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A different kind of surfing: A young snowboarder tears down the hill during the 2017 SO Speed Series SBX/SX race Jan. 15 at Sir Sam's Ski/Ride. Turn to page 21 for more photos. Photo by Alex Coop.

## Townships look at short-term rental rules

### Moffatt: Cottagers ultimately responsible for properties

### By Alex Coop

During a lengthy fire ban last summer, Highlands East cottager Douglas Roger recalls paddling around Salerno Lake and telling people to put their fires out.

Many of them, he presumes, weren't from the area and were likely renting the neighbouring cottages.

"Most of them told me to screw off because they were on vacation," Roger said.

When he and his wife go back to their home in Toronto, they sometimes rent out their cottage through Airbnb, an online marketplace that enables them to advertise their cottage on Salerno Lake.

The two make sure their renters understand the rules and regulations that come with the territory.

Finding renters is a simple process, Roger says, and Airbnb provides the former president of the Salerno Lake Association

with flexibility, since he doesn't rent the cottage out on a regular basis.

"It's the only way to defray the costs of owning a cottage," Roger said. "We price for two people with additional charges for every person beyond that.

"And I've refused to rent to people." He and his wife live in Toronto, but have owned a cottage in the Highlands since

Roger hasn't received complaints from

neighbours on the lake, and only rents to people he feels comfortable with.

Most of the time, the renters are young couples with a dog.

Roger charges anywhere from \$150-\$250 per night, depending on the time of the year.

Airbnb users can post reviews about renters, who can also post reviews of their own. Users with low reviews, or sometimes no reviews, are cause for suspicion, says

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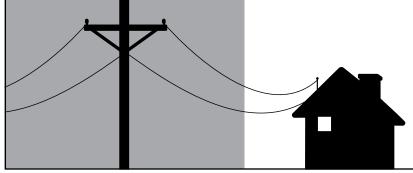
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### Minden tries to soften tax blow by using reserves

#### By Lisa Gervais

Dipping into reserves and borrowing money for major projects such as the proposed new fire hall appear to be the solution to a Minden Hills budget with increasing costs but stagnant revenue.

The township held its second round of budget talks Jan. 12 and is so far sitting on an increase to taxpayers of approximately six per cent.

However, it became clear during the meeting that council is now ready to tap into reserves, which are estimated to be about \$7 million by the end of 2017. It also appears it will explore debenturing.

> The reserves are there for a reason. We shouldn't deplete them but waiting for the provincial and federal governments is not the right way to do business."

### Cheryl Murdoch

Deputu Reeve

"We are healthy in reserves," CAO/ treasurer Lorrie Blanchard said when discussing the budget to date and some unbudgeted items, such as two crumbling bridges in the municipality as well as a call for a community improvement plan.

Blanchard said she would also investigate the debenturing process for things such as the new \$2M fire hall proposed to be built in 2017.

The CAO/treasurer said she thought council should include all three bridges in the 2017 budget. So far, only one has been written in. It is estimated it will cost more than half-a-million-dollars to repair Ritchie Falls Road Bridge (A), Soyer's Lake Road Bridge and Ritchie Falls Road Bridge (B). All are currently under load restrictions. Blanchard said the

borrowing. She also mentioned another major project, the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and community centre renewal and how council will have to decide how to fund that, suggesting it may be a debenture project in future.

go above a six per cent increase, it has to

Coun. Pam Sayne said she was worried about a six per cent or higher rate increase and taxpayers' ability to pay and said the provincial and federal government have to help. But Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch said the days of big infrastructure dollars appear to be

"The reserves are there for a reason. We shouldn't deplete them but waiting for the provincial and federal governments is not the right way to do business."

Overall, Reeve Brent Devolin said he thought council was on a sustainable path to protect its assets. He said they knew they would be playing catch-up at budget time. Referring to a 14.6 per cent increase in the roads budget so far

"To try to pick low numbers for shortterm satisfaction is not good planning. We directed staff to up to 6 or 6.5 per cent. We expected it was going to shake up around this. I think we're being responsible and can talk and defend this. I am happy to have the public see this level of detail. And, I know we're not done yet."

Blanchard said she is concerned about commercial tax revenue along the Highway 35 corridor since national chains such as Tim Hortons and Dairy Queen have successfully lobbied that their continual rebranding causes depreciation and MPAC assessments have decreased. "One particular commercial property has dropped significantly," she

The township is proposing no increase in water and sewer user fees.

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money could be offset from reserves or

She said if council had no appetite to look at reserves or debentures.

in talks, he commented "it's a struggle to even get to that."



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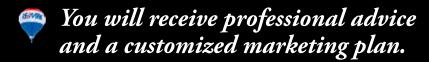
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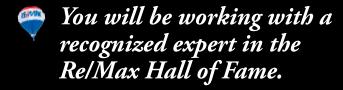
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To encourage Highlanders to believe in themselves, in our community, and in their power to make our place in the world better every day.

### Short-term rentals hit a nerve

week's edition has certainly touched a nerve across the county.

For the most part, we've heard from people who thought our coverage was one-sided. They believe we are pandering to people who aren't fans of short-term rentals, and particularly of sites such as Airbnb.

That certainly wasn't what we were trying to do.

We reported on what was said at a public municipal meeting. For the most part, people there expressed concerns about online short-term rental sites. A representative of the local cottage rental industry mostly agreed that online rental agencies do not enforce the same standards as his and other local firms.

There weren't too many Airbnb hosts in the crowd but, fortunately, a few of them contacted us this week.

One told us that short-term rental listings, through agencies and on international websites, market the Highlands and draw people here from around the world without costing Haliburton County a cent in advertising costs. She said short-term rentals offer a unique accommodation experience; in parts of the Highlands where

Our coverage on short-term rentals in last accommodations are limited, short-term rentals fill a void; from a retailer point of view, short-term rentals bring good fortune and prosperity; and for cottagers trying to pay their municipal taxes, shortterm rentals are a blessing.

A businessman spoke on behalf of people who depend on this industry, saying "the short-term crowd are some of the biggest spending tourists and we need every dollar we can get."

He said it's a cottage owner's right to do with his or her property as they see fit.

We don't disagree...which is why the front-page story had some 16 lines of text about how short-term rentals are an important part of our economy. We also stressed that in our editorial. And, incidentally, five of the five people we polled for our *Eye on the Street* said they like sites such as Airbnb and would rent from them

The best feedback was from a man who uses Airbnb to rent his place and does what we have asked councils to do ensure the people who are renting aren't causing any problems – because in some cases they are.

He said he personally has had no problems. He vets people who ask to rent, even if he doesn't meet them beforehand.

'reviews' and, if not satisfied, refuses the rental. He insists on knowing how many people will be staying and charges them on a sliding scale. They



By Lisa Gervais

have house rules and tell the renters to abide by them. He gets a neighbor to check in. He also tells neighbours to contact them directly if there is a problem.

"We are responsible for what happens at our cottage and do not want to cause problems for others," he said.

All indications are that our local cottage rental agencies are just as vigilant, if not

Alas, considerate people and professional businesses such as these are not the problem. Nobody is saying that they are.

But, as it is with driving, just because you – or even most people – obey the rules of the road, doesn't mean we don't need them. That's what rules are for – to bring those who don't quite have or care about common sense and consideration into line.

In a nutshell, that's all we're asking for.

### A little bird told me

There is a character in the Game of Thrones by the name of Varys who takes great pride in listening to his "little birds", which translates to spies, which means that Varys is very aware of all the things that are happening around him. His birds keep him well-informed.

Well Varys isn't the only one with that kind of advantage. I, too, have my own little birds although they're not so much spies as they are people who keep me informed on what's going on in the world of Haliburton County. One group of birds in particular see me at least once every week and are quick to tell me what I need to know. These birds know this area well. Let's just say they've been around.

What amazes me the most about my collection of birds is how worldly they are. Given that they occupy an older demographic one would think they'd naturally gravitate towards conservative policies and shun newer ideas. Such is not the case with these ones. At least not for the most part.

The first issue they brought up was something you might consider typical

of their ilk although completely and wholeheartedly justified given the examples. To put it bluntly they're very unhappy about the sad state of the roads, sidewalks and parking lots in the Haliburton area mainly due to the excessive buildup of ice that makes travel in these parts quite treacherous. Given the older demographic that lives in this community it's kind of inexcusable that things have gotten this bad.

The birds wholeheartedly agree that somebody isn't doing their job and, from their experience, things used to be a lot

The other issue they brought up was actually quite (pleasantly) surprising, again given the stereotype we tend to have with their demographic. It was regarding the recent concern about part-time rental units in the area and how this has led to partying and (to some) excessive noise and commotion in their little piece of heaven. One bird in particular was especially outspoken about this subject. "If I pay my money and rent a place then it's up to me in

what I do with it." Frankly, I agree with him. Yes, they must respect local bylaws and their newfound neighbours but I think this issue hits at the core of what's wrong with Haliburton



By Charlie Teljeur

County in that the bevy of "concerned" citizens and special interests leaves little room for natural commerce that is so vital to a struggling area like ours. In other words the No Fun Police around here have such excessive powers and are wielding them so often we end up being often (rightfully) portrayed as a region not really open for business which the growing list of evidence tends to support.

For me to express this independently becomes a lone voice in the woods, but to hear this sort of support, nay protest, from the type of people you wouldn't naturally assume would speak out shows me that we need to to start listening. The birds might have something really important to

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# Editorial opinion

### Reader doesn't think we're 'overrun' by tourists

Dear editor,

Ouch! If I was about to book a week's vacation for my family in the Haliburton Highlands, I would be looking elsewhere after reading this paragraph in the Jan,12 *Highlander* regarding short-term rentals:

"So, it's time for Dysart and the other municipalities to do their homework, pick a solution that works for them and hopefully implement it before we are overrun with short-term renters once again this summer.'

Really? Overrun? Synonyms are pestered, harassed, plagued, invaded by. Was that an appropriate word to use? Short-term renters are comparable to a mouse infestation?

Short-term rental listings, through agencies and on international websites, market the Highlands and draw people here from around the world without costing Haliburton County a cent in advertising costs. Short-term rentals offer a unique accommodation experience. In parts of the Highlands where accommodations are limited, short-term rentals fill a void.

From a retailer point of view, short-term rentals bring good fortune and prosperity.

For cottagers trying to pay their municipal taxes, short-term rentals are a blessing.

The municipalities should take a favourable look at short-term rentals and solve any challenges that may jeopardize their existence before we 'welcome' shortterm renters to the Haliburton Highlands once again this summer.

**Mary Barker** 

Agnew's General Store, Wilberforce and 40 Winks Guest House, Airbnb host.

### Disappointed in coverage

Dear editor,

After reading the front page article in last week's paper (Jan. 12, 2017 Worries over cottages becoming 'party pits') I was very disappointed. The article was extremely one-sided. There have been many articles written from the point of view of the various cottage associations. The paper should try to do a better job of balancing these special interest groups with the businesses and people of Haliburton County

who depend on these people to come here and spend money. The short-term rental crowd are some of the biggest spending tourists and we need every dollar we can get. Also not mentioned was the right of a cottage owner to do as they wish with their cottage. Many people rely on rental income to keep the family cottage in the family.

**Andy Rickard** Minden

### Health care and the Internet

Dear editor,

Much has been reported about high speed Internet. I thought hospitals and medical centres were to be connected with the highest speed. Who is their provider? Last Friday, I had a specialist appointment in the Haliburton Medical Centre. The specialist had come from Peterborough. His first words were "the system was down" so he couldn't access my files. Fortunately, I had them with me. On other occasions at the Minden site I have had the same experience. Why is this happening? Why are they always "changing the system"? Why is the emergency department unable to access your tests from your family

physician, even in the same building? Why is there not a connection between the hospitals, emergency departments, and medical centres for accessing tests? I always give my family doctor's name expecting her to be notified of any appointments elsewhere. There should be a relationship with the health care system and your family physician. We, the patient, need to advocate for a better system of connectedness or what's the point expensive high speed Internet. Dr. Danielle Martin has written a book with excellent ideas on connectedness for patient care.

