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Photo by Mark Arike

Matt Sexsmith, left, takes a selfie with HHSS principal Dan Marsden. See story and photos on pages 30 and 31.

## Feds splash out for Trent-Severn repairs

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

It's the single largest funding announcement that local MP Barry Devolin can recall from his 11 years in office.

On June 20, the federal government announced it would be flowing \$285 million in infrastructure funding to the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW) system. Of that, \$17 million will be used to repair or replace dams and

handrails as well as rehabilitate two bridges in Haliburton County. In addition, over \$1 million has been invested in newer technology to monitor water levels.

"After many years, I'm delighted that we're finally going to address infrastructure needs that have arisen over the last 30 years," said Devolin in a phone interview.

The MP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock announced the news on behalf of federal Environment Minister Leona

Aglukkaq.

The single largest project within the county is the replacement of the Kennisis Lake dam. A total of \$4.9 million has been allocated to the project, \$3.5 million of which was committed last year.

"[This] will allow them [Parks Canada] to completely rebuild and replace that dam," he said.

Devolin explained that this dam is one of only two dams in the entire system that isn't

connected to bedrock.

"It's built on sand and there was fear that literally the entire dam would wash away," he said, referring to a review that took place after the spring flood of 2013.

Devolin pointed out that there were fears the dam might be damaged by water levels rising over top of it, which could loosen the dam.

Other dams that will have repairs made to them include Haliburton, Redstone West,

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## Kennisis Dam to be replaced

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Victoria Road, Norland Lake, Eels Lake East, Twelve Mile Lake, Halls Lake, Hawk Lake, Red Pine Lake and Horseshoe Lake.

Eagle Lake bridge and Whites Lake bridge will undergo repair work.

Several reviews of the TSW over the years have led to what Devolin calls "a comprehensive list." Many dams leak water, he said, but this funding will address that issue.

"I liken it to an old house with old windows that leak air. This is the equivalent of putting new windows in the house, to fix all these dams so they're watertight."

Devolin said the TSW currently relies on a 100-year-old water monitoring system. The investment of \$1 million will provide "21st century tools" for water management.

"If we're anticipating a flood or any year where there's very little water, somebody has the best information possible in order to make those decisions."

A lot of the repair work is underway now, he said. Some of it should be completed by the end of the summer, while larger projects such as the Kennisis Dam could take more than a year.

Devolin said that along with his colleagues, he has been pushing for these repairs for the past five years.

Although he won't seek reelection in the upcoming federal election, his hope is that the system will be properly maintained over the coming years.

"On a go forward basis, I just hope we don't allow this to happen again."

He pointed out that these projects will stimulate the local economy and create jobs.

Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin is also happy about the funding announcement.

"What's upstream from us has a bearing on what happens in Minden," he said, adding that if there was a failure at the Kennisis Dam "[it would] be in our lap here in Minden."

He was also glad to learn that the Horseshoe Lake Dam would be remedied, and that an improved monitoring system would be implemented.

"I think it's a great investment for a long-term asset like this," he said.

Parks Canada manages the TSW, which is Canada's largest national historic site with more than one million visitors per year. It spans 386 kilometres and includes 42 locks, two lift locks, a marine railway, and about 160 water control structures.

*I think it's a great investment.*

**Brent Devolin**  
reeve, Minden Hills

## OPP in brief

### Woman charged after failing to stop

A West Guilford woman failed to stop for police and later resisted arrest when the officer attempted to detain her for impaired driving.

On June 22, an officer from the Haliburton Highlands detachment attempted to stop Carol Ann Bateman, 54, who was driving a black truck at approximately 7:25 p.m. in Eagle Lake. The officer activated his emergency lights but

Bateman did not stop. He pursued her to a residence on Eagle Lake Road.

According to an OPP report, Bateman was showing signs of impairment and resisted arrest. After being transported to the detachment, Bateman refused to provide a breath sample.

Bateman is alleged to have been driving the vehicle while impaired. She has been charged with driving while impaired, refusing to provide a breath sample, driving while disqualified, assault with intent to resist arrest, and flight while pursued by a peace officer. She is scheduled to appear in Minden on Aug. 5 to answer the charges.

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# Editorial opinion

## Dream big

It's that time of year again, when dozens of students across the county don their gowns and look back on the trials they've experienced while on the path to graduation.

Some have excelled in academics, others in sports and a few have even risen to the challenge in all areas of school life. But regardless of the hardware they take home, each graduate is a champion in the eyes of their parents and the teachers who have invested countless hours in their success.

While most of the attendees at this week's graduation ceremonies are those who are most involved in these students' lives, the community at large should also be extremely proud of what our youth have accomplished in such a short amount of time. They truly are ambassadors for the Haliburton Highlands.

Although most adults have years, if not decades on these students, that doesn't mean we can't learn from them. In going about our daily lives, it can be easy to forget about our big dreams and lose sight of just how far we've come.

But the graduates – both at the elementary and high school levels – have assessed their development over the last several years and stated their future aspirations for all to hear. Future police officers, entrepreneurs, veterinarians and NHL hopefuls are among us.

While many will inevitably leave the county to pursue a degree or diploma and never return, some will come back to contribute to the growth and vitality of the Highlands. As Gary Brohman, school board trustee and former longtime principal at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School pointed out, many of the county's professionals

– plumbers, contractors, doctors and lawyers, for example – graduated from the local school system.

Not only have these graduates kept their noses to the grindstone, but they've managed to do it all in the midst of an ever-changing society full of distractions. Technology, arguably, being the biggest.

Some say social media is a detriment to learning and productivity. However, if used responsibly, Facebook and Twitter can increase student collaboration.

A quick online search pulls up a website that enables teachers to communicate with students, post assignments on a secure site and keep students organized, digitally.

Things have changed since most of us graduated high school. Just take a look at some of today's job postings and you'll see many full-time, highly paid positions that focus only on social media marketing, jobs that didn't exist a decade ago.

What some may consider distractions others view as a new world of possibilities. Today's graduates are smart, tech-savvy and can differentiate between right and wrong.

It's the role of parents, educators and the community to provide them the right tools to succeed in their future careers.

Based on what we've heard and observed over the past year, they're doing a fine job.

To the high school graduates leaving the nest, dream big and plan to reach your full potential.



By Mark Arike

## Summer in cottage country

To some of us it starts with summer solstice (rumored as the longest day of the year, although I feel June 19 is highly underrated) and for others, it's the end of the school year. Regardless of how you set your annual calendar, the basic truth is that summer is here.

It's strange that a season which thematically is supposed to be so relaxing, most times turns out to be so frenzied and anxious. I think that comes from a person's inability to transition comfortably from mindset to mindset. Ironically we exert an inordinate amount of energy trying to slow down.

The simplest example of this is the entire concept of the weekend. By and large, we spend the work week trying to invent a time machine that will fast forward to Friday afternoon but then spend the rest of the weekend aiming to destroy it. Multiply that concept by ten and you have summer.

Anyone with any exposure to a vacation area like ours quickly notices that the summer season is treated by our collective inhabitants in much the same way ducks treat bread. It's fought over, like it's either ours or it's theirs when in fact nobody owns it. The whole ours/theirs mentality is entirely the problem.

On the one hand – as the argument goes, at least – we have the locals who essentially feel as if they're loaning out the area to a mass influx of tourists and part-time residents, all the while counting the days until September and the time when they can have their town back. On the other, we have the urbanites who often have different timetables and fully appreciate their dollar value (and occasionally revel in reminding the local rubes of it).

While there obviously are always exceptions to the rule, truthfully we all recognize varying degrees of accuracy in these tired stereotypes mainly because there are a good number of individuals on both sides of the great divide to perpetuate them. That this kind of thinking still exists is, frankly, annoying. Whatever side of the equation you might be on, you need to stop.

Thing is, a lot of us don't even identify that we're part of the problem. We're oblivious to the part we play in this continuing (melo)drama. Luckily for you, you can (re)build the bridges you might not even realize you've damaged. It just takes a little effort and a little empathy.

First off, relax. Admittedly the lineups are longer in the summer (sometimes five deep!) but rest assured you can survive them. Keep in mind that while you're lined up at the hardware store in cottage country you're also lined up at the hardware store, in cottage country. You're 12 minutes from your home or your home away from home. Your commute includes deer sightings.

Be neighbourly. Whether you will admit it or not, people from the city are always amazed when a local waves or yells to another local from across the street. It's a strange yet wonderful phenomenon a city person secretly wants to be a part of. They want to shout hello to Dave the contractor like a local does. Rest assured you don't even have to know Dave, or anyone for that matter, to participate. When you walk through town, look up and say 'Hi' – to anyone. There are no laws against it. "Who was that?" Who cares? Random greetings are widely accepted here.

Be friendly. Common courtesy isn't urban or rural. It's human. The only difference being that you can't use anonymity as an excuse here. The lady bagging your groceries has a name tag. Try using it. She may be the next person you randomly wave at in town.

Lastly, there is no 'us' or 'them'. Our money is all the same colour, even for the American visitors (after the currency exchange of course). Most of us breathe oxygen and love sunsets. Their idea of summer might not mirror your idea of summer but it is ours to share. Play nicely.



By Charlie Teljeur

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# Editorial opinion

## Photo of the week



A Lunar Moth dries its wings after emerging from its cocoon.

Photo by Kristel Chalmers

## And so it begins

Coming from that crowded little island of England, I marvel at the vast expanses of what I'd term countryside and you'd probably call bush that surround us here in Haliburton County. And I revel in getting out into all of this nature whatever the time of year.

In winter it's on with the snow shoes, in spring, summer and fall I can think of nothing better than slipping silently across a lake or down a river in a canoe: the intimate connection with my immediate environment is so crisp and vivid for being able to hear every chirp of bird, croak of frog, every footstep of a squirrel between crunch of shoe in snow or gurgle and splash as my paddle lifts from the water.

These wonderful experiences are some of the reasons that I left Blighty to come and live with you folks. They were pivotal to the decision to immigrate; me picturing myself sharing this visceral interaction with nature with Little Z, as he sat ahead of me in my canoe. I imagined the two of us hiking through snowy woodland, creeping up on a snowshoe hare, or paddling by a family of busy beavers... Ah, the beauty of it all.

But life doesn't always map out how you imagine it, does it?

My son wants an ATV.

I blame Mr. Dobbins for this. I blame my dear friend for a lot of things and he usually takes them in good spirits, partly because at least some of them are his fault (usually the ones that involve me coming home late, smelling of beer).

And Little Z's yearning for an ATV is definitely Mr. Dobbins' fault. You see, when an afternoon is spent in his company the potential for riding motor-powered recreational vehicles of one form or another is greatly increased, while the chances of getting into a canoe are eradicated completely. And, on this particular day, both Mr. Dobbins' and his little guy's birthday (yep, his son was born on his birthday), there was not a canoe to be seen, nor just one ATV. No, there was an entire fleet of them! A tiny ATV, a mid-size one and an adult version, plus the coolest mini camo coloured side-by-side you've ever seen.

Now, Little Z can be a tad cautious when approaching new things, but he was tapping me on the back, already wearing a

crash helmet before I had even had chance to turn around and see the array of two-stroke super toys on offer.

I think I spoke to my son perhaps twice in the entire afternoon. I watched him plenty, lumping and bumping around the field on and in all of the vehicles, his face alternating between a stern grimace and gleeful smile. I preferred the former one because it meant he was actually concentrating on where he was going!

His rapid fire commentary following each ride, every detail described in phrases like 'fast as lightning' and 'super cool', and accentuated by flailing arms and wildly excited eyes, was a joy to behold.

Mid-afternoon, the large ATV was dispatched with a grown up on it to round up our little petrol-heads to come in for a pit-stop of pop and birthday cake, and then off they went again, buzzing around in a wide loop like a swarm of mechanized bees. And then, at home time, first tears because he didn't want to stop, followed by the pronouncement that he knew what he wants for his birthday!

His mother and I had thought about getting him a kid's kayak...

That isn't what he asked for, and you know it.

Little Z wants an ATV.

Thanks Mr. Dobbins!

There go my plans for shared silent paddling adventures and floating gently down winding rivers. Instead, it looks like my future will be filled with chunky tires, mud bogs, dusty trails and blackened, greasy finger nails: the relatively small cost of another paddle being forgotten as the price of an ATV is choked and spluttered at!

Perhaps I'll still be able to share the sparkling snowshoe walks across winter lakes. Then again, Mr. Dobbins being the wonderful friend that he is, he'll probably give Little Z a go on his snowmobile next winter and that will be the end of another romantic ideal and the start of another wallet murdering recreational Haliburtonian pursuit! This Englishman will never be the same again.

