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The Haliburton Highlands boast stunning Canadian Shield, Group of Seven scenery. It's an area teeming with wildlife and more than 600 lakes, rivers and streams. It's a place to stop, recharge and unwind. It's where you come to look at the Milky Way and the constellations.

The landscape inspires artists and art aficionados. We have diverse arts, entertainment and culinary experiences that will delight your senses.

Located just 2.5 hours north of the GTA and four hours west of Ottawa, the Highlands is a destination not to be missed.

It covers 4,076 sq. km and has a population of 18,062, according to the 2016 Census. We border Algonquin Park and are comprised of four lower-tier municipalities: Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills. Each has its unique identity and attractions to explore.

Algonquin Highlands is home to the Dorset Scenic Lookout Tower. It rises 465 ft. above Lake of Bays and offers a breathtaking 365-degree view. It's a fall must-see.

Dysart has Head Lake Park in the heart of the

village. It's where special events, such as the annual Art and Craft Festival, attract thousands.

Highlands East has earned its reputation as the "Geocaching Capital of Canada" for its growing geo tours.

Minden Hills features a cultural centre with a gallery, museum, interpretive centre and library. And, you can float your boat down the Gull River, from Rotary Park to downtown.

If you love the outdoors, get ready for four-season adventures. You can go hiking, biking, ATVing, snowmobiling, kayaking, parasailing, horseback riding and skiing, just to name a few.

If it's events you're after, there's no shortage. It is not an exaggeration to say there's something on every weekend in the Highlands. Be sure to plan your trip to check off all those must-do items.

Need some help with that itinerary? Don't hesitate to contact the local tourism department. Reach out to them at myhaliburtonhighlands.com.

Once again, welcome to the Highlands. We're glad you've found us, and hope you'll stay a while.



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Good news stories

There were plenty of good news stories in the Highlands in 2018 - and they just keep coming in 2019.

For starters, we've emerged from one of the best winters the county has seen. It allowed us to show off our winter playground. Visitors and locals enjoyed sledding, downhill and Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, winter hiking, skating and ice fishing. All of that white generated green, with snowmobile associations and winter businesses reporting a banner year. It's given us all a boost of confidence as spring arrives.

The Chamber held its awards at the end of March. Steve Todd, of Todd's Independent, was named Highlander of the Year. Haliburton Solar and Wind received four awards.

The Land Trust got some great news when Leopoldina Dobrzensky and her daughter Margaret formally transferred property they own outside the village to the Trust. It's now known as the Barnum Creek Nature Reserve and is in the development stages.

The Haliburton Home and Cottage Show celebrated its 40th anniversary. Kim Emmerson, Jason Curry and Jerry Walker were all honoured for their contributions.

Last June, Minden parents got the news they were hoping and praying for: finding out their child care service was still available at 16 Prentice St. After a week of uncertainty, it was announced a deal had been reached between the Ontario Early Years Centre (OEYC) Haliburton Victoria Brock Inc. and Compass Early Learning and Care.

BMX bikers, skateboarders, politicians, friends and family attended the grand opening of the Haliburton Junction Skate Park. The launch opened with a speech from then Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey, who discussed the history of the park and thanked the committee that helped develop it.

The Haliburton Rotary Club donated \$10,000 toward a ball and hockey rink at the former skate park on Maple Avenue.

Volunteer firefighters, captains, deputy chiefs, friends and family attended the grand opening of the Minden Hills' fire hall.

It turned out to be a very special Terry Fox Run in Minden last year. Not only did the committee celebrate its 25th anniversary, but Fred Fox, Terry's older brother, visited the village prior to the run.

Owen Trefry won the Rotary Car Draw. The Tory Hill resident took the cash prize.

Chris Boulay started his position as new principal of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The community also got an introduction to Fleming College's new president, Maureen Adamson, during a meet and greet at the college's Haliburton campus. HSAD also celebrated 50 years in Haliburton.

Big projects gain traction

Walkers Home Hardware has now opened on County Road 21 in Haliburton. Built by Jerry Walker and his wife Dale, along with business partner Jamie Chisholm., it opened its doors in early May.

People will also soon notice some activity at the site of the former Fleming College on Highway 118 West. Gardens Retirement Development Inc. is working on a proposed \$17M seniors' residence. They hope to open in 2020.

In Minden, the township broke ground on its nearly \$12-M refurbishment of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre. In addition to a new NHL-sized rink and dressing rooms, they'll be putting in a gym and walking track. It is expected to take about a year to complete.

Point in Time and Haliburton Highlands Health Services were successful in getting a \$1 M grant to create a youth hub in Haliburton. Haliburton was one of six successful applications out of 45

from across the province. The partners purchased the former Lighthouse Pentecostal Church

Algonquin Highlands got great news in February, learning it had secured a \$150,000 capital grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to help with costs for a 960-square-foot expansion at the Dorset Heritage Museum. The Dorset Recreation Centre installed new equipment.

And, finally, Harcourt opened its new community centre. When fire ripped through the centre a few years ago, it dealt a devastating blow to residents. But, the community didn't let the blaze keep them down for long. Volunteers joined forces to raise \$8,000 at a benefit dance for a new centre. The insurance company paid out about \$975,000 and the Municipality of Dysart pitched in \$200,000 of taxpayers' money. Other contributions included \$20,000 from the rec board and \$3,600 from a memorial fund for Donna Burroughs. Together, it was enough to build a 4,000-square-foot, \$1 million facility right where the former centre was located.

The year in politics

It's been a busy year of politics in the Highlands.

We had municipal elections this past October.

The biggest change saw Andrea Roberts win the mayor's race in Dysart et al over four decade incumbent Murray Fearrey.

Roberts, who had served the past 12 years on council and was deputy mayor last term, said her combination of experience and personality made her campaign successful. The other change saw Patrick Kennedy elected as deputy mayor over Dennis Casey. The council was rounded out by: Nancy Wood-Roberts; Larry Clarke; Tammy Donaldson; John Smith and Walt McKechnie.

In Minden Hills, Mayor Brent Devolin was returned to a second term in office. Lisa Schell was acclaimed as deputy-mayor, replacing the retiring Cheryl Murdoch. Two new councillors, Bob Carter and Jennifer Hughey, came on board while Jeanne Anthon did not run.

Highlands East saw Dave Burton re-elected, Cec Ryall become deputy mayor, Cam McKenzie and Suzanne Partridge were returned and Ruth Strong was elected to replace Joan Barton, who decided not to run.

Algonquin Highlands got some attention when it elected an all-female council. It turned out they were only the third council in Ontario history to achieve such a feat. Spanish also elected an all-female council in 2018.

It caught the attention of Ottawa. In December, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Minister for Women and Gender Equality, Maryam Monsef made a phone call to congratulate the women. The council comprises: Mayor Carol Moffatt; Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen; Lisa Barry; Jennifer Dailloux and Julia Shortreed.

There was also a provincial election in May, 2018. It saw long-time Progressive Conservative candidate Laurie Scott re-elected by a large margin over the NDP's Zac Miller, and the Liberals' Brooklynn Cramp-Waldinsperger. The Greens ran fourth followed by triad of lesser-known parties. Premier Doug Ford named Scott to his Cabinet as minister of labour.

This coming fall, PC Jamie Schmale will be hoping to return to Ottawa. As of handbook press time, only the NDP had chosen their candidate. She is Lindsay activist Barbara Doyle.



