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CANOE HEADS: Camp Kilcoo leaders portage across Highway 35 at Moore Falls during a demonstration Aug 12. See story and more photos on page 5.

Economic study says 200 local jobs at risk

Ontario Chamber's experts say Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act will cause unintended harm

By Alex Coop

Ontario's proposed changes to the Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act could put nearly 200 jobs, across all sectors in Haliburton County, at risk, according to a report from the Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis (CANCEA).

That's above the provincial average, and included in the 185,000 jobs that would also be at risk across Ontario.

The changes to Bill 148 are sizeable and sudden, said Paul Smetanin, founder and president of CANCEA.

"A theme that businesses and economies don't like is shock. So we would recommend that [the government] create more of a runway on this," Smetanin told *The Highlander*.

"With this bill, there's a lot of money trying to be redistributed in Ontario."

The bill, specifically the plan to raise the

minimum wage to \$14 in January and \$15 a year later, spurred strong reaction in the county.

Local business owners cited job cuts and higher prices on sold goods.

CANCEA's report echoed those concerns, and said the province could dig itself into a \$23 billion hole in two years, 29 per cent of which would be passed on to consumers.

"It's the biggest change to the minimum

wage we've seen in 45 years," said Smetanin, and pointed to the fact that small businesses are likely to be affected five times more than larger ones.

Richard Wannan, director of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, said layoffs would only be one side effect.

"Employers might be able to keep employees, but they aren't going to expand

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Chamber and MPP express concerns

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and bring in new staff," he said. "They might reduce hours ... it's not just about how people might get laid off."

The report says more than 16,000 food service and manufacturing jobs would be at risk.

A statement from Kevin Flynn, Minister of Labour, said the province isn't backing down from its bill, but that it does recognize there are "concerns from the business community."

"Many businesses across the province have come out in support of our plan because it helps them attract employees, reduces their labour turnover and encourages employees to become more invested in the business," the statement read.

In early July, 53 economic experts across the country claimed in an open letter that Kathleen Wynne's proposed minimum wage hike made sense and would create "substantial benefit to low-wage workers, their families and the economy as a whole."

Wannan said it's not about disagreeing with the notion of a living wage, but the timetable for its implementation.

*52 per cent of the expected
job losses are expected to
be women (96,000 jobs
at risk for women, 89,000
jobs at risk for men)*

- CANCEA report

"We're going to continue to work with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) to have our voices heard. This is one of the biggest pieces of legislation that really has an influence on our area," he said.

The government should revisit the implementation schedule, and consider phasing in probationary periods for workers to determine equal pay for equal work, said Karl Baldauf, vice president of policy and government relations at the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and spokesperson for the Keep Ontario Working Coalition (KOWC).

The OCC has not provided an alternate timetable for implementation.

Local MPP Laurie Scott told *The Highlander* it was irresponsible of the government to introduce the bill without fully exploring its economic impacts.

"The ripple effects would be incredible ... and it would affect the most vulnerable people, the very people they're trying to help," said Scott.

The bill and its amendments will be a high priority when she returns to Queen's Park in September, she said.

The OCC, along with KOWC, awarded CANCEA the bid to measure the bill's potential impacts last month.

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Dan Sauve and Art Morley stand on a dirt access road they once used to get onto Kushog Lake that is now blocked by a guardrail. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

New guardrails block lake access

By Lisa Gervais

For 28 years, Dan Sauve has been able to access his Kushog Lake waterfront.

He's come down the driveway from his house, crossed Highway 35, and walked down to the lake. In recent times, due to ill health, he's driven his truck.

But that all ended last week when new guardrails went up that now block the dirt access road that leads to Sauve's docks, ramp and watercraft.

"I can no longer go to the lake I've used for 28 years," Sauve laments. "I've been cut off after getting the okay from the MTO (Ministry of Transportation) 28 years ago."

Sauve and his neighbour, Art Morley, do cross under the guardrails and walk onto the access road for a photograph but it isn't something Sauve can do often, or easily.

Due to a "terrible lung problem," Sauve can't walk up and down the driveway anymore and must take the pickup. So, for him, there isn't an option of climbing under the guardrails or over them on a regular basis. Others in Haliburton County have simply built steps to get over guardrails and Sauve said he'll do the same. At least that way other members of his family can get to the lake.

Sauve said the guardrails also came out of the blue.

"There was no warning. One day we had access and the next week we didn't."

He is trying to figure out why other openings along the stretch have remained while his has been cut off. He said he even put up a sign imploring "please don't block my access to the lake" but claims was cast aside.

Morley, who's lived on Kushog since 1984, has also used the access road in the past. He used it to go swimming and fishing. He, too, cannot understand how the MTO has blocked the road without any consultation with residents.

Sauve said he is also paying waterfront taxes of about \$4,000-a-year, despite

now not having access to the water. He is also worried that his property value will plummet.

"It's very upsetting."

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said she sympathizes with Sauve that his access to the water has been restricted or denied but there is nothing the township can do about it.

"It's not within our jurisdiction. It's not our land. It is fully an MTO decision," she said.

An MTO spokeswoman said the guardrail being erected on Highway 35 in the Kushog Lake area "is intended to protect, or redirect wayward traffic from the existing lake."

As for people, such as Sauve and Morley, being cut off from their access road, she said property on the east side of Highway 35 is private property owned by the MTO.

"We recognize that this may be an inconvenience, but alternate facilities are available on the lake," she said. "Access to Kushog Lake is available from a private boat launch, at the Ox Narrows Resort, along with docking and parking. Kushog Lake can also be accessed via St. Nora's Lake. There is a public boat launch, a dock and free overnight parking at the Frost Centre/Haliburton Highlands Water Trails on Highway 35."

When it comes to existing docks and stairs placed over guardrails, she said their presence and the use of the highway right-of-way to access the lake represents an unacceptable potential liability for the MTO and it is an offence punishable by fine.

The spokeswoman said the MTO will review the location of the docks and other structures to determine whether there is an immediate safety concern. If there is, the ministry will remove the docks and structures. If not, the ministry will allow the docks to remain in place.

The ministry will not issue any new permits for docks or associated structures within the highway right-of-way, she said.

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Cottage resort braces for fall colour takeover

One business cites Algonquin Park visitors for 30 per cent drop in revenue

By Alex Coop

White Birches Cottages, a family-run cottage resort minutes from Algonquin Park on Oxtongue Lake, is bracing itself for the fall colours and the thousands of visitors they attract.

But it's not planning to roll out the red carpet.

In addition to the closure of nearby roads during the months of September and October – a motion passed by Algonquin Highlands council in June – the resort's manager, Jason McGuire, suggests a 110 lbs. German shepherd and 24-hour surveillance might be needed as well.

"It's reached that point ... come September I'm not sleeping. It's like we have a resort on Yonge Street, downtown Toronto," McGuire told *The Highlander*. "It's the most stress I've ever been through."

That's because in September, thousands of visitors travel up Highway 60 to enter Algonquin Park for the fall colours.

But over the past two years, entry to Algonquin Park through the highway has slowed to a crawl, and many visitors have chosen to exit the highway, just a few kilometres short of the west gate, and take a detour through the hamlet of Oxtongue Lake.

And that's when problems occur.

Strangers overrun the resort, walk across

private property and peer into rented units, frightening paying customers, said McGuire.

On more than one occasion, visitors have paddled the lake in a canoe or kayak reserved for paying customers, adding liability concerns to the list of problems.

It's caused a 30 per cent dip in business during the month of September since 2015.

"I'm neglecting my clients because I'm trying to keep my property safe. And with the lack of business we're getting through September now, we're losing money. It's a stressful time," he said.

His mother and resort owner, Jenny, said five regular clients have already told her they won't be returning during the Thanksgiving weekend, equating to approximately \$3,000 in lost revenue.

"And the two weekends prior to Thanksgiving are busy, too," she said, adding some customers have told her they might abandon visiting the resort in September altogether.

Mahendranath Tiwari isn't one of them.

He and his family from Toronto have visited the resort every Thanksgiving for a decade.

"It's a nice and friendly place where our kids are able to play and the rest of the family could relax, talk to each other and watch the children," Tiwari told *The Highlander*. "When we first travelled there, there (were) no strangers coming onto the



A row of cars parked along Hwy 60 during the fall colour season. Photo submitted.

property."

But for two years, Tiwari has been helping guide strangers off the resort. Many of them are dropped off by bus.

"I've had to shoo a few of them away," he said.

It's baffling how blatantly people ignore the "no trespassing" and "private property" signs, he added. "I'm pretty sure they don't care."

Jenny emphasized it's not about being anti-tourist.

"We are tourist-friendly ... we appreciate tourists, but this is crazy," she said.

During a council meeting June 15, Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said the road closures are necessary to

protect residents.

"It's a bizarre situation," she said.

Coun. Marlene Kyle agreed.

"Folks aren't saying they don't want business ... they just want private property respected," Kyle said.

The additional traffic on Highway 60 can impede first responders, said Algonquin Highlands fire Chief, Mike Cavanagh.

"This will increase our response times to emergencies. The increase of travellers in the area also increases the likelihood of an emergency," he said. "We monitor the situation annually, have some contingency plans in place and we continue to plan as our partner organizations continue to make changes to help alleviate the situation."

Master's student tackles food insecurity

By Mark Arike

About 60 per cent of low-income earners struggle to put food on the table, according to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge (HKPR) District Health Unit. For many, half or more of their income goes to pay rent. With many other monthly bills in the mix such as hydro and transportation, eating healthy usually ends up at the bottom of the list.

Findings from last year's Nutritious Food Basket study reveals that more than one in 10 households in the region are food insecure. This means they don't have

enough food or worry there isn't enough to eat.

But the HKPR isn't trying to lower food prices; they believe the solution is to boost income.

"It's not the cost of the food that's the barrier to people accessing food," said Rosie Kadwell, registered dietician with the HKPR. "It's more a lack of income."

To raise awareness of food insecurity and its implications, they will host a presentation at their office on Highland Street on Aug. 23. It will feature a presentation by Jessica Knot, a master's student in public health at Brock University.

Knot is doing a co-op with the HKPR.

"When we were talking about projects, we thought it would be really great for Jessica to do a little bit more on our Nutritious Food Basket work," said Kadwell.

All health units are mandated to complete the Nutritious Food Basket survey. It consists of 67 food items that are in Canada's Food Guide and commonly purchased by Ontarians. HKPR staff visit local grocery stores and determine the cost to eat healthy. In 2016, the cost for the average family was \$886. It was \$286 for a single person on Ontario Works or disability.

And according to a study by the Ontario Association of Food Banks, poverty costs the average household \$2,300-2,900. This represents the extra costs of health care, crime and social assistance, among others.

Knot, who is from Omemee, will present a report on food insecurity and talk about what the HKPR plans on doing in the future. Residents will be able to write to their local politicians if they wish.

The event goes from 2:30-3:30 p.m. and is free to attend. To RSVP, call Kadwell at 705-457-1391 ext. 3238.

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Left: Members of Camp Kilcoo gather at Moore Falls. Right: A cottager holds up a sign on Highways 35. Photos by Alex Coop.

