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Ten-year-old Atom hockey player Tavia Harris wears an M-Power Hockey jersey from when she attended their all-girls overnight camp in Haliburton 2017.
Photo by Joseph Quigley

HIGHLANDER INVESTIGATES

Girls hockey camp shut out of summer day ice

By Joseph Quigley

For 10-year-old Atom hockey player Tavia Harris, participating in the all-girls M-Power Hockey summer camp in 2017 was a strong learning experience.

"That was around the time

I just started playing hockey. We figured it would be a good experience for me," Harris said. "It was really fun. We had a lot of ice time and it was just fun playing with a lot of different girls."

The week-long camp was run

by M-Power Hockey founder Mandy Cronin. The Toronto-based hockey school launched its first-ever overnight summer camp in Haliburton in 2017, renting Hockey Haven facilities and using Hockey Haven's booked ice time at A.J. LaRue

Arena. Cronin said she was drawn to the locale due to its outdoor recreation.

Besides hockey skills, the camp also sought to offer campers leadership development, Cronin said.

"I started this business so

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Leaky roof forces Highland Wood evacuation

By Joseph Quigley

Residents of Highland Wood Long-Term Care Home were all relocated by Feb. 7 due to leaks in the facility from melting snow and ice.

In a Feb. 6 press release, Haliburton Highlands Health Service (HHHS) said due to the leaks, several Highland Wood residents were being relocated to other parts of the building and neighbouring long-term care facilities.

In a follow-up press release Feb. 7, HHHS said all Highland Wood residents were being relocated after a detailed inspection of the roof.

HHHS president and chief executive officer Carolyn Plummer said the leaks in the facility have been extensive.

"In multiple areas, including hallways and resident rooms," Plummer said in an email. "Our maintenance team has been working around the clock to divert water off the roof and to monitor leaks inside the building as the ice melts and the rain falls. Despite this, there is a risk for more leaks to occur. For this reason, it is no longer safe to keep residents in the facility."

The roof of the building was scheduled for repair in the spring, Plummer said. In a press release Feb. 11, Plummer said HHHS had its facilities, including roofs, assessed in 2017 as part of its capital program. The assessment recommended the roofs be proactively within 2018-2021 and a tender was awarded in July 2018 to replace the roofs of both Hyland Wood and Hyland Crest.

Hyland Crest's roof was completed in 2018. However, Plummer said weather conditions prevented them from

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Highland Wood Long-Term Care Home is now empty of its 28 residents after a mass relocation due to leaks from snow and ice. The roof of the facility was scheduled to be repaired in the spring. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*

Too soon to know when they'll return

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moving forward on work for the Highland Wood roof and it was rescheduled for spring 2019.

A total of 28 residents in the facility have been relocated to other facilities in the northeast part of the Central East Local Health Integration Network, Plummer said. For privacy reasons, she said she could not provide more details on specific locations.

The Feb. 7 press release said the residents were being "relocated into facilities that will provide the same comfortable home environment that they experienced at Highland Wood."

Plummer said in an email it is too soon to know what the root cause of the leaks was, but it is likely due to the snow and ice build-up melting with recent milder temperatures

and rain.

"The team is now actively working on removing the recurring ice build-up to support further inspections," Plummer said Feb. 11. "We will then take the appropriate steps to ensure the situation is effectively addressed, confirming a timeline for repairing the roof and reopening Highland Wood."

Plummer said there has never been a relocation like this at the facility before. She also said it is too soon to know when Highland Wood residents will be able to return.

"We will be doing everything we can to have Highland Wood operational again as quickly as possible, Plummer said in an email."

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Families speak out about relocation

By Lisa Gervais

Judy Johnson's mother is one of 28 residents of the Highland Wood Long-Term Care Home who has been evacuated due to roof damage at the Haliburton site.

Johnson's mother, who turned 90 in December, has lived at Highland Wood for several years and the family has nothing but praise for the facility and its hard-working staff.

Their issue is with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Johnson said they should have provided both more and timely funding so Haliburton Highlands Health Services could have fixed the roof sooner. She said she and her husband just re-did their own roof at their own home. "We check it. We know where it's at."

Johnson said her mom was initially moved to Highland Crest in Minden. However, it became overcrowded. She is

now at Carescent Care on Mary St. in Lindsay.

"We're blessed she's such an easy-going person," Johnson told The Highlander. "It has made her fearful of the unknown. She tells us, 'just make sure you still come to see me'."

As for the extended family, Johnson added, "she's our mom and we love her and we're going to get through this. We'll just do the best we can as a family."

Another family member, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said for them it is a case of long drives in unpredictable weather and out-of-pocket expenses for hotels or other accommodation costs.

The person added that there is emotional and mental strain on the residents with unfamiliar environments, as well as strain on families who are trying to manage ensuring their loved ones are doing okay.

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County Warden Liz Danielsen and CAO Mike Rutter chat during a Feb. 8 County of Haliburton preliminary budget meeting. Photo by Lisa Gervais

County budget starts at 5.39 per cent tax increase

By Lisa Gervais

The County of Haliburton has begun budget talks - with a first draft sitting on a 5.39 per cent tax increase based on 2019 assessment values.

Warden Liz Danielsen said, "While it is hoped that the final budget will come in at a lower tax hike percentage, there are still a number of outstanding and important decisions to be made on the issues of rural transportation, climate change management, strategic planning and governance models to name a few."

Danielsen said it was her preference to leave these discussions for the county's session on Feb. 25 when Mayors Brent Devolin and Dave Burton are available to participate. Both were absent from a Feb. 8 meeting.

"This is day one. There's no rush," CAO Mike Rutter told Danielsen, and county councillors Andrea Roberts, Pat Kennedy, Lisa Schell, Cecil Ryall and Carol Moffatt.

As it now stands, there's a proposed levy of \$18,079,504. That's a 9.16 per cent increase from last year. This results in the 5.39 per cent tax increase based on 2019 assessment values.

"This translates into a tax impact of \$10.74 per \$100,000 of residential assessment for those residences with no change in assessment value. Therefore, on a \$300,000 residence, taxes would increase by \$32.22 for a year. Industrial occupied would experience a tax increase of \$18.45 per \$100,000 of weighted assessment," a written report said.

In a written overview, county staff added, "The 2019 proposed budget supports ongoing infrastructure needs and begins to build sustainability. The county continues to improve its financial planning through the development of a comprehensive asset management plan with a focus on sustainability and a five-year financial forecast."

In fact, proposed investments in infrastructure are up \$2,261,408 over 2018, to about \$6.3 million, from just over \$4 million. More bridge work accounts for a large chunk of that.

The largest overall cost is for salaries and benefits, about 38 per cent of the budget. The county has 71 full-time and 42 part-time staff.

Reserves are relatively healthy at \$2,868,363.07, although the county would like them to be around the \$4 M mark in accordance with provincial guidelines.

At this stage, a number of things could have a negative impact, including uncertainty around OMPF funding, and additional costs for MPAC, the health Unit, and funding the LiDar project, an Integrity commissioner, strategic planning consultant, physician recruitment initiatives and climate change collaboration - estimated to be a combined \$882,847. This includes jumps in winter maintenance and fuel costs as well as for social housing.

Rutter said the budget reflected limiting operating expenses to well below the rate of inflation, while the majority of money will be spent on the capital budget and making the county more sustainable. He's said they're acutely aware of the county's aging and failing infrastructure.

He added they are looking for more direction from council on things such as public transportation, the housing management plan, paramedic service levels, broadband, food tourism, and shoreline protection.

However, he said to councillors, "it's your decision in the end."

Treasurer Elaine Taylor said the process was behind schedule due to the 2018 election and three new county councillors (Schell, Kennedy and Ryall). Normally the budgeting process would commence late in the fall. She talked to councillors about a new software program that staff believe will help the county to be more proactive, versus reacting as it will allow for five-year forecasting in all cost centres.

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- Transportation services 46 per cent of total budget
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Summer program protests Hockey Haven contract

By Joseph Quigley

Dysart et al's decision to allot summer evening ice at A.J. LaRue Arena to Haliburton Hockey Haven is upsetting other local programs who have historically booked that ice-time.

The decision came at the Sept. 24 council meeting, when Dysart et al council voted to authorize the mayor and clerk to execute an agreement with Hockey Haven to give them exclusive weekday rights for 2019 summer ice at A.J. LaRue Arena. The agreement extended Hockey Haven's allotted ice-time to include both daytime and evenings.

Monica Keefer said she has been running a power-skating program at A.J. LaRue Arena on Monday nights in the summer for the past eight years. It serves about 45 kids every year across three age brackets, with a waiting list.

But her usual ice-time from 6:30-9:30 p.m. has now largely been allotted to Hockey Haven.

"I know they are a business and they have their own programs to run, but my feeling and frustration is, at what cost to the rest of us?" Keefer said. "Nobody ever did the homework to ask the rest of us that use this if this was going to be detrimental."

In an emailed statement, Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts said the contract extension was seen as a positive move and that Hockey Haven has invested in the community.

"Council did not discuss the impact to other programs and I personally was not aware it would negatively affect anyone," she said. "The contract was seen as a good business decision and was not intended to upset or alienate anyone."

The new agreement booked Hockey Haven for ice at A.J. La Rue Arena from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. through the first seven weeks between July 1 and Labour Day. For the last two weeks of that period, Hockey Haven is booked from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hockey Haven expanding its summer ice booking is expected to increase municipal revenue from ice rentals by approximately \$25,000.

Keefer said she was never contacted about Hockey Haven taking on her usual ice time and did not become aware until trying to book ice in December. She added there are other local programs facing a similar situation.

Roberts said the contract allows for subletting of ice time for Hockey Haven at the same rate they pay the municipality. However, that subletting is kept optional.

Roberts also said Hockey Haven is proposing a solution to the municipality and something on the matter will be presented at the Feb. 26 regular council meeting.