## The Outsider



By Will Jones



# Highlander opinion

## Eye on the street: *What makes you proud to be Canadian?*



**Herbert Debes**  
Germany

I have been here since 1957, moving from Germany. I am proud of all the opportunity in Canada.



**Katie Hansard**  
Long Lake

Everything! Everyone respects Canadians on a universal standpoint. I am proud we are a giving country both locally and internationally.



**Maralyene Welch**  
Haliburton

I like that we are free. I am also grateful to have the opportunity to enjoy Canada and Haliburton County.



**Marjory Peel**  
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I was born here so I didn't have much of a say! That was way back in 1911. I have seen many things over the years since then. Just a beautiful country.



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## Land trust names new executive director

**By Matthew Desrosiers**  
Editor

Former EMS director for Haliburton County, Pat Kennedy, has been named the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust's (HHLT) new executive director.

Kennedy retired from the county last year. He replaces former executive director Larry O'Connor who resigned from the position earlier this year.

"I'm really excited about this," said Kennedy. "It's overwhelming right now, which is exactly what I was hoping it was going to be. I didn't want to come in and things were in perfect shape."

Kennedy said he had heard all of the buzz around the Land Trust's turtle project.

"I think it overshadowed some of the great work that's been done by the Land Trust, and the more I looked into this, it [the HHLT] struck a chord with me."

Although he just started the position this week, Kennedy already has goals set out for the organization, including banding together with other environmental organizations. However, before he gets to that, he said his first priority is to get a feel for what's happening at the Land Trust.

"My first goal here is just to get the status of what's going on with the committees and what's going on with all the irons in the fire, and with this organization, there are a lot," he said. "The strategic plan is excellent for this organization. It really sets out aggressive marching orders."

It'll be up to him and the board of directors to prioritize



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Pat Kennedy started his new job on June 24.

those orders.

"Some we've met, some we're quite short of, and some we've exceeded," Kennedy said. "We're going to sit down and prioritize where we want to go with some of these."

He's also looking to increase membership and hear from current members what they think of the Land Trust.

"We have an incredible, talented pool of dedicated volunteers," he said. "We need to find out what's working and what isn't."

Although he has a lot to learn about working for a non-profit organization, Kennedy said he's excited for the challenge.

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The remains of a 1996 GMC truck after it crashed into a rock cut on Hwy 35.

## Dorset man dies in truck crash on Highway 35

By **Matthew Desrosiers**  
Editor

A 56-year-old Dorset man is dead after his vehicle struck a rock cut along Highway 35 south of Muskoka Road 117.

According to an OPP report, Christopher Roper was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident, which

occurred at around 5:30 p.m. on June 24. He was travelling southbound, away from Dorset, in a 1996 GMC pickup truck. Highway 35 was closed by police between Raven Lake Landing and Muskoka Road 117 so the OPP's technical collision investigation unit could conduct their investigation.

The highway re-opened later that night.

Police on scene said there was no immediate indication as to the cause of the accident. The investigation is ongoing.

## Firefighters to use mobile app for call response

By **Lisa Harrison**  
Contributing writer

Firefighters in Algonquin Highlands will soon be able to use a mobile application to respond to emergency calls.

The fire services department will conduct a free trial of the Who's Responding app this summer, according to fire services chief Mike Cavanagh.

"We're looking at ways to better communicate," Cavanagh advised council at its June 18 regular meeting.

The Who's Responding app sends dispatch messages to emergency responders on their smartphones. Compatible on all devices, the app provides instant notifications, shows a list of all responders and their destination (hall or scene), or whether they're standing down. It tracks firefighters using GPS and Google Maps, enables texting to provide real-time information from those on the scene, and includes a courtesy feature that enables the firefighter to notify a family member and workplace that he or she will be absent.

The app is also designed to be shown on a television screen or monitor at the fire hall.

With the app, firefighters will be able to indicate they are responding, "which will help us better manage our resources," said Cavanagh. Currently "...in some cases we don't know how many firefighters we have until we reach the hall."

Participants will receive a username and password to access the app, and only the dispatch message will be transmitted, not personal information.

Data use for 100 calls per year would equal a 15-second YouTube video, according to Cavanagh. Use of the app will be voluntary, and the township does not plan to provide phones or cover data costs at any time.

The app is being used in Brockville, and Cavanagh has received a list of other municipalities where it is being considered or tried.

"The hope is that we try it in the summer when we have the busiest amount of calls, and that will give us a better feeling for how it will work in our municipality."

After that the quote for service is a \$1,600 annual fee, which Cavanagh said is "about the cost of a portable radio".

"It won't replace our radio system," said Cavanagh. "Our radio system is our mission-critical communication on the scene and we are still looking at ways to improve that and to build into that for the future as well."

Reeve Carol Moffatt said the app made sense so long as it is safe and effective.

"It's nice to be technologically advanced, but not to the detriment of efficiency or safe response," said Moffatt.

If the trial is successful, Cavanagh will provide a more detailed report to council in the fall.

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# Highlander news

## Minden Disaster Relief Committee wraps up

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

Whether it was by lending a helping hand or providing financial assistance, the people of Minden Hills and the rest of Haliburton County went above and beyond to help the flood victims of 2013.

"Everyone wanted to help and get money to the people as soon as we could," Bill Obee, chair of the Disaster Relief Committee (DRC), told council on June 11.

The DRC, which is made up of local volunteers, was formed shortly after the devastating spring flood to fundraise for victims, as well as process claims and distribute funds through the Ontario Disaster Relief Program (ODRAP). ODRAP is a government-funded program that helps municipalities and its residents "get back on their feet after a natural disaster."

"We thank each and every one who came forward and offered assistance," said Obee.

With the generosity of the community, the committee raised over \$710,000 for flood victims. They also approved more than \$1.4 million in claims, of which \$1.3 million were approved (90 per cent of the

eligible claim).

The committee received claim applications from 62 residences and 14 businesses. Twelve of those applications were deemed ineligible.

The DRC encountered \$212,000 in administrative expenses – all of which were paid for by the province. The highest expense was attributed to adjusters and experts at nearly \$154,000. Consultant John Rogers was hired on as project manager at a cost of \$45,000.

Obee requested that the committee be dissolved now that their work is complete.

Councillors and members of the public in the gallery gave the committee a round of applause for their efforts.

"An unbelievable amount of work," commented Reeve Brent Devolin. "You did an exemplary service for our community. I hope you don't ever have to do it again."

Devolin pointed out Ontario is the only province in the country that must fundraise to receive government support in the event of a flood.

"I will lobby to change that," he said, adding that seasonal property owners should also be eligible for funding.

## Minden to amend toll bridge policy

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

When it comes to toll bridges in town, Minden Hills council and staff are trying to reach a solution that will satisfy community groups but also be in the best interests of local residents and visitors to the area.

According to Reeve Brent Devolin, he and councillor Ron Nesbitt, along with key staff, met with representatives from the Minden Lions Club and the Rotary Club on June 18. "We have, what I think, is a solution," said Devolin in a phone interview.

The Minden Kin Club expressed their position in a written statement, said Devolin.

During a June 11 council meeting, deputy-clerk Cheryl McCarroll advised council that the Minden Rotary Club had requested permission to host their annual bridge toll fundraiser on the Bobcaygeon Road bridge and Water Street, by the post office, on June 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

While community groups have held these events in the same areas in the past, McCarroll referred to an incident from last year where a toll bridge interfered with a medical emergency.

"It was brought to our attention that there was an incident last year where somebody had a spouse that was having an apparent heart attack," she said. "They could not get

across the bridge [to get to the hospital] due to the backup of traffic."

McCarroll stressed that staff aren't opposed to these events, but they are concerned about traffic flow and the health and safety of the community at large.

The upcoming weekend is expected to be a busy one, with the fairgrounds playing host to a rodeo and it being the first weekend that children are out of the school.

"Staff recognize and appreciate the work that the service clubs are doing," she said.

The OPP, EMS and Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell have recommended that all volunteers wear an approved safety vest for visibility while at these events.

The Safety Streets Act permits fundraising activities on municipal roads under two conditions: they are conducted by a charitable organization where the speed limit is 50 km/h, and are permitted by a municipal bylaw.

Staff suggested the Rotary Club relocate part of their event to the vicinity of the former IGA lot, also on Bobcaygeon Road. They also recommended the event start at 10 instead of 9 a.m.

Devolin told The Highlander that if the groups agree to the township's solution, a "beta test" would occur before a permanent policy is implemented.

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### Meetings & Events

July 1 Canada Day Festivities, downtown Minden, All Day

July 30 Committee of the Whole/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Please note there is only 1 scheduled meeting of council for the months of July and August

### Council Advisory Boards and Committees

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE for a schedule of Council's Advisory Boards and Committees meeting dates and locations, visit the Township's website at [www.minden hills.ca](http://www.minden hills.ca) or contact the Clerk's Office at 705-286-1260 ext. 212.

### Canada Day Road Closures

Wednesday July 1st  
from 7:00 am – 4:00 pm.

- Water Street, from Bobcaygeon Road to St. Germaine (Beer Store). Local Traffic only from Water Street/St. Germaine to the walking bridge by Canadian Tire.
- St. Germaine, from Water Street to Prince Street
- Prince Street, from St. Germaine (Fire Hall) to Milne Street
- Milne Street, from old EMS station to Water Street

### Minden Hills Artisan Market

Every Saturday morning from June 20th through September 12th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

Rain or Shine.

Vendors needed! Space is \$10 per market day. Hand crafted items (by the vendor) only

### Roller Skating at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena

Saturday afternoons

June 6th to August 15th  
(except July 11th and 18th)

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Cost is \$2.00 per person/per session

PLEASE NOTE: The Township does not provide skate rentals, Rollerblades are welcome

Reminder, there is NO Ball Hockey at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena on Wednesday July 1. Sessions resume Wed July 8th.

For all Pan Am information, please visit our website at [www.minden hills.ca/panam/](http://www.minden hills.ca/panam/) or email [mcoleman@minden hills.ca](mailto:mcoleman@minden hills.ca)

### Pan Am Games

#### Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for weekend of July 18th and 19th for:

- Running sport/activity stations at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena
- Ticket takers for the Reel Paddling Film Festival
- Floaters to help out in different areas throughout the day

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### Reel Paddling Film Festival

Saturday July 18th, 7:00 – 10:00 pm

At the SG Nesbitt Memorial Community Centre Tickets are \$7 (which includes a BBQ dinner hosted by the Minden Lions Club.)

BBQ starts at 5:30. Films start at 7pm

For more information on any of these events or programs, or to volunteer, please contact Elisha Weiss at 705-286-2298 or [eweiss@minden hills.ca](mailto:eweiss@minden hills.ca)

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Childrens' Cultural Day Camps  
July and August 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. \$10 per child per day  
Mondays age 6-8 Thursdays age 9-12

Day camp is a day-long opportunity for children to experience art and craft projects in the morning and heritage, nature activities in the afternoon. This involves creating artwork, based on famous artists' styles, living history events and games and learning about the local environment through interactive programs. Children need to bring lunch / snacks and outdoor wear, including sun screen. To register please call 705-286-3763.

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Highland Time Travelers Classic Car Show  
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Taoist Tai Chi demonstrations

### Community Booths:

Irondale Church	Minden Health Care Auxiliary
Minden Legion	Festival of the August Moon
Minden Lioness	Haliburton Rotary Club

### Food Booths (\$):

Rotary Club- Peameal Bacon on a Bun/Hotdogs  
Lions Club- Burgers/Sausages  
Haliburton County Fair Board- Beef on a Bun

### ACROSS THE BRIDGE

Local artist booths

### CULTURAL CENTRE

Minden Wild Water Preserve Art Show. *In the Common Room*  
First Kingdom: Art of the Canadian Shield. *In the Agnes Jamieson Gallery*  
Heritage Village Activities  
Canadian Docs and Movies. *In Nature's Place*  
Canada Flag 50th Anniversary Celebration / Activities



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8:00:	Ball Hockey Tournament begins. On Prince Street
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11:00-12:00:	Highland Concert Band. At Main Stage on Water Street
11:00-12:15:	Crazy River Raft Race Registration Opens. At Rotary Park off Hwy #35
11:00-2:00:	Open House at the Fire Hall. Check out the trucks, meet the Firefighters. On Prince Street
11:30:	Highland Dancers performance. At Main Stage on Water Street
12:00:	Opening Ceremonies. RCL Colour Party parade, National Anthem performed by HC Band, opening remarks, cutting of the cake. At Main Stage on Water Street
12:30:	Crazy River Raft Race begins. Sponsored by Gull Lake Cottagers Association. Starts at Rotary Park and ends downtown
12:30:	Haliburton Dance Academy award winning performance. At Main Stage on Water Street
12:45:	Fashion Show. Hosted by St. Paul's Anglican Church. At Main Stage on Water Street
1:00:	"Sister Act" performance. At Main Stage on Water Street
1:30:	Rubber Ducky Race begins. Hosted by Minden Lioness. At Town Dock on Water Street

### ACROSS THE BRIDGE

12:00-2:00: *FREE!* Wagon Rides (to and from the Cultural Centre) On Invergordon Ave

### CULTURAL CENTRE

11:30-3:00:	Wood fired pizza and Beer garden (\$) Outside on grass
12:30-1:30:	FREE Ice Cream! Sponsored by Kawartha Dairy. Until supplies last. Outside on grass. <i>NEW!</i>
1:00-2:00:	MAD SCIENCE presents "Fire and Ice". A live interactive show for all ages! Outside under the tent.

