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Fallon, left, and Hayden Thorn ride the merry-go-round at the Kinmount Fair on Sept.6. See page 34 for story.

Hal High numbers down almost half in decade

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

Hallways are a little quieter in schools across the Highlands this year, as student enrolment continues to drop across the county.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) has seen a drop in enrolment by as much as 45 per cent over the past decade.

Gary Brohman, local trustee with the

Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) and former principal at the high school, believes that the county is facing the same problem as other rural communities.

“Our rural community, which would be comparable to the Bruce Peninsula or other tourist areas, is dependent on tourist industry and we don’t have job growth. Therefore, no new families,” said Brohman in a phone interview.

He said that enrolment continues to grow in larger urban centres because of jobs.

According to information obtained from the TLDSB, enrolment at the high school for the current year is 472 students. In the 2003-04 school year, Brohman recalled timetabling 874 students when he was principal. At the time, three portables were set up at the back of the school to accommodate the high numbers.

“We were at total capacity,” he said.

While there has been a downward trend for several years, Brohman believes that enrolment is beginning to level off.

“I think, without any empirical evidence, my gut’s telling me it’s levelling off.”

The most recent statistics show that enrolment has increased over the past two years at a couple of area schools. For

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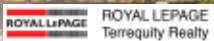
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Hockeyville proceeds heat up arena

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The money Haliburton won in this year's Kraft Hockeyville contest has been allocated to upgrades at A.J. LaRue Arena.

The municipality received \$25,000 about a month ago, after the town made the list of finalists in the first online voting period held in March. The money has been used for stand heaters and insulation.

"With the insulated end and side walls we can now install the stand heaters so for those cold winter nights it should be a little more comfortable to sit in the stands," wrote Ray Miscio, director of parks and recreation, in an



Photo by Mark Arike

From left, Scott Armstrong, Kraft sales rep; Bob Stinson, CARP chair and contest nominator; Ray Miscio, director of parks and recreation; Andrea Roberts, deputy-reeve; Andrea Mueller, recreation coordinator; and Tamara Wilbee, chief administrative officer.

email.

Miscio noted a dehumidifier was also installed, and the prize money didn't pay for all of the upgrades.

On Sept. 8, Kraft sales rep Scott Armstrong presented the funds to Dysart CAO Tamara Wilbee, recreation coordinator Andrea Mueller and deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts.

This was the second year that Haliburton

was nominated for the Hockeyville title, but the first time the town made it past the first elimination round.

North Saanich, B.C. won this year's contest and received \$100,000 for arena upgrades.

Schools may have to adapt programs

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example, at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden, enrolment has gone from 347 students in 2013 to 402 this year, or a difference of 14.7 per cent. At Cardiff Elementary School, there was a full-time equivalent of 46.5 students in 2013, which has risen slightly to 52 this year.

The reality of the situation, said Brohman, is that some schools, especially high schools, may have to deliver programs differently due to reduced capacity.

"There might be a different mode of delivery," he said, highlighting online courses as an alternative for students who need to meet eligibility requirements for post-secondary studies.

Fewer students means fewer teachers delivering programming.

"That's the huge reality taking place, I think in the last five years," he said.

Asked if families are putting off having children, Brohman said it's part of the reality of the situation.

As one of nine trustees, one of his obligations is to ensure that kids across the board have access to quality education.

"As a trustee, our job is to look after kids first and talk about opportunities and doing our best to support the director in offering programs for all kids."

In his opinion, school staff and senior administration have been doing a great job of providing students what they need.

According to the Ministry of Education, enrolment in schools across the province declined by 90,000 students between 2002-03 and 2008-09. In May of 2008, the province established a declining enrolment working group to "provide advice and recommendations on ways to help school boards better respond to declining enrolment."

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File photo

The OPP were out in force over the long weekend.

OPP enforces new road rules over long weekend

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

When it comes to road safety, some motorists don't seem to be getting the message.
During the Labour Day weekend (Sept. 4-7), Haliburton Highlands OPP participated in a traffic enforcement initiative, which resulted in 39 speeding charges, five moving violations, four "other" Highway Traffic Act offences, four Liquor License Act charges and one

Compulsory Insurance Act charge.
The OPP's initiative focused on the major causes of collisions: speeding, distracted driving and impaired driving. According to a press release, an increased emphasis has been placed on distracted driving.
Meanwhile, across the province, the total number of traffic charges increased by four per cent over the same period last year. A press release indicates that over an eight-month period, the number of collisions caused by distracted drivers is up 20 per cent over last year.

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Editorial opinion

Distracted drivers take note

On Sept. 1, the province introduced stiffer fines for distracted drivers caught in the act.

Although it's too soon to tell whether the new legislation will deter people from texting while driving, it's certainly a step in the right direction.

Statistics released by the OPP show that between the start of January and Sept. 6, the number of collisions caused by distracted drivers increased by 20 per cent. On a more positive note, there was a 38 per cent drop in the number of charges laid against inattentive drivers over the Labour Day weekend.

The not-so-good news: that's still a whopping 407 charges.

Under the new rules, which are a result of Bill 31, also known as the Making Ontario's Roads Safer Act, a distracted driving charge comes with a set fine of \$490 – and fees of up to \$1,000 – as well as three demerit points upon conviction.

While a fine can put a dent in your pocketbook, demerit points are even worse. For example, someone who has acquired nine to 14 points could have their licence suspended. Hit 15 or more points and your licence will be suspended for 30 days. New drivers with nine or more points are handed a 60-day suspension.

Committing a distracted driving offence that endangers the lives of others can lead to a careless driving charge. This automatically results in six demerit points, fines up to \$2,000 and/or a jail term of six months, and a licence suspension of up to two years.

So what falls under the category of distracted driving? Talking on a cell phone, texting, reading, using a GPS, watching video or movies, eating/drinking, smoking, and personal grooming are all on the OPP's watch list.

Haliburton Highlands OPP Const. Sean

Hawley recently told The Highlander that of the 326 motor vehicle collisions that have occurred this year, 54 were caused by inattentive driving (this terminology includes distracted driving).

While that's less than 20 per cent of the total number of collisions, it's far too high considering the information that has been spread about the dangers of distracted driving via the media, television commercials and social media.

Despite the graphic images we've seen and the numerous campaign messages we've read, distracted driving continues to be a major problem. It's one of those things where people don't think it can happen to them. A quick text here or a selfie there only takes a couple of seconds, right? The truth is that's all it takes to cross the centre line, hit another vehicle head-on or veer off into a rock cut.

In an age where technology can offer us a feeling of instant gratification and where time is – seemingly – always of the essence, it's easy for any one of us to fall into that trap. But is rushing to the phone instead of watching the road really worth your life?

According to the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, drivers who engage in text messaging on a cell phone are 23 times more likely to be involved in a crash or a close call compared with non-distracted drivers.

If this isn't enough to make you think twice, just watch one of the many distracted driving commercials on YouTube or see Liz Marks's story.

They will definitely make you pause before answering that text.



By Mark Arike

Refugees

Like many people I am concerned about the wave of migrants crossing through Europe these days.

Displaced by the war in Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan, and numerous conflicts in Africa, these people, war weary and disheartened by a bleak future in their homeland, have chosen to risk all and seek out a better life elsewhere the world. Who among us wouldn't flee if forced to eke out a living in a war zone with constant turmoil the only certainty?

The desperation has led to desperate measures. Lives are risked in leaky overcrowded boats, life savings are spent on dubious schemes that promise escape and the displaced march their way across a continent in hopes of a better life for themselves and their families. Many have died along the way, and many are coming up against a backlash from residents in already strained economies in the EU. And yet they continue to flow toward what they believe will be a better tomorrow. It reminds me of video of a tsunami in which a relentless surge of water sweeps through an area, uprooting everything in its path... completely unstoppable.

The wave of migrants is not of immediate concern to those of us on this side of the Atlantic. We won't find the displaced surging through our streets, demanding that something be done to ease their plight. But whether they are on our doorstep or not, we surely have a moral responsibility to be more active in helping these people.

It was 40 years ago that Canadians in communities from coast to coast opened their hearts and homes to those fleeing the tyranny of the communist regime in Vietnam. Churches, community groups, and ad hoc committees sprang up in places like Minden and Haliburton welcoming people who were seeking a better life in our country. Led by a Herculean effort by the federal government, pathways were created to bring the so-called boat people to Canada from refugee camps scattered throughout Southeast Asia to our shores and communities. They came, grateful for an opportunity to have another chance

for themselves and more importantly, their families. After a period of adjustment they quickly integrated into Canadian communities. Many sought out companion communities in larger centres, and others stayed where they first were welcomed. Most became productive members of the Canadian mosaic, finding jobs, raising families, paying taxes and forever grateful for the opportunity that this country has offered them.

Where is the outpouring of compassion this time? The federal government, while offering to increase some spaces for refugees from war torn areas, has not provided the leadership or the programs to make it easier for us to reach out to these displaced people. And while some church groups have made an effort to bring refugees into the country, the path has not always been easy. Stories abound of recent applications mired in red tape and conflicting rules and pronouncements. Despite statements from politicians the number of immigrants allowed into the country falls woefully short of the promises made.

