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**MOVING ON:** Graduating students from Haliburton's School of Art + Design celebrate their accomplishment at the convocation ceremony last week. From left, Shalagh Jayde Wigmore, Julie Smoodie, Megan Taylor, Tobelle Warren Yeo, Amanda White, Jamila Rahmani. See story on page 9

## Hot property market needs more listings

**By Colin MacKenzie**  
Acting editor

Want to sell your cottage or home?

A listings drought means county real estate agents will be even happier than usual to talk to you.

Sales are up and prices are up but there are fewer properties on the market this year.

"It started to surge last summer, extended into the fall," said Andrew Hodgson of Century 21 in an interview, "and it's kept on going this spring."

"We were so strong into even December with the late start to winter that when the spring started strong there just wasn't the inventory that we're used to," he said.

Another factor was the long winter, according to Linda Baumgartner of Re/Max North Country Realty.

"People usually like to list around the end of March, in time for the Cottage Life show, but with winter extending through April, many have been holding off," she said.

Anthony vanLieshout of Royal LePage throws in another reason: "People know that prices are rising so they're hanging back before they put themselves on the market."

The latest numbers show that there have been 286 transactions so far this year, as opposed to 243 last year, an increase of almost 20 per cent. A third of those sales came in May.

And prices are up by five to 10 per cent, van Lieshout said.

The strong market means that agents are seeing something new, said Peter Brady, the principal of Trophy Properties.

"We're seeing multiple offers," he said, "and that almost never happens up here."

As well, he said, there have been more and more instances of people going online, finding a listing and phoning the selling agent directly, without finding their own agent first.

"It's the millennials," he said. "They go fast and furious; they want it all and they want it now."

"When we get a listing, we'd expect to

have it up for as much as six months. Now they're going in weeks."

The most active sector is the \$250,000 to \$400,000 price range, he said, a point echoed by Baumgartner.

"When there is a new cottage listing at \$400,000 or under right now, it gets a lot of attention right away, and they have been selling quickly," she said, instead of the historically typical 90 to 120 days.

But for the longer term, it's still the baby boomers who will drive the Haliburton market, said Hodgson.

"I'm bullish on the county," he said, citing its hospitals, the college, privacy of

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## Low taxes attracting baby boomers

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waterfront properties and low taxes, as the factors that will be attracting boomers nearing retirement.

And that may come sooner than later, he suggested, as Torontonians cash out while prices are high in the city.

Brady says local demand is also often driven by children splitting the sale proceeds of a pricey family cottage in Muskoka and coming east for a better deal.

And on the selling side, vanLieshout says the most common reason for selling waterfront property has remained the same for the 31 years he has been in the business: "It's age, the kids aren't coming up any more, they're in Vancouver or Hong Kong, and two properties are just too much to handle."

Meanwhile on the cottage rental side of the business, shortage of inventory is even more acute.

They stopped taking requests at Cottage Care Rentals and

Property Management three weeks ago "because we have nothing to rent," said Cheryl McCombe.

The popularity of cottage rentals has soared in recent years said her partner Don Critchley.

"There are many factors, but there is the need for income from kids who trying to keep the cottage and put more weeks up to rent, along with older folks still affected by the 2008 recession and the toll it took on investments," he said.

And on the demand side, the low Canadian dollar, the popularity of multi-generational vacations, the scarcity and price of traditional resorts and the nostalgic desire to replicate 'the summer at the lake' experience, are all factors, said McCombe.

Hodgson and Baumgartner both said they are seeing signs that the listing shortage may be coming to an end.

"It all balances out," said Hodgson, "and we're starting to see it pick up. We've been getting about 12 new listings a week in the last few weeks."

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# Highlander news

## Partnership to reduce collisions with wildlife

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

Feeding deer near roadways can be fatal. Not just for deer, but motorists as well.

In the past four months there have been 61 collisions with wildlife in Haliburton County. About 90 per cent involve deer, said David May of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

"It was interesting for me to learn, when I moved to the area about two-and-a-half years ago, that Haliburton County ranks second next to Manitoulin Island for vehicle collisions with deer," May told county council at a meeting last week.

The number of collisions dropped between 2014 and 2015 from 205 to

152. But many go unreported, he said.

Two years ago, the MNRF began discussions with the OPP and the Ministry of Transportation to develop a Deer Motor Vehicle Collision Reduction Partnership.

It began as a

result of a complaint about deer feeding near roadways from a driver who hit a deer on Highway 118 near Loon Lake. He and his wife were not injured, but the vehicle sustained extensive damage.

"In this case, we had had an opportunity to come together with connected objectives," he said of the partnership.

The groups were able to share data with each other, including statistics from the OPP on local collisions with wildlife.

As for public awareness, May said three or four joint press releases have been issued this year.

"Those have been targeted to specific times of the year," she said.

Some of the other work done to date

has included enhanced brush-cutting at deer hot spots and exploring opportunities with the Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario.

"The Ontario association recommends that we work with our local [insurance] brokers. We've started to identify who those folks might be and still see there's an opportunity there because of insurance implications, both personal injury and a result of property damage."

Ongoing efforts include targeted signage through the MTO's Roads Safety Community Partnership Program, data sharing and analysis and enhanced brush-cutting in hot spots.

It will be difficult to gauge the success of the program because of the constant change in the deer population and number of motorists.

County Warden Carol Moffatt recalled an incident in Algonquin Highlands from a couple of years ago in which a fire truck collided with a deer while en route to a call. The accident happened in an area where they were being fed.

"People need to think about what their actions are and how those actions might be spinning out in the community," said Moffatt.

Conservation officers have visited residents near deer feeding sites, said May. They've been told not to feed them, and that they should instead pack down the trails for them in the winter.

Councillor Suzanne Partridge suggested going back to these residents to see if their habits have changed.

Almost 13,000 collisions with wildlife occurred on roads and highways in Ontario in 2011.

*People need to think about what their actions are and how those actions might be spinning off into the community.*

**Carol Moffatt**  
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# Editorial opinion

## Let's get over it

The protracted struggle between the Trillium Lakeland District School Board and its high school teachers has many puzzling elements.

There's a strike on, don't you know, but it is among the most peculiar strikes I've seen.

The direct impact on students and parents appears to be the fact that comments on report cards are confined to 'good job' instead of usual paragraph or two.

And in the meantime, the two sides are hurling press releases at each other and had an expensive little battle at the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

That ended two weeks ago. The union apparently won, and now it's back to square one with the two sides awaiting a provincial mediator to become available to resume bargaining.

So what's going on?

The context of teacher negotiations has changed in the last two years as the province imposed its centralizing ways on the process. The big issues - think money - were settled last August in province-wide talks. That left Ontario's boards to work out local issues in separate agreements.

Only three boards have failed to conclude their talks: Rainy River, Toronto, and us.

From the outside, the issues look minor. Procedures around performance reviews are the biggie in Haliburton; it's seniority rights in Rainy River; and the Toronto union wants its own safety audits in schools. The board wants reimbursement for the \$500,000 it spends every year to cover local executives off on union business.

Hardly earth-shattering stuff.

But there's another factor at play in the local dispute, and it centres on Earl Manners, the head of human resources for the Trillium board for the last nine years.

He's a charming, personable guy with a history.

For eight turbulent years he was the president of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation. Beginning in 1995 he was the public face for high school teachers as they fought against the Mike Harris government and its hostility to public education.

Now he's on the other side, and the word 'turncoat' is bandied about regularly on teacher chat sites.

Manners isn't allowed to talk, and the board spokeswoman said there would be no comment about the matter.

But in a recent CBC interview with Matt Galloway he cheerfully acknowledged that he remains a polarizing figure.

And he noted, the union hostility runs deeper than the obvious matter of changing sides.

The folks running the OSSTF these days are the ones who spent many hours denouncing him for excessive moderation as he fought the Conservatives 20 years ago.

So it's personal.

And that's never a good thing in collective bargaining.

So let's get over it, folks, get back to the table before this low-level work action escalates and the kids start to suffer.

(It's sad for both sides that the union says teachers won't be part of graduation festivities later this month.)

With the school year nearing an end, the summer is the perfect time to get beyond personalities and get a deal.

A footnote: There's a similar subplot in Rainy River, which is home to Paul Elliott, the current union president, which gives the OSSTF added motivation to play tough.



By Colin MacKenzie

## Welcome to the new world

Without question the news that a Syrian refugee family would be coming to Haliburton County sometime in mid 2016 rippled through the community.

I say "rippled" because, like waves on the ocean, ripple doesn't equate to good or bad. It just is. This is not to imply that there has noticeable negativity towards the family's imminent arrival but, like all exotic things that transform a community at a pace some aren't ready for, change often takes some getting used to.

The thinking behind the perceived downside of new residents to the community isn't hard to understand. Such disdain for newcomers isn't reserved for people who have to cross an ocean to get here. People settling in the area from urban centres like Toronto also occasionally encounter this sort of attitude. The thinking goes: Feel free to visit all you want but as for living here full time, that's another matter altogether.

People of this ilk guard Haliburton they same way they defend Canada, somehow feeling that it's their divine birthright to decide who stays and who goes which is meant to sound noble but is in fact a severely dated notion. There is also the argument that says we should look after our own first before we even think of helping out those abroad.

Again the thinking is based on the archaic notion of us versus them, as if certain problems are ours and certain problems are theirs and that we need to look after our own backyards before we even dream of cleaning up someone else's.

At the core of this rationale is a perverse sense of decency and a loyalty to the tradition they were brought up in. It's not they necessarily hate you, just they love us more. Sure, at times, there's some full blown ugly xenophobia on display but, for the most part, it speaks more to ignorance than any sort of malice. People who feel this way either don't know or don't want to know and like it or not, will soon have to face that grey area in their mind that has somehow equated newcomers to intruders.

What you will find with people like this

though is that their issues run deeper than just simple immigration matters. It's highly likely to include change

of any kind, whether it's newcomers or computers. In their mind at least all change is the villain. Newcomers to the area are just another symptom. The world - in this case literally - is moving faster than they can get a grasp on.

Personally I find the microcosm of the new Haliburton County to be fascinating. The new mosaic (a pretty way of saying "multiculturalism") of the area is like a real time case study happening right in front of our eyes. What's particularly intriguing is how this new world is infiltrating our old world. The racial diversity they thought was strictly for the urban areas has crept up into this little haven and frankly it scares some people. Change is now the villain.

What's lost in all this irrational fear and worry is some really key points that need to be made and understood. First off, a family in trouble and exiled from their own country will find happiness and a new home in place most of us take for granted. They are fleeing a place in turmoil for one of the nicest, most decent and principled places on the planet.

Make no mistake, it's as much about arriving somewhere as it is about leaving somewhere.

And the place they are coming to is the same place someone in your family, some long time ago, also came to for more or less the same reasons. Canada - in fact the entire Western world - is all about immigrants coming to a new world, the only difference being that your boat left a lot earlier.