### FAIRGROUNDS

6:30pm:	Haliburton County Fair Board Food Booth.
9:30pm:	Fireworks! Entry by donation. Sponsored by the Government of Canada and the Township of Minden Hills Hosted by the Minden Hills Fire Department



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# Highlander news

## Community policing group to focus on education

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing Writer

The local Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) is about to get new life with a focus on public education.

The goal is to reduce the number of 9-1-1 calls, which will reduce police service costs.

CPAC chair Carol Moffatt, reeve of Algonquin Highlands, provided a committee update to Algonquin Highlands council at its regular June 18 meeting.

Community policing committees are an optional entity under the Police Services Act. Members of the local CPAC represent the four lower tier municipalities and meet quarterly.

The group reconvened recently after a hiatus following the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) billing reform activities, Moffatt reported.

"What we wanted to do was make the CPAC committee do something that was useful for all involved, or dissolve [it]."

Moffatt said the committee traditionally would discuss items such as staffing issues and statistics, "...but there was never any outcome, there was never anything that you could get your teeth into."

As a result the group has developed new terms of reference which will be reviewed and formalized on June 26, "...and that will provide

the framework within which the four municipalities will have a better working relationship with police around policing duties" and costs, said Moffatt.

One of the major outcomes of the change will be an increase in public education. For example, when the OPP see a trend, Moffatt said CPAC should be able to inform taxpayers. The municipalities are discussing ways to do this using their websites and social media.

The first message is likely to focus on reducing unnecessary 9-1-1 calls, Moffatt reported.

"On the outcome of the billing reform changes, the public has continued to ask questions 'what are you going to do about it?'" said Moffatt. "Well this is one of the things we're going to do about it."

"I think a lot of people don't realize that if 9-1-1 is dialed inadvertently [due

to] a pocket dial or something, officers are required to respond and so that's a call for service to your municipality."

This results in charges for two officers and administration, including vehicle use.

In a later interview, Moffatt said statistics from the Municipal Policing Bureau showed that in 2014, 762 calls were made in error to 9-1-1 county-wide, resulting in 900 hours of unnecessary billable police work. Accurate costs cannot be established due to pay rate differences

and other variables, according to Moffatt.

CPAC will also encourage the use of self-reporting forms for non-essential calls such as reporting a theft that occurred at a cottage while the owners were away. If tangible evidence is involved the public should call 9-1-1, but with self-reporting forms the call is still logged and officer response is not required so no service call charge is laid.

"We are already as a society ... engaged in a broad range of activities that help reduce costs and impacts on a variety of issues in our lives" such as energy consumption, said Moffatt in the interview.

"Now it's time we [do that] with our policing services."

*What we wanted to do was make the CPAC committee do something that was useful for all involved.*

**Carol Moffatt**  
CPAC chair

### Jim Wilson ends career as county CAO

Jim Wilson was presented with a desk inukshuk from the county by Warden Murray Fearrey at the June 24 county council meeting. It was the last council meeting for Wilson, who is retiring after 11 years as chief administrative officer. "You know the long arm points north," said Fearrey. "I looked it up, Googled it, and it

said you're going in the right direction."

"It's been a real privilege to work here for the county and I've enjoyed my tenure here," said Wilson. "It's amazing how fast time goes, but collectively...we've all accomplished a lot. It's been great. Thank you very much."

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# Highlander business



Photo by Mark Arike

The Woods owners Jack and Debbie Smith, far left, along with Elise Alexander, Shelby Alexander, Derrick Alexander, Chris Smith and Tyler Adam Smith (seated).

## Park owners celebrate first year in business

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

Jack and Debbie Smith, the owners of The Woods of Minden Hills, celebrated their first year in business with friends and family on June 13.

The gathering, which took place at their camping resort located off County Road 21, included a barbecue provided by Wintergreen Maple Products and the

burial of a time capsule with local items.

"It's been very busy," said Jack, referring to the past year.

"But it's been a lot of fun, we've met a lot of wonderful people," added Debbie.

The former residents of Palgrave took ownership of the park on June 16 of last year.

The property features a non-motorized lake and plenty of wildlife. Some of its amenities include a recreation hall and heated pool.

## Creative Business Incubator goes high tech

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing writer

High tech and digital media are becoming the new focal points for the Creative Business Incubator operated by the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC).

"We've been seeing this thing developing organically," said Andy Campbell, HCDC executive director. "Now it's time to plan for it."

The Incubator began with a main focus on helping visual artists develop their businesses, said Campbell. Through government funding, the Incubator has provided mentoring, support services and office space in the old library on Mountain Street in Haliburton.

Increasingly, businesses seeking support from HCDC are from the high tech and digital media sectors, said Campbell.

These enterprises often know their businesses best, he added, so while HCDC won't give up mentoring and other support services for all local businesses, its next move is to help expand markets and growth for businesses in these sectors.

The proposed redirection was highlighted at the Economic Innovations in the Haliburton Highlands conference hosted recently at Pinestone Resort.

Jim Blake, an HCDC consultant, spoke at the conference and in a later interview about the growing shift to high tech and digital media, saying the goal is to develop an ecosystem in these sectors to build the county's economy.

These sectors offer a way for residents and newcomers to sell services and products around the world, decreasing their reliance on the county's small population, developing relationships outside the county as well as within, and attracting new business, said Blake.

"The more we collaborate, the more successful we're all going to be."

Conference presenter Jim Love of IT World Canada, a top IT magazine service that went digital early on, said the company lost millions of advertising dollars initially, but ultimately gained by reinventing itself as a collaborative services provider for its advertising clients. The company is launching Digital Reno to help other businesses effectively embrace the digital world. Home base? Haliburton County.

Tammy Rea of Sticks + Stones Productions talked about the growth

of digital arts in the county through collaboration and HCDC's support. This includes new courses at the high school and college levels and increasing opportunities for digital media students to return to the county for jobs in their field.

"Technology is getting easier all the time," said Rea, noting for example that people can create their own websites now. "So the tech is getting less important and the look and the message are getting much more important ... This is why artists are becoming really, really important in this technology."

Planning to support high tech and digital media includes an essential for both sectors: high-speed Internet service.

"We are upgrading the connection at the [Incubator] in September," said Campbell. "I am also having discussions with the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) regarding future plans to increase the speed in the villages. The discussion about connectivity in Haliburton County is a challenge and one that the County of Haliburton is aware of."

"So when we talk about collaboration and the technology sector, connectivity may be a challenge but that is why we will need to collaborate and find a solution. It could involve a second building."

A focus on high tech and digital media "is a great idea, depending on the details," said Carol Moffatt, reeve of Algonquin Highlands. "The downside is going to be high-speed Internet."

However, she noted "people are becoming more and more digitally savvy with time" and a service such as Digital Reno may help their businesses grow in the digital age. She said it's important, especially for "mom and pop" business owners who have virtually no time for anything but traditional business and family.

"I'm all for whatever creates jobs and puts Haliburton County on the map," said Jerry Walker, president of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. "That can do nothing but good."

Walker said he's heard for years that one large industry is what the county needs in order to thrive.

New employees and businesses in high tech and digital media will bring families who will contribute to the local economy and the tax base, which will increase infrastructure. In turn, that will attract more residents, Walker noted.

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# Highlander business

## AH looks to develop business at airport

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing writer

What's next for Haliburton/Stanhope Municipal Airport?

From a restaurant to maintenance shop, there have been several ideas for development at the airport over its 40-plus years.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), a former airport tenant, will now pay Algonquin Highlands \$70,000 annually over a 20-year lease as it relocates its northeastern fire management headquarters to the airport, according to Reeve Carol Moffatt.

The township could perhaps be forgiven for going on a spending spree, but "it's not like winning the lottery," said Moffatt in a recent interview.

"The idea is to use the MNRF lease payments to enhance the revenue and to create a reserve on which we can draw as we develop the [airport]," said Moffatt. "It might take two, five, 10, 15 years to gather up enough reserves to be able to do something, so we'll see."

With the OPP billing reform and difficult budget deliberations behind them, Moffatt said councillors will now take a closer look at the township's airport land use and development plan.

For now, the first order of business is finalizing food services for the season. With the small "cook shack" currently out of service, the township purchased a barbecue and issued a request for proposals for a food truck, with submissions due by June 22. Notifications will go out by July 6.

The airport office's deck will be replaced. The public water supply is back in service after testing. Wi-Fi service is still available, and visitors are welcome to drop by for coffee and watch the air traffic and attend fly-in events.

According to airport manager Cam Loucks, the MNRF, Hydro and other



File photo

The Haliburton Highlands Stanhope Airport is a target for business development in Algonquin Highlands.

organizations are pleased to have the airport available for fuelling. The township has been doing a steady business in fuel sales.

Meanwhile, Loucks continues to search for providers of key services that airports pursue.

"It's always great at an airport to have a flight school, a restaurant and a maintenance organization or an aircraft maintenance engineer (AME) working on his own, or her own," said Loucks. "It keeps the place hopping."

The food truck will substitute for the restaurant for now. An AME has indicated interest in setting up shop here, but according to Loucks it's also a lifestyle change for the family, so the decision remains pending.

As for a flight school, Loucks says he hasn't jumped into that yet.

"They're a tough business in that profit margins are very thin even when you're located in an area where the demographics would support it."

The airport has had a flight school in the past, so it's doable, but "it's a matter of trying to attract someone that's willing to put in the time for, I would say probably three years of some really hard work to try to get a customer base up and running."

That said, someone has moved to the area who will be doing freelance training once she's settled, and Loucks thinks that will work very well for the few people in the area who are looking for some instruction.

Also under consideration will be light, clean industrial businesses to form a

business park, another common use of extensive airport lands, although the approximately 100 acres available here are generally hilly and forested.

For that reason, solar panels are an option, said Moffatt. Thinking ahead, the township also changed the roof slope on the new hangars to accommodate panels in future, and they left space at the end of the new hangars for the next set of buildings.

Moffatt commended previous councils for their vision, and added that while there has always been controversy around airports, "...by and large I think an airport for a community can be a good thing if it's managed well and managed correctly, and I think we're there now."

"There is so much opportunity. We don't know where it'll end up."

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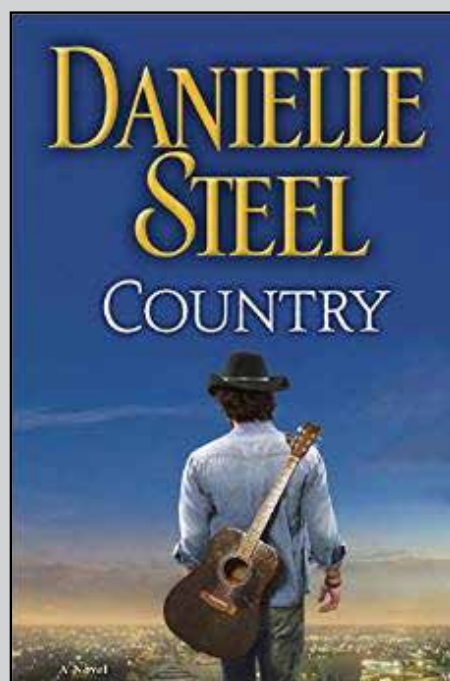
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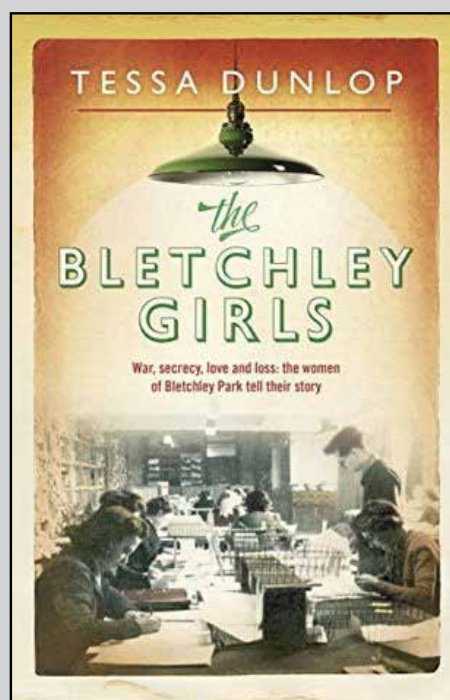
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## Busy, silly, moving

For many people this time of the year represents the start of the busy, some say silly, season in the Highlands.