It took the image of the lifeless body of a three year old on a Turkish beach to bring the crisis home to Canadians and world. Even more distressing was the fact that this small child, his brother and parents, had their hopes set on coming to this country with a relative in British Columbia attempting to sponsor them. Only the father survived. He seems to have given up hope in what shelter this country might have offered him.

Where is the caring we showed 40 years ago? Where is the will to fast track our immigration processes? Where is the outcry from community groups and organizations?

I know our country has changed, but I hope the compassion that moved us so decisively to help the Vietnamese boat people has not hardened to the point that we cannot or will not reach out to people in need in a crisis.



By Jack Brezina

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Editorial opinion

Oil proceeds fuel services

Dear editor,

I missed McQuaig’s engagement but I have to assume, based on her statements, that she was riding her bike or using Greyhound (see Linda McQuaig is right, The Highlander issue 201, page 6).

Curious that Moore and McQuaig are so quick to vilify the producers of the very product they no doubt rely on and use on a daily basis, but I get ahead of myself. For all the global threats of gloom, doom and imminent disaster, professional activists seem to lack a basic understanding of what goes on in their own backyard. Leaving aside the fact that Al Gore’s [now] infamous hockey stick graph and leaving aside that Canada’s contribution to global climate change is infinitesimal in comparison to China, Brazil and India’s; if Canada were able to stop producing greenhouse gasses, it’s effect on climate change would be negligible.

There’s a tendency by professional activists and the politicians that court them to treat the economy as if it doesn’t matter. But this isn’t true and the impact of the economy isn’t negligible. Mr. Moore and career politicians like Ms. McQuaig like to use the term “economics” and “economic impact” as if they were four letter words that in the socialist paradise they conjure would no longer be required. However, until we arrive at this magical land dictated by the proletariat it’s worth examining some hard and awkward facts. The truth, as always, is complicated and as I am

sure Mr. Moore would agree, all of us are connected.

What this means is that (due in large part due to Ontario’s chronic fiscal mismanagement and corruption) the province is now a net recipient of transfer payments. This is no small thing. Transfer payments from other provinces sustain important services like health care and education. The lion’s share of this money comes from Alberta, which, until the recent plummet in the price of oil, generated most of its tax revenue from the very same oil companies that Moore and McQuaig reflexively vilify. One of the greater ironies is that if Ms. McQuaig and Mr. Moore would like to see improvements in education and health funding they would be hoping for the price per barrel of oil to increase, but again I digress.

Cheap and readily available petroleum products are one of the main reasons that we no longer endure regular famines. It is the active ingredient in most fertilizers that have created the highest crop yields in human history. It also, as mentioned, helps pay for our education and health care. Finally, it is what most people in this area heat their homes with, drive to work on and, in short, it is the resource that makes it possible for people to live and work in this area.

Rory Gilfillan
Eagle Lake

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Early morning fishing on Green Lake.

Photo by Scott Evans

LETTERS CONTINUED ON PAGE 6

Room for one more?

Who would have thought it? That an island in the middle of a lake in Haliburton County could remind me of being on the London Underground (the equivalent of the Toronto Metro) in a work day rush hour!

I should clarify because there are lots of different feelings that can be had on the Underground in a rush hour. One could become nauseous each time the warm, recycled air that’s heavy with body odour and stale perfume is shunted past you in a blast of warm wind as a train pulls into the station: air that you know has been breathed before and coughed and spluttered out again by multiple grim-faced folk!

You could also become claustrophobic as you realize that you’re wandering through a labyrinth of tunnels, some as old as Canada, buried deep beneath millions of tons of concrete, brick and asphalt, with no way of catching a glimpse of the sky, even the leaden grey one that shrouds Londinium town.

Then, there’s the feeling of utter hopelessness as you realize that you’re walking the wrong way through a passage, fighting against the endless stream of grumbling, miserable commuters, only to be driven back against a wall to wait for a glimmer of an opportunity to get over to the other side. Always keep to the right if you value your life and sanity, that’s my advice to you!

Thankfully, however, I was not reminded of any of these horrific scenarios while standing on an island on a lake in Haliburton County. But let me tell you I had flashbacks and they scared me.

You see, Little Z, my lovely wife and I had decided to take a jaunt in our new (old) tin boat. We’d cast off from the launch on Koshlong Lake and headed, in a pleasantly haphazard manner, around the lake looking for an island to have a picnic on. The first couple that we put-putted past – my motor’s only got two-and-a-half horses – had cottages on them, but the third, a small knob of rock with just a couple of scraggy windswept trees clinging to it, looked empty and perfect.

We circled once and, finding a suitable landing spot, crashed in a relatively controlled manner into the rocks. Little Z was first out and straight up to the top of the island to survey his domain. I followed and my lovely wife came third, carrying blanket, picnic, drinks, fishing tackle box and rods (I had to send her back for the camera). We all agreed that our island was perfect picnic material and out came the plates, French bread, olives, cooked meats, cheese, salad, salad dressing... oh yes, we do it in style, and a glass of wine for the lady.

It was halfway through our lovely alfresco meal that Little Z pointed across the lake and said, “look Daddy, canoes.”

Two canoes to be exact. Another family, making their way to our island, damn it!

They came, landed and set up camp not on the other side of the island but within 10 yards of us. I immediately began to feel cramped for space, ill at ease.

Then, just as I had accepted that our island had been invaded, sullied by other folk, I looked and saw not one but three, no five more canoes, and a flotilla of kayaks, too, all heading our way. Surely, they’d paddle on by, wouldn’t they?

Closer they came. Now we could hear the shouts and laughs of the paddlers, a cheerful group of teenagers, no less! And now we could see that they had no intention of paddling on by. The boats bumped and banged together as they hit our little picnic paradise and countless bundles of youthful exuberance piled out.

Frisbees were flung, footballs thrown, a makeshift sound system consisting of a cell phone and tiny, very tinny speakers were placed on a nearby rock. My picnic was ruined.

I miserably munched on my salad and prosciutto-stuffed baguette, wondering just how much worse this could get. I needn’t have wondered long. First a couple and then five or six of the girls felt that they needed a little private time, away from the boisterous boys. Their retreat, standing approximately

four inches from my picnic hamper.

If I’d wanted protecting from the sun this would have been perfect, for they blocked out the sky’s warm orb as efficiently as a giant umbrella, such was the shadow they cast over me and my family. And then they proceeded to lament in loud voices the scant choice of pimply, testosterone inflated males that they’d been forced to holiday with.

My island was well and truly ruined, and still another family docked their canoe and clambered out to join the crowd.

We left just as soon as we could stuff the half-eaten picnic back into the hamper.

As we put-putted away (as fast as those two and a half horses could gallop) I snorted to my lovely wife: “Do these people not realize that a man needs his personal space?”

She snickered and said: “They were probably from the city, and to them, 40 folks on a rock the size of a snapping turtle’s back is considered prime real estate.”

She was right. I just shuddered as I remembered being squeezed for space just like that in the Underground in Londinium, and I thanked my lucky stars for the expanse of water and wilderness ahead of me.

The Outsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: *How was your first day of school?*



A.J. Gillam

Grade 11

Amazing. I was able to hit the gym again.



Cody Bain

Grade 12

It was pretty killer because I got to see everyone again.



Hannah Packard

Grade 9

It was pretty good. I got lost a lot though. But I really like all my teachers, and I have a lot of friends in my classes which is nice.



Kendra Mintz

Grade 10

It was awesome. Everyone was like 'how are you?' and the teachers were cool seeing us again.



Paydon Miscio

Grade 11

I'm happy to be back, actually. The workload is a lot tougher though. I have three science classes this semester.

Photos and interviews by Rob Lowes

Bad legislation

Dear editor,

New laws now in force making it mandatory for drivers to be one metre away from the handle bars of bicycle riders is totally ridiculous. Not only is there a fine but you get demerit points.

When it comes to rural roads as seen in our area with narrow shoulders, one metre means drivers would have to enter into the opposite lane causing a dangerous scenario. Lives could be lost, accidents could escalate and insurance claims could skyrocket. Needless to say insurance rates would increase which in my opinion are high enough.

Next is sex education for children in Grade 1. How absurd is that? I don't know what Wynne and her education minister are thinking. Children in Grade 1 will be traumatized because they are too young to understand what is being taught.

Parents, public at large and the provincial government should have adopted public, in-depth meetings outlining what would be involved in the sex education of such young children prior to any adoption of legislation. Makes one wonder what ever happened to common sense when dealing with such idiotic rules pertaining to bicycles, driver obligations and our school system. What will come next?

Beverly MacDuff
Gooderham

Time for transparency in government

Dear editor,

Stephen Harper often mentions how open, transparent and accountable he and his party are. But is it true?

While in office, Harper refuses to participate in media scrums where journalists can throw an array of questions at him. Interviews are few and usually stage managed (where questions are vetted beforehand).