Lois Rigney Canning Lake

### PHOTO OF THE WEEK



A unique sculpture adds some life to a tree in Haliburton. Photo by Alex Coop.

# Cold comfort from fashion faux past

"If it's one, two, then through, you're good to go," explains a friend of mine but I'm not so sure I'm going to take his advice.

You know the scenario. You've asked for some sound direction in whatever it is that you're doing and someone steps forward with a knowing smile to offer you a tidbit of their long learned and extensively tested wisdom but when they have finished saying what they are saying you still are nowhere nearer to the answer than when they started.

It's a bit like the time when I asked a school pal of mine whether I could wear moccasins, white socks and baggy pants with an elastic cuff around the ankle. His advice was long and rambling, it covered fashion history, sexuality and even a bit

of geography. I have to admit to being swayed by some of what he'd said, too, and by the end I thought my choice of 1980s style was cool as ... and I went out to the local disco looking like the rejected offspring of a clown and an Indigenous person from a spaghetti western.

Oh, yes, you should have seen the war paint, sorry, make-up, it quite topped off my look.

That's the point, I guess. I listened to this friend of mine back in high school and sort of took his advice, the bit that I understood, and where did it get me? I'm sorry, I can't mention her name and it's probably best because neither she nor I could admit to being proud of the entire debacle.

But back to one, two and then through.

It seems that this is a tried and tested way of finding out if the ice is strong enough to withstand your weight when walking across a lake. If, when pounding your spud bar on the frozen surface of the in a hole of freezing lake (please, someone write in and tell me cold water. why it's called a spud bar) it takes two hits before going through, you are OK to walk on the ice. Hmm, I have a couple of questions. How hard is one and two? And, who was it that tested out this theory to get a definitive answer?

It's not that I don't believe my friend. He is, after all, a big fellow, somewhat heavier than I am and the perfect person to follow out onto the frozen lake if you are at all worried that there may be thin ice ahead. However, the one, two and then through technique doesn't really hit all the scientific buttons when I stop to query it as an indisputable fail-safe to falling

The Outsider

As such, I have taken to wearing baggy pants with ankle cuffs when I venture out onto the lake early in the ice fishing season. I stuff said pants with those foam packing peanuts (they can't escape because of the handy cuffs at the ankles) and they make for excellent buoyancy aids in the event of falling though thin

I did forego the moccasins, though. For the life of me, I couldn't finds a pair with cleats anywhere!



**By Will Jones** 

# Highlander opinions

### Eye on the street: Are you excited about the upcoming IFSS Sleddog World Championships?



### Paul Longo

Haliburton

I'm really excited and will attend if possible.



### Mark Mertens

Gooderham

I really want to go. I love sled dogs ... I used to have a husky.



### Dan LaPierre

**West Guilford** 

Absolutely. Anytime a big event like this comes to town it's great for the county.



### Patricia Bett

Haliburton

We love dog sledding. Definitely looking forward to it.



### Terry Bullerwell

Wilberforce

No, it's not something I'd be interested in.

Photos and interviews by Alex Coop







### A little death with your tea and cake

By Lisa Gervais

If you like to drink tea and eat cake ... oh, and talk about death ... an upcoming Haliburton event may be just the

CARP is sponsoring Death Café on Wednesday, Jan. 25, between 2 and 4 p.m. at Baked and Battered.

The afternoon is being facilitated by Yvonne Heath, of Love Your Life to Death fame. She has presented in the Highlands before but said this is "a completely different gathering with an informal conversation and sharing thoughts, questions and fears (about) death and dying.

In an interview with *The Highlander*, Heath emphasized she is just the facilitator.

"The conversation will flow in whatever direction the people attending direct it. I am simply there to ensure that everyone has a voice and we all respect each other's space, questions or whatever comes up," she said.

"Having an informal setting allows everyone to have a voice. Some have an 'aha moment,' then are better able or willing to go out and find the information they need. It also brings us together in a different way; grief, death and dying is something we will all face whether we like it or not. So, why not empower ourselves and learn from each other."

She said she expects people to come who are curious about death and dying or have questions.

"I would love to see adults, even teens, of all ages. My purpose in life is to bring death out of the darkness and into our conversations so we can live life to the fullest and diffuse the fear. That's why I think death cafes are awesome; all are welcome."

As for her, her main goal is "helping people to get these conversations started and help them to realize that this isn't easy for anyone, but we can do it better. It's like anything, with practice we improve. So let's talk."

Local CARP chair Bob Stinson said "I am most excited



Yvonne Heath is facilitating the Death Café. Submitted

and pleased that we are involved in this. Yvonne Heath is highly respected and accomplished in this field and her book Loving Your Life to Death, which is available at our local library, is a virtual textbook on how to plan for the end of life and provide your loved ones with a plan on how to deal with your passing."

Stinson added the venue can accommodate 30 people and they are close to sold out.

The Death Café has become an international movement. You can find out more about it by logging on to deathcafe.

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### Reeve Burton on long road to recovery

#### By Mark Arike

It's 1 p.m. on a Thursday at the Haliburton hospital.

Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton is on his iPhone, in the midst of a call with his surgeon about what lies ahead on the road to recovery.

It's his third week in hospital following a slip and fall accident at his home in Wilberforce on the evening of Dec. 23. But despite being confined to a bed for most of the day and not being able to bend his legs, the reeve is in good spirits.

"It's a setback—that's all it is," said Burton in an interview with *The Highlander*.

Burton was home alone when he slipped on the ice and landed with both knees on the running board of his truck. Then he hit the ground.

"It was not as if I fell 100 feet off a roof or anything," he said. "It's just the way it happened and the way I came down on them."

Burton ruptured the tendons and quad muscles in both legs. He underwent surgery for three hours at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Christmas morning. A total of 200 staples were used to close the wounds, which start about three inches above the knee and run two inches below.

The staples were removed more than two weeks ago, but he has to wear splints every day.

Burton was transported to the Haliburton hospital two days after surgery, which is where he will remain until he is able to go to a rehabilitation centre. Once he finishes an eight-week stint in Haliburton, he can expect to spend anywhere from three weeks to three months in rehab.

"I've got a long road ahead of me here." Ever since he arrived in Haliburton, he has



Highlands East Reeve Burton isn't letting a nasty slip and fall accident hold him back. With a phone and computer, he has managed to stay in the loop from his hospital bed in Haliburton. *Photo by Mark Arike*.

been doing daily exercises for about half an hour to maintain upper body strength.

As an avid outdoors person, Burton has struggled with being stuck in a hospital room. But just prior to this interview, he caught a whiff of some fresh air in his wheelchair.

He has kept his mind busy by Skyping in to council meetings, and is regularly in touch with Highlands East CAO Shannon Hunter and Deputy Reeve Suzanne Partridge. (Partridge has stepped into his role at the municipality and will chair council meetings until he returns.)

Burton is also grateful for their support, and the many well wishes he has received from the community.

"I've had so many calls and so many cards ... it's been overwhelming actually."

The care from staff at both hospitals has been second to none, he adds.

Burton's message to his constituents is: "Things are good in Highlands East."

At this time, Burton is unaware of what the long-term effects might be. In the future he expects to undergo knee replacement surgery on his right knee because of arthritis.

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### Creation of short-term rental regulations to take time

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"You just have to have your radar on. If someone with large power-motored jet skis wants to rent the cottage, I will say no."

But many people who rent out their cottages rarely say no, and it results in disruptive behaviour, specifically on lakefront properties.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt has received many complaints about disruptive renters over the years.

It's not something the township has ignored, she says, but short-term rentals are a complicated issue that won't be resolved any time soon.

"We have no means of separating out those people who give their renters a landfill card, instruct them about separating recycling and ensure they aren't disruptive, from those who aren't responsible landlords," Moffatt said.

"Municipalities can't do anything unless they have a bylaw policy or zoning to back

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is preparing to review and update its official plan, which could open the door to new regulations surrounding short-term rentals. But that process takes a long time, and would include a series of staff reports, council and public meetings.

Townships should work collectively to curb irresponsible renters, Moffatt suggested.

County Warden and Dysart et al Reeve Brent Devolin is on the same page as Moffatt. He said short-term rentals are part of a bigger picture involving comprehensive zoning land use discussions as well as Official Plans.

He said there will be discussions at a county and municipal level this year, including public input sessions. He said the goal is to put bylaws in place that represent the county's constituents and could be on a municipality by municipality basis.

Highlands East formed a task group in December to research what other townships are doing about short-term rentals and identify specific concerns.

Zoning, environmental, health and safety and parking are the primary issues so far, says the township's chief administrative officer Shannon Hunter, who is a member of the task force, alongside Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton, and Deputy-Reeve Suzanne Partridge.

Cottage Care Rentals is also a member of the task force.

"It's going to be a slow process, but we want to start with education and ensure people understand we're not trying to hammer in policies that will prevent people from doing anything," she said.

Last week, Dysart's economic development committee discussed the hotbutton topic at great length with Cottage Care Rental co-owner Don Critchley.

There is no easy answer, says Carol Dewey of WRD Cottage Rental Agency, but property owners need to understand the rights and comfort of their neighbours.

"This problem is growing with the advent of large international marketing platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, HomeAway, and locally Canada Stays and Kijiji," Dewey told *The Highlander*.

But Moffatt says the means by which properties are rented is not the issue.

"The responsibility for being a good neighbour falls squarely on the shoulder of whoever is renting the place out," she said.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Chamber Breakfast**

Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>
7:30 am
Topic: Tax Planning
Location: TBC
RSVP by Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> to
autumn@haliburtonchamber.com
or 705-457-4700



## Municipal tax dollars doing the heavy lifting

### Several capital projects in Dysart slated for completion this year

#### By Alex Coop

Dysart's tax dollars are expected to work hard again in 2017, a draft budget meeting Jan. 12 revealed.

Fifty per cent of the township's total municipal expenditures will come from municipal taxes, and those taxes are going to increase a little bit.

Barbara Swannell, Dysart's treasurer, says residents can expect a 3.9 per cent increase on the residential tax levy, resulting in a residential tax rate of \$257.06 per \$100,000 of assessment.

Last year's budget included a 9.7 per cent increase over 2015's tax levy.

The 2017 draft budget also proposes a commercial rate of \$381.12 per \$100,000 and an industrial rate of \$441.63 per \$100,000, respectively.

Both are similar to last year's rates. "Levy budgets are trending upwards,"

"Levy budgets are trending upwards," Swannell told councillors, attributing the trend to growth within the municipality.

Despite tiny annual increases in federal and provincial funding since 2014, grants are still hard to access.

"It has become a very competitive process, and there's less provincial and federal funding out there," Swannell said.

The controversial billing model for the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is entering its final phase-in year in 2017, but budget reserves are expected to drop by \$700,000 to fund capital, infrastructure and maintenance projects, many of which were deferred to this year.

"The anticipated draw on our working fund reserve was not required [last year]," Swannell said.

Some of Dysart's major projects slated for 2017 include the rebuilding of the Harcourt Community Centre, which burned down November 2015 and is expected to cost \$890,000, road construction and maintenance that will cost a combined total of about \$1 million, arena upgrades and bridge repairs.

Staff at the township office are hoping for major software upgrades that, if purchased, will streamline the day-to-day activities and make archiving easier.

"We're still very manual," Swannell told councillors. "In HR, we don't have much record keeping. You go to a file in a cabinet and hope that the file is there ... a new system will help us become more productive."

A new software system is projected to cost about \$100,000.