Demonstrators want their portage back

Parks Canada says the work isn't finished, will talk to stakeholders

By Alex Coop

With demonstrators blocking traffic, it took about a minute for three men to portage across Highway 35 near Moore Falls.

The group's message was clear: they want the boat rollers back.

"It's really important to us that we have a safe passage because we don't want to take eight or nine-year-olds across the highway. That's why we're out here supporting the cause," Trevor Wright, leader and training director at Camp Kilcoo, told *The Highlander* Aug. 12.

He and three others were cheered on by more than 100 people nearby as they made the portage.

In addition to dozens of young campers, members of the Moore Falls, Gull Lake and Black Lake property owners' associations lined the bridge with signs.

The demonstration in Minden Hills came

two years after Parks Canada removed the boat rollers on the portage, replacing them with hydraulic booms on both sides of the dam.

In preparation for dam upgrades on the Trent Severn Waterway (TSW), Parks Canada introduced new regulations that included a mandatory buffer zone around each dam.

But Parks Canada's actions make little sense to Nick Evans, treasurer of the Gull Lake Property Owners' Association.

"The fact that you have buoys at the bottom of the rapids doesn't make any sense. No one is being sucked up the rapids. We've been using the boat rollers here for a long time ... it's been pretty safe," he said.

He pointed to the fact that anyone using a tin boat with an engine will now have to turn around upon reaching Moore Falls.

Public safety was at the heart of the decision, said Jewel Cunningham, director

of Ontario Waterways for Parks Canada.

While there wasn't a specific public safety assessment for Moore Falls, other assessments for dams on the TSW indicated a pattern of unpredictable currents and water levels, she said.

"There was a long boom system that was tight to this dam and it did not adequately protect people from the significant amounts of water travelling through that area in the summer ... especially on the upside of the stream. Installing these new booms and moving the distance back [from the dam] mitigates that risk by taking people further away from where the danger is and the in-flow."

She said in 1975, two women died while crossing from one side of the dam to the other.

"It was the subject of a coroner's inquest, and the conclusions from it were quite clear, with regards to risk at that particular

dam, and the necessity of a long boom system that would protect people from the risk associated with the intake of this dam," she said.

There was little feedback from the public when notifications were sent out in 2015 regarding dam infrastructure changes at Moore Falls, said Cunningham.

That's changed in the past several weeks. As a result, she's scheduled meetings with cottage association members and Minden Hills councillors, specifically Coun. Pam Sayne.

Cunningham said she understands the concerns around portaging across Highway 35 and that the government wants to mitigate them.

That will require discussions with cottage associations, municipal governments and the Ministry of Transportation.



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Phase in the Fair Workplaces bill

According to the most up-to-date figures from Stats Can, Haliburton County has a 9.3 per cent unemployment rate.

Unfortunately, "up-to-date" in this case means 2011, so it's difficult to know where we are, six years down the track.

However, it's safe to say that Haliburton County can't afford any more job losses or jobs placed at risk.

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) and the Keep Ontario Working Coalition (KOWC) recently contracted the Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis (CANCEA) to measure the potential economic impact of the province's Bill 148 – that's the proposal to raise minimum wage, among other things. The centre revealed its findings this week.

As reported in today's *Highlander*, it says proposed changes in the *Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act* could put nearly 2.7 per cent of jobs across all sectors in Haliburton County at risk. That's above the provincial average and included in the 185,000 jobs that would be at risk across Ontario.

Autumn Wilson of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce told us the estimate, which equates to 190 jobs, includes both current and potential new jobs. In other words, that 185,000 figure isn't just referring to job losses, but jobs that will not be created by businesses worried about the impact of the changes.

Lots of folks are focusing on the minimum wage increase in this bill. The plan is to raise it to \$14-an-hour this coming January and \$15-an-hour a year after that. But there are a number of items in the bill that will cost employers even more, such as an extra public holiday and new rules around holiday pay: a minimum of three weeks' vacation for employees who have worked for five years or more. There's also "equal pay for equal work" and additional leave provisions.

We've heard from a number of businesses in Haliburton County who say these extra costs will be onerous and will affect jobs and prices. They say they may be forced to lay people off, won't hire as many and will have to raise prices to cover the additional payroll costs.

As an economy of small businesses, no wonder the changes will hit Haliburton hard. Paul Smetanin of CANCEA says small businesses will be affected by a factor of five times more than larger ones. Food service and manufacturing jobs seem especially vulnerable.

The message from everybody this week –the OCC and the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce – is that nobody is against labour reform – they just want it phased in.

The Ontario government has so far opted not to slow things down. Why? One can

speculate the Wynne government is looking for Brownie points going into next summer's provincial election. And while that will work for many unions and workers' rights groups, she risks alienating the business community, the engine of Ontario's economy.

It will be interesting to see how the province responds to all of this. Labour Minister Kevin Flynn has said the province isn't backing down from the bill. He says they've heard from employers who think the changes will help them attract employees, reduce turnover and get employees more invested in the businesses they work for. However, he has acknowledged concerns from others in the business community.

The most prudent thing for the province to do now is sit down with stakeholders – both for and against the bill – to plan a phase-in that is amenable to all parties.

To date, the OCC has not provided an alternative timetable for implementation. This should be their next step now that they've determined the economic risks of rushing through these changes.



By Lisa Gervais

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Wait a minute, I hear the more alert among you say ... "Jack, you weren't a teacher. You ran a newspaper." Indeed. But in an earlier life, in Cochrane, I did fill an ugly void in the local high school system by bravely stepping into a classroom and riding herd over a bunch of teenagers. The

reason I haven't spoken of this adjunct in my journalism career, is that, mostly I had forgotten about it ... but the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan hadn't. The pension counsellor tracked me down. Informing me I have reached that stage in life where I need to cash out the spoils of my toils at the front of the classroom and they wanted to know if I still existed and was this my address, and what was my birth date, and do I have any scars or tattoos, etc. etc. Just the usual questions.

And, sure enough I am still alive ... even more alive now that I am in line to receive one of their big payouts.

The reason my stint in the classroom was lost in the mists of time, was because it was only for one day ... way back in June, 1975. Supply teachers were obviously in short supply. My friend (a real teacher) was desperate and so any warm body with a BA would do. I was catapulted to the head of the class for one day. The pension counsellor, checking the records, relayed that I was paid the princely sum of \$40.65 for my services and that \$2.44 had been deducted to start my teachers' pension nest egg.

I asked how much I might expect after that \$2.44 has been growing in leaps and bounds (compounded annually) for more than 40 years. Coyle, she wouldn't say. The platoon of actuaries at the pension office have to work it out I was told and the formula is very complicated. Couldn't they just push a button on a computer and the answer would come tumbling out? Well, no. It appears the contribution is so, how shall I say, teeny-weeny, the computer program was not designed for such menial tasks. "Don't order a new car," she advised, a giggle slipping across her voice.

Undeterred by her less than supportive attitude, I allowed dreams of new vehicles, a first-class vacation and rolling about in a mountain of cash to wander through my brain. And, so, I await my windfall from the Ontario Teachers' Pension Fund and will continue to be a looming spectre at the post office until my big payout finally arrives.



By Jack Brezina

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Rhys Howe
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The Lion King and swimming and big jumps in the lake.

Photos and interviews by Emily Stonehouse

Reader doesn't want AH to be quarry capital

Dear editor,

When we think of Crown land, we think of pristine natural wilderness. We all love being surrounded by its beauty, its peace and quiet, and this land protects our lakes from being over populated and polluted. However, John Bacher Construction is proposing to use Crown land right upstream from small Harvey Lake, in the heart of the beautiful Dorset area, and in direct contravention of the township's official plan.

Their proposal is to blast and dig well within the permitted township bylaws. Rather than one kilometre from any lake, they are relying on the MNRF's power to override the wishes of the township and be within 170 metres of Harvey Lake.

Now, all of our surrounding lakes like Kawagama, Fletcher, Otter and Harvey are facing noise, environmental destruction, and potential for water and air pollution.

My family and I have loved and enjoyed the Dorset area for many years and chose first Kawagama Lake, and now Otter, because of the abundant Crown land and clean water. This really isn't about any one person's character – this is about the land, the community, and the lakes.

And, while gravel may be needed in this small area, the need is small and the permit should reflect the 10,000 tonnes per year John Bacher Construction states the market requires, and if at all, the permit should be for the small five acres that this would use versus the 53-acre mega quarry proposed. We should all be opposed to a quarry so close to residences and so close to a lake. Let's not make the Algonquin Highlands the quarry capital of Ontario.

Chris and Jennifer Plewes
Otter Lake

Have an opinion?

Send your letters to editor@thehighlander.ca
(Word Count: 300 max)

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Two hummingbird babies peeking out of their nest. Photo submitted by Marcel Ekelschot.

Putting the posh in poo

Now, I have a feeling that during my time as The Outsider, I may have previously touched upon, if that is not too unsavoury a description, the topic of outhouses. But that is not going to put me off taking the plunge again, if you'll pardon the horrendous image, that I may have conjured there!

You see, I am currently in the throes of building an outhouse and I feel very lucky because the person that I'm building it for wants something quite special. This will be no ordinary privy, no run of the mill (eurgh) po, john or loo. It will be a special little room, one in which things will be done, yes, but one in which problems may also be mulled over, challenges overcome (no not constipational type hurdles) and ideas formed.

This outhouse has a passive convection-fueled ventilation system, no less. It has a window, some four feet by three, which looks out into a beautiful stand of Birch and Maple, and beyond the river twinkles in the sunlight. This outhouse has a cedar shake roof, and within it, not one but two skylights to allow the dappled rays to penetrate the very innards and purify the soul.

Wow, does this outhouse sound good or what? The owner should charge folk to come on by and take a load off.

Ohh! I just re-read that last line and I didn't mean it to mean what it sounded like it meant. No, I meant take a seat, relax and download.

Damn it. Did it again. How do I get away from the poo puns when trying to depict

the delights of this dunny? Let's just say that this outhouse is not going to be a small shed covering a box with a hole in it balanced over a pit full of poo. Well, it is, I guess, but it's going to be all of that and more. A little indoor outdoor loo that almost anyone would be pleased to go to. In fact, I'm a bit worried that I haven't dug the hole deep enough, such will be the demand for this particular shrine to the most necessary of habits.

And, talking of shrines, of temples, of places of worship, such is the reverence and awe with which this outhouse has been spoken of during its construction that the words 'palace', even 'mahal' have been used. Tis as if going to/in this lovely little room in the woods would be like visiting some kind of shitty shangri-la (oops, can I

say that?) you get my drift – and that stink won't drift because of the ventilation system, remember!

Yes, this outhouse will be the place that you wish you could be every time you have to use one of the other sort. You know, the ones with the door that won't quite latch, which quickly becomes evident as a bonus because it allows the flies to escape!

If I have mentioned outhouses before in my time as The Outsider, I apologize. But, I swear, when this special little outhouse is complete I'll be delighted, and relieved, and looking forward to where I'll be going next. (Damn it, I made those poop puns again.)