Now that an election is in full swing what is happening to openness? The other party leaders are always open to any and many questions from an array of reporters. There is a free exchange. One may not agree with the answers, but at least they get a response. But on the Harper campaign things are different.

Only five questions are permitted at Harper's appearances. Four of the questions are made available to reporters that are on

tour with him. Those reporters are required to pay \$78,000 for that privilege (that's the discounted price for participating in the whole campaign, otherwise it is \$3,000 per day). Only CBC, CTV, Canadian Press and RDI (i.e. French CBC) have paid. The fifth question is provided to a local reporter, but that question must be vetted beforehand and the question must be 'local' rather than 'national' in nature.

Recently, Conservatives running in the federal election have been told not to attend all-candidates' meetings or speak to reporters during the campaign. Yes this minimizes the chances of 'foot in mouth' disease, but it is an affront to democracy since the electorate cannot learn where their local candidates stand on issues.

As for accountability, well the Duffy fiasco has shown that it stops at least one level

below him, as Nigel Wright found out.

It therefore seems that the terms open and accountable are defined differently by Harper.

As for transparent, he has been anything but and was found to be in Contempt of Parliament for refusing to provide information to a parliamentary committee. How can our MPs function if they are stonewalled by the government? This was the first time in the history of any commonwealth country that a government has been found to be in contempt.

Preston Manning, who was Harper's boss when he led the Reform Party, is quoted as saying "Stephen doesn't think words mean much" (read *Party of One* by Michael Harris). In other words, he will say anything in order to make a point or to get his way.

Dennis Choptiany
Koshlong Lake

Reckless behaviour from underage ATVers

Dear editor,

I have been a cottager in the Kawarthas now for over 10 years. I enjoy as much of the community as I can. Recently my enjoyment is being curtailed by the lack of respect for the law as well as the safety of our residents.

I watch as young children 10 and under drive these ATVs, some without helmets, and

obviously no license or insurance. They're also on fire routes. What are their parents thinking, or are they?

Most statistics show that accidents are highest among the younger demographic. Why do these parents risk the harm that may befall upon these youth?

The OPP say they do not have resources to respond to all calls because they have to

cover approximately 100 square miles. How many officers will be required if an accident occurs?

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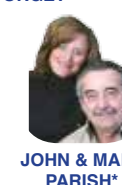
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File photo

Pat Kennedy, former executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

Two resign from Land Trust in same week

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT) has lost its executive director and board chair in the same week.

After about two months on the job, Pat Kennedy submitted his resignation to the board on Sept. 3. The same day, board chair Cindy Sedore resigned "for personal reasons," according to a press release.

The Highlander has been unable to reach Kennedy for comment about his decision.

"It is up to Pat to elaborate on his reasons [for resigning] not the Land Trust," wrote acting chair Dianne Mathes in an email. "Pat's work was valued by the Land Trust and we are sad to see him leave, he is very positive about the Land Trust and wished us well."

Kennedy, the former EMS director for Haliburton County, was hired by the HHLT in June following Larry O'Connor's resignation earlier in the year.

Sedore became board chair at the organization's annual general meeting in May.

Mathes explained that Sedore had been in talks with the HHLT for some time about the

personal challenges she was facing.

"Cindy advised us that personal issues do not allow her to act as the chair of the Land Trust so she has stepped down and resigned from the board to make her personal life her priority," wrote Mathes. "The board of the Land Trust supports Cindy in her decision and wishes her well. Leaving work and positions that one is committed to is never an easy decision and sometimes personal lives need to be the priority."

The executive committee held a "transition meeting" the following day. The full board of directors will meet this week to discuss next steps.

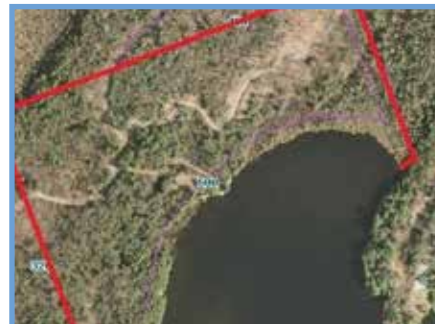
"We have a strong board and executive and both Pat and Cindy ensured that all programs and work they were involved in have been passed on so that the work of the Land Trust and especially the gala can continue as planned," said Mathes.

The HHLT is a non-profit, charitable organization that works to protect and preserve the natural heritage of Haliburton County for future generations.

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Federal Election 2015



Candidates respond to voter issues

In last week's issue, *The Highlander* asked six Haliburton County residents about the federal election issues that were important to them (see 'Voters gives voice to election issues,' *The Highlander* issue 201, pages 8 and 9). *The Highlander* has since approached each of the four Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock federal MP candidates and asked them to respond to these voters on each of the issues brought forward.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Jamie Schmale

- Schmale said the manufacturing sector is "a major source of economic growth and jobs" across the country, including this area.
- He said the Conservative government's strategy is "rooted in low taxes, a skilled workforce and support for research and development."
- Schmale believes discussions need to continue about further investment in infrastructure. The Building Canada plan is in effect, including the Canada 150th plan for infrastructure. This has resulted in direct investments into local projects such as Rotary Park in Haliburton, the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena in Wilberforce and the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden.
- "We've made historic investments in infrastructure, we've launched the largest and longest federal investment in Canadian history, and we did all of that while balancing the budget and keeping taxes low."

Mike Perry

- "I announced a strategy for good local jobs on the first day of the campaign," he said. "The strategy was developed in consultation with people across the riding. My local good jobs strategy includes local workforce development and training to keep our young people here; helping local businesses obtain hiring and innovation funding; and increasing access to capital by permitting RRSP contributions to community chests. I also focus on tourism and developing our arts economy."
- He said the NDP will provide a tax cut for small business, help reduce payment transaction fees for businesses at the cash register, and kick-start the manufacturing sector with a tax credit to help businesses invest in machinery.
- In terms of paying for it, Perry said the NDP will "end income-splitting (except for seniors), stop subsidizing oil companies, go after off-shore tax havens, and stop partisan government advertising. This will put billions back in the public purse to be used for the things we really want."

David Marquis

- Marquis said the first big item is to bring back the long-form census "so communities have access to the data. Municipalities need those kinds of tools to know what's going on."
- The Liberals will spend \$125 billion over 10 years on infrastructure, he said. "Every good economist around the world has said now is the time to invest in jobs and infrastructure in our communities."
- He cited \$9 million in upgrades to a City of Kawartha Lakes sewage pumping facility as an example of projects that should be funded by the federal government.

William MacCallum

- "The Green Party would provide clear and reliable data on labour markets as recommended by the advisory panel on labour market information by investing \$15 million to establish a new set of labour market information measurements."
- He said the Green Party would boost access to apprenticeship programs in the trades, because there aren't enough people joining the trades across Canada.
- "The average age for our tradespeople in the country is up in the 50s. It's too high, and we're already having trouble filling some of these positions."

CANADIAN PENSION PLAN REFORM AND DYING WITH DIGNITY

Jamie Schmale

- "What we were talking about before parliament dissolved was making the increased Canada Pension Plan contributions voluntary."
- He highlighted the increase to the maximum contribution for the tax-free savings account, which enables people to save for retirement.
- "We understand the struggle many seniors have, especially with hydro going up and the cost of living."
- Schmale is still trying to wrap his head around the issue of physician-assisted suicide. "I think there are a number of factors to consider. I don't think it's a very easy situation."

Mike Perry

- Perry said Tom Mulcair has pledged to raise the CPP and return the age of retirement to 65.
- "The NDP knows that end-of-life issues are intimate and complex. The NDP respects the Supreme Court ruling and would consult broadly with Canadians before passing any new law."

David Marquis

- Marquis said Canada is lagging on financial support for seniors. "I think it's time the Prime Minister in this country sits down with the provinces and talks about how this can be enhanced."
- "I personally support the right to die legislation, and I think we need to have a broader discussion in this country about it."

William MacCallum

- MacCallum said the CPP is not doing enough for retirees. "Their pensions are approximately 25 per cent of what they were making before they retired. Obviously for a lot of people that's nowhere near survival rate."
- He said the Green Party would increase CPP payout from 25 up to "at least" 40 per cent, and possibly 50 per cent, over at least seven to eight years.
- "We would support changes to the criminal code to allow doctors to assist in death, in limited cases and circumstances involving adults in full mental capacity to consent in situations of terminal illness."

THE ENVIRONMENT

Jamie Schmale

- Schmale said the Conservative government has introduced environmental regulations throughout their term in office. "We believe that everyone, and rightfully so, wants clean air and clean water and good quality food, and we agree 100 per cent with that. We'll continue to focus on the environment and make that a priority."
- A re-elected Conservative Government will stand by its commitment to reducing Canada's greenhouse gas emissions by 30 per cent below 2005 levels by 2030.
- Pressure needs to be put on countries like India, China and the U.S. to do their part.

