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Jack and his mother say their goodbyes to Milky Way as she is taken off to market during Razzamataz' Jack and the Beanstalk Nov. 17. Photo by Hannah Sadlier.

County facing all-day power outage

By Lisa Gervais

An announcement by Hydro One - that it's cutting power to thousands of County residents for eight hours this Sunday (Nov. 24) - has drawn mixed reviews across the Highlands.

Some are appreciative the company is making improvements. Others are upset the cut is coming on a winter's day and forced

the cancellation of some events. Still others are offering a sanctuary for people to go to if they are affected by the outage.

Hydro One said Nov. 15 that more than 10,000 residential and seasonal customers - including people from Monmouth, Glamorgan, Dudley, Dysart et al, Snowdon, Stanhope, Minden, West Guilford, Harburn and Havelock - are expected to be impacted by the all-day planned power outage.

Hydro One said the 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. cut is so that crews can safely complete much-needed upgrades to modernize the grid and replace aging infrastructure.

They said approximately 5,815 residential and 5,509 seasonal customers would be affected.

"Approximately 104 highly-skilled Hydro One power line workers will install four smart-switches and replace 24 end-of-life

wood poles throughout the County of Haliburton," Hydro One said in a media release.

"Smart-switches help to reduce the frequency and duration of power outages, while limiting the amount of customers impacted. Crews will also complete maintenance work at multiple distribution stations in the area," the release went on to say.

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Police news

Fatal accident

One person is dead, and another was airlifted to a Toronto area trauma centre, following a four-vehicle accident yesterday morning.

OPP said they responded to Highway 118 West and St. Peter's Road about 8 a.m. Nov. 20.

They said four vehicles were involved including a cement truck that rolled into the ditch. Two pick-ups were also involved along with an SUV.

"One of the pick-up drivers was ejected and died at the scene. The driver of the cement truck was transported to a Toronto area trauma center by Ornge Air Ambulance with serious injuries," OPP said.

Highway 118 was closed for several hours while OPP members trained in collision reconstruction measured and documented the scene. The cause of the collision remains under investigation.

The name of the deceased person was not released pending notification of next of kin.

Police cruiser struck

OPP say they've charged a 60-year-old Dysart man following a police cruiser being struck early Sunday morning.

Police said at 1:30 a.m. Nov. 17, they



OPP divert traffic on Highway 118 yesterday. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

stopped to investigate a suspicious pick-up on Maple Avenue. They said as they approached, the truck suddenly reversed into the cruiser causing damage that rendered it not driveable.

They said officers spoke to the male driver who was showing signs of impairment by alcohol. He was arrested for impaired operation of a motor vehicle. Police said further Intoxilyzer tests showed the driver's blood/alcohol to be more than twice the legal limit. The accused was issued a licence suspension for 90 days and his truck impounded for seven.

He is to appear in court in Minden on Jan. 8, 2020. Police did not release his name. (Lisa Gervais)

Part of \$33M investment

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They added that crews will use both on-road and specialized off-road equipment to conduct the upgrades, which includes a helicopter.

It's all part of the \$33-million investment announced at the Minden Transformer Station last July - and follows from the July 26, 2018 fire at that station.

A Hydro One spokesperson told *The Highlander*, "these devices enable remote monitoring of the system to determine when and where outages have happened and remotely take action to restore power from the Ontario Grid Control Center, Hydro One's central hub that oversees daily operations."

Told the paper had received a lot of questions about the timing of the outage - with wintry weather firmly entrenched across the County, the spokeswoman said, "We know that any outage causes a disruption for our customers, particularly outages of this length. Hydro One works to reduce the impact on customers by bundling required work, so multiple outages are not required, while using all available crews. We appreciate everyone's patience as our crews work as safely and as quickly to complete this important work."

Letter writer Cheryl Cohoon penned her objections to *The Highlander*, Dysart et al council and Hydro One.

She said she got an automated call on Nov. 6 advising her of the outage.

She said she appreciates the service she

receives from Hydro One, especially the workers who come out during emergencies and bad weather. However, she said she doesn't like the timing, especially for seniors.

She's also worried about pipes freezing and bursting; food spoiling in refrigerators and freezers; cancelled events; and water also being cut.

"Why was a Sunday chosen in the throes of winter?" she asked.

But Michael Adamson wrote on our Facebook page that, "The company will cut down on the number of power outages that happen in the area every year with new technology and forestry practices."

Others, who will have power, or be using generators, are offering to open their doors.

The Wilberforce legion is having a breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon.

Hydro One customers requiring additional information can call 1-888-664-9376.

See *The Highlander's* Facebook page for a map of the affected area.



Workers prepare ground to place new equipment at the Minden Transmission Station July 17. File.

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Coun. Bob Carter is questioning the composition of the Minden Hills community centre fundraising working group. *File.*

Council questions arena group

Sayne: Arena 'sucking' life out of the community

By Lisa Gervais

The staff-heavy Community Centre Fundraising Working Group drew the wrath of councillors at the Minden Hills committee-of-the-whole meeting Nov. 14.

Coun. Bob Carter raised the issue when the minutes of that working group were tabled. Carter wanted clarification as to who is actually on the committee.

CAO Lorrie Blanchard said that initially it was just her and director of community services, Mark Coleman. She said they were focused on preparing for the Nov. 26 open house at the arena construction site. She added they then brought on two additional senior staff.

Carter said he understood having senior staff involved with the arena project itself, but not what was supposed to be a community-led fundraising working group. He said he envisioned something such as the cultural centre foundation or the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

He said other committees of council usually only have one staff member. "I don't understand why we have four on this."

By contrast, he said he sits on the housing task force and they only meet once a month with one designated staff person. "And now this takes precedence over housing ... I don't think we should have four staff involved in this group," Carter said.

He added the township is already short of staff, causing committee delays, but "all of sudden, this comes along and you're hauling staff into it."

Coun. Jean Neville said she was concerned that a working group of four staff could influence the only three members of the general public, who should be making decisions on behalf of the community.

Deputy-mayor Lisa Schell agreed, saying "I want this fundraising working group to feel they're doing something for the

community." She added more community input means more ideas for the \$750,000 fundraising goal. She said she'd like a complete, stand-alone committee of community members. "I think council needs to step away from this."

Blanchard said she didn't disagree, but at the outset there was some difficulty getting community members together to meet and the Nov. 26 sneak-peek of the project was looming. She noted there had also been two resignations from the working group with the potential for a third.

This prompted Neville to ask, "Are we losing committee members because we look too top heavy here? We have to put out a call for new members. Decisions have to be made by the community."

Coun. Jennifer Hughey agreed they should recruit more community members to make the initiative as it was first presented to council.

Carter brought it back to underlying financials. "If we're using staff on this, it is part of the hidden costs [of the arena project]. This is real money. I know your decisions are affecting the housing task force and others. I strongly object. We're using a valuable resource for some fundraising."

Coun. Pam Sayne said her climate change action committee is also chasing staff for support. She said the arena project "is sucking the rest of the life out of the community."

Blanchard reiterated "there were no takers" in the community when they started planning next Tuesday's sneak peek. She added there will be at least one more meeting involving staff and the actual event itself. "I'm open for any direction you have to give me now," she said.

Councillors indicated the event should go ahead but be scaled back to ease the burden on staff time. They also said it would be a good opportunity to get the word out that more community members are needed.



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HE plans short-term rental rules

By Joseph Quigley

Highlands East council is forging ahead with plans to create a short-term rental bylaw.

Council voted unanimously at a special meeting Nov. 19 to direct staff to draft the bylaw. The motion comes after the municipality completed a survey of residents, with 62 per cent indicating they would like to see regulations.

“The people have spoken here,” Coun. Suzanne Partridge said.

Councillors discussed what should be part of the new law. Although there were no specifics, councillors agreed to include licencing. They also want to adjust the zoning bylaw to make rentals a permitted use.

Council identified recurring issues from survey comments, such as noise, fireworks, environment and parking.

“If we don’t have a licencing system, we can’t deal with the overloading of septic (systems), the parking,” Partridge said. “Those issues that aren’t covered by another bylaw.”

However, councillors also said issues that are not specific to rentals, such as noise, should be addressed through other bylaws.

“A lot of the (comments) dealt with violations that are already covered by bylaws existing right now or provincial legislation,” Coun. Cam McKenzie said.

CAO Shannon Hunter said the



Highlands East council voted unanimously to have staff draft a short-term rental bylaw. *Photo by Joseph Quigley.*

municipality needs to educate. In the survey, 57 per cent of respondents said they did not contact anyone when they saw unwanted behaviours from neighbouring rentals.

“I’m hoping we can do an education piece that says these are your options if you have concerns,” Hunter said.

However, McKenzie said some people are skeptical about whether anything will happen if OPP or bylaw enforcement are called.

“People didn’t show a lot of confidence,” McKenzie said. “People are frustrated that nobody’s enforcing what we already have.”

The discussion also touched on ideas such as regulating rentals based on the season or granting exemptions if a property is rented for less than three weeks, which were subjects of survey questions. But there was no consensus,

with concerns about enforcement difficulty raised.

“We can’t regulate if it’s under three weeks,” Partridge said. “Either we regulate short-term accommodations or we don’t.”