Lastly, and most importantly, it's vital to note that these people are not coming to take what you have, they're coming to share in what you have and any decent human being and just society would do the same thing in return regardless of who, what or where. The least we can do is welcome them with both open arms and open minds.



By Charlie Teljeur

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# Editorial opinion

## weeWisdom

### An ode to the bike

John F. Kennedy once said, “nothing compares to the simple pleasure of riding a bike.”

I tend to agree.

I love to bike. I think I always have. They say you never forget how to ride a bike but somehow I feel I need a little refresher every spring, right after I retrieve my bike from the back of the garage. The anticipation of riding after a long winter and the freedom that comes with it is a great feeling. No noise, no thoughts, just you and your bicycle.

I remember learning to ride a bike. It’s one of those memories that we all share. Like when our parents helped keep the handlebars straight while running beside us after the training wheels were removed. This was followed by screams of joy as we wobbled down the road. With my leg still in a cast from my tobogganing accident, I missed the opportunity to ride my bike. I am eagerly awaiting the cast’s removal so I can hop on my bike and ride. Sure, I may scrape my knee from an epic crash but it will be worth it! Those elbow and knee wounds are badges of honour; your battle scars for being a fearless biker.

Recently I had the opportunity to interview avid local cyclist Sean Pennylegion about his love for the two-wheeled vehicle. He has been cycling for more than 60 years and can’t remember not riding a bike. Pennylegion travelled all over the world with his Aquila bicycle to countries such as Cambodia, Vietnam,

Cuba, Australia, Europe, the UK and more! When I asked him what his favourite memory of riding is, he answered, “riding behind my wife through a herd of water buffalo in Laos.” Doesn’t that sound amazing! Like the cover of a National Geographic magazine!

There are lots of great places for cycling in Haliburton County. The Rail Trail is great for beginners. It’s pretty flat and you can ride all the way to Kinmount from Haliburton, catch a movie and ride back. It will make for a long day but you will get some great exercise, save on gas, hang with friends and enjoy the scenery.

Another great cycling activity in our county this year is Biodiversity Cycles. When I spoke with Pamela Marsales, one of the event organizers, she described it as a nature hike from the seat of your bike. The event takes place on June 26 and is free for participants. It sounds like a great way to observe nature while experiencing the great outdoors with friends.

Wherever you choose to pedal, remember to be safe, wear a helmet, and have a tasty snack and a bottle of water nearby.

Riding a bike is healthy, fun and a low-impact form of exercise for all ages. If you have never cycled before, never fear. There are always teachers in need of a student and a bike in need of rider.



By Anabelle Craig

## PHOTO OF THE WEEK



A couple fishing at Head Lake.

Photo by Alex Coop

### Like a steak to the heart

You know how you feel when you break or ruin something that’s really precious to you; something that for one reason or another means the world to you?

Something new, something old, it can be anything but it’s really special. Do you know where I’m coming from?

That sick feeling in your gut. That hot sweat that breaks out as your heart races because you’re at a loss as to what to do. The dread that fills your body, like a warm pee spreading outwards into a cold swimming pool.

The thing is, you can swim out of the warm pee...

But may be I’m digressing here because heaven knows, I’ve never peed in a swimming pool, hot tub, lake nor ocean before. That would be disgusting, right?

Getting back on topic, I had that feeling this weekend. Not the actual pee thing but the hypothetical one. The feeling of dread because I really had completely ruined something. I’d ‘broken’ it beyond any redemption and now both my lovely wife and Little Z were going to be extremely angry with me.

What to do?

Admit all guilt? Run and hide? Leave

home in just the clothes on my back and without my fishing rods (because grabbing them as I ran would definitely have given the game away that something was seriously up)? My options were limited and not very enticing but I guess I should backtrack a tad and let you in on my misdemeanour.

You see, not more than three weeks ago we, the Joneses, broke the bank and purchased ourselves a new barbecue. Our old one was a bargain basement model that had more than outlasted its time, giving us almost six years of good service. However, just when the weather was beginning to warm up into real barbecuing summeriness it quit, for good.

The burners gave out and one of the wheels fell off in the space of a week, and so, we retired it to behind the shed, where all good self-respecting barbecues go when they die.

Now, the new barbecue is a lot more swish than the old one. It’s bigger to start with and it has fancy silver bits plus stuff that I don’t know how to use like a rotisserie (did I say that right?) and a side burner, for which I have also not yet found any particular use. But it’s got one anyway because all up-and-

coming barbecues have one and we are all rather enamoured with it. In fact, I’d go so much as to say all three of us think the new barbecue is great.

And then it happened. There I was, doing what a fellow does best with a beer in hand at the inaugural cook-off when ‘whoomph!’ In a ball of flame, almost before my eyes (thankfully I had looked away for a moment) ruined.

You guessed it. I burned the steak.

Not any steak but the steak. Two of the steaks, in fact. I was heartbroken.

Now, you may think me melodramatic but as mentioned these steaks were not just any steaks, they were steak from Norm, as in Norm’s Smokehouse. Basically, they are, or were in my case, the best steaks in Haliburton County and possibly anywhere else in the world. Aged to perfection, marbled with ribbons of fat and thick, a good inch at least. Can imagine my abject horror when, after popping them under the new barbecue for just a couple of minutes, I lifted the lid to find them blackened to a charred crisp. Damn that fancy barbecue!

I think I let out a howl because my lovely wife came running.

She stopped short of me as she caught

sight of our dinner, or the cremated remains of it, still smouldering on the grill. Still

somewhat unable to comprehend just what I had done, that sick feeling churning in my stomach, I lifted the ruined meat from the barbecue, put it on a plate and took it into the kitchen. I put the plate on the kitchen counter. My lovely wife scowled at it, the dog sniffed at it and walked off head hung low, so I emptied the whole lot into the garbage.

I began to speak but was interrupted by Little Z calling, “Daddy, is the steak ready yet?” It’s his favourite meal and he insists on coming with me to Norm’s to buy it.

“Daddy ruined the steak,” said my lovely wife, and pouring herself a large glass of the wine that we’d bought to pair perfectly with the meal, she stalked off to the living room.

There were no tears but Little Z’s hangdog expression said all it needed to and I wished that the ground would open up. Dinner, our most favourite dinner, was a disaster and my family hated me.

And I began forlornly buttering bread for cheese sandwiches.



By Will Jones

## TheOutsider

# Highlander opinions

## Eye on the street: *What is your ideal outside temperature during the summer?*



**Braydin Hollows**  
Lochlin

I prefer 33 degrees and an ice cold beer by my side!



**Margaret Watson**  
Minden

Twenty nine degrees. Not too hot, not too cold, but just right. I enjoy being able to sit out by the pool.



**Cassie Clare**  
Minden

Not too hot, not too cold. I kinda like it somewhere in the middle. Warm enough to go outside and enjoy time with the little ones.



**Valerie Davis**  
Minden

My favourite temperature is about 20 degrees. More so spring type weather than summer.



**Ray Ranson**  
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I would say 15 - 25 degrees in September. Not too hot or cold, and no bugs!

*Photos and interviews by Ben Davis*

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## Ridesharing options now available online

It's a convenient way to connect riders and drivers with the click of a mouse or a phone call.

Haliburton's Rideshare website launched two weeks ago. Although traffic to the site has been trickling in, Kate Hall hopes it will take off as the word spreads.

"The seats in our cars that are empty are the biggest transportation asset that we have in the county," said Hall, who is project consultant for the Rural Transportation Options Committee (RTOC). "That's where we can start to work from. There's a sharing economy right now."

The website, haliburtonrideshare.ca, is a free service for people seeking rides throughout the county. It was spearheaded by the RTOC and is part of the Haliburton Community Transportation Project. The site is mobile-friendly.

The committee has almost \$78,000 from the Ministry of Transportation to gather information and create resources for those who need them. It also received more than \$32,000 in in-kind contributions.

On Wednesday, six rides were posted to the website. Two of those were to Coboconk and Guelph.

"It's thinking about using our transportation assets in different ways and meeting those needs of folks that may be most vulnerable, may be isolated ..." Hall said.

Ridesharing involves two or more travellers sharing a ride in a private vehicle, as opposed to carpooling which involves regular travel to the same place.

People who don't have the Internet, a computer or aren't tech-savvy can call a toll-free number at 1-844-771-7433 for assistance.

"We wanted to make sure that there was somebody in place, our navigator," she said.

Tina Jackson was hired for that role. She can guide people through the process from start to finish. (Mark Arike)

## Belleville man dies in car crash

A 64-year-old man from Belleville died in a car crash on Highway 118 west of Hadlington Road in Highlands East.

The man has been identified as Gerald Pope.

The Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) along with Highlands East Fire Department and Haliburton County Paramedics responded to the incident just after 6 p.m. May 25.

Early stages of the OPP investigation revealed that a Kia Rondo was traveling east bound on the highway just when it left the roadway and struck a rock cut.

Pope was the lone occupant of the vehicle.

The OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigators (TTCI) attended the scene and is assisting with this ongoing investigation. (Alex Coop)



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### Minden crash puts two in hospital

A 64-year-old man and a 29-year-old woman are in the hospital with serious injuries after their vehicle rolled on May 29 in Minden.

Haliburton Highlands OPP, Haliburton County Paramedics and the Minden Hills Fire Department responded to the single motor vehicle collision on Deep Bay Road just after 2 p.m.

The OPP's Technical Traffic Collision Investigation Unit attended the scene to assist with the investigation.

The male driver, who is from Minden Hills, was heading northbound in a Corvette and entered the west ditch after crossing the centre line. The vehicle rolled and came to rest on private property.

Neither victim has been identified. The woman is from East Gwillimbury and both were transported by ORNGE air ambulance to a Toronto-area hospital.

The investigation is ongoing. *(Alex Coop)*



Photo by Harrison Perkins

What remains of a Corvette sits on the side of the road after rolling over on Deep Bay Road.

### Kennisis fire causes \$150,000 in damage

Eleven Dysart firefighters couldn't save a cottage that burst into flames on Amber Island, located on Kennisis Lake, on Tuesday morning.

No one was hurt, but the damage is estimated at \$150,000. "It wasn't suspicious," said Dysart fire Chief Miles Maughan.

When firefighters arrived just before noon, the building had already collapsed. People reported hearing an explosion. No one was at the cottage.

"It wasn't an explosion that caused

the fire," said Maughan. "The fire was burning and there were paint cans and stuff exploding."

Efforts were focused on keeping the fire from spreading to the bush. The cause of the fire will remain unknown, mainly because all evidence was destroyed. The Office of the Fire Marshal was contacted, but will not be conducting an investigation.

Maughan said they usually investigate under suspicious circumstances. Maughan went to the property with incoming chief Mike Iles yesterday. They discovered two hot spots and doused them with water. He believes the owners have insurance. Amber Island is located on the south side of Kennisis Lake. *(Mark Arike)*

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# Highlander news

## Minden's renewable energy plan on hold

By Alex Coop

Staff writer

A renewable energy policy for the Municipality of Minden Hills is having a hard time getting the final nod from council, despite six months of planning and in-depth discussions by members of the township's Renewable Energy Task Force.

