



MEDIA RELEASE

New Picture Book by Local Author Introduces the Owen Sound Serpent – Our Very Own Lake Monster

Owen Sound, Ontario – October 9, 2025 – Celebrate the launch of local author Paul Vanwyck’s new picture book, “What’s That in the Water?” at the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library on Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 am in the Youth Services Department.

The Library will be hosting a reading by Paul followed by a craft activity inspired by the Owen Sound Serpent. Copies of the book will be available for sale by the author.

Synopsis: Twelve-year-old Julie believes there's a monster in Owen Sound's harbour. As her family is getting ready for the big fishing derby, they keep telling her to forget the silly stories she's heard. They think there's no such thing as the Owen Sound Serpent. But Julie isn't so sure. When they get to the harbour, Julie's mom and little brother see things that make them ask, 'What's that in the water?' What will it take to finally convince Julie's dad that the lake monster is real?

Paul Vanwyck’s book is currently available to purchase from the Ginger Press Bookstore in Owen Sound, or can be borrowed from the Library.

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