Councillors also spent a great deal of time talking with Dysart fire Chief Mike Iles, who presented his department's draft budget and proposed a \$1 increase to hourly wages and updated computer and material supplies.

"Firefighting has changed in the last 10 years," Iles said. "Our equipment has a



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timeline on it, and anything we wear into a building has an expiry date on it."

Coun. Walt McKechnie told Iles not to worry about the budget and stressed the importance of letting council know exactly what the department needed.

"We have to make sure you guys

are outfitted properly with the right equipment," he said.

Coun. Nancy Wood-Roberts agreed. "It's the reality of doing this properly," she said

The next budget meeting will take place

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### Meetings & Events

PUBLIC WELCOME

Jan 26 - COTW/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Jan 26 - Budget Standing Committee Meeting to follow Regular Council meeting.

Feb 9 - COTW/ meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chamber

For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca

### NOTICE - Budget Standing Committee Meeting

Take Notice that the Council of the Township of Minden Hills, will meet as the Budget Standing Committee on Thursday, January 26, 2017, to review the 3rd Draft of the 2017 Budget. This meeting will follow the Regular Council Meeting in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON.

For further information regarding the meeting please contact Dawn Newhook, Clerk at 705-286-1260 ext. 205 or dnewhook@mindenhills.ca

### **Notice of Load Restriction**

As per By-Law No. 16-144, being a by-law to enact load restrictions on Municipal Bridges, the Township of Minden Hills have placed load restrictions on the following structures:

- 1) Ritchie Falls Road Bridge (A) 5 tonnes max
- 2) Ritchie Falls Road Bridge (B) 3 tonnes max
- 3) Soyers Lake Road Bridge 10 tonnes max

Load Restrictions signs have been placed at each structure and are strictly enforced.

For inquiries or more information on the above, please contact the Road Superintendent at twilson@mindenhills.ca

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### **FIRE & ICE 2017**

Under the winter stars and moon the Minden Hills Cultural Centre is presenting a fun-filled adult only event called FIRE & ICE.

Tickets are \$25 per person. The evening offers top notch scotch and cognac tasting, craft beers and wine. Local restaurants will be onsite offering a selection of their Winter Specialties in either spicy or cool foods. Giant bonfire will warm all - join the dance party!

FIRE & ICE happened Family Day Weekend, Sunday February 19 at 7pm to 10pm. Your ticket gives you admission, 2 tasting tickets and food. Games and prizes. Outdoor event dress in your warmest clothes, mukluks and red flannel. For tickets contact the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at 705-286-3763. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Located at 176 Bobcaygeon Road Minden. Must be 19 year and older.

### **Overnight Parking**

Pursuant to By-Law 09-01, A By-Law to Regulate Parking, Overnight Parking on municipal roadways and parking lots, between the hours of midnight and 8:00 am, is prohibited from November 1st to April 30th of each year.

Vehicles parked in these areas that prohibit the removal of snow will be towed away and/or ticketed at the owner's expense.

### **AGNES JAMIESON GALLERY**

Curator Talk and Opening Reception January 20 at 5pm.

ECLIPSED January 4 to January 14 From the Permanent Collection

The AJG exclusive exhibition of the works by Andre Lapine ARCA (1866-1952) concentrating on a timeline of his life. The Curatorial Talk will discuss the dramatic life of Lapine – his rise to fame and his eclipse to obscurity. Talk also includes the group exhibition of juried work by local artists of work in clay, glass, fibre, wood, metal and stone. Skill is under appreciated today but may very well become the 'financial' asset of the future. Are we at a tipping point where global trade will threaten employment yet make living everyday so costly people will revert and cultivate local community economics? Where the butcher, the baker, the candle stick maker become the important part of society?

# Riverwalk & Wetlands Boardwalk Winter Usage

The Boardwalk & Logger's Crossing Bridge are cleared of snow regularly but are not sanded or salted. Residents are advised to "Exercise Caution" when using these pathways as they could develop slippery conditions.

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the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena, lower parking lot, 55 Parkside Street for residential use.

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Left: Loon Lake dam prior to repairs. Right: A worker removes damaged concrete. Photos submitted.

# Loon Lake dam repairs on schedule

#### By Mark Arike

Repairs to the Loon Lake dam are going well and the project should be finished by the spring, according to Parks Canada.

Crews began working on the \$350,000 project three months ago. It includes the removal and replacement of one full wing wall of the dam, the deck and a considerable section of the peers.

"Parks Canada staff have been chipping away damaged concrete and are now placing reinforcements and formwork to give the soon-to-be reconstructed dam its shape," stated a report from Darryl Whitehead, external relations manager for Parks Canada. "If all goes well with this process, new concrete will begin to be poured in the coming weeks."

An estimated 35 cubic metres of concrete will be poured at the site by the end of next month. The entire project should be wrapped up in March.

The work is being done by Park's Canada's own team members.

Lanada's own team members.

During the reconstruction of the main

spillway, a temporary channel has been created for water management.

"Once work is completed on the spillway it will once again pass water and work will begin to reconstruct the wing wall."

The 82-year-old dam is located east of Haliburton at the outlet of Loon Lake and is part of the Burnt River watershed—one of six watersheds in the Trent-Severn Waterway. It measures about 11.5 feet tall and 24 feet wide. But it's more than 100 feet wide with both wing walls.

The rehabilitation of the dam is part of

Parks Canada's \$3 billion investment over five years "to support infrastructure work to heritage, visitor, waterway and highway assets located within national historic sites, national parks, and national marine conservation areas across Canada."

Parks Canada is an agency of the federal government.

For questions or concerns, or to receive updates, email ont.trentsevern@pc.gc. ca and include "Loon Lake Dam" in the subject line.



# Highlander business

# Chamber award nominations closing

### By Lisa Gervais

Money is nice but sometimes a pat on the back can make all the difference to Haliburton County businesses, organizations and their employees.

That's why the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is encouraging people to nominate for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual business and community achievement awards prior to the Jan. 27, 4 p.m. deadline.

Chamber manager Autumn Smith said the awards, which will be held in March, are important "because they recognize those businesses, organizations, and individuals that make our community great.

"That recognition is crucial because it helps people realize they are appreciated and the hard work they put in day in and day out is making a difference.

"There's nothing quite like the feeling when you find out someone from your own community has nominated you for an award. Small businesses and our organizations are the backbone of our community – without them and their hard work, we wouldn't be the incredible place we are today.'

Nominators and nominees don't have to be chamber members.

Smith said some people are intimated by the process but they shouldn't be. Her advice is to not overthink it.

She said the nomination form is important, but it doesn't have to be an essay or high-level writing.

"Just write the story about the nominee like you would tell it to a friend. If you had



Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce manager Autumn Smith is encouraging people to nominate businesses, organizations and individuals for the 11th annual business and community achievement awards. File.

a great experience with a business, how would you describe it to your friend? That's all you need to write down. The personal touch you put on it, that shows why they deserve the award, is what helps move them through the first level of judging.

She added that she is there to help.

call and she's happy to walk them through the form and even help put it down on

"We want to make it as easy as possible to nominate so if there's anything we can do to help, don't hesitate to contact us.

"This really is about celebrating Anyone can send her an email or give her a excellence across the Haliburton Highlands and shining the light on those people that make it what it is.

"It's all about celebrating our community."

Find awards criteria and nomination forms at haliburtonchamber.com. Need help? Call 705-457-4700 or email autumn@ haliburtonchamber.com

## BMO manager Richard Wannan headed to HCDC

### By Lisa Gervais

Richard Wannan is leaving his job as manager of the BMO in Haliburton to become a Haliburton County Development Corporation's (HCDC's) loans officer.

He will begin his new job Feb. 1. "I have the utmost respect for the HCDC," Wannan told The Highlander in an interview this week, adding its mandate ties in with his personal philosophy.

He likes the fact it is a "hands-on community organization" and views his new role as a way of continuing to give back to the community. He is looking forward to having more time to commit to ideas together through to running a

his clients. In his current managerial role that isn't always easy.

In many ways, Wannan said he is returning to his roots. He used to work for the Sudbury Vocational Resource Centre, which helped people get back into the job market.

"It was a lot of fun ... bringing business

He believes a job with the HCDC will be similar, since it is a community organization supporting community members.

Of course, leaving BMO is bittersweet, he said. He has been with the branch more than six years.



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# Highlander arts

# Cassidy makes first music video

### Fleming students help with production

#### By Mark Arike

Cassidy Glecoff quickly learned that making a music video isn't quite the same as performing in a packed Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

In fact, it's perhaps more intimidating when there are several cameras pointed at you while everyone sits in silence.

"It's not easy," laughed the 17-year-old singer and musician.

"At first it was really weird having all these cameras on me, and just being the centre of attention."

It was also hard to inject emotion into the song, especially since she didn't write it.

"I found a way to kind of connect with it," said Glecoff, explaining that she had to listen to it a few times to better understand it and link the lyrics to personal experiences.

"As a teenager trying to figure out who I want to be, I eventually found it very relatable since the song is about being lost and trying to find yourself."

In the fall, Glecoff, who lives in Haliburton and attends the high school, embarked on her first music video shoot for "It's Just Love."

The tune was written by Albert Saxby, a fellow local musician who has collaborated with Glecoff and helped her develop as an artist over the years.

She credits him with the concept and vision for the video.

"It was Albert's idea," she said.

After recording the track, which was produced by Richard Joudrey, Saxby then approached Tammy Rea about making a music video.

Rea is well-known in the community for her work with digital video.

She is the head of Sticks and Stones Productions, and also coordinator of the Moving Image Design certificate program at the Haliburton School of Art and Design.

And it was her students who volunteered to take on the project—free-of-charge.

"I just kind of threw it out there as a reading week project," said Rea.

They filled all of the necessary roles, such as director, producer and drone operator. A few non-Fleming students, including Gr. 12 student Rowan Tofflemire, were part of the crew.

The majority of footage, which was shot over two days, was taken in Essonville on property belonging to Saxby's grandparents and Ritchie Falls in Minden. It involved long days, and cold weather, recalls Glecoff.

"She spent in all close to eight hours over a couple of days in below zero [degree] weather in a skimpy dress and bare feet," said Saxby.

"I cannot begin to tell you how impressed I was with that."

The four-minute long video debuted on Jan. 1 on Glecoff's newly-created YouTube channel.

Since then, it has exceeded 1,700 views and been shared many times on Facebook.

"Everyone is being super supportive," she said.

Glecoff admits there is room for improvement, but she was pleased with the level of professionalism of the students.

"For their first project, it was really well done. I was really impressed by how prepared they were."

Although they weren't graded and faculty stayed off the set, Rea said it was a very valuable, real-life project for students. And as a result, music video production will now be a component of the program.

"They learned so much," she said, pointing out the Highlands is full of talented musicians to work with.

"And they pulled it off beautifully," she added.

As for upcoming gigs, Glecoff is one of 10 acts set to perform at Homemade Stew on Jan. 28 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

She is part of a new band, consisting of fellow high school students. In September, she will embark on studies in the performance stream at Metalworks Institute in Mississauga.

It's Just Love can be viewed online at youtube.com/watch?v=WMRlIK3W1HU. The track itself is available on Spotify.



Cassidy Glecoff sits on a rock at Ritchie Falls during the making of "It's Just Love." \*Still taken from the video shoot.

# International singing competition on hold

Just like six other finalists, Cassidy Glecoff was supposed to travel to the U.K. in December for the grand finale of the Open Mic International Singing Competition.

But that didn't happen and organizers have not yet publicly announced how the competition will proceed.

"Unfortunately I am unable to comment or ... speculate on current situation," wrote Christina Rossetti, a contestant support agent, in a Facebook message. "Competition founder is currently liaising with contestant finalists discussing various options."

In a Facebook post on Dec. 29, Rossetti wrote that the competition is "taking a break."