Hannah Sadlier

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Photo contest

For the third year in a row, The Highlander ran a photo contest for The Handbook. Several of them appear in this year's edition. We want to thank readers for taking part in this initiative.

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Take in our breathtaking area and experience everything from white water kayaking to rock hounding to a variety of cultural festivals. Larger than Prince Edward Island, and spanning up into Algonquin Park, the Haliburton Highlands offers countless lakes, rivers and scenic vistas – there's truly a surprise around every corner.

While we may be large in kilometres, you'll still get that 'small town vibe' and have exclusive access throughout our many towns and villages to business owners, restaurateurs



and artists who are all happy to share their stories with you during your visit. You'll find yourself wanting to return to the Haliburton Highlands for years to come – and each time – you'll discover something new.

Stay up to date with the latest events by visiting MyHaliburtonHighlands.com and visit us across social media

by searching #MyHaliburtonHighlands. You can also call us directly for our insider tips on the best of the region at 705-286-1777.

Pssst! Be sure to check out Canada's largest hiking event, the annual Hike Haliburton Festival taking place the third weekend in September. With more than 100 free guided hikes and many activities throughout the festival, there's something for everyone.

*Amanda Virtanen
Director of Tourism
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A word from the Warden

As summer approaches in the Haliburton Highlands we look forward to welcoming our seasonal residents and visitors for what looks to be an exciting year ahead.

County Council spent the beginning of the term closely reviewing its budget for the year, with a primary goal of sustainability in all departments.

We carefully considered issues that have been raised throughout the last term of office and unanimously agreed on some very difficult decisions.

While there have been high hopes for a rural transit system to serve various sectors across the county and considerable work has been done by area stakeholders, we have had to place this project on the back burner at least for this year to ensure that we maintain existing levels of service before implementing a new program that may not be viable. This will remain a standing item for future consideration.

Council has agreed to create a one-year contract position (part-time) for physician recruitment, acknowledging that we continue to have challenges attracting family doctors and other health professionals that go a long way towards supporting our economy.

In addition to funding existing programs and services, Council, responding to concerns raised by the public, has earmarked funds to move forward with climate change mitigation and adaptation as well as funds strengthening shore line preservation across the county. Considerable collaboration and research will be required to



determine the details of both of these initiatives and you'll hear more about this over the coming months.

We continue to face larger challenges in the county and throughout all of eastern Ontario. The County continues to support the work of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and the Eastern Ontario

Regional Network with their cellular service improvement work and expansion of broadband services, something that will contribute in the near future to expanding our economy in no small measure.

The elephant in the room remains the governance structure that we choose for the county moving forward. The province is carefully considering structural changes in larger regions but has only encouraged rural and northern counties to consider streamlining services and implementing cost savings wherever they can be found. To that end Council will review different models of governance, but continue to seek a 'made in Haliburton' solution that will hopefully reduce costs across the board and provide even better service to our residents while maintaining our unique individuality.

As the shoulder seasons tighten up with all the work being done to expand our economy, we urge visitors to enjoy some Haliburton County hospitality ... in any season of the year or, better yet, join us on a permanent basis and make it your Haliburton Highlands.

*Liz Danielsen
Warden, County of Haliburton*



Lauren Forbes

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Algonquin Highlands

The many lakes and rolling hills of Algonquin Highlands make it somewhat parklike, where ribbons of highway wind their way through spectacular forested landscapes. We are defined by our people; by the rugged, natural beauty of our surroundings; by our love of place and by our experience-based lifestyle. Life here provides an engaging and relaxed lifestyle wrapped in a wide range of year-round activities and events.

Myriad lakes offer great fishing, boating, swimming and sparkling sunsets.

Our extensive year-round trails system, complete with maps and guidebooks, offers endless beautiful vistas and waterfalls. Our 174 campsites on 110 kilometres of water trails are as unique as you are. Marked and groomed trails for hiking, snowshoeing, nordic skiing let you get up close and personal with Mother Nature. We host guided experiences in winter and summer.

Arts and heritage are alive and well with museums and galleries, and Algonquin Highlands has a hundred-year history as a magnet for internationally-renowned artists seeking to



capture its rugged landscape in paintings and drawings.

The village of Dorset is a bustling waterway town with deep traditions that still shape a casual, easy lifestyle. A few shops, a few places to eat and great green spaces, not to mention the Dorset Museum, the Dorset Tower and the S.S. Bigwin, are all worth a visit

whether you're a full-timer or a visitor.

En route to the mighty Algonquin Park is the highway hamlet of Oxtongue Lake where painter A.J. Casson was known to hang his hat – find out more at the stone schoolhouse where his, and other, stories are told.

To the south, the crossroads of Carnarvon is home to an award-winning craft brewery and an enviable seasonal farmer's market is up the highway on North Shore Road.

In Algonquin Highlands, we value community, heritage, tourism, the arts, and healthy active living.

Come and see why.

Carol Moffatt
Mayor, Algonquin Highlands



Paul Dyer

Dysart et al

This year is the start of a new term of council. We have new councillors, some returning, and a new mayor at the table. 2019 will be an exciting year for council as they set some goals and objectives for this term, which will guide them in their decision-making for the next four years and beyond.

During this year's budget discussions, there was lively debate over the value of municipal support for arts, recreation and culture. Asset management is an important topic. Maintaining the assets we have, which includes roads, bridges, buildings, equipment and parks, will require a long-term financial plan. All council and committee meetings are open to the public and agendas can be found online at dysartet.al.ca.

Head Lake Park will be a busy spot again this summer. Many festivals and events are returning. There is something for everyone. Arts and crafts, beer festival, TORC boat races, music in the park, Ribfest, farmer's market, to name a few. There is live theatre, opera, and so much more. Check out the calendar on our municipal website.

We continue to see growth and development in the township. The municipality undertook several large projects, the Junction Skatepark, Harcourt Community Centre, the arena parking lot and the



town hall office addition, all will benefit the community for years to come. Construction will be complete this year on another condominium overlooking Head Lake and a new hardware store. This year could see ground break on a long-awaited retirement home in the village of Haliburton. There are other potential projects coming to our planning and building departments that will add to our community.

Dysart continues to promote its Explore Your Lakes program. Get out and enjoy the beautiful lakes and rivers, you can find a map of all our boat launches on the website. If you want to try a SUP or kayak you can rent one at the Rotary beach on Head Lake right in town.

Dysart is planning on doing "customer" surveys to see how we can improve to serve our ratepayers. Our goal is to improve how we do business so we are looking forward to rolling this out.

Whether you live here year-round, seasonally, or are just here for a visit, Dysart offers something for everyone. 2019 is shaping up to be another fantastic year in the Haliburton Highlands.

*Andrea Roberts
Mayor, Dysart et al*



Tammy Nash

Highlands East

Our municipality may appear small on the map but we are home to more than 3,000 full-time residents and 13,000 seasonal residents. Our pristine, countryside setting and small town charm, convenient location, diverse population, rich heritage, proud historical associations and bright economic future all combine to make Highlands East a great place to live, learn, work and play.

Our mission in Highlands East is to lead by being innovative in developing, promoting and protecting our community, environment and heritage for future generations.