Events and social activities are the order of the day. The Farrells are not immune to the silliness. For instance during the last couple of weeks we've had our English relatives John and Wendy Allin staying with us, and at my parents.

Unfortunately Wendy had a bad fall at the Toronto airport while attempting to hurdle a barricade. Don't ask. She arrived deeply bruised, but a visit to the emerge at the Minden hospital assured her that there were no broken bones. Both she and John were amazed and impressed with how fast she was processed at the hospital. What would have been an all-day experience in Nottingham was a mere half-hour in Minden. But what a way to start a vacation.

The Allins came over for my Dad's 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday which took place on June 12. Dad wanted Chinese for his birthday supper so it was off to Marks in Minden for the first of many culinary experiences. Later during that week Michelle cooked a great meal for all of us, and we also lunched and quaffed at Rhubarb where John, a beer aficionado, was suitably impressed by our local brew.

This past week we made the trek over to the Griffin gastro pub in Bracebridge, a favourite of John's from a previous visit. Wendy soldiered on through all the travelling with grins and grimaces, but things improved somewhat when she purchased two matching canes from

that great emporium, the SIRCH Thrift Warehouse.

Speaking of SIRCH, their butterfly release event was held in the pioneer village at the Cultural Centre in Minden on June 14. Many people released beautiful, painted lady butterflies to commemorate the loss of loved ones. Donations for the butterflies went to help support the SIRCH bereavement programme.

It was a very moving, uplifting afternoon. The rains held off for the most part, but when drops did fall a battalion of umbrellas, some with butterfly motives, popped up among an estimated crowd of 200. It made for a unique visual experience when umbrellas and people filed down to the nearby boardwalk where the majority of the butterflies were released. Kudos to all those at SIRCH who worked so diligently on the event. It was a great success.

This past Friday I was in Haliburton for lunch with friends Sean Pennylegion, Hugh Taylor and Neil Campbell. We form the nucleus of a group called the League of Elderly Gentlemen, a preposterous name considering our relative youth, and we meet monthly, alternating between the Dominion Hotel in Minden and McKeck's in Haliburton. This time it was at McKeck's.

There are no formalities to our meetings. It's just a get-together, and conversation ranges from the arts to baseball, which, Taylor and Campbell profess, is an art unto itself. Neil should know because he once wrote about baseball for the Globe and

Mail, if memory serves. This particular meeting was notable due to the presence of a new member, John du Manoir. As is the custom with newbies, his initiation consisted of his dancing naked and alone on a table smeared with bear grease, to the tune of "Donald Where's Your Trousers," played by a piper in full regalia. It's a tough test. We don't fool around. For some unknown reason the staff at McKeck's objected to the bagpipes.

All kidding aside, I was up at the crack of dawn on Saturday morning getting ready to assist vendors with the first Artisan's market which took place on the grounds of the Cultural Centre. The market will be taking place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. rain or shine, every Saturday until September 12. The Artisan's market, which not surprisingly, features hand-made goods from local artisans, coincides nicely with the Farmer's market which is happening simultaneously throughout the warmer months at the municipal parking lot in Minden.

I saw Neil, Hugh and Sean again at the Folk Society's open stage on Saturday evening. The event took place at the museum in Haliburton. Sean was the MC for the occasion. He was also a guitar picker in the great new band called 5th Business. I really liked their version of 'St James Infirmary Blues' wherein guest performer, limber lips Taylor, in a great piece of theatre, started blowin' his own horn offstage at the back of the room. At

## What's Up



By George Farrell

first there was just the sound of the horn, and then Hugh appeared and progressed slowly down the aisle, while still playing mournfully moving notes. He eventually joined the band up front and they all proceeded to play a stirring rendition of that great blues standard. The 5th Business lead singer is multi-talented Tracey Lee Green who has a very good voice. I expect to be seeing a lot of this group down the road.

Incidentally Neil Campbell is getting a new dog. Though his former canine companion, the departed and much-loved brown dog Jiggs can never be replaced, Neil is opting again for a smooth coated collie. Congratulations Neil, and new pooch too, who is guaranteed a great dog's life up on Sapsucker Ridge.

As I write this it's Father's Day, and tonight we say goodbye to our guests John and Wendy with a farewell dinner at Heather Lodge. It's been a whirlwind couple of weeks, and summer's only just begun. Someone once told me that by the time I reached this age I'd be slowing down considerably. Yeah right. That person never lived in Haliburton County. This time of year it's always busy, very often silly, sometimes moving. And I don't mind at all.

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# Highlander life



Photos submitted by Geoff Hodgson

Above: Geoff Hodgson trains for his upcoming swim across Lake Kashagawigamog. Right: Hodgson at the Muskoka 70.3 half Iron Man event.

## Swim across Kash to raise money for rhinos

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

A Toronto man will put his mind and body to the test on Aug. 15 as he takes the plunge into Lake Kashagawigamog for an important cause close to his heart.

Early that morning, Geoff Hodgson will set out on a 15-kilometre swim that he expects will take him seven hours to complete. In advance of the event, he will raise funds in support of the protection of South Africa's declining rhino populations.

"I'm really sad about this particular cause," Hodgson said in a phone interview. "If what was happening to the rhinos

started happening to pandas, the world would be up in arms."

Although he doesn't own a cottage in the area, Hodgson has friends in the area who do. He has visited the Highlands numerous times and is "really fond of the whole area."

The 45-year-old, who hails from South Africa, used to be an avid cyclist and was a runner until he began experiencing knee problems two years ago. In an effort to remain active, he took up swimming this past winter.

"I decided I need a goal," Hodgson said, pointing out that his initial long distance swimming goal was 10 kilometres. "As I

swam more I realized it wasn't much of a challenge."

He changed his target to 15 kms, but then thought he should do the swim for a good cause.

Each year, hundreds of rhinos are killed by poachers for their horns, and those numbers are on the rise. According to statistics from the World Wildlife Fund, 388 rhinos were killed in 2012 in comparison to 122 in 2009.

South Africa is home to more than 80 per cent of Africa's rhino populations.

"In the last three years, rhino poaching has gone up about 1,000 per cent," Hodgson said. "It's something that's

getting completely out-of-hand. If we don't change it in our lifetime, we're going to see the extinction of rhinos in the wild."

Hodgson came across Rhinos Without Borders, an initiative of the safari company AndBeyond. The organization's ambitious plan is to relocate 100 rhinos – by plane – to a safer area in Botswana.

"It's the scale of the idea and the audaciousness that really struck me," he said.

Since November Hodgson has been training at pools in the Toronto area, seeking out those that are Olympic-size with 50-metre lanes. He doesn't have a coach showing him the ropes, but instead has turned to the Internet for tips.

The longest distance he's completed indoors to date is eight kilometres.

He is now in the process of soliciting donations from "friends, family, everybody who can sympathize with me spending seven hours in the cold water of Kashagawigamog."

So far he has raised about \$1,000 for Rhinos Without Borders, but his goal is \$7,500 or \$500 per km.

When Hodgson takes the plunge, his plan is to swim under international long distance swimming rules. That means he will only be wearing Speedo swim trunks, and at no point in time will he touch the ground until he finishes.

"That's my ultimate goal," he explained. "If I decide on the day that that's not working, I'd rather finish and break one of those rules than not finish and obey the rules."

To ensure his safety and provide him nourishment along the way, a group of volunteers will follow him by canoe. Local business Haliburton RPM has offered to loan him a boat for the day.

"That will be a good backup for me," Hodgson said, referring to the additional boat.

He said he chose Lake Kashagawigamog because of its depth and length.

"I saw down, analytically, and said I need a lake that's fairly shallow, so that I have a chance of it being warm. And I was looking for a lake that I could do end to end."

His swim will begin in Ingoldsby and finish at the town dock in Haliburton. If the weather turns bad, he has a secondary date of Aug. 22.

Hodgson will celebrate his 46th birthday on the day of his challenge. While it will be one of the most difficult things he has done, the cause will keep him motivated.

"Every time I swim and it becomes really difficult, I have to think of the cause," he said. "It makes it a lot easier."

Anyone interested in donating to Rhinos Without Borders can do so online at [trevolta.com/trips/rhinos-without-borders-25972](http://trevolta.com/trips/rhinos-without-borders-25972). To contact Hodgson directly email [geoffhodgson@rogers.com](mailto:geoffhodgson@rogers.com).

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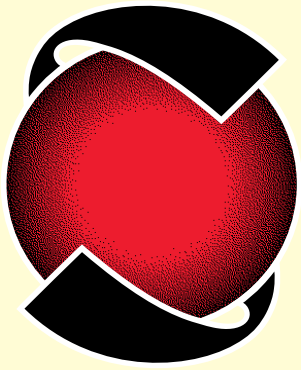
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# Highlander life

## Massive Hydro bill triggers call to MPP

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

When Evelyn Griffin opened her Hydro bill on June 15, her heart started racing.

"I thought, 'Will I have to put a mortgage on my house?'" she recalled. "I read it over and over because I couldn't believe this was happening. ... I would never have thought I would ever get a bill like that."

Her bill totalled \$26,504.26.

Griffin knew her Hydro bills hadn't been completely accurate, going back to August last year. She had several months in a row that were billed based on estimates because Hydro employees were unable to read her meter.

"They never caught up on what was owed," she said. "My bills were always a bit lower than normal, and every now and again I would get a reasonable bill."

But compared to last year's numbers, the Hydro bills seemed ok to her.

"I wasn't using any more electricity than normal," she said.

Included with the bill was a letter from Hydro One, advising her she could pay interest free instalments on the balance. They also gave her a list of tips, tools and programs to help manage her electricity.

"What worries me, I'm a senior citizen living off a pension," said Griffin. "What happens if somebody gets one of these bills and they don't know how to handle it and get roped into paying?"

Griffin knew how to handle it. Instead of contacting Hydro, she immediately called local MPP Laurie Scott.

"On Tuesday morning I phoned Laurie's office. I told her who I was and she couldn't believe the bill."

Scott contacted Hydro on Griffin's behalf. That same afternoon, a Hydro worker showed up at the house to read the bill. It was again a week later.

"They said they weren't sure if it was the meter or something to do with the computer."

While Griffin still doesn't have any assurances that this issue won't happen again, at least for now her bill has been revised to approximately \$350. And she said both Scott's office, and Hydro, did help her quickly and efficiently.

"You have to persevere with things until you

can get to the bottom of it and find out why," she said. "They still haven't told me why."

That's a lesson that Sandi McElwain has learned as well, although her battle with Hydro wasn't over as quickly as Griffin's.

In the last year, McElwain has seen her monthly bills increase by hundreds of dollars per month over previous years. Where her worst Hydro bill used to be \$500 in the middle of winter, she received an \$800 in September 2014.

"In the winter it was \$1,000 per month," she said. "I've lived there 12 years, and never have I seen Hydro bills like that. Obviously it's not normal. There's a problem."

McElwain first tried to resolve the issue with Hydro One.

"I started phoning them and saying this isn't right," she said. "We're not home. We both work, the kids are at school. No one is there. How are we using this much Hydro?"

But McElwain said Hydro One kept trying to pass the ball, saying it wasn't their fault and that she was using too much electricity.

"I wasn't going to give up. Who could live paying \$1,000 each month? Even \$600 a month? It's crazy."

In September, McElwain paid off her bills for the summer, totalling \$1,800. By the time spring came around, her bills were back up to \$4,300. So she started looking for help.

"A Place Called Home was very helpful," said McElwain. "They're knowledgeable about all these people that can help you."

Through A Place Called Home, McElwain was referred to the low-income energy assistance program (LEAP). The program is designed to provide emergency relief to eligible low-income Hydro customers.

Through LEAP, she received around \$650 towards her bill.

