsors, those who had yard sales, those organizations that held fundraisers and those who took the opportunity to find a treasure. I am extremely proud to be a member of such a great community and look forward to Toot'n Holler 2018!

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