Leading the way for the taskforce is councillor Pam Sayne, who said she's puzzled why council hasn't fully supported the draft policy the task force has created.

"It's important we get something, especially for Minden Hills, that says we support renewable energies because we haven't seen that at all yet as a council," Sayne said after a May 12 council meeting, where members of the task force presented their renewable energy policy.

The township approved a request to proceed with the recruitment for members for a new Renewable Energy Task Force in September after a number of renewable energy projects, including eight proposed projects by Toronto's Abundant Solar Energy Inc., were turned down by council.

A lack of background knowledge and resources made it difficult to make informed decisions about the proposed

projects, Sayne said, which ultimately led to the creation of the nine-member task force.

Councillors supported the policy in principle May 12, but Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin had concerns.

"There are two things here that haven't evolved yet," Devolin said, pointing to

*Any municipality that doesn't jump on the renewable energy bandwagon to de-centralize their grid is going to be the big loser.*

**Brian Nash**

Owner,  
Haliburton Solar and Wind

the provincial carbon tax framework and the federal government's carbon reduction strategy, neither of which have been ratified but contain ambitious long-term goals for reducing greenhouse gasses.

"I think before the finalization of this policy, we probably need to know more about the components of the

government's overall strategy and know where they are going," he added.

Sayne responded by saying a framework is necessary at a municipal level in order to provide council a framework for how to approach topics relating to renewable energy, and that currently, no such framework exists.

She also acknowledged the complicated web of energy policies that overlap across provincial and federal guidelines, but explained how the task force had been considering them during its meetings.

"As federal and provincial programs change frequently, the committee decided to create a policy that would not be indirect reliance of the present government programs. This policy is representing our local concerns," she told The Highlander after the meeting.

The policy drafted by the task force includes key topics that relate to renewable energy proposals, such as road access, storm water issues and concerns from the general public.

It also contains various guidelines for the best ways to stimulate public discussions about renewable energy and a flow chart that highlights the economic impact potential renewable energy projects would have on different parts of the community.

It's crucial that this policy is implemented by council, said Brian Nash,

one of the task force's members.

"It's like if you're planning on building a house, if you don't put anything down on paper all you end up doing is talking about what kind of house you want and nothing actually gets done," the owner of Haliburton Solar and Wind said. "So this policy just sets up a construct and a framework that council can use to make decisions and modify based on the whims of the provincial and federal government."

Over the past several months, major developments in how renewable power is stored have transpired, Nash said, which is a reflection Ontario's dedication to create a new and improved electricity system called Smart Grid.

"The Liberal government is hell bent to create it, and it's costing us a lot of money and raising hydro costs ... but at the end of the day they are totally committed to making it happen and it will help us develop innovative ways to manage our power and put power back into the grid during peak times."

Municipalities that don't find ways to implement energy projects into their electrical grid will lack energy security for the future, Nash added.

"Any municipality that doesn't jump on the renewable energy bandwagon to de-centralize their grid is going to be the big loser."

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# Highlander news



Photo by Alex Coop

The Haliburton School of Art and Design celebrates its largest-ever graduating class during its convocation ceremony.

## Fleming celebrates Haliburton's largest ever graduating class

By Alex Coop  
Staff writer

Fleming College's smallest campus celebrated its largest-ever convocation ceremony in a packed Great Hall last Friday in Haliburton.

More than 170 students were eligible to receive certificates and diplomas this year after completing one of the school's 13 arts and environmental programs, and in her address to the graduates, Brigitte Gall encouraged students to not take their foot off the gas pedal.

"Wait your turn, and you'll never get a chance," she told graduates. "Don't wait for someone to agree or confirm for you what you already know inside."

Gall, an actor, writer and producer who has traveled the globe since graduating from California's American Academy of Dramatic Arts, suggested graduates pursue goals off the beaten path.

Her final word of advice brought the house down.

"Don't worry about what other people are doing ... and don't listen to the people who will tell you, and they will, 'oh that little crafty and artsy thing you do is so great.'"

Haliburton's convocation ceremony was the first one in 2016 for school president Tony Tilly, who told guests it was great to see his smallest campus have so much support behind it.

"It's a great time of celebration here at this campus, which is the perfect combination of small and large," he said, referring to the campus' size and the growing number of programs the school now offers.

"It did start out as the Haliburton School of the Arts ... and it's had a number of chapters throughout its history and it's



Photo by Alex Coop

School president Tony Tilly addresses the graduating class.

developed over the years."

Tilly said the Haliburton campus' emphasis on design, reflected by the school's recent name change to the Haliburton School of Art +Design, is an example of a new and exciting direction in education.

"Design and art are not parallels, and design is not exclusive to the arts," he said. "It crosses many disciplines."

The graduating class' valedictorian, Nikole Wingrove, expressed her

appreciation for the students she worked with and the experiences they shared.

"We came into this college with varying degrees of skill, experience, knowledge, and of course, opinions. This campus is a special place. It's a place where a passion for creativity, growth and acceptance is encouraged.

"Haliburton has been my home for 21 years and at some point in your life's journey, you made it yours as well."



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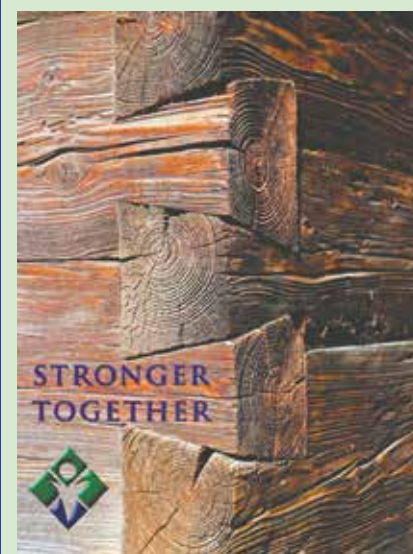
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# Highlander news

## County appeals to ombudsman on OPP billing

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

County council wants Ontario's ombudsman to investigate the OPP's billing model.

On Tuesday, County Warden Carol Moffatt said she was about to put her stamp of approval on a letter of complaint that will be sent to Paul Dube's office in Toronto.

"The OPP issue has not been easy," said Moffatt in an interview.

"Even if you were a winner or loser, the general consensus was we're not going to move the needle any further on the billing reform and the focus now needs to be on trying to influence or change the overall costs of policing. If you can reduce the costs of policing, then that will affect your per household costs and calls for service," she said.

It's been almost 18 months since the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services implemented a new billing model for municipalities. The model

was revised from a 73/23 per cent split between a base cost and calls for service to a 60/40 ratio.

In 2012, the auditor general determined the varying costs were not fair and that the model needed to be changed.

While some municipalities saw their policing bill drop, others saw their bill skyrocket. Haliburton County was one of the areas hardest hit, with costs going from about \$3.3 million per year to almost \$5.6 million.

The government tried to soften the blow with a five-year phase-in, which came into effect in January of 2015.

"The County does recognize that there were historical problems with the previous allocation of costs and that changes were, in fact, necessary," states a draft of the letter. "The Province's Auditor General and many municipalities had identified the need for a more equitable method of allocating costs. We do not believe, however, that the revised formula is fair or transparent."

The county has found it difficult to "achieve any success in lobbying for more revisions to the formula" even with the help of several municipal associations.

One of the main concerns with the formula is that base costs are allocated on a per household basis that includes residential units, farmlands and seasonal dwellings. Its calculation includes fully occupied commercial and industrial properties, which the county believes is unfair for several reasons.

For example, seasonal households are currently viewed the same as year-round properties.

"Our seasonal residences are only occupied five

months of the year, and many are not even accessible during the winter months," the letter reads.

"This problem is compounded with waterfront properties which have much higher market value assessments and consequently pay a proportionately higher share for a service that they do not access for much of the year."

Another concern is that industrial and commercial properties with multiple

findings have shown it's often a more expensive option, especially because of start-up costs.

Muskoka spent \$10,000 to hire a consultant to produce a 39-page report on self-policed communities and the cost for each. The county has not conducted its own study.

"While we're not dismissing the idea of starting our own police force, it's not on the table at the moment because there are other things we should be doing first," she said.

It was just last month that Murray Fearrey, Dysart reeve and county councillor, recommended taking the fight to the ombudsman.

"It just comes out of frustration," said Fearrey. "We've been raising the issue now for some time, and many other counties too. It just seems to be that there's nobody paying any attention to it and their mind is made up."

County CAO Mike Rutter has been in contact with the ombudsman's office since council decided to file a complaint. Although he doesn't know if an investigation will commence, he is optimistic based on his phone calls.

"They certainly haven't discouraged us from submitting a formal letter," said Rutter, adding "they're an office of last resort" when other efforts fail.

"The feedback has been positive," he said.

Rutter's understanding is the letter will go to senior management, who will then decide whether the matter should be pursued. He expects a decision will be reached fairly quickly.

The ombudsman's office oversees and investigates the provincial government, including about 1,000 broader public sector bodies, provincial ministries, Crown corporations, tribunals, agencies, boards and commissions. The office receives more than 23,000 complaints per year, according to its website.

*This problem is compounded with waterfront properties which have much higher market value assessments ...*

### Letter to Ombudsman

tenants are only considered one unit. These properties, such as a strip mall, may have multiple tenants that could generate a significant demand for policing services.

Last is that a charge per household "incorrectly assumes that equal services are delivered in each of the municipalities."

There are many people who don't think the county has done enough to address the flawed model and that an independent police force is the way to go, said Moffatt. But it's not that simple.

"There are still an awful lot of people who think that we should 'just start our own police force' as if it was like starting a bowling league. It's far more complicated than that," she said.