McElwain said Hydro did recognize there was a problem with her bills and agreed not to cut her off.

"Hydro was very patient, but on their end there was nothing they would do other than keep getting information from the smart meter," she said. "That's the issue for everybody up here. The smart meters are the problem everybody is having."

Next, she was referred to the Kawartha Lakes Housing Help Centre.

"These are the most amazing people," said McElwain. "They paid the entire bill off,



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Evelyn Griffin reviews her \$26,504.26 bill received from Hydro One on June 15.

because I could prove [the bills were wrong]."

She received \$4,300 to pay off the outstanding balance on her account.

"There is help out there, but you've got to do the footwork," McElwain said. "Don't give up, and search for it."

She is now signed up with the Green Saver program. Through the program, a qualified person comes to the house to investigate appliances and search for areas where you could be burning electricity. If a problem is identified, a technician will work to repair the issue and homeowners may qualify for replacement appliances.

Homeowners will also receive free advice on how to save energy.

However, McElwain is still convinced the problem is with Hydro's smart meters, and until they are replaced, she could have another big bill come her way.

"If Green Saver comes in and finds nothing in the house, it's my smart meter. You have to come in and replace the meter or take it out. I want to go back to my rates three years ago."

Tina Jackson is the outreach coordinator for A Place Called Home in Haliburton County. She said stories like McElwain's have been

common this past year.

"It was incredibly busy [in the winter]," she said. "There were a number of households, and a lot of phone calls from people saying they don't know what to do."

The first thing people can do, she said, is to carefully read their Hydro bills.

"I encourage everyone to read your Hydro bill, even though they are well-known for being difficult to understand."

Not receiving a Hydro bill is also a problem, she said.

Jackson said if Hydro is not willing to investigate the issue, a call to the MPP is definitely an option.

On top of the programs that McElwain was referred to, Jackson said the Heat Bank provides up to \$200 in grants to assist with heating related crisis, including electricity.

"We can increase that if there are no other resources, but we exhaust all other options first," she said.

They are also looking to acquire an energy meter so they can measure how much electricity appliances are using.

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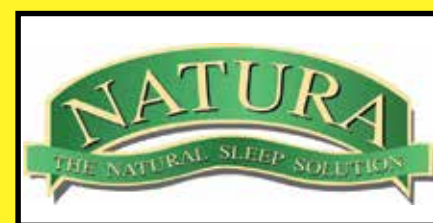
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Photo by Mark Arike

From left, spinning participants Monte Miscio, Jamie Dollo, Steve Churko and Troy Austen.

## Spinning for Steve

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

A small group of jovial riders, some of whom came dressed in costume, gave their legs a workout at Skye Cycle on June 20 in support of a local family.

The event, titled Spin for Steve, raised nearly \$5,000 for Steve Davis, a Minden man who recently suffered a rare spinal stroke.

"Many thanks to all the riders, everyone who donated and the Skye Cycle instructors who donated their time," wrote studio owner Skye

Austen in an email.

Austen also thanked Renee Giguere and Amanda Robinson for their design work and promotion of the event on social media.

Nearly \$7,000 has been raised for Davis on a GoFundMe page over the past 25 days.

"We can't take all the credit for the online donations but many of them were people sponsoring riders," said Austen.

Davis is currently undergoing rehabilitation at Lyndhurst Centre in Toronto. His scheduled discharge date is July 20.



Photo by Mark Arike

Volunteer Jane Woodward sits at the 11th hole to assist with a fundraising photo puzzle.

## Golfers tee off to raise money for Water Ambassadors Canada

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

This year's Water Ambassadors Canada charity golf tournament grossed nearly \$20,000 in support of the organization's work in other parts of the world.

The third annual event was held at the Pinestone Resort on June 18.

"It was a great success," said Dennis McKee, a member of the organizing committee. "It was a good day of golfing. A lot of people I've talked to have given positive feedback."

Sixty-four golfers teed off and an additional 20 supporters attended a barbecue-style dinner at the resort. A prize table was set up at the tournament.

Water Ambassadors founder and chairman Barry Hart gave a short speech about the charity's work at the dinner.

McKee said the board members will utilize the funds as they see fit.

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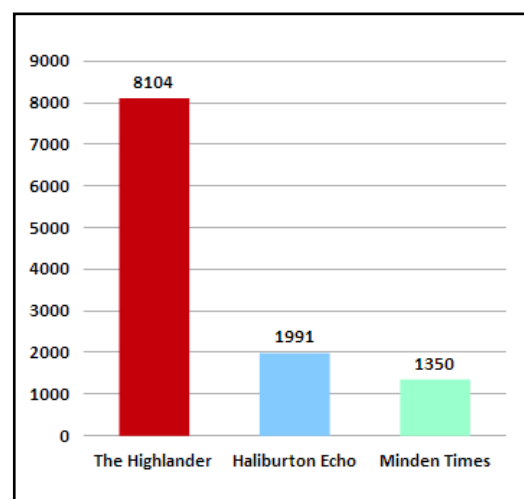
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Alex Casper makes her move in a game of checkers against Eric Casper. The two took time out from the Artisan Market to have a game.

## Artisan market kicks off

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Minden's Artisan Market is off to a strong start.

Minden Hills community development coordinator, Elisha Weiss, said 257 people attended the market's opening day on June 20 at the Minden Cultural Centre.

"It was good," she said. "We only had about nine vendors for the first one, and people seemed happy with the feedback, so that's positive."

She said applications are already coming in from people looking to join the market.

"We're getting more applications from that day because people were wandering around and realized they could put in a booth as well," she said. "Fingers crossed vendors keep growing."

Weiss is looking for hand-crafted items to showcase at the market.

"That's our main thing," she said. "We're not looking for the super high-end like you would find at the One of a Kind show, but if we get some of those booths that's great. We don't want all of them to be like that."

People coming to the market should be able to spend a few dollars, or more on big ticket items.

"We want the whole gamut so people have variety."

The Artisan Market coincides with Minden's new Farmers' Market, which was planned from the outset. The two markets cross-promote one another, and Weiss hopes at some point they can share a location, too.

The market runs every Saturday at the Cultural Centre from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The final day of the market is September 12.

To apply for a spot at the market, Weiss said vendors can find information on the website at [mindenhills.ca/artisan-market](http://mindenhills.ca/artisan-market), or email her at [eweiss@mindenhills.ca](mailto:eweiss@mindenhills.ca).



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# Highlander life

## LCBO and United Way support Food for Kids

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

The LCBO has once again teamed up with United Way to contribute to a local cause.

On June 23, Penny Barton Dyke, executive director of the United Way's Kawartha Lakes branch, announced that a future till ask would benefit Haliburton County's Food for Kids program.

"We're thrilled," said Linda Nottage, manager of the LCBO in Wilberforce.

During a two-week period in July and September, staff at four of the county's stores – Haliburton, Gooderham, Minden and Wilberforce – will ask shoppers for a donation upon checkout with their purchase.

"If you can show people it stays in the community, they're a lot more supportive," noted Nottage.

Through the same initiative last year, just over \$15,000 was raised for A Place Called

Home. The charitable, non-profit organization provides shelter and around-the-clock support services to the homeless and those at risk of homelessness in the county and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Barton Dyke said her organization focuses on three streams: poverty and possibilities, all that kids can be, and healthy communities.

The Food for Kids program provides about 140,000 healthy meals annually to children attending all of the county's schools. Therefore, it fell in line with the United Way's mandate.

"This is something that's near and dear to many of the employees of ours," she said.

"In some ways, it's one that crosses all three pillars, too," added Marg Cox, executive director of Point In Time.

Nottage pointed out that it is one of the LCBO's corporate strategies to support the United Way.



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From left, Linda Nottage, store manager of Wilberforce LCBO; Penny Barton Dyke, executive director of United Way - City of Kawartha Lakes; and Marg Cox, executive director of Point In Time.



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# Highlander life

## Buttermilk Falls gets first re-naturalized shoreline

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

Not only does Dale Rider now have a re-naturalized shoreline that will help protect the health of her lake, but she also has a prettier view for her guests.

Her property, which is home to Buttermilk Falls Resort, was first to undergo a shoreline makeover on Boshkung Lake through the Love Your Lake program.

It all began last summer when the Boshkung Lake Property Owners' Association (BLOPA), in conjunction with the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Associations (CHA), embarked on the Shoreline Classification and Restoration Project.

"We were the first lake to be done last July," recalled Sue Yallop, president of the BLOPA.

Throughout Haliburton County, nearly 2,500 properties on 11 lakes have been

assessed by two hired evaluators to date. One hundred volunteers supported the project. Now in its second year, it is being delivered through the Love Your Lake program.

Rider remembers receiving an email from her lake association about participating in the program.

"I just called Sue Yallop and said, 'I'm interested. What do you want me to do?'"

Yallop and lake steward Andy Sykes spearheaded the project on the lake with the support of the entire lake association.

Representatives from Bark Ecologic in Dorset met with Rider to review the recommendations that were contained in a customized report for re-naturalizing her shoreline. She was provided a plan and pictures to better visualize the changes.

On May 31, volunteers from the lake and family members spent a few hours at her property to plant native shrubs, perennials, and other plants that will help prevent erosion.

"It's like zero maintenance," said Rider of the changes.

A previously existing rock retaining wall will remain on the property. Walker said the new plants will give "a natural root base all along our shoreline."

Rider said the resort features over 900 feet of shoreline along the falls and about 150 feet of beach shoreline.

Now that the improvements have been made, she is looking forward to welcoming hundreds of lake residents to the upcoming regatta in August as well as future guests.

"They're going to see it, it's going to look fantastic," she said.

According to Yallop, about \$3,000 worth of naturalization work is being completed on each property. Since the program has

received funding, there is very little out-of-pocket costs to the landowner, she said.

"The shoreline classification that the CHA has initiated is a phenomenal program, and if we can get the majority of our property owners in Haliburton County invested in this whole concept then surely our grandchildren will be able to dip their toes in these lakes and not have to worry about the health of them."

Rider said that the majority of property owners on Boshkung

Lake are good lake stewards.

"The lake population is unbelievable here, in terms of how committed they are to the health of the lake. That ties directly to property values, too," she said.

To learn more about the program visit [cohpoa.org](http://cohpoa.org).

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# Junior Highlanders

## Haliburton cadets pass review

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

The 1129 Haliburton Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps, Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the year-end parade on June 20 at the Haliburton Legion.

Every year, the cadets wrap up with an annual inspection.

"The annual inspection is the year-end parade in which the cadets get to show family and friends what they have accomplished during the year," said Karin Aschenbrenner, commanding officer of the corps. "This is a chance to award deserving candidates with different awards for achieving high standards in such things like marksmanship, fitness, leadership, and attendance."

The cadets were marched in by the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums band. Once they were in place and ready for inspection, the reviewing officer, retired lieutenant commander Andy Cooper, began the inspection.

"I think the inspection went fantastic," said Aschenbrenner. "All of the cadets looked great. They put a lot of time and hard work into it. As they do their march past with the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums playing their way, you can see the pride."

It was also a special moment for the cadets to have Cooper perform the inspection. He is a former Haliburton cadet himself, who later went on to a successful career in the Canadian Navy.

"This was a huge deal for us," said Aschenbrenner. "This was our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1129 Haliburton Army Cadets, and we wanted to find someone really special, someone fitting. Lieutenant Commander Andy Cooper was the perfect choice. He was part of this corps right at the beginning, and has many times to Haliburton."

"We are truly honoured he did this."



Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Above: Comrade Al Mayo of the Minden Legion presents the junior marksmanship award to cadet sergeant Vivian Collings.. Right: Cadet warrant officer Colt Taylor leads his regiment in a general salute march past the reviewing officer.

Member of Parliament Barry Devolin was also in attendance, along with representatives from the Ontario Provincial Police, EMS, CFB Trenton, and the county's local legions.

Throughout the year, the cadets, aged 12-18, participated in three field training exercises where they put their skills to the test. They train in marksmanship, leadership, map and compass, personal fitness, survival, expedition and drill, and care for their uniforms.

They also participate in Remembrance Day ceremonies, volunteer in their community, and travel for activities and competitions.

"This is one of the most cohesive groups of



cadets," said Aschenbrenner. "They all get along great and help each other out in any situation. They are a true team."

She said it was nice to see so much personal growth in each of the cadets throughout the year.

"The senior cadets are turning into fantastic instructors, and the junior cadets are showing off their new skills every time they get a chance. They put so much time and effort

into being a cadet and participating in the many activities we host each year during the weekends and extra training nights."