Deputy mayor Cec Ryall said creating regulations would need to come in parts. He cautioned against tackling aspects like fee structures at the same time as legally recognizing rentals.

“If there’s a road to success, it has to be incremental,” Ryall said. “It cannot be the whole elephant.”

Hunter said details such as fees would come later in the process.

“Everyone realizes this is going to be a slow process,” Hunter said. “There’s going to be quite a few strikes on the page.”

Decision pending on Garbutt requests

Council received a report from director of public works Travis Wilson, responding to two delegations made by Jim Garbutt of Garbutt Disposals this past year.

Garbutt’s requests were for Waste Connections to directly invoice the township, versus invoicing Garbutt Enterprises, who in turn invoice the township; pay \$100/tonne for the processing of corrugated cardboard; and install a bin at Scotch Line for materials currently being processed at the Lochlin processing facility should Garbutt’s decide to close these operations.

Wilson said one option was not to accept IC&I (industrial, commercial and institutional) waste and recycling at any of the waste disposal sites, instead giving it over to a private hauler or waste management company.

Another option is accepting IC&I waste, but not accepting IC&I recycling at any of the waste disposal sites. This would require a contractor.

Option three is to accept IC&I waste, and recyclables, with a limit for loads accepted of OCC (old corrugated cardboard), and to include a fee for

cost recovery, to be determined.

Option four is installing truck-sized scales at the Scotch Line landfill and building an area for any private hauler or waste management company, to tip loads of cardboard (requiring amendment to D&O (design and operations)). The cost for these scales are estimated between \$100,000-\$200,000, plus staff to operate them.

Option five is to pay Garbutt Enterprises and authorize them to pick up OCC on behalf of the township. His report was accepted for information purposes only.

Sand for public use

With construction of the new arena this winter, the township is moving its winter sand for public use pile.

Public works director Travis Wilson said it’s usually stored at the arena.

However, he said staff have moved the pile to the northwest corner of the curling club parking lot for the 2019-2020 winter season.

The township provides sand for use on private driveways.

“Although an inconvenient location, it is the only practical solution that is close to a public works yard, and can be monitored without making special trips,” Wilson said.

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In 2018-19, the township provided residents with 1,700 tonnes of sand, valued at \$23,000.

Harvest Haliburton roundtable

Harvest Haliburton is hosting a roundtable Nov. 29 as a follow up to its March food summit in Haliburton County.

Spokesman Larry Clark, who’s a Dysart councillor and Minden Hills Coun. Jean Neville updated Minden Hills council on their initiatives at the Nov. 14 committee-of-the-whole meeting.

Clark said they hoped to have representation of all four councils at the roundtable.

“Partnership is key to moving this forward,” Clark said.

Neville added it was about encouraging local producers, food stores and restaurants to also buy local and use local produce and advertise that fact.

“So people know we’re making a big effort into supporting our community and local producers,” Neville said.

The roundtable is at Abbey Gardens from 10 a.m. to noon. (*Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais*)

County of Haliburton news

Speeding rampant on Gelert Road

Speeding in places such as Gelert Road remains an issue, according to a report from the County of Haliburton.

Staff presented the report to the county roads committee Nov. 13. It describes how the municipality tries to improve driver behaviour by gathering data and putting radar signs in problem areas to dissuade speeders.

A recent example was found by speed counters on Gelert Road near the Haliburton Hospital. From July 19 to 26, counters found 83 per cent of drivers southbound were going at least 10 km/h over the 50 km/h speed limit, while 46 per cent of drivers did the same northbound.

The report said radar signs reduced speeds by 20 to 30 per cent in 2018 when put up. But Coun. Carol Moffatt said although the data is shared with OPP, the municipality needs to ensure police are addressing it.

“Let’s make sure we provide the information and it’s being received in a way that’s being dealt with, as opposed to ‘yeah thanks,’” Moffatt said.

Hike Haliburton participation steady

Hike Haliburton 2019 maintained its participant numbers while continuing to benefit the local economy and community, according to its annual report.

The report by program manager Barrie Martin was presented to the tourism committee Nov. 13. It found that the number of participants was roughly the same as 2018 at 2,790, although there was a four per cent increase in people doing guided hikes.

The report also found many organizations received payment and exposure from the festival, with 63 per cent of online survey respondents reporting spending money on local products and services. However, that is 5.5 per cent less than 2018.

“Moving slowly but moving in the right direction, which is good,” committee chair Moffatt said. “The analysis and recommendations that come with this report every year are really good stepping-stones to continuing to build.”

The committee voted to receive the report as information.

Tax deferrals get review

The county plans to update the way it provides tax deferrals for low-income earners.

The county’s finance and correspondence committee reviewed a letter from resident Kelly Gordon. Gordon said the thresholds in a deferral bylaw, which allows for any increases in property taxes to be deferred as a lien on the property if the owner meets certain criteria, are out of date.

“I believe very strongly the current, well outdated, Property Tax Deferral qualification marginalizes the vulnerable of the county,” Gordon wrote.

CAO Mike Rutter said upon review, the bylaw does at least need language updates. The committee voted to direct staff to work with municipal treasurers to review the practices of other regional municipalities and make recommendations.

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It was time for Cherry to go

I'm a hockey fan. Like many of you, I grew up watching Hockey Night in Canada every Saturday night. It was the one night a week our parents allowed us a Pop Shoppe soda and chips. It was the night I got to cheer on my beloved Toronto Maple Leafs.

I still watch a lot of hockey. Thanks to Sportsnet and TSN, it's more than one day a week. Suffice to say, I have watched a lot of episodes of Coach's Corner over the years.

Like many of you, I have been grappling with the controversy surrounding this past weekend's scrapping of HNIC. For those who don't know, Don Cherry called out "those people" [immigrants] on the segment a fortnight ago for not wearing poppies to honour Remembrance Day.

I have watched the fall-out as Cherry's partner in crime, Ron MacLean publicly apologized for missing Cherry's controversial comments. I watched as MacLean struggled to put into words what he was feeling this past Saturday night as he announced the death of HNIC after 34 years.

Without a doubt, this is something the hockey-loving folks of Haliburton County have been, and continue to, talk about. I know that what I am about to say about the situation will not sit well with some of them.

I stopped watching Coach's Corner about 10 years ago. I found I did not agree with the majority of Cherry's non-hockey opinions. Perhaps if the former Bruins' bench boss had just stuck to hockey, we would have been okay.

That is not to say that I do not appreciate his highlighting some very important causes over the years. He did much for our veterans. He did much for sick children. He did much to honour hockey history.

However, he also said things that were, in my opinion, racist. It wasn't the first time he'd uttered words such as 'you people.'

Many people have stood by Cherry. They've said MacLean threw him under the bus. I think MacLean was between a rock and a hard place. People talk about the Cherry-MacLean relationship with rose-coloured glasses. Cherry's yin to MacLean's yang. My memories are somewhat different. I recall Cherry making outrageous statements and MacLean calling him out, only to have Cherry belittle MacLean. Over the last few years, it was like MacLean had given up, allowing Cherry to spout off unedited. Perhaps this is why he missed the 'you people' comment that angered so many people.

I also get the freedom of speech argument. However, the likes of Cherry are going into

millions of living-rooms across this country and many are populated by young hockey players. Our local kids who play for the Highland Storm would have heard Cherry's comments.



By Lisa Gervais

What would they make of them? Do parents want racist remarks coming into their living-rooms? With freedom of speech comes great responsibility. Cherry should have known that. MacLean should have called him on it.

Cherry, at 85, and HNIC, at 34, had a good, long run. However, it was time for Cherry to go. It was past time for Cherry to go. Times are changing and Sportsnet has to change with them. In a world where hockey is broadcast in Punjabi and more and more players represent immigrant families in this country, there is a right and a wrong way to do things. It's not about being politically correct. It's about looking at the fabric of our nation and realizing that we are a multicultural society.

We can only hope that this incident has sparked robust conversation across our nation - and will usher in change so we can all get along just a little bit better.

Reducing single-use plastics in Haliburton

At the Hike Haliburton Festival Picnic, my friend Sue toted her plastic container up to one of the food vendors where they deposited her lunch. No disposable plate or cutlery required.

Another friend of mine doesn't buy a takeout coffee unless she has her reusable mug. Many people are willing to change their habits and reduce their use of plastic. Individual actions are important because they help to build a movement and spark change from businesses and governments.

Aware that many local businesses and organizations were taking steps to reduce their use of single-use plastics, Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHC) surveyed members of the Haliburton BIA about their successes and challenges.

Baked and Battered now provide take out containers that are either recyclable or paper based. They offer free tap water to all patrons and no longer sell bottled water. B & B gives a reduced price on beverages when customers bring in their own mug. Reusable items are available for purchase at B & B.

Haliburton Supplements and Bulk Food Store owner Jeffrey Coyell is making changes that reflect a greater concern for reducing plastic. He has switched to paper bags and of course, customers can bring in their own jars and containers. Coyell stated that he "was using 25,000 plastic bags per year in my store and now less than half." Customer response to these changes has

been very positive.