The county has consulted with neighbouring communities, such as Muskoka, to determine the viability of starting its own force. However, those



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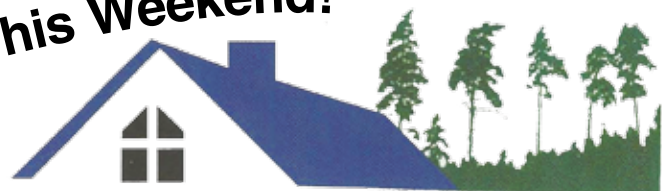
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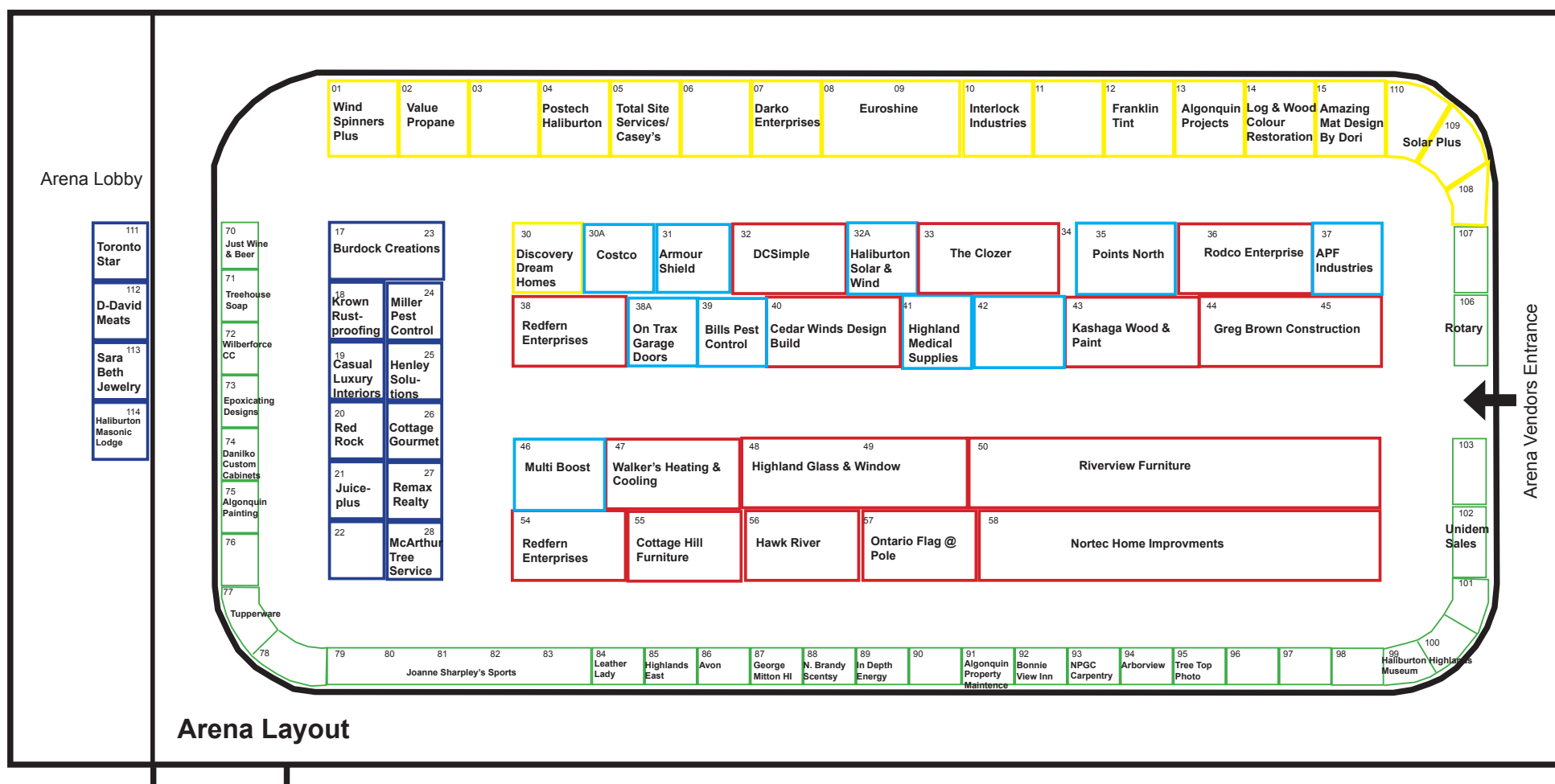
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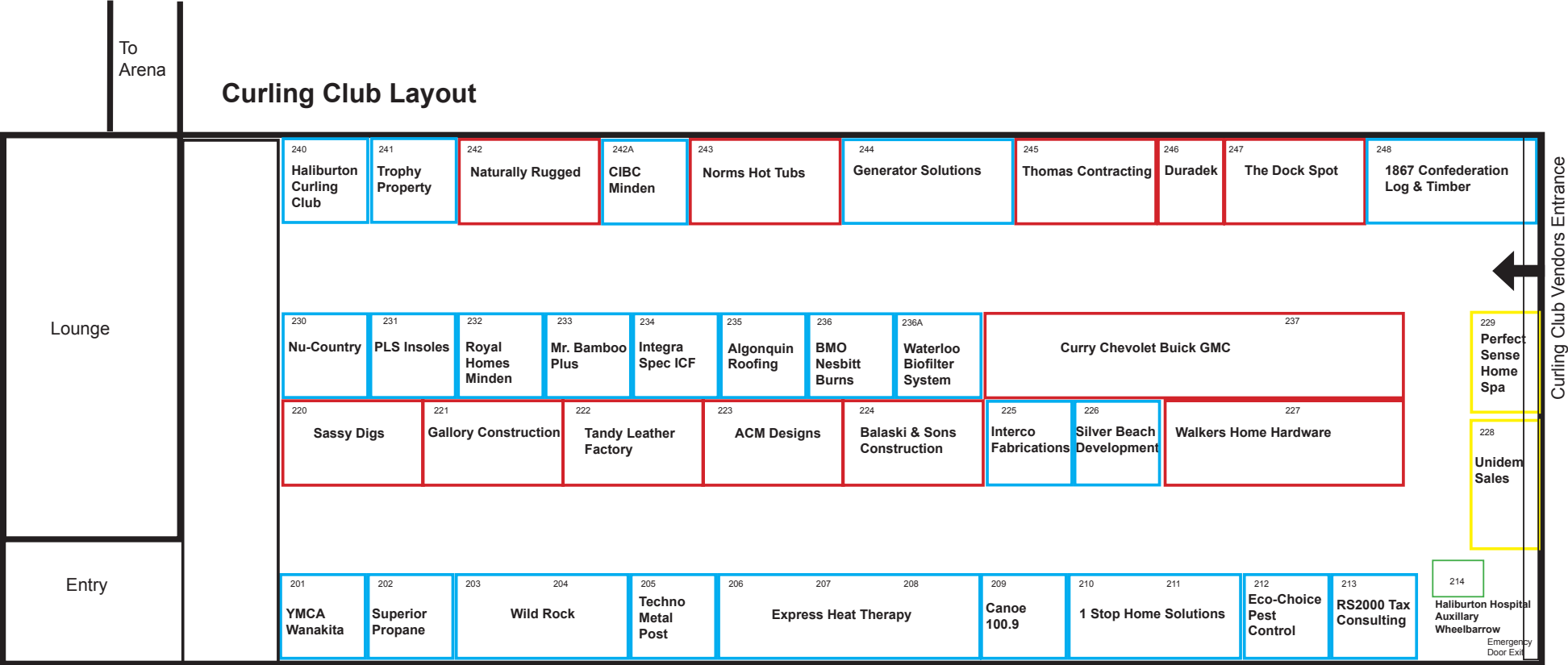
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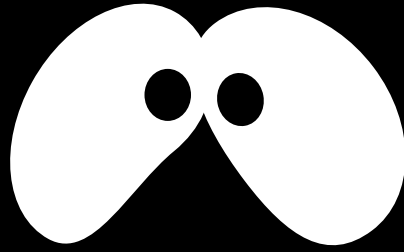
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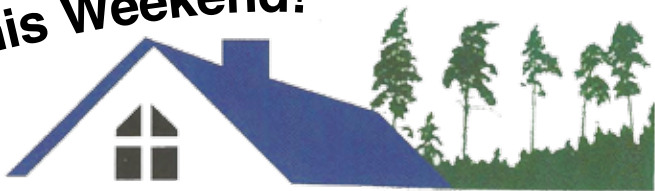


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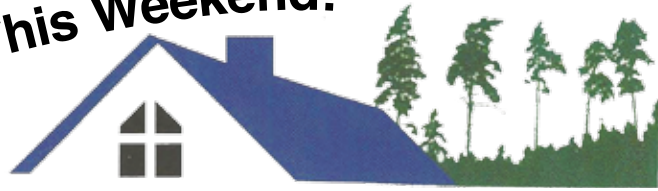
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# Highlander news

## Another gold medal beer for Boshkung Brewery

By Jennifer Hughey

Contributing writer

A Czech proverb reads “wherever beer is brewed, all is well and wherever beer is drunk, life is good.”

After being awarded a gold medal at the Canadian Brewing Awards this past weekend for having the best cream ale in Canada, the brewing staff at Boshkung Brewing Co. couldn't agree more.

The local craft brewery, located in Carnarvon, took gold for its location-inspired brew, 35 & 118 Cream Ale, at the 14th annual Canadian Brewing Awards (CBAs) Saturday.

Founding brewmaster Johnny Briggs said they decided early on that 35 & 118 would be the brewery's ‘flagship beer’.

“The Ontario highway signs ... invoke a lot of symbolism of cottage country to those who call the region home, be it year-round or for just a sparse few getaways in the summer.”

The gala was part of the Canadian Craft Brewers Conference that took place in Vancouver last week and head brewer and operations manager Brent Milcz was on hand to accept the award.

It's not the first time Boshkung Brewing Co. has been recognized.

It won gold for its North Country Kellerbier and silver for 35 & 118 at the CBAs in 2015. This is its second award this year; Black Rock Dark Ale won silver at the Ontario Brewing Awards.

“We now have three Canadian brewing awards and one Ontario brewing award,” said Terri Mathews-Carl, who owns Boshkung Brewing Co. and Rhubarb Restaurant with her husband Christoph.

Mathews-Carl said they submitted beer for a panel of approximately 40 certified beer judges to consider based on five criteria – aroma, appearance, flavour, mouth-feel, and overall impression.

“The judges taste all beers blindly and score each one,” she said.

The CBAs judge brewers and cideries of all sizes in Canada in what the CBAs website calls “the only truly nationally sanctioned competition of its kind in Canada.” The awards also recognize a Canadian Brewery of the Year, Beer of the Year and Educator of the Year.

Briggs said 35 & 118 was the first beer



Photo by Emily Collins

Head brewer and operations manager Brent Milcz accepted the gold Canadian Brewing Award for Boshkung Brewing Co. this past weekend in Vancouver.

brewed when they got the brewery up and going.

“We brewed our first production batch before we ever had a chance to test the recipe on a smaller scale,” he said. “But we liked what we had on day one and kept it mostly that way since.”

“We wanted this beer to be something

that belonged dockside, [that] was flavourful and interesting,” Briggs told *The Highlander* “Something that would be the approachable ‘go-to’ beer for customers walking in the store.”

“The cream ale is a great, easy-drinking beer,” Mathews-Carl said, noting that it's perfect for any food pairing or party and

one of the brewery's most popular choices.

“We are so thrilled with the exposure this brings to Haliburton County,” she said, “and the jobs it helps us create ... it's fantastic!”

For more information on their other craft beers visit [boshkungbrewing.com](http://boshkungbrewing.com).



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### And the lucky winner is ...

Long-time Haliburton cottager Heinz Rieger is \$20,000 richer because of this year's Cash for Care lottery. Peter Oyer (pictured left), chair of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF), pulled one of Rieger's six tickets during the grand prize draw on May 27 at the Haliburton hospital.