The corps' success wouldn't be possible with their support staff, Aschenbrenner said, thanking them for all of their hard work.

Cadets runs in tune with the academic school year. They train every Tuesday at the Haliburton Legion from 6:30-9 p.m. There is no cost to join, and the uniform is provided.

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# HHSS Grads 2015



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Photos by Mark Arike

## Hawks fly forward into the future

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

More than 120 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students received their diplomas at this year's commencement ceremony on June 24.

Hundreds packed the school's gymnasium for the evening's festivities, which were emceed by vice principal Dave Waito.

"Tonight's ceremony marks the beginning of the rest of your lives," Waito told the graduates.

"You've worked hard to get yourselves

here, and you will be changed by this walk in these next few moments if you accept and acknowledge the gravity of this whole event."

Larry Hope, director of education for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, pointed out that students have built a foundation for their future throughout their high school journey.

"I think each and every one of you can go out into the world and do incredible things, because of these folks," said Hope, referring to the support of teachers and family.

This year's valedictorian, Jadon Bull, began his speech by asking his fellow

graduates where the last four years have gone.

"It's incredible to think about all the time we've spent here together at Hal High, and how after tonight we will all be going our separate ways," said Bull.

He reflected on how teachers and students were affected by Bill 115, "the movement across Ontario that ultimately left us without extra-curriculars for a year."

"But that didn't stop us here at Hal High," he added. "We showed how we can work together with minimal guidance to organize events, activities, assemblies as well as doing what we could to support our

teachers in the process."

While it feels good to win awards and go on stage, Bull reiterated that it's the process that enables one to achieve true success.

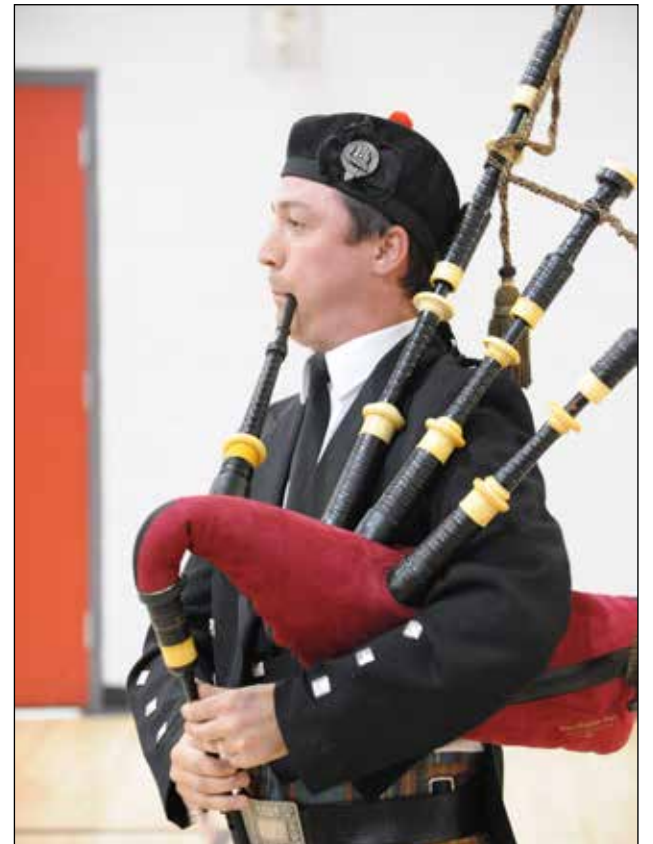
"It's the process that teaches us the most, creates the strongest relationships and ultimately allows us to look back at these four years at Hal High and be proud of where we are since we started."

Other guest speakers at the ceremony included local school board trustee Gary Brohman and principal Dan Marsden.

For more photos from the event visit [highlanderonline.ca](http://highlanderonline.ca).



# HHSS Grads 2015



**Photos by Mark Arike**  
 Top: From left, Nolan Hurre, Adam Douma, Loic Muli-Delamarre, Cody Bain, Travis Carroll, Nick Thompson and Matt O'Reilly. Centre left: Carley Raimey shakes hands with TLDSB trustee Gary Brohman. Centre middle: Valedictorian Jadon Bull gives his speech. Centre right: Piper Andrew Mansfield leads the graduates into the gymnasium. Right: Graduates listen to principal Dan Marsden.





# JDH Grads 2015



Photos by Mark Arike

Top left: Graduate Tannis Bain-Gross, left, poses for a photo with teacher Carolyn Lewis. Top right: Teacher and ceremony emcee Maggie Rodger presents a graduation certificate to Liam McCracken. Above right: Principal Andrea Borysiuk wishes graduates well in their future endeavours. Above left: Valedictorian Arden Harrop reflects on the elementary school experience.

## JD Hodgson grads ready for next step

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

Dozens of proud parents, guardians and family members filled the gymnasium at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School on June 23 for this year's Grade 8 graduation ceremony.

Fifty-three graduates received their certificates at the event, which included the handing out of several awards.

"Tonight we celebrate yet another milestone in our children's lives," said school principal Andrea Borysiuk during her welcome address. "I have enjoyed my year here with these students. It has been a privilege in my first year here at JDH."

Before her arrival, Borysiuk was principal at Stuart Baker Elementary School. Although she is fairly new to the school, she said she

knows most of the students on a first name basis.

Borysiuk thanked parents and guardians for "partnering with us in our efforts to guide these young adults."

"I look forward to following these graduates as they continue their journey on this campus, at HHSS (Haliburton Highlands Secondary School). In four short years, we will get together again and celebrate our children."

Trillium Lakeland District School board trustee Gary Brohman called it an honour and privilege to be able to speak at several commencement ceremonies this week.

"J.D. Hodgson has produced some great, great people going to high school ..." he said. "How they get there is through family, through love ... and all the proud faces out there, congratulations tonight."

Brohman also contributed their success to

the staff at the school.

"They're meeting them on the extra mile. A lot of times you don't meet people on the extra mile," he said.

Brohman delivered a similar message as the one he gave to the graduating class at Archie Stouffer Elementary School the night before, with the emphasis on hard work and attendance.

Once all of the graduation certificates were presented, valedictorian Arden Harrop addressed her fellow graduates.

"We started off in Grade 4 walking through these hallways, thinking how big everything was," Harrop recalled. "The school, the gym, the Grade 8s. We were thinking of our futures and what we were going to do when we were in Grade 8 – and now the ending is finally here."

Now, graduates are focusing their thoughts

on high school and the unknown. However, their memories from JDH won't fade anytime soon, she said.

"Whether it's the Red Hawks down the road or a school all the way across the country, we will always have a small piece of JDH within us."

The following students were recognized with awards at the ceremony:

Award of Academic Excellence – Aidan Coles, Vaibhavi Marathe and Maya Meraw  
Award of Outstanding Distinction – Natalya Gimon, Arden Harrop and Coleman Heaven  
Citizenship Award – Louis Muenzel and Kiefer Harrison  
Principal Leadership Award – Kurtis Adams  
TD Environmental Leadership Award – Lexie Tait  
Athletes of the Year – Natalya Gimon and Coleman Heaven



# ASES Grads 2015



Photos by Mark Arike

Top: This year's graduating class dressed their best for their ceremony on June 22. Above right: Jessica Hannah hugs teacher Kathy Adams after receiving her certificate. Above middle: Subject award winners proudly display their hardware. Above left: ASES principal Traci Hubbert, right, presents the Principal All-Round Student Award to Karley Wilson.

## Archie grads embrace past... and teachers

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

With big smiles and bright outfits, this year's Grade 8 graduates took their last walk across the stage.

Forty-six students moved on from Minden's Archie Stouffer Elementary School (ASES) at the graduation ceremony held on June 22 in the gymnasium.

At the ceremony, each student received their graduation certificate from one of five teachers. As they crossed the stage, vice principal Anne Grant read highlights unique to each student from their time at ASES.

Local school board trustee Gary Brohman congratulated each graduate and wished them well in the next phase of their education: high school.

"When you get to high school have passion," he said. "Have passion about something – first of all, academics. Make sure you graduate."

Brohman's "three simple rules" to passing high school were straightforward.

"Rule one is go to class, rule two is go to class and rule three is go to class," he said, with the audience bursting into applause. "If you don't go you don't know."

Brohman concluded by highlighting the importance of hard work and believing in yourself.

This year's valedictorian, Samantha Steffensen, reflected on her elementary school experience and its ups and downs.

"I can't just stand here and sugarcoat this whole thing," said Steffensen. "Of course we'll be leaving behind some things we may not want to think about again, but that's just what life is all about. We may have had those times where we thought it was the end of the world, like maybe not getting the grade we wanted. But we're standing here today just fine, aren't we?"

She called her fellow graduates "the most intelligent, hilarious, kind-hearted and supportive group of people" that she grew up with.

Steffensen praised the teaching staff, educational assistants and custodians for their work over the years. She also thanked her parents for driving her to school every day and "helping shape me into the person I am today."

Her final piece of advice to graduates came in the form of a quote from Winnie the Pooh: "Life is a journey to be experienced, not a problem to be solved."

Principal Traci Hubbert encouraged the graduates to put their best foot forward as they embark on their high school career at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS).

"I know how excited each of you are to head to HHSS and become Red Hawks," said Hubbert. "However, before you go and spread your new wings I would encourage you to remember the lessons you have learned as a Wildcat."

These lessons include showing respect for others, obeying school expectations, being your best, and demonstrating responsibility for your words and actions.

"I wish you nothing more than the opportunity to soar like a hawk, to dream big and meet your goals. You have so much potential and I look forward to hearing about your many future successes."

The following students received subject awards at the ceremony:

Horseshoe Lake Science & Technology Award – Logan Roylance and Liam McAlister

Toronto Dominion Canada Trust English Award – Hailey Bull and Kyle Davis

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Math Award – Nikolas Dollo and Samantha

Steffensen

Tim Harrison Memorial Award for Music – Jackson Gartshore and Denni Rivard  
French Award – Danielle Allison and Carson Sisson

Elementary Teacher's Federation Award (The Arts) – Austin French and Austin Weller  
Hugh Thornton Art Award – Denver Allore  
Minden Hills Museum History Award – Kathryn Christian and Karley Wilson  
ASES Geography Award – Destiny Cooper and Griffen Baldry

The following students received honour awards:

Alan Walker Memorial Award for Citizenship – Griffen Baldry, Drew Foster, Dylan Garbutt and Benjamin Prentice  
Arcadia Masonic Lodge Award – Shawn Walker

Sears Minden Award for Effort – Hannah Packard

Character Education Award – Liam McAlister and Jessica Hannah  
Academic Excellence Award – Hailey Bull and Samantha Steffensen

Sarah Bloomfield Award – Jaxson Campbell  
Principal All-Around Student Award – Karley Wilson



# WES Grads 2015



Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Top: The 2014-15 Wilberforce Elementary School graduating class. Pictured are Brook Billings, Halle Dale, Jordan Dewitt, Brittany Hower, Evan Lunge, Haylee McNeil, Nikki Middag, Becca Pacey, Ian Plumb, Kadie Raimsey, Lexi Millson, Melanie Toth, and Chaz Whitehead. Absent from the photo is Shaylynn Haughton. Above right: Graduating class valedictorian Lexi Millson encouraged her fellow graduates to make their own path in life during her speech at the Wilberforce Elementary School graduation. Above middle: Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton presents Chaz Whitehead with the Taylor Donaldson Leadership Award. The award is named after a Wilberforce student who passed away in a car accident earlier in the year. Above left: After the ceremony, students and their families enjoyed a delicious-looking graduation cake.

## Wilberforce grads moving on to high school

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Fourteen students from the Wilberforce Elementary School (WES) have officially graduated and will be attending high school next year.

Parents, siblings, friends and other loved ones gathered at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce on June 23 to celebrate the occasion. Wilberforce Elementary has students from Grades 4-8. Awards were presented in each grade for most improved, athletics, perseverance, French, academics, citizenship, and leadership.

The Grade 8 leadership award was renamed this year in honour of Taylor Donaldson, a WES student who passed away in a car

accident earlier this year. Chaz Whitehead was the recipient of the award.

Class valedictorian, Lexi Millson, addressed her classmates after they received their diplomas. After talking about each one, Millson encouraged the students to follow their own path in life.