Rails End Gallery is committed to reducing plastic. In 2018, they installed a water bottle refill station with financial support from the Haliburton County Development Corporation. In 2019, the gallery's three festivals (Trash N Treasures, Haliburton Art and Craft, and DrumFest) were plastic free. Coffee cups were washed, sterilized and reused at each event and the water refill station was available to participants.

Aprons and Soaps recycle their shipping paper, using it to wrap customer purchases. Items that help us cut down on our use of plastic are for sale at Aprons and Soaps. They include metal drinking straws, nylon shopping bags that fold up into a small pouch, cloth produce bags, beeswax covers and reusable silicone storage bags.

Customers of McKecks will know that they replaced their styrofoam takeout containers with compostable containers. Paper bags and straws have replaced plastic ones. At their market stand, McKecks uses cups made of cornstarch for their iced tea. When catering events, they provide large containers of water instead of single-use plastic bottles.

Glecoff's Family Store (formerly V&S department store) also carries a selection of reusable products for everyday use. They carry inexpensive mesh produce bags, storage bags, silicon bags and stainless steel straws. Also available is a line of

environmentally safe cleaning products and dryer balls that replace the single-use sheets designed to reduce static.

We've noticed changes in other Haliburton village businesses. Foodland and The Independent now sell reusable mesh produce bags. Mathew & Madlyn use compostable takeout containers and cutlery.

It is important for government to take the lead on reducing single-use plastics. One of CCHC's goals is environmental sustainability. Consequently we were pleased in June of this year to see that Dysart et al banned water bottles from their office and field operations and committed to providing water-refill stations throughout the municipality.

If you are a business or organization making changes to reduce plastic, please contact CCHC (judypaul2017@gmail.com). Watch for a similar article by CHCC outlining the efforts to reduce plastic waste in Minden.

Businesses and organizations in Haliburton County as well as municipal governments are stepping up to the challenge of reducing single-use plastic. In many cases alternative packaging is an increased cost for businesses so by taking your reusable bag, mug, water bottle and takeout kit whenever you leave the house you become part of the solution.

Judy Paul and Ann Maher
Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County

HAVE AN OPINION? SEND YOUR LETTERS TO EDITOR@THEHIGHLANDER.CA

Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: *How are you coping with the start of winter?*



Dakota Espuega
Haliburton
“So far I don’t find it that bad.”



Sandra Boucher
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“It just started so, so far so good; but I am looking forward to my winter vacation.”



Liam Mcleod
West Guilford
“I have a lot of anxiety, due to driving in the snow, but I am alive, so all is good.”



J.P. King
Toronto
“With good music!”



Savannah Cassel
Elmira
“Because I expected the cold it’s not so bad.”

By Hannah Sadlier

LETTERS

Haliburton Village Christmas tree

Dear editor,
We have been fortunate in Haliburton Village to have had Christmas trees donated for the last several years. Jerry Lis, Pat and Tom Marshall (several years), Leslie and David Chumbley, Pete Curry (several years) and this year, Holly and John McDonald (Lakeview Motel).
Everyone is grateful for these generous donations. Randy Bull of Randy’s Landscaping donates his time and his truck to pick up the tree and hold it while it’s fixed in place. (Lyll Stamp did this for many years). We are also grateful to Mike Iles and members of the fire department for erecting the tree and hanging the decorative lights.
Anthony and Juliane Vanlieshout generously allow the use of their property and hydro during the entire season. Without all these people donating and helping it would not be possible. Thank you all.

P.S. Remember to come to the ‘Carol Sing’ and ‘Tree Lighting’ with Gord Kidd & Friends, the night of the parade.

Jim Frost
Coordinator

Cats and climate change on readers’ mind

Dear editor,
So, there is yet another ad about a missing cat.
Every day, I drive past old posters for a cat long gone and can’t help wonder who would let cats outside in this County where, whether in a town or ever further out into the boonies, we are this close to wilderness and all the dangers to cats inherent there. The natural danger to cats is everywhere, foxes, coyotes, wolves, ferrets, minks, turkeys, hawks, osprey, to whom a cat is only a nice light snack.

Many cat owners claim cats need to be outside, but in an informal poll, the most popular reason why this is felt to be so revolves around the litter box and the cleaning thereof. It’s the poop and scoop of the cat world. A necessary evil. If one has ever changed a diaper one is inoculated.
The danger from cats is in their natural instinct to hunt for prey, especially birds, their eggs and their young which is an unnecessary threat in a precipitously declining bird population. When the birds and the bees are gone, so are we.
Entirely unfairly, it probably won’t severely affect the generation which has done incredible damage through over-consumption of glittering new toys, always on the hunt for the latest, biggest, newest thing, self-worth being directly proportionate to perceived status. The next generation deserves a better planet than we’re leaving them, the planet deserves better treatment than we have given it thus far. Reduce, reuse, recycle, buy second-hand, donate your old stuff to any of the second-hand and thrift stores in the County so good can be done with them. Tick-tock.

Anne-Marie Borthwick
Haliburton

Are we all in the dark over planned outage?

Dear editor,
On Nov. 6, residents of Haliburton, West Guilford, Lochlin and environs received an automated robo call from Hydro One. It informed us of a planned power outage on Nov. 24 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.
The proposed work is deemed necessary to improve service in the future, with fewer long-term disruptions. “Sorry for the inconvenience.”
If we wanted Hydro One to call us back “press 1.” I did. They didn’t.
We are grateful for the services we enjoy, and on which we depend. We are grateful for the workers who risk life and limb during emergencies and unpredictable

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



A daisy with dew in Howland Junction taken earlier this year. Photo by Edwin Groot.

storms and inclement weather. Living where we do, sudden outages are common, especially in the winter, and have been dealt with promptly and efficiently.
My concerns and questions are as follows:
Why now? Why not during the summer? We have an aging population, many whom live alone, and can’t afford generators. They may not have alternate sources of heat. Many live in remote, rural settings. Eight hours in the cold at the end of November increases the likelihood of serious health issues. Where are people supposed to go to keep safe and warm?
What must be done to ensure pipes don’t freeze and burst? Who’ll pay if this occurs? How will that process happen?
What happens if freezers defrost and food

thaws and spoils?
Community events are planned a year in advance. What becomes of concerts, pancake breakfasts, and church services, to name a few?
How much extra water should households be stockpiling now?
Why was a Sunday chosen? What exactly is being done? When and where?
If Hydro One had returned my call, when I pressed 1, as the automated voice instructed, these are the questions I would have asked, the concerns I would have raised. Does anyone have any answers, or are we all in the dark?

Cheryl Cohoon
Haliburton

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High school teachers vote for strike threat

By Joseph Quigley

The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) announced its members have given it a strong strike mandate as education labour unrest continues in the province.

The OSSTF said Nov. 18 that members voted more than 95 per cent in favour of the mandate. The union has not yet announced any job action but the vote enables a strike to occur, which would require five-days notice.

OSSTF District 15 Trillium Lakelands president Colin Matthew said central negotiations have been slow. The biggest issues remaining are keeping compensation in line with inflation, the proposed mandatory e-learning and the province's class-size increases, which Matthew said are already being felt at a local level.

"We see some programs getting cancelled," Matthew said. "In Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, we have music classes running with four different grades in the same class. This really diminishes student experience as well as putting an incredible amount of strain on teachers."

The province plans to reduce funding for class sizes over the next four years, going

from 22.5 to 25 students per average class in high schools. Although the province said it would keep funding largely intact this year, Trillium Lakelands District School Board already responded by not rehiring for 24 retiring teachers and more than 50 support staff layoffs.

That's led to about 100 fewer programs across the board. If the province's plans go ahead, Matthew estimated another 40 teaching positions and 200 course selections to be cut.

"Way bigger classes, way fewer options," he said.

In a press release before the announcement, education minister Stephen Lecce called for third-party mediation in ongoing negotiations.

"While our government has been a reasonable force and student-focused at the bargaining table, the labour unions continue to take escalating steps toward strike action," Lecce said.

OSSTF central president Harvey Bischof said the union is open to a mediator but also does not want the process dragged out or behind closed doors.

"We want to keep students in classrooms that are functional, classrooms that are safe, classrooms that are not bursting at the



Ontario high school teachers voted more than 95 per cent in favour of giving their union a strike mandate. *File photo.*

seams," Bischof said.

The OSSTF is not the only teacher union in a dispute with the provincial government. The Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario (ETFO) is also negotiating and announced it would begin a work-to-rule campaign Nov. 26.

The OSSTF is negotiating with the province and school boards over the next

four days. Bischof said the two sides are still "very far apart," but would not say when action could come.

Matthew said he hopes a good deal can be reached but his members are willing to be part of further action.

"I hope the minister sees where this is going and changes course."



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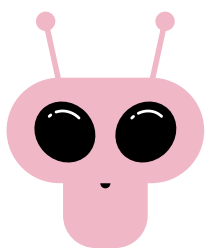
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Highlands East Station 2 fire chief Doug Bowen spoke out against an organizational review recommendation to cut fire halls. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Fire chief questions report Highland Grove chief wants hall maintained

By Joseph Quigley

The Highland Grove fire chief spoke out on behalf of his community against a consultant report recommending fire hall closures.

Station 2 fire chief Doug Bowen spoke on the matter during a Nov. 11 Highlands East fire committee meeting. Savino Human Resources Partners said in an organizational review presented Oct. 8 that the municipality should cut one or two fire halls.