Hockey Haven Owner Troy Binnie said he sought the extra ice-time due to the continued growth of Hockey Haven programming.



Monica Keefer said a skating program she has run for years using summer ice at A.J. LaRue Arena had its usual ice-time allotted to a new contract for Hockey Haven without her knowledge. "I know they are a business and they have their own programs to run, but my feeling and frustration is, at what cost to the rest of us?" she said. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*

He said he could not offer details on what he is proposing until he works it out with the municipality. But he added this year he "100 per cent" expects to be able to accommodate groups who have been regularly using summer evening ice at A.J. LaRue Arena.

However, he said years beyond summer 2019 were not something he could yet discuss.

"I'm not going to comment on that part until I finalize my talks with the township

on this," he said. "I'm trying to be the nice guy."

Binnie said Hockey Haven wants to support the community.

"We're here for the community. We're here to help," he said.

Keefer said she understands Hockey Haven does good in the community, but that does not counter the negative feelings about her previous ice time getting booked up.

"I just feel like we're being pushed aside," she said.

Next summer never came for girls hockey camp

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I could make sure all these young girls would have access to all of us females who now can play professional female hockey," Cronin said. "A lot of lack of confidence in young girls. My goal is to have more of these camps where we can have young girls come and their mutual connection is hockey."

The camp in Haliburton succeeded in 2017, Cronin said, attracting approximately 30 attendees.

"Everybody loved the camp, rave reviews, couldn't wait for the next summer," Cronin said.

But next summer never came for the camp.

Cronin said there was a split with Hockey Haven. Efforts to secure facilities and ice-time through Hockey Haven did not work out.

Hockey Haven owner Troy Binnie said M-Power wanted to run a camp program different from Hockey Haven's. He said outside groups that use Hockey Haven's camp facilities are expected to use its camp programming, but can be independent with on-ice activity.

"I like Mandy, I have no problems with her, but I'm running a business," Binnie said. "I'm also running a brand and our brand is Haliburton Hockey Haven."

M-Power Hockey instead made arrangements to use Bark Lake Leadership and Conference Centre for camping in

2018.

However, when it came to ice-time at A.J. LaRue Arena, which Hockey Haven had booked for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. throughout the summer, Binnie said he could not give the time up.

"We use the ice every day," he said. "Our programs are running all day long ... so I'm not going to give up my ice-time."

Without Hockey Haven, Cronin reached out to Dysart et al to secure summer daytime ice. She said those efforts proved unsuccessful, due to Hockey Haven having daytime ice booked throughout July and August.

"Very disheartening that going all the way up the ranks in this municipality and nobody can negotiate to get us just two hours of ice a day for our girls," Cronin said.

However, the municipality did offer evening ice-time. After weeks of back-and-forth, Cronin said she was provided an evening ice slot, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts said summer ice would not even be in place at A.J. LaRue Arena were it not for Hockey Haven's usage.

With respect to M-Power Hockey, Roberts noted they were offered some ice time.

"They were offered ice time last year and didn't take it," Roberts said in an email.

But Cronin said the evening ice slot was problematic as it would impact the camp's

night activities, as well as being difficult logistically due to the drive from Bark Lake.

Ultimately, Cronin said she had to cancel the 2018 camp due to how long the process took to secure the ice, with prospective campers already signing up for other camps.

Haliburton cottager Christine Jurusik sent two daughters to M-Power Hockey camp in 2017. She said they loved it and were devastated when they found out they could not go back in 2018.

She said girls sleepaway camp is an "entirely different experience" than a co-ed camp and can help teenage girls more easily be themselves.

"I'm saddened to think the people who make the decisions about appropriating ice-time wouldn't reserve a portion of the ice-time exclusively for girls hockey," Jurusik said. "Traditionally, girls hockey has taken a second seat to boys hockey with ice-time."

Binnie said Hockey Haven attracts about 70 girls to its programs each year, offers female instructors and also has girls teams use its facilities. The camp reportedly had a growing enrolment of 650 campers total in 2016.

Binnie said Hockey Haven has not really considered a girls-only hockey camp program like M-Power Hockey ran in 2017.

"There's a need for those (camps) that are just girls. We're just not really set up for it," Binnie said. "You shut down a week, then the boys don't get to play ... how would you do a good balance? The only way you can do a proper balance, I think, is to keep it co-ed and the options are open for anybody."

Trying to get ice-time for summer 2019 has also proven difficult, Cronin said.

She said she first asked the municipality about getting that ice in February 2019, without response, to try to avoid a repeat of 2018's cancellation.

In an e-mailed comment, Roberts said because of their contract, Hockey Haven still had daytime summer ice booked.

When Cronin reached out to the municipality again in September 2019, she said she was told no ice was available – not even evening ice.

At a Sept. 24 council meeting, Dysart et al council voted to proceed with a new contract for Hockey Haven, which extended their ice-time to include both daytime and evenings in 2019.

Elizabeth Foote, Harris's mother, said it is a struggle to get fair play for girls hockey in the County of Haliburton. She added ice-time should be allotted for M-Power Hockey's camp.

"This is just disheartening in 2019," Foote said. "We're supposed to be beyond that. We're supposed to include everybody."

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My morning in court

There were plenty of cars in the parking lot of the Minden council chambers this past Tuesday - and it wasn't a council day.

Provincial Offences Act (POA) court returned to Minden after a 19.5-month hiatus. So, I decided to check it out.

One of the first things I noticed was the number of police and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) vehicles in the parking lot.

Once inside, the cops and conservation officers took up a fair bit of bench space and spilled out into the foyer.

As we all waited for court to start at 9:30 a.m. there was the usual banter between the court clerk and the two benches - one representing prosecutors and the other defence. At one point the clerk advised the prosecution bench 'may the force be with you,' which drew a Star Wars-related reply.

Just before the Justice of the Peace arrived, the clerk wished everyone a good morning, warned us to turn off or silence electronic devices and advised the public they should take their conversations outside.

The half-hour arrived. We were told to "all rise" and JP Ronald Prestage walked up to his perch. Bespectacled with a bald head, grey beard and moustache, wearing his black robes and a green sash, JP Prestage

called out "welcome back to Minden everyone."

We took our seats and the proceedings began. As the next hour or so ticked by, I made three observations. One: People in Haliburton County or visiting Haliburton County like to wear camouflage. Two: Oh, yeah, that is probably because they are hunters who happen to be facing MNRF charges like baiting migratory birds or shooting moose out of season. Three: Some people up here like to speed as there were Highway Traffic Act infractions left, right and centre. There was also a case of an inoperable seatbelt, a fail to surrender drivers' licence and some vehicle insurance issues.

There were lots of guilty pleas and lots of fines handed out - in the thousands of dollars.

I chatted with Toronto lawyer Doug Poirier, who represents the MNRF in court. He thought it was great POA court was back in Minden. Even though it meant a longer drive for him on this day - as opposed to Lindsay - Poirier commented on the fairness and appropriateness of holding court in the jurisdiction where people have been charged.

I chatted with one of the local Haliburton

OPP officers. He's happy court's resumed in Minden and commented on how much more convenient and manageable it was for him and his colleagues. The conservation folks agreed.

I'm not exactly sure how the clientele felt. I stopped two people. One was from Stirling. The other from Whitby so the actual drive to Minden Hills was much longer than if they had to have appeared in Lindsay.

But, that's not the point.

People facing Minden POA court this past Feb. 12 were doing so because they had been accused of breaking laws within Haliburton County. As such, it is only right that they should face those charges in front of our community, not elsewhere.

As for the shortage of JPs that got us into this mess in the first place [the need to shut down the local POA court] we can only hope the current provincial government keeps its eye on the prize and ensures that Ontario addresses JP shortages in a timely manner in future.



By Lisa Gervais

The Outsider

Cheesecake on toast and a spot of culture

They say ... you know, the oh so wise unnamed who also advise not to jump off of a bridge just because your buddy did it, yes that they: they say you only live once (obviously not Hindus then) and they say, 'life is about taking chances, trying new things, having fun, making mistakes and learning from them'.

Well, I've been putting some of these theories to the test. Now, I didn't jump off of a bridge but then again my buddy didn't either and I am still on my first life, I think, so I can't comment on that but the taking chances, trying new things ... how about art galleries in ice huts? Sounds new and fun, eh. And, toast with Cheez Whiz and strawberry jam on it? If that ain't taking a chance ...

So, the art galleries, they were at the Bonnie View Inn. Three of the best dressed ice huts one has ever seen. Shiny, aluminum-clad huts with sliding, wooden barn doors and see through roofs, set out on Lake Kashagawigamog (my most favourite lake name ever) and inside, paintings by wonderfully talented artists of national

and international repute. I was all over it. My lovely wife, Little Z and I skated and skidded out across the frozen lake between each hut and took in the art. Inside the first ice hut were pictures of ice huts. Stylized renditions of multi-coloured huts set in abstract unrecognizable landscapes, and then a sculpture of tiny ice huts, each with paintings of ice huts in them. Cool, eh, in every sense of the word. In the next, paintings as bleak and bluey white as the ice outside; their minimal icy hues hiding the faintest hint of a world beyond, beneath, as if trapped under ice. And then the third, contrasting works, one with ice huts on a frozen lake, the other a summertime scene with boat and blooming floral world, so warming, so different from our current wintry state.

There was a fourth hut, too, smaller than the rest and a little further out on the lake but still shiny. In that, a fisherman who was rather bemused at all the visitors who came-a-calling.

These mini art venues were fabulous. Ice Cube Gallery, to give the event its official

name, was something new, exciting and fun, most definitely.

At points last week, its organizer may have thought it a mistake, especially when one of his huts was punted down the lake by a rogue fishing hut being blown about by the gale force winds. However, both huts were rescued and the event was a smash hit with more than 400 folks visiting on the first day.