### 2014-15 Award recipients

#### Grade 4

Most Improved – Isaiah Donaldson  
Athletics – Ricky and Al Ervin  
French – Parker Lovell  
Academic – Destiny Storey and Parker Lovell  
Citizenship – Destiny Storey

#### Grade 5

Most Improved – Emma Deterling and Gracyn Whitehead  
Perseverance – Michael Rogers  
Athletics – Tyler Florent  
French – Gracyn Whitehead  
Academic – Nikita Watson  
Citizenship – Abagale Ervin  
Leadership – Ashala and Cheyenne Fitzgibbon

#### Grade 6

Most Improved – Hunter Arnott  
Perseverance – Justice Donaldson  
Athletics – Desi Davies and Hunter Arnott  
French – Hailey Carey  
Academic – Desi Davies and Hailey Alden  
Citizenship – Chelsea Flynn

#### Grade 7

Most Improved – Travis DeSousa  
Perseverance – Jacob Wood  
Athletics – Jordan Meharrie  
French – Erik Morrison  
Academic – Abigail Kauffeldt  
Citizenship – Daniel McNeil  
Leadership – Erik Morrison

#### Grade 8

Most Improved – Ian Plumb  
Perseverance – Evan Lunge  
Athletics – Nikki Middag  
French – Lexi Millson  
Academic – Brooke Billings  
Citizenship – Haylee McNeil and Halle Dale  
Taylor Donaldson Leadership Award – Chaz Whitehead



# CES Grads 2015



## Cardiff graduates

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Family and friends gathered at the Cardiff Community Centre to celebrate the Grade 3 Cardiff Elementary School (CES) students as they graduated and moved on to Wilberforce.

The CES students will attend Wilberforce Elementary School from Grades 4-8.

Fifteen students are making the transition next year. Prior to the students receiving their diplomas, awards were presented for each grade in academics, athletics, most improved, and character.

Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Top: The 2014/15 Cardiff Elementary School graduating class. Above right: The Cardiff Elementary School graduation on June 22 saw 15 students say goodbye to the school as they move on to Grade 4 in Wilberforce. Above: Mrs. Iles presents Veronica Beynon with her diploma.



# AETC Grads 2015



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

The 2014/15 AETC graduating class.

## AETC grads epitomize perseverance: Brohman

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

The theme of this year's Alternate Education and Training Centre graduation was perseverance.

Trillium Lakelands District School Board trustee, Gary Brohman, addressed the students during the ceremony on June 24 at McKecks in Haliburton. He told the graduates that their

high school diploma was something that nobody could ever take away from them.

"The key word when I come to this [graduation] is perseverance," he said. "You epitomize perseverance in getting the job done and getting your Grade 12 diploma."

Brohman said life is a journey, and perseverance is needed to get through it.

"In my sports world that I grew up in, when I got knocked down, I wanted to get back up a bit more angry and knock somebody else

down," he said. "That's what you have to do. You have to get back up, and that's what you've done."

In student speeches, both Austin McGillion and valedictorian Brittany Martin told students that their journey came with challenges, but they were able to overcome them to achieve their diplomas.

The 2015 graduating class included 20 students. Awards were presented in various categories, including leadership and music.

**The award winners were:**

Principal's Award – Michelle Owen  
OSSTF Award – Kylie Gaspari  
CUPE997 Award – Miranda Lewis  
Music Award – James Prosser  
Leadership Award – Gord Fraser  
Co-op Awards – Vito Garcia and Stephanie Parker  
Post-secondary Award – Brittany Martin  
Josh Rewa Award – Austin McGillion



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# Highlander sports



Photo submitted by Elli Armstrong

## Highland Paddlers earn bronze in first race

The Haliburton Highland Paddlers are bronze medal winners after a strong showing at the Port Perry Dragon Boat Festival. The team competed on June 20, alongside 36 other boats in 10 divisions. Elli Armstrong, chairperson for the paddlers, said the all-women team placed third in Division #3. "This was the first competition for our club, which has only been in operation for a year," she wrote in an email. The paddlers practice on Sundays from 1-2:30 p.m. at the docks behind Patient News. Pictured above: The Haliburton Highland Paddlers earned a bronze medal at the Port Perry Dragon Boat Festival on June 20.



Photo by Lisa Harrison

A contractor works on the walkway and launch deck for Pan Am kayak/slalom competitors just below the dam at the Minden Wild Water Preserve.

## Viewing stands going up for Pan Am games

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing writer

Lucky holders of tickets for the Pan Am 2015 whitewater canoe/kayak slalom event at the Minden Wild Water Preserve will have a "spectacular" view, according to Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin.

Construction is progressing on the competition launch area and viewing stands along the run, including the main stand just above the mouth of the river.

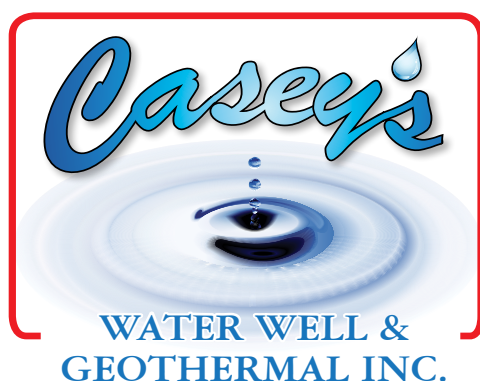
"The good news is, [the main viewing area] is out on stands on the water [and] there's very [few] trees that had to be cut," Devolin told councillors at the county's June 24 regular

council meeting. "And the awesome thing about being out on the water, elevated, is the site line from the finish up through the venue is going to be spectacular."

Devolin said CBC has the broadcasting rights, and he told Dysart et al reeve Murray Fearrey that he thought Fearrey could expect media personnel in the hundreds around Dysart's Pinestone Resort, which is hosting the athletes and officials.

"So it [July] will be a busy month in both Dysart and Minden Hills with this and I hope you have a great time and the weather cooperates with us."

The athletes will train from July 13 to 17 and compete July 18 and 19.



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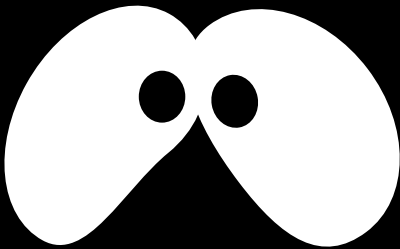
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## Emmerson's history book now on sale

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Kim Emmerson's book, *Alexander Niven: The Biography of an Early Haliburton County Surveyor*, has hit the shelves.

To celebrate the book's launch, Emmerson hosted a book signing event at the Haliburton Museum on June 23. Peter Carruthers was one of many who attended the event.

"We came out because we think this work is just really amazing," he said. "We're very interested in the history of the area."

Carruthers cottages on Koshlong Lake. He said the Emmersons have been an important part of the community for generations, and he wanted to support Kim's work.

The book highlights the life of Alexander Niven, a surveyor who became the first warden of Haliburton County.

"I have used Mr. Niven's notes for research I have done in the past," said Carruthers.

"The book pays attention to the surveyors of the land. They were all intrepid, all the land surveyors who drew the lines and built the roads. It was important in building our country."

"It's a great story and I think Kim has done a fantastic amount of work. This is really a great contribution."

Throughout the evening, Emmerson sold and signed copies of his book.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Marran Woods (left) and Alix Uzelac, a Croatian exchange student, chat with Kim Emmerson and he signs a copy of his book for them.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Mike Perry discusses his NDP platform during a June 22 meet and greet at Baked and Battered.

## Mike Perry meets the voters

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Mike Perry, the NDP's federal candidate for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, was at Baked & Battered on June 22 to meet his constituents.

Between 15 and 20 people showed up for the meet and greet. Perry opened with a talk about his priorities if elected.

"I'm running to have the honour of standing up for us in Ottawa and standing up for our piece of the federal government," he said.

Perry listed his priorities as the environment, good jobs for the riding, and to see the federal government play a more active role in healthcare.

"The federal government needs to play an active role in health care to target national standards in

things like long term care for seniors and rural mental health," he said. "There is a role for the federal government to play in health care."

When it comes to the environment, Perry said it was crunch time, and that Canada lags behind other countries.

"How do we keep our environment strong?" he said. "We have to do something."

After speaking about his and the party's platforms, Perry fielded questions from the audience. In those answers he said the NDP is on record that they would work to abolish the senate and that they would repeal Bill C-51.

"My professional opinion, as a lawyer, is that [the government] overreacted with sweeping legislation that impacts civil rights," he said.

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## Minden Farmers Market a ‘huge success’

Close to 500 customers stopped in to visit on the opening day of the Minden Farmers Market on June 20. “We all feel that the opening was a huge success,” said market manager Marla Force. “Many of these customers were surveyed and the comments were overwhelmingly positive.” She said the 16 vendors were pleased with the day and their sales. Five hundred dollars in “market bucks” were given away, made possible due to a grant from Foodland Ontario. Four more vendors will be joining the market for most of the summer. “We anticipate higher numbers of customers in the summer months,” said Force. “Cottagers, vacationers, and tourists.” The Minden market runs every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Force said the market’s last day is on Aug. 28.

Pictured above left: Jen Smith of edelicious provides a cheese sample to a potential customer. Right: Ed Gibbons checks out the meat selection after buying a box of strawberries at the Minden market.



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Information regarding the proponent, the Large Renewable Project proposal, and the meeting details are described below.</p> <p>This public community meeting is being held as part of the early community engagement requirements of the LRP. The public community meeting will present details about the Large Renewable Project and its proposed connection line. Representatives of the proponent will be available to discuss the Large Renewable Project and the overall LRP process. 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Top: Paul Morin was responsible for the delicious barbecued chicken wings at the Food Festival. Above: Dark Is Our Danger kept the crowd entertained during the festival.

## Food festival a hit

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Billed as an opportunity to chew and chat for charity, the second annual Highlands Food and Beverage Showcase was another success, according to event organizer Diane Dawson.

"It was amazing," she said. "We had a really good turnout. The weather was perfect, the food was amazing, and great support from our donors to Help A Village Effort (HAVE) and the [Haliburton Highlands] Health Services."

The event took place at Wintergreen Pancake Barn on June 20. Visitors paid their entry fee and were able to sample any food from the 20 vendors.

"Everybody brought their local cuisine, which was great," said Dawson.

Both local breweries were there, and food included BBQ, coffee, wild edibles, smoothies, honey, maple syrup, soup, pizza, wild game, and win.

"We had a smattering of everything. We kind of got a variety of vendors from throughout the county. This is our second Highlands Food and Beverage Showcase, and it really met our expectations."

Guests enjoyed a variety of entertainment while trying out the food samples. Entertainment included performances by Dark Is Our Danger, The Brass Quintet, harpist Marie Watson, local cottage entertainers Alyssa and Daniel, Customer Blend, Tim Tofflemire and Chad Ingram, the Scottish Highland Dancers, and Heritage Ballet.

"The expectation is for [the event] to continue," said Dawson. "We want it to be eventually a moveable feast. As it grows, it will outgrow Wintergreen. We want to go to different parts of the county so it's a county-wide event."