As the committee continues to explore options for the future of local fire services, that recommendation led to more community concern, Bowen said.

"It did get people riled," he said, pointing out the approximately

12 people in the audience at the committee meeting.

He added he tried to arrange a public meeting to answer questions on the matter, but it was shut down. Acting fire chief Chris Baughman responded that the issue was a public meeting cannot be held at a fire hall.

Committee chair and Coun. Cam MacKenzie said the recommendation was only one paragraph in the 10 pages of the consultant report released to the press. He added he would look into having those pages posted to the public.

"I was kind of surprised to see that was even in there. That wasn't even the intention of that report," MacKenzie said.

Bowen said fire halls should be improved, not cut. He added people

are waiting on answers as to what direction the municipality is going.

"They want to know because they're concerned and left in the dark," Bowen said.

MacKenzie said there is more to the process to come, including facilities condition assessments by WalterFedy presented to council the next day. The assessment of the Highland Grove fire hall found that it is in poor condition.

"We're not near the end of this yet," MacKenzie said.

Resident Janet Harnden attended the meeting and said she thinks very little of the suggestion to cut fire halls.

"We don't have a centre like Wilberforce, Gooderham or Cardiff townsites so we kind of get overlooked," Harnden said. "I think we deserve a little for our money."

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Council Meetings

Public Welcome

Meetings are held at 9:00 AM in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.

Nov 28 – Regular Meeting of Council
Dec 12 – Combined COTW & Council Meeting
For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca

Note: Council meetings are reduced to one (1) for the month of December

Riverwalk & Wetlands Boardwalk – Winter Usage

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

Christmas Food & Toy Drop Off

In support of the Annual Minden Community Christmas Basket Program, donations of non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped children's toys can be dropped off at the following locations:

- Municipal Administration Office,
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday to Friday
- Minden Hills Fire Department,
24 hours a day

Donations will be accepted until December 18, 2019.

Winter Parking

From Nov 1st to Apr 30th, overnight parking is prohibited between the hours of midnight and 8:00 AM on township roadways and parking lots. Furthermore, parking in the turning circle of a cul-de-sac is prohibited during all hours. Vehicles parked in these areas that prohibit the removal of snow will be towed away and/or ticketed at the owner's expense.

MINDEN HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE RENEWAL PROJECT OPEN HOUSE & TOUR

The Time has come!

It's the moment we've all been waiting for, an official sneak peek of the progress made on the Minden Hills Community Centre renewal project.

We will be offering a public Open House on Tuesday, November 26th from 3:30 to 6:30 PM starting in the upper level of the Community Centre at 55 Parkside Street. The Open House will include customized walking tours and an opportunity to meet with Township Staff and representatives from the project team to view the up-to-date plans and progress on the project. Please note that this is an active construction site with limited accessibility throughout the walking tour. Accessible viewing opportunities will be provided in the Community Centre. All ages are welcome. The event and walk thorough are free of charge.

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Environmental concerns stall trail development in Highlands East

By Joseph Quigley

Highlands East property owners are taking issue with a proposed all-use trail development, which they say sprang up without forewarning or environmental consideration.

Kevin Jackson and Dan Patfield spoke to Highlands East Council in separate delegations Nov. 12. They each own property along the proposed Dillman Hill Trail between Legacy Road and South Wilberforce Road, which would include ATV and snowmobile traffic.

However, the two argued there was not enough public consultation, as the municipality had not alerted multiple area landowners. They also expressed concern about the environmental impact ATVs could inflict in the area. Jackson said residents have spotted Blanding's turtles along the route, a protected species under Ontario legislation.

"The environment is not getting the

proper attention," Jackson said.

Trails and outdoor tourism advisory committee chair and Coun. Cam McKenzie said the development is now on hold to address the issues raised. That includes the possible species at risk matter, which McKenzie said would require the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks to assess the area after the winter.

"We sure as heck don't want to get involved with some kind of breach with a fairly important piece of provincial legislation," McKenzie said.

The route also extends into an environmentally protected area in the municipality's official plans. It is not completely clear if more motorized traffic would be allowed in that zone, McKenzie said.

Jackson also proposed the municipality develop a trails master plan to better guide the process for development.

"We need something," McKenzie

said. "I personally kind of like the idea but I'm only one member of council."

McKenzie said the development predates him joining the committee in 2019. But he said an approximately two-kilometre stretch was likely considered because it is on publicly-owned land.

But he said no group or individuals have specifically pushed for it since he came onto the committee.

Haliburton ATV Association director and committee member Barry Lord said the organization is not eyeing the trail.

"We have tons of trails and we have added new trails in the past, but we have not been looking in Wilberforce to add a new trail," Lord said.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for February to start addressing the concerns raised, McKenzie said.

"There's something wrong with the process," Jackson said.

Algonquin Highlands news

Dorset Health Hub seeks \$20K from AH

The team behind the Dorset Health Hub has asked Algonquin Highlands council for a \$20,000 injection from its 2020 budget.

Collin Reaney of the Dorset Community Partnership Fund came to the Nov. 7 meeting.

"We're still in process, still evolving and still changing," Reaney said of the practice that has more than 500 registered patients.

He said while it's rumoured there's been donor fatigue, that isn't the case, with the hub getting increased support from local businesses and families, as well as from seasonal residents. He's confident it can be sustained by augmenting Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) funding.

It costs about \$372,900 a year to run the hub, with \$250,000 coming from the MOHLTC and the balance from Algonquin Highlands and Lake of Bays and fundraising.

Reaney said the fundraising target for

March 2020 is \$125,000 and they're already at \$65,000.

He added that some of the future challenges include looking at building ownership; building and operation costs and technology including high speed Internet.

Fall colours viewing a success

Parks, recreation and trails manager Chris Card said steps taken this year to manage the crowds during the fall colours season in Algonquin Highlands were a success.

One of the things the township did this year was hire contract staff to work at the Dorset Tower.

"Overall, this worked out fantastically," Card said.

He'd like to continue with outside help again next year.

He said more people visited the tower and the Oxtongue Lake area with fewer problems.

"I really think we've got it down

now," he said of dealing with the crowds. One suggestion might be local road closures being extended a little longer, he said, adding overall costs could be offset by fee increases at the tower.

Treasurer Tammy McKelvey said AH had \$50,000 in net revenue from the tower this year.

Coun. Julie Shortreed said she'd driven by the tower and "it was definitely very well organized. Traffic was backed up but they were getting people through."

Dailloux said people and resorts in the Oxtongue Lake area were pleased, saying it was the best year in recent memory.

Moffatt said she struggles with the fact "our taxpayers have to have this money spent to secure a problem we didn't create." She was referring to the Ontario government promoting Algonquin Provincial Park for its excellent autumn colour show and the township having to deal with the ensuing crowds. (AH news compiled by Lisa Gervais)

Pushing Toronto to Algonquin cycling

By Joseph Quigley

Officials and dignitaries from across the province gathered with Toronto-Algonquin Greenway (TAG) committee members to push the initiative forward at a first-ever TAG Summit Nov. 4.

More than 20 people attended the two-day event at Sir Sam's Ski and Ride to discuss the project, which would co-ordinate existing trail systems to form a cycling route between Toronto and Algonquin Park. The summit featured speeches and group discussions about how to best accomplish that.

TAG co-ordinator Pamela Marsales called the event a success.

"It was perfect," Marsales said. "Attendees brought in a wide range of expertise. They were there because they were champions of the Toronto-Algonquin Greenway concept."

Group discussion generated ideas for how to best guide the project, including trail assessments, data collection and a toolbox of existing resources to promote the effort.

One discussion delved into economic development and how to get municipal buy-in. Haliburton County Development Corporation consultant Jim Blake said municipalities have a lot of projects on the go.

"It's really understanding what pressure municipal staff are actually under," Blake said. "And how you're going to support them in doing their job."

A steering committee was struck at the summit, which will transform the TAG initiative from a Haliburton-based committee to a province-wide non-profit organization.

"That was one of the main goals of this summit, so we achieved that," Marsales said. "We feel now that TAG is moving out of the parent's basement."

Lianne Megarry of Dark Horse Studio in Sunderland joined the committee and said she is confident in TAG's future.

"It has to start somewhere," Megarry said. "We all bought in. We've got to sell it to everybody else."

Marsales said they have partners in place along the route who are following along as TAG progresses. She plans to have further meetings and get visitor-ready itineraries in place for tourism partners to promote during the 2020 summer season.

"It's really a thrill," Marsales said. "There's the great feeling of accomplishment and anticipation."

Transportation planner and former director for the East Coast Greenway Alliance Eric Weis was a special guest at the summit. He said greenways like TAG help bring neighbouring communities together.

"These trails as individual units make our communities better and when they are linked together in projects like TAG, they make our regions better," Weis said. "There's so much enthusiasm and energy in this room today and last night. I know great things are going to start happening."



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The Audition will take the form of a read-through and no prepared monologue is necessary. Be prepared to be available for the full two hours on one of the Audition nights.

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TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING

2020 BUDGET PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES

TAKE NOTICE that there will be a Special Meeting of Council on **Monday, December 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.**

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss projects and priorities for the 2020 Budget. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers located at 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2019.