Now, toast with Cheez Whiz and strawberry jam on it. Peanut butter and jam I've tried but Cheez Whiz, come on. This is what a colleague of mine says was a favourite of his as a child. He claimed it tasted like a cheesecake. So ... did I try it? Do I jump off of bridges? Was my buddy jumping off bridges? No way.

Have fun, try new things and learn from them but I'm not that stupid, not making that mistake. I ain't eating Cheez Whiz on toast, at least not until I see my colleague do it first.



By Will Jones

Correction: In the Feb. 7 edition, there was an article on page 5 entitled "Housing corporation wants to hear from public on its future plan." The article referred to the Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation as doing public outreach for its 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. In fact, it is the City of Kawartha Lakes working on this plan and doing the public outreach. *The Highlander* apologizes for this error.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK
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Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: *What's the best thing you've done this winter?*



Lynne Johnstone
Haliburton
“Having my friends visit from Australia!”



Denise Huntley
Gosford Australia
“Going on a horse-drawn sleigh ride.”



Hazel Ross
Gosford Australia
“Walking in a blizzard, it was beautiful!”



Emma Joy Lovell
Huntsville
“Signed up for my first ever triathlon, and am currently training for it.”



Jim Packard
Carnarvon
“I like coming into work and seeing all the students at Fleming College here in Haliburton.”

By Hannah Sadlier

LETTERS

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

Make road maintenance a priority

Dear editor,

What is happening to our county roads' system. This isn't the first time I have commented on this issue. An example is Glamorgan Road in such disrepair and County Road 503 at Tory Hill with a large pothole causing vehicles to sustain damages resulting in expensive repair costs for vehicle owners.

Our road maintenance and ongoing repairs should be a priority. I previously requested the county publish their five-year county roads system upgrade, repair and maintenance plans, however my request fell on deaf ears. The public has a right to know which county roads are scheduled for such upgrades within a timely fashion based on priority.

In 2015, I was told major reconstruction initiatives on Glamorgan Road would take place in 2016. I was then informed it would be 2017 and then 2018. It is now 2019 and I wonder if the date will again change leaving this road in an unsafe and dangerous condition.

Without well-serviced and maintained county roads, people will go elsewhere to shop and tourists will look to Muskoka for their leisure time and safe driving road conditions.

Everyone wants several things from county council but if our roads are not fit to drive on then what good are wish lists from others?

County council should investigate whether there is provincial and/or federal funding for infrastructure upgrades and pressure both levels of government to our plight and within the limited financial resources at our disposal.

Beverly MacDuff
Gooderham

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Top: Hundreds of people came out to enjoy the great art and food at the first ever Ice Cube Gallery held at Bonnie View Inn. Bottom: Gregory Ross, of Norwood, looks at one of the beautiful pieces of work, that was created by Victoria Ward. Photos by Hannah Sadlier

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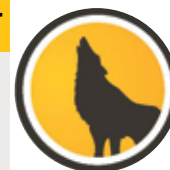
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New software to identify road priorities in Dysart

By Joseph Quigley

Dysart et al is introducing a new software system to help it identify which roads take priority for repairs and improvements.

The municipality's new infrastructure committee discussed Decision Optimization Technology (DOT) during its inaugural meeting Feb. 7. The software will be used to evaluate the municipality's roads, with engineers driving every road during the summer, according to director of public works Rob Camelon.

"It will give us a real good overview of where our network stands," he said. "From there, we have to tell it where we want to be."

The software is also meant to eventually replace the municipality's roads needs study, which has been used to guide roads work since 2014. The six-year study is set to expire in 2020, Camelon said.

However, committee member and Coun. John Smith said the municipality has not kept pace with the recommended capital funding level set out in the 2014 road needs study. He said over the duration of the study, there has been a cumulative funding gap of about \$1 million and the municipality needed to do more to communicate its intentions for roads.

"We either need to be candid with our property owners, our residents and say

'sorry, we're not going to get that done,'" Smith said. "Or we need to recognize there's a backlog of work to be performed and we got to get the funding in to catch up."

Committee chair Patrick Kennedy said not providing more funding to capital projects was a conscious decision to try to keep taxes down. But he added council would need to be transparent if the DOT software study recommends more funding than council is willing to provide.

"If the study comes up and says we need \$1 million a year and council says 'you know what, we can only afford \$600,000 a year,' we should be transparent about that," Kennedy said.

Committee considers reserve funding

The infrastructure committee also considered putting money into the municipal budget for infrastructure and equipment reserves.

Camelon proposed \$100,000 for an equipment reserve and \$50,000 for an infrastructure reserve annually as a rough baseline for the discussion.

He said the reserves would be good to prepare for larger projects and will help the municipality have money on hand to push for grant applications.

"If we have something in an account, an



An example of one of a new series of boat launch signs was presented at the Feb. 7 Dysart et al infrastructure committee meeting. The committee discussed setting objectives on the development of municipal lakes. Photo by Joseph Quigley

infrastructure account, if we knew there was money coming down for shovel-ready projects, we can do up an RFP (request for proposal)," Camelon said. "Have it shovel-ready in six months."

Mayor Andrea Roberts said it would be a wise idea to start building up reserves, with

parameters.

"The purpose of having an infrastructure committee is for that future planning," Roberts said. "We need a safety net."

Kennedy said the committee can make decisions on its reserve funding as it gets a better understanding of its current funding.

Algonquin Highlands news

Beech River bridge repairs complete

Director of public works, Adam Thorn, said work on the Beech River bridge was completed in early January.

It was a project of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA), with financial support from the municipality.

Thorn said HCSA's trails committee worked with engineers, bridge supplier and contractors on a plan so it could be reopened to groomers.

"This bridge provides a continuous trail for non-motorized recreationists such as hikers and is a major snowmobile trail for local and touring riders that have a positive winter cash flow impact for Dorset, Minden and Haliburton businesses," Thorn said in a written report.

He said township staff also helped out by removing a large tree and boulders.

The HCSA awarded the contract to Pollard Movers.



A picture of the repaired cribs. Photo from Algonquin Highlands council agenda.

"It's cleaned up and looks really nice," Thorn told councillors.

Mayor Carol Moffatt said the HCSA had invited her and council to a ribbon-cutting on Feb. 23 at 1 p.m. Further, she said the bridge would be renamed in honour of Peter Overington, who passed away last May, and was a foundational member of the HCSA.

Councillor costs for 2018

Taxpayers spent about \$143,000 on councillor and committee costs in 2018.

The annual summary was reported to the Feb. 7 council meeting.

Councillors cost the township just over \$138,000, taking into account per diem, benefits, mileage and other.

The committee of adjustment cost the township just under \$5,000.

The break-down is: Mayor Carol Moffatt (\$34,931.47), Deputy Mayor Liz Danielson (\$29,170.70), Councillor Lisa Barry (\$26,766.41), Councillor Brian Lynch (\$21,775.01), Councillor Marlene Kyle (\$21,812.65), Councillor Jennifer Dailloux (\$2,172.82) and Councillor Julia Shortreed (1,707.25). Danielson collected an additional \$880 for committee of adjustment, and Lynch \$1,115.68. The other members of committee of adjustment are: John Clayton (\$1,148.62), Gary Trapp (\$880) and Chris Woods (\$908.88).

New hazardous waste contract

Council has agreed to a one-year contract extension with Buckham Transport Ltd., for hazardous waste, at a five per cent cost increase.

Further, the township will hold five household hazardous/municipal hazardous and special waste events this year.

Director of public works Adam Thorn said with the planned wrap-up of the program in December 2020, it made sense to stick with Buckham. He noted they had not increased rates since 2014.

Hazardous waste days will be held on May 18 and Oct. 12 at Maple Lake, June 22 and Aug. 31 at the Dorset Transfer Station and on Aug. 10 at Oxtongue Lake. They'll be from 1-5 p.m.

(Algonquin Highlands News compiled by Lisa Gervais)

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Transport group makes another plea for shared rides

By Lisa Gervais

Rural Transportation Options has made a plea to Algonquin Highlands council and the County of Haliburton to push through a booked shared-ride transportation system.

Tina Jackson and Lisa Tolentino spoke at Algonquin Highlands' council meeting Feb. 7, which was also the eve of the first round of county budget talks on Feb. 8.

They discussed the lengthy history of the group, which is voluntarily run by concerned residents with professional backgrounds. Tolentino stressed the five volunteers, who have worked on the portfolio for 10 years, are now "tired."

Rural Transportation Options was established in 2010. They did research and developed a Ministry of Transportation proposal for funding in 2014. They partnered with the county for the MTO Community Transportation Project from 2015-2018. They secured HCDC funding to continue that project at reduced capacity for 2018-19 and provided matching dollars.

A transportation task force was formed in 2017. They developed a business model including the booked shared ride in 2018. Tolentino also noted that Jackson, the coordinator, is only funded until the end of March and that the task force mandate also expires at that time.

"I can't emphasize what a loss it will be if she (Jackson) is not kept on," Tolentino told

Volunteers are "running out of stream" and likely won't continue "without seeing a light at the end of the tunnel."

Lisa Tolentino

Rural Transportation Options

councillors.

The end result of these activities has been hiring a consultant (IBI Consultants) which developed a report to council earlier this year.

They are recommending a booked, shared ride service handled by a contractor, mostly for Haliburton and Minden, but also Wilberforce and Dorset, at a cost to council of about \$162K a year.

Rural Transportation Options continues to endorse a booked shared ride model.

The service is not door-to-door but would have pick-up points. That would require riders to communicate and compromise.

They may have to call a day or two before

scheduled rides.

The delegates noted the Haliburton Highlands Health Services has a community accessible van and there is a DYMO bus.

Jackson said initially they would not drive for HHHS but it is a possibility in future.