Mike Perry

- "The NDP has been fighting to protect the environment since before it was cool."
- Perry said the NDP will put a price on carbon, restore environmental regulations that "impact us here locally, and attend the climate change conference in Paris with emission reduction targets that will make Canada an international leader on the environment."
- "The NDP is best positioned for us to see real action on the environment by forming an NDP government."

David Marquis

- Marquis said the country is not meeting its international obligations when it comes to carbon reduction.
- "The Prime Minister needs to talk to the provincial and territorial leaders and come up with a strategy on carbon reduction," he said. "But that's just a part of it. It's also about investing in new technologies."
- He said solar farms are a contentious issue, but the country's dependency on oil has to change in the next decade or two. "The government has an obligation to make individuals more energy efficient and off the grid."
- He said the Liberal Party will promote and aid advancement of technology to move away from an oil-based economy.

William MacCallum

- MacCallum was the co-lead for the City of Kawartha Lakes (CKL) Blue Dot movement. "CKL agreed with our presentation and passed the program, which means citizens have the right to a clean and healthy environment. The Green Party is all about that nationally, as well."
- He said the Green Party would protect the "fundamental right" to clean, fresh water and air for all Canadians by amending the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
- He said locally, the environment is important in Haliburton's tourism economy. "We need to ensure we continue to assess the quality, quantity and rate of flow of water in the water sheds that make up most of Haliburton, and make sure not just the water, but the air is improved."

Federal Election 2015 **GO VOTE**

POST-SECONDARY STUDIES AND TUITION

Jamie Schmale

- The government has increased their contribution to make more money available for low interest student loans.
- Schmale said what also needs to be addressed is the job pool that is available for graduates. Many programs are pumping out graduates, but there aren't any jobs available for them, he said. "I think we have to take a look at the whole education system and see where the need is."

Mike Perry

- Perry said the NDP has pledged to bring back grants to help students with tuition, not just loans.
- "Like health care, the NDP will ensure access to quality, public post-secondary education as outlined in its proposed Post-Secondary Education Act."

David Marquis

- "When you look around the world, in European countries, they've already moved forward in helping students who want post-secondary in terms of their funding. It's long overdue in this country that we sit down and have a discussion about how we can invest in people who want a post-secondary education."
- Marquis said the federal government needs to sit down with the provinces and the private sector to discuss "how we can help people achieve their dreams and create the next jobs in the next century."

William MacCallum

- MacCallum said the Green Party would eliminate interest-bearing student loans, so students only need to pay back the principal.
- "We will increase funding for post-secondary education and approve access to needs-based grants, beyond interest-free loans.
- The Green Party would establish a Youth Community and Environment Service Corps, taking 40,000 students each year and putting them to work in their home communities, based on municipal priorities. The students would earn a \$4,000 break on their post-secondary tuition, he said.

PROVINCIAL HEALTH CARE AND SENIORS' CARE STRATEGY

Jamie Schmale

- Schmale said federal transfers to the province are on the rise and have hit record levels.
- "It's been growing by six per cent the last 10 years and will continue to do so, up until 2017. The federal government recognizes they have a role to play in health care and they are delivering by giving the provinces a funding source they can rely on."
- Prior to the last federal election, the Conservative government made a campaign promise to create a Minister of Seniors. The Honourable Alice Wong "looks directly after those seniors' issues because it is an important constituency and the numbers are growing."

Mike Perry

- Perry said the NDP is the only party to have a national strategy on aging. "Health care has been an NDP priority since Tommy Douglas."
- The NDP will restore the \$36 billion in cuts to health care proposed by the Harper government and work with the provinces for more affordable, long-term care for seniors.
- "We will also provide financial help to family members who stay home to care for aging loved ones in their home."

David Marquis

- Marquis said the Liberals have brought down policy to help with families trying to look after seniors in their home situations, and particularly those in need of end of life care. "We're going to create a policy which financially helps people and will allow them, through work places, to have more flexibility to help look after people in their homes."
- Part of the Liberal's infrastructure plan – a \$125 billion investment over 10 years – is to build seniors residents and nursing homes.

William MacCallum

- MacCallum said a national seniors' care strategy is "imperative." "We would provide funds immediately to train more doctors and nurses. We have a shortage, especially in rural areas."
- He said the Green Party would implement student loan forgiveness incentives for graduating doctors, nurses and health care professionals who agree to staff rural hospitals and clinics.
- "We would expand home support and home care programs, and assisted living services, to support people so they don't necessarily have to be in hospitals or institutions."

IMPLEMENTING A NATIONAL FOOD STRATEGY

Jamie Schmale

- Schmale believes that the labelling of food is an ongoing issue. "We're trying to get country of origin labelling. Yes, we agree that products need to be properly labelled to let people know where their food is coming from, and they can make choices that way."

Mike Perry

- "The NDP is the only party to have a national food plan for helping farmers, ensuring sustainable agriculture and community food supplies, and access to healthy food especially for children and seniors," said Perry.
- He said the NDP is in favour of labeling GMO foods.
- "As chair of the Kawartha Food Coalition and Bobcaygeon Food Bank, I know the value of local food sources and supporting food production from seed to fork including our farmers and the restaurant industry."

David Marquis

- Marquis said his farming background helps him to understand local food issues. "One worry our farmers have is losing their rights under supply management, at the request of other countries around the world."
- "With Justin [Trudeau], this is a huge national issue. He's certainly going to be working with provinces to discuss food policy and how to keep high-quality [food] in this country without risking the security of our farmers."

William MacCallum

- "It's one of our very top priorities," he said. "We would do things like remove tax deductibility from junk food advertising aimed at children. Corporations can get tax deductions for that sort of thing."
- MacCallum said the Green Party would strengthen the monitoring of pesticides and herbicides with the goal of reducing the residue of those substances "until they reach undetectable limits."
- He said the Green Party would support a 200-kilometre diet by expanding farmers markets, and promote heritage seed programs.



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Highlander business

Paint and restoration company back in business

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

When local resident Alex Bell passed away suddenly in April, his family chose to put their business on hold.

However, they've recently restructured and relaunched with a new owner and a new name.

"We pretty well knew from the beginning [that we wanted to continue]," said Bell's widow, Cathy Barnett. "It was just a matter of figuring out the how."

Bell and Barnett started Kashaga Paint, a painting and restoration company, in 2002 in Haliburton. Both set high standards for themselves and the company, said Barnett in a press release.

"We as owners, and the company as a whole, took pride in making sure our clients were provided the maximum in service, support and professionalism," she said. "Alex and I worked closely together on all [of] Kashaga's projects and both believed in our business motto, 'When Quality & Experience Count.'"

With the recent changes, the company will now be known as Kashaga Wood & Paint. The couple's 26-year-old son, Justin Morrow, has taken over as owner.

"We thought, for his future, it would be a good move," said Barnett, who is now an

employee looking after administration and sales.

As a first-time business owner, Morrow is looking forward to the experience.

"I'm quite intrigued on learning how to [run a business]," he said.

Morrow became involved with the business in the beginning, but has been a permanent employee for the past three years. Over that time, he has gained a vast amount of knowledge and skills, said Barnett.

The company will continue to offer all of the services it has provided in the past including exterior and interior finishing. Projects include new builds, older homes, docks, decks and siding.

Barnett says an increased emphasis will be placed on interior work.

"We want to intensify the fact that we do interiors. We pretty well offer anything a finishing company would offer," she said.

Some of the community projects they've been a part of include the locomotive and plane near Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, and the band shell in Head Lake Park.

As for the future, they're looking at implementing some "new exchanges," the details of which will remain under wraps for the time being.



Photo by Mark Arike

Justin Morrow along with his mom, Cathy Barnett, stand at the band shell in Head Lake Park. At the age of 26, Morrow is now the owner of the company his parents started.

"We just want everyone to know we're still here and we're still out there 100 per cent for everybody. We still want to be part of the community as much as we ever were," said Barnett.

Barnett would like to thank Heritage

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Haliburton Highlands
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Highlander life

Betty and The Bobs back for Blister Ball

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A group of talented Canadian musicians, who are known as Betty and The Bobs whenever they join forces, are returning to the Highlands for the 13th annual Hike Haliburton Festival.

The group will once again take to the stage for The Blister Ball, which will be held on Sept. 19 at the Haliburton Legion.

"This is a band that's made up of Canadian folk all-stars," said Sean Pennylegion, event organizer and member of the Haliburton County Folk Society (HCFS). "They play a limited number of shows together each year."

The group consists of Soozie Schlanger, Suzie Vinnick, Katherine Wheatley, David Woodhead, Wendell Ferguson, Rich Greenspoon and David Matheson.

Last year, the HCFS brought them to the festival to perform at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. They've also previously been artists-in-residence at the Folk Society's Winter Folk Camp.

Pennylegion described last year's performance as "a jaw-dropping show." "They are really good," he said.

A poster promoting the event states that the group will perform their favourite country, blues, R&B, Beatles, gospel and old jazz

tunes, as well as some "wacky original songs."

