



Scarborough Repair and Bike Cafe 2021

Introducing Scarborough Repair and Bike Cafe's series of virtual repair and bike safety/mapping workshops via zoom. These workshops aim to encourage a culture of reducing waste and promoting sustainability.

Workshops:

Neighbourhood Bike Mechanic Program (Waitlist Available)

Introduction to 'M' Safety Check Flat Repair, Brakes 3. Shifting, Tune Up and Maintenance. This 3-1hr bike program is currently in its "PILOT TEST" phase. Upon completion of this pilot, Scarborough Cycles hopes to launch it in the Spring 2021. For more details visit: <http://www.scarboroughcycles.ca/neighbourhood-bike-mechanic-online/>

Sewing Machines (Two Part Series)

1. How Sewing Machines Work: **Tuesday, March 9th at 5-6:30 pm**
2. Common Repairs and Adjustments: **Tuesday, March 16th at 5-6:30 pm**

Smart Phones (Same workshop offered twice)

- Basic Components, Troubleshooting, Replacing Broken Glass:
- Tuesday, March 9th at 7-8:30 pm**
Tuesday, March 23rd at 7-8:30 pm (same workshop as the 9th)

Laptops: Common Failure Mechanisms (PC) (Two Part Series)

1. Computer Hardware: **Thursday, March 11th at 7-8:30 pm**
2. Computer Software: **Thursday, March 18th at 7-8:30 pm**

Small Electrical Appliances and Home Electronics (Two Part Series)

1. Trouble Shooting: **Saturday, March 13th at 1-2:30 pm**
2. Practical Repair Methods and Techniques: **Saturday, March 20th at 1-2:30 pm**

Clothing Repair (Three Part Series)

1. Zippers and Buttons: **Tuesday, April 6th at 5-6:30 pm**
2. Patchwork and Hand Embroidery: **Wednesday, April 7th at 5-6:30pm**
3. Alterations and Re-Purposing Clothing: **Thursday, April 8th at 5-6:30 pm**

Bike Safety and Mapping (Two Part Series)

1. Get out the Bicycle and Cycle into Spring: **Friday, March 26th at 5:30-6:30 pm**
2. Getting from Here to There Safely: Planning Routes in Scarborough: **Friday, April 9th at 5:30-6:30 pm**

Register at: **SRBC Eventbrite page**

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Sewing Machines

Do you want to learn everything about sewing machines? These workshops will cover the general design of a sewing machine, how to keep it maintained and properly cared for as well as common repairs and adjustments.

Fixer Bio:

Frank Kaufman - Started taking things apart at age 4, building his first radio at age 8 and repairing various items at age 12. His formal education is in electronic engineering but his practical experience includes woodworking, metalworking, construction and computer technology. His wife is actively involved in quilting, sewing and embroidering and has a collection of machinery related to these activities. Frank has been doing the repair, adjustment and maintenance of these machines for over 40 years as well as the machines belonging to her friends. He has been an active member of the Repair Cafe fixers for years, working with a great variety of items, electronic, electrical or mechanical, and fixing things from watches to appliances.

Part 1: How Sewing Machines Work, Maintenance and Care

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Part 2: Common Repairs and Adjustments

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Smart Phones

Are you curious about smart phones? This workshop will cover the basic working components of a cell phone, maintenance and troubleshooting tips, when and how to safely replace a non-removable battery and demonstrate how to replace broken glass on a cell phone. This same workshop will be offered twice.

Fixer Bio:

Rob Kipa - Started buying, fixing, and selling electronics in high school as a way to earn some extra pocket money. During his college years studying electrical engineering, he moved into cell phone repair because his classmates and coworkers kept dropping their phones and cracking their screens. He has experience with many brands and types of repairs - from murky speakers to micro-soldering. He hopes to show you how easy most repairs are when you have the right parts, good tools, and a little patience.