"We will not be running international competition registration during 2017. Website remains active. Please do not subscribe to competition at this time."

Last spring, Glecoff was informed she had beaten about 200,000 contest hopefuls to earn one of 13 spots in the public voting round. She then advanced to the finals.

The winner will receive "a comprehensive winner's package, worldwide media attention" and a share of \$10,000 British pounds (about \$16,000 Canadian), states Open Mic's website.

An event can be cancelled or postponed if there are insufficient numbers, according to the competition's terms and conditions.

### MINDEN HILLS

NOTICE OF A COMPLETE APPLICATION and PUBLIC MEETING and NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE

CONCERNING A PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

### 8 PECK STREET & SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PECK & BOBCAYGEON (PLOZA2017005)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Official Plan & Deck Street and a vacant parcel at the southeast corner of Peck & Deck Street and a vacant parcel at the southeast corner of Peck & Deck Street and a vacant parcel at the southeast corner of Peck & Deck Street and a vacant parcel at the southeast corner of Peck & Deck Street and Deck Street

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Village Commercial (C4) and is located within the Downtown Transition designation. The purpose of the application would accommodate a proposal for the sales and assembly of energy efficient buildings together with space for training and rental to artisan manufactures. The applicant seeks amendments which would permit this use and to allow for the outside storage of four (4) trailers and the display of a model home.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the applicant will be hosting an Open House to give the public an informal opportunity to review and ask questions about the proposal. Any person may attend the Open House to discuss their comments and concerns with the applicant and municipal planning staff. Comments and concerns received as a result of the Open House will be considered in the preparation of a Planning Report for Council's information, and may result in modifications to the proposal.

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a Public Meeting, as required under the Planning Act. The Public Meeting is an opportunity for Council to hear and consider comments related to the proposed amendments. Any member of the public may speak in favour, or opposition to, the proposed amendments during the Public Meeting.

Date:

DATE AND LOCATION OF OPEN HOUSE
Date: Tuesday January 24, 2017
Time: 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Location: Minden Lions Club

166 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, ON
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed
Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the
Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne
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between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m or by calling Mr. lan Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

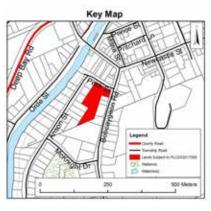
ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed official plan amendment and zoning by-law amendment, you must submit a written request to the Township of Minden Hills. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

DATED this 19 th day of January, 2017 Ian Clendening, Planner 7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359 Minden, ON, KOM 2KO



DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Location: Municipal Council Chambers

9:00 am

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# Highlander arts



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# PAINTING Oxtongue Lake's big day

#### By Lisa Gervais

With the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Group of Seven painter Tom Thomson's death in Algonquin Park this year, the Oxtongue Lake for Arts and Culture (OLAC) is organizing a major one-day festival for next Sept. 23.

It is called the OLAC Artist's Day Festival and will be held at the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre. OLAC's Chris and Jan Woods attended a meeting of Algonquin Highlands Council. They wanted council to waive insurance, community centre rental fees, and to lend any white tents and picnic tables as well as a microphone system.

"We're looking forward to a very exciting event," Chris Woods told councillors.

Chris said the art festival will celebrate working artists and the regional legacy of both Tom Thomson and the Group of Seven. Fifteen local artists will be in attendance to discuss, show and sell their work.

A walking tour will begin at the community centre to look at locations where A.J. Casson created some of his works of art in the Oxtongue Lake community. Special presentations will see Phil Chadwick interpret Thomson paintings from the perspective of a meteorologist and weather forecaster, demonstrating that Thomson truly painted what he saw. TT Last Spring is a writer who has been posting online as Tom Thomson's Last Spring, using journal entries and Twitter posts to create a historical timeline as events occurred 100 years ago. He will attend and OLAC is setting up a Thomson-like tent for him. Award-winning

documentary producer Bob Hilscher will present the trailer for his latest feature, Among the Trees, outlining the history of logging in the Oxtongue and Algonquin Park area and its connection to paintings by Thomson and the Group of Seven. The event will also feature themed local food producers and live music.

One of the events is a Hike Haliburton festival hike and paddle that will explore easily accessible sites to view vistas painted by Casson and compare them to the paintings. The walk will be followed by a short paddle in 25' Voyageur canoes to view what is believed to be the setting of Thomson's iconic "Northern River" and visit two interpretive plaques on the Oxtongue River, celebrating Thomson's painting and the journey of surveyor/explorer David Thompson. Coun. Marlene Kyle, who is an OLAC member, said the festival will enhance community spirit and ties into the township's cultural plan.

As part of the festival, OLAC is teaming up with Algonquin Outfitters, which is celebrating its 55th anniversary, on a paddle art contest. For \$25, you can buy a paddle blank from Algonquin Outfitters. You can paint, carve or use any other creative method to create your one of a kind work of art. Winners will be determined by auction. All entries must be received by Aug. 31, 2017. Contests proceeds will be donated to OLAC and the Township of Huntsville Fund for Future Acquisition of Public Art. The store is at 218 Highland St. Haliburton.



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Right: Artist Janine
Marson had already
submitted her
paddle for this year's
festival. Oxtongue
Lake for Arts and
Culture (OLAC)
members Chris and
Jen Woods brought
the paddle to an
Algonquin Highlands
council meeting.
Photo by Lisa
Gervais.



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# Highlander people

# Where are they now?

### Haliburton's Kate Campbell reaching new heights in Hollywood

#### By Jennifer Hughey

It's been awhile since Kate Campbell played Sandra D in a high school rendition of *Grease*.

Fast forward to present day and it's safe to say she has remained centre stage since her days at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS).

From acting in feature films and gigging with an LA-based band, to releasing her own solo album and getting her pilot's licence, the former Haliburtonian said she always knew this is where she wanted to be.

"For as long as I can remember, I wanted to be both an actor and a singer," Campbell told *The Highlander*. Kate graduated from HHSS in 2000, turning down several athletic scholarships to study musical theatre performance at Sheridan College in Toronto. She said leaving Haliburton was a shock.

"I loved growing up in Haliburton. It gave me the ability to dream very big dreams and to imagine that anything was possible ... it was a shock to my system when I left."

While in Toronto, she shot a number of television and film projects, co-hosted the Latin American Awards, co-produced and starred in Neil LaBute's *The Shape of Things*, and co-directed a benefit concert for St. Michael's Boys' Choir featuring The Barenaked Ladies, John McDermott, and Michael Burgess.

She returned to Haliburton in the summer of 2004 to play Maria in the Highlands Summer Festival production of *The Sound of Music*, working again with musical director Melissa Stephens, who was also the musical director for *Grease*.

Kate reminisced about her first play, *Love Affair with Hollywood*, written by fellow HHSS student Cass Weyrich. It was one of only a handful that featured Bob Sisson, another Highlands rising star who was tragically killed by a drunk driver in 1997.

"He played a small-town boy who makes it big in Hollywood. I was a groupie and had to scream, faint and kiss him. I'd never had so much fun in my life."

She spoke fondly of talks she and Sisson would have about moving to Hollywood and making movies, and how devastated she was when he died.

"He was one of the most influential people of my life. He's still very much with me in spirit today."

In 2008, Kate moved to Los Angeles— an adventure that has allowed her to share the stage with musicians like Robbie Kreiger of *The Doors* and actor/musician Jeff Goldblum and his band the *Mildred Snitzer Orchestra*. It's also where she first teamed up with award-winning jazz musician and composer, Nick Mancini.

"Kate has a huge heart and is probably one of the most talented people I know when it comes to balancing resilience and grit against fragility and humility," he told



Kate Campbell says she's where she wants to be. Photo by Emileigh Barrett.

The Highlander.

Those qualities have landed her many opportunities, including playing a journalist in the Oscar-nominated crime drama *Gone Girl*, starring Ben Affleck and Neil Patrick Harris. She's also been nominated for a Maverick Movie Award for best supporting actress for her role in *Badsville*, in theatres July 2017.

Kate is hard at work on her own feature film (which she wrote) called *Boundless*, a historical fiction which focuses mainly on the Women Airforce Services Pilots of WWI and the theme of liberation and freedom.

She was inspired by her maternal grandmother, Betty Greply (nee Ward), who was a member of the Ninety-Nines,

an organization of female pilots originally founded by Amelia Earhart in 1929.

She hopes to shoot it in Ontario this summer, providing a chance to reconnect with the Highlands. This month, Kate officially incorporated her own production company, S.H.E Lifts Off Films.

"The S.H.E stands for Shine, Heal, Elevate," she said. "The company's focus is on pushing the boundaries of female storytelling forward to more multidimensional, truthful and riveting stories about women."

Reflecting on her journey to date, she shared that "I am grateful for everything that (has) brought me to where I am now ... and I

feel like this is just the beginning. Whatever the future holds, it will be more of the same, writing, producing, acting in and standing up for the things that matter most to me and material that I'd love to see in the world."

To listen to Kate's album, *I am that Girl*, check out iTunes or Spotify and to learn more about what's next for the actor visit katecampbellactress.com.

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# Highlander outdoors

# 'Pondemonium' about to break out

### By Lisa Gervais

It's hoped that 14 hockey rinks can be built on the pond at the Pinestone as organizers of the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships prepare for the arrival of more than 120 teams in late January and early February.

Dubbed Pondemonium, the event is being held over two weekends: Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 3-4.

The first weekend is set aside for the youngsters, players 19 to 34 years of age, while the second weekend is for the oldtimers, those 35 and up.

Event owner John Teljeur is crossing his fingers for temperatures in the minus double digits so construction of the 14 rinks can be completed in the next week or so. He said they would like 12 to 15 inches of ice so they can use the recently purchased Zamboni.

"It's pretty intense," he said of the work required. He said 10 of the rinks would be in constant play with four spares. The rinks will be 60 by 130 feet, pretty much back-to-back. Because of the number of teams they will have to play from about noon Friday to 10 p.m. Friday night and then again from 8 a.m. to 8 or 9 p.m. Saturday. There will be no Sunday games. There will also have to be lights for night play since the schedule is compressed due to no Sunday games.

"Special thanks to CRS for stepping up, and being willing to help us light up the night, and Ventrac for providing all the tractors to help create the ice surfaces," Teljeur said.

Ice aside, there has been good registration for the event. Teljeur said they had 40-plus teams sign up for the first weekend and "we're sold out the second weekend" with 80 to 90 teams.

Most of those teams are from the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), although Teljeur said



A game under the lights on Head Lake at the last pond hockey championships in Haliburton. Submitted.

there are three or four local teams and squads from as far away as Pennsylvania and possibly the East Coast of Canada.

He said they are hoping to attract spectators as well as teams and said sponsors would be onsite with plenty of "freebies" and there would be a mini winter festival atmosphere at the Pinestone, with some live entertainment in the evening during Friday and Saturday night pond parties.

Teljeur said the Pinestone was booked for the February weekend within a day

of registration opening with many teams staying at other local accommodation providers. "It brings people to town."

As for volunteers, he said they were about halfway to the desired number of 70-80 and urged anyone interested in scoring and marshaling to get in touch. Training is provided although the jobs are pretty simple.

Teljeur said because he is a new owner and it is a new location, he isn't expecting this year's tournament to make money. However, he is hopeful of making in an

even higher profile event in coming years, including moving back to Head Lake in downtown Haliburton.

"When I bought the event, I thought it would likely fold if someone didn't grab it. I want to see this event flourish. I'm not quitting on this event. It is probably the second or third largest pond hockey tournament on the planet.'

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# Highland Storm





Midget Storm defender Andrew Hall looks to clear the puck against the South Muskoka Bears Jan. 15. Photo by Alex Coop.