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Director of tourism Amanda Virtanen highlights older tourism booklets during a Nov. 13 meeting. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

County plans bigger digital footprint Unveils 2020 marketing plan

By Joseph Quigley

The County of Haliburton plans to help create a "tourism ecosystem" with a focus on improving the sector's digital footprint.

Staff unveiled the 2020 marketing plan to the county's tourism committee Nov. 13. The plan highlights initiatives such as a destination development plan, workshops and the Hike Haliburton winter edition.

County director of tourism Amanda Virtanen said the plan is to build on stakeholder feedback gathered from surveys, workshops and meetings with the local stakeholders group.

"All of this has fed into where we're at today," Virtanen said. "It's very important to say no feedback went ignored."

Virtanen's report highlighted the results from the county's Destination Next project and digital audit. The report said the county has strong outdoor recreation, arts and

entertainment and events space.

But a digital audit found the tourism sector lagging behind online, with 37 per cent of destination websites not mobile-friendly, a lack of video storytelling, and gaps in key information from operators.

Areas identified for improvement also included transportation and avoiding negativity.

"Internal conflict, infighting, judging other operators, nobody cares," Virtanen said. "They (tourists) just want to come here and have a cool experience."

The plan also identifies accommodators as needing more focus. To that end, the department is planning to spend 10 per cent of the marketing budget on a strategy to promote the highlands with a focused page on TripAdvisor. The County will also workshop how to best use TripAdvisor and other social channels.

Committee member and Sandy Lane

Resort owner Rob Berthlot voiced opposition to TripAdvisor.

"One of the factors why I don't use a lot of these other third-party vendors ... they all take a piece of whatever I make. 10 per cent, five per cent, all money out of my pocket," Berthlot said.

Virtanen clarified accommodators would not have to make their own paid arrangements with TripAdvisor if they do not wish. The destination page is a new product.

She added although the tourism department has pushed stuff out online, that needs a more unified approach.

"2020 is about, not stopping doing that, but also letting stakeholders be able to do more of that," Virtanen said. "If we're not all creating content, we're not creating a good digital footprint."

The committee voted to receive the plan as information.



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Highlander business

New feed store helps fill stray animal void

By Joseph Quigley

With a farm full of animals, Phillip Primavera said he needs a lot of feed.

He was a regular customer of the Great Haliburton Feed Co., a convenient local supplier. When the store announced it was closing, Primavera said he tried to buy it, but a deal could not be worked out.

Instead, Primavera opted to start a new business, Haliburton Feed and Seed, which opened Nov. 1. Besides providing farm supplies and feed, it will help re-home animals of all kinds, much like the Feed Co. used to do.

"We're not doing this to get rich," Primavera said. "We're doing this to help the community out and the animals."

Primavera is no stranger to animals. His wife Minna owns The Wild Life, a petting zoo and equestrian centre. Through their farm and new store on Mallard Road, they plan to help rehome all kinds of animals.

"We saw this opportunity, thought this is a good idea," Primavera said. "The town needs it."

The new operation brings some relief for Don Kerr of Minden Cat Angels and Jenny Northey of Paulmac's Pets. The Minden-based operations have received more calls from Haliburton to take on cats since the Great Haliburton Feed Co. closed.

Kerr said that closure left a gap in the county, which the new store could help

address.

"We need all the help we can get," Kerr said. "This is great news for us."

Northey said although it was a light summer, there was an explosion of approximately 30 kittens in the fall, about two to three times more than usual.

People failing to spay and neuter their pets remains a persistent problem, Northey said. To that end, she tried to help bring a mobile clinic into the area this year, but funding dried up. She added she hopes to bring one next year and plans to appeal to the government for funding.

"Some people here don't drive and if you can't drive your animal to the vet, how are you ever going to get it spayed or neutered?" she said, adding costs are also a barrier.

Kerr said it is a lot of hard work for their groups to take care of all the abandoned cats. He said people need to understand a pet is a commitment – one that requires stopping their reproduction.

"They have to realize it's a lifetime obligation," Kerr said. "If they can't afford to get them spayed or neutered, then don't take them in."

"In my opinion, it's getting better, but there's still a lot to get done," Primavera said. "You're never going to change the way people do things, but I think it can definitely be helped."



Right: Phillip Primavera holds a pair of kittens at his new store. Photo by Joseph Quigley.



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If you have an interest in aviation and enjoy planning events, the newly established Stanhope Municipal Airport Events Committee is the Committee for you!

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Further information on the Stanhope Municipal Airport Events Committee can be found on the Township's website at www.algonquinhighlands.ca or by contacting Adam Thorn, Operations Manager at athorn@algonquinhighlands.ca

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Highlander arts

The hills will be alive with music next summer

By Lisa Gervais

The Highlands Summer Festival announced its 2020 season lineup at McKecks this past Sunday, with The Sound of Music kicking things off.

“This has to be one of the most crowd-pleasing musicals the world has ever enjoyed,” artistic producer Scot Denton said Nov. 17.

They presented the show in 2004 and Denton said, “It was such an overwhelming success then, we thought it was time to bring this inspiring, family-friendly musical back.”

It opens on June 29 for 10 performances.

The second show on the schedule is the Importance of Being Earnest. “The script is one of [Oscar] Wilde’s best, full of wit, satire, comedy and a biting commentary on the mores and manners of Edwardian England,” Denton said.

It opens July 13 for eight performances.

The third show is Every Brilliant Thing. It’s an interactive theatre experience set in the round, featuring one actor. It opens July 27 for five performances.

It’s followed by Lucien, the story of a New Brunswick mill worker, July 22-24.

The season closes with Across the Pond. It celebrates more than 50 years of British pop and rock music with tributes to acts across the era.

“We have put together an interesting and entertaining schedule for the summer,” festival president Brian Kipping said after the announcement. “I think everybody will discover something special in each of the productions this year.”

Season passes, now on sale, are \$160. Single tickets are \$37.50.

Season pass purchases can be made by phoning 705-457-9933 or toll free at 855-457-9933, online at highlandssummerfestival.on.ca or by mail: Box 938, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.



Brian Kipping and Scot Denton presented Jack Brezina with a lifetime ticket pass to the Highlands Summer Festival as a thank you for his years of service. Photo by Hannah Sadlier.

Three documents everyone needs

With a will, power of attorney and personal care directive, you're ready for anything

Nobody likes to spend much time thinking about death or becoming disabled. But the consequences of putting planning off until it's too late can be severe for you and your family.

WILLS

Let's start by looking at wills. As most people are aware, the primary purpose of a will is to distribute your assets according to your wishes when you die. Promises you make verbally or even in writing may not be effective; you may wish to leave money to charity or specific items to people you love. A will ensures all of this happens without unnecessary costs and aggravation for your beneficiaries.

When you work with a professional, making a will also becomes an opportunity to do some important tax and succession planning. Spouses will usually want to ensure title to their home, and possibly other properties, is registered as a joint tenancy, so that when one spouse dies the other automatically becomes the sole owner. Often it also makes sense to name each other as beneficiaries for registered accounts like RSPs and TFSA's, again to ensure a simple, tax-optimized transfer when

one partner dies.

In other cases, for example second marriages where the intention is to leave each spouse's assets to their own children rather than to the other spouse, tenancy in common may be more appropriate. Business owners can set up structures to make succession smoother and more predictable.

The point is to arrange your affairs so your estate pays the least amount of tax, your wishes are respected, and conflicts between your beneficiaries are avoided; some advance planning can make a huge difference.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

This document allows someone else to sign your name for all kinds of purposes, in case you're not able to do your banking, pay bills or sell your property when you need to. It's not just for when you're infirm – a power of attorney can be used if you're on an extended vacation or otherwise unavailable. It can be restricted to allow the person you name as attorney to do only certain things, for example manage a single bank account. It can also be restricted to certain time frames, for example

while you are out of the country.

People usually make powers of attorneys so that, if they become incapable of managing their affairs – through illness, mental incompetence or otherwise – someone else can do it for them. The critical element is this: once you are no longer mentally competent you cannot make a power of attorney. It's too late, and your family will either have to manage without one or someone will have to apply to the province for guardianship.

PERSONAL CARE DIRECTIVE

This is similar to a power of attorney, but instead of dealing with your property it comes into effect when you are unable to make decisions about your own healthcare. It too can be restricted to certain time frames and activities, and just like powers of attorney, cannot be made once you are no longer mentally competent. The personal care directive allows you to name someone who will be empowered to make decisions on your behalf, and to specifically set out what kinds of decisions you would like them to make.

Many people have strong opinions as to

what kind of care they'd prefer – everything from living accommodations to end-of-life decisions. A personal care directive is crucial if you want to ensure your wishes are respected and that someone you trust is able to make decisions on your behalf.

Having the right paperwork provides tremendous peace of mind that your wishes will be respected if you ever become incapable of making decisions, or if you die. Many people find the process a relief – we may not know how the future will unfold, but we can plan for it nevertheless. If you'd like to be sure you and your family are prepared, I'd be pleased to help you put your personal plans together.