What will make this year's concert unique is the fact that concertgoers will be able to get up and dance if they so choose.

"We want to be able to have a dance

... and the second thing is it's an opportunity to sell some alcohol," he said, pointing out that patrons can sit and enjoy the show, too.

Moose FM's Rick Lowes will emcee the event.

Pennylegion anticipates another sellout. "It's going to be a lot of fun," he said.

Tickets are \$25 per person, and \$20 for HCFS members and students. They can be purchased online at haliburtonfolk.com, or at The Source in Haliburton and Organic Times in Minden.

The show starts 7:30 p.m.



Photo submitted by Sean Pennylegion
Betty and The Bobs.



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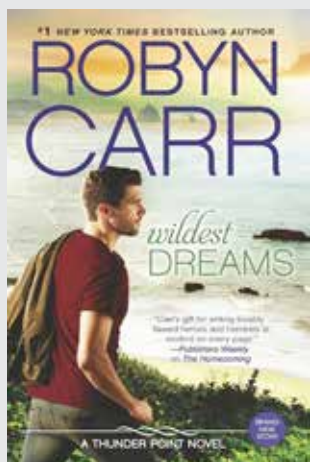
Smile Cookie campaign to benefit dental outreach

There will be smiles all around in Haliburton County next week, as both local Tim Hortons locations are kicking off their Smile Cookie campaigns. From Sept. 14-20, the two restaurants will sell smile cookies for \$1 plus tax, with proceeds benefitting the Volunteer Dental Outreach (VDO) for Haliburton County. Last year the campaign raised over \$3,000 for the VDO. Tim Hortons locations across the country are participating in the campaign, though each will support local charities. The Smile Cookie campaign was started in 1996 to support the Hamilton's Children's Hospital. Last year, it raised \$5.3 million for charities across the country.

Pictured above, The Highlander's Mark Arike gets a Smile Cookie during last year's campaign.

Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.



HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *Wildest Dreams* by Robyn Carr
2. *The Drafter: a novel* by Kim Harrison
3. *The Girl in the Spider's Web* by David Lagercrantz

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *Stephen Harper* by John Ibbitson
2. *The Skeleton Cupboard: the making of a clinical psychologist* by Tanya Byron
3. *What's Happened to Politics?* by Bob Rae

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *The Fate of Ten* by Pittacus Lore (YA)
2. *Captain Underpants and the Sensational Saga of Sir Stinks-a-lot* by Dave Pilkey (JF)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Mad Max: Fury Road* (DVD)
2. *The Chess Men* by Peter May (Book on CD)

LIBRARY NEWS

Are you starting to harvest seeds from your garden? Don't forget to save some for the Haliburton County Seed Library! Seed libraries are located in Dorset, Dysart, Minden, and Wilberforce. Haliburton County Seed Library will be holding a workshop in the Dysart branch on Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. Learn how to grow garlic from bulbils!

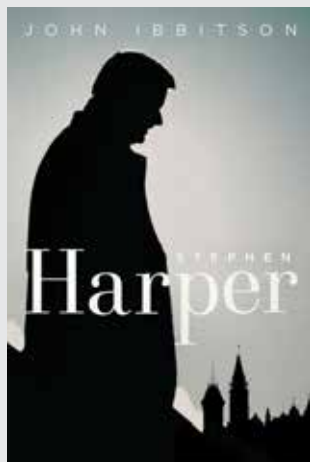


Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Soyers Lake donates \$500 to HHHSF

The Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association (SLRA) has donated \$500 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) for priority equipment. The foundation has committed to raising \$300,000 for priority equipment such as stretchers, a treatment chair, and an echocardiogram machine. Foundation board member Don Popple and executive director Dale Walker accepted the donation on Sept. 4. It was the association's annual donation to HHHSF. To date, the SLRA and its members have raised approximately \$14,000 for the foundation.

Pictured above, HHHSF executive director Dale Walker accepts a \$500 donation from the Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association. From left are SLRA vice-president Larry Grigg, SLRA president Dave Gordon, HHHSF executive director Dale Walker, and board member Don Popple.



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Mikayla Muskratt performs the fancy shawl dance while Dorothy Taylor of the Curve Lake community watches.

Kinmount Fair highlights First Nations' heritage

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

There was something new at the Kinmount Fair this year.

Alongside the beloved fair food, the midway, the games and the derby, the exhibitions in the Heritage Complex featured the history and culture of the First Nations.

Janice MacDonald, chairperson of the Heritage Complex exhibitions, was thrilled to incorporate the culture of indigenous people from the nearby Hiawatha and Curve Lake communities into the building that tells the tale of early Canada.

"The event has always been focused on pioneer life without integrating First Nations," she said. "If we're talking about our history, it goes a lot further than 1860, so there was the opportunity to bring in the first people of the land."

MacDonald, together with organizer Nancy Thurston, spent the better part of the year researching First Nations to prepare for the event.

"Throughout the winter we read and studied all that we could," said MacDonald. "It was difficult. A lot of it was very enlightening in that it's not known, and it was revealed, and it's so sad. They're such a strong and beautiful people."

MacDonald and Thurston worked closely with representatives from the Hiawatha and Curve Lake communities and also the heritage crafters who showcase their work each year. Participants at the event included rug hookers and quilters who featured First Nations style artwork and tools, and elders and First Nations representatives who spoke, played music and danced to share their culture. MacDonald said the crafters were "wonderfully supportive" of the idea to include First Nations history as part of the exhibition, and that the people from the

Hiawatha and Curve Lake communities were enthusiastic participants.

"The First Nations are proud of their heritage and culture and want the general public to know First Nation people are still thriving," said speaker Dorothy Taylor of Curve Lake. "We want to share our culture and traditional knowledge so it was an honour to be given the opportunity to do so at the Kinmount Fair."

The exhibition committee decorated the event area and stage with artwork and symbols from First Nations culture, including the four directions symbol. Display boards featured prominent First Nations people, and crafts and tools were laid out on tables for visitors to see and talk about with the participants. The Haliburton Highlands Museum loaned artifacts found around Haliburton County, including arrowheads and prehistoric pottery.

"I think it's fantastic," said museum director Kate Butler. "It's a part of Haliburton County's history that hasn't been displayed as prominently and we're delighted to be able to help. It's exciting they wanted to have that as a focus."

An estimated 2,000 visitors walked through the exhibition. MacDonald said many visitors shared their excitement to have the chance to talk to First Nations people.

"I found it very interesting and informative," said Kinmount Fair 2015 ambassador Emily Pearson. "I particularly liked the artwork displays."

More than 70 volunteers, including students, worked to pull the first-time exhibition together for the three days the fair ran.

"It came off spectacularly and the response was magnificent," said MacDonald. "The event offered thousands of people the chance to learn, embrace these people, and move away from stereotypes that are still prominent."



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By Mark Arike

Students hit the books

Students from across the county packed their bags and boarded the buses for the first day of school on Sept. 8. The schools that saw new and returning students enter the doors included Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Cardiff Elementary School, J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Stuart Baker Elementary School, and Wilberforce Elementary School.

Photos by Sue Tiffin and Mark Arike

Top: Sophie Graham and Holly Crego get a good look at their supplies on the first day of school at Archie Stouffer. Above left: Students in Mrs. Smallwood's senior kindergarten class prepare for the day. Above right: Grade 9 student Owen Craftchick, left, and Grade 10 student Ethan Evans find their lockers at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

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Dr. Purc (middle) with wife Kathy, left, and dental assistant Alana Bannister.

Dentist recognized for service

By Sue Tiffin

Staff writer

Dr. John Purc quotes an old church song when he talks about his recent award from the Ontario Dental Association.

"You bloom where you're planted, and I feel I've gotten to that point," he said.

The Community Service Recognition Award acknowledges Purc's contribution to outstanding professional and community service, and his commitment to caring and personal sacrifice in promoting the well-being of others. Awards were given to dedicated volunteers throughout the province.

The veteran community dentist has been working in the Highlands for more than 40 years, and began back when he was one of just two dentists in the county. He worked out of his Minden office, which is the current location of Dentistry in the Highlands.

"I started in 1970 and then those patients went off and had kids, and then their kids went off and had kids," he said. "I was working on three generations of patients."

Though he sold the business in 2008, he

continued working for a few more years and joined the Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County (VDO) in 2011.

The VDO helps to arrange dental care for people in the county facing financial barriers.

"We just like to see what we can do for people," he said. "It's amazing when we can see the changes in someone's appearance and give them a smile, and a better outlook, because it's tough out there for some people."

Purc has volunteered at least once a week at the clinic over the past several years, but said he was taken aback when he read about the award in the August issue of a dental journal.

"It's very nice to receive it, but there are other dentists there who are just as deserving and who do as much as I do," he said.

Purc said as challenging as it can be to keep up on education and maintain life outside of dentistry, he hoped more dentists might take the initiative to get involved and donate their time to the VDO.