By Will Jones

TheOutsider

Highlander news

Minden Home Hardware changing hands

By Lisa Gervais

After 13 years, Jodi Patterson and David Staley have decided to sell the Minden Home Hardware and retire.

In an interview with *The Highlander* this week, Patterson confirmed that they had sold the store with a closing date of Sept. 1.

While she declined to name the new owner, *The Highlander* has learned it is Dan Moulton, who already owns Home Hardware stores in Bowmanville, Alliston and Hanover. He's been with the franchise more than five years. He did not return a phone call as of press time Wednesday.

Patterson cautioned the deal won't be finalized for another two weeks.

She said the business was not up for sale, and never has been during their ownership, but there's been several interested parties wanting to purchase it over the last three to four years.

"It's in a good area. Let's face it, Minden is growing, it's a great spot," she said.

The fact it was another member of the Home Hardware family that approached them, as opposed to another hardware store franchise, make it an easy decision.

Patterson said that with everything falling into place for her and Staley, when they were approached about selling, "we just said okay, sure. The offer is what we would be looking for so we just decided to go for it and retire."

Patterson said they will be staying in



The Minden Home Hardware has been sold. The closing date is Sept. 1. *File photo.*

Minden, and shopping locally, something that she is passionate about. She said they would also travel. It will be different, though, after having worked for 48 years.

"I'm not the type to sit still. I have a bunch of hobbies lined up, sports and charities. I'm looking forward to it ... that second chapter in life. If you can retire at a

fairly young age, do it."

She said the new owner's "got his feet wet and there's no training involved there for him, which is kind of a good thing." She added that "the bonus is the staff remains the same, keep their seniority, none of them will lose any of that.

The status quo for them, which is a good

thing. "She said the timing of the takeover is perfect. "We do start to slow down for winter so it's a really good time for him to take over as we're finishing our busy season and kind of looking for a break. It's all going to work out."

The store is located at 16 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden.

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NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION RECONSTRUCTION OF PECK STREET

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The Township of Minden Hills will be Reconstructing Peck Street starting in the month of September.

Work Details

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- Placement of Asphalt Boulevard;
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Meeting and Events

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

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Sept 17 - flat water kayaking

Pre-registration is required, by contacting AO Boatwerks at 705-286-1492, as space is limited for each session. Participants must be 12 years of age or older and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

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Nomination forms can be found on our website at www.mindenhills.ca/volunteer-awards.

Submission deadline is October 31st at 12:00pm.

Request for Tender

RDS 17-010 Rehabilitation of the Soyer's Lake Road Bridge, Ritchie Falls Road Bridge A and Ritchie Falls Road Bridge B & Ancillary Work. Submission deadline is August 24, 2017 by 12:00 noon. Visit www.mindenhills.ca/tenders/ for more information.

Highlander business

Haliburton gas bar under new ownership

By Mark Arike

Haliburton's Independent Gas Bar is under new ownership and will soon be converted to the Mobil brand. It's one of 213 stations recently sold by Loblaw to Brookfield Business Partners for \$540 million. The station, which includes a small convenience store, will get new signage, lighting and signs on the pumps, confirmed Joseph Calderone, CEO of BG Fuels, a new company owned by Brookfield. "We'll assess the image change and customer response, and rollout the rebranding [around October]," said Calderone. His company is bringing the Mobil brand

to Canada through a supply agreement with Imperial Oil, a Canadian subsidiary of ExxonMobil. In addition to gas bar operator Christine MacAusland, the business employs two full-time employees and one part-timer. No jobs will be lost and customers who utilize PC points at the pumps will be able to continue doing so. The loyalty rewards program gives customers points on their gas purchase that can be used to save money on groceries at Loblaw stores. Continuing the program was a condition of the sale, said Calderone. Once they've rebranded, they will offer Synergy fuels, which "contain special

additives for better engine cleaning and performance," he said. This is BG Fuels' first time in the retail gasoline business, and Calderone hopes people will give them a try. "We are honoured and delighted to be serving the public in Haliburton." Brookfield is a unit of Brookfield Asset Management, a publicly traded company. It had a total of \$14.4 billion in assets this year. Right: Gas bar operator Christine MacAusland stands at one of the pumps. She has been the operator for the past six years but has been with the gas bar for all 13 years. Photo by Mark Arike.



Minden packed for sidewalk sale

Shoppers pack the streets of Minden Aug. 16 during the annual street sale. Photo by Walt Griffin.



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ADVOCACY UPDATE

On Monday, August 14, HHCC, in partnership with the OCC and KOW, released an economic impact analysis of Bill 148. The study revealed that the reforms will put about 185,000 jobs at risk in the first two years. It also found that Bill 148 will increase consumer goods and services by \$1,300 per household, per year. For the full update, go to www.haliburtonchamber.com



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Highlander arts



Highlands East Studio Tour marking 15 years

Highlands East is celebrating its artists by hosting the 15th annual studio tour Aug. 12-13, and Aug. 19-20. The tour includes the communities of Wilberforce, Gooderham, Tory Hill, Paudash, Harcourt, and Irondale. The artists feature a variety of works and mediums, including woodwork, handcrafted jewellery, folk art, paintings, and more. For more information, or to see a detailed map for the coming weekend, check out highlandseastartour.com.

Far left: Mary Jane Little stands with her piece, which she says was inspired by meditation and "allowing the brush to speak for itself." Left: Sharon Stoughon-Craig and Ken Craig, creators of "Barnboard Primitives and Neat Things" display a small collection of their unique pieces, made with local barn board, pine, and spruce. *Photos by Emily Stonehouse.*

HSAD celebrates 50 years while raising money for future

There was no shortage of talent at this year's Faculty Art Auction, hosted by Haliburton School of Art and Design (HSAD) Aug. 11. Highlighting HSAD's 50th anniversary in the community, the event included a series of performances, live music, as well as a silent auction. All pieces of the evening were donated by HSAD faculty, with the intention of raising money for student bursaries. More than 80 pieces were donated to the live auction, and more than 50 were donated to the silent auction. The evening included one "mystery artwork" which was later revealed to be a framed piece by John Anderson. It was sold for \$1,300. The total raised from the auction was \$23,000. *(Emily Stonehouse)*



Top: Gourmet cotton candy with some sweet treats are the appetizers for the night. Top left: Lauretta Peters performs a fire hooping routine that wows the crowd. Top right: Displaying donated pieces during the auction. *Photos by Emily Stonehouse.*

Highlander arts

A sneak peek at opera in the making

By Emily Stonehouse

The Haliburton Highlands are rich with nature, history, and inspiration. It is this combination that composer Andrew Balfour of Winnipeg is tapping into when creating one of the most exciting pieces in this year's Highlands Opera Studio (HOS) lineup, Mishabooz's Realm.

"I love this whole territory," say Balfour.

To work on this piece, I needed to be on this land, I needed to feel it and explore it

Andrew **Balfour**
composer

"To work on this piece, I needed to be on this land, I needed to feel it and explore it."

Mishabooz's Realm is what Balfour refers to as "an Indigenous infused project," combining classical opera with Indigenous story-telling and themes. One of the most consistent themes is the human relationship to the environment, and how to move towards reconciliation and awareness of Indigenous heritage in Canada.

On Aug. 19, the public is welcome to view the very first semi-staged workshop of Mishabooz's Realm at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Balfour refers to this public workshop as a "trailer" to the full performance, which will be staged in Haliburton on Dec. 21-22. The evening will begin with a traditional welcoming, followed by Balfour

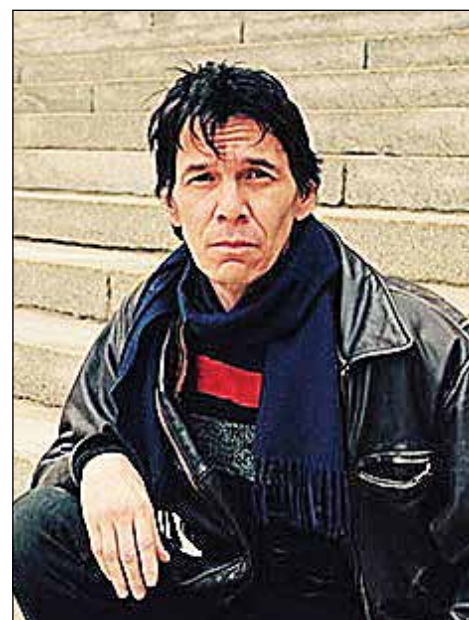
addressing the audience about the creative process. The audience will then get the opportunity to view a portion of one of his previous works, titled Wa Wa Tey Wak, which translates to Northern Lights, which will flow directly into the live portion of Mishabooz's Realm.

Following the performance, the audience will have the opportunity to listen in on a live panel, with feedback from Balfour, and the continued development and evolution towards the final performance.

Balfour says this unique opportunity to see into the window of the opera world will "give people a flavour of exactly where we are going."

HOS is also staging the Alumni Concert on Aug. 23, featuring past and present HOS performers.

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Highlander outdoors

New horse therapy academy wins \$10K

By Lisa Gervais

A therapeutic riding academy in the Highlands has been gifted \$10,000 through a bank's Facebook contest.

Walkabout Farm Therapeutic Riding Academy Haliburton Highlands learned it had won the money on Aug. 9, said owner and operator Jennifer Semach.

She said the bank, Tangerine, in celebration of its 20th anniversary, offered a contest to nominate and vote for people's favourite Canadian charitable organizations for a chance for those organizations to win cash prizes, ranging from \$2,000 to \$20,000.

Local supporter, Amanda Duncombe-Lee, nominated them.

Semach said they were notified in July that their not-for-profit was one of 20 organizations chosen from more than 400 applications submitted from across Canada.

From that point forward, voting was opened and it was announced Aug. 9 live on Tangerine's Facebook page that Walkabout had won their requested amount of \$10,000.

"That was a very huge boost in confidence for us, that we have so much support and encouragement from many people from a rural community like ours, who want to see our newly-founded therapeutic riding academy succeed, filling a void in recreational services for people with exceptionalities and through mentoring youth at risk," Semach said.

She said they'll use the money to buy an all-terrain utility farm vehicle.

"This much-needed, but previously financially out of reach piece of equipment, will guarantee our participants with limited mobility and complex medical conditions full access to our farm without restrictions," Semach said.

She said their next goal is to raise \$200,000 to bridge the gap on purchase and



Owner Jennifer Semach with rescued horse and ambassador, Chewbacca.

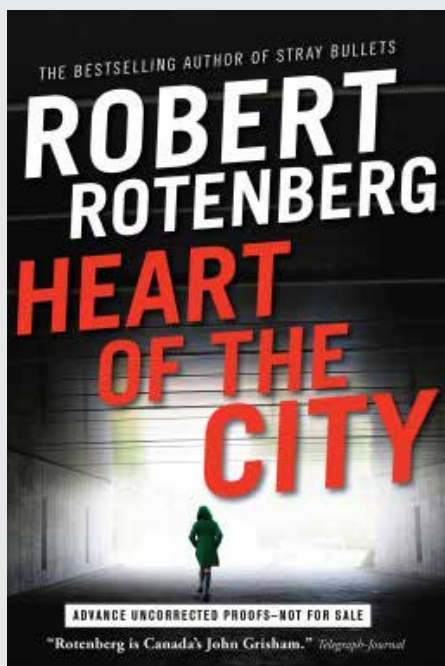
special needs modifications for their own farm. They are currently renting.