Tolentino reiterated that volunteers are "running out of stream" and likely won't continue "without seeing a light at the end of the tunnel." She said that light was support from Algonquin Highlands and county council, both to assist the RTO and task force but also to fund a transportation model.

Mayor Carol Moffatt, who sits on county council, acknowledged Jackson and the volunteers' passion and said there was no question the issue of transportation in the county had come a long way. She said they it at the recent Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference in Toronto.

Moffatt said everyone wants a transportation system in the county but county councillors have to make sure the money to support it is well-spent.

For example, she said "I still want to know what time Mary has to get up in the morning" in a shared ride system.

Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen said another concern is provincial funding disappearing for other agencies that provide transportation if it's all rolled into one

system.

But Jackson said that would not happen. And Tolentino said other areas are running successful programs.

Coun. Jennifer Dailloux asked if they had considered doing a live exercise to test the model. Jackson said they had done surveys.

County council will continue to discuss transportation during budget talks.

The delegation delivered a similar presentation to Highlands East and Minden Hills councils this week.

How it works

John needs to get from Haliburton to Minden for 9 a.m. Mary needs to get from West Guilford to Haliburton for a 10 a.m. committee meeting and Susan needs to get from Halls Lake to Dorset.

The possible route could be West Guilford to Haliburton to Minden to Dorset.

Mary could compromise, arrive in Haliburton for 8:40 a.m. and have a tea before her meeting. John gets into Minden for work at 9 a.m. and Susan arrives in Dorset for a 10 a.m. exercise class, a written report said.

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Feb 28 - Regular Council Meeting

Mar 14 - COTW Meeting

Mar 28 - Regular Meeting of Council

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Haliburton Village BIA news

BIA keeps levies steady for 2019

The Haliburton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) is maintaining its operating levy on businesses for its 2019 budget and instead opting to draw on its reserves for additional funding.

The BIA approved its budget at its annual general meeting Feb. 5. Chair Luke Schell said the organization would pull \$7,875 from reserves for its budget this year.

"We really feel like when we have the reserve that's as healthy as it is, and part of the reason for that is historically how much money we've saved over the last four or five years on our biggest expenditure, which is the hanging flowers," Schell said.

Schell said the total amount in reserves is approximately \$20,000. The operating amount the organization draws from businesses each year is staying at \$47,600.

Women's Shopping Night resurgent in 2018

Schell provided a summary of the BIA's initiatives over the past year and said the Women's Shopping Night, held Dec. 6, was a success.

BIA board member David Zilstra said the event attracted hundreds of shoppers, despite only lasting for two hours, and the BIA intends to expand it to three hours for next year.

"Reason why we did it in 5-7 p.m., only two hours, was prior to that it was almost on its last legs," Zilstra said.

Midnight Madness and the Santa Claus Parade were also successful in 2018.

He also said although September's ColorFest has not taken off as well as expected, it has been well-attended locally.

"There are not thousands of people there but it is still a great event at the end of the year," Schell said. "We have no plans to not fund it for the foreseeable future."

Glecoff gets VIP award

Glecoff was given the BIA's second-ever VIP award.

The award recognizes contributions to the growth of downtown Haliburton. Schell said Glecoff was one of the founders and a "driving force" behind the BIA for many years, spearheading a number of initiatives as part of its executive.

"He kind of set the bar for the work ethic on this committee," Schell said. "We certainly appreciate it, the work, work, work ethic."

Glecoff said the award came as a complete surprise. He said he started with the BIA 23 years ago to help try to spruce up the village.

"I knew what could be accomplished if you put your mind to it," Glecoff said. "It needed, in my opinion, a little shaking up. So that's why I decided to get involved."

No changes to BIA executive

There was no overturn in the BIA executive for 2019, as all members opted to stay on it.

Chair Luke Schell, who also stayed on in the position, said the committee has stayed steady with the same members for the past three years. "We've got a committee that everyone whose sitting on every one of those meetings are there for absolutely the right reasons," Schell said. "The community is really lucky."

Andy Glecoff, one of the BIA's founders, complimented the current committee members during the meeting.

"This group is the best group we've ever had in the last 23 years I've been involved," Glecoff said. "Thank you for your efforts. It's incredible what you're accomplishing."

(Haliburton BIA news compiled by Joseph Quigley)

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688 BOBCAYGEON ROAD (PLOZA2018061)

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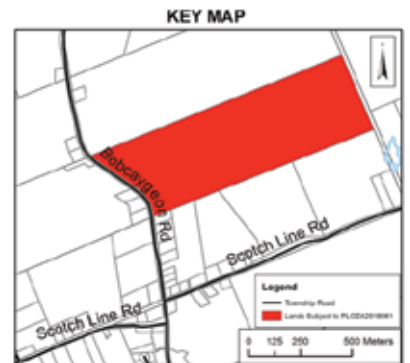
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AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a Public Meeting, as required under the Planning Act. The Public Meeting is an opportunity for Council to hear and consider comments related to the proposed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

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Municipal Council Chambers
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed amendments are available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM or by calling Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext. 206).



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Valentine's Day



Barbara Walford-Davis and Peter Walford-Davis have built a life together over their past 50 years as husband and wife.



Love that started with a wave

By Joseph Quigley

It was a wave in a crowded hospital cafeteria that brought Barbara Doreen and Peter Walford-Davis together.

The couple – who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 3, 2018 – were both working at the Trenton Memorial Hospital about 52 years ago, Doreen said. Doreen was working in the physiotherapy department while Walford-Davis, a reverend, was visiting sick parishioners.

The cafeteria was completely packed one Monday afternoon, she said, which was unusual.

“All of a sudden, this handsome-looking gentleman appeared at the door,” Doreen said. “Tray full of food, nowhere to sit. There was a spare place at my table. One empty chair in the whole cafeteria. That’s where it took off.”

Walford-Davis said he was waved down by Doreen, who now goes by Walford-Davis.

“I just wanted to know her better,” he said. “As things happen, slowly, but surely, we sensed we wanted to share each other’s lives.”

The two courted and he would go on to propose in spring 1968.

“Very simply, I asked her if she’d marry. No flashing lights, no trumpets or anything. Just a quiet, simple wondering if she’d say yes or no,” Walford-Davis said. “Here we are, almost 51 years later.”

The husband and wife moved around the province several times over the next five decades as Walford-Davis took on different pastoral-charges. The pair retired in the County of Haliburton in 1993, although that did not prove to be the end of Walford-Davis’s career, as he continued his ministerial work. Doreen, meanwhile, spent 20 years as the president of the Minden Food Bank.

“Barbara has always supported me, has always gone to the churches I was serving,” Walford-Davis said. “That helps because she understood the difficulties, the churches, the joys and the sorrows of pastoral ministry.”

Doreen said she understood his position, having grown up as the daughter of a police chief in Trenton.

“If your husband is in a public business, it’s very important that the wife support,” she said.

The two also raised three boys together, and now have seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

When they reached the 50-year anniversary milestone, Doreen said it felt like the years had gone by fast.

“It didn’t seem like 50 years, let’s put it that way,” she said.

Walford-Davis said a lasting marriage is two imperfect people working together.

“Accepting the challenges that come and sharing in the joys and the sorrows of growing,” he said. “In the process of these years together, getting to know one another that much better. You [have] to work it like anything else.”

“It’s a matter of working together and respect for each other,” Doreen added. “Sure, we have our disagreements. It’s not perfect. You have your ups and downs, wouldn’t be life if it wasn’t.”

As for how they feel about their relationship going forward?

“One day at a time,” Walford-Davis said. “Live that day to its fullest, best you can.”

In an article Walford-Davis penned, he remarked on the power of a simple wave as he reflected on how he met his wife of 50 years.

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Love you very much.
Bill

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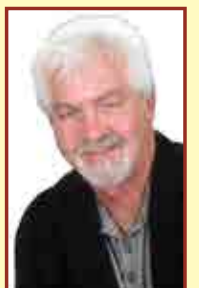


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Novice take stranglehold of series

The Haliburton TimberMart/Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp Novice dominated the first two games of their quarter-final matchup against the Shelburne Wolves.

Storm right winger Henry Neilson was on fire in game one, scoring five of the seven Storm goals during Saturday's home game.

Evan Perrott and Isaac Trotter got a goal each. Assisting the scorers were Matthew Scheffee with six, Jaxen Casey and Trotter with two and Luke Gruppe, Ethan DeCarlo and Neilson each with one. Game one ended with the Storm winning 7-1.

Game two in Shelburne Sunday was just as exciting. Max Rupnow, with the help of Gruppe and Perrott, opened the scoring with a beauty backhand late in the first. During the final shift of the period, Casey made multiple great defensive plays and kept the puck from reaching Storm goaltender Carter Braun.

Early in the second, Perrott passed to Gruppe who, from a near impossible angle, lobbed it up and over the Shelburne goaltender to make it 2-0. Using his great faceoff skills, Rupnow won a draw resulting in a scramble in front of the net where Gruppe jammed it in.

Off the first faceoff in the third, Trotter got the puck to Scheffee who put it on net. Neilson picked up the rebound to make it 4-0. An unfortunate communication mix-up between Storm players resulted in the Wolves' lone goal. The Storm took the game 4-1.

Shelburne will travel to Minden Saturday, Feb. 16 for a 12:30 p.m. game where the Storm can take the series. *(Submitted by Jessica Tomlinson)*

Atoms drop game one

After having a rare weekend off, the **Ridgewood Ford/Cottage Country Building Supplies** Atoms opened their second-round playoff series in Shelburne against the waiting Wolves.

The Storm got on the board first, Josh Scheffee assisted by Liam Harrison and Evan Jones.

Storm netminder Chase Winder stood on his head, stopping a barrage of shots.

A late third period goal by McLean Rowden assisted by Parker Simms and Scheffee came as a welcome addition to the effort. However, it was not enough to match the Wolves' scoring. They managed to win 4-2 and take game one.