The fourth annual lottery netted about \$20,000 for the new palliative care centre, which will be located at the Haliburton hospital. The project is yet to receive final approval from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

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# Highlander arts



## HHSS flexes its creative muscles

By Alex Coop  
Staff writer

A unique combination of drawings, paintings and onstage performances attracted hundreds of people at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Monday.

Residents and students were treated to the arts, music and drama classes' Showcase of the Fine Arts (SOFA).

"We wanted to bring the arts to a level of exposure that other parts of the school get," said the music teacher Ryan Merritt.

Multiple work stations were also set up, allowing guests to get some hands-on experience with block printings and medieval ceramics.

Donations were accepted at the door, which went towards HHSS arts scholarships.

Visual arts student Brynn Meyers had multiple pieces of art on display, including a series of miniatures.

She said she was glad to have an opportunity to showcase her work to both the school population and residents, adding that opportunity wasn't available during her junior years in high school.

Many people who spoke with her said she should be a tattoo artist.

"It wasn't something I expected to hear," she laughed. "Creating art on someone else is not something I think I can do," she said.

The night wrapped up with instrumental, dance and drama performances at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.



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Top: Brynn Meyers stands next to her art station. Above left: Noelle Russell's sunset painting. Above right: Adrien Petric plays the trumpet during a jazz ensemble.

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# Highlander arts

## A tribute to Pete Seeger

By Colin MacKenzie

Acting editor

Spook Handy came late to his appreciation of the power and history of folk music, but has evolved into one of its most passionate and articulate practitioners.

And it began 14 years ago when he received a letter from Pete Seeger that changed his life.

The envelope contained a marked up copy of the lyrics to Handy's recently released song *Vote*, a ballad urging people to exercise their franchise to help change the world.

The song reflects many of the issues that drove Seeger's passion for social justice, but it was a flattering surprise for Handy, a young New Jersey singer. Even more flattering was a subsequent request from Seeger to use *Vote* in his own concerts and then an invitation to Handy to join him onstage.

Over the next decade years Handy joined the legendary singer, author of songs like *If I Had a Hammer*, *Turn, Turn, Turn*, and *Where Have All The Flowers Gone*, on stage more than 50 times.

"More than the music, I got lessons in humanity from Pete," said Handy in a phone interview from his home last week.

*More than the music, I got lessons in humanity from Pete.*

Spook Handy  
Musician

He will be bringing that message to Minden next week in a concert centred on Seeger's work and world view. The show is called Remembering Pete Seeger, and Handy has pledged to bring it to all 10 provinces and 50 U.S. states before next May 3, which would have been Seeger's 98th birthday. The singer died two years ago in New York.

"I believe we have all the tools we need to shape our world," the 46-year-old said.

"A belief in a fruitful life helps you lead a fruitful life. If you go around thinking everything sucks, then your life is more likely to suck."

That mantra is reflected in his latest album, titled *Whatcha Gonna Do?*

Those attending the show June 11 can expect a mix of words about Seeger, and his lifelong passion for social justice, along with renditions of his often rousing music.

It's part of the Haliburton County Folk Society Concert Series and takes place at the Minden United Church.

As well, Handy will be giving an afternoon guitar workshop at the church from 2:30 to 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$25, \$20 for students, and can be purchased online a haliburtonfolk.com, at Halco Electronics in Haliburton or the Organic Times in Minden.

## What's Up Scratch one off the bucket list

I've been a music lover for as long as I can remember, but I prefer listening to live music.

There's nothing quite like the energy, ambiance, and visceral dynamics of a live event. Being there, especially in an intimate venue, simply cannot be duplicated electronically.

We're fortunate in the Highlands to have such a wide variety of live music to listen to; country, bluegrass, folk and roots, choral, orchestral, opera, blues, and even on occasion, some jazz. We have many fine instrumentalists in the county, and a few very good song writers. And while unique voices are harder to come by, there are some local singers who can elevate a song to dizzying heights.

I've always wanted to sing. In fact singing with a blues band has been one of the unfulfilled items on my bucket list. A few years ago I mentioned this to my horn-playing friend Hugh Taylor and he subsequently arranged for me to sing a song with Ragged Company one of the local bands that he was playing with at the time.

The band played sets that included a couple of blues numbers and I didn't sound out of place when I sang with them. I was invited to sing several other times with the band, but they already had two very good singers and didn't need another, so I mothballed my idea of singing the blues until another opportunity presented itself.

I'd almost given up hope of ever singing again, then about a month ago Hugh asked me to join him at the Open Mic' at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Open Mic' takes place in the evening of the first Friday of each month, and anyone can get up and perform. On this particular night Hugh had his horn, Dave the emcee had an acoustic guitar, and a young man named Tim produced an accordion. Hugh asked me to get up and sing *Stormy Monday*, a blues classic, penned by T-Bone Walker. So up I got.

The accordion produced a spiritual, mournful wall of sound, and along with Hugh's muted horn the song emerged as a kind of New Orleans funeral dirge. I think T-Bone might have turned over in his grave at the strange

vocal delivery that was, in part, dictated by the odd combination of instruments. It was bizarre but it worked. I really enjoyed the experience, and judging by the applause, so did the audience. Then later Hugh told me that he was rehearsing with a few guys who wanted to form a blues band. With a knowing little grin he asked me if I would be interested in singing. He already knew my answer.

We've had three practices now and I'm like a kid with a new toy. I'm definitely no kid, very far from it, but the blues is about life experiences, and I've had a few of those. But forming a band, as I'm finding out, takes a lot of hard work. After rehearsals I'm baffled, and I've developed a newfound respect for those musicians who devote thousands of hours to honing their craft.

This summer you can be the beneficiary of those hours because there's some very good music happening in the Highlands, including the upcoming bluegrass festival, and roots, blues and jazz events. I'm also promoting a Caribbean fundraising evening in August, which will feature a top-notch reggae band. But more of that later.

I know many people cannot afford to go to a lot of concerts, but there are a few, less expensive gigs on the entertainment calendar, plus freebies like Open Mic,' and Music on the Gull in Minden, the Folk Society's Open Stage and some events at the band shell in Haliburton. So turn off the radio, kill the iPod for a while and support our promoters, pubs, concerts and musicians by going to listen to some great live music.

In the Highlands, live music is a constant, and new bands are coming along all the time, so hopefully, in the not-too-distant future our band might have the pleasure of entertaining you. For now, though, I'm happy to rehearse knowing that I've scratched one more item off my personal bucket list.



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# Highlander arts

## AMUsing night planned to support pregnancy centre

By Jennifer Hughey

Contributing writer

Jennifer Goodwin, executive director for the Highlands Community Pregnancy Care Centre (HCPCC) in Haliburton, felt an evening of fun and laughter would be good for the soul.

And so, Goodwin presented the idea of bringing The AMUsing Tour to Haliburton to her board with the goal of raising funds for the centre's expansion project and client programs.

"We knew that because people like to laugh, an evening of clean comedy would be a huge success," Goodwin told *The Highlander* about the show planned for June 15 at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre.

The centre gives one-on-one support to pregnant women and their families, with a particular focus on those caught in a crisis or unexpected pregnancy situation.

Goodwin said the centre offers free pregnancy tests, information about the options women have at the time of an unplanned pregnancy and ultimately, support.

"Whether it's material support, emotional support, spiritual support, whatever kind of support our client needs – we're here to help," said Goodwin.

The HCPCC offers services for three different scenarios; those who choose to

carry their babies to term and parent, those who choose to carry the baby to term and create an adoption plan, and those who choose to have an abortion.

"We are here to support the client, regardless of what decision she makes," Goodwin said. "We never say, 'sorry we can't help you with that.'"

The volunteers at HCPCC are available to support and help clients explore all their options. But only with the help of donors and fundraising – hence the comedy show.

Headlining are two Canadian

comedians, Leland Klassen and Dan Macaulay.

Klassen was raised on a farm and, according to his bio, learned quickly that shovelling manure and weeding potatoes was not his passion in life. He attended the University of Saskatchewan and graduated with a degree in anthropology instead.

When that didn't lead to a job beyond nightshift stock boy, he decided to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. He wanted to tell clean jokes, despite the trend in the field, and is now recognized as Canada's premier clean

comedian.

Macaulay is an acclaimed singer/songwriter and an eight-time Gospel Music Association Canada Covenant Award nominee. As a pastor for eight years, and having led worship in venues across Canada, the U.S., and internationally for 20 years, he takes that experience with him on the road serving churches of all shapes and sizes.

Kim Ross is a volunteer at the HCPCC and likes to see the clients.

"They can come in as often as they would like to, we like to see them," Ross says in a video on the HCPCC website. "We sit down, have coffee and chat and help them through some of the most important decisions they'll ever make."

Tickets to the AMUsing Tour are \$20 per person and can be purchased at Master's Bookstore in Haliburton, at the Minden Pharmasave, the Pinestone Resort or by calling the HCPCC at 705-457-4673. Tickets will also be available at the door.

The HCPCC also accepts financial donations and gently used baby clothes and items because staff believe that no matter what the situation, women do not have to face it alone.

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# Highlander outdoors



Photo by Alex Coop

From left: Ryan Lakhram, Michael Lizotte, Joshua Henry and Jay Brown.

## Outdoorsmen gather to test their mettle

### Forest hosts first set of challenges

By Alex Coop  
Staff writer

Twelve highly skilled outdoor enthusiasts are competing against the elements and each other in a unique contest that began at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve two weeks ago.

The 12 contestants, who camped together at the reserve for 11 days while completing their challenges, are chasing the title of "Canada's Greatest Explorer" and a \$25,000 cash prize. The challenges will be webcast over the next several months.

Natural backdrops across Canada will play host to their challenges until the competition wraps up later this summer, but according to one of the contestants, their first stop in Haliburton was an outdoorsman's dream.

"We were camped out in a beautiful area and were able to enjoy the sunshine," said Michael Lizotte of Quebec, adding the bugs didn't bother him that much.

"It's worse in Quebec," he laughed.

Lindsay Prajza, account coordinator for Rodmell and Co., the creative agency that has partnered up with the Woods brand to run this competition, said Haliburton Forest was a great place for contestants to familiarize themselves with what's to come.

"[Haliburton Forest] really helped bring out those multi-dimensional outdoorsman qualities this competition is searching for," Prajza said, adding she couldn't talk specifics when it came to the challenges contestants were facing, but those interested in watching the events unfold should tune into woodexplorer.ca in the coming weeks to watch the episodes as they roll out.

Following last year's successful Woods Canada #UltimateDreamJob competition, which saw four lucky Canadians earn the

opportunity to spend five months trekking across the Trans Canada Trail, hundreds applied through social media to become one of the 12 participants in Canada's Greatest Explorer contest.

Each of the contestants felt their home turf and personal background provided them with an advantage.

Saskatchewan-based Jay Brown explained how the rolling plains and thick forests in the northern part of the province helped him prepare for any outdoor situation, while Ryan Lakhram of Alberta said the province's varying landscapes challenged him to prepare for the unknown.

Lizotte pointed to his military training as an added bonus.