Semach said having their own farm would enable full-time residency, allow them to offer longer hours, a youth outreach headquarters, greater access to their therapeutic animals and structured predictable programming for participants who thrive on routine.

They currently operate out of Briarwinds Farm in Ingoldsby. According to their website, they aspire to be a non-profit charitable organization. They offer therapeutic riding, non-riding and horsemanship programs for children and adults in need, through individualized riding programs, volunteerism or work placement.

To learn more about Walkabout Farm Therapeutic Riding Academy, see walkaboutfarmtra.com or check out their Facebook page.

Haliburton County's Hot Reads



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

1. *Heart Of The City* by Robert Rotenberg (AF)
2. *Crime Scene* by Jonathan Kellerman (AF)
3. *The Color Of Fear* by Marcia Muller (AF)
4. *Mrs. Fletcher* by Tom Perrotta (AF)
5. *Wolf Lake* by John Verdon (AF)
6. *Are You Sleeping* by Kathleen Barber (AF)
7. *The Smart Dinner: clever and versatile ways to use what you've got on hand* by Betty Crocker (ANF)
8. *Basic Fermentation: a do-it-yourself guide to cultural manipulation* by Sandor Ellix Katz (ANF)
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Highlander sports

Teen cyclist goes from student to teacher

By Alex Coop

Nick Emsley was keeping up with Canadian marathon champion Cory Wallace for the first five kilometres of his Canadian Marathon Championship in Quebec last month.

The two weren't in the same race, but during marathon events, all age groups start at the same place, same time.

It was exhilarating, Emsley told *The Highlander*

"He's an inspiration," he said. "He's one of the best marathon racers in the world."

Wallace eventually left the competition behind - and finished second in his race category - while Emsley finished second place with a time of just under five hours.

The small town of East Hereford, Que. was a beautiful race venue, said the 18-year-old.

"If I had more time I would have showed up a week earlier, taken in the sights, rode a bit of the track ahead of time ... but it was a great atmosphere and the residents were really nice."

And time isn't something Emsley has a lot of.

Not even two weeks later, Emsley was in Albion Hills, Ont. racing in this season's sixth Ontario Cup.

The 50 km race pushed Emsley and his teammates from AWI Racing - who are coached by Andrew Watson, a four-time Canadian champion - to the limit.

Emsley recalled a teammate being so dehydrated he needed medical attention and an IV.

Dehydration can creep up on you quickly if you're not careful, he said.

"I lost three pounds during a race three years ago ... it was so cold, my hands froze halfway through the race. It was a bad day," he said.

Leading up to the race, Emsley took on the role of instructor at Sir Sam's Ski and Bike's Advanced Camp for mountain biking.

The camp, which went from July 26-28, teaches children ages 11-15 various mountain biking skills.

Emsley has been helping with the camp for more than four years. The program has been offered to children for seven.

"More than half of the kids from last year's beginner's course showed up again this year," he said, adding most of them are from the Greater Toronto Area.

Chris Bishop, owner of Sir Sam's, praised Emsley's strong mountain biking and teaching skills.

"Nick is pretty much at the top of his game for his age in the mountain biking scene in Ontario," he said. "He's the expert."

The final Ontario Cup event of the season will be at Sir Sam's from Aug. 25-27.

It's always a good feeling racing near your hometown, said Emsley.

Riders from the upcoming race have



Nick Emsley competes in the 50 km Ontario Cup race in Albion Hills. Photo submitted.

already visited the course for a pre-ride, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, said Bishop.

"Some say this is the best venue in all of Ontario," he said.

The race begins at 9:30 Sunday morning.

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Powerboat races roar back into Haliburton

By Mark Arike

If you're a fan of boats, speed and loud motors, Head Lake is the place to be this weekend.

More than 80 racers, including competitors from the U.S. and Ontario, will take part in the third annual Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races. The two-day event is once again being hosted by the Toronto Outboard Racing Club (TORC).

"The hotels are getting all booked up," said event coordinator Barb Hammond in a recent interview.

Hammond's son, Wes, 21, and daughter,



Two racers compete in a past TORC weekend. *File photo.*

Andrea, 25, will be competing. They spend their summers and winters with family on

Haliburton Lake. Another racer who spent time growing up on the lake is Brandon

Sutton.

Boats in 13 different classes will reach speeds of up to 85 mp/h as they zoom around an oval-shaped track. The featured vessels include hydroplanes, runabouts and T-boats. Spectators can gather around the lake to catch all of the action at no cost.

On Friday at 6 p.m., the pit area will be open to the public. It's an opportunity for people to meet the racers, learn more about the sport and get a closer look at their high-powered machines.

The event is a fundraiser for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary and the Haliburton Lions Club. Last year, a raffle with items donated by the community raised \$1,200 for the auxiliary, which donates the money to the Haliburton hospital for medical and non-medical items.

"To me, it was logical [to support the auxiliary] because everyone can benefit from the hospital," said Hammond, who has been involved in fundraisers with the organization's past president, Judy Skinner.

The raffle will happen again at the auxiliary's table, which is where visitors can also find TORC merchandise and race programs.

The Lions Club will run the food booth, and by doing so, will take all of the proceeds.

There won't be a beer tent because it didn't raise much money for the auxiliary last year.

Normally, racers test their boats prior to races. But since the government docks will be closed to the public on Saturday and Sunday, Hammond decided against it.

"We are just trying to be respectful of the people who don't want the noise and the people who access the government docks," she said.

The races start at 10 a.m. and go until 5:30 p.m. on Saturday. On Sunday, they will begin around 11 a.m., after church services have finished.

About 20 volunteers will pitch in to help and the majority of last year's sponsors are back on-board. The municipality continues to be supportive, said Hammond.

An awards presentation will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. There are no cash prizes for racers.

"They're doing it because they love it. They would be doing it whether there's a spectator there or not."

Spectators will enjoy the event because the races are fast-paced and run on a tight schedule, added Hammond.

"The more spectators the better it is for racers and the community."

This is the last TORC event of the season, but racers will head to one more event in Redwood, New York. Haliburton's races will go ahead if it rains, but thunder and lightning would force organizers to cancel.

Founded in 1952, TORC is a non-profit organization devoted to people with an interest in boat racing.

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Top: The Peterborough JV Wolverines celebrate their championship win. Above: The four boys that played on the Peterborough JV Wolverines team: #85 Connor Spence, #55 Aiden Coles, #68 Carson Sisson and #67 Owen Craftchick. Photos by Melissa Coles.

Four locals on Ontario Football Championship team

Three others fall just short of title

By Lisa Gervais

Four Haliburton County boys, who played for Peterborough's JV Wolverines this past season, have won the Ontario Football Championship.

Aiden Coles, Owen Craftchick, Carson Sisson and Connor Spence were part of the undefeated team that went on to win the Ramsay Conference Championship. That earned the gridiron squad a spot in the provincials (OFC championship). On Aug. 5, they beat the Brantford Bisons 43-35 to make them the first champions from the northern region.

"Since early spring, the boys travelled to Peterborough twice a week for two-and-a-

half-hour practices and their games were on Saturdays," said Tracy Evans, Craftchick's mother.

She said they travelled to Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury and Vaughn and played host to Huronia and the Toronto Jr. Argos. Peterborough hosted the OFC Championship, a day mayor Daryl Bennett declared Football Day in the city.

Three other boys from Haliburton County played on the SV Wolverines team, Sage Christiano, Trevor Turner and Chris Thompson. They were also undefeated all season and won the Ramsay Conference Championship, earning a spot in the OFC championship. However, they lost 42-22 to the Jr. Argos in the final.

"They, too, were required to travel to Peterborough twice a week for practice and games on Saturdays as far away as Sault Ste. Marie," Evans said.

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REAL ESTATE REPORT

From tourist office to real estate agency

By Lisa Gervais

Anthony vanLieshout of Royal LePage says realtors always preach “location, location, location.”

Standing in his newly-renovated building beside Highway 35 in Minden, he adds “if you’re going to preach it, you’d better live it.”

vanLieshout has transformed the former tourism information office, just across the highway from Dollo’s Foodland and the Beer Store, into a modern real estate office. He just put the finishing touches on it, both inside and out.

He said it all started when he read an article in the paper that the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce was looking to sell the building. It meant the closing of the tourist information centre there as well.

“I was intrigued by the location,” vanLieshout recalls.

The sale went to a silent auction and he snapped the building up.

At the time he was leasing space adjacent to the Subway in Minden.

“But I felt this location was exceedingly good.”

He said they came in and basically “gutted” the building, coming up with an entirely new floorplan. There were electric baseboards and window air conditioning. They installed a propane furnace and central air, as well as new LED lighting. The



Anthony vanLieshout slides a barn door in Royal LePage’s new Minden office. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

inside features a reception area, bathroom, kitchenette and four offices.

As far as design, they turned to Wendy Snelgrove of Cabin Couture for her expertise.

The result is classic white drywall with barn board accents.

“Bright, airy, clean, crisp, modern,” vanLieshout describes.

In addition to real estate listings – and the work they do as Haliburton Appraisal Services – they still have tourist information available inside.

So far, vanLieshout said they’d had “tons of drop-ins.”

“We’re thrilled with the location. And the nice thing with this building is it’s small so we could spend the money on high-end

finishings.”

These include a purpose-built grate at the front door, 100-year-old beams, and decking.”

“It’s awesome,” vanLieshout concludes.

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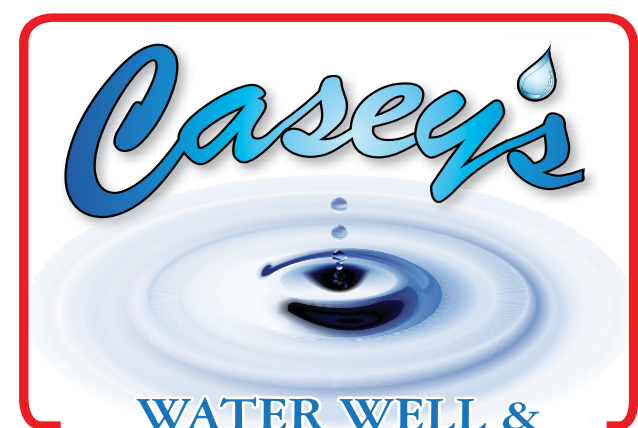


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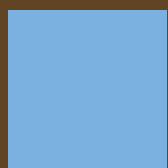
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REAL ESTATE REPORT

Still not enough supply to meet buyer demand

By Mark Arike

It's been a busy year for realtors in the Haliburton Highlands. Many desirable, well-priced properties have disappeared from the market in a matter of days. In some cases, they've sold for more than asking price.