The team is back in action this Saturday at the S.G. Nesbitt arena at 2 p.m. *(Submitted by Pasi Posti)*

Peewee A's advance to quarter-finals

On Feb. 8, **The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre** Peewee A's travelled to Oshawa to face the Durham Crusaders in game six.

They dominated with a 5-0 win. Goals were scored by Addison

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The Highland Storm Rep Midget's Nigel Smith skates past a Stayner Cyclone defender in game three of their playoff series Feb. 10. Smith would score one of the goals in a 3-2 loss. *Photo by Joseph Quigley.*

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Cooper Coles

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Cooper played a big role in game six on Friday night, shutting down Durham's top player to protect the lead. Cooper is smart, adaptable, and very poised with the puck. His goal in game one of the quarter-finals on Sunday gave the Storm the lead early in the second period.

Cody Keller

2



Cody has continued his drastic improvement this season. He uses his size, strength, and intelligence to shut down top forwards and limit their opportunities. He is a nightmare to play against – and that's the highest compliment for a stay-at-home defenceman.

Ethan Dobson

3



Ethan continued his strong playoff performance this weekend, with his second shutout in a row in game six to eliminate Durham. His focus, athleticism, and determination have him in top form at the right time of year.

Photos by Tim Tofflemire

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St. Cyr, Colby Coumbs and Austin Boylan. A huge shout out to Ethan Dobson for his second shut out of this series. With the win, the team moves on to the quarter-finals.

On Sunday, Feb. 10, the Peewees faced the Shelburne Wolves in game one of the quarter-finals.

Shelburne scored late in the first period. However, at the beginning of the second, St. Cyr scored a beauty unassisted goal to tie the game. A minute after, Copper Coles scored a goal, assisted by St. Cyr and Mak Prentice. And, to end the second period, Cheyenne Degeer scored, assisted by Coles and St. Cyr.

Unfortunately, the third period was all Shelburne. They scored two goals early to tie the game. With four minutes left, Prentice scored after a pass from St. Cyr, to put the Storm in the lead. But Shelburne answered shortly after to tie the game and send it into overtime.

Boylan scored after a beautiful pass from Kadin Card and the Storm won 5-4.

Next game was scheduled for Feb. 14 in Minden. (Submitted by Amber Card)

Bantams bow out of playoffs

On Saturday, the **Peppermill Steak and Pasta House/Dollos Foodland** Bantams travelled to Shelburne to play game three in their playdown series. The Storm hit the ice strong and fierce giving everything they could but the Wolves scored on a power play at the end of the first to take a 1-0 lead.

In the second, the Storm battled back with a goal by Dylan Keefer, unassisted to tie it, but the Wolves came right back to regain a one-goal lead less than a

minute later. With both teams determined to win for different reasons, the action was intense back-and-forth hockey. Storm goalie Darian Maddock was outstanding in the pipes keeping his team within reach. As time wound down and the pressure was on, the Storm bench called a time out at 59 seconds left in the third.

The boys regrouped and headed out for the final push. The Storm took control and pulled the goalie for the extra attacker. With Kyan Hall battling behind the net, he managed to tap it out front to Nick Phippen who buried it in to tie the game with 22 seconds left. As the clock wound down, the buzzer rang and we were headed for a 10-minute overtime.

The Storm were giving everything they could to try to bring the series back to Haliburton for game four but with six seconds left, the Wolves scored and the Bantams season ended. (Submitted by Lisa Delisle)

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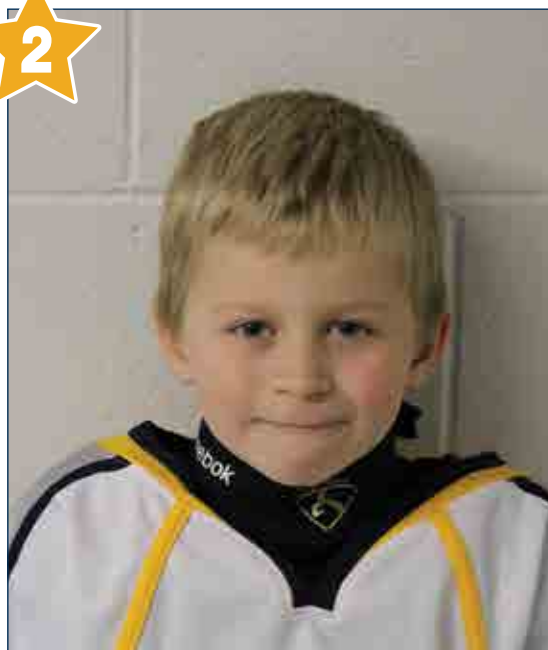
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Lyla's intensity and hard work throughout the entire year has been the spark of our offence and paying off this weekend with many good chances and a goal.

Colten Simms

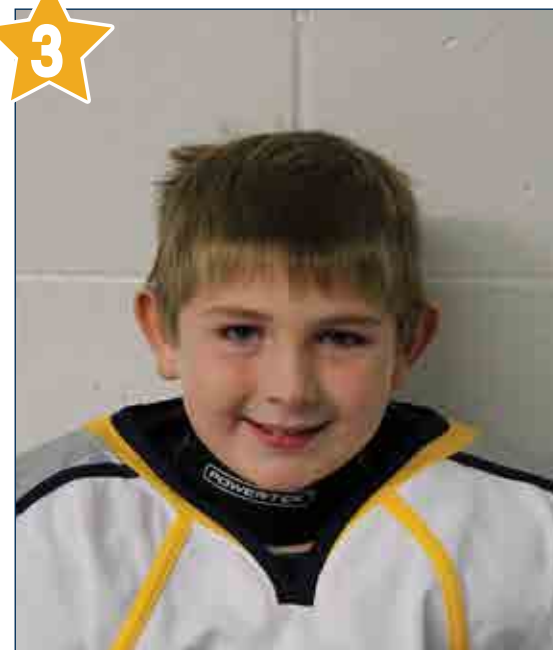
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Colten's hard nose aggressive defensive style helped his team, making numerous defensive plays and making strong plays to help out his team.

Lucas Burke

3



Lucas has worked hard this year going from a new-to-skates player to hard-working winger making room for his linemates and making solid defensive plays.

Photos by Tim Tofflemire

Two big weekend wins for novice

The Brightwoods Landscaping & Consulting Novice had two big wins this weekend.

On Saturday, they took on Dewayen Simms Construction. Brightwoods started out slow and quickly found themselves down 2-0. The first goal came from Cole Morrison assisted by Lyla Degeer and Mason Latanville. The second was scored by Latanville assisted by Caleb Graves.

Brightwoods' Brody Hartwig answered back late in the first period assisted by Zach Prentice and Hawksley Dobbins.

The second and third period saw end-to-end action with great defense on both sides. Hartwig went on to score four more unassisted goals for Brightwoods. McCartney Saunders added one more to Simms Construction in the third with assists going to Degeer and Colten Simms but it wasn't enough and the final score was 5-3 Brightwoods.

On Sunday, the team played their last game of the regular season against Near North Huntsville. Late in the first period, the Storm opened the scoring with Benton

Lloyd getting his first goal of the season, assisted by Hartwig and Vincenzo Condro.

Midway through the second, Hartwig landed his first with his awesome stick handling skills.

In the third, Hunter Hamilton rushed the puck end-to-end to go five-hole and find the back of the net.

Hartwig finished the third with two more goals to complete his hat trick. Assists going to Matthew Fairey, Dobbins, Oakley Craftchick, Lloyd and Hamilton. Final score 5-0. (Submitted by Cheryl Smith)

Novice 2 squeak out win

The Dewayen Simms Construction Novice 2 travelled to Huntsville Sunday to battle the Davicor.

The Storm started off slow and were down 2-0 at the end of the first.

They kicked things up in the second but Davicor was able to score another goal halfway through the period making it 3-0. With 90 seconds left, Mason Latanville put the Storm on the board.

Forty seconds into the third, Davicor snuck another in making the score 4-1. Latanville answered back with two more goals, earning himself another hat trick this season.

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The Storm weren't done. With lots of back-and-forth action, the Storm were able to tie the game, as McCartney Saunders buried one. Next up was Layla Degeer as she landed the game winner into the net. Final score 5-4 Storm.

The team is back in action Saturday in Bracebridge against South Muskoka at 9 a.m. (Submitted by Stephanie Harrison)

Peewees take 5-4 victory

The Walkers Home Hardware Peewees took on South Muskoka Sunday in Minden.

The Bears opened the scoring. The Storm's Alex Hendry evened things, assisted by Weston Bowker. The Bears moved ahead by one before the end of the first period.

The Bears opened the scoring in the second, but the Storm took charge and tied the game with two unassisted goals, by Hendry and Wyatt Raposo.

The Bears scored again to open the third, but the Storm sealed the win with Hendry scoring a hat trick, assisted by Emery Bagshaw, and Bowker scoring with 20 seconds left, assisted by Nathan Harrison and Mikayla

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Storm rep midgets fall short in playoff sweep attempt

By Joseph Quigley

The Highland Storm Rep Midget team was unable to complete the sweep in their playoff series as they fell to the Stayner Cyclones 3-2 at A.J. LaRue Arena Feb. 10.

The Storm had a chance to close out the five-game series after going up two games to none, following a 2-0 victory in Stayner Feb. 9.

Assistant coach Rick Smith said the team is young and their loss offered a tough lesson.

"The hardest thing for young teams to learn is how to close a team out in the playoffs," Smith said. "It's a one-goal game and we're battling for the last five minutes in their end. Why wasn't the result there? Because they're desperate."

The Storm fell behind early in the game, as Stayner scored a pair of goals in the first period to go into the first intermission up 2-0.

But the Storm would battle back. With just 24 seconds left in the second period, Nigel Smith brought the Storm to within one with a goal, assisted by Shawn Walker and Owen Gilbert.