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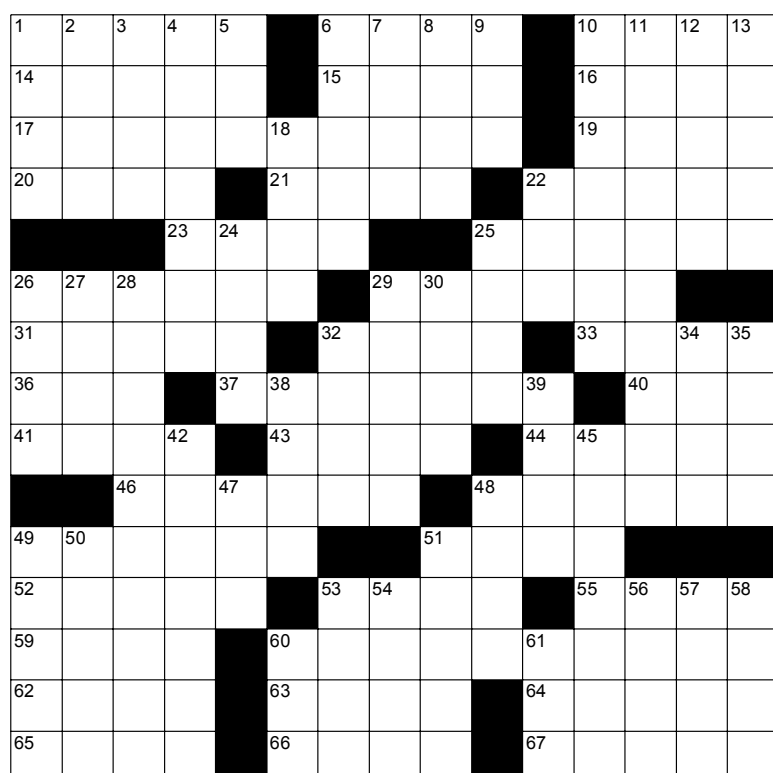
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14. Those who fib
15. Sherbets
16. Initial wager
17. Evaluation
19. Labor
20. Rind
21. Assists
22. Drive back
23. Earth
25. Pet
26. Be ambitious
29. Building cement
31. Norwegian
32. Sample
33. Hog fat
36. President before JFK
37. Greed

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3. Alleviate
4. Vine support
5. Double curve
6. Fainthearted
7. Served perfectly
8. Contact \_\_\_\_
9. Baltimore time zone (abbr)
10. Type of football pass
11. Broken
12. Pigs' digs
13. Narrates
18. Rational
22. Ship deserter
24. Precinct
25. Gator's kin
26. No ifs, \_\_\_\_, or buts
27. Root beer, e.g.
28. Favored option
29. Deserve
40. Long scarf
41. Strongbox
43. Rewrite text
44. Pass along
46. Join the army
48. Spuds
49. Stress
51. Army camp
52. Construct
53. Smell strongly
55. Invitation inits.
59. Isn't, incorrectly
60. 100th anniversary
62. Speed contest
63. States further
64. Lightweight wood
65. Iditarod vehicle
66. Flower
67. Director Woody \_\_\_\_

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<b>Dorset Pickleball</b> - Dorset Rec Centre - 6:45 pm-8:45 pm  <b>Dorset Day Camp</b> - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm	<b>Dorset Craft Connections</b> - Dorset Rec Centre - 9:30 am-11:30 am  <b>Haliburton Farmer's Market</b> - Head Lake Park - 12:00 pm-4:00 pm  <b>Dorset Day Camp</b> - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm	<b>Happy Canada Day!</b> Visit <a href="http://www.highlanderonline.ca">www.highlanderonline.ca</a> for all the Canada Day events in the Haliburton Highlands	<b>Highlands Summer Festival: Lend Me a Tenor</b> - Northern Lights Performing Pavilion - 8:00pm - \$34.00  <b>Dorset Day Camp</b> - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm  <b>Wolf Howl</b> - Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve - 8:00 pm

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Haliburton Branch	Minden Branch	Wilberforce Branch
General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Open dart night, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month Concert fundraiser, July 11, Johnny Burke and Eastwind. Hot and cold buffet. 6 p.m. Tickets \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. Call 705-447-2348	Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2 p.m. Liver lover's special, Tuesday, 12-2 p.m. (full menu also) Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m. Monthly raffle, dinner for two at a local restaurant	Community support services lunch, noon, call 705-448-2106 Pool, Friday, 2:30 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Harold Floden Memorial Bass Tournament, June 26. Register by June 25 at the legion, \$15 Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m., early bird 3 p.m. sharp Pancake/sausage/waffle & bacon breakfast, 9 a.m. to noon Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

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# Highlander events



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The Minden Kinsmen Show and Shine offered a dirty mud bog for ATVs, Jeeps and trucks to challenge, while on the other side, pristine cars and pickups were on display.

## Mud flies at Kinsmen Show & Shine

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

There were trucks on display, spinning tires and wailing engines.  
Oh, and mud. There was lots of mud.  
Hundreds gathered for the annual Kinsmen Club of Minden's Mud Bog and Show and Shine on June 20 at the Minden Fairgrounds. They watched as ATVs charged through a bigger-than-ever mud bog, followed by trucks and Jeeps attempting to do the same.  
Then, the big trucks came out to show off their power as they pulled a weighted sled across a track. All the while, antique and cleaned-up trucks and cars were on display.  
"It was a great day," said club treasurer Jim Carrell. "It was a very relaxed day and everyone had fun. The mud bog was all local people just playing in the mud. Everyone enjoyed it."  
New to this year's event was the truck bog, where full-sized pickups and Jeeps tried their luck navigating the thick mud. At first there were only four entries, but as the day went on, Carrell said over 30 people tried to get through the course.  
"People waited to see how it would turn out," he said. "Then they said they could do that and wanted to try. They just had a ball."  
The crowd this year was up over last. Carrell estimated the club brought in between \$6,000-\$8,000, but the tally has not been finalized yet.  
Next, the club will meet for their last gathering before the summer to discuss the event, what worked and what didn't.  
"We'll probably donate some money to

the community, and then we're off for the summer."

### Results:

- 2015 Mud Bog**  
Stock pickup trucks (Sponsored by Highlands Towing)  
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2<sup>nd</sup> – Carrie Burns (2013 Jeep Wrangler)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Mike Fisher (1998 Chevrolet Cheyenne)  
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1<sup>st</sup> – Jeff Milburn (2000 Dodge Dakota)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Dick Colton (1999 Ford Ranger)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Izac Reid (1991 Chevrolet diesel)  
**2015 Truck pull**  
2x4 Pickups (Sponsored by En Route Towing & Recovery)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Steve Carnohan (1979 Ford F350)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Brady Kent (2011 Ford F150)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Cory Barry (2015 Dodge 1500)  
4x4 gas pickup factory, long and short wheel base (Sponsored by Garbutt Disposal)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Jake McFadden (2006 Chevrolet 2500)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Greg Jarvis (2015 GMC 2500)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Andrew Bull (2012 Ford F150)  
4x4 gas non-factory, long and short wheel base (Sponsored by Taylor Brother Trailer Sale)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Kyle Garbutt (2002 GMC 2500HD)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Jake McFadden (2006 Chevrolet 2500)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Robbie Stevenson (1999 Ford F250)  
4x4 diesel pickups (Sponsored by Merrill Barry Co. Ltd.)

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Kevin Alcock (2007 Dodge 2500)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Dave Low (2015 GMC 2500)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Jordon Howe (2013 Ford F250)  
4x4 chipped diesel pickups (Sponsored by Minden Subaru)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Josh Fawcett (2004 GMC 2500)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pavel Piotronski (2001 GMC Sierra)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Cody Rogerson (2008 Dodge Ram 2500)  
4x4 dual-wheeled dump box (Sponsored by Haliburton Timber Mart)  
1<sup>st</sup> Chris Hall (2012 Dodge)  
Pro street circuit, gas and diesel (Sponsored by MBRP Inc.)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Josh Fawcett (2004 GMC 2500)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pavel Piotrowski (2001 GMC Sierra)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Brad Lawder (1991 Dodge 2500)  
Trandem and tri-axle dump trucks (Sponsored by Fielding Estate Winery)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Steve Beaver (2006 International)  
Log trucks (Sponsored by Fowler Construction)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Andrew Goltz (1992 Kenworth)  
Highway tractors (Sponsored by C&R Transmissions)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Peter Wagg (2003 Western Star)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Chris Batty (2007 Peterbilt 379)  
**2015 Show and Shine**  
2013 and older highway tractors (Sponsored by Harper Powersports and Marine Ltd.)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Ben Prentice (1998)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Peter Wagg (2003 Western Star)  
2013 and older working trucks (Sponsored by Bancroft Concrete Pumping)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Chris Hall (2012 Dodge 5500)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Steve Beaver (2006 International)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Bradley Finch (2002 Western Star)  
People's choice (Sponsored by Curry Chevrolet Buick GMC Ltd.)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Matt Hutchinson (2014)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Jim Pettes (1993 Dodge)  
Best fleet (Sponsored by Minden Lions Club)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Fowlers Construction  
Log trucks (Sponsored by West Guilford/Haliburton County Towing)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Andrew Goltz (1992 Kenworth)  
2014-16 pickup trucks (Sponsored by Ridgewood Ford)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Graham Neave (2015 Dodge Ram)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Matt Hutchinson (2014)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Greg Jarvis (2015)  
2013 and older pickup trucks (Sponsored by Francis Fuels)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Jason Raposo (2012 Nissan Titan)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Dylan Reynolds (2013 Dodge Ram 1500)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Graham Neave (2013 Chevrolet Silverado)  
Best custom pickups (Sponsored by Canadian Tire)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Jeff Benson (1966 GMC)  
1984 and older trucks (Sponsored by Mid-Ontario Truck Centre)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Graham Neave (1979 GMC Sierra)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Tony Prentice (1937)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Casey Vanderstarrs (1980 GMC Jimmy)  
1984 and older cars (Sponsored by Kawartha Dairy)  
1<sup>st</sup> – Jessica Devitt (1977)



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## THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS MUSEUM

Take a look at some of the exciting events  
planned for this summer!

### TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

When: July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00pm-4:00pm  
Children, grown-ups and teddy bears  
are invited to the museum for an  
afternoon of crafts, activities and  
entertainment!

### Heritage Happenings

When: Wednesdays and Fridays June 26<sup>th</sup> to  
September 4<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am-12:00pm

Children aged 6-12 are invited to join us for fun  
activities based on our local history and heritage!  
Play historical games, create old-fashioned treats, do  
crafts inspired by the past and learn about old-time  
trades. Different activities everyday!

### Yoga at the Museum

When: July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm  
Join Lynda Shadbolt, from Haliburton Yoga,  
for an hour of outdoor yoga followed by  
delicious treats! Bring your own mat/towel  
and water bottle and dress for the sun. All  
levels of experience welcome.

### Jazz at the Museum

When: July 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm

Canoe FM's, Jazz at the 45th presents: The Lenny  
Solomon Trio! Join us for an evening of Solomon's  
violin accompanied by Reg Schwager on  
guitar and Shelly Berger on bass. Tickets are \$30  
and are available at the museum

### ANNUAL BOOK SALE

When: July 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-4:00pm  
Our annual fundraiser returns with  
something for everyone! Donations very  
welcome!

### HALIBURTON VILLAGE SETTLER-BRATON

When: August 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:00am-3:00pm

Watch the 19<sup>th</sup> century come to life! Join our  
costumed interpreters to learn how our  
pioneer families worked and played together  
- activities for all ages!

### Museum Heritage Walks

When: Tuesdays in July and August, 5:30pm  
Meet Haliburton Highlands Museum staff at the  
Caboose for an hour long tour of downtown  
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The Haliburton Highlands Museum is located at 66 Museum Rd. (off Bayshore/118 in Glebe Park)  
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# What's on



Photo by Mark Arike

Erin Lynch, a founding member of The Art Hive, yarn bombs a sculpture in front of the Haliburton School of the Arts.

## Art Hive yarn bombs county

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

Have you spotted sticks adorned with brightly coloured yarn on them in various locations across the Highlands?

It's thanks to the work of a few real-life yarn fairies who are trying to promote Warped in Haliburton, an upcoming event at The Art Hive.

Wendy Wood, a member of the artists' cooperative, said the concept for the event came out of a discussion she had about yarn

bombing with organizer Sandi Luck.

"We just thought it would be a great idea to do something that was a little different," said Wood. "It could incorporate yarn, but it doesn't necessarily have to be fibre or anything."

According to Wikipedia, yarn bombing is "a type of graffiti or street art that employs colourful displays of knitted or crocheted yarn or fibre rather than paint or chalk."

In a press release, Luck said yarn bombing is "almost exclusively about reclaiming and personalizing public places."

On June 27, an exhibit by multi-disciplinary artists incorporating this style of art will launch at The Art Hive. In addition, the community is being encouraged to participate in the installation of an art piece from 1-3 p.m.

"We're doing an actual installation out front of The [Art] Hive, which is going to be a large weaving piece," explained Wood.

Wood will enter both painting and weaving work into the show inside the gallery.

"I'm kind of combining the two," she said.

That same weekend the workshop space will feature a pop-up shop by Toronto artist Jyne

Greenley.

The upcoming event is family-friendly and open to those of all ages.

"It's so people can participate and just have fun with it."

The Art Hive is an artists' cooperative with a gallery located in a heritage store between Carnarvon and West Guilford. There are 11 local members who work with clay, metal, leather, fibre, wood, and encaustic and acrylic. Members sell their work in the gallery.

The event is free-of-charge and supplies will be provided.

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  - Landscaped lot with running creek
  - Lakeside deck areas
  - 60' dock set up



- SIMPLY SPECTACULAR \$900,000**
- 2006 custom upscale home/cottage
  - 1,269' of waterfront with southern views
  - 5 bedrooms, 5.5 baths, 7,000 sq. ft.
  - Cherry kitchen, 3 fireplaces plus, plus, plus
  - Year round access
  - Within 2 hours of GTA



- EUROPEAN STANDARDS \$1,249,000**
- 3 bdrm, 2,415 sq. ft. home/cottage
  - Separate 3 bdrm, 1,365 sq. ft. guest house
  - Boathouse, storage shed, firepit
  - Triple garage, circular driveway
  - Over two million dollars invested