Joshua Henry, the lone-Ontarian from the group of 12, said the competition hasn't prevented them from engaging in conversation.

"We come from such different backgrounds ... so there have been several opportunities to share stories," he said.

Hundreds of women applied to compete, but none of them made the top 12.

"The top 12 finalists were decided by fan voting," Prajza explained.

Woods Canada contacted the Forest about two months ago to set the challenges up, said the park's tourism manager Peter Cundall.

"They just wrapped up filming, and everything went very smoothly," he said.

Cundall wasn't allowed to give anything away, but did say the competition involved physical and non-physical challenges.

"It all took place in a natural setting, which is the type of environment we strive to maintain," he said.

Haliburton Forest's general manager Malcolm Cockwell said he was excited to be able to share the park's beauty. "We were thrilled to have the opportunity to host a group that's focused on exploring our incredible natural heritage," he said.

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# Highlander environment



Photos by Alex Coop

From left, Rachael Reddering, Andrew Carmount and Vivian Collings work on their vegetable garden next to Nature's Place in Minden.



## Smaller is smarter when it comes to growing food

### Students look to inspire youth about homegrown food

By Alex Coop

Staff writer

Four students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School have decided to grow their own food and create a global movement to help third world countries do the same.

A small garden next to Nature's Place in Minden has been a second home to Grade 10 student Andrew Carmount, who has been working on it with his fellows for several weeks.

The project stemmed from Louis Cole and Dave Erasmus, a pair of YouTubers who recently embarked on a 30-day tour around the world called The Solvey Project.

The duo's goal is to find social entrepreneurs and provide them with a

financial boost.

At the end of their tour, they will fund seven ideas (or individuals) with a minimum of \$1,000 apiece.

"We decided to call ourselves "one.to.three," a youth-driven organization focusing on a better world by ensuring every person knows how to, and has the ability, to grow their own food," Carmount said.

"We want to connect the first world to the third world, because we believe solving major problems means we shouldn't just be focusing on our problems right here, but looking at ways to solve them in third world countries as well."

With an emphasis on naturally grown food without the use of pesticides or genetically modified organisms (GMOs) the project is also looking to inspire other

young people in the county, and perhaps across the world, to do the same.

"We want this idea to spread everywhere so other youth groups can start growing their own food and realize the importance of it," Carmount said.

Vivian Collings, one of the project's members, said she felt strongly about growing food organically and felt like she was making a difference.

"If we have the capability to grow our own food, we should," she said.

Her team member Rachael Reddering agreed.

"We're against the idea of industrial agriculture," she added.

Haliburton resident John Rogers, who was looking for a worthy initiative to support, according to the cultural centre's curator Laurie Carmount, provided the

one.to.three group with \$1,000 to get the project off the ground.

Laurie said the municipality of Minden Hills has also been a big supporter of the project and even allocated the small bit of property next to Nature's Place to the students.

Merv Johnson Landscaping provided the dirt to plant the various vegetables, she added, which includes peas, lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes and onions.

Anyone between the ages of 14 and 19 interested in helping with one.to.three can contact [andrewcarmount@gmail.com](mailto:andrewcarmount@gmail.com).

"We really want to make sure this project continues to be run by youth," Carmount said.

A video outlining the one.to.three project can be viewed on its YouTube page.

# 152<sup>ND</sup> HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR

[www.haliburtoncountyfair.ca](http://www.haliburtoncountyfair.ca)



Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## DEMONSTRATIONS & ENTERTAINMENT

Throughout the day Saturday.

- ★ Aviation & Forest Fire Emergency Services Fire Prevention Unit
- ★ Wood Processing & Sawmill Demonstrations
- ★ Rope Maker Hands-on Demonstrations
- ★ Antique Milk Wagon Rides
- ★ Ploughing Match (Registration starts at 9:00am)
- ★ Jocelyn Donaldson and Alyssa Bogardis Mounted Games

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00am	Fair Opens
9:00am - 5:00pm	Vendor Booths & Artisans Market Open
9:00am - 5:00pm	Exhibit Building Open (Quonset Hut)
9:00am - 4:00pm	Meet the Animals
9:00am - 5:00pm	Learn Animals Sounds with Tree
10:00am - 3:00pm	Sheep Show / Goat Show / Cow Show
10:00am - 5:00pm	Classic Car Show
11:00am	Pony Pull
11:00am	Mutt Show
11am/12:30pm/2pm	Sheep Shearing Demonstrations
11:30am	Opening Ceremonies
Noon	Beer Tent Opens
Noon	Horseshoe Tournament
1:00pm	Lawnmower Pull
11am/1pm/3pm	Randy Bird Equine Show
3:00pm	Auction Begins
3:30pm	Leroy Nesbitt Memorial Championship Horse Pull
5:00pm	50/50 and Raffle Draw

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## GRANDSTAND ENTERTAINMENT

12:00pm	Rhythmfoot (the Leahy Family)
2:30pm	Stockdale Central & Guests, Wendy Connelly & Linda Robertson
5:00pm - Close	Carl Dixon & Band



## KIDS & YOUTHS EVENTS

9:00am - 4:00pm	Haliburton County Library
9:00am - 5:00pm	Checkers Face Painting
9:00am - 6:00pm	Laser Tag
9:00am - 6:00pm	Hamster Balls
10:00am - 3:00pm	Participation Events (Tug of War, Roll the Hay Bale, Throw the Hay, Nail Driving, Potato Sack Race, Lollipop Pull)
10:00am - 2:00pm	Stage Events (Little Buckaroos Show, Balloon Artist, Library Crafts, Bean Bag Toss, Bucket Ball)
12:30pm	Pedal Tractor Pull
Opens @ 1:00pm	Dunk Tank
2:45pm	Marshmallow & Egg Drop Challenge
4:00pm	Pie Eating Contest



# Highlander sports



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: A golfer putts on the ninth green at Pinestone. Right: A team plays in the 27th Auburn Classic on May 28 at Pinestone. From left, Daniel Rankin, Jim Provost, Doug Jackson and Serge Joncas.

## Golf season heading into full swing

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

Now that all of the local courses are open and the official start of summer is around the corner, golfers have been teeing off.

And so far, business appears to be on par with last season.

Golfers played 1,270 rounds at the Pinestone Resort's 18-hole course this month. That's just only 16 fewer rounds than last year.

"It's been great," said general manager John Teljeur. "We're a little bit down year over year from last year, which was up from the year before."

The course opened at the end of April, earlier than usual. The only hurdle was morning frost.

"We couldn't actually open the course

until 11 a.m.," said Teljeur. "It's great to open up early, but unfortunately we couldn't take full advantage of it."

The owners of the resort, the Aurora family, spent more than \$100,000 on new maintenance equipment, an aerator, greens mower and roller, and \$500,000 for golf carts, he said.

"The golf course, by many people's estimations, is the best the course has looked—ever—at this time of the year."

Teljeur commended the grounds crew, including superintendent Roman Szkilnyk.

The resort will host three fundraiser tournaments, including the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's Matt Duchene Charity Golf Classic on July 21.

The recent May long weekend was good for business at Blairhampton Golf Club in

Minden. But pro shop manager Gord Barter doesn't expect business to hit its peak until the end of June.

"When kids get out of school and people come up for holidays, that's when it really gets busy," said Barter, adding cottagers and visitors make up most of their clientele.

The course is in excellent condition, especially the greens, he said.

Blairhampton is hosting a couple of special events, including the Minden Lions Club tournament on Aug. 7 and the Volunteer Dental Outreach golf tournament on Aug. 25.

This year marks the course's 50th anniversary. There will be something in the works to celebrate, he said.

Beaverbrook Golf Course, also in Minden, opened a week later than usual on May 1. Owner Dave Stephen said the weather

wasn't very good.

"It was just a different spring," said Stephens, referring to the frost and cold temperatures. "We really kind of went from winter to summer."

Business is up slightly from last year, but it's nowhere near as good as it was a few years ago, he said. He believes this is due to visitors cutting back on their spending.

"The economy is off, taxes are high ... things are tight."

A majority of the nine-hole course's business arrives in July and September. But the course is in "fantastic shape" right now.

There are several golf courses in Haliburton County, some of which offer nine holes. Driving ranges include the Haliburton Driving Range and Carnarvon Family Golf.

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# Highlander sports



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## Running away with the competition

Just over 260 athletes were registered for the Haliburton County Track and Field meet on Saturday. These are the overall champions for each age category.

### Midget boys

Isaac Little – JDH, 36 pts

### Midget girls

Samantha Pamplin – JDH, 40 pts

### Bantam boys

Hunter Winder – JDH, 38 pts

### Bantam girls

Christina Barry – JDH, 36 pts

### Atom boys

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### Atom girls

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### Gooderham June Bug Horseshoe Tournament

Saturday, June 25

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Saturday July 16, 2016

### Wilberforce Summer Carnival

Friday, July 29 from 12 pm - 8 pm  
Saturday, July 30 from 12 pm - 8 pm  
Sunday, July 31 from 12 pm - 5pm  
More details to come.

### Keep Our Community Sweeping Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, July 16, 2016

4:30 pm to 7:00 pm Lloyd Watson Center Wilberforce  
Price per adult = \$10 Children 5 - 12 years old = \$5 Children under 5 are FREE.

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# Highlander sports



Photo by Duane Pratt

From left, Robert Boccitto, Skylar Pratt, coordinator Yvette Brauer, Alyssa Whitaker, Jason Cochrane, coach Rick West. In front, Carrie Crego, sporting their gold medals from the Special Olympics Ontario Spring Games.

## Red Wolves win gold at Special Olympics in Guelph

By Jennifer Hughey  
Contributing writer

Five local athletes had a very shiny reason to do a victory dance Sunday.

Members of the Haliburton County Red Wolves Special travelled to Guelph last weekend to compete in the Special Olympics Ontario Spring Games and brought home two gold medals – a team medal for 5-pin bowling and an individual gold for Kinmount resident Carrie Crego, who took top spot for the women's overall pins-over-average score.

More than 900 athletes competed in the games, with Haliburton in the Central Division playing against teams from places like Belleville, Timmins and Ottawa.

"We played six games ... and in each game that we played, we won," said Yvette Brauer, community coordinator for the Special Olympics program in the county.

In 1969, the first Special Olympics Canada event was held in Toronto. Now, more than 17,000 athletes participate in Special Olympics' programs across Ontario alone.

Minden Hills resident Linda Brandon started the Haliburton County Red Wolves in 1996.

"Little communities are wonderful, because we're supportive," Brauer said. Her son Trevor has Down Syndrome, which is how she originally became involved with the program.

Bowling is not the only sport part of the SOO program in the county.

"It all started with 5-pin bowling and then in 2007 we included curling," Brauer said.

"And then in 2010, Haliburton was the first community to host a golf tournament [for SOO]." Softball was added in 2008.