If you are a visitor touring Highlands East for the first time, you will be struck by the singular beauty of its landscapes and the authenticity of its people and surroundings. We are home to the Geocaching Capital of Canada and offer a variety of recreational hotspots. Some of these include



our vast trails system, numerous lake access points and mineral tourism collection sites; a little something to be enjoyed by everyone.

In Highlands East, we practice forward thinking and ambitious working. We believe in supporting our local initiatives and have a high regard for community values. We feel it

is imperative that we support local businesses to ensure our community continues to thrive now and in the future. We value and appreciate all residents who call this magnificent community home.

To keep current on daily activities and events in Highlands East, please visit our website highlandseast.ca and follow us on Facebook and Twitter, #MyHighlandsEast.

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Minden Hills

2019 promises to be another exceptional year in Minden Hills. This summer will see the return of the Minden Kinsmen Truck Pull and Show & Shine, Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival, Farmers and Artisan Market, Music by the Gull, Canada Day and more events at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

The Minden Whitewater Preserve will host the 2019 North American Open Canoe Championship and the 2019 Canadian National Slalom and Freestyle Championships.

See mindenhills.ca, for updated events.

Phase 2 of the Pinegrove Place property (beside the arena) will see a new 21-unit facility with one, two and three-bedroom units opening in 2020.

The S.G. Nesbitt Community Center will also be reborn starting in 2019 and completed in 2020. (See Big projects gain traction for more info.)

Council and staff have been busy creating long-term asset management plans for roads, structures,



and landfills to provide a sustainable and responsible path for years to come. This year will see the introduction of septic inspections in Minden Hills and the introduction of a CIP (Community Improvement Plan) to achieve economic development with desirable social outcomes like affordable housing and downtown revitalization.

Council looks forward to seeing and hearing from you, as the season of Cottage Association AGM's, festive events, and general summertime is upon us. Your thoughts and opinions on the things that matter most to you in Minden Hills is always welcome, and considered carefully, as we make decisions on your behalf.

After the return of a traditional winter in 2018/19, my hopes are that we can enjoy a summer of 2019 on a par with the summer past.

*Brent Devolin
Mayor, Minden Hills*



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Renovating your property

You'll find local building centres and the Canadian Home Builders' Association (CHBA) are great resources for renovation advice to help you make necessary repairs and improve the function, comfort and convenience of your home or cottage.

Begin by taking an inventory of everything you want to change and why, including any seasonal issues such as drafts in winter. Involve all members of the household. Describe your goals, especially use of space, light/brightness and desired traffic patterns.

Use your findings to create a wish list that's divided into "need to have" and "like to have." Consider refinishing existing features and purchasing energy and water conservation fixtures that will save money over time. Look closely for hidden assets, such as old hardwood that can be refinished. Gather design and product ideas so you can budget wisely and give your designer or contractor a clear idea of what you want.

Consider whether you want to do some of the work yourself (see our section on The Dos and Don'ts of DIY).

For more extensive projects, you may require a designer to prepare the necessary plans. Structural changes will require plans and permits, and your contractor can help with this.

When hiring any professional, get a detailed, written, signed contract. Take an active role throughout the project, requesting and expecting regular updates.

For budgeting, remember costs here are higher than in cities due to the hilly, rocky landscape. When scheduling, include factors such as your available time, your skill level, the availability of any professional support you'll need, the weather, and supply time for permits and products. Set aside a contingency fund of 15 to 25 per cent of your budget for unforeseen problems and potential upgrades.

Your local realtor and building supply centre staff can provide expert advice specific to renovating in the Highlands. For additional advice, including essential contract content, contract pricing methods, lien protection and more, visit chba.ca.



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Finding a contractor

When it comes to finding a contractor for renovations or new builds, the process begins with researching your options, and that can be as easy as using an online search engine.

However, your best bet is to go to the source of the best information: building supply centres.

Word of mouth is key, especially in smaller communities, and so centre staff know which contractors provide high-quality work and are reputable and reliable.

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association (HCHBA) is another strong resource.

It's important to choose a contractor who knows the requirements for your project and location because building regulations and permits vary according to municipality.

Look for solid experience in your type of project, check references thoroughly, confirm the contractor has Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) coverage and liability insurance, and make sure you get a clear, signed contract.

Permits require plans that must be prepared by qualified and licensed designers, so you need to

be sure you have the appropriate drawings for your project so your contractor can secure the necessary permits.

Building centre design staff can provide certain plan design services as well as information regarding required permits.

Major projects may require additional planning support from professionals such as an engineer.

During your reference checks, ask about how well your proposed contractor helped clients manage their budgets so you know you'll have help in setting the right target.

If you're considering sustainable construction, look for a contractor with a strong knowledge of building science who will work closely with you, your designer and your subtrades to source and install appropriate materials, fixtures, and technologies.

For additional information, contact your local building supply centre or check the HCHBA's member list of contractors and suppliers at hchba.ca, email info@hchba.ca, or call the HCHBA at 705-457-6901.

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The do's and don'ts of DIY

Whether you have plans to become a 'weekend warrior' or take on a more extensive project, it's important to start with an honest assessment of your own do-it-yourself (DIY) skill levels and those of your DIY crew.

If you go ahead, put safety first. Use safety glasses, ear protection and protective clothing.

Make sure you know how to use the necessary tools well, avoid slippery materials and keep the work area clear of debris.

Smaller projects may require no more than a good sketch, but professional designs are required for structural work.

Many local building supply centres have design staff who can create drawings that meet municipal requirements, and the Highlands are home to several professional design companies.

Your designer can also create a materials list for you.

Plumbing, electrical, heating and roofing projects should be contracted to licensed experts to

avoid problems such as flooding, frozen pipes, foundation damage, fires and health and safety issues. Structural changes are also best left to professional contractors to ensure the proper overall security and finishing of the building and to avoid unforeseen costs for expert repairs.

Some professional contractors will allow DIY'ers to work with them, which will reduce costs and help you gain experience.

Permits are legally required for structural construction and for demolition work. Your municipal clerk or building department staff can help you determine when you require a permit and answer any questions you have.

Seek local advice to set a realistic budget and schedule for this area so you can avoid running out of money, time or both before your project is done. Set aside a contingency fund of 15 to 20 per cent over budget to address unforeseen issues. Schedule for factors such as the weather, supply time for permits and products, your available time, your skill level, and the availability of any professional contractor you'll need.



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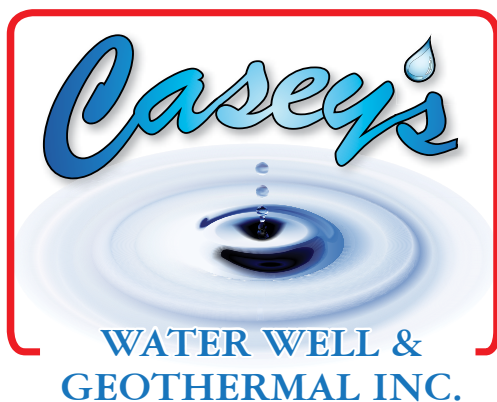
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Shifting energy use to off-peak or mid-peak hours is a good place to start. Here are several more ways to reduce energy consumption:

Heating systems

Opt for a higher-efficiency furnace. Use a programmable thermostat with a built-in timer and clean the furnace air filter monthly. Ensure your fireplace is sealed properly. For hot water supply, choose a gas-fired, direct vent, fan-assisted or sealed tank.