# The Highlander/Smolen Family Dentistry Midgets

The Storm Midget A team finally played its last regular season game against the Huntsville Otters Jan. 13 in Haliburton. It was a tough game from the start and resulted in a 7-4 loss for the Storm. The regular season respectably ended with 12 wins, 4 losses and 2 ties.

The Otters took the lead early in the game with two quick, unanswered goals. The Storm got on the board during a

man advantage. It began with a nice rush by Owen Patterson-Smith. He gave a sweet drop pass to Chris Thompson who snapped it in for the first Storm goal. A few minutes later, the Otters answered back with a goal, making it 3-1. The Storm picked up some momentum nearing the end of the first. While on a power play, Patterson-Smith came around the net and fooled the goalie with a backhanded shot. Help from Shawn Walker and Andrew Hall, ending the first 3-2 for the Otters.

The second period began and it was another quick couple of goals against the Storm, now 5-2. A pass by Lucas Haedicke gave Patterson-Smith the break and he went full speed and beat the goalie with a great shot. That goal gave the Storm some drive and they used it. Ryan Prentice fed Jon Morrison the puck and he pushed hard along the boards. He fought his way through the defence and chipped it in, closing the gap to 5-4. That ended the second and was all that the Storm could do against the Otters.

The third period was tough and the Otters calmed the Storm with two more goals that ended the game, 7-4.

The team began the MPS playoffs against the South Muskoka Bears Saturday morning. It was an incredibly entertaining game that ended after five,

### Storm reports

three-minute overtime periods of 3-on-3. The Storm successfully captured the 4-3 win in the eighth period on a breakaway by Haedicke.

The first offered lots of back and forth action and remained scoreless. The second was rough with frustration. The Bears scored on a two-man advantage. Minutes later, they caught the Storm off guard and rushed in for a short-handed goal to end the period up 2-0. Early in the third, the Storm dominated a power play. Hall patiently moved along the blue line and waited for the ideal time to shoot, making it 2-1. Shortly after, the Storm worked aggressively and earned another goal. It

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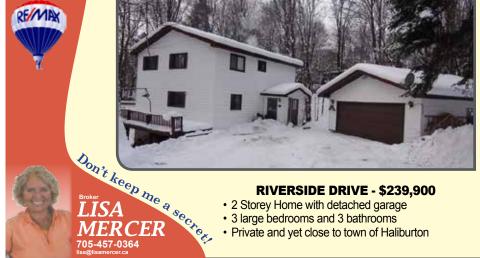
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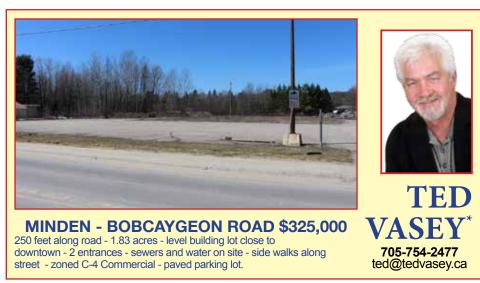
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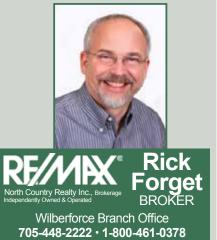
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# Highland Storm





### **Haliburton Timber Mart's**

3-Stars of the Week





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# Liam Harrison NOVICE

The Highland Storm Novices kicked off the first round of playoffs against the Newcastle Stars this past weekend in Newcastle. The Storm were looking to set the tone early, and they did exactly that, jumping to the early lead and never looking back. There were seven different Storm players who recorded a point during the 9-0 win over the Stars, with Liam picking up two goals and a helper.



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# Andrew Hall MIDGET

The Highland Storm Midgets participated in the Muskoka-Parry Sound Tournament this past weekend in Minden, playing in three games over the two days. Though the Storm ultimately finished the weekend with one win and two losses, Andrew Hall was a strong presence on the ice throughout the three games, finishing with two goals and two assists.



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# Chase Winder NOVICE

Chase receives our third star nomination this week, thanks to his stellar play as the second season began against the Newcastle Stars this past weekend. Even though the Storm's offence was firing on all cylinders, Chase still stole the show, stifling Newcastle's offence on the few chances they were able to muster leading to the 9-0 victory, and shutout.

### Local League Weekly Schedule

Thursday, January 19

Team TD Canada Trust- Practice- Haliburton @ 5PM-6PM
Team Rotary- Practice- Minden @ 5PM-6PM
Team Pharmasave- Practice- Haliburton @ 6PM-7PM
Team Canadian Tire- Practice- Haliburton @ 7PM-8PM
Team Home Hardware- Practice- Minden @ 7:30PM-8:30PM
Team McKeck's- Practice- Haliburton @ 8PM-9PM

### Saturday January 21

Initiation 2- Practice- Minden @ 9AM-10AM
Initiation 1- Practice- Minden @ 10AM-11AM
Team TD vs. Team Rotary- Minden @ 11AM
Team Pharmasave vs. Bancroft- Minden @ 12PM
Team Canadian Tire vs. Team Mckeck's- Minden @ 1PM
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was Hall once more, moving along the blue line, looking for the opening, he found it and tied the game. Help came from Patterson-Smith and Owen Gilbert on both goals. The Storm got a major boost that delivered the go-ahead goal. Patterson-Smith led the rush, manoeuvred in and then passed it over to Gilbert, who was ready to top corner the puck. That made it 3-2 for the Storm. Minutes later, the Bears tied it and that led to the nail-biting overtime. The team played its second game of the playoffs against the Parry Sound Shamrocks. This was a close game with lots of end-to-end action that went into overtime. Unfortunately, the Storm lost in period six, 3-2. The Storm came out strong with some awesome give-and-go from Patterson-Smith to Trevor Turner and back. That led to a breakaway and the first goal. Late in the first, the Shamrocks tied it. Early in the second, the Storm worked hard to control the play. It was the tenacious effort of Haedicke and Greg Crofts that moved the puck behind the net. Crofts came around and snuck it past the goalie, making it 2-1 for the Storm. Once more the Shamrocks evened it. That continued and the game went into overtime. A familiar situation for the Storm but this time the luck of the Shamrock showed in period six and the Storm lost 3-2. The Storm Midget A team met the Huntsville Otters for game three Sunday in Haliburton. They did their best to compete but the Otters managed to take the game 6-0. (Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke)

### Storm reports continued

### **Haliburton Timber Mart/ Canadian Tire Novice**

On Jan.14, the Highland Storm Novice travelled to Newcastle to take on the Stars in game one of the first round of playoffs. From the opening puck drop, the Storm were relentless in their pursuit of the puck and defensive play. The Storm opened the scoring and never looked back. Excellent passing, defence and positional play led to a dominant win. Great teamwork and an excellent start to the playoffs. Goals were scored by Liam Harrison, Brechin Johnston, Jace Mills and McLean Rowden. Superb goaltending by Chase Winder led to a shutout.

The Novice team hosted the Muskoka Rock for their last league game of the season on Jan. 15 in Haliburton. The Storm scored first and continued to apply offensive pressure resulting in more scoring opportunities. Excellent defence kept the Rock outside the offensive zone, minimizing their scoring chances. Storm goals were scored by Harrison, Evan Jones, Jacob Lloyd and Josh Scheffee. Excellent goaltending by Hudson Horsley sealed the deal on the 4-1 Storm win. After a short rest, the team was back in action, hosting the Newcastle Stars for game two of their playoff series. The Stars came out hard and lit up the scoreboard first, forcing the Storm to dig

deep and respond. A goal from Harrison tied it but the Storm were unable to contain the firepower of the Stars and dropped this one 4-1

The team is back in action this weekend when they head to Port Carling for the Muskoka-Parry Sound Novice tournament. Playoff action resumes when the Storm return to Newcastle on Jan. 28. (Submitted by Janice Scheffee)

### JoAnne Sharpley's **Source for Sports/ Haliburton Family Medical Centre Peewee**

On Jan. 15, the Highland Storm Peewees took on the Muskoka Rock in Minden. Both teams battled back and forth for the first two periods with the score 0-0 going into the third. The Rock managed to score two in the third with the Storm playing hard and giving their all. The Storm were unable to get on the board and the Rock took the game 2-0. The Peewees head to Bracebridge Jan. 21 to participate in the Muskoka-Parry Sound playdown tournament. Their first game is at 1:30 p.m. versus the Parry Sound Shamrocks and then again at 4:30 p.m. against the South Muskoka Bears. (Submitted by Ron Hall)

Be sure to listen to 93.5 MooseFM each morning for all your **Highland Storm** updates.

### Jets reports

Marsden picked up a loose puck in

The Bancroft I.D.A./ the neutral zone and slipped a sweet **Red Eagle Family** wrister inside the blocker-side far post to give Bancroft a 2-1 win. In game Campground Midget B two, a 10 p.m. late night tilt against the home team Orillia Hawks, Little The midget girls travelled to Orillia this opened the scoring again, early in the weekend, using the Sunshine Tourney first with another half-clapper from to help them gear up for their end of the the high slot. Orillia tied the game 1-1 season and forge into league playoffs with a deflected wrister that found its and provincial playdowns. way into the back of the net with just On Friday night, they faced off seconds left in the first. Both squads against the Hamilton Hawks in pool continued to battle, with the Jets having play. Jamie Little opened the scoring the bulk of the chances, to try and find midway through the first period with the tie-breaking goal but neither side a half-clapper from the point. The could find the twine. The tie game gave Hawks capitalized early in the second, Bancroft a Saturday bye to another 10 stuffing home a bouncing puck in the p.m. late night game in the semi-finals. Bancroft end, to tie the game 1-1. The On Saturday night, Bancroft met the Jets continued to pressure and with less North York Storm at the Rama Rink.

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The Jets opened the scoring early in the

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first period with Tori Shpikula finishing off a sweet two-on-one pass from Marsden. Bancroft's first period pressure continued to frustrate North York and Jules Croskery capitalized, putting a goalmouth scramble marker on the board. The 2-0 Bancroft lead energized the game into an aggressive and spirited battle as the Storm tried to stay close. Stellar defence and focused team play stymied any North York attack. Bailey Wiltshire put the game out of reach with an empty net 3-0 wrister from the point with less than a minute to play. The Storm did manage to spoil Katie Hoover's shutout with a goalmouth tally with just seconds left in the game.

Looking to build on their spirited effort from the previous night, the Jets took flight in the championship game against the Puckhounds from Temiskaming Sunday afternoon. Bancroft fell behind 1-0 late in the first period on a defensive breakdown and then 2-0 with a goalmouth scramble that Temiskaming stuffed into the net midway through the second period. The Jets could not find a way to get on the scoreboard and the Puckhounds put the game out of reach late in the third with an empty net goal.

The Jets' next home game is Jan 21. at 3 p.m. in Haliburton when they host the Lindsay Lynx and then Jan. 29 at 4:30 p.m. when they host the Keene Wolverines. (Submitted by Dan Marsden)

### Jets reports continued



The Jets Peewee Girls celebrate their tournament win. Submitted.



## The Leveque Brothers / Rock Breakers Peewee

The peewee girls travelled to Orillia this past weekend to participate in the 21st annual Orillia Hawks Tournament. Friday saw the girls matched up against their division rivals, the Peterborough Ice Kats. The Ice Kats were not going to make the game easy on the Jets first thing in the morning as they challenged on every play. Getting the jetlag out, finally, in the second period, the Jets found the score board first by a beauty goal scored by Emma Tidey and assisted by Olivia Villamere and Ava Smith. Having the first game jitters out of the way, Tidey potted three more goals to lift the Jets to their first victory of the weekend with a final score of 4-1. Assists went to Trista Young, Mackenzie Hudder, Megan Jenkins and Ryan Rupnow.