By Cheryl McCombe

Ratepayers donate to Food for Kids

Food for Kids has received a \$500 donation from the Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association (SLRA). The donation was given to Point in Time to benefit the children's food charity. The SLRA's donation was raised through a corn roast and other donations. This is the second year the association has donated to Food for Kids. Pictured above, Food for Kids chair Aaron Walker accepts a \$500 donation from the SLRA. From left are SLRA vice-president Larry Grigg, SLRA president Dave Gordon, Aaron Walker and Jim Alder, vice-chair for Food for Kids.

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County league ideal for new and returning players

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Is your child new to the sport of hockey? Or do they enjoy the sport, but would rather play in local games instead of having to travel?

Then the Highland Storm house league, otherwise known as county league, just might be the right fit for your son or daughter.

"It's perfect for a child who just loves playing hockey, doesn't want to travel and it's great for beginners," said James Baldry, county league convenor and member of The Storm executive.

"It's really good for any age or any level of hockey."

With the support of their coaches, players develop their skills "in a fun environment."

Baldry adds that the league is less expensive than other available options.

The league accepts children between the ages of three and 17.

"There's no tryout," he said. "Myself and a few of the coaches, we know most of the kids by now. So we try to make the teams fair, at least equal as far as skill levels and we go from there."

It's non-contact and all practices and games are played in Haliburton County.

Baldry expects the league to have seven or eight teams this season.

"I would say 90 per cent of our players come back every year and play. Some move on to travel teams and there's a draw of lots of other activities that are less expensive in the county."

Oftentimes, players will start at county league and move their way up to the other rep teams.

"You start to see kids that can really skate, and they tend to be the ones that want to try out for travel teams."

Baldry said it doesn't take parents and players long to determine whether they will pursue another league in the future.

The season typically starts with two practices and a game is played every Saturday. The kids spend two hours on the ice each week. Games rotate between Minden, Haliburton and Wilberforce.

The season starts the week prior to Thanksgiving in October and finishes a week before March Break with the Glen Dart Tournament. Trophies and medals are awarded to players at the season finale event.

Since becoming involved with the league, Baldry has received lots of positive feedback from parents and players.

"It's been a great experience for me as a father, getting to watch my own kids, but [also] getting to know all the kids in the community," he said, once again stressing the importance of having fun.

"No one cares about the wins and losses."

A registration table will be set up at A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton on Sept. 12 from 8-11 a.m. A \$50 discounted rate is still available.

For more information visit highlandstorm.org.

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Highlander sports

Local 55+ athletes shine at regionals

By **Matthew Desrosiers**
Editor

Haliburton's 55+ Summer Games summer athletes continue to have a strong year, after another successful competition in August.

The central regionals were held in Midland on Aug. 26. To qualify for the tournament, the local District 11 athletes had to win either gold or silver in the local games held in May and June of this year, said the district's organizer Mary Johnson.

"District 11 did extremely well," said Johnson. "Out of the 33 entries, [we] returned with 19 medals.

Local athletes competed in a variety of events, including walking, pickleball, five-pin bowling, golf, duplicate bridge, bid euchre, and others.

Johnson said participating in the games is a great way for the participants to stay healthy and active.

"I feel that it is so important for people to enter so that they keep themselves healthy, whether it is mind or body, but most important to compete in a friendly competition, socialize, and have fun," she said. "Participants will have the opportunity in the provincials or nationals to meet new people from across Ontario and Canada. They will also see how well people keep themselves fit, no matter what age they are."

Next year, the summer 55+ athletes will compete locally in May and June. Johnson

said she's hoping to see more athletes competing next year. They will then compete in the provincials from Aug. 9-11, and the nationals in Brampton from Aug. 16-19.

"Some of the venues will allow spectators to attend," she said. "It's well worth a trip to each location."

For more information on the 55+ games, email Johnson at maryjohnson42@gmail.com.

Results:

Walking, Ladies 55+: Jane Symons (Gold), Bev Kerr (Bronze)

Walking, Ladies 75+: Maxine Snell (Bronze)

Walking, Men's 55+: John Kerr (Gold), Mike Johnson (Silver)

Walking, Men's 75+: Bruce Stephenson (Bronze)

Pickleball, mixed 65+: Wendy Kidd and Gary Thompson (Bronze)

Five-pin bowling, Men's 55+: Rick West (Gold)

Five-pin bowling, Ladies 55+: Loretta Cummings (Silver)

Golf, Ladies 55+: Pennie Murray (Silver)



Photo submitted by Mary Johnson

District 11's pickleball teams. From left are Gary Thompson, Wendy Kidd, Dave Lear and Stuart Buck. Wendy Kidd and Gary Thompson earned a bronze medal.

Golf, Ladies 65+: Clara Vuksic (Silver)

Golf, Men's 55+: Harold McNerney (Silver)

Golf, Men's 65+: Bob Gardner (Gold), Jere Pike (Bronze)

Duplicate bridge, open: Dee MacLean and

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Highlander sports

Minden skates

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

The Minden Skating Club has so many things to do, they want to extend their 2015-2016 season.

Besides the competitions and test days that sometimes see the club traveling to Napanee and Huntsville, there is plenty happening at home that has the executive considering more ice time.

“It’s not as hectic,” said club vice-president Nicki Mills. “We can try to do all that we want to do.”

Mills hopes to work with Minden Hills council and other groups that use the ice to extend the season later into April, similar to last year when the ice was extended for Kurt Browning’s Stars on Ice program.

The club has plans off the ice this year, too, including a fundraising program selling everything from cards and calendars to jewellery, chocolate and kitchen essentials.

An ice dance and choreography seminar is planned for a PA day in November. The day would offer skaters the chance to become balanced athletes and improve their skills.

“Not just on skates, but all over conditioning and how to stretch properly off-ice,” said Mills.

Over the past few years, the learn to skate Canskate program has shifted from a time slot directly after school to 6 p.m. Mills said the change in schedule allowed for more kids to comfortably participate with their parents after work and dinnertime. She said Canskate is a great program to help new skaters become familiar with the ice.

“It brings in new skaters from around the county to learn the fundamentals of skating so they can find out whether they’re interested in figure skating or hockey,” she said.

Mills pointed out that NHL player Matt Duchene was part of the Canskate program in Haliburton when he was first learning to skate. The Canskate program is no longer offered in Haliburton, and skaters travel from throughout the county to take part in Minden’s program.

Registration for Minden Skate Club continues on Sept. 10 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. at SG Nesbitt arena. Mills said the club is for all-ages and abilities. For more information or to register later, e-mail mindenskiating@gmail.com.

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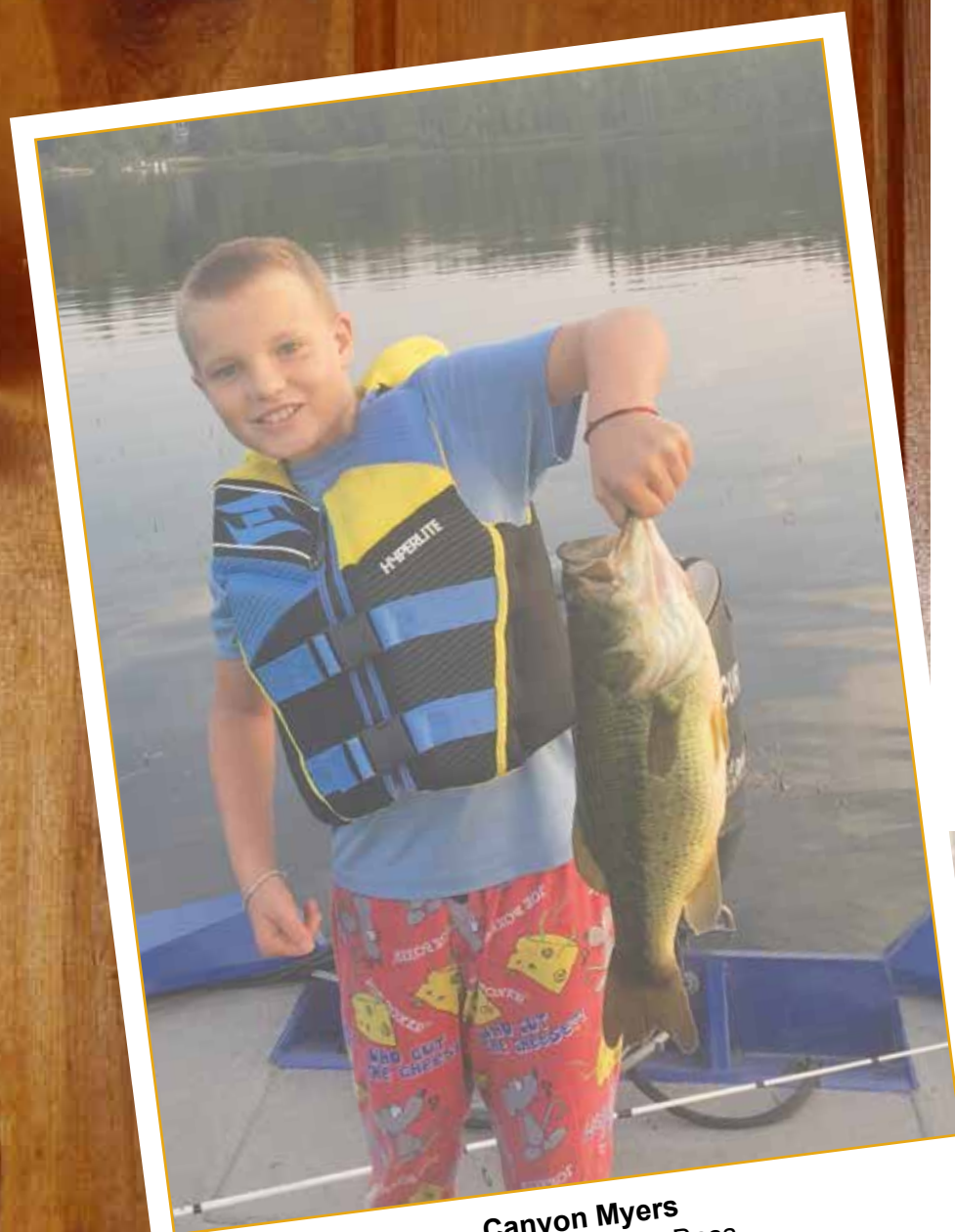
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Highlander events