Lighting

Compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs use 75 per cent less energy than traditional incandescent bulbs. Halogen bulbs are also more energy-efficient. Both CFLs and halogens last longer than

traditional bulbs. Using dimmer switches indoors and motion sensor lights outdoors will help save energy.

Plumbing fixtures

Use aerator taps to reduce water use by more than 60 per cent. Fix leaking taps, as one constant drip can waste up to 75 litres of water per week. A water-efficient toilet will use up to 80 per cent less water, and a dual-flush model provides even greater reductions.

Appliances

Select energy-efficient appliances. Reduce water use as well with a front-loading washer. Use clotheslines or drying racks to reduce dryer use.

Windows and doors

Seal around windows and doors. Use energy-efficient windows. Installing large windows, especially on a south wall, will reduce energy use for heating in cold weather and for artificial lighting year-round. Use window shades in summer to reduce air conditioning and fan use.

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Haliburton County is dedicated to protecting the health of our beautiful environment, and green cleaning practices are a critical part of our efforts.

For example, antibacterial cleaning products kill the good bacteria in septic tanks that break down waste. Many of the products marketed as green are “green-washed” – they have some green properties, but they’re not the best solutions.

When septic tanks function properly, the enzymes inside break down wastewater compounds that bacteria can use. The resulting clean liquid (effluent) flows into the tile bed where it percolates into the soil and eventually our lakes. The more active the septic bacteria, the cleaner the effluent.

Proper system maintenance can also mean a better grade under your municipality’s septic reinspection program.

Follow these tips from the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners’ Associations (CHA): Ban ALL antibacterial products.

- Use dish detergents and cleaning products

that are free of phosphates and chlorine bleach – one load of dishes in regular detergent can kill all the good bacteria for up to 70 hours.

- Replace dishwasher rinse aids with lemon juice.
- Don’t run the dishwasher until it’s full.
- Don’t pour fats, oils and grease down the drain.
- Don’t use regular drain cleaners.
- Use a low-flow shower head and shorten showering time.
- Wash only one load of laundry per day.
- Replace chlorine bleach with peroxide stain removers.
- Use biodegradable and peroxide bathroom cleaners.
- Don’t use automatic toilet bowl cleaners.

For more tips and information, visit the CHA website at www.cohpoa.org.

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Protecting your property

It's essential to prepare your home or cottage to weather the winter, and avoid theft and vandalism if you're away for extended periods.

Insulation and ventilation: Seal air leaks around doors and windows; clear air vents and close flapper dampers; repair any roof leaks and gaps in the underside decking of the attic.

Water intake and outflow: Clean drains in the dishwasher, sinks, tubs and showers and close the shut-off valves; ensure hot water pipes are insulated; drain non-frost-proof faucets and close the indoor valve for the outdoor water supply pipe; fill traps and toilets with plumbing antifreeze; ensure there is water in the trap for each plumbing fixture and the basement floor drain; ensure the sump pump is operating properly with no blockages or leaks; have the well water tested; determine whether the septic tank needs to be emptied before spring.

Heating and air conditioning: Replace the furnace filter; vacuum electric baseboard heaters; close all flues; cover the air conditioner; have heating system serviced by a qualified technician.

Interior maintenance: Clean, defrost, unplug fridge; put open soda boxes in fridge and freezer; ensure propane appliances are properly shut down; unplug small appliances; scatter mothballs in the attic to deter bugs and small animals.

Exterior maintenance: Clean eavestroughs and downspouts; clear chimneys; replace window screens with storm windows; drain the outdoor water supply pipe and close the valve.

Security: Install an alarm system, motion detector lighting; cover windows with shades and/or shutters; remove valuables and etch or mark goods with identification information in case of theft; install fresh batteries in all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and ensure they work properly; ensure your insurance coverage is updated; consider trimming back hedges that would prevent neighbours from detecting unauthorized activity; organize snow removal, including for the roof; establish a local contact person to monitor your property; have your mail and newspapers picked up regularly or stop deliveries; join or start a neighbourhood watch.



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Pest control

Thinking of selling your property in frustration over a pest problem? It may be time to call Ray Martin and Juliette Arsenaault of Eco-Choice Pest Control in Minden.

They opened Eco-Choice in 2011 as the only pest control company in the Highlands. This year, they've launched a storefront in Haliburton to help with do-it-yourself techniques and service information.

Eco-Choice was created based on their "heavy science background" – Ray in environmental biology and pesticide development, Juliette in ecology and urban forestry.

"We recognized a need for integrated pest management and more of a focus on pest lifecycle and biology to help achieve prevention and control. We wanted to offer a 'mom and pop' type option for people, provide amazing customer service and helping educate about common pest species," said Arsenaault. "We often say that every inspection comes with a free education."

They say the need for pest control comes down to: personal preference, damage potential and the

pest's ability to transmit disease or reproduce. For example, some people hate spiders but they don't cause damage. Squirrels, raccoons and bats do and colonies of destructive carpenter ants can reach a staggering size.

The Eco-Choice website features helpful information for the do-it-yourselfer. Martin recommended prevention as a great start. For example, sealing gaps in soffits and foundations, keeping vegetation managed around the building and mousetraps set.

Professional services have a wide range of costs depending on pest, how long the problem's been going on and whether any sealing or clean-up is required. For example, ant prevention is usually around \$200 per year. Sealing out bats tends to be approximately \$1,500.

"Pests don't have to be part of cottage country, and neither do harsh chemicals. We believe a balance can be attained to protect your property as well as the environment," they said.

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Renting out your cottage

Check with your municipality to confirm whether area bylaws affect your plans. All Highlands municipalities are studying short-term rentals to address complaints about poor behavior, and to consider potential issues such as zoning and health and safety.

If you proceed, contact your insurance company to learn what changes you may need to make to your homeowner's policy. Assess your property and complete major repairs. For example, check decks and dock. Railings must be in good shape and up to code for child safety. Minor repairs are also important to give a good impression.

How many people do you want to accommodate at one time? Your septic system will need to be large enough for that number and visitors. Decide if your rental will be pet-friendly.

Renters like queen-sized beds and bunk beds but limit sofa beds. A dishwasher and microwave and propane barbecue with full tank is recommended.

Satellite and high-speed wireless Internet service are key. Have indoor and outdoor toys and games

such as a non-motorized boat, a TV, DVD player, and book and video libraries.

A professional cleaner can help ensure consistent high standards and advise of missing items or damage. Consider finding a local maintenance contractor.

Global platforms such as Airbnb and national groups such as Canada Stays have become popular for cottage owners who don't have the time or expertise to market their property themselves.

However, local rental agencies know this market intimately and can provide a wide range of services that include initial screenings to help owners choose reliable renters who will practice good cottage etiquette. They also offer help with advertising, fielding inquiries, developing lease agreements and payment schedules, setting a damage deposit amount and more. Choose one with a superior website, strong references and an extensive list of reliable renters, who becomes familiar with your property, involves you in final screening decisions, and is available 24/7.