In the third, Owen Gilbert took a pass from Shawn Walker, entered the offensive zone and fired home a goal from the faceoff circle, tying the game with 10 minutes to go.

But the tie would be short-lived, as Stayner's Aiden McKenzie answered back with a goal just 92 seconds later to give Stayner a 3-2 lead.

"We're a young team and focus can drift in-and-out," Smith said. "It was a big relief to pump in that second goal but then you turn your brain off and you just miss an assignment."

"We're all pretty angry over it," Storm defenseman Nikolas Dollo said. "We completely tore down our momentum and it just derailed us."

Despite pushing play for the remainder of the game



Highland Storm Rep Midget player Tyson Clements controls the puck behind the opposing net in game three of their playoff series against the Stayner Cyclones. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

and a late power play opportunity that gave the Storm a 6-on-4 with their net empty, they were unable to muster another goal.

Smith said despite the loss, the coaching staff had positives in the message it gave to its team after the game.

"Our message is guys, we're good. We're still in the driver's seat," Smith said. "These are two small-town Canadian teams competing for a trophy. They really

want it too and the thing is if we play our game, we're a better team."

"We need to get pucks deep, play harder," Dollo said. "We just weren't in it tonight."

With the Storm still ahead 2-1 in its series, the teams next battle in Stayner Feb. 16. If needed, game five of the series will go at S.G. Nesbitt Arena in Minden Feb. 17.

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Sisson. The Storm took the win 5-4.

The team travels to Burk's Falls Saturday to play the Almaguin Ice Devils. (Submitted by Marita Bagshaw)

Tykes win close battle

The Tom Prentice and Sons/Walker's Heating and Cooling Tykes took on the Huntsville Otters this past weekend. These teams battled back-and-forth throughout the game. Nixon Ecclestone lead his team to victory with a final score of 7-6. The Tykes will participate in the Bernie Nichols round robin this weekend in Haliburton. (Submitted by Marita Bagshaw).

Peewees drop two on weekend

On Saturday, the Canadian Tire Peewees faced off against Parry Sound in Gravenhurst.

The Storm were battling it out all game but Parry Sound had the upper hand. Carson Simms did everything he could to stop the shots on goal but Parry Sound came on strong. The peewees lost 5-1.

On Sunday afternoon, the Storm travelled to Huntsville to face the Bears. It was a back-and-forth, goal-scoring game. The Storm had two goals scored by Jamie Crowe and Faysal Wiso but the Bears came back to win 3-2.

The peewees play their next game Feb 23 in Gravenhurst at 12:30 p.m. against Parry Sound (Submitted by Shawn Guild)

Midgets do battle

Last Thursday, the Pharmasave Midgets played rival Total Site Services for their third meeting of the season.

Sam Hoenow opened the scoring for Pharmasave on a lovely 2-on-1 using teammate Brenden Newhook as a decoy.

Total Site tied the game early in the second when a player was left wide open in front of Nate Miscio, who had no chance stopping the puck. Total Site took the lead for the first time, stealing the puck in the neutral zone and scoring on a pretty bar down wrist shot. Paul Turner tied the game near the end of the period after some strong forechecking by Pharmasave.

Jake Sisson gave Pharmasave the lead once and for all early in the third period. Brody Prentice with his first of the season and another by Brenden Newhook sent Pharmasave off to a solid 5-3 win and remaining unbeaten against Total Site. (Submitted by Gord Hoenow)

Atoms win big over South Muskoka

On Saturday, the GJ Burtch Atoms hosted South Muskoka at the S.G. Nesbitt arena in Minden.

In an exciting first period that saw chances traded, it was South Muskoka that struck first in the final minute.

Although South Muskoka would win the opening faceoff to start the second, Isaac Borgdorff quickly stripped the puck, drove the net and buried it, tying it at one, just eight seconds in. That goal seemed to ignite the Storm as they began to swarm the South Muskoka net.

All the hard work paid off late in the second. Taylor Mulock pounced on a rebound to make it 2-1, assist to Eric Mueller. Then with just over a minute left in the period, Jacob Davis got Brody Hartwig the puck. He made no mistakes as he raced up the rink making it 3-1

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to end the second.

In the third, it was Hartwig's relentless pursuit of the puck that led to a South Muskoka turnover, and Hartwig broke away, making it 4-1 Storm.

Jacob Mantle had another solid game blocking shots, patrolling the blue line and his ability to find the open man set Hartwig up for his third of the game. Davis earned himself the hard hat, rebounding after having the wind knocked out of him. Minutes later he would return to the ice, backcheck and retrieve the puck, earning an assist late in the second. Final 5-1.

The Storm has Family Day weekend off before closing out the regular season on Feb. 23 in Minden against South Muskoka. (Submitted by Jamie Lloyd)

Atom 2 winding up their season

With our final game upon us, the Atom 2 TD Canada Trust played Huntsville this past weekend.

Our Storm players knew they had to keep their heads up and play hard. Our defense was skating hard to keep the puck in Huntsville's end but they opened the scoring.

During the second period, Brian Robichaud and Zach Lowe put on a good display of scrambling and awesome goaltending but Huntsville were able to add another goal. With tons of shots being robbed by either Huntsville's goaltender or the posts, the atoms refused to give up, which resulted in Logan Burke making a beauty pass to an open Kamauhl Cassey-Russel to score our first and only goal.

The Atoms will finish up their year in a few weekends when they attend the year-end tournament in South Muskoka. (Submitted by Chris McMartin)

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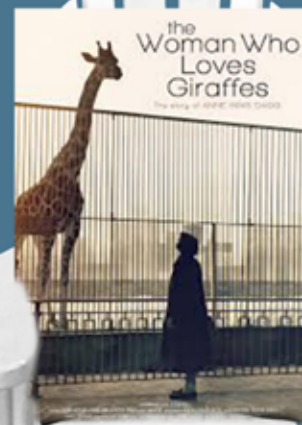
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Participants in the 2019 Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships hit the ice at the Pinestone Resort. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Pond hockey by the numbers

By Lisa Gervais

The recent two-weekend Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships (CNPHC) garnered worldwide attention, according to organizer John Teljeur, with Facebook fans in 44 countries, including Mexico, Japan, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

The *Highlander* asked Teljeur to flesh out some of the numbers surrounding the championships and here are statistics and fun facts readers may not know about.

There were 115 teams, and nearly 700 players, over the two weekends. Only six of the teams were local. The rest stayed at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre or rented other accommodation.

The CNPHCs had a total of 106 volunteers.

In the three weeks preparing for the event and the weekends themselves, they flooded the rinks with more than 300,000 gallons of water, sometimes until after midnight. The Baffin Ice Team moved approximately 3,000 tons of snow from 500,000 square feet of ice surface.

Back to Facebook, and Teljeur said they

had more than 21,938 engagements with their Facebook page and 16,375 views of their videos. Some 82 per cent of their Facebook audience lives outside of Haliburton County.

The event was filmed by Cinematic North as part of a hockey documentary called "The Hockey Film" which tells the story of grassroots hockey experiences around the world and the people that make them happen. The company plans to submit their work to the Toronto International Film Festival.

The event was started in 2006 by former CFL player Neil Lumsden. The Pinestone was actually trying to secure the event but organizers chose Deerhurst Resort where it stayed until 2013 when Teljeur was able to convince Lumsden to move it to Haliburton. It was here for two years and then moved back to Huntsville. In 2016, Teljeur bought the event and moved it to Haliburton.

It was dubbed a fundraiser for Heat Bank and Teljeur said they were still getting payment from silent auction winners, but expected the donation to be approximately \$2,000.

Midget Girl Jets split playoff games

On Saturday evening, the Bancroft IDA/ Park View Dental Midget Girls Jets travelled to Peterborough to play the Ice Kats for the start of the playoffs.

The Jets played a hard, fast-paced game, exchanging opportunities from end-to-end against their rivals.

Unfortunately, despite all of their efforts and determination, they lost 2-0. One of the goals was an empty-netter near the very end of the game.

On Sunday afternoon, the Jets hosted the Ice Kats for their second playoff game and came out on top, winning 1-0.

Victoria Shpikula got the rebound from a shot from defensive teammate, Natalie Hunter, and with a wicked wrist shot put the puck blocker side. The series is tied at two points each.

The Jets travelled to Peterborough Feb. 13 for game three. (Submitted by Linda Goulet)



Locals are C champs ...

The Haliburton Curling Club were C event winners in the Todd's Independent Invitational Mixed Bonspiel held Feb. 1-3 in Haliburton. Pictured, from left to right, Sheila Campbell, lead, Don Wetmore, skip, Andrea Roberts, vice and Terry Lawrence, second. Photo submitted.



The winning team, from right to left, Ashley Desrosiers (skip), Lauren Hunter (vice), Jennifer Mykolyshyn (lead) and Beth Waugh (second). Photo submitted.

Don Fevreau Memorial Bonspiel

The annual Don Fevreau Memorial ladies bonspiel was held at the Wilberforce Curling Club this past weekend. It featured teams from Ottawa, Lakefield, Barrie, Woodville, Newmarket, the GTA, Wilberforce and the Haliburton area.

The winning team was skipped by Ashley Desrosiers from Ottawa, vice Lauren Hunter, second Beth Waugh and lead Jennifer Mykolyshyn.

The second place team was the Kathy McQuigge team from the Wilberforce

Curling Club.

The third place team was the Lisa Morton team from the Woodville Curling Club.

The Donna Fevreau team comes every year from the GTA to play in this memorial bonspiel.

Organizers said, "as always, the ladies had a great time with lots of fun and laughter." They thanked everyone who participated, helped out, or donated prizes. (Lisa Gervais)

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Passed away peacefully at the Hastings Centennial Manor in Bancroft, Ontario on Friday, February 1, 2019 at the age of 90.