Annual hog roast a family affair

By Sue Tiffin

Staff writer

The second annual Haliburton Forest Hog Roast took place on Sept. 6, though depending on who you ask the event has a longer history than that.

The Cookhouse restaurant owner and hog roast organizer Diane Kyle actually hosted it and carried the tradition for a decade from 1996-2006. During that time, the event became so popular that it was difficult to manage, and Kyle decided to take a break. Her kids, however, had other plans.

"My kids all attended when they were little," she said. "Now they all have kids and want to see it happen again."

Last year, the event began again after a seven-year hiatus with the help of one of Kyle's kids, Kalem. Kalem attended the hog roasts in his childhood and is now working alongside his mom as co-planner.

"Maybe it's a new generation," said Kyle.

"It's the younger generation," said her son. "We're trying to restart it again."

"It's a lot of work, trying to run the restaurant and plan for the event, truly a lot of work," said Kyle. "But here we go again."

Kalem said he remembers the event being filled with games and a hog roast in his younger years, just like it is now. His mom designed T-shirts for the attendees each year, including a blank shirt that required attendees to collect signatures from around the party.

Kyle initially held the event as a year-end party for her staff after a busy summer of



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Diane and Kalem Kyle (front) had the help of family and staffers while hosting the annual Haliburton Forest Hog Roast.

work. Staffers were alongside Kyle at the Sept. 6 event, helping to organize games and food. Kyle said the party was generally emotional as a close staff prepared to part ways for the school year.

"I guarantee there will be tears tonight," she said.

The Cookhouse staff and area cottagers

traditionally attend the event, and it's also a family affair, with Kyle's mom and sister visiting from Rochester to help out. Her mom, Doreen Rhodes, said she travelled from New York to help support her daughter and spent most of her time in the beer tent, volunteering. She was wearing a shirt from the 1996 event.

The Maclay Experience played a set for the

crowd at the hog roast. Despite the heat, about 60 people were able to attend, and Kalem hoped to double the numbers next year.

"It was nothing super big, but we all had a really good time," he said.



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Left: Chef Ron and Loic Muli prepare dry rubbed, smoked ribs and corn. Right: A group of bikers visited Ribfest from Brantford.

Ribfest benefits brain cancer charity

By Sue Tiffin

Staff writer

If you were on 12-Mile Lake on Sept. 6, it was hard to resist the sound of live classic rock, the lure of parasailing, and the smell of 170kgs of dry rubbed, smoked ribs being cooked on hardwood coals.

Red Umbrella Inn was offering it all at the Minden resort's third annual Ribfest.

Toronto resident Stephen David attended the event from his cottage on the lake. He had visited the resort throughout the summer for their Saturday concerts and was drawn to Ribfest.

"Anytime you're supporting a local event you just feel good," he said. "We're only up nine or 10 weeks of the year, but when you can give back to the community, you try to do what you can."

Ribfest showcased music by award-winning solo artist Rick Fines and classic rock group Tungsten. Ski-Mazing Watersports School was dockside to help give guests at the event a lift. But a highlight for many of the visitors sitting on the patio by the lake was the ribs. Chef Ron said he was using his '35 years of cheffing experience' as his secret ingredient.

Resort manager Michael Chilvers said he hoped the event was fun for everyone, and

that the Red Umbrella Inn was planning to focus on events throughout the year to help give back to charities and organizations in the area. Ribfest benefitted Grey Matters, a group created by local restaurant owners Jay and Anita Manning to help create awareness of brain cancer after Jay was diagnosed with it.

"We're in the same industry, we had the relationship, it just made sense," said Chilvers.

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Thank You

The family of the late Russell Baker would like to thank our family and friends for all their love, prayers and support during this difficult time. We appreciated the many cards, donations, flowers and food. A special thank you to the wonderful nursing staff and all other staff at Haliburton Hospital. You're the best. Thank you to Kirsten, Barry and staff at Gordon Monk Funeral Home who always go above and beyond the call of duty. May God bless you all.



Marie, Elaine and the Baker Family

Thank You...

What a wonderful Birthday Party. It was one we will never forget! Words cannot express our appreciation to Ian, who was the mastermind behind the whole thing. He made us look gorgeous, and arranged for the awesome music by the Beckett Family, Todd Nolan and Mel Aucoin. It just couldn't have been better. What a treat to have Ian and Warren join them to sing for us. Special thanks to Steve who provided the food, and to Murray, Dale, Camryn, Carlee, Mark, Tina and our sister Judy who all helped to prepare it, and decorate the hall. Also to Donna Lee who spent countless hours inviting guests, and working with the boys behind the scenes, treating us to breakfast, and making sure we got to the party without finding out. They all worked together to pull off the best surprise ever. Also thanks so much to our many friends and family who came from far and wide to help us celebrate. The birthday wishes, gifts, hugs, tears, music, food, cake, and decorations were all perfect and so appreciated.

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EVENTS

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Landfill Cap and Transfer Station Construction - Tender PW-2015-003

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SCOPE OF WORK: The scope of Tender PW-2015-003 includes the provision of services to complete landfill cap and transfer station construction activities at the Dorset Waste Disposal Site based on content shown on the Figures provided in Schedule B of the Tender document. The scope of Tender PW-2015-004 includes the supply and installation of three (3) solar powered waste compactors, five (5) roll off compaction containers and back-up power with a propane fired generator.

START/END DATE: Anticipated start to be November 1, 2015 with the completion of the work by November 30, 2015. Bid documents will be available on Friday September 11, 2015 and can be accessed from the following:

Township website: www.algonquinhighlands.ca **Township Office:** 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON

Qualified companies are encouraged to submit a sealed tender plainly marked with the tender title to the above address including all Bid Tender Forms by 2:00 p.m. on Friday October 2, 2015.

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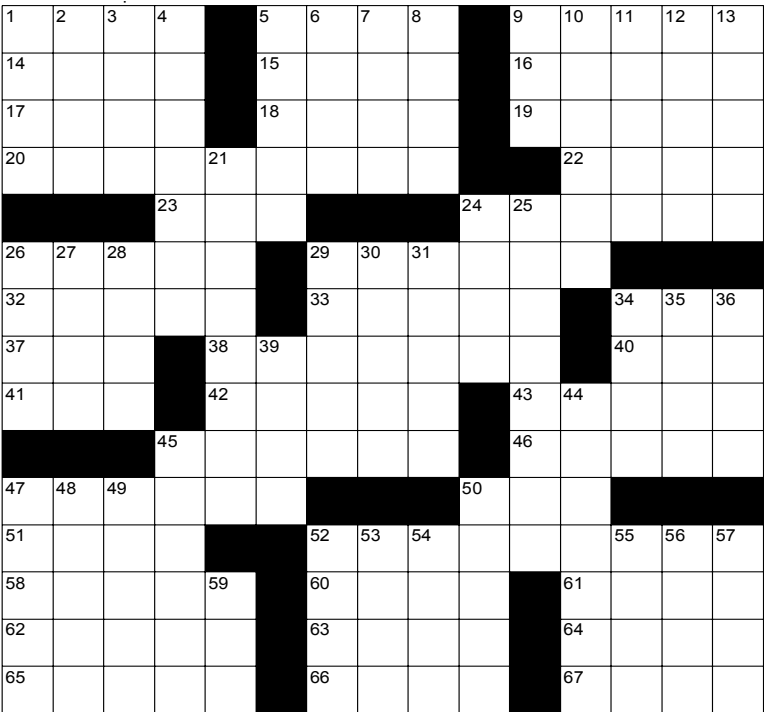
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1. Annoying thing