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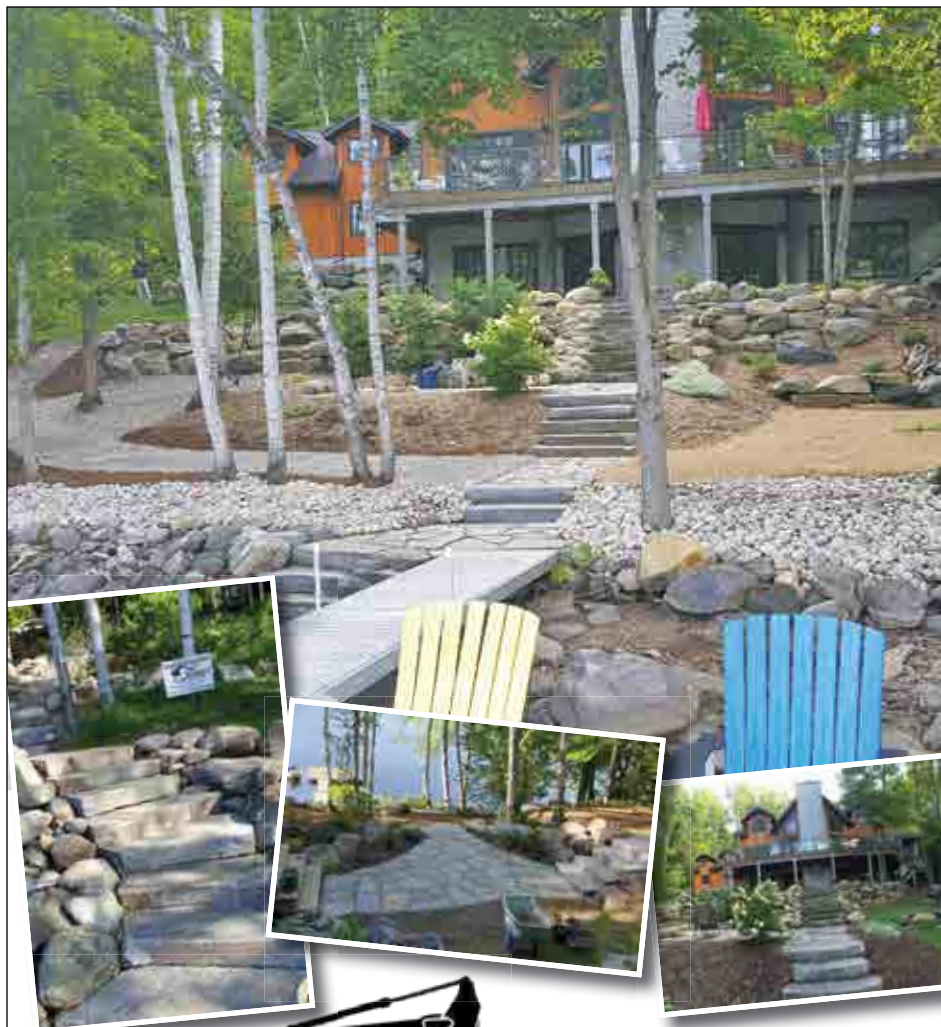


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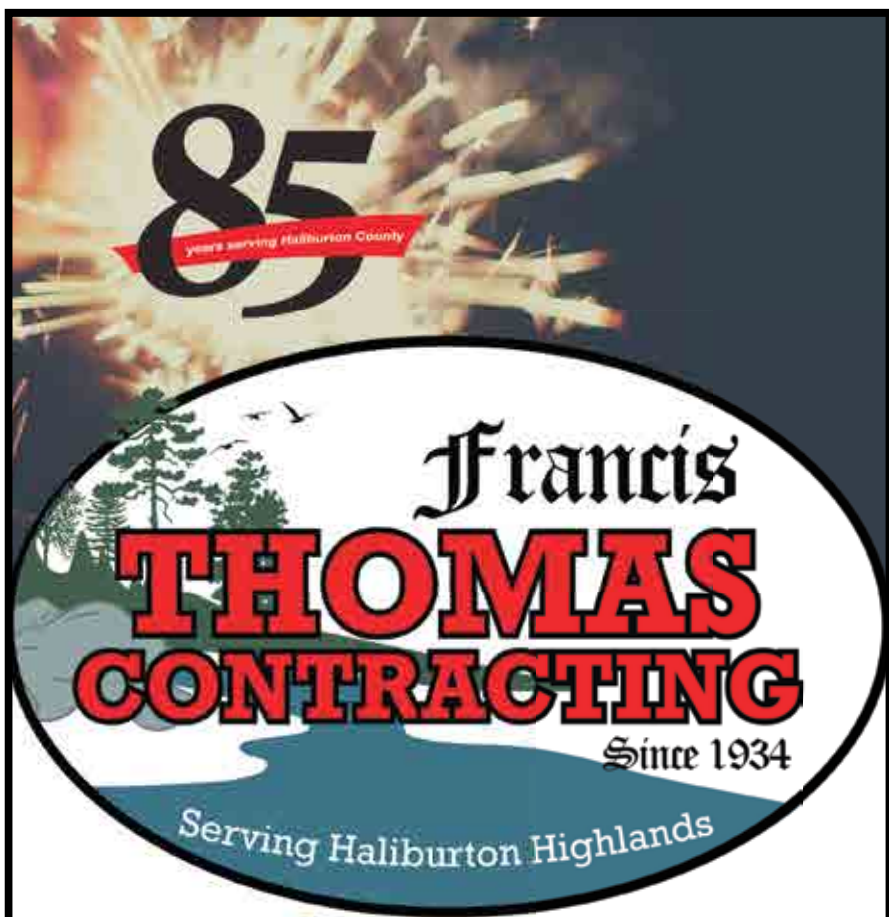


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The following are a few guidelines for newcomers to cottage life, and some refreshers for the rest of us.

Renters

Treat the cottage and neighbours as though they're your own.

Confirm if you can bring pets, clean up after them.

Follow cottage rules for water conservation, septic system use, and waste and recycling disposal.

Follow the municipality's burning regulations.

Confirm whether you can use fireworks, and what times.

Learn the local and provincial rules for motorized watercraft if you plan to use them.

Leave the cottage in the condition you found it.

Take your waste and recycling to the local landfill when leaving. Your host may supply a Cottage Kit. If not, you can get one from your local municipality.

Visitors

Confirm your arrival and departure days/times.

Ask what supplies you can/should bring, and plan for all types of weather.

Confirm whether you can bring pets, and if so, clean up after them.

Plan to bring and/or make at least one meal.

Help with, or do, the dishes; tidy and clean throughout your stay; and help with final cleanup.

DON'T

Bring/allow unexpected guests.

Drink too much alcohol.

Play music or raise voices outdoors.

Leave food outdoors or grime on the barbecue.

Use harsh chemicals in sinks or toilets.

Ever use soap or shampoo in the lake, even if the product is biodegradable.

Let pets roam free, as local animals such as bears, porcupines and skunks could harm them.

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Recycling

Recycling is mandatory. The county and its four municipalities have made numerous resources available for their permanent and seasonal residents to help ensure recycling is done properly.

Start with the county's Recycling Guide poster, available on municipal websites and from the municipalities.

The county's guide covers the dos and don'ts for recycling household containers and fibres in the Highlands.

Containers include glass bottles and jars, plastic containers and lids, metal cans and foil, polystyrene (Styrofoam) and plastic bags.

Fibres include newspapers, magazines, books, boxboard, mixed paper, corrugated cardboard, tetra-pak boxes and "gable-top" cartons such as waxed (polycoat) milk cartons.