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The Ridgewood Ford-Haliburton County Chiropractic REP Novice team hosted the Walt McKechnie home jamboree this past weekend at the Haliburton Arena.

The players took on Muskoka Rock, Caledonia, South Muskoka and Oro throughout this fun, fast-paced, cross-ice jamboree. The Sunday featured a puck drop from Walt McKechnie, who left many words of encouragement for our youngsters, reminding them to 'dream big' and go after what they want. A fun meet and greet 'future stars' game was held with all players in the tournament, totalling 11 teams mixing up onto eight different teams. This was a unique opportunity for players, coaching staff and parents to come together and celebrate the love of the game. *Submitted.*

Henry Neilson played a great weekend tournament to claim first star status this week.
Photo by Lisa Gervais.

THE RIDGEWOOD FORD-HALIBURTON COUNTY CHIROPRACTIC REP NOVICE THREE STARS



#1 HENRY NEILSON

#18 - Henry lead the way in both defensive and offensive ends of the rink. Playing against some of his own family on the weekend, he really pushed hard to show his true natural hockey skills. He was great at protecting the puck and using his shot to score several goals throughout the weekend.



#2 CRUIZE NEAVE

#17 - Cruise really found his game this weekend by using his skating ability and size to get in those hard areas to score. Neave plays both ends of the ice and really helped in front of our goalie to keep the players away from the scoring zone.



#3 TRAVIS ROWE

#11 - Travis continuously uses his speed to attack the opponent, forcing them to give up the puck. His very creative playmaking abilities assisted in setting up several goals throughout the weekend. He proves that size doesn't matter. Not being the biggest player on the team, he makes up with his quick skating and stick skills.

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#1 DAMON HARRISS

#30 During this game, where Damon faced a large number of shots, he stayed focused and continued to rob his opponents of potential goals. His ability to make key stops and always play with all he can every game speaks volumes for his dedication of being an amazing goaltender.



#2 JAMIE CROWE

#7 When players need to pass this defenceman, they best be polite or just give up the puck because Jamie will have control of it sooner rather than later. His great puck control enables him to rush down the ice and his hard shots are always putting his team in a scoring opportunity.



#3 COOPER LLOYD

#10 As a centremen, Cooper was everywhere on the ice. As well as being able to make smart hockey plays during long shifts, Cooper was unselfish with the puck and continuously set up his teammates during this game.



Walt McKechnie drops the puck during his namesake tournament in Haliburton. Submitted.

fh SCOREBOARD

REP LEAGUE

Ridgewood Ford-Haliburton County Chiropractic Novice
Team of week-see reports

Haliburton Timbermart-Castle Cottage Country Building Supplies Atom
Nov. 16 - double header vs. Almaguin. Both games ended in a 5-1 win for Storm. Goals: V. Logan (3), E. Burk (3), B. Hartwig (2), D. Davison(2)
Assists: E. Perrott, B. Hartwig (2), V. Logan
Nov. 17 - Atoms 2 vs. Sturgeon 4
Goals: D. Davison, V. Logan. Assists: E. Perrott

Joanne Sharpley's Source for Sports-Dollos Foodland Peewees
Nov. 16 - Peewees 0 vs. Muskoka Rock 11
Nov. 17 - Peewees 4 vs. Orono Leafs 6
Goals: C. Manning (2), A. Latanville, J. Mills
Assists: J. Mills, M. Rowden, P. Simms, M. Prentice (2)

The Peppermill Steak & Pasta House - McKecks Place Bantams
Nov. 15 - Bantams 4 vs. Millbrook 3
Goals: K. Hall (2), N. Harrison, G. Hutchinson
Assists: K. Hall, A. Hendry
Nov. 17 - Bantams 7 vs. Ice Devils 2
Goals: A. Boylan (2), A. Perrott (2), C. Coles, C. Fowler
Assists: C. Coles, K. Brannigan (2), C. Stamp, M. Wilson, K. Hall, N. Harrison, C. Keller
Nov. 17 - Bantams 5 vs. Ice Devils 2
Goals: K. Hall (2), A. Boylan, K. Brannigan
Assists: K. Brannigan, A. Perrott, C. Coles

The Highlander-Smolen Family Dentistry Midgets
Nov. 15 Midgets 7 vs. Brock Wild 2
Goals: B. Robinson (4), P. Turner (3)
Assists: T. Clements (6), A. Neave, B. Robinson, P Turner (3)
Nov. 16 - Midgets 3 vs. Almaguin Ice Devils 3
Goals: B. Robinson, S. Hoenow, T. Clements
Assists: P. Turner, A. Neave, T. Turner, B. Robinson

LOCAL LEAGUE

Bright Woods Landscaping LL Minor Novice TEAM NAVY
Nov. 16 vs. South Muskoka-Player of the Game-Giuliano Condro.

Bright Woods Landscaping LL Minor Novice TEAM GREY
Nov. 16 vs. South Muskoka-Player of the Game- Maddex Reynolds

Tom Prentice & Sons-Docs of Haliburton LL Major Novice
Nov. 16 vs. Huntsville 2-Player of the Game- Rowen Johnson

GJ Burch Construction-CARQUEST Minden LL Atom Blue
*Nothing to report

Dewayne Simms Construction-TD Canada Trust LL Atom Yellow
(TEAM OF WEEK)
*Nothing to report

Canadian Tire LL Pee wee Blue
Nov. 16 - Pee wee Blue 0 vs. Huntsville 8

Walkers Heating & Cooling -Home Hardware LL Pee wee Yellow
Nov.17 Pee wee Yellow 2 vs. Almaguin Ice Devils 2
Goals: J. Davis, O. Sisson, E. Thomas
Assists: J. Davis, E. Thomas, L. Robinson, M. Sisson, M. Chapman, A. Lippolis

Total Site Services-Pharmasave LL Midget
Nov. 17 - Midgets 0 vs. Huntsville 4



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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT - PLZBA2019054

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 1366 Hospitality Road and located in Part of Lot 2, Concessions 13 & 14, in the Geographic Township of Snowdon (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting to consider the application. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Shoreline Residential (SR) and Rural (RU) with some areas zoned Hazard Lands (HZ) and is subject to severance applications H-006/19 and H-007/19. The purpose of the amendment is to change the zoning of the two severed lots to the site specific Shoreline Residential Exception Sixty-four (SR-64) zone to recognize a reduced lot frontage of 52m. (170'7"), and to update the extent of the Hazard Lands (HZ) on the property to reflect the findings of the Environmental Impact Study prepared in support of the severance applications. The re-zoning is a condition of the severance applications and would reduce the lot frontage of 60m. (196'10") otherwise required in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – PLZBA2019054

Date: Thursday, December 12, 2019
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Municipal Council Chambers,
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street during normal office hours and online at www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at iclending@mindenhills.ca or by phone at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

ANY PERSON MAY ATTEND the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE DECISION of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills at the address below.

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

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ACCESSIBILITY: The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.

PRIVACY DISCLOSURE: As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

DATED this 21st day of November, 2019
Ian Clendening, MPL., Planner
Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359, Minden, ON, K0M 2K0

We cannot guarantee the exact time the Public Meeting will commence as the time may vary depending on the number of items on the agenda and the complexity of each matter brought forward.



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AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting to consider the application. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Residential Type One (R1). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to the site specific Community Facility Exception Five (CF-5) Zone in order to permit the use of the property as a Day Care Centre as well as to allow for reductions in the required yard setbacks and parking requirements including 12m. (39'4") from the front lot line whereas 15m. (49'3") is otherwise required; 3m. (9'10") from the west side lot line and 6m. (19'8") from the east side lot line whereas 8m. (26'3") is otherwise required; and, to permit 6 parking stalls (1 accessible) whereas 12 stalls (2 accessible) would otherwise be required based on a proposed 89 m2 (958sq. ft.) addition to the existing 209 m2 (2,249.7sq.ft.) building. In regards to the parking specific amendments would allow parking to be located at a distance of 2m. (6'7") from the west, and 1.4m. (4'7") from the east, side lot lines and abutting the street line whereas 3m. (9'10") from a residential property and 1m. (3'3") from a street line are otherwise required and an exemption for the requirements to provide a loading space is also sought.

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Highlander sports



Left: High school students help out selling spots for the “chuck-a-puck” event at the boys hockey team home opener to raise money for the heat bank. Top row: Jessica Byers, Emma Casey, Paige Billings. Bottom row: Megan Klose, Melissa Brinkos. Right: The Red Hawks boys hockey team gathers together after a 7-0 victory in their home opener. *Photos by Joseph Quigley.*

Red Hawks dominate 7-0 in home opener

By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks boys hockey team celebrated after a dominating 7-0 victory in its home-opener against the Crestwood Mustangs Nov. 19.

Students packed the A.J. LaRue Arena stands to watch their schoolmates soar to victory. The Red Hawks controlled play throughout, taking an early lead just under two minutes into the game and never surrendering it.

Head coach Jason Morissette said beforehand he expected an underdog season

for the young squad. The team did not expect the offensive outburst, he said. “We know we’re a young group, the challenge will be there,” he said. “But today was really about some of our senior players, skill players, they really came through.”

Brendan Coumbs scored on an odd-man rush to open the scoring. The Red Hawks held most of the play but were unable to muster any more goals in the first frame, going to intermission 1-0.