Beloved wife of Victor G. Snider of Gooderham, loving mother of Brock C. Snider and his wife Darlene of Apsley, and predeceased by grandson Rodney Snider. Lovingly remembered by her family and friends.


Faye loved her home and village of Gooderham. She was a graduate of LCVI High School in Lindsay, past matron of the Order of the Eastern Star and taught on a volunteer basis at the Gooderham Public School.

Friends and family are invited to a gathering to celebrate Faye's Life at Robert McCausland Memorial Community Centre, 1043 Community Centre Rd., Gooderham, Ontario on Saturday, July 20, 2019 beginning at 2:00 pm. There will be a time of tributes and reflections of Faye. Reception will follow. Cremation taken place.

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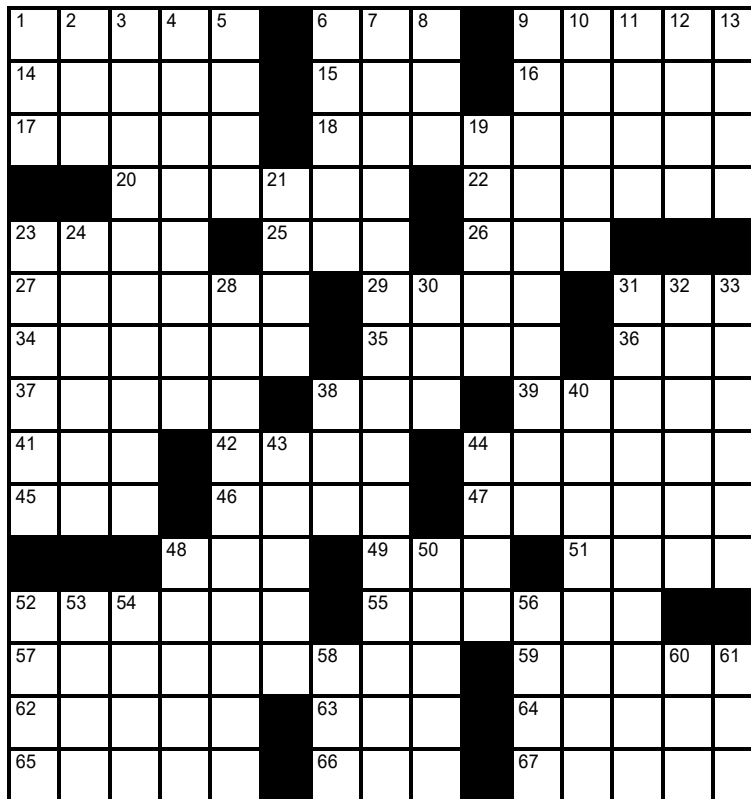
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High Five

by Barbara Olson
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- 6 Wheels of fortune?
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- 15 Long, narrow inlet
- 16 iPod Mini follow-ups
- 17 Rum-flavoured raisin cake
- 18 Seasoned the fries, say
- 20 Had an itch
- 22 Ended
- 23 Shucked items
- 25 Syst. of silent speech
- 26 What pharmacists fill, for short
- 27 Bandit feature, perhaps
- 29 School syst. ministry
- 31 Mountain in B.C.'s Sunpeaks Ski Resort
- 34 Pioneering feminist McClung
- 35 Bones, in anatomy class
- 36 ___ polloi
- 37 City where Joan of Arc died
- 38 Blue Bombers' org.
- 39 Fidel's brother, and others
- 41 "The Ice Storm" director Lee
- 42 Market surplus
- 44 Guy who's often "out"
- 45 Goddess, of ancient Rome
- 46 Swearing-in promise
- 47 Good for something
- 48 Factory-made: Abbr.
- 49 Bus. phone add-on
- 51 "Hello, sheila!"
- 52 Toronto's ___ Centre (theatre bought by Sony)
- 55 Page-turner?
- 57 Game where birdies are sent flying
- 59 Oneness
- 62 Word with city or circle
- 63 "The Way," to Confucius
- 64 Fleetwood Mac's Christine or John
- 65 Backcomb
- 66 Emblazoned with a maple leaf, say: Abbr.
- 67 With no score, musically



Down

- 1 "Spare" serving at a barbeque
- 2 Aspirin letters
- 3 Raffi song about a young whale
- 4 Fieldtrip fundraiser, maybe
- 5 "___ See Clearly Now"
- 6 Hillsides, to Burns
- 7 Not too far left, not too far right
- 8 Blob of Bubblicious
- 9 Stationery buys for recipe boxes
- 10 Where Juan and Pedro live
- 11 Santa ___ (California winds)
- 12 Marilyn's beauty spot, for example
- 13 Founded, as a townsite: Abbr.
- 19 Hosiery hues
- 21 Dog tag info
- 23 Once-jailed media baron Black
- 24 Low tie
- 28 It "burns, burns, burns" in a Johnny Cash hit
- 30 High-speed hookup, for short
- 31 Handy memory stick
- 32 "Hubba hubba!"
- 33 Walt with a World
- 38 "Stop!", to Spielberg
- 40 "Mad Men" workplace, e.g.
- 43 Heavily burdened
- 44 Make ___ cheque
- 48 Much-shared internet images
- 50 TV tube gas
- 52 Passing info?
- 53 "Citizen" played by Orson Welles
- 54 ___ Krabappel of "The Simpsons"
- 56 Speechless, in a way
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What's on

Polar Bear Challenge returns to Frost Festival

By Joseph Quigley

Thrill seekers will once again get a chance to experience the freezing waters of Head Lake for the Haliburton and District Lions Club's annual Polar Bear Challenge Feb. 16.

The seventh edition of the challenge takes place amidst the Haliburton Frost Festival at Head Lake Park and invites people to collect pledges to raise money before plunging into the icy waters. This year's event is raising money for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and the Hospital for Sick Children's Garron Family Cancer Centre.

Lion Jim Frost said the event usually attracts between 40 and 45 participants and garners a lot of attention.

"It's a lot of fun. We have a big crowd that watches it every year, we have an MC," Frost said. "You have the satisfaction of raising money for either the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto or the Haliburton hospital."

Participants are to collect pledges beforehand and can choose which of the health organizations to direct their funding towards. Prizes are awarded for the top individual and team collectors, as well as for the best costumes.

Frost said the event is approaching a total of \$47,000 raised over its lifetime, split between the two health organizations.

"We appreciate the support in the community," Frost said, adding it relies on donations from a number of local businesses.

The event is monitored by the Dysart et al and Algonquin Highlands fire departments, Frost said.

"There are always at least two of three firemen in the water so that the participants feel more comfortable," he said. "It's fun to watch. They float in these wetsuits and just keep an eye on the participants."

Pledge forms are available at Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton Foodland, Todd's Independent Grocer and West Guilford Shopping Centre.

Registration for the challenge goes from 10 a.m. to noon Feb. 16, with the event starting at 1 p.m.

"Try it. It's a lot of fun. It's invigorating," Frost said. "It's just a lot of fun to be part of it and the fact that you raise money as well for the hospitals."



Polar Bear Challenge participants leap into the cold waters of Head Lake during the 2017 edition of the event. The annual event is returning to Haliburton's Frost Festival Feb. 16. *File photo*

PHOTO CONTEST

The Highlander is looking for your best photos for inclusion in this year's *The Highlander Handbook*.

We are looking for pictures that show the best the Highlands has to offer in all of its seasons. The best submission will be printed on this year's cover and others inside. We are looking for good quality, high resolution photos (JPEG, 300 dpi).

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EVERY WEDNESDAY, Mar 7 – Apr 25

2 – 3:30 p.m. – Volunteer Income Tax filing for 2018, at Wilberforce Legion.

Coming soon – register by Feb 20th:

Food & Agriculture Economic Development Forum, at Minden Community Centre, March 5th, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 pm. Harvest Haliburton is hosting a community food and agriculture forum. Learn about exciting food & agriculture-related projects underway in our community and have a voice in shaping the future of the County's local food sector. For details and to register go to www.HarvestHaliburton.com.

Thursday February 14

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, Free drop-in, 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. At Wilberforce Legion, 1007 Burleigh Rd. Join us for Communal Cooking – Strawberry Pancakes!, coffee & conversation, pool, and Haliburton County Library Makers Space - cricut maker cutting machines using ipads and Windows 10. Call 705-457-2941 x 2922 for more info.

11 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch is on us! Beat the February blah's. Every Thursday in February, SIRCH Community Services is providing a free, hot lunch in Haliburton village, eat in or take out. First come, first served, at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St. Don't miss it! info@sirch.on.ca

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating at AJ LaRue Arena, Haliburton. \$2 per person.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adults Only public skating at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person

Friday February 15

9 a.m. – noon – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, Free drop-in, at Highland Hills United Church, 21 Newcastle St. Join us for walking

club, colouring, coffee & conversation, mindfulness, and guest speaker Nancy Brownsberger, Social Service Worker, on mental health and your health. Call 705-457-2941 x 2922 for more info.

2 – 4 p.m. – Technology Tutoring, at Outreach Literacy Minden, 14 IGA Rd. Open to all! Free tutoring in computers, smart devices, mobile devices, internet, storing and retrieving photos, social media, privacy and protecting yourself from identity theft and online scams. For more info contact Robert Gaudette, bgaudette@jhscklh.on.ca or 705-328-0472 x921.

3 – 8 p.m. – Archie Stouffer FUNraiser, in the school gym, featuring numerous vendors, bake sale and hot chocolate/tea/coffee. Proceeds to benefit the ASES Grade 8 Graduation Committee.

Saturday February 16

Haliburton Frost Festival 2019, Head Lake Park Haliburton

1 p.m. – Polar Bear Challenge 2019. Sponsored by the Haliburton & District Lions Club, part of the Haliburton Frost Fest. Registration from 10 a.m. – noon, event starts at 1 p.m. Proceeds go to Hospital for Sick Children or Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. Pledge forms available on haliburtonlions.com. For more info contact Lion Jim Frost at 705-457-4031.