Examples of items banned in this county are any plastic items that do not have any of the numbers 1 through 7 stamped on them.

Facial tissues and paper towels are banned. Frozen juice cans must have the cardboard and

metal ends separated into the fibre and container bins, and cartons and their plastic spouts must be separated. Only Styrofoam used for food can be placed in the containers bin.

Containers should be rinsed before being recycled to reduce smells, avoid attracting insects and make sorting more pleasant.

Each township has multiple landfill sites or transfer stations for recyclables and waste. These can include sections for composting, e-waste and disposal of metals and construction and renovation waste.

The municipalities also hold annual hazardous waste days for items such as latex and oil paints, used motor oil, household batteries, solvents and pesticides.

Residents renting out their properties can purchase a Cottage Kit to make it easier for their renters. The many items in the kit include a one-time-use landfill pass, approved bags for recyclables and waste, the county recycling guide and a landfill map. Kits cost \$3 each or \$25 for 10 and are available at municipal offices and some landfill sites.



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Burning regulations

The county's four municipalities have taken steps to standardize burning regulations this past year.

As a result, no open air fires are allowed between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. and between the dates of April 1 to October. 31.

Open air fires shall comply with the following conditions:

- A responsible person is available and in attendance at all times until the fire is completely extinguished.
- The material is burned in a single pile that is less than two (2) metres in diameter and less than two (2) metres. high.
- Only burn wood or by-products of wood.
- Not burn noxious materials.
- Fire must be at least three (3) metres from combustible materials, property line, buildings, fences, trees, and roadway.
- The responsible person has tools and/or



extinguishing agent adequate to contain and completely extinguish the fire.

- The fire must be completely extinguished before the burn site is vacated.

Fines for violations are levied in all four municipalities. For full details on the fire season in your area, including campfire allowances, burning conditions, permit requirements, exceptions

and fines, contact your municipality (see Municipal contacts).

NOTE: The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the municipalities retain the authority to declare a ban on all outdoor burning if atmospheric conditions become extreme or local circumstances warrant it. This includes fires for cooking and warmth. It is your responsibility to be aware of fire bans. Follow *The Highlander* on Facebook (facebook.com/TheHighlanderOnline) to ensure you receive notification if a fire ban is placed in your area.



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ITEM	COST	NOTES
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TRIPS

DATE	WHO & WHERE	NOTES
<i>July 15, 2019</i>	<i>Jenny, Bill and Andrew - Gull Lake</i>	<i>went cliff jumping</i>

BIG CATCHES OF 2019

DATE	WHERE	SPECIES	WEIGHT/LENGTH
<i>June 19, 2019</i>	<i>by the narrows</i>	<i>Lake Trout</i>	<i>4lbs - 25 inches</i>

STORAGE NOTES FOR 2019:

Provincial parks

The 340-park Ontario Parks system began with Algonquin Park, one of the four provincial parks that are partially or fully situated in Haliburton County.

Algonquin

Hwy. 60 east of Hwy 35 - 705-633-5572
ontarioparks.com/park/algonquin

Covers more than 772,000 hectares, extending into the northeast portion of the Highlands. It features an art centre, logging museum, canoeing, kayaking, limited boating, hiking, camping, trout fishing, limited hunting, moose-watching, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Check the online 2019 Operating Dates for details on each park area.

Oxtongue River-Ragged Falls

Hwy. 60 east of Hwy 35 - 705-789-5105
ontarioparks.com/park/oxtongueriverraggedfalls

Located west of Algonquin, Oxtongue River-Ragged Falls features hiking trails and one of the top 10 waterfalls in Ontario. Covering 507 forested hectares, it can be accessed off Hwy. 60 on a marked gravel road. Parking is pay-and-display. Open May 10 to Oct. 15, 2019 for day use only. Campers may wish to stay at Algonquin.

Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands

Local access point: 1115 Devils Lake Rd.
705-454-3324

ontarioparks.com/park-locator (use “Non-operating Parks” button)

This 33,505-hectare wildlands park extends into the southwestern portion of the Highlands. The park is crossed by numerous trail systems, including the Ganaraska Trail. Accessible year-round, it's classified as “non-operating” as it offers no maintained public facilities or services.

Silent Lake

1589 Silent Lake Park Rd. south of Hwy. 28
613-339-2807

ontarioparks.com/park/silentlake

Southwest of Cardiff and 20 minutes from Bancroft, it covers 1,610 hectares. No motor boats or electric motors permitted. Two sandy beaches, a beautiful lookout point, two forested campgrounds and walk-in campsite areas with laundromats. Open May 10 to Oct. 15. Check the website or call for winter season dates.

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The Land Trust

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT) is a not-for-profit, non-governmental charitable organization that manages five richly diverse nature reserves in Haliburton County: Fred and Pearl Barry Wetland Preserve, Dahl Forest, Norah's Island, Smith Forest and our most recent acquisition, Barnum Creek Nature Reserve. Collectively the HHLT conserves and protects close to 1,200 acres of land with a further 100 acres under a conservation agreement.

We are looking forward to another wonderful and successful year packed with events, research projects and Discovery Days programs as well as completing the work required to open Barnum Creek Nature Reserve to the public. The reserve is located just outside the Village of Haliburton. As with most of our properties, Barnum Creek will be open to the public for nature walks, hikes, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and non-motorized biking.

While our main focus is to acquire lands of ecological and cultural significance for conservation purposes, we also focus on education through a series of workshops entitled "Land Trust Discovery Days." Online registration can be found at haliburtonlandtrust.ca under the "Events" tab. Our 2019 programs include our ever-popular Owl Prowl in April, Wild Edibles in May, and Marvelous Mushrooms in August. In September, we will join Hike Haliburton for a trek through Barnum Creek Nature Reserve.

Our annual fundraiser, the "Rock Our World" dance, will take place Aug. 9 at the Legion and will be a highlight of our season. We depend on funds raised at this event to ensure that we have the financial resources necessary to protect and

maintain all of our properties in perpetuity.

The Land Trust is proud to have worked with our partners Abbey Gardens, on past projects including a Pollinator Garden, and the Township of Minden Hills, to plant trees and native shoreline plants to help control flooding along the Gull River. We continue to work with U-Links and Trent University and their graduate students to set up plot samples on many of our properties, to do research on species at risk and to provide land management plans that will assist us in managing our properties in years to come.

Government grants are important to us to provide the funding necessary to conduct research on species at risk in our community. Past research projects include our Turtle Mortality Mitigation Study and most recently a bat study to track and monitor the health of bat populations in and around our community. We will continue to seek funding this year to conduct a wetlands study that we feel is very important to the environmental health of our community, to protect species at risk and to help mitigate flooding in our area.

"Our belief is that a healthy lifestyle and healthy economy depends on a healthy environment," says Mary-Lou Gerstl, chair of the board of directors for the Land Trust.

"Through conservation and land protection, educational workshops and research efforts we hope to draw attention to the beauty and diversity of Haliburton Highlands."

For more information on our events, our projects and our lands, please visit our website at haliburtonlandtrust.ca, email us at admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca or call 705-457-3700.



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Nature reserves

Haliburton County's several thousand acres of dedicated nature reserves offer multiple recreational pursuits for outdoors enthusiasts. Though not operated formally as conservation areas, these regions are managed closely by dedicated government staff, owners and/or volunteers to maintain healthy and enjoyable environments.

The Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (HHWT) system in Algonquin Highlands, which has been gaining international recognition for excellence, is the largest public example of these areas. Covering approximately 28,000 hectares of Crown and municipal public lands, the HHWT features more than 38 kilometres of hiking trails, 26 kilometres of Nordic ski and snowshoe trails, and hundreds of campsites and canoe routes along pristine lakes and rivers in continuous forest. Equipment rentals are available for numerous activities. (algonquinhighlands.ca)

The privately-owned Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve covers 100,000 acres northeast of Haliburton. The owners have established nationally recognized sustainable forestry practices and open the reserve for various ecological studies and research. Public areas and activities include a wolf centre, a forest canopy tour, astronomy, four-season camping, fishing,

mountain biking, dog sledding, snowmobiling, and a variety of guided experiences. (haliburtonforest.com)

The 100-acre, privately owned Minden Wild Water Preserve in Minden Hills is the designated white-water site for past and future Toronto Olympic bids. The preserve also played host to exciting kayaking events during the 2015 Pan-Am Games. In addition to challenging kayaking and canoeing runs, it features forested nature trails for hiking, biking and Nordic skiing, and picnic spots along the Gull River. The Whitewater Centre is available for day or weekend rental. (whitewaterontario.ca)

The 460-acre Snowdon Park wetland and forest preserve in Minden Hills offers forested walking trails, Nordic ski and snowshoe trails, and a wheelchair-accessible viewing platform in the high season. Wildlife sightings are common in all seasons. (hhfn.ca/Snowdon.htm)

The Lochlin Esker & Wetlands are situated on private land south of Haliburton. Running through the centre of one of the county's largest wetlands, the site features several natural environments, including fen, open marsh, treed bog, moraine, esker, bore hole and boreal forest. Recreational and educational tours may be arranged when conditions are appropriate. (lochlinesker.com)

2019 Wildlife Sightings

SPECIES	DATE	LOCATION	NOTES

Golfing

The Highlands feature several golf experiences from family mini-putt greens to driving ranges and prime 18-hole golf clubs showcasing our great outdoors.

Among the oldest and most unique of Highlands golf clubs is Lakeside on Highway 118 near West Guilford. Surrounded by evergreens, this nine-hole, par-36 course was built in the early 1950s to take golfers along gently rolling hills with breathtaking views of Grass Lake.

Ponds turn up in unexpected and deliberately awkward places, including the front of the green on Lakeside's signature hole, a 589-yard par five.

The course also features a water fountain and a "toll" bridge where golfers are welcome to make a donation toward a local cause. In 2018, the course's new owners, Duane Adams and Tracy Ballenie, were able to donate toll proceeds of almost \$400 to the local hospital foundation.

Lakeside golfers can choose either nine or 18-hole rounds. The club offers reserved tee-off times and pay-as-you-play, weekly and full membership rates. Members receive a 20 per cent discount

on golf and their guests receive a 10 per cent discount.

"Exercise [and] spending time with your family and friends" are among the benefits of golf, said Adams.

"A lot of families [came out] last summer, we were surprised, even young kids, I'm talking as young as four years old, were out there with their parents. It's a good day out. We need the younger generation to get into golf."

Lakeside also operates the 10th Hole Restaurant for golfers and non-golfers alike, with casual dining inside and on the deck overlooking the lake. Live music Fridays will be on tap again this year, weather permitting.

The club will be open from May to October. The 10th Hole will operate Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., from May 18 until the end of September.

For more information on golfing in the Highlands visit myhaliburtonhighlands.com/adventure or call 1-800-461-7677.

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Tucked among the wealth of experiences to enjoy in the Highlands is the opportunity to make a deeper spiritual connection with the land and the elements.

Karen Moon Beam “holds space” in Harcourt, located in Highlands East near the south entrance to Algonquin Park. The way in which that

70-acre space came to her was divine, according to Karen, and she considers it sacred. She left it unused for 10 years while she waited for it to tell her what to bring forward.

It’s now known as Gaia’s Den and home base for five customized, guided experiences that draw upon nature, spirit and adventure. Held in this space and neighbouring spaces, these shamanic journeys centre on waterfalls, plants, trees, stones or crystals. Each journey is created to flow with the pace of the wanderer’s holiday. Water and energy are common threads.

Shaman Karen said she was surprised when she heard through spirit that this was what to bring forward in the space and that she – who didn’t even sing “happy birthday” in public – was to lead singing and other transformational experiences here. But, “I followed it, as crazy as I thought it was,” said Karen. The first journey, Spirit of the Waterfalls, began in 2015.

Featured experiences in the journeys may include hiking or horseback riding through the forest, dipping in swirling pools, meditation, singing,



Photo submitted

drumming, walking a labyrinth, having hands-on healing, learning mindful tree harvesting, rock hounding or crystal collecting, visiting a cave, or others.

“I have a conversation with the people who are booking to see what they’re working on ... everybody’s working on a different aspect of healing,” said Karen. She

then customizes a journey for them. For example, those who are unable to walk far or who are in a wheelchair can simply sit by the water with her and use that element to transform what they’re working on.

“I basically work with energy and I work with nature, and where that meets to transform a person’s lower self and to help them connect more with their higher self, and with the divine in whatever way that person connects with the divine. Therefore, it’s open to all traditions, it has nothing to do with religion ... it’s just really bringing those pieces together.”

Karen said she hopes the wanderers come away from their journeys with a transformation, an awakening, and the realization that “they can heal themselves ... and take this home and sit and do this in their own backyard.”

Journeys range in price from \$75 to \$250 depending upon the elements and time involved. Group journeys are also available.

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Yours Outdoors

Explore the Highlands’ rich natural and cultural heritage through fully guided, themed experience packages. Activities include canoe day-tripping, glassblowing, rock hounding, culinary tours, ice climbing, winter camping, skijoring with your dog, sleigh rides and more. Custom packages are available by request. 705-754-3436; info@yoursoutdoors.ca; yoursoutdoors.ca

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Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Visitor's Centre

Committed to the sustainable management of our natural resources, the non-profit HHOA features educational events, several clubs and more. The HHOA's volunteer community fish hatchery program is the largest in Ontario and has stocked

more than 700,000 fish in local lakes. Hatchery tour schedules and special events vary by season. Private tours are available by appointment. Volunteers are welcome. 6712 Gelert Road, Haliburton. 705-457-9664; hhoa.on.ca

Spirit of the Waterfalls Series

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Hunting & fishing

Hunters and anglers in the Haliburton Highlands have a big decision to make: where to hunt and fish on the thousands of acres of pristine land and more than 600 beckoning lakes within the county's borders.

Bear hunters currently have access to a spring hunting season in the Highlands under a pilot program affecting all wildlife management units (WMUs) that have fall seasons, which includes all WMUs in Haliburton County. The spring season pilot is scheduled to end in 2020. Wolf and coyote hunters will find that hunting and trapping seasons are closed in three additional core areas where the Algonquin wolf is known to occur, including Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands, which covers a southwest portion of Minden Hills. This is due to the 2016 listing of the Algonquin wolf as a threatened species under



Lauren Forbes

Ontario's Endangered Species Act, 2007.

Summer and winter fishing opportunities are strongly supported by the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA). This volunteer group operates a fish hatchery and has

stocked more than half a million fish across the county and surrounding areas. To learn more about wildlife management, hunting and fishing in the Highlands, visit hhoo.on.ca.