But they would add to their lead in a quick sequence. Goalie Carson Sisson stopped a breakaway midway through the second

period. The Red Hawks would then take it up the ice, where Braeden Robinson scored to make it 2-0. Desi Davies would add to the lead with a goal to make it 3-0 heading to second intermission.

The team got into some penalty trouble, taking six to Crestwood’s zero. But their penalty kill held well, scoring twice shorthanded in the third and preventing any goals.

Coumbs led the way in the game with two goals and an assist, while Robinson added two of his own. Lucas Haedicke also scored two.

“The team played great,” assistant captain Isaac Little said. “With that being the first game of the year and having a young squad, I think we played past my expectations.”

Proceeds from the game are going to Heat Bank Haliburton County as part of a season-long fundraising effort.

Morissette said he would consider the season a success if the team made it to the playoffs, but added there is more to the game than that.

“Just enjoy the moment, have fun because you only get to be young like that once,” he said.



MINDEN HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE RENEWAL PROJECT OPEN HOUSE & TOUR



The Time has come!

It’s the moment we’ve all been waiting for, an official sneak peek of the progress made on the Minden Hills Community Centre renewal project.

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Highlander events



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Left: Soloist Bethany Houghton performs Edward Elgar's Cello Concerto, Op.85- 1st movement. Right: Conductor Dan Manley selection of music took the audience on a journey of emotions. Photos by Hannah Sadlier.

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The future is fearless in style

'The Future is Fearless' was the theme for the 2019 Fashion Fallies; an evening of wearable art presented by the Haliburton Highlands Arts Council. Many mediums were used in this year's outfits and accessories such as: curtains, pages from books, twigs, and paper mâché. "Fashion Fallies was a huge success showcasing a vast spectrum of creativity," said Erin Lynch, one of the Fashion Fallies committee members, "The committee look forward to planning next year's event."

Top: Isabelle Neveu-Genne looked elegant as the element of Fire created by Karen Sirianni and Amy Brohm. Left: Dana Black looked fierce as a Revolution Warrior, created by Erin Lynch. Right: Joey Varga looked radiant as she modelled Community Garden created by the Haliburton County Public Library. *Photos by Hannah Sadlier.*

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OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of William "Bill" Byron Cooper

Passed away suddenly at home in his sleep on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the age of 84. He was born in Haliburton, Ontario to the late Cecil William and Phrona Bernice Cooper. Dear father of Sheri, Laurel (Chris), Diane (Mike) and Frank. Loving grandpa to Ryan, Danny, Sara and Michael. Dear brother of Orval (Brenda) and Yvonne and predeceased by Lola. Fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Friday, November 22, 2019 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Service to Celebrate Bill's Life at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Food Bank would be appreciated by the family.



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Dolly Ketola (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital surrounded by her family on Tuesday afternoon, November 12, 2019 in her 96th year. Dear companion and best friend of John Stokes. Loving daughter of the late Arne & Rachel Ketola. Predeceased by her brother Jarl and by her sister Virginia. Also lovingly remembered by her niece and nephews. Dolly was a Director of Arc Industries in Richmond Hill for many years. She lived in Thornhill for many years before moving to Haliburton in 1997. She enjoyed working with people with disabilities, art and spending time in Haliburton County.

Private Visitation & Graveside Service

A Private Visitation & Graveside Service will take place. Interment York Cemetery, Toronto. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.



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In Loving Memory of Pamela Manser (née Skinner)

1930-2019

Pam passed away at her home surrounded by family on Saturday, November 9th. She was 13 days shy of her 89th birthday.

Pam's fighting spirit, sharp wit and unwavering love will be forever missed and lovingly remembered by her children Terry & Chuck, Colin & Cheryl, Jeff & Brenda, Laura & Roger, and Todd & (late) Tammy; by her grandchildren Colleen & Richard, Amanda & Brent, Caitlin & Kevin, Michael, Robin & Kip, Daniel & Caitlyn, Kris, Charlotte, Kyle, Tylor, McKenna and Cayden; and by her great grandchildren Bailey, Logan, Lucas, Chase, Ara, Carter, Isla, Finn, Paisley and Evelyn.

A Memorial Celebration of Pam's life will be held on Saturday, November 23rd from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home. For those who wish, Memorial Donations may be made to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0

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In Loving Memory of Elaine Yeo

Passed away suddenly at the Minden Hospital on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the age of 74.

Beloved wife of the late Bill Yeo. Dear mother of Randy McNabb (Cindy) and Celina Thrasher (Brian). Loving grandmother of Donny (Sara), Daniel (Jenna), Matt (Trish), Corinne, Mike (Elaine), Chantel (Joe), Meagan (Kyle) and great grandmother of Tayah, Sawyer, Mannix, Faith, Nixon, Grayson, Kaylee, Brynlee and Kolby. Predeceased by her parents Dorothy and Harvey Moore and by her sister Jennifer Moore. Dear aunt to David and Mike Moore, Janea McKay and great aunt of Dylan Hayes and Megan McKay. Beloved best friend of Mary Beaver.

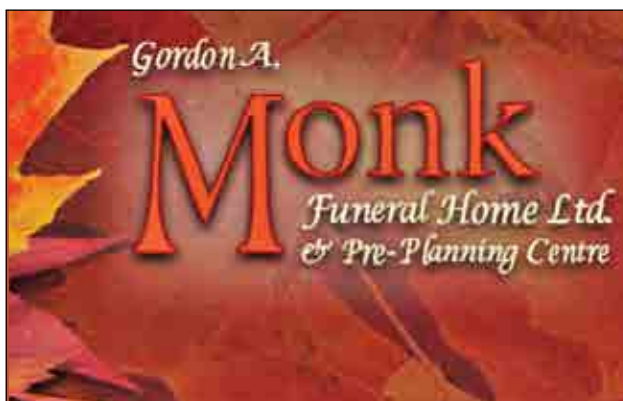
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Memorial Donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.



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Across

- 1 Musical theme
- 6 Shortchange
- 9 Staff symbol for viola music
- 14 "What have ___ with my glasses?"
- 15 Incredulous reply to an accusation
- 16 Capital of Tibet
- 17 Maxwell House tin
- 20 Wrap up, as in one's arms
- 21 Act the Cheshire cat
- 22 Jagmeet Singh, faith-wise
- 25 Sir Conan Doyle
- 29 Rink end in which to score goals
- 32 "Get a move on!"
- 34 To be, to Benoit
- 35 River inlet
- 36 Do better in Pictionary, say
- 38 White elephants, for example
- 41 Nail-biting NHL periods
- 42 It's a growing industry: Abbr.
- 44 "... with ___ of her eye" ("Ballroom Blitz" lyric)
- 45 Streisand's co-star in "A Star is Born"
- 49 Forgetful kind of moment
- 50 Triplet's count, in Germany
- 51 Ponder on
- 53 Keep rhythm with, in a way
- 58 Workplace cubicle wall
- 63 Dickens villain Heep
- 64 Really regret
- 65 Old Olds Cutlass
- 66 "Happy Days" Howard, as a kid
- 67 With 68-Across, in spurts, or two words found in each of this puzzle's theme answers
- 68 See 67-Across

Down

- 1 Cinderella's little helpers
- 2 Use to excess
- 3 Style-savvy chap
- 4 FAQ finder's mission?
- 5 Empathizes with

- 6 Big auto-making inits.
- 7 "Hoo" header
- 8 Worrisome engine noise
- 9 Pointe-___ (Montreal suburb)
- 10 Colourful drapery fabric
- 11 Computer linkage acronym
- 12 Opposite of WNW
- 13 Word with flung or fetched
- 18 Actress Falco
- 19 Use up some Air Miles, maybe
- 23 Had heard about
- 24 Blended levy in Atl. Canada
- 26 Join sans invitation
- 27 Worker's dues recipient
- 28 Propose to again
- 29 Says "Sign me up"
- 30 Co. that makes funeral arrangements?
- 31 Flying further off the handle
- 32 Eye catchers?
- 33 A little off the wall
- 37 "... desert on ___ with no name ..." (song lyric)
- 39 Large church, as Montreal's Notre Dame
- 40 WWII island battle site ___ Jima
- 43 Mayberry abbr. in an old sitcom
- 46 Monkey-like
- 47 Easily provoked
- 48 Flattened sq.
- 52 Hyphenated Beck song, 2005
- 54 Have ___ ear (be tone-deaf)
- 55 Like the piper of Hamelin
- 56 Matador's charger
- 57 Act ___ impulse
- 58 Third word of Canada's anthem
- 59 Frizzy do, for short
- 60 Blue money, casually
- 61 "___ Wiedersehen!"
- 62 Blow the whistle on a player, say

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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NOVEMBER/ DECEMBER 2019 • EVENT LISTINGS

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Thursday November 21

11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch Is On Us – at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St., Haliburton. Free of charge, eat in or take out. Bring your friends, or make some new ones. For more info see sirch.on.ca/lunchisonus

1:30 p.m. – Haliburton County Historical Society presents Kate Butler, Director, Haliburton Museum, to speak on the fascinating history of Haliburton County. Takes place at the museum.

