MEDIA MONITORING

This list is not in chronological order nor is it necessarily inclusive of all media leading up to the release of the Samuel de Champlain Monument Working Group’s Final Report and Recommendations.

Motion at Orillia city council recommends return of Champlain Monument
June 21, 2019 | by Ian MacLennan

Champlain Coming Back, Sort Of
July 24, 2019 | July 24, 2019 Sunonline/Orillia
UPDATED with Mayor’s comments.
By John Swartz

Council rejects cash request for 'reinterpretation piece'
'We have no idea where this is going,' says Coun. Tim Lauer; Council agrees to hold off on funding request — for now
by: Dave Dawson

CTV BARRIE: Controversial Orillia Champlain monument back up for discussion
6 p.m. newscast
https://barrie.ctvnews.ca/controversial-orillia-champlain-monument-back-up-for-discussion-1.4480773

11 p.m. newscast
5:03 minute mark
https://barrie.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=1711948&binId=1.1476789&playlistPageNum=1

Council in favour of returning Champlain Monument, creating 'accompanying narrative'
Jay Fallis made impassioned plea to remove native component of statue, saying it would be an 'image that many more in our town could be proud of'
by: Dave Dawson

LETTER: Champlain Monument about 'a great explorer': Orillia resident
Orillia Today
Champlain Monument project in limbo, Orillia council hears Monument will not be reinstalled at this time
NEWS Jul 19, 2018 by Frank Matys Orillia Today

Champlain Monument should return to park, forum hears
Removing the monument likened to how 'Nazis were burning books' by participant at final public workshop hosted by Champlain Working Group
by: Andrew Philips

Context vital in considering future of Champlain Monument: History buff
It's 'a little premature to talk about council's involvement' in the debate, says Mayor Steve Clarke
April 11, 2018 by Dave Dawson

Could city council weigh in on debate over future of Champlain Monument?
Letter from Huron-Wendat Nation chief asks council 'to seize the opportunity to make things right'
April 7, 2018 by Dave Dawson

First Nation Opposition To Champlain Monument
The monument was removed from Couchiching Beach Park by Parks Canada for restoration.
Tuesday, April 10, 2018 Orillia | by Ken Hashizume

Future of Champlain Monument ignites emotions, sparks ideas
'This is a national conversation,' Fedderson says
January 17, 2018 by: Dave Dawson

Future of Champlain Monument should consider its past: Historian
Documents shed light on the 12-year process that led to the unveiling of Champlain Monument; There is a 'lot of misinformation on social media and it's frustrating'
Mar 16, 2019 by: Dave Dawson
Future of Champlain Monument
Sunday, August 19, 2018
Orillia | by Ian MacLennan
Deciding the future of the monument at Couchiching Park.

GUEST COLUMN: Champlain: Crown of creation or a strutting dandy?
Guest columnist Colin McKim says statue should not be removed because it's not a record of history, but a work of art
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

Iconic Orillia statue to be restored
Orillia Today
By Frank Matys

It's time to have your say on the future of Champlain Monument
City is conducting online survey until end of April; Workshops also planned
by: Dave Dawson

LETTER: Beauty of monument masks an ugly underlying message
'At what cost are we willing to trade saving art against the direct offence and belittling of people who are our friends and neighbours?' asks letter writer
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Champlain Monument is a 'great piece of art'
Local artist says monument is 'one of the best bronzes in Canada'
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Champlain Monument sculptor 'transcended human nature'
'It's a miracle something as beautiful as the Champlain Monument exists,’ says letter writer
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Champlain should be returned to 'its rightful place'
Citizen writes open letter to Mayor Steve Clarke urging him to 'respect and satisfy the wishes of the citizens of Orillia'
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Mess left in wake of Champlain's departure a 'blight to Orillia'
'Citizens of Orillia want the precious statue of Champlain' returned, says letter writer
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Opportunity for understanding
Saturday, September 10, 2016 12:48:25 EDT PM

LETTER: People wanting to re-write history are causing the problem
Art in public spaces records the views and beliefs of the era when it was created, says letter writer
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

LETTER: Public consultation process flawed, says Metis leader
How is ignoring Metis respectful, asks Grand Chief
by: OrilliaMatters Staff

OPINION EDITORIAL
Cooler heads prevail in monument discussion
The Packet & Times
Wednesday, October 11, 2017

OPINION: Champlain monument part of Orillia's cultural heritage
Opinion April 16, 2018 Orillia Today

Return monument to park, reader tells Orillia council
OPINION April 24, 2018 Orillia Today
Return Orillia's Champlain Monument to park
OPINION May 7, 2018 Orillia Today

Orillia Champlain Monument recommendation expected this spring
by Sara Carson mailto:scarson@simcoe.comOrillia Today

Orillia's Champlain monument restoration on hold
CTV Barrie
Published Wednesday, July 18, 2018 7:11PM EDT
VIDEO CLIP: https://barrie.ctvnews.ca/orillia-s-champlain-monument-restoration-on-hold-1.4018930

Orillia's Champlain Monument 'doesn't tell the whole story': Lawson
New art installation reflecting First Nations perspective planned for same site
NEWS Aug 11, 2017 by Frank Matys

Orillia's Champlain Monument 'offensive and degrading': Sioui Parks Canada
aware of concerns
NEWS April 10, 2018 by Frank Matys Orillia Today

Champlain Monument Workshops This Week
April 7, 2019 Sunonline/Orillia
By John Swartz
https://sunonlinemedia.ca/2019/04/07/champlain-monument-workshops-this-week/

Past and future of Champlain Monument to be discussed at OMAH event
Lakehead professor will deliver talk entitled 'Stories in Bronze: Orillia's Champlain Monument and Indigenous (Mis) Representations in Commemorative Sculpture'
April 5, 2018 by: OrilliaMatters Staff

Restoration of Orillia's Champlain Monument delayed for year
Orillia Today By Frank Matys
Steer clear of 'knee-jerk' response on monument: Orillia Councillor/Mayor says monument could co-exist with other installations
By Frank Matys Orillia Today

Time running out to have your say on future of Champlain Monument
Workshop on tap tonight and Saturday; online survey ends April 31
By: Dave Dawson

Debate ongoing over what changes will be made to the Samuel de Champlain statue
By Patrick Bales, The Orillia Packet & Times
Thursday, October 5, 2017 6:20:40 EDT PM
http://www.orilliapacket.com/2017/10/05/debate-ongoing-over-what-changes-will-be-made-to-the-samuel-dechamplain-statue

Editorial: What To Do With The Monument
April 28, 2019 Sunonline/Oillia
By John Swartz

Time to right 'unjust portrayal' of Native people: Orillia resident
OPINION April 30, 2018 Orillia Today

Editorial: When Is Sam Coming Back?
March 17, 2019 March 17, 2019 Sunonline /Orillia
By John Swartz
https://sunonlinemedia.ca/2019/03/17/champlain-monument/

Orillia’s Champlain monument is a controversial landmark. Now, restoration aims to change our views
By John Barber, Special to the Star
Fri., Sept. 14, 2018

Sketches of Orillia, a town that shares Canada’s birthday and so much more
By Katie Daubs, Feature Writer
Sat., June 24, 2017
Peaceful protest amongst Canada Day celebrations
CTV Barrie
Published Monday, July 1, 2019 6:46PM EDT
Video clip: https://barrie.ctvnews.ca/peaceful-protest-amongst-canada-day-celebrations-1.4489874

'Racist' monument 'can't go up again,' protester says
Protest draws about 50 people to plot where Champlain Monument once stood; 'I'm afraid they're feeling slapped in the face,' protester says of ignored opinions
by: Dave Dawson