2 p.m. – Valentine's Day Musical Concert, at Maple Lake United Church, corner of Hwy 118 and Stanhope Airport Rd. Admission by donation, light lunch to follow. All proceeds to Maple Lake United Church.

4 – 6 p.m. – Haliburton Frost Festival Lasagna Dinner, at the fellowship room of the Haliburton United Church. Tickets available at the door, \$10/adult, \$5/children under 12.

Sunday February 17

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Public Skating at AJ LaRue Arena, Haliburton. \$2 per person.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public skating at SG

Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person.

Monday February 18

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. – Minden Subaru invites you to a Free Public Skate at SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena, Minden. Everyone welcome!

Tuesday February 19

7 – 9 p.m. – Water Ambassadors Canada, Haliburton Alumni Gathering, in the Community Room of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home, 13523 Hwy 118. Come out to meet & greet, share memories and visions. Snacks and refreshments will be served. RSVP the number that will be coming, to bhart@waterambassadorscanada.org, or call 705-457-5272.

Wednesday February 20

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public skating at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person

Thursday February 21

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1:30 – 3:30 p.m. – CFUW-HH Speaker Series presents Cara Steele, at Abbey Gardens Retreat Centre. Topic: What's New at Abbey Gardens, including new developments and future ideas at Abbey Gardens and the Abbey Retreat Centre. Optional snowshoe hike after the presentation. Free admission.

1:30 p.m. – Haliburton County Historical Society presents a travelog by Sean Pennylegion, taking us on a tour of three Southeast Asian countries: Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam. Takes place at the Haliburton Museum.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

HALIBURTON BRANCH

Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.

Tuesdays: Tuesday night dart league starting at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays: Bid euchre, 1 p.m. start, Bingo starts at 7 p.m. - \$500 jackpot, \$1000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.

Thursdays: General meeting, third Thursday of the month, March through December starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend and ladies auxiliary, last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Fridays: Cribbage, 1 p.m. start, meat draw, five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets are \$2 per draw ... Chester Howse, MC, Friday fun darts – 4:30 p.m. onwards.

Saturdays: 50/50 Draw, 4 p.m. draw-tickets are \$1 each available from noon onwards.

Sundays: Breakfast, second Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. - 1p.m., \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at 705-457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129. Everyone is welcome.

MINDEN BRANCH

Monday-every second week rug hooking; Tuesday, seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1 p.m.; Wednesday, meat draw noon; Thursday, mixed darts and euchre 7 p.m.; Friday 7 p.m. mixed darts; Saturday, meat draw 1 p.m.; Sunday, sports day noon. Lunches every Mon.-Fri, with Friday featuring fish and chips and chicken wings also served 5-7 p.m. Take-out available. Everyone welcome.

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Friday - free pool 1:30 p.m., spaghetti dinner 5-7 p.m.

Saturday - meat draw 2-5 p.m. Early Bird 3 p.m. sharp

Monday - bid euchre 7 p.m.

Wednesday - fun darts 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming event:

Ken MacFarlane Memorial Ice Fish Derby, Saturday, Feb. 23 - \$15/person – 1 fish entry - weigh in 3-6 p.m. – Participants must be present to collect prizes.

Listen and Play every Tuesday Night at 6pm. Three games are played each Tuesday Night



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Walkers Pond Acreage - \$359,000



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Hunter Creek Estates - \$114,000



A warm, welcoming neighbourhood. This is affordable living at it's best. Two bedrooms, one bath and a 3-season sunroom, sitting on a quiet lot with a big back yard. Only minutes to town. A new propane furnace just installed and never used! This community is the perfect spot for downsizing, and the home is waiting for your warm touches.

Minden Home - \$484,500



Minutes outside of Minden on a 2.86 acre lot. Newly built in 2015. A huge kitchen, spacious dining area and large livingroom provide lots of room for entertaining. The Master bedroom and one Guest Room both have Ensuite washrooms and a walkin closet. The lower level with high ceilings offers a bedroom and unfinished area for the perfect rec room.

Bushwolf Lake Acreage - \$1,299,000



700 acres with frontage touching two lakes. 9,826 ft of frontage on Bushwolf Lake, one half of the lake is yours, with a few cottages on the other side. Seasonal access on a rugged road. The back section of the acreage has frontage on Little Art Lake. Snowmobile, ATV, Hunt, Fish, Snowshoe or Ski.

Otter Lake Acreage- \$399,000



Camraron area off Tulip road
190.368 acres of bush and privacy on Otter Lake. Be one of only 2 owners on the lake, a third parcel is crown land. A long, well maintained road takes you right to the waterfront. Snowmobile and ATV trails are just down the road. An outdoor enthusiasts dream!

Kushog Lake Cottage- \$675,000



300 feet of pristine shoreline from shallow to deep. The cottage was built with low-maintenance in mind and exudes warmth and charm. The cottage has been meticulously maintained. On the grounds you will find a stone boat launch, beautiful landscaping, patios, garage, and so much more!

FEATURED LISTING - SOYERS LAKE - \$999,999



Southern exposure, 135 ft. of clean rock and sand shoreline, and your own woods to explore, located 5-lake chain! Sunlight pours into the livingroom with cathedral ceiling. Open-concept kitchen and dining area are perfect for entertaining. Master Bedroom has a balcony, walk-in closet and spacious Ensuite. There is a finished rec room plus an unfinished games room, storage area and workshop downstairs. Great privacy from the lake, and minutes to either Haliburton or Minden.

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Haliburton Home \$310,000



This lovely 3 bdrm., 2 bath home is full of charm and character. Arched doorways, a kitchen loaded with oak cupboards and an island, a beautiful wood fireplace, and the Master bedroom is on it's own floor. Newly shingled roof in October 2018.

Minutes to Haliburton - \$360,000



The interior of this cottage or home has been completely renovated. Including all new kitchen, granite countertops, all new hardwood flooring, pine tongue and groove ceilings, updated laundry room, a gorgeous revamped washroom that includes marble countertops, double sinks and more! Some exterior work to be done to really push this over the top and make it your own.

Knob Hill Court - \$369,500



NEW PRICE!
This three bedroom ranch style bungalow close to Minden. Features include three bathrooms including a four piece ensuite and walk in closet in the master bedroom, two wood burning fireplaces, main floor family room and laundry room. Bright and spacious eat in kitchen with walk out to a new back yard deck, separate dining room, paved drive, attached two car garage, full basement much more.

Horseshoe Lake - \$699,000



Located on beautiful Horseshoe Lake are 2 cottages and a cabin. Main cottage is year-round and offers 3 bdrms., 3 baths with an inlaw suite on lower level with separate entrance. Cottage #2 is an adorable 900 sq. ft. 3 bdrm. seasonal cottage with stone fireplace and a fully renovated kitchen and bath. The one room cabin has a kitchenette and 3pce washroom. Sand beach. Southeastern exposure, gorgeous views from all 3 buildings, & access to a popular 2-lake chain - everything you could ask for

Affordable Waterfront Living - \$375,000



Sit on the deck and listen to the roar of the rapids! A beautiful property only minutes from Kimmount. A spacious 3 bdrm., 2 bath Home with large living and dining areas and comes with a detached garage plus a portable garage and shed. House has a backup generator. The large deck and screened porch are the places you will spend all your time. Situated on a quiet private road.

In Town Home- \$274,500



The ideal in-town home! This spacious home sitting on a treed corner lot is right across the road from the Minden Riverwalk, and town amenities. A picturesque location. Several recent improvements include new thermopane windows, shingled roof, eavestrough, and trim. The house offers 3 bdrms., main floor sunroom/ sewing room facing the private back yard, a full, partially finished basement, paved driveway and attached garage/workshop

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\$649,000



Kashagawigamog Lake Cottage



Recently totally renovated 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home/cottage situated on Haliburton's popular five lake chain. Open concept kitchen, dining and living-room finished with durable vinyl flooring and wood cabinetry. Sit back, relax and enjoy a beautiful view from the new deck, or great swimming off the dock. Although 85 ft of frontage - it is VERY private. NW exposure takes in great sunsets! Want extra space for the kids or guests? Large shed could easily be converted into a Bunkie. This "turn-key" cottage is a pleasure to show. Call our Team to see it!

\$595,000.



Haliburton Village Home



This is a lovely move-in ready 3 bedroom bungalow on Park Street in the village. Neat as a pin! Well insulated, lots of storage space, central vac, carport and detached oversized single garage with loft. Private corner lot with mature trees. Walking distance to all needs.

\$279,500.

Carnarvon Home



Enjoy waterfront living on peaceful Mirror Lake. 3BR 4PC bath home with full basement & walkout to the lakeside. FAO Heat, stone woodburning fireplace and a lower level woodstove keep it toasty warm. Sunroom, 2 decks, pretty & convenient location.

\$289,000.

Grass Lake, Haliburton



Village Convenience-Country Charm! Cozy turnkey 2BR cottage plus cute log-look Bunkie! Open concept, pine finish, woodstove. Beautiful west exposure & view. Steps to waterfront, sitting deck and dock. Lake water & septic. **\$449,500.**

Wigamog Rd. Lot



285 ft road frontage for privacy, well treed. Only minutes to Haliburton Village or Golf at the Pinestone. Sewer hook-up required for building. Great family or retirement location.

\$35,900+ HST

Maple Lake Area Home



3 bedroom 1 bath home with oversized single garage and insulated workshop. Level lot, over an acre close to West Guilford and Maple Lake. Many upgrades including roof, septic, well and more! Great value!

\$238,500.



Contau Lake Lot



1.3 acre lot, level at the road & gently sloping to quiet lake with a Crown Island and acreage across the lake. Private road, plowed, year round access. Hydro & phone available.

\$179,000.



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