The second game of the day saw them face off against the Temaskiming Puckhounds. In an easier matchup, the Jets came out firing on all cylinders with two goals in each period for the second win of the day by a score of 6-1. Goals scored by Elyse Ives, Rupnow, Hailey Hudder, Peyton Armstrong, Jenkins and M. Hudder. Assists to Armstrong (2), Ives, Rupnow, Chloe Billings, Smith, Villamere and Young. The win put the Jets into the quarter finals.

Saturday night saw them take on the Puckhounds yet again in an elimination game. The Puckhounds changed up their game play and were a force to be reckoned with. In an on the edge of the seat-style

game, no goals were scored entering the third period. That came to a quick end when Villamere scored a perfect goal to wake the Jets up and get their adrenaline going, assists going to H. Hudder and Ives. Before the game ended, two more snipers stepped up to give the girls their third win of the tournament. Goals scored by Armstrong and Tidey, assisted by M. Hudder and Jenkins.

Sunday morning was a do or die semi final game against Brockville. This game saw a lot more aggressive play but the Jets remained calm with the puck and secured their place in the gold medal game with a score of 3-0. Goals scored by Armstrong (2) and Tidey with assists going to Ives, Jenkins and Rupnow.

The gold medal game saw the Jets facing off against the Kitchener Rangers in a rematch from a tournament earlier in the season that saw the girls on the losing end and they were out for revenge. This game proved to live up to the hype with some great passing, amazing rushes and all shots being turned away at both ends. After three periods and one five minute overtime the score remained zeros on both sides and headed to a shootout. Lots of eyes were peeking through hands in the crowd as they saw the three shooters from each side take their spot one after the other to face off against the opposing goalie. With Elyse Ives' lone top shelf peanut butter shootout goal and Bella Smolen, the Jets amazing netminder, turning away all three Kitchener shooters, the crowd went crazy as the girls celebrated their gold medal victory. (Submitted by Melissa Armstrong)

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# Highlander events





### **Balance and precision**

The 2017 SO Speed Series SBX/SX took place Jan. 14-15 at Sir Sam's Ski/Ride. Dozens of racers, young and old, tore down the hill on skis and snowboards as part of the Ontario Series Snowboardcross. Final results can be found at ontariosnowboarders.ca/events/results-from-past-events. *Photos by Alex Coop* 



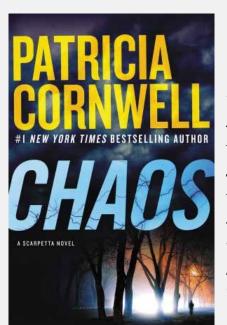


### How'd you do that?

Professor Wick's Incredible Magic Factory paid a visit to the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion Jan. 15. The show was part of the Razzamataz Kids Shows program. Right: Alexandra Humphrey is selected by Professor Wick to help with a magic trick. *Photos by Alex Coop*.



### **Haliburton County's Hot Reads**



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

- 1. Chaos by Patricia Cornwell
- 2. Under The Midnight Sun by Keigo Higashino
- 3. The Witches Of New York by Ami McKay
- 4. Lucky 666: the impossible mission by Bob Drury and Tom Clavin
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# Sleddog championships







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### To victory!

Karen Koehler crosses the finish line with her now five-year-old dog Bundle during a race from year's prior. Koehler says Bundle will be joining her and her new team at the world championships. The Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve is home to the 2017 Winter Sleddog World Championships from Jan. 24-Feb. 1. The first week will feature sprint race events. The second week will spotlight race events, including 55 km, 82 km and a 375 km long-distance race. *Photo submitted*.



# Sleddog championships

# Representing Canada in her backyard

### Local skijorer excited for world championships at Haliburton Forest

#### By Alex Coop

Carnarvon skijorer Karen Koehler is looking forward to sleeping in her bed with her dogs cuddled up by her feet ahead of the 2017 International Federation of Sleddog Sports (IFSS) Sleddog World Championships at Haliburton Forest.

To save money during other races, Koehler and her dogs sometimes sleep in a tent near the race venue, but because this year's world championships are being held a short drive away starting Jan. 24, she can sleep at home.Almost half of her races last year were 12 hours away.

"There will be more competitors this year at Haliburton Forest, so my main goal is to have fun sleeping in my own bed at night and to stay relaxed so I can perform my best with my dogs," Koehler told *The Highlander*.

Koehler, who is the president of the Ontario Federation of Sleddog Sports and a board member for the Canadian Association of Harness Dog Sports (CAHDS), is joining a Canadian team that continues to grow every year.

"I don't think the CAHDS has ever seen so many applications to compete at worlds as there were this year," Koehler wrote in an email. Eleven countries are expected to participate in the championships.

Coinciding with Canada's 150th anniversary, the 2017 IFSS Sleddog World Championship is an internationally sanctioned, nine-day competition taking place on Canadian snow for the first time since 2009.

Skijoring, pulka, and dog sledding are the primary events.

Koehler played a big role in helping

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Karen Koehler



Haliburton Forest win the bid for the event, says Haliburton Forest project manager Tegan Legge.

"Karen approached myself and Peter (Schleifenbaum) over two years ago," Legge wrote in an email. Several meetings and consultations later, Haliburton Forest put its name in the hat and ultimately won the bid. In Europe,

tens of thousands of people come out to watch the world championships, but Legge isn't expecting those types of numbers.

"North American culture is different and also a bit less accessible," she explained. "We are hoping for an average of 500 spectators per day. This could be 200 one day and 1,000 on the weekend."

But Canadians across the country are very passionate about the dog sledding community, says Sarah Warford, CAHDS regional director for the maritime provinces.

"It's always been popular in Canada, but it's the thousands of kilometres that separate the kennels and race venues that create a challenge," she said. "In Europe, the landscape and population is more condensed, making it easier to get from one race to another."

In addition to the strong bonds formed between the athletes and their dogs, harness dog sports provide the furry companions with physical and mental stimulation, Warford says. In North America, 40 to 50 per cent of pet dogs are obese, according to the CAHDS.

"There is a huge need for dogs to be active," Warford said.

Koehler agrees.

"Skijoring and dog sledding gets dogs that were bred to run to do what they love," she wrote. "Like many dogs in this world that take pride in their work and get depressed or anxious if they don't have a job, these dogs are no different."

## Where to watch the action:

#### **Haliburton Forest Base Camp**

Along the 300m walk to the start and finish lines, spectators will make their way through the dog yard seeing teams as they get ready to race. Base Camp will also be host to opening ceremonies, medal presentations, various food vendors and other special attractions such as a toboggan hill. There will be a \$5 per car charge.

#### **Spectators' Corners**

Continue past the start and finish line on a short 500m walk through a forest trail that runs parallel to the race course. Spectators will see teams as they come down the North Road or through the Wild Woods Walk on their last 500m to the finish line. Competitors call it "No Man's Land."

#### Macdonald Lake

Hitch a ride with one of the shuttle vans and trek through the woods on a 300m snowy trail that once was a traditional portage route from Redstone Lake to MacDonald Lake. Concessions and souvenirs will be available at MacDonald Lake. Make sure to have cash on-hand.

\*\* NOTE: snowshoes will be available to rent at \$2/pair through the main office at Base Camp. Information from worlddogsleddingchampionships.ca



### CNN discovers dog sledding in the Highlands

There will be a break in political coverage for the dogs of Winterdance.

CNN producer Jacqueline Gulledge and photojournalist Scott Pisczek visited the local dog sledding company recently to obtain footage for "Off the Clock," a segment scheduled to air on the US network in February. The pair learned about dog sledding, huskies, racing and the Highlands, according to Winterdance co-owner Tanya McCready. Photo submitted. (Mark Arike)





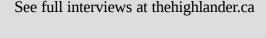
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# Looking forward

### What are your goals for 2017?





# Brent Devolin County Warden and Reeve of Minden Hills

"I'd like to see the fire hall done and the die cast for the community centre renewal. I'd like to see us continue to evolve and upgrade the skills of staff and look after the responsibility that the public is increasingly demanding and mainly provincial policy is requiring ... to see a growth and maturing in that whole process. At the county, I'd like 2017 to be a year of discussion about what we do, why we do it, what has value ... things done in the past that currently aren't done ... an honest and frank conversation about the state of affairs.



**Murray Fearrey**Reeve of Dysart et al

"Stay the course. But we expect to see some capital improvements, like an addition to the municipal office, a new skate park, repairs to Paddy's Bay Bridge and hopefully the Fort Irwin Bridge. We're also looking forward to a new Harcourt Community Centre."



**Dave Burton**Reeve Highlands East

"For 2017, I am hoping that we will start seeing our visioning and long term planning sessions start to take effect. This will begin molding our decision-making moving forward. We also have quite a few programs and procedures currently in development that we would like implemented for 2017. These include a solar installation policy, sewage inspection and maintenance program, short term accommodation policy and a grant system for private roads."



**Carol Moffatt**Reeve Algonquin Highlands

"I have two goals for 2017: continuing with progressive and transparent decision-making and remaining attentive to the evolving governance landscape to ensure we're ready and able to adapt. In terms of projects, topping the list are continued viable growth at the airport, (hopefully) installing solar at municipal buildings, and long-term solutions to septage, including continued work on the lagoon expansion, a septic system inspection program and participation in the provincial hauled sewage review."



### Laurie Scott, MPP

"Unfortunately, for Ontario's seniors, families and businesses - life will continue to get harder under the Liberal government this year. In 2017, the Ontario PC Caucus will continue to work hard to earn the trust of voters, and hold the Wynne Government to account. I look forward to sharing our positive message for a more prosperous Ontario. My main goal is to

see the Wynne government stop ignoring rural concerns and fix the mess they have created. I will continue to fight hard for lower energy costs and for a fairer funding formula for rural and mid-sized hospitals as well as local social services, so that the residents of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock get the services they deserve."



### Jamie Schmale, MP

"While I have many goals and priorities for the next year, a few that are particularly important to me are: Protection and creation of jobs in HKLB.

We need to work hard to create an environment where business can thrive, where entrepreneurs can feel empowered and we provide the necessary support so our business, big and small, are supported.

Increased funding for projects in HKLB. It is my goal to bring as many federal dollars to our riding as possible to support critical infrastructure projects, local and regional initiatives, and job creation programs.

Increased broadband Internet. More and more people are online. Whether they are doing business, searching for information

or staying in touch with friends and family. We need to continue to work hard to expand broadband connectivity to the underserviced parts of the riding.

Increased support for families. It's no secret that life under the current provincial and federal governments is going to get more expensive over the coming year. The high price of fuel, hydro, the CPP expansion, will all be a burden financially. As your MP, I recognize the importance of keeping your hard earned money in your pocket. As a member of Canada's Official Opposition, I will continue to work hard with my colleagues to hold the government accountable."

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### **OBITUARIES**



### In Loving Memory of Paul E. Pethick

Died peacefully at home on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, surrounded by his loving family, at the age of 77.

Beloved husband of Susan for 52 years. Loving father of Norah (Raymond), Shari (Victor), Stephanie (Ronald) and P.C. (Yoko). Loving grandfather of Christian (Vanessa), Miranda, Jacob, Matthew, Jocelyn and great grandfather of Lincoln. Fondly remembered by his brother Roger (Margie), niece Sarah and nephew Andrew.

Paul was a Chartered Accountant and was Long-time Partner of Soberman LLP, Past President of SIC Eldercare Services Inc., Long-term member of the Unionville and Minden Lions Clubs, and spent many enjoyable hours at the bridge table.

A Service to Celebrate Paul's Life will be held at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0

on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 11:00 am. Reception will follow at the Pinestone Resort, 4252 County Rd., #21, Haliburton. Cremation has taken place.

The family has extreme allergies. Please be scent free. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) or to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.