"We've definitely had a phenomenal year and sales are up significantly [over last year]," says Jeff Strano, who's a realtor with his wife, Andrea Strano. This is their fourth summer in the business.

Waterfront properties continue to be extremely popular, but so are in-town homes near all the amenities, he says. Families moving to the area want to be close to town. The problem is there's not enough supply to meet demand.

"You could build 10 of them [houses] and you could probably sell all 10 of them," says Strano.

The local housing market is affected by what happens in Toronto. And that market has cooled. According to the Toronto Real Estate Board, residential transactions dropped more than 40 per cent in July compared to last year.

"We definitely have fewer listings, but we consistently have fewer properties sold. That wasn't the case six months ago, when our listings were way down and overall the sales were up," Strano says, adding it's become more of a balanced market.

Now, buyers are waiting to find the ideal

property and sellers aren't getting what they want, says Strano. The average listing currently sits on the market for about a month, whereas last year, it was two months.

"We had a great spring up here, but things have definitely changed."

Lee Gauthier, a realtor in the area for 33 years, says she's had just as many sales as last year. But she has seen the volume of residential non-waterfront properties rise—and prices across all categories go up too.

One of the biggest changes, she says, is there are bidding wars on cheaper waterfront cottages.

And just like Strano, she agrees there aren't enough properties to meet the demand.

"The inventory has been lower than the same time last year," she says.

Blake O'Byrne, a realtor for 21 years, says his sales are on par with last year—his best year ever.

"Even though it's been a challenging year because of steep price rises in the spring and lack of inventory, when places have been priced right we've been generating good sales," says O'Byrne.

He says the market has picked up in recent weeks and buyers are coming forward.

"The buyers are starting to come forth instead of waiting for prices to keep going down."

He's noticed price drop for existing listings and new listings pop up for "a more



A sold sign that recently went up on a property in Haliburton. Photo by Mark Arike.

reasonable price."

In the last five months of the year, waterfront sales plummeted 26 per cent while the number of listings fell 9.5 per cent compared to the same period last year. The average sold price is up 20 per cent and days on market is down 46 per cent. Sales of residential properties are down 30

per cent, listings are down 24 per cent and the average sold price is up 11 per cent. The average days on market is down 51 per cent.

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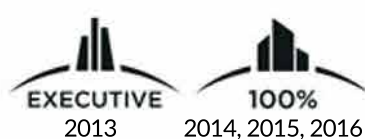
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REAL ESTATE REPORT

Calico Road becoming popular place to build

Proximity to village, large lots, make area attractive, says realtor

By Alex Coop

Haliburton resident Wally Harold watches heavy machinery maneuver across a construction zone down the street from his home on Calico Road.

Until recently, it's been a rare sight.

"Properties have been on sale for the longest time," said Harold. "But all of a sudden, the construction has picked up."

It also bodes well for surrounding property values, he added, and makes the neighbourhood a little safer as more people move in.

Another Calico resident, Ron Macleod, said the development is a welcome sight.

"The construction activity on our street is something we're pleased to see," he said.

Two new dwelling permits have recently been issued on Moon Road, just off Calico Road, according to Karl Korpela, Dysart's chief building official.

One is at the framing stage, while the other is having a foundation installed.

More than five lots have been sold on Calico and Moon Road, said Anthony vanLieshout of Royal LePage.

"I just sold a lot to a gentleman who is going to build a high-end custom home," he said.

The recent uptake in residential development on Calico and Moon Road



Calico Road resident Wally Harold stands next to a construction zone near his home. Photo by Alex Coop.

can be attributed to their proximity to Haliburton and large lots that offer plenty of privacy.

"They also lend themselves to higher-end development," said vanLieshout.

Between 2008 and 2015, it was easier to buy an existing home than to build, he said. Construction costs had gone up, but resale values remained stagnant.

But a recent 25 per cent spike in property values has made the option of buying land and building a home much more popular.

"There's also a shortage of existing product on the market, so now you can buy the land and build, and know you're still within market range," said vanLieshout.

Similar uptake is taking place in residential areas on the outskirts of Minden

as well, he added.

Most people interested in these properties are 50 and older, or retired.

Harold said people he's spoken to are retired residents who are looking to move into areas like Calico, from Kennisis and Redstone Lake.

"It's more affordable," he said.



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REAL ESTATE REPORT

County applies for digital mapping funds

By Mark Arike

The County of Haliburton is seeking federal funds to assist them with the high cost of digital terrain model mapping to mitigate floods.

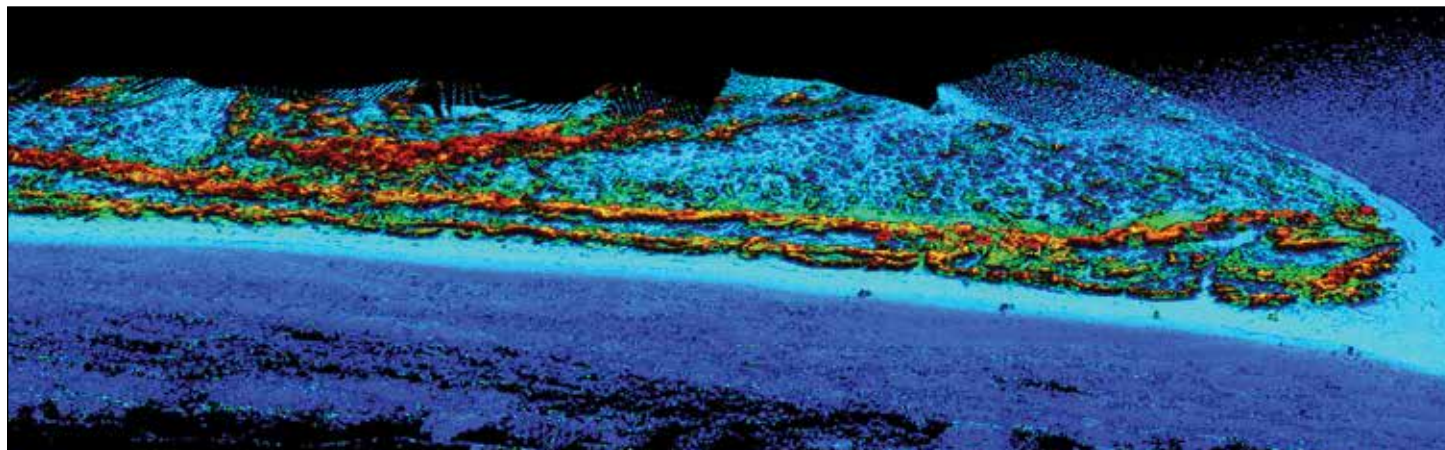
County council recently gave planning director Charlseay White the green light to apply for 50 per cent funding from the National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP).

"We've had significant discussion of whether to bring this forward," said CAO Mike Rutter. "There are a lot of unknowns and not a lot of certainty around this report."

But staff decided to present it because of recent conversations with the Upper Trent Watershed Management Partnership and the fact there have been two major floods in four years.

These techniques will assist in the visualization, mapping and modelling of flood scenarios and protection or mitigation management.

Charlseay White
County planning director



LiDAR pod mapping in the Pilbara, a region in Western Australia. Brett Johnson Photography.

"We really wanted council to make that decision," he said.

There are different types of digital terrain mapping, but White recommends airborne scanning in the form of Laser Detection and Ranging (LADAR) or Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR).

"These techniques will assist in the visualization, mapping and modelling of flood scenarios and protection or mitigation management," White said in a report.

They use optical remote sensing technology that measure the properties of scattered light to determine the range of a distant target and other information, she said. The information collected is extremely

accurate.

"We've talked a lot ... about the necessity of having much more detailed mapping showing the contours of our region so that we can better predict where flooding is going to occur," said Rutter.

The county's application will include the Gull and Burnt River watersheds, as well as the reservoir lakes and channels.

The NDMP is a five-year, \$200 million program that was established two years ago as part of the government's "commitment to build safer and more resilient communities," states Public Safety Canada's website.

Flood mitigation is its primary focus.

The county is partnering with the province

on the application. If they are successful, the province will flow the funds to them.

The cost of the project will be determined by the size of the area and the number of partners, said White.

The county contacted companies that do LiDAR mapping to get an "order of magnitude estimate," said Rutter. One company responded, saying the total cost would be about \$200,000.

The deadline to apply is the end of October. Projects must begin no later than March 31, 2019 and be completed by March 31, 2020.

Legal briefs

Beware the solar lease

By Bram Lebo

What if someone showed up at your door and offered you a few thousand dollars – every year for twenty years? All you have to do is let a company set up and operate solar panels on your property.

It sounds like easy money, and you get the added bonus of helping the province grow its clean energy grid.

Not so fast.

Sometimes these leases get registered on your property's title. That can make it difficult to sell your property in the future. One company actually claims that owners can't sell unless they approve the buyer – essentially a veto on your most basic property rights.

Other times you'll have a signed lease and nothing happens, as was the case with one client recently; no solar panels were installed and no money paid. But the lease was still registered on title.

This is a problem, as it can be very difficult, if not impossible, to get out of these contracts. It's an area crying out for consumer protection, a provincial responsibility.

But it gets even worse. What's likely to most disturb homeowners, and the municipal councils that sign letters of support for some of these projects, is this: many of these solar

leases are being bundled together and sold as financial assets to foreign companies.

One solar lease company I spoke to recently said their leases are being sold to the Chinese. So rather than helping a budding Ontario solar industry, the property owner in this case will end up with a Chinese company as their tenant. And, thanks to the provincial government's feed-in-tariff program, the province will pay those companies from Hydro and taxpayer dollars to produce energy.

Yes, you read that correctly. The Ontario government pays a Chinese company up to 30 cents per kilowatt hour to produce energy sold here for as little as 5 cents. Only our province could come up with that.

What should you do? Simple: don't sign a solar lease, or for that matter, any document that could affect rights to your property, without having your lawyer review it first. You could end up with some serious regrets.

It's a good example of how a little caution can save a lot of heartache.

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REAL ESTATE REPORT

Dysart looks for feedback on septage treatment

By Alex Coop

Dysart residents will have opportunities this fall to chime in about septage treatment services in the area, Andrew Vitaterna, manager of ASI Water, recently told *The Highlander*.

The provincial government's ongoing attempts to ban land application of untreated holding and septic tank waste has prompted the municipality to examine alternative solutions.

ASI Water, which specializes in water and wastewater operations and engineering, has been hired by Dysart to evaluate septage treatment options.

After a successful application to the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Program (CWWF) earlier this year, Dysart is eligible for more than \$69,600 and \$34,800, in federal and provincial funding, respectively.

"We have to start from scratch and look at all the final options," said Vitaterna. "There are a number of factors, not just cost, that we have to narrow down."

Possible sites for treatment options include the Cooper lagoon off Highway 118 near West Guilford, a piece of vacant municipal land north of the Haliburton Landfill and the sewage treatment plant along the Drag River, said Rob Camelon,

the municipality's interim public works director.

"Costs for the facility are unknown and are dependent on type of technology and location," he said.