5. Trims (off)

9. Explode

14. Butter substitute

15. Cleveland's lake

16. Radar's kin

17. Customer

18. Wind indicator

19. San Diego athlete

20. Designed again

22. Takes to court

23. Once named

24. Aquatic animals

26. Sample food

29. Rents

32. Cutter

33. National bird

34. Toddler

37. Pea holder

38. Great happiness

40. College cheer

41. Neptune's domain

42. Bellybutton

43. Severe

45. Worship

46. Migratory birds

47. Montreal's country

50. Lion's lair

51. Mob scene

52. Play host

58. 19th letters

60. Earth's center

61. Paddy product

62. Warn

63. Weeded

64. Fruit beverages

65. Sloppy

66. Small bills

67. "_____ we forget"

- DOWN
1. Serve tea

2. Ultimatum word

3. Appear

4. The Raptors' city

5. Embankment

6. Not written

7. Yearn

8. Sow

9. Sixth sense (abbr.)

10. Uses the oven

11. Improper

12. Kitchen gadget

13. Lock of hair

21. Became more profour

24. Scandinavian capital

25. Adolescent

26. Recipe abbr.

27. Soothing plant

28. Carbonated beverage

29. Depart

30. Diner

31. Spry

34. Test answer

35. Horse feed

36. Biblical pronoun

39. Hot, molten rock

44. In the middle

45. Evaluators

47. Dairy product

48. Bride's walkway

49. Nuzzles

50. Feats

52. Canyon sound

53. High _____

54. Elm or pine

55. Helper

56. Frozen desserts

57. Treetop abode

59. Messy place

SEPTEMBER 2015 EVENTS

THURSDAY

Shout Sister Choir
Haliburton – 7:00 pm-9:00 pm – Haliburton United Church – All are welcome

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FRIDAY

Dorset Pickle Ball –
Dorset Rec Centre – 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Haliburton County Farmers' Market in
Carnarvon - Corner of Hwy 118 & 35 - 12:00 pm-4:00 pm

SATURDAY

Junction Skatepark Fundraiser - Haliburton
Junction Skatepark - 12:00 pm-4:00 pm

Highland Grove Heritage Day - 10:00 am-3:00 pm –
Highland Grove Community Centre

The Ride for The Jerry Corby Foundation –
10:30 am registration – Community Living 73
Victoria St. Haliburton

SUNDAY

Ontario Kayak Fishing Series - Kashaga Lodge - \$110

Dragon Boat Practice - Patient News Publishing
Docks - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm - \$15

MONDAY

Dorset Pickleball - Dorset Rec Centre - 6:45 pm-8:45 pm

TUESDAY

Dorset Craft Connections – Dorset Rec Centre – 9:30 am-11:30 am

Haliburton Farmers' Market - Head Lake Park - 12:00 am-4:00 pm

EH Enviro Café - 7:30pm - Minden United Church - The Silence of the Labs – Discussion follows

WEDNESDAY

Dorset Yoga with Ingrid Bittner - Dorset Rec Centre - 11:30 am-12:00 pm

Dorset African Hand Drumming - Dorset Rec Centre – 10:00 am-11:00 am

Lessons from the Road with Sue Shikaze - 12:00pm - 2:00pm - Haliburton County Public Library \$20.00 call Brenda 705-457-2695

THURSDAY

13th Annual Hike Haliburton – call 705-286-1777 or visit www.hikehaliburton.com

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION SEPT. 10 - SEPT 16

Haliburton Branch

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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
Legion Week Ontario – Sept. 20-26
John Briggs dart tournament, Sept. 26 10 a.m. start. \$60 per team, \$1,000 payout

Minden Branch

Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m.
Liver lover's special, Tuesday, 12-2 p.m. (full menu also)
Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime.
General meeting, first Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m.
Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Big euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, \$12
Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.
Monthly raffle, dinner for two at a local restaurant
Golf tournament, Sept. 15, four-person best ball, \$50pp inc. cart

Junk in the Trunk sale, Sept. 19, 9-1 p.m., Reserve sport for \$15
Minden Cemetery Decoration Day, Sept. 19

Wilberforce Branch

L.A. meeting, Thursday, 1 p.m.
Community Support Services lunch, Friday at noon, call 705-448-2106
Pool, Friday, 2:30 p.m.
Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m., early bird 3 p.m. sharp
L.A. Breakfast, Sunday
Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m.
Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Veteran's dinner, Sept. 26, cocktails 5 p.m., dinner 6 p.m. \$15 for non-veterans

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Kinmount Fair 2015



Photo by Sue Tiffin

The hills of the Cobra rollercoaster were thrilling for fairgoers.

Fun in the sun at the Kinmount Fair

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Humidity didn't keep crowds of people away from the Kinmount Fair this year.

Some vendors said attendance was down due to the heat, but there was still a strong showing of visitors to the annual fair.

Families were treated to a wide variety of

activities including an exotic animal exhibit that was popular with kids who got to touch a ring-tailed lemur, a lynx and a tortoise. The traditional petting zoo was also busy with children who fed goats and chickens. Dogs were busy at a mutt show that took place alongside a dog show with professionally trained animals who jumped through hoops and raced through an obstacle course against

human competitors.

Kinmount resident Emily Pearson said she has attended the fair every summer, and was thrilled to be awarded the 2015 Kinmount Fair Ambassador title. Pearson was the only entrant to the competition, but said it was still exciting to have her name announced as the winner. She walked around the fair after being crowned, and was able to get up close to the

entrants in the horse pull when she handed out ribbons to winners.

"I enjoyed talking to vendors at the fair, as well as visitors to the fair," she told The Highlander. "I have to say that every year I look forward to spending time with my family at the fair. It is the best way to end the summer."

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Kinmount Fair 2015



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Top left: Animals at the petting zoo included goats, sheep, and a zebu. Above: A booth allowed visitors the chance to be decorated with henna. Left: Pony rides were available for \$4 per ride.

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- Minimum entry fee is \$20.00 per person or \$160.00 per team. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$20 or more.
- **All funds** raised are to sponsor deserving Haliburton County children to attend Haliburton camp
- Registration Forms may be dropped off at the Sun Life/Planned Benefits office at 253 Highland Street
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What's on



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See the beauty of the Highlands first hand during Hike Haliburton. Watch a hike as it happened at TheHighlander.ca

The biggest hike festival in Canada

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

You don't have to be a fit, experienced hiker to explore the beauty of the Highlands.

In fact, the 13th annual Hike Haliburton Festival has a hike for just about anyone to enjoy.

"There's something for everyone," said organizer Barrie Martin. "There's something for hikers, of course, and something for non-hikers."

For those who want to hike, they have approximately 70 guided treks to choose from – and there are hikes for all fitness and experience levels.

"A quarter of the hikes [this year] are brand new," said Martin. "For people who have been participating for a few years, it takes a few years to get around to all the hikes that you might be interested in."

Each hike is themed, and many try to incorporate local heritage and tourism – such

as culinary tourism – in the tour. For example, one hike is a trek around Minden, with planned culinary stops along the way.

Other examples include To Dye For, a hike on the trails at the Bonnie View Inn to discover what people of the past may have used to colour their cloth, and Up Green's Mountain, a more rigorous, rocky hike in Highlands East.

Non-hikers can still enjoy what the festival has to offer. There are several events scheduled throughout the festival, including music concerts – performances by Betty and the Bobs, and Astrid Young – dinners, and an unveiling at the sculpture forest.

"We have a [festival] opening on the Thursday night [Sept. 17] called Hike It Up," said Martin. "It's designed for people who might not be very adventurous when it comes to hiking, so this is a visual feast of the landscapes and natural places where you can go if you're a hiker. And then we'll have presentations ... from people on hiking

adventures."

Haliburton's Biggest Picnic Ever will happen on Sept. 20 in Head Lake Park.

"It closes the festival," he said. "You can bring your own picnic or buy it there, bring a picnic blanket, there will be a fashion show, live music, games and some exhibitors, vendors and performers."

Hikers may even find musical surprises at their hikes. Martin said musicians will be performing at the beginning of half a dozen hikes throughout the festival.

In an attempt to engage youth in this year's festival, Martin has included a number of family friendly hikes, as per usual. But he has also set up an adventure challenge for participants aged 16-30 years old.

"It's a combination of hiking and canoeing," he said. "Along the hike, there are some expedition challenges, like putting up a tent, start a fire, tie some knots, that sort of thing. When the challengers finish those tasks, they make their way back. It's a combination of

completing tasks and timing."

The adventure challenge is limited to 10 teams of two competitors.

Lastly, now until the end of September, families can participate in Take a Hike, Eh.

"It's designed for youth and children to get involved," said Martin. "Essentially, it's a hiking journal and you try to get out as many times as you can with friends, family, and schools, and log as many kilometres as you can."

A complete journal earns hikers a certificate and they will be eligible to win a hiking backpack stocked with hiking gear and resources.

"There are lots of different dimensions to [the festival]," said Martin. "We're hoping to attract both hikers and non-hikers, and maybe someone will be inspired."

For more information on Hike Haliburton, or to sign up for hikes, visit experiencehaliburton.com/hike-haliburton.

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