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### Ward, Norman Edgar

January 13 1919 - January 14 2017

At his residence in Oshawa, Norm put down his golf clubs, curling broom, tennis racket and garden tools for the last time (his tomatoes were awesome!). A lifelong resident of Oshawa, Dad served in WW2 with the RCAF and wore many hats during his career as an entrepreneur owning several businesses over his lifetime. Beginning in the early 1950's, Norm introduced cottaging to more than a few generations. A long time Beech Lake cottager, friends and family learned the joys of the woods and water, corn roasts and card games, boats and bonfires. He was predeceased by his wife of 64 years Virgie Trotter and his sister Glenda Taylor. Left to cherish his memory are daughter Janet (Charles O'Neil) of Haliburton, grand-daughter Eliza O'Neil (James Galea) of Toronto, grandson Scott O'Neil and great grandchildren Gabrielle and William of the Gold Coast Australia, sister Velma Ward, niece Deborah (Ian Hancock) of Dorchester as well as his dear friend and companion

Barb Farrell. According to Norm's wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial reception will be held on Monday January 23 rd 2017 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the McIntosh-Anderson- Kellam Funeral Home Ltd., 152 King St. East, Oshawa (905-433-5558). Donations in memory of Norm to the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation or to a favourite charity would be appreciated. Online condolences may be shared at *makfuneralhome.com*.

### **FUNERAL SERVICES**



### Funerals and Memorial Services

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### **HELP WANTED**



### The Role:

The Site Manager is accountable for the overall maintenance and repair of the residential camp facilities and the supervision and management of the facilities staff.

### The general duties include:

- Maintain grounds and ensure all buildings are in good repair. Identify and facilitate repairs where necessary
- b) Perform routine site checks and document deficiencies
- c) Prioritize daily repair schedule and complete repairs
- d) Maintain and regularly test the drinking water system as required
- e) Monitor the septic system and ensure it is maintained at all times
- f) Monitor and maintain the security of all buildings as well as the site
- g) Prepare the site for rental groups during the off-season

### **Experience and Qualifications**

- A competent understanding of building construction, carpentry, electrical work, plumbing and septic systems
- b) Capable of training, supervising and support of facility staff
- c) A basic understanding of the Ontario Building Code
- d) An aptitude for the operation and maintenance of camp machinery, vehicles and tools
- e) General knowledge of landscaping
- f) Working knowledge of the drinking water treatment system. A current certification as a Small Seasonal Drinking Water Systems Operator is preferred.
- g) Fit to work in a rigorous and physically demanding work environment
- h) Valid driver's license
- i) Current police reference check

#### HELP WANTED

# MINDEN HILLS

#### Internal & External Posting - Employment Opportunity

The Roads Department is seeking two (2)

### **Full Time Equipment Operators**

Reporting to the Road Superintendent, the Equipment Operator provides a variety of construction activities, snow/ice removal, maintenance and repair services to roads, bridges, culverts, drainage and other road works maintenance for the Roads Department under the supervision of the Road Superintendent or designate(s)

Both are full time positions.

The position is based on a forty-two (42) hour work week, with hours subject to change seasonally. The current rate of pay is \$23.49/hour as per the LOCAL 4286 Collective Agreement – Schedule "A". Earnings will be subject to Union dues.

### Qualifications

You have a thorough knowledge of vehicles, equipment and materials used in road maintenance and road maintenance operations. You have demonstrated good communication, interpersonal and customer service skills to exchange information or explain basic situations using curtesy and tact. Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision

The successful candidate will have a minimum of Grade 12, a minimum of two (2) years' experience operating at least two (2) of the following: backhoe, loader, tandem axle truck, single axle truck <u>and</u> a minimum of two (2) years' experience operating a grader, or willingness to complete the required training. Possession of a minimum class D'Z' Endorsement Driver's License is required. Preference will be given to those candidates whose experience includes the tandem axle truck.

TJ Mahoney Road School coursework certificates, Surface Miner training (or willingness to obtain), is preferred. Chainsaw training, certification in the Ontario Traffic Manual Book 7 and First Aid & CPR/AED are assets.

The position requires the operation of equipment and undertaking of construction and maintenance projects in extreme weather conditions as well as moderate to heavy physical demands related to manual labour with regular exposure to dirt, dust, oil, grease, noise, vibration, weather conditions, hazardous materials and chemicals.

Upon final selection, the successful applicant may be required to provide, at their own expense, a background check from the Ontario Provincial Police or appropriate police force as well as a clean Driver's Abstract.

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application together with a resume of education and experience by 12:00 noon Thursday February 2, 2017 to <a href="mailto:sprentice@mindenhills.ca">sprentice@mindenhills.ca</a> or by mail or in person to:

Employment Opportunity – Two (2) Full Time Equipment Operators Township of Minden Hills 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359 Minden ON KOM 2KO

Attention: Travis Wilson, C Tech., Road Superintendent

Detailed position descriptions can be obtained by contacting the Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant at <a href="mailto:sprentice@mindenhills.ca">sprentice@mindenhills.ca</a>.

If you are contacted by the Township of Minden Hills regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially

Persons with a disability preventing them from applying on-line should contact the undersigned to discuss alternative

solutions.
We thank all applicants for applying, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

### **NOTICES**



#### **COUNTY OF HALIBURTON COMMITTEE VACANCIES**

The Haliburton County Tourism Committee is seeking an interested individual to fill a vacancy as a Committee member for the remainder of the four-year term of Council ending November 30, 2018. We are seeking a public appointee who has an interest in the County Tourism industry.

Any person having an interest in being appointed to the Tourism Committee is invited to submit an expression of interest no later than Friday, February 10, 2017 at 4:00 p.m., detailing relevant experience and skills to the attention of:

> Michael Rutter, County CAO/Clerk County of Haliburton, 11 Newcastle Street, P.O. Box 399, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 705-286-4829 fax mrutter@county.haliburton.on.ca

### **County of Haliburton NOTICES**

### 2017 Budget

The Council of the County of Haliburton wishes to provide PUBLIC NOTICE that Haliburton County Council will be discussing the 2017 budget on the following dates:

- Friday, February 3, 2017, and
- Wednesday, February 22, 2017

### **Tariff of Fees**

And further take notice that Haliburton County Council will be reviewing and considering amemdments to the Tariff of Fees at the Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 25, 2017

> Michael Rutter, CAO/County Clerk 11 Newcastle St., P.O. Box 399 Minden ON K0M 2K0 Telephone (705) 286-1333 or 1-866-886-8815 ext 223 Fax: (705) 286-4829 email: mrutter@county.haliburton.

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### **HELP WANTED**

#### **Haliburton Community Housing Corporation**

(operating Parklane and Echo Hills Apartments) has an employment opportunity for a full-time Administrative Assistant to assist the Housing Manager with day-to-day operations

The successful candidate will:

- Be willing to be part of a small team of dedicated professionals
- Be able to work independently, without supervision, when necessary;
   Have sound judgement when working with vulnerable individuals;
- Possess good verbal and written communication skills, and good listening
- Have at least 2 years bookkeeping experience or demonstrate the capacity to be trained and have experience in budget procedures;
- Show proficiency in the use of Microsoft Office, including Word and Excel;
   Be able to learn job-specific software applications;
- Be required to work at least one evening per month;
  Possess a valid driver's licence and use of a vehicle;
- Obtain a satisfactory Vulnerable Sector Check.

Relevant post-secondary education will be an asset

Resumes, including cover letters, will be received by email at: hchc@on.aibn.com up to 4 p.m. on February 17, 2017.

A detailed job description will be made available by email upon request.

Haliburton Community Housing Corporation is committed to fair and accessible employment practices. Upon request, disabilities will be accommodated during the interview and assessment process. Haliburton Community Housing Corporation thanks all those who show interest in this position and advises that only those chosen to be interviewed will be

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### THANK YOU

We thank you for a beautifully planned party at our Little Church in the Wildwood in Ingoldsby last Saturday. Also, thanks for the lovely memory gift of glass. We are moving but not saying goodbye - Just cya!

We intend to stay in touch with our church family and many friends who have made our life her in Haliburton THE BEST!

Special thanks to Shelley, Shirley, Sharon and all the UCW chics, Santa and his elf.

- Love Jim and Lois

### **EVENTS**

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS from Deep Roots Adventure - Jan 28 - Winter Survival Feb 18 - Winter Camping - Mar 18 - Winter Survival See DeepRootsAdventure.com/ upcoming-events/ for more details.



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### Looking for an opportunity to serve your community or know someone who is?

The Township of Minden Hills is currently seeking two (2) community-minded residents to serve on the Committee of Adjustment for the remaining 2014-2018 term of Council. The new members would fill a recent vacancy and broaden the Committee to a five member panel

Members receive a stipend of \$100.00 for each regular meeting attended and are reimbursed for mileage associated with conducting site visits. Meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on the last Monday of each month and typically last 2 hours but may extend longer.

#### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT?

The Committee of Adjustment considers applications for minor variances from the Township's Zoning By-law as set out in the Planning Act. A minor variance may allow property owners to use their land in a way which does not comply exactly with the requirements of the Zoning By-Law.

The Committee of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body made up of citizen representatives appointed by Council. Decisions made by the Committee of Adjustment may be appealed to the Ontario Municipal

#### **AM I QUALIFIED?**

It is expected that Committee Members be objective in fulfilling their responsibilities. In advance of meetings Members are expected to conduct site visits (weather and road conditions permitting), and to review the Minutes of Committee Meetings and Planning Reports, which are prepared by Township Staff.

Appointments to the Committee of Adjustment is based upon the following criteria; however those who do not meet all the qualifications are still strongly encouraged to apply:

- Resident or property owner in the Township of Minden Hills;
- Presence and longevity in the community;
- Knowledge and understanding of the land use Be organized, available and committed to attend planning process including minor variance;
- component or equivalent experience and have
- strong analytical skills in order to fully consider all information provided;
- Excellent communication skills;
- Demonstrated background and knowledge Reason for wanting to serve on the Committee;
- related to the function of the Committee of Be available and able to conduct site inspections on subject properties;
  - all Committee meetings; and
- Be objective, possess relevant education Ability to commit the time for servicing on the

In addition to the above qualifications, consideration will be given to the composition as a whole in an effort to balance:

- rural, urban and lakeshore interest;
- age, gender and ethnicity;
- · experience and new membership;

Successful applicants will be provided with orientation and are eligible for learning opportunities.

### WHERE DO I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?

Interested individuals are encouraged to apply by submitting a copy of their resume and a cover letter to

Clerk's Department Committee of Adjustment Member Township of Minden Hills P.O. Box 359 - 7 Milne Street Minden, ON., KOM 2KO or by e-mail to: sprentice@mindenhills.ca

Applications must be received by January 26, 2017.

In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the information gathered will be used solely for candidate selection purposes only. Questions about the collection and use of this information should be directed to the Clerk, Dawn Newhook, Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, KOM 2KO (705) 286-1260 ext. 205.

### WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

For further information regarding the recruitment process, or on the role and responsibility of Committee Members, contact Ian Clendening, Planner & Secretary-Treasurer to the Committee of Adjustment, at 705-286-1260 x206 or e-mail at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

### **Classifieds**



\$8 for 25 words 50 maximum.

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### **Marcus Beach Cottage Owners Association** (MBCOA)

**Property Maintenance** 

The MBCOA has an exciting full time opportunity for a self-motivated, customer-oriented individual who has skills and background in a variety of trades.

Located just a few kilometers outside of Haliburton, Ontario, Marcus Beach is a 39-acre site with 19 cottages, four docks and a nature trail (www.marcusbeachcottages.ca) and we need someone to help ensure it stays at its current high level of maintenance. The successful candidate will work with the Property Manager and the Owner Association Board of Directors to maintain this shared cottage ownership property.