Dysart is undertaking a Schedule C Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to establish the preferred option for waste management services.

"Initially we thought a Schedule B would be suffice, but after some discussions with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, our consultants felt it was better to work under a Schedule C," said Camelon.

Various levels of municipal class EAs

determine the amount of planning and consultation required for proposed projects.

Projects labeled Schedule C have the potential for significant environmental impacts and must go through all phases of planning and consultation as outlined by the province.

Schedule B's are ranked lower, and require less planning and consultation with the public.

A public meeting will be held Thursday, August 31 between 6:30 and 9 p.m. at the Haliburton Legion. See page 36 for more details.

Work on Drag Lake south dam to be re-tendered

By Lisa Gervais

Work on the south dam at Drag Lake has been paused and that part of the project re-tendered, Parks Canada said in a press release this week.

Parks Canada said as damaged concrete was chipped away from the northerly dam, it became apparent that the concrete of the structure required significantly more work than originally estimated. They said that as a result, the repairs to the northerly dam required more time and resources than anticipated.

Based on that, Parks Canada has adjusted its plans for remaining work on the south dam.

"In order to effectively incorporate this new information, the remaining work on the south dam will be retendered resulting in a pause to on-site work," Parks Canada said.

It's anticipated the project will go back out to tender in late summer or early fall and work will resume in the fall.

"Current estimates would have this second construction phase concluding

early in 2018. As some work, such as replanting, is warm weather dependent there would be additional activity at the site in the spring of next year," the release said.

The overall project calls for major concrete repairs to both dams – removing damaged concrete and then resurfacing the structures. A raised walkway will be added to the site linking the two dams. New guard rails will be added to enhance visitor and operator safety and post tension anchors will be installed to provide

additional strength.

The Drag Lake dams are surrounded by property that is privately owned. Access across the dam and to the immediate area has been and will continue to be restricted during construction. Following construction, the dam will only be accessible with the permission of the neighbouring landowner.

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Top: Ella Grigg, 3, from Tofino, B.C. takes her turn feeding Barbara the sheep. Middle: Kids enjoy the bouncy castle first thing in the morning. Above left: A very big game of Kerplunk. Above right: A very big game of Jenga. *Photos by Emily Stonehouse.*

'The Biggest Little Fair Around' draws big crowds to Wilberforce

On Aug. 11-12, the Wilberforce Agricultural Society hosted their 34th annual Wilberforce Agricultural Fair. The event, known as "the Biggest Little Fair Around," hosted musicians, a petting zoo, games, a horse draw, and different contests - from nail driving to scarecrow building. Friday night's admission was free courtesy of Wilberforce Pharmacy and the Canadian Legion Branch 624. Saturday morning started with a delicious breakfast offered by the Lions Club. Organizers say the Wilberforce Fair would not be possible without the support of dedicated volunteers in the region. *(Emily Stonehouse).*



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Kinmount family fun day marks a quarter of a century

The rain didn't dampen Kinmount's family fun day Aug. 12. The street party included a vintage car show, live music by Gord Kidd and Friends, a petting zoo, and many local vendors with their products and food. The 4-9 p.m. event drew a large crowd. The fun day is hosted by the Kinmount committee for planning and development, and has been a local tradition for the past 25 years. (Emily Stonehouse).

Left: Fun on the bouncy castle. Middle top: ES Kinmount 3: Olivia, Holly, and Eden Shaw show off their balloon creations. Middle above: The vintage car show in the park. Top right: The playing board for "chicken poop bingo." Photos by Emily Stonehouse

Waiting for the wolf magic to happen

By Lisa Gervais

Dozens of feet stop suddenly as Marena Wigmore holds up her hands. She walks ahead of the pack and stops. All eyes, but mostly all ears, are on her.

She cups her hands to her mouth and emits a low, long howl into the gathering dusk as mosquitoes dance about the gaggle of adults and children standing on the road.

There is silence.

Wigmore makes another attempt, then another. Then the magic happens. First the alpha male, Fang, begins to howl and is quickly joined by alpha female Luna. The rest of the pack joins in, including the pups with their higher pitched yips.

Some hold up their cell phones to record. Others just close their eyes, searching for some connection to the animals, and indeed,

the earth around them.

Another successful wolf howl for Wigmore, just one of many employees at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. The wolf howl happens every Thursday night, between 8-9 p.m. until Aug. 31. It is by donation.

Before setting out, Wigmore presents a slideshow concentrating on the first year in a wolf's life.

Fang and Luna are the only mating wolves in the Forest. Between the end of January and the end of February they mate. A wolf has a gestation period of exactly 63 days and the average litter is three to five puppies. They arrive in early May at the Forest, born blind and deaf so they can adjust to the stimulating world around them for a couple of weeks. They lie in a den dug by Luna that can be as deep as eight

feet. They open their eyes after a couple of weeks and from there, "grow incredibly quickly" according to Wigmore.

At six to eight weeks old, they begin to eat solid food, including meat off the carcass.

She projects a photo of a wolf named Quinn, who at six months old, is almost full adult size.

At eight months, they join the pack hunts.

This year, seven puppies were born, although three have been adopted out.

The Forest has a contest running to name them with the first letter being 'R.'

The alphas are about six years old and already there is speculation about the beta male, Onyx, and when he will become top dog.

In the meantime, they will continue to eat the beaver, deer and moose provided to them, and hunt small game in their large



Marena Wigmore cups her hands to her mouth and emits a wolf call into the coming night. Photo by Lisa Gervais

fenced closure. And they will listen out for the sounds of distant howls, such as Wigmore's mournful cry, and respond.

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Highlander events

Carnival lights up Haliburton skyline

Children and adults were all smiles at the annual Rotary Carnival in Head Lake Park on Aug. 2. It was sunny and warm for the one-day event, hosted by the Rotary Club of Haliburton. It included popular attractions such as the midway, beef on a bun and fireworks at night. The parade wasn't part of the festivities this year due to a steady decline in participation in recent years. But in its place were professional waterski and flyboard shows on Head Lake. The high-flying entertainment was provided by Summer Water Sports, a company based in Port Carling. (Mark Arike).



Top left: Cottagers Lilee-Faith and Jacob Wiley zip down the fun slide. Top right: Siblings Megan, Natalie and Ben Hobson enjoy some shade at the carnival. Above left: Matthew Scheffee flies high in a spinning helicopter ride. Above right: Fireworks light up the night sky. Photos by Mark Arike.



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

- 1. File No. PLSRA2016052:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9998, registered July 4, 2017.
- 2. File No. PLSRA2017006:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bow Lake, lying in front of Lots 19 & 20, Concession 3; and Lot 19, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10000, registered July 10, 2017.

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

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **Thursday, August 31, 2017** at the hour of 9:00 a.m. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard and, if deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed.

ANY PERSON wishing to comment on the proposed closing and sale is requested to submit comments to the undersigned or e-mail iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this August 17, 2017
Ian Clendening, MPl.
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0

Car draw winner 'blessed by Haliburton'

By Mark Arike

Rotarian Marran Woods was ecstatic after discovering one of the tickets she sold to Vijay Marathe of Haliburton was drawn at the Rotary Carnival.

"I take selling these tickets very personally," said Woods in a phone interview. "I want to sell the winning ticket, and I've always maintained that I would probably be more excited about selling the winning ticket than actually winning the prize."

She once sold a winning early bird ticket for a previous draw, but this was her first grand prize winner.

Marathe purchased seven tickets from

Woods and 14 tickets from past Rotary president Richard van Nood at Midnight Madness a few days earlier. He plans on taking \$30,000 cash instead of the 2017 Camaro LT Coupe.

"I feel very great," he told *The Highlander*. "It's because of the blessing of Haliburton that I won the [draw]."

Marathe thanked van Nood and Woods, who he has "special respect" for.

He's lived in Haliburton since 2009 and works at Subway restaurant on Highland Street.

More than 6,000 tickets were sold for the draw, which is slightly above last year. The money raised will go toward various community initiatives.

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Minden Legion news

Current happenings: Aug. 19, 4-7 p.m., will feature the second appearance of open mic. Food available, and no cover charge. The last appearance was very lively. On Aug. 26, from 1-4 p.m., there will be a benefit performance by The Highlands Trio for flood relief. Several of our residents are still in financial trouble, so come out and support your neighbours. Food will be available.

Did you ever wonder about the dispersal of funds received by our branch through donations, meals we serve and functions you attend? As well as covering the costs of running our branch, last year we donated close to \$50,000 to veterans and the community. \$10,000 went to the HHHSF to help fund the new palliative unit just completed. Also, we supported the Cadet Corp based in Haliburton, Wounded Warriors, Last Post Fund, scholarships for students of HHSS, plus an ongoing monthly donation to the food bank, to name a few.

Did you know that Canada produced five military vehicles for the Second World War? 2000 Rams were produced by Montreal Locomotive Works, who also produced 188 Grizzly tanks, Canada's



version of the M4A1 Sherman Tank. 2000 Sextons, the 25 pdr SP, were created to replace other British armoured vehicles that struggled in the North African Campaign. Otter, light reconnaissance cars, were produced by General Motors in Oshawa. They, along with the Ford Motor Company, produced more than half a million Canadian Military Pattern Trucks. For further information about Canada's role in warfare or other military news, go to legionmagazine.com to subscribe.

The branch phone number is 705-286-4541. Also follow us on Facebook- [mindenlegion636](https://www.facebook.com/mindenlegion636).

Everyone is welcome at all of our events. (Submitted).

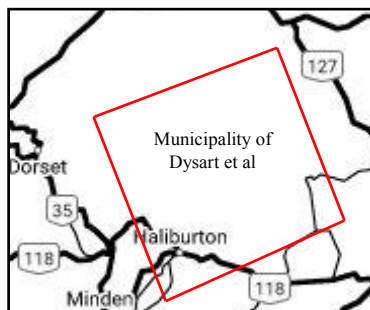


NOTICE OF PROJECT COMMENCEMENT

CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Municipality of Dysart et al Septage Management Study

The Municipality of Dysart et al initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study to establish the preferred approach for providing septage and holding tank waste disposal services to the residents of the Municipality. Phase 1 & 2 of the study are progressing to evaluate the alternatives to manage septage and holding tank waste within the Municipality. From this initial evaluation, the study will progress as a Schedule C assessment.



Public and agency consultation is vital to the success of this study. To ensure those interested in this project have an opportunity to provide input to the study, the first Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held as per the details noted below:

Public Information Centre (#1)

Date: Thursday, August 31, 2017

Time: 6:30pm – 9pm

Location: Haliburton Legion
719 Mountain St.
Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0

Comments Invited

You are encouraged to attend the PIC to provide your comments so that they may be included in the study. Comments received throughout the course of the assessment will be considered in selecting the preferred alternative. Following the PIC comments will be received until September 25, 2017.

Please contact either of the following if you wish to be added to the mailing list or if you have any questions or comments, or wish to obtain information about the project:

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. This Notice first issued on August 17, 2017.



Garden show chair, Michelle Lewis. Photos by Lisa Gervais.