Basic Components, Troubleshooting, Replacing Broken Glass

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Laptops: Common Failure Mechanisms (PC):

Are you experiencing software problems (operating system, viruses, tools and settings, memory and applications) with your laptop and don't know where to begin? Problems with your power supply, battery, computer memory? Zoom in to these live webinars with expert fixer Alvin.

Part 1 focuses on power supplies and batteries, display hinges and laptop assemblies, and storage expectancies. Part 2 focuses on wi-fi connectivity, device drivers, and diagnostic and cleaning utilities.

Fixer Bio:

Alvin Ramoutar - Software developer and infrastructure engineer currently at PointClickCare. He volunteers his spare time with FIRST Robotics Competition Canada along with Repair Cafe Toronto and Fixit Clinic, bringing back life to a variety of electronic devices. His philosophy on repair is that breaking anything is the first step into learning something.

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Small Electrical Appliances and Home Electronics

These workshops will describe the logical step by step process of discovering the cause of failure for small electrical appliances and home electronics. It will consider wiring and power connections, fuses, switches, motors, heating element, speakers and headphones. It will cover the methods of testing using standard test equipment.

Fixer Bio:

Paul Magder - Graduated from Radio College of Canada as an electronics technologist. Paul worked in manufacturing for 20 years in the electronics industry. He retired as the Director of Operations in 2015. In 2013, Paul co-founded Repair Cafe Toronto and is a fixer servicing small home appliances, electronics, computers, cell phones and mentoring apprentices. He has created and presented many workshops about repairing and basic electrical and electronics theory.

Part 1: Troubleshooting

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Part 2: Practical Repair Methods and Techniques

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Clothing Repair

Clothes don't fit you or your kids anymore? Zipper broken or buttons popped out? Don't throw your damaged or old clothes away! Join us in this fun workshop and learn how to fix or re-purpose your clothing! Save money and save the environment at the same time!

Co-Fixer Bios:

Nidhi Prajapati - Recent graduate of the fashion design program at Seneca College. She was a recipient of a Rising Youth Foundation grant that allowed her to lead a project to design and sew 650 masks for the children in her community. She is now working on sewing 200 masks for seniors. She is a member of the Woburn Local Planning Table.

Nita Goswami - Parent of 2 school-aged children and a resident of Tuxedo Court since her arrival in Canada in 2012. She has 7 years experience as a freelance designer sewing traditional South Asian clothing. She did hand embroidery and re-used antique silk sari cloths for fine detailed design work for a bridal store. She is founder and parent lead for Woburn Jr. Families@Tuxedo Court. This grassroots network serves to connect parents of Woburn Jr PS with local services and provide support to each other. During the pandemic, she led the parent group to sew over 2000 masks for the community along with other mutual aid initiatives. She is also a member of the Woburn Local Planning Table.

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Bike Safety and Mapping

Part 1: Get Out the Bicycle and Cycle into Spring!

Most folks put the bike away in winter, but in March when the temperature rises and the snow has disappeared, cyclists are itching to get on the bike again. This workshop presents the considerations and steps to be taken to get cyclists and gear ready for the new season.

Part 2: Getting from Here to There Safely: Planning Cycle Routes in Scarborough

Participants will choose their main purpose for cycling - either Commuter (functional) or Recreational. We will briefly explain the factors that should be considered when planning a safe cycling route. Participants will design their best route for getting from a chosen start to a destination. We will use the online Toronto DCycle Map and Google maps to create our cycling routes.

Co-Leader Bios:

John Doleweerd - Resident of Scarborough Village, Coordinator of Scarborough Village Community Garden, member of Green Neighbours 24 and cycling enthusiast.

Erhard Kraus - Member of the Woburn Local Planning Table and the Friends of Cedarbrook and Thomson Memorial Parks. He lives in South-West Scarborough and used to teach cycling for the City of Toronto.

Part 1: Get Out the Bicycle and Cycle into Spring!

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