1:30 – 4 p.m. – HHWEN workshop by Corinne Topperman: Tell Me What You See" in the Rotary Room of the Minden Library. Cost is \$30, includes workshop booklet. Register with kathleenmllard61@sympatico.ca or 705-286-6635.

4:30 – 7 p.m. – Moms+ (MomsPlus) drop-in program for expectant mothers, new moms, and moms with small children, at Lloyd Watson Centre Wilberforce. An informal place for moms to bring their small children, to come enjoy tasty foods, make crafts and meet other women.

7 – 9 p.m. – CFUW Speakers Amy Brohm, Kate Butler, Michael Clipperton, on the topic: Come Play With Us: Community Theatre in Haliburton, at Haliburton School of Art + Design, Haliburton. Free of charge.

Friday November 22

9 a.m. – noon – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, free drop-in at Highland Hills Pastoral Charge, 21 Newcastle St. Minden. Colouring, board games and card games. Guest speaker, Diabetes Education Team, Cooking: Apple Pie Oatmeal.

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Minden Hills Festival of Trees, at Minden Hills Cultural Centre

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Friends of the Haliburton County Library Christmas book nook sale, held in conjunction with the Festival of Trees. Come and find some wonderful, gently used books for Christmas gifts for those book lovers on your list.

11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Poinsettia Luncheon, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 19 Invergordon Ave., Minden. Soup, sandwiches, dessert, tea/coffee. Bake sale, lunch by donation.

7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact

Jennifer at 705-749-3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.

Saturday November 23

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Friends of the Haliburton County Library Christmas book nook sale, held in conjunction with the Festival of Trees. Come and find some wonderful, gently used books for Christmas gifts for those book lovers on your list.

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Minden Hills Festival of Trees, at Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Noon – 2 p.m. – Santa Day at Rails End Gallery, 23 York St., Haliburton. Visit with Santa and have your photo taken, make crafts, enjoy our Christmas shopping displays with the whole family. Presented with support from the Haliburton District Lions Club and Haliburton BIA. Railsendgallery.com.

Noon – 3 p.m. – Minden Health Care Auxiliary's Christmas Lunch and Sale, at Hyland Crest entrance. Door prize, gift shop sale, bake sale. Lunch tickets \$10 available at gift shop and at the door.

Sunday November 24

9 a.m. – noon – Due to the planned power outage, the Wilberforce Legion will be holding a breakfast at the Legion. Pay by donation. 705-448-2221.

9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Haliburton Legion Sunday Breakfast. Enjoy a great breakfast for only \$6. Eggs, bacon or sausage, pancakes, hash browns, toast, juice, tea or coffee.

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Minden Hills Festival of Trees, at Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Tuesday November 25

1 – 4 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, free drop-in program at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton. Colouring, games and guest speaker Carolyn from the Alzheimer's Society – how to take care of your brain health, and learn to cook with our Diabetes Education Team.

7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact Jennifer at 705-749-3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.

Wednesday November 27

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Sexual Health Clinic, providing clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching, testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections. For more information, or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at

1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

5 p.m. – Arts Council Haliburton Highlands Annual General Meeting, at Haliburton Highlands Museum. 5 p.m. refreshments, 6 p.m. meeting.

Thursday November 28

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, free drop-in at Wilberforce Legion. Knitcolouring, board games, tech time & Makers Space, light fitness.

11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch Is On Us – at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St., Haliburton. Free of charge, eat in or take out. Bring your friends, or make some new ones. For more info see sirch.on.ca/lunchisonus

Noon – 2:30 p.m. – 1st annual Inspiring Women's Luncheon, at Haliburton Legion. A place for women to be connected, inspired and celebrated! Keynote speaker: Sharon Campbell Rayment "Dress for Success" clothing drive.

4:30 – 7 p.m. – Moms+ (MomsPlus) drop-in program for expectant mothers, new moms, and moms with small children, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. An informal place for moms to bring their small children, to come enjoy tasty foods, make crafts and meet other women.

Sunday December 1

3 p.m. – The Highlands Festival Singers present "We Need A Little Christmas", at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton. Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage, Minden Pharmasave, or at the door. \$15

Tuesday December 3

7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact Jennifer at 705-749-3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.

7:30 p.m. – The Highlands Festival Singers present "We Need A Little Christmas", at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton. Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage, Minden Pharmasave, or at the door. \$15

Wednesday December 4

2 p.m. – Christmas In the Highlands, at Highland Hills United Church in Minden. Come and share the Christmas Spirit at this annual event. Join the ladies of Haliburton Highlands to welcome the Advent Season with Christmas skits, poems, stories and songs; sharing laughter and joy to welcome in the birth of the Christ child. Christmas goodies, coffee and tea provided. A donation to the Food Bank would be most appreciated. All ladies welcome!

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

HALIBURTON BRANCH

Monday: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7pm

Wednesday: Bid euchre, 1 p.m. start, Bingo Doors open at 6 pm, Bingo starts at 7 pm - \$500 Jackpot \$1000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month

Thursday: General Meeting - Third Thursday of the month starting at 7 pm. All members urged to attend.

Ladies Auxiliary - Last Thursday of the month at 1 pm

Friday: Cribbage 1 pm start, Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw at 6:30 pm, Tickets are \$2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC. Darts Friday fun darts – 4:30 pm onwards

Saturday: 50/50 Draw 4 pm draw-tickets are \$1 each available from noon onwards

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; Calorie Counter 5:30 - 6:30. **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.

KINMOUNT BRANCH

Wednesday - Darts 7 p.m.

Friday - Bingo - Starts at 6:56 p.m.

Saturday - Meat Draw 5 p.m.

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Nov. 22 Community Care lunch. Everyone 55+ welcome. Call Denise Butler to book 705-448-8865. Wing night 6-9 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m.

Nov 23 Meat draw 2p.m. Early bird 3p.m. SHARP If you come, offer to help sell tickets

Nov 24 Is your power out? Come for buffet breakfast 9-noon. Jane is cooking.

Nov 25 Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome

Nov 27 Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome

Nov 28 HHHC social rec. drop in. Come out for coffee/tea or juice, cards, board games, crafts, Tec. time, pool or just to chat FREE 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Upcoming events

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What's on

Christmas comes to the County this weekend

By Lisa Gervais

To go along with all of that snow, it will feel as though Christmas has come to the County of Haliburton this weekend with a plethora of favourite seasonal events.

Haliburton tree lighting, Santa Claus parade

It all kicks off Friday, Nov. 22 in Haliburton with the annual tree lighting followed by the Santa Claus parade.

The Highland Street event has flourished for decades, managed by the Downtown Haliburton Business Improvement Area with the help of the Haliburton & District Lions Club, Dysart et al, the Ontario Provincial Police and volunteers.

Spectators now enjoy about 40 parade entries each year including floats, bands and marching and dancing groups, said Jim Frost in a recent interview with *The Highlander*. Frost is the parade coordinator and chair of the Lions' parade committee.

This year's theme is "Peace on Earth." Events begin at 6 p.m. with the tree lighting and carol singing, followed by the parade at 6:30 p.m.

Holiday market at the Pinestone

People can check out the second annual holiday market from 4 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23. There will be more than 30 vendors, a fashion show at 1 p.m.,

Christmas mini photo shoots (\$40) and new this year, they've partnered with Minden Food Bank and will be taking donations as well as having a raffle table with all proceeds going to the Minden Food Bank.

Minden Santa Claus parade

On Saturday, Nov. 23, Santa makes his way to Minden for that village's 20th annual Santa Claus Parade.

The fun-filled event is perfect for the whole family to kick off the Christmas season.

Floats start at 11:30 a.m. at the curling club parking lot, travel along Parkside Street to Bobcaygeon Road, then through the town, ending at the township office parking lot on Milne Street.

The public is asked not to park on main street leading up to the parade. Santa will then make his way to the Cultural Centre at 1 p.m.

Festival of Trees

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Festival of Trees.

The raffle event is an opportunity for the public to win an assortment of beautifully-decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, gift baskets, gift certificates and more.

It runs Nov. 22 and 23 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Nov. 24 from noon to 3 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for 18-plus. Raffle tickets are \$5 for a book of six.

"Our heritage village will offer a candy



Sir Cedric and Penelope at last year's Christmas Shindig. *File.*

shop and gift store at the Sterling Bank, hot chocolate and cider at the Bowron Loghouse, Christmas craft-making at the schoolhouse, and traditional Christmas music at the Bethel Church," organizers said.

Christmas Shindig

The action shifts back to Haliburton Nov. 23 for the sixth annual The Highlands Christmas Shindig at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. It runs from 7:30-10:30 p.m.

Dubbed by some "the funniest" fundraiser of the year, there will be eight great

acts plus Dame Beatrice, Sir Cedric and Penelope. The event raises money for Fuel for Warmth, to help those in need of heat during our severe winters.

Christmas Artisan Market

On Sunday, Nov. 24, Minden will be hosting its annual Christmas artisan market from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre.

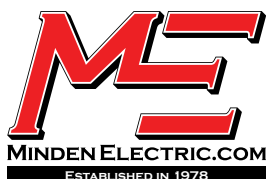
There will be handcrafted items made by local artisans. Admission is free to the public.

For other events happening this week, check out our what's on section.



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