Minden Horticultural Society marks 40 years

The Minden & District Horticultural Society celebrated Canada's 150th and its own 40th birthday on Aug. 12 during the 38th annual garden show in Minden.

A steady flow of visitors came Friday night and Saturday to the community centre to check out the flowers and vegetables and enjoy a hot drink and slice of pie.

Garden show chair, Michelle Lewis, said a "great" committee and the Township of Minden Hills made the day possible.

The theme was red and white to honour the sesquicentennial.

Lewis said despite the challenge of rain

for many local gardeners this season, the society was "really happy with everything and thrilled with the show."

"It is an honour to be part of it," Lewis said.

Rose Paliwoda was proud to talk about the junior program. It goes into Archie Stouffer Elementary School to work with its Grade 3s. They planted 'the three sisters' garden at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre this year. Produce goes to the food bank.

Founding president Elizabeth Carrell was on-hand with Pamela Manser. (Lisa Gervais).




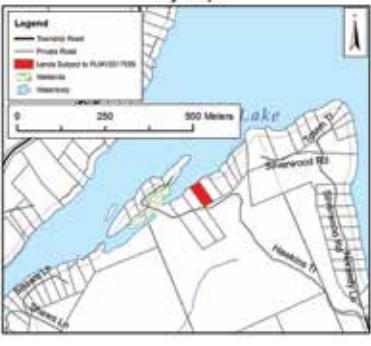
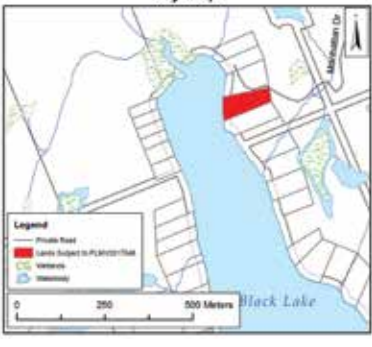
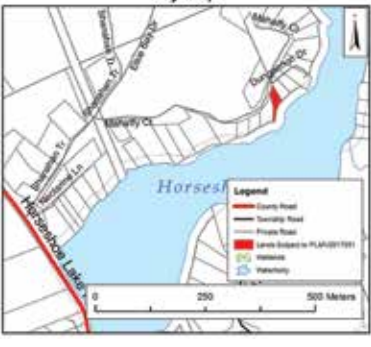

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE



TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

DATE: Monday, August 28, 2017
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2017044**, **PLMV2017045**, **PLMV2017046**, **PLMV2017048**, **PLMV2017049**, **PLMV2017050**, and **PLMV2017051**. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

<p>PLMV2017044 - Part of Lot 16, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>1029 Saltmarsh Lane</u>; and located on Canning Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the expansion of the existing, non-complying, dwelling. The applicant wishes to construct a 37.2 m² (400sq.ft.) addition to the existing 83.6 m² (900sq.ft.) dwelling which is located 17.4m. (57') from the High Water Mark.</p> 	<p>PLMV2017049 - Part of Lot 11, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>1101 Reynolds Road</u>; and located on Horseshoe Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the replacement of the existing, non-complying, dwelling with a two storey dwelling occupying a smaller footprint. The applicant wishes to construct a two storey dwelling covering an area of 195.1 m² (2,100sq.ft.) to replace the existing single storey dwelling covering an area of 241.1 m² (2,95sq.ft.). The proposed dwelling would be reoriented, but would maintain the existing front yard setbacks of 5.5m. (18'), while the side yard setback would increase to 2.4m. (8').</p> 
<p>PLMV2017045 - Part of Lot 20, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as <u>1053 Salisbury Road</u>; and located on Gull Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the reconstruction and enlargement of a non-conforming use (boathouse). The applicant wishes to replace the existing 48.3 m² (520sq.ft.) one storey boathouse which is located 6.4m. (21') from the High Water Mark, with a new boathouse on the same footprint but having a second storey loft storage above.</p> 	<p>PLMV2017050 - Part of Lot 13, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as <u>1130 Hawkins Trail</u>; and located on Canning Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the replacement of the existing, non-complying, dwelling with a new, larger and taller, dwelling. The applicant wishes to replace the existing 57.2 m² (616sq.ft.) dwelling measuring 5.5m. (18') in height and located 11.9m. (39') from the High Water Mark with a new 169.1 m² (1,820sq.ft.) dwelling measuring 7.9m. (26') in height and located 13.7m. (45') from the lake. A 54.8 m² (590sq.ft.) attached deck is proposed to replace the existing deck and would project a distance of 12.2m. (40') from the lake, whereas the existing deck is set back a distance of 6.7m. (22').</p> 
<p>PLMV2017048 - Part of Lot 17, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>2348 County Road 21</u> (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To the expansion of the existing, non-complying, dwelling and attached deck. The applicant wishes to construct a 30.7 m² (330.7sq.ft.) addition to the existing 73.8 m² (794.6sq.ft.) dwelling which is to extend an additional 1.2m. (4') towards the High Water Mark, for a setback of 12.2m. (40'); the expanded deck would extend an additional 0.6m. (2') towards Black Lake for a setback of 11.6m. (38').</p> 	<p>PLMV2017051 - Part of Lot 11 & 12, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>1004 Dungannon Drive</u>; and located on Horseshoe Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a new 53.5 m² (576sq.ft.) detached garage measuring 6.3m. (20.5') in height (to top of peak) and located 11.9m. (39') from the High Water Mark.</p> 
<p>PLMV2017046 - Part of Lot 26, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as <u>10871 Black Lake WAO</u>; and located on Black Lake (see Key Map).</p> <p>Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the replacement of the existing, non-complying, dwelling with a new, larger and taller, dwelling. The applicant wishes to replace the existing 71.2 m² (766.8sq.ft.) dwelling, 23.8 m² (256.3sq.ft.) cabin, and two sheds located at the shoreline with a new 120.6 m² (1,298sq.ft.) dwelling having an attached 24.5 m² (264sq.ft.) screened porch, and 53.8 m² (579.5sq.ft.) of open decks. As a result of the development the screened porch would maintain the existing dwelling's setback of 9.4m. (31') from the High Water Mark, while the dwelling would be situated 13.1m. (43.1').</p> 	

HAVE YOUR SAY: Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.



WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail iclendening@mindenhills.ca. If you do not make a written submission prior to a decision, nor make an oral submission at the Public Hearing, and subsequently submit an appeal of the decision, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

MORE INFORMATION: Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at www.mindenhills.ca.

For more information about this matter contact iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

Dated this 17th day of August, 2017.
Ian Clendening, MPl.
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What's on



Participants in last year's Adventure Challenge proudly hold up their swag. *Photo submitted.*

A challenge fit for an adventurer

By Mark Arike

Are you a real outdoors person who enjoys testing your limits?

Then you might want to sign up for this Sunday's Adventure Challenge, one of several special events leading up to the 15th annual Hike Haliburton Festival. There are prizes up for grabs and it's free to enter.

The challenge will see teams of two or three embark on a 2.5 km paddle followed by 4.5 km of hiking and expedition challenges. It will all take place at the Frost Centre trails and St. Nora's Lake in Algonquin Highlands.

"They will paddle across the lake, pitch a tent and take it down, and they basically race around these hiking trails," explained coordinator Corina Mansfield.

Each team will use a route card and map to navigate the course. Some of the challenges include filtering water and starting a fire with a flint and striker.

"It's all stuff you would normally do in an expedition when you're camping," said Mansfield.

The concept was developed three years ago but wasn't launched until last year. There were four teams and it was held during the Labour Day long weekend. About \$500 in prizes were distributed.

"It worked really, really well," she said.

Participants must arrive at the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails office at 8:30 a.m. The race starts at 9:15 a.m. and takes two to three hours to finish, said Mansfield.

It's a great experience for families, but Mansfield is challenging local camps, fire departments and businesses to sign up.

Space is limited to 10 teams. The minimum age is 13 and anyone under 16 must be on a team with an adult.

Sign up as soon as possible by calling Mansfield at 705-448-9888 or emailing info@deeproootsadventure.com.



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Greg Keelor joined Jim Cuddy, right, at the 2014 Forest Festival. Photo by Dustin Rabin.

Venue and volunteers ready for Forest Festival

By Mark Arike

There's one thing Lesley English can't control this week: the weather.

So she's been crossing her fingers and doing her anti-rain dance for the return of The Forest Festival.

"I am knocking on wood like crazy right now," said the festival manager in a phone interview Tuesday, a day before the first show. "So far, they're only calling for rain on one day—and it's a day we have inside shows."

The five-day festival (Aug. 16-20) is back at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre and Logging Museum for its 10th year. It was abruptly cancelled last year after the Haliburton Forest and the Municipality of Dysart et al wound up in a court fight, resulting in an order to demolish several buildings, including the museum.

But since then, the forest has been working with the municipality to bring these buildings up to code. The forest recently received its Change of Use permit, allowing up to 400 people to gather in the museum for the festival's concerts.

Four of the seven concerts will take place at the museum, which is located at the Forest's base camp. The outdoor amphitheatre, which is a few kilometers away, seats 600.

The festival kicked off on Aug. 16 with Buffy Sainte-Marie and opening act Annie Sumi. Sainte-Marie is a Canadian icon who was inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and is an officer of the Order of Canada.

Another big name, Jimmy Rankin, hits the amphitheatre stage Aug. 17. The country artist was a member of The Rankin Family, but eventually left the group and Celtic

music for a solo career.

Other concerts at the museum include Stuart Laughton's Radio Dial on Aug. 18, Alison Young Quartet on the afternoon of Aug. 19 and Angel Forrest in the evening, and The O'Pears on the afternoon of Aug. 20.

The festival will end with a bang as Jim Cuddy of Blue Rodeo returns to the amphitheatre for a sold-out show the night of Aug. 20. Joining him are guitarist Colin Cripps and violinist Anne Lindsay, who together form the Jim Cuddy Trio. They performed together at the venue in 2012. Cuddy also played the festival with fellow bandmate Greg Keelor in 2014.

The festival is made possible with a team of about 40 volunteers. This year, English had to find a new volunteer coordinator.

"You lose people through natural attrition," she said, adding she has a great

team in place. "They're all really keen and excited."

Merchandise and CDs will be sold at the concerts and some artists will give out autographs. A snack stand will be set up and food is also available at the Cookhouse for shows at the museum.

Patrons are encouraged to carpool for the shows at the amphitheatre.

"It makes our lives easier, but it does make it easier for them too."

To purchase tickets, visit the theforestfestival.com or go to the forest's office. Tickets for the weekend shows will be available at the door. You can call 705-754-2198 to confirm availability.