The successful candidate would have the following skills and background:

- Handyman interest and skills; the ability to handle minor repairs and maintenance activities
- Proven customer service skills
- Good physical condition and interest in working outdoors for much of the time; sample tasks include lawn-mowing, tree-trimming and ice rink maintenance
- Ability to work cooperatively with local contractors and service firms
- Experience with the use of most power and hand tools
- Ability to work independently for long periods of time, while working under the guidance and priority-setting of the Property Manager and Board
- Ability to plan preventive maintenance programs and recommend optimal approaches for maintenance and operations

Ideal candidates would also have:

- A small truck, SUV or similar vehicle that would be available for specific maintenance activities such as handling recycling materials or trash
- A smart phone with both a cell and data plan for emergency contact and remote cottage monitoring
- A Small Drinking Water certificate for Ontario
- Experience at a resort or timeshare property with property management

The expectations will be for a 40-hour week with some on-call work when an emergency response is required. The salary will be set based on the successful applicant's skills and experience but is expected to be in the \$20/hour range.

Please submit a resume by email to board@marcusbeachcottages.ca with the subject line "Property Maintenance" by January 27, 2017.



### The Haliburton Highlands **Land Trust**

is seeking Board Members with expertise in social media, marketing, and finance.

Please contact Mary Lou at admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca 705-457-3700

### **Land Trust Discovery Days 2017 Animal Tracks and Signs**

When: Saturday February 4, begins at 10:00am to 12:00pm Where: Nature's Place Minden Fun for all ages! Create animal track prints using plaster molds and crayons. Due to space limitations,

please pre- register at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Admission by donation

### Coming Saturday March 18th The Reptile Road Show!

10:00am to 12:00pm at Haliburton Fish Hatchery. Tickets must be purchased in advance online or call 705-457-3700. Adults \$15, children 12& under \$10, family \$30.

# What's on

#### **JANUARY 2017 EVENTS SUNDAY TUESDAY MONDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY EVERY MONDAY** Minden Community Centre Pickleball 9 a.m. - Noon. **Haliburton County** Lunch for the Bereaved, Family Skate & Activity Historical Society -**Drop-in Basketball** at the Dorset Recreation Centre, 5 – 6 Raquets are provided, please bring clean indoor shoes. \$2/ 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1st Day, in support of Parker Canada 150 and Dysart p.m. Equipment provided, \$5/adults, \$2.50/youth or seniors, Simpson. A.J. LaRue person. Contact Elisha Weiss 705-286-2298 or eweiss@ and 3rd Friday in Haliburton or free with membership. mindenhills.ca for more info. (SIRCH, 2 Victoria St.). 2nd Arena, Haliburton, 11 a.m. -150 film, speaker Kim Emmerson, 1:30 p.m. at and 4th Friday in Minden 1 p.m. Admission \$5 Haliburton Museum. **Drop-in Pickleball** at the Dorset Recreation Centre, 7 – 9 Tai Chi Class at the Dorset Recreation Centre, Mind - Body (Minden Legion, Hwy 35). Drop-in. For more info p.m. Beginners welcome, some equipment provided, \$5/ - Spirit - Health & Wellness. 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon. Fall Dig In Series: Soup & adults, \$2.50/youth or seniors, or free with membership. session runs to Dec. 5. Beginners welcome! Pre-registration Don't forget contact 705-457-2941 Ext **Skate - 1**0 a.m. - 1 p.m., at required. Call Valerie at 705-767-1177. Minden Community Centre. today's edition of Haliburton Pickleball at Haliburton high school Monday \$15/person. Register at The Highlander nights from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Cost \$2, equipment supplied. **Table Tennis,** 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Minden Community abbeygardens.ca/event/dig-Bring clean indoor running shoes. Centre. \$3/person. Contact Elisha Weiss for more info 705series-soup-skate 20 286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca **Highland Classic Vintage** Taoist Tai Chi Open Taoist Tai Chi Open Taoist Tai Chi Open Taoist Tai Chi Open **Canadian National Pond Deep Roots Adventure** Snowmobile Show & House - Two locations: House - Zion United House – Lloyd Watson House - Haliburton United **Hockey Championships** Workshop Series: Church, Carnarvon, 10 a.m. Centre, Wilberforce, 2-4 Church, 10 a.m. - noon. Shine, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., at Galway Community Hall, (Open Division), Winter Survival Kinmount, 10 a.m. - noon, p.m. and at Haliburton canadapondhockey.ca the Minden Fairgrounds. noon. 705-457-5829 705-457-5829 deeprootsadventure.com/ Tickets \$10. (Taking place and at St. Paul's Anglican United Church, 6:30 – 8 Jan. 27-29 upcoming-events on Saturday as well) Church, Minden, 7 - 8:30 2017 Winter Sleddog World Championship, p.m. 705-457-5829 Death Cafe, Baked & Hardwater Festival, Robbie Burns Night, at Haliburton Forest. Battered, 2-4 p.m. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., West Wilberforce Legion (Jan. 24 - Feb. 1) Reserve your spot at **Guilford Community** Branch 624, 6 – 11 p.m. haliburtonhighlands@carp. Centre See dysartetal.ca/ Refreshments at 0.05 p.m., \$1523 ca. loveyourlifetodeath.com hardwaterfestival/ for details 24 28 2017 Winter Sleddog World Championship, at Haliburton Forest. January 14 - February 1

### **ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS**

### **HALIBURTON BRANCH**

Monday bridge 1p.m. Tuesday dart league starting at 7 p.m. Wednesday bid euchre 1 p.m. start, bingo doors open at 6 p.m, bingo starts at 7 p.m. - \$500 jackpot, \$1000 jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.

Thursday general meeting second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. Friday meat draw - five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets \$2 per draw ... Chester Howse, MC.

Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards Saturday 50/50 4 p.m. draw, tickets \$1 each from noon onwards

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Sunday breakfast second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

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Upcoming Events: Live entertainment featuring Todd Nolan Saturday Jan. 28 4-7 p.m. in the Club Room. Enjoy a delicious meal for only \$6 prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. \$5 cover charge for non-members Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705) 457-2571, email rcl129@ bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129 ... everyone is welcome.

### **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, noon-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday 7:30 p.m.

Bid euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, \$12 Sports fan day, Sunday, 12-5 p.m. Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, noon-2 p.m. Liver lovers' special, Tuesday noon-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. spaghetti dinner 5-7 p.m. jam session 7:30 p.m. Saturday meat draw 2p.m. – early bird 3 p.m. sharp Monday bid euchre 7 p.m. beginners

welcome.

fun darts 7:30 p.m. Wednesday youth league 6:30-8:30 Thursday

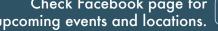
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Upcoming Events: Pat & Phyllis Gallen Lake Trout Ice Fishing Derby, Sat., Jan. 28 - \$15/person, one fish entry, weigh in 3-6 p.m. at the branch - participants must be present to collect



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Check Facebook page for upcoming events and locations.



# What's on



From left, Cara Steele of Abbey Gardens, Michelle Moraal of Haliburton Solar and Wind, and Jewelle Schiedel-Webb of Haliburton Highlands Brewing. Photo by Mark Arike.

## Winter workshops full of flavour and fun

### By Mark Arike

Abbey Gardens has the cure for the winter blahs and it includes food, beer, the outdoors and learning opportunities.

The local destination is teaming up with four of its partners to launch the Winter Workshop Series at the end of this month.

"The way we've designed it is that you can either sign up for one thing or the whole day," said Cara Steele, program coordinator and ecological specialist at Abbey Gardens. "It's up to you."

Last winter, groups were able to book workshops and create their own experience. The upcoming series is a modified version of that. Each workshop, in a series of five between January and March, begins at 11 a.m. on the last Saturday of the month. Participants will start their day with a guided snowshoeing tour followed by lunch. Afterwards, they will have a few options.

"In the afternoon, you get to choose between a few different workshops. You could come with a group and even if you had different interests you could split up after lunch," said Steele.

For those interested in learning about craft beer, Haliburton Highlands Brewing will offer a workshop on the brewing process. It's complete with a guided tastetesting and souvenir glass to take home.

Can't get enough java? County Coffee will explain how coffee is grown, traded, roasted and brewed for the best taste, but also with sustainable and equitable practices in mind, according to Abbey Gardens' website.

Haliburton Solar will offer a workshop on off-grid living. And finally, there will also be a bread baking workshop.

Each offering is \$25 per person. People can buy gift certificates for the workshops.

Abbey Gardens will provide lunch this month and Into the Blue Bakery will serve wood-fired pizza in February and March.

There is room for approximately 10 people in each workshop, said Steele.

"We want to create a learning experience

for people for off-grid living, to learn about the equipment and to actually view equipment," said Michelle Moraal of Haliburton Solar and Wind.

The business relocated to an off-grid Alternative Energy Presentation Centre on the property in the fall.

"It's raising awareness about the kinds of experiences you can have on the site," added Jewelle Schiedel-Webb, co-owner of Haliburton Highlands Brewing.

People are encouraged to register in advance, but last-minute drop-ins are welcome.

To sign up, visit abbeygardens.ca and click on "Programming" or call Steele at 705-754-4769.



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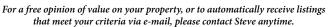
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#### KUSHOG LAKE \$250,000

- 131 feet frontage, 0.37 acre River rock/limestone retaining wall
- Private boat launch, sunset views
- · 24' x 20' garage with concrete floor
- Hydro/meter on site, driveway installed.



#### LOON LAKE \$299,900

- 3 bedroom open concept cottage 208 feet of shoreline in quiet bay Sunset views, deep water off dock
- Woodstove, skylights, deck
- Comes furnished ready to enjoy.



#### ABUTTING PARKLANDS \$374,900

- 4 bedroom, 2 bath cottage, 1.1 acre
- 153' frontage, clean sand beach Exceptional privacy, nice views
- Sunroom, stone fireplace, master ensuite
- Large principle rooms, lakeside deck.



#### **GULL RIVER** \$375,000

- 1+3 bedroom, 2+1 bath home Access to 3 lake chain

- Modern home, level lot, 2 decks Fully finished lower level Detached garage, ample parking.

#### **CARE FREE COTTAGING** \$77,000

- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 storey cottage Enjoy 5 weeks of stress-free cottaging
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- 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 1,470 sq. ft.
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- 3+2 bedroom, 3,200 sq. ft. living space 2.65 acres, extensive deck and dock
- Finished lower level walkout, wet bar
- Custom kitchen, hardwood floors Turn-key set up, ready to enjoy.

#### ICONIC COTTAGE \$1,875,000

- 3 bdrm, 4,000+ ft2 home featured in magazines
- 143' shoreline, big lake views, sunsets
- · 28' cathedral ceiling, 3 storey fireplace, double attached garage
- · High end finishings & fixtures, comes as viewed
- Wetslip boathouse, floating Tiki Bar & dock



### WATERFRONT LOTS

- \$59,900 Gull River, 120 ft. fr., 2.3 acre
- \$159,900 Ted's Lake 390 ft. fr., 1.48 acre
- \$244,900 West Lake, 192 ft. fr., 1.1 acre • \$249,500 - West Lake, 251 ft. fr., 0.83 acre
- \$264,000 White Lake, 335 ft. fr., 1.84 acre
- \$275,000 Growler Lake, 633 ft. fr., 2.93 acre
- chain . \$475,000 - Canning Lake, 700 ft. fr., 6.8 acre

### \$19,900 - Irish Line, 1 acre, level building lot

- \$22,000 North Shore Road, 3 acre, close to 3 lake
- \$39,000 North Road, 4.23 acre, close to ski hill \$39,900 - Highway 503, 1.64 acre, Glamorgan Rd. intersection, Commercial Zoning

### VACANT LOTS

- hunting
- \$92,900 Halbiem Crescent, 0.46 acre, overlooks Head Lake
- \$139,000 Highway 35, 65 acre, access to Halls Lake

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