Brauer said of the 35 bowlers, Carrie Crego, 39, Robert Boccitto, 23, Jason Cochrane, 32, Skylar Pratt, 23, and their youngest player, 14-year-old Alyssa Whitaker qualified for SOO's Spring Games. They were accompanied by their coach, Haliburton resident Rick West.

It's the first year that five Red Wolves have attended.

For Skylar Pratt, it was a first. Pratt's entire family, including parents Duane and Tracey, attended to support Skylar and her teammates.

"We are so incredibly proud of our daughter and the rest of the team. They had such a great time and did their best at the competition," Duane told The Highlander. "It was so amazing watching them ... It was so much more than we ever expected."

Duane said Skylar already knows where she will be showcasing her hardware.

"Sky plans to keep her medal hanging in her room along with her other bowling medals," he said. "But this one is just a little more special."

The athletes plan to wear their medals at The Ontario Provincial Police Annual Torch Run on June 25. The parade starts at 10:30 a.m. at the Curling Club in Haliburton, then moves to Kinmount and ends in Minden at the Legion on Highway 35.

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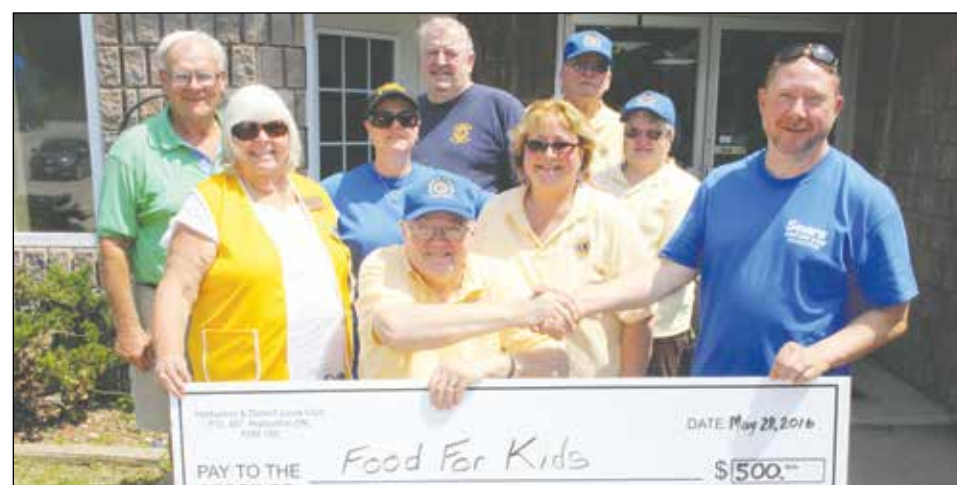
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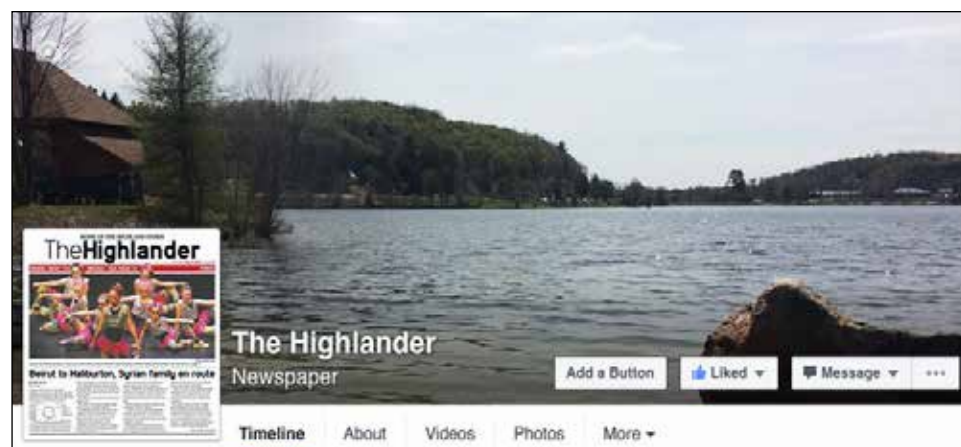
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# Highlander events



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Gary Brohman, local school board trustee and member of the Food for Kids steering committee, keeps the burgers and hot dogs coming. Right: Food for Kids coordinator Aaron Walker, far right, and steering committee member Gary Brohman, far left, accept a cheque for \$500 from members of the Haliburton and District Lions Club.



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## Weekend barbecue a big hit for Food for Kids

**By Mark Arike**  
Staff writer

Local students will continue to receive healthy breakfasts, snacks and lunches thanks to fundraisers such as the Food for Kids Charity Barbecue.

The annual event raised \$8,300 at Sears Haliburton on Saturday. All the money goes to purchase food for the program.

"It's a huge community event," said Aaron Walker, community development coordinator for Food for Kids.

Walker praised store owners Adrian and Wendy Vargas for their instrumental role in growing the event in recent years.

"They put their heart and soul into it, and really built the event," he said.

This was the third year the Vargas hosted the event (ever since they became store owners). In previous years it was much smaller, said Walker.

The Sears parking lot, located off Highway 118 just west of the Village of Haliburton, was abuzz as visitors came to enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs and refreshments. Volunteers from the program's steering committee and family members cooked.

Some of the other festivities included live entertainment from local musicians, a silent auction and classic car show. Food for Kids is an important cause to the Vargas, who

have two children of their own.

"It's become personal," said Adrian. "This is our community and it's become one of those events that it's just the right thing to do. We wouldn't have it any other way."

Although they never seek local donations, the couple is amazed by the generosity from the community. Adrian thanked the businesses for their donations and volunteers for making the event possible.

"Everybody came out to support the cause. I love the town we live in. I really do," he said.

According to Walker, Food for Kids feeds about 1,400 children a week at all seven schools, including Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Fundraising accounts for half of the program's budget while the remainder comes from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Ministry of Children and Youth Services, Breakfast for Learning and Breakfast Club of Canada.

The program costs more than \$75,000 a year and runs five days a week, with the exception of the high school which is three days because of a shortage of volunteers, said Walker.

To find out how you can help visit [foodforkids.ca](http://foodforkids.ca) or call Walker at 705-455-2358.

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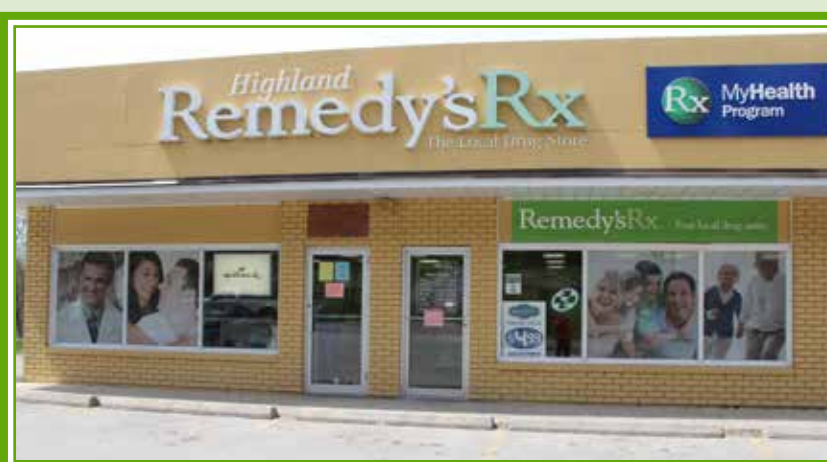
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- File No. SRA-14-12:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 10, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 2, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9438, registered October 11, 2012.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **Thursday, June 9, 2016** at the hour of 9:00 a.m. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, June 30, 2016.**

**DATED AT THE** Township of Minden Hills, this 2nd day of June, 2016

# Highlander classifieds

EVENTS

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9. Setting

14. Asian desert

15. Farm measure

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19. Lift up

20. Declare

22. Egg dishes

24. Pointy

27. Wonder

28. Renovator

31. Unbroken

35. Irritated

36. \_\_\_\_\_ phone

38. Pub

39. Curtain

40. \_\_\_\_\_ Thurman of

"Paycheck"

41. Seaside

43. Understood

44. Spring flower

45. River embankment

46. Builds

49. Pittsburgh team

51. Director \_\_\_\_\_ Howard

52. Road bends

53. Quizzes again

57. Ghost

61. Thoughts

62. Roman garment

65. Loch \_\_\_\_\_ monster

66. Succinct

67. Not present

68. Retain

69. Frank and Rice

70. Pleads

71. "Beware the \_\_\_\_\_ of March"

DOWN

1. Spanish water

2. Defeat

3. Fortas and Lincoln

4. Dodge

5. Tooth deposit

6. Igloo material

7. Historic time

8. Audition tape

9. Scattered

10. Swiss cottage

11. Ohio lake

12. Wren's home

13. Flock females

21. \_\_\_\_\_ Island

23. Send a letter

25. Happen again

26. Assumption

28. Blue \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains

29. Baseball blunder

30. Hockey shoe

32. Higher than

33. Concerned one

34. Squirrels' homes

37. Continues

41. Snooze

42. Capital of Finland

44. Ain't, correctly

47. Ironed fold

48. Flings

50. Compositions

53. Glamorous \_\_\_\_\_ Hayworth

54. Biblical locale

55. Shore bird

56. Guess

58. Swamp plant

59. "\_\_\_\_\_ dead people!" (2 wds.)

60. Recipe abbr.

63. Have creditors

64. Silence

# Highlander classifieds

## HELP WANTED



### COUNTY OF HALIBURTON TOURISM STUDENT JOB OPPORTUNITY

The County of Haliburton, Tourism Department is accepting applications for a student to assist visitors at our Tourism Centre, located in Minden. You must be willing to work weekends.

Please note this position may be partly subsidized by the Federal and/or Provincial Government and candidates must be students between ages of 15 and 30 years old and be attending school.

A copy of the job description is available online at [www.countyhaliburton.on.ca](http://www.countyhaliburton.on.ca). We thank all who apply for a position, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please send your resume to Evelyn Fenwick, Human Resources [efenwick@county.haliburton.on.ca](mailto:efenwick@county.haliburton.on.ca) by 4:30 June 7, 2016.

*The County of Haliburton is an equal opportunity employer. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the information gathered will be used solely for the purpose of job selection.*

BARK LAKE is hiring housekeepers to join our team. Full details available at [barklake.com/join-us/](http://barklake.com/join-us/). Email resume and cover letter to [housekeeping@barklake.com](mailto:housekeeping@barklake.com).

FINISHER required at Kashaga Wood & Paint. Full time, involves painting, staining, scaffolding/ladder work. Must have own transportation. Call 705-457-5818 or email [info@kashagapaint.com](mailto:info@kashagapaint.com)

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HOUSEKEEPING POSITION. YMCA Camp Wanakita. 1883 Koshlong Lake Road, Haliburton ON K0M 1S0. Duration of Contract: May 2016 through to the end of October 2016 including weekends.