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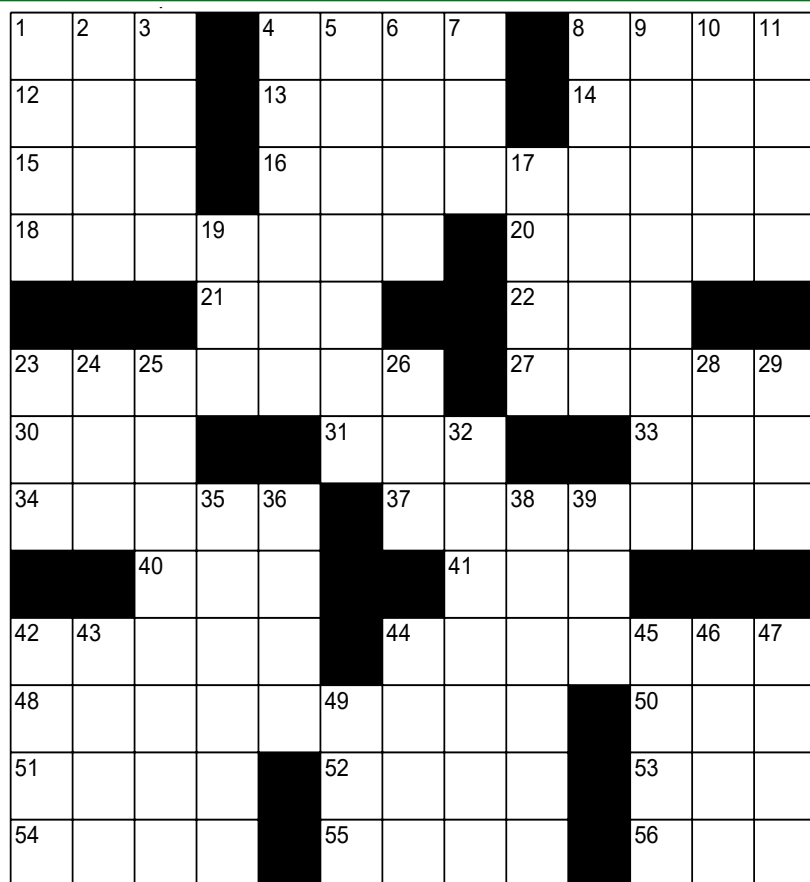
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If you have signed up for Online Payments, you can register your returning HHSS (Gr 10-12) students online. Simply purchase your preferred Spirit Package (above) and retrieve your timetables. Haven't signed up yet? No problem! Go to tlds.schoolcashonline.com Once you are signed up you can register your Grade 10-12 Students online during the registration period and miss long line ups!!!

What's on

AUGUST 2017 • EVENT LISTINGS

Thursday August 17

12:10 – 12:50 p.m. – Haliburton Sculpture Forest, "Curator's Selection," free guided tour. Meet at the info kiosk in the parking lot of Fleming College, Haliburton. haliburtonsculptureforest.ca/guided-tours

6:30 p.m. – Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers at Kawartha Dairy, Minden.

6 – 7 p.m. – Dorset family soccer night, at the field by the pavilion. Drop-in free, equipment provided. 705-766-9968.

8 – 9 p.m. – Wolf Howl at the Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve. Admission by donation, supporting scientific research being conducted at the Forest. 1-800-631-2198, haliburtonforest.com/events/event-calendar

Friday August 18

12 – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Carnarvon, at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Rd. (Until Oct 6th)

7 p.m. to dusk – Music by the Gull, weekly until Labour Day.

Saturday August 19

8 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Gigantic yard and bake sale at George St. Haliburton North Entrance Lodge.

August 21-27

Minden Pride Week – mindenhills.ca/calendar/ for more information.

Saturday August 19

Highlands East Studio Tour – see highlandseastartour.com for more info and maps.

8:15 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. – ATV Poker Run, hosted by the Wilberforce Curling Club. Registration and breakfast begin at 8:15 a.m., ride starts at 9:15 a.m., dinner at 5:30 p.m. with prizes. See wilberforcecurling.com/events for more info.

10 – 11 a.m. – Recycling Information Session at Cardiff Community Centre. Is it recyclable or trash? How do I sort it? We're here to answer your questions!

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market and Artisans Market, Minden (in the parking lot of the municipal buildings) each Saturday until Oct 7.

10 a.m. – finish – Power Boat Races at Head Lake Park. Free event, racers from Canada and the US attend this Canadian Boating Federation sanctioned event.

12 noon – 1 p.m. Recycling Information Session at Robert McCausland Memorial Community Centre, Gooderham. Is it recyclable or trash? How do I sort it? We're here to answer your questions!

1 – 4 p.m. – Household Hazardous Waste day at the Gooderham transfer station, 1070 McColl's Rd.

Sunday August 20

Highlands East Studio Tour – see highlandseastartour.com for more info and maps.

8:30 a.m. – 12 noon – Hike Haliburton Adventure Challenge Race, at the Frost Centre Trails and St. Nora's Lake. 2.5 km paddle, 4.5 km hike, expedition skills challenges. Pre-registration required. Contact corina@deeprootsadventure.com or call 705-448-9888

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Dig In Series: Cheesemaking Basics, at Abbey Gardens. Join Carol Lee of Vinegar Hill Farms to learn how to make cheese from scratch! Admission by donation. abbeygardens.ca

11 a.m. – finish – Power Boat Races at Head Lake Park. Free event, racers from Canada and the US attend this Canadian Boating Federation sanctioned event.

2 – 4 p.m. – Essonville Historic Church Memorial Service, 1284 Essonville Line, to honour those buried in both the Anglican cemetery and the Pioneer Cemetery. Music and light refreshments following the service.

August 21 – 27

Minden Pride Week – see mindenhills.ca/calendar/ for more information on events going on all week.

Monday August 21

9 a.m. – 12 noon – Peace Camp at Zion United Church, Carnarvon. Contact Barb Walford-Davis for more info, or to register 705-489-1715.

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12 – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Head Lake Park, Haliburton. (until Oct 3rd)

Wednesday August 23

9 a.m. – 12 noon – Peace Camp at Zion United Church, Carnarvon. Contact Barb Walford-Davis for more info, or to register 705-489-1715.

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. – Line Dancing, at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton, 2nd floor. Join us every Wednesday morning, beginners welcome. \$3/class. Contact Charlene 705-457-3985.

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – HKPR Sexual Health Clinic. For more info, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577 ext 2205.

12:10 – 12:50 p.m. – Haliburton Sculpture Forest, "Curator's Selection," free guided tour. Meet at the info kiosk in the parking lot of Fleming College, Haliburton. haliburtonsculptureforest.ca/guided-tours

5 p.m. – Salsa lessons at the Haliburton Forest, every Wednesday at the seminar building. No registration required, come when you can. Admission by donation.

6:30 p.m. – Family movie nights at the Dorset Rec Centre. Admission by donation.

6:30 – 8 p.m. – Community drum circle, every Wednesday at Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, 23 York St.

6:30 p.m. – Algonquin Outfitters with kayaks on the Gull river. Meet opposite the post office, Invergordon Ave., Minden.

Thursday August 24

10 a.m. – 12 noon – Haliburton Highlands Land Trust's "Teddy" Bear Picnic, at the Dahl Forest. Ramble and sing your way through the forest with singer/songwriter David Archibald!. Admission by donation. Please register online at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

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7 p.m. to dusk – Music by the Gull, weekly until Labour Day.

Saturday August 26

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market and Artisans Market, Minden (in the parking lot of the municipal buildings) each Saturday until Oct 7.

4 – 7 p.m. – Harold MacIntyre in the Clubroom of the Haliburton Legion. \$5 cover charge for non-members, 50/50 draw at 6 p.m., \$6 for a delicious ladies auxiliary meal.

7 p.m. – Kash Bash, at Haliburton Hockey Haven sports camp. Come enjoy a night out, meet new neighbours on the lake. For more info email Kirsten at social@lko.ca or Gary at president@lko.ca.

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 third Thursday of the month starting at 7 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

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

Coming up: live entertainment featuring country music singer/guitarist Harold MacIntyre Saturday, Aug. 26, 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 rd129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129 ... everyone is welcome.

MINDEN BRANCH (SUMMER EVENTS)

General meeting first Wednesday of the month. Bid Euchre Tuesday at 1 p.m., regular euchre Thursday at 7 p.m. Mixed darts Thursday and Friday nights at 7 p.m. Fred & Linda's karaoke every second Friday starting Aug. 11 at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 19, 4-7 p.m. open mic. Food available and no cover. Aug. 26, 1-4 p.m., The Highlands Trio doing a benefit concert for flood relief. Lunch Monday to Thursday noon to 2 p.m. Liver Lovers special Tuesday. Daily special every day \$8. Friday fish and wings with fries or onion rings noon to 2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Wednesday noon meat draw. We are now open Saturday and Sunday. Barbecue Saturday noon-2 p.m. and meat draw at 2 p.m. Sunday sports day.

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Aug. 18 Spaghetti dinner 5 - 7 p.m.
Aug. 19 Meat draw 2 p.m. - early bird 3 p.m. sharp.
Aug. 21 Bid euchre 7p.m. Beginners welcome.
Aug. 23 Fun darts 7:30 p.m.



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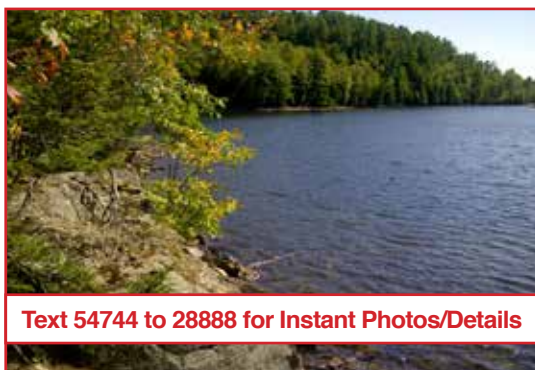


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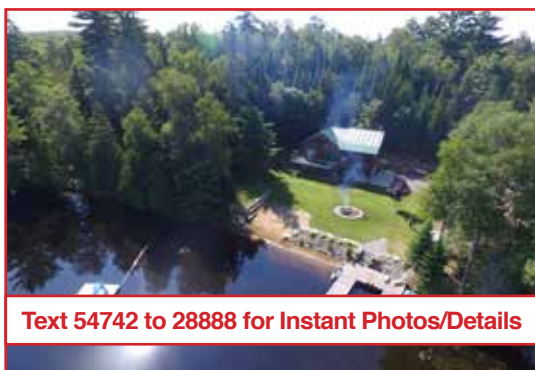
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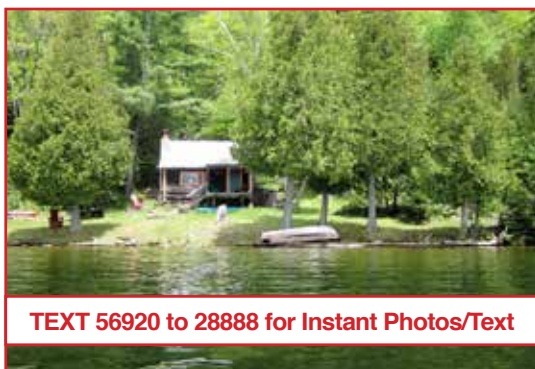
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- 3 Bedroom 3 Season Cottage, Easy to Winterize
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- 3 Bedroom Basic "As Is" Cottage Abutting Crown land
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