Applicant must have a valid Driver's License. Rate of pay: \$16.50/hr., with a premium of \$17.50/hr. on Weekends (Sat and Sun)

MAINTENANCE POSITION. YMCA Camp Wanakita. 1883 Koshlong Lake Road, Haliburton ON K0M 1S0. Duration of Contract: May 2016 through to the end of October 2016 including weekends. Applicant must have a valid Driver's License. Rate of pay: \$13.00/hr. Interior and exterior painting, garbage removal, mowing and trimming lawns

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#### Environment and Stewardship Committee

Council invites letters of interest from members of the public who are interested in serving on the Environment and Stewardship Committee for the remaining term of Council.

Candidates who have a specific interest in the environmental practices within the municipality are preferred. Candidates must be a Municipal Elector. To view the Terms of Reference for the Environment and Stewardship Committee please visit the website at [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca)

#### Airport Committee

Council invites letters of interest from members of the public who are interested in serving on the Haliburton-Stanhope Airport Committee for the remaining term of Council.

Candidates who have a specific interest in airport activities and the promotion of the airport are preferred. To view the Terms of Reference for the Haliburton-Stanhope Airport Committee please visit the website at [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca)

Letters of interest will be accepted by the undersigned until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Angie Bird, A.M.C.T., CMM III  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk  
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[abird@algonquinhighlands.ca](mailto:abird@algonquinhighlands.ca)

### CABINET MAKER/WOOD WORKER.

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We are expanding yet again and looking to fill 3 full-time positions.

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#### General Labourer

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Please forward you résumé in confidence to [Trevor@chaulkwoodworking.com](mailto:Trevor@chaulkwoodworking.com)

## HELP WANTED

**Position:** Cleaner

**The Role:** Camp Kandalore is looking for a hard-working, dedicated and positive individual for a Cleaner position. The Cleaner will be responsible for a variety of duties as outlined by the site manager.

**Deadline:** June 10 2016

**Apply:** Please submit your resume and cover letter to Colin Leonard - Director - [colin@kandalore.com](mailto:colin@kandalore.com)

Please contact the Site Manger with any questions  
Gerry Solmes at 613-334-9399



### We are currently looking for Seasonal Positions and a Shop Position

The shop person would be building docks, picnic table, etc as well as working in the lumber yard. Please drop off resume to Minden Home Hardware manager

# Highlander events



Photo by Mark Arike

Above left: Event organizer Shontel Morrison interacts with customers at her booth.

## West Guilford's craft sale continues

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

From dog biscuits to baked good, the annual Craft and Treasures Sales in West Guilford had something for everyone. About 20 vendors put their creations on display and up for sale at the West Guilford Community Centre on Saturday. Several local artisans were in attendance and all the vendors were from Haliburton County. Haliburton resident Shontel Morrison

took on the role of event organizer for the first time. It was run by Nancy Brink, who passed away last October. "There are so many people in this community that are so talented, it would be a shame for them to not be able to come on out and visit each other and get their stuff out here," said Morrison. Proceeds from table rentals will go to the centre. A similar sale with a Christmas theme will be held in the winter.



Photo by Colin MacKenzie

## Knitters join forces to help Syrian family

The industrious fingers of the Knitting for Warmth coalition redirected their efforts this year as soon word arrived that Haliburton will be welcoming an 11-member Syrian refugee family. The 14-year-old group produces about 150 blankets a year to be donated to various County charities. Pictured, from left, Mary Trepanier, Lillian Mann and Pat Thornett.



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# What's on

## 152<sup>ND</sup> HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR

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Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### ATTENTION – DON'T MISS OUT

#### Haliburton County Fair Auction

June 11, 2016 At Minden Fairgrounds

Time: 3:00 (Prior To Leroy Nesbitt Memorial Horse Pull)

The Following Items Have Been Kindly Donated And Will Be Up For Auction.  
(Items Will Delivered Within A 30 Km Radius Or Trucking Costs Will Be Added)

Tandem Truckload Of Firewood Logs Donated By Lyle Stamp Logging

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Donated By Steve Beaver Trucking & Excavating

12 Yards Of 5/8 Road Crush Donated By Ingram Wessell & Sons

12 Yards Of Driveway Topping Donated By Miller Aggregates

Tri Axle Load Of Quarried Granular A, B Or M Gravel  
Donated By Leveque Bros.

Tri Axle Load Of 5/8 Granite Blue Crush Donated By Francis Thomas  
Contracting

Bush Cord Of Split Firewood Donated By Ron Both/ Both Forest Products

Bush Cord Of Split Firewood Donated By Tom Grix

Bush Cord Of Split Firewood Donated By Paul Sisson Sawmill

*\*Items Must Be Paid For At Time Of Auction\**

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### TODD NOLAN AND FRIENDS



### HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR BEEF BBQ & COUNTRY SHOW

S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre

Friday- June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

5PM - Social • 6PM- Beef BBQ Dinner

7:30 PM - Live Auction

8 PM - Todd Nolan Show

Dinner And Show - \$23 Show Only - \$15

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Tickets At Minden Mercantile, Organic Times  
Cranberry Cottage Or Call Wendy 705-286-1225

## JUNE 2016 EVENTS

THURSDAY  
JUNE 2

**FOOD HUB AT ABBEY GARDENS IS OPEN** Thursday-Sunday, 10am-6pm 1012 Garden Gate Drive, Haliburton.

**HALIBURTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS PLANT SALE** – Village Green downtown Minden. Pick up entrance #s - 9:00 am. Sales starts 10:00 am until sold out

**ZUMBA** at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

**TAOIST TAI CHI CLASSES**-Monday and Thursday-Haliburton and Kinmount. More information taoist.org/peterborough, Wilma 705-457-5829

FRIDAY  
JUNE 3

**PICKLEBALL** 9 am – 12 pm at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

**TAOIST TAI CHI CLASSES**- Friday-Carnarvon. More information taoist.org/peterborough, Wilma 705-457-5829

SATURDAY  
JUNE 4

**LIBRARY** 10 am – 12 noon at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

SUNDAY  
JUNE 5

MONDAY  
JUNE 6

**TAI CHI** 10:30 am – 12 noon at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

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TUESDAY  
JUNE 7

**YOGA** 10 am – 12 noon, **LIBRARY** 10 am – 12 noon at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

**TAOIST TAI CHI CLASSES**- Tuesday and Friday-Carnarvon. More information taoist.org/peterborough, Wilma 705-457-5829

WEDNESDAY  
JUNE 8

**DRUMMING** 10 am, **YOGA** 11:30 am, **LIBRARY** 2pm – 6pm, **LIONS CLUB** 6pm at the Dorset Recreation Centre 7 – 8 pm www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968

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THURSDAY  
JUNE 9

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## ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

### HALIBURTON BRANCH

General Meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m.  
Meat Draw, Fridays, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw, five draws/five prizes, Chester Howse, MC Cribbage, Friday, 1 p.m.  
Friday Fun Darts, 4:30 p.m.  
50/50 Draw, Saturday, 4 p.m., tickets are \$1 each and are available from noon on.  
Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., \$6/person. Occasional volunteers needed.  
Bridge, Monday, 1 p.m.  
Dart Night League, Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, Wednesday, doors open 6 p.m., \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot last Wednesday of the month.  
Live entertainment, featuring country/folk music by The Highlands Trio, Saturday, June 11, 4 to 7 p.m. in the Club Room. Enjoy roast beef on a bun for only \$6 prepared by

the Ladies Auxiliary. For non-members, a \$5 cover charge applies.

### MINDEN BRANCH

General Meeting, first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. start  
Ladies Darts, Wednesday, 1-4 p.m.  
Euchre, Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 12-2 p.m. and 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, 12-5 p.m.  
Lunch Menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m.  
Liver Lovers' Special, Tuesday 12-2 p.m. (full menu also)  
Meat Draws, Wednesday lunch time.  
Watch for local posters and listen to Canoe FM, and Moose FM, for special events on Saturdays.

### WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Pool, 1:30 p.m., Friday  
Ham & Scalloped Dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m.  
Jam Session, 7:30 p.m., Friday  
Meat Draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. Early Bird 3 p.m. sharp  
Bid Euchre, Monday, 7 p.m.  
Executive Meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Fun Darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Rick Rowe Horseshoe Tournament, Saturday, June 11. Register 10 a.m. – noon and play at 12:30 p.m. SHARP. Food available for purchase and music on the deck. For info, call the branch at 705-448-2221.  
Harold Floden Memorial Bass-only Tournament, Saturday, June 25. \$15 per person. Register at the branch by Friday, June 24 or at the Wilberforce Bait Shop by 10 a.m. June 25. Weigh-in between 3-6 p.m.  
For further information, call the branch at 705-448-2221

## PREVIOUS WEEK'S ANSWERS

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# What's on



File photo

Guests during last year's Home and Cottage Show analyze the show floor at the A.J. LaRue Arena.

## Home and Cottage Show a one-stop shop

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

It's being touted as "the biggest and best [home and cottage show] in central Ontario."

With 150 exhibitors and upwards of 4,000 people expected to show up, the 38th annual Haliburton Home and Cottage Show will likely live up to that claim.

"It's exciting. It's fun," said show manager Rick Ashall. "I would say the vendors are pretty pumped about coming to the show."

This year's show will take place June 3-5, once again at A.J. LaRue Arena and the Haliburton Curling Club. The club

sponsors the show as a fundraiser.

Some vendors are out in the parking lot, while the majority fill the arena and club, a unique feature, said Ashall.

"We're one of the few shows that has that."

The products and services are aimed at a variety of home or cottage projects. Whether it's appliances, furniture or even ATVs, this show has it all. Some boutique businesses will also be at the show.

With vendors in one convenient location, it doesn't take long to see them all. This is one of the big advantages of the show, said Ashall.

About 75 per cent are local businesses

and the rest are from outside the county.

The majority are repeat exhibitors, he said. Some non-profit organizations and other community groups will be in attendance.

Colin McAllister and Justin Ryan, the stars of the television series *Colin and Justin's Cabin Pressure*, made an appearance last year, but it is unknown at this time if they will be there. The duo has filmed episodes of their hit series in the Highlands and own a local cottage.

Parking is free and is just steps away from the venue at the former ball diamond.

Admission is \$3 for adults and children

get in free.

"It's a family-friendly, community event," Ashall said. Food, snacks and beverages will be available in the curling club's lounge.

The club recruits about 100 volunteers for the event. Ashall, a Minden resident, has been involved for the past few years, but this is his first time as show manager. Wayne Hussey filled the role for 21 years and continues to lend a hand behind the scenes.

The show starts at 4 p.m. on opening day. For full hours and other information visit [haliburtonhomeandcottageshow.com](http://haliburtonhomeandcottageshow.com) or call Ashall at 705-455-9567.

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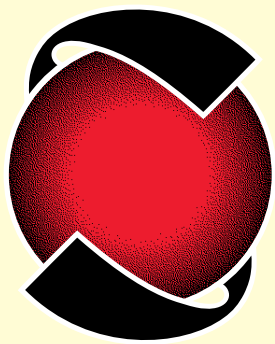
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