Note: The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry discourages the feeding of wildlife. Animals being fed can cause road accidents and may become a threat to pets or humans. The MNR will endorse feeding only in emergency situations which will be communicated to the public.

Following are general highlights of the 2019 fishing and game seasons as a convenient reference only. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) has made many changes to regulations, conditions and more this year. For full details on participating in any hunting or fishing season, hunters and anglers must refer to the MNR's 2019 Ontario Hunting Regulations Summary and 2019 Ontario Fishing Regulations Summary, available at ontario.ca/hunting, ontario.ca/fishing and many outdoor sports retail stores in the Highlands.

HUNTING

WMU = Wildlife Management Unit. Haliburton County covers all or portions of WMUs 51 (Algonquin Provincial Park), 53A, 54 (includes a portion of Algonquin Park), 56, 57 and 60.

2019 MOOSE SEASON – HALIBURTON COUNTY		
RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, BOWS AND MUZZLE-LOADING GUNS		
WMUs	ONTARIO RESIDENT - OPEN SEASON	NON RESIDENT - OPEN SEASON
53, 54, 56, 57, 60	Oct. 19 to Oct 25 Adult & Calf	No season
BOWS ONLY		
57	Oct. 7 to Oct. 12 Adult & Calf	No season



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2019 WILD TURKEY SEASON – HALIBURTON COUNTY

WMUs	OPEN SEASON	BAG LIMIT	HOURS
53, 54, 56, 57, 60	April 25 to May 31 Ontario residents & non-residents	One bearded wild turkey per tag. Two spring tags per hunter maximum. Two bearded wild turkeys may not be taken on the same day.	1/2 hour before sunrise to 7 p.m.

2019 ELK SEASONS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

WMUs	HARVEST AREA	HARVEST CODE	DESCRIPTION OF HARVEST AREA BOUNDARY	RESIDENTS ONLY OPEN SEASON	SEAL QUOTA	
					BULLS	COWS
57	1	100	Part of WMU 57 west of a line formed by Hwy. 62 south of Maynooth & Hwy. 127 north of Maynooth.	Sept. 16 to Sept 29	1	1
57	2	101	Part of WMU 57 east of a line formed by Hwy. 62 south of Maynooth & Hwy. 127 north of Maynooth.		2	15
60	4	120	Part of WMU 60 east of Hwy. 28.		1	3

2019 WHITE-TAILED DEER SEASONS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

Subject to Sunday gun hunting and other restrictions. Check with your municipality.

RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, BOWS AND MUZZLE-LOADING GUNS

WMUs	ONTARIO RESIDENT & NON RESIDENT	CONDITIONS/RESTRICTIONS
53A, 54, 56, 57,60	Nov 4. to Nov. 17	
60	Dec. 2 to Dec. 8	Bows & muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs

2019 BLACK BEAR SEASONS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, BOWS AND MUZZLE-LOADING GUNS

WMUs	ONTARIO RESIDENT - OPEN SEASON	NON RESIDENT - OPEN SEASON
53	Sept. 3 to Nov. 30	Sept. 4 to Nov. 30
53, 54, 56, 57,60	May 1 to June 15	May 1 to June 15
54, 56, 57, 60	Sept. 1 to Nov. 30	Sept. 1 to Nov. 30

*In 2016 the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) announced the expansion and extension of the black bear spring season pilot through 2020. The season runs from May 1 to June 15 in all WMUs that have an open fall season, including all WMUs in Haliburton County. ** A Non-Resident Black Bear Hunting License Validation Certificate is required. See the MNRF's 2019 Ontario Hunting Regulations Summary.

FISHING

Haliburton County is located in Zone 15. For limits and exceptions to these seasons, additional fishing opportunities and more see the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's 2019 Ontario Fishing Regulations Summary.

2019 FISHING SEASONS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

SPECIES	SEASONS	SPECIES	SEASONS
Walleye & Sauger	Jan. 1 to Mar. 15 & third Sat. in May to Dec. 31	Trout (Brook & Lake)	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30
Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass	Fourth Sat. in June to Nov. 30	Yellow Perch/ Crappie/ Sunfish/ Channel Catfish/ Lake Whitefish Pacific Salmon/ Splake/ Trout (Brown & Rainbow)	Open all year
Northern Pike	Jan. 1 to Mar. 31 & third Sat. in May to Dec. 31		
Muskellunge	First Sat. in June to Dec. 15		

Off the beaten path

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Haliburton County has the best ATV trails in the province, according to the Haliburton ATV Association (HATVA). While most of the county's approximately 700 kilometres of trails are created on Crown land, HATVA has land use permits with private property owners to ensure seamless rides. HATVA has also aligned with other clubs to provide one-pass access to 1,700 kilometres of trails that include the Muskoka, Kawartha, Peterborough and Madawaska regions.

Ray's Place in Minden boasts professionally designed, four-season trails for ATVs and jeeps/trucks, including forest terrain, a mud bog and sudden drops. Owner Ray Gervais calls it "four-wheel-drive heaven", and major trail event organizers book several events there each year. Ray's is also a highly popular location for winter wheeling.

Lovers of winter ATVing can find another unique experience at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. The Forest maintains more than 300 kilometres of winter ATV and snowmobile trails within its 100,000-acre site.

Beyond the Reserve's trails, sledders will find trails covering more than 600 kilometres of the county, including portions of Algonquin Park. These trails connect to systems in neighbouring communities through the province-wide permit process managed by the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs.

Highlands sledders can choose from a unique variety of trail environments, including the Haliburton County Rail Trail, dense bush, Hydro corridors and the only trail through Algonquin Park. Highlands trails are managed by the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association, the Algonquin Snowmobile Club, the Tall Pines Snowmobile Club and the Paudash Trail Blazers Club.

For more information visit hatva.ca, rayzplace.ca, haliburtonforest.com, hcsa.ca, algonquinsnowmobileclub.ca, tallpines.org, or paudashtrailblazers.on.ca.

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2019 SUMMER SPORTS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

SPORT	ASSOCIATION / PROVIDER	WEBSITE
Archery	Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Archery Club	hhoa.on.ca/archery.html
Badminton	Check with your local municipality for court locations	See Municipal contacts
Ball hockey	Check with your local municipality for availability	See Municipal contacts
Baseball	Check with your local municipality for leagues / diamond locations	See Municipal contacts
Canoeing	Check with your local municipality for locations	See Municipal contacts
Cycling	Cycle Haliburton Haliburton Real Easy Ryders Cycling Club	cyclehaliburton.ca haliburtonrealeasyryders.com
Golfing	Golf ranges and clubs, driving ranges, family golf ranges	myhaliburtonhighlands.com
Hiking	Municipal Hiking Trails	See Municipal contacts
Kayaking	Minden Whitewater Preserve	whitewaterontario.ca
Jet skiing	Backcountry Tours (jet ski rentals)	backcountrytours.ca
Mountain biking	Sir Sam's Ski & Bike	sirsams.com
Parasailing	Ski-Mazing Parasail Adventures	skiwakefootschool.com/ parasailing
Paddle boarding	SUPnorth Paddle Board Adventures	supnorth.ca
Rock climbing	Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve (groups by appointment)	haliburtonforest.com
Soccer	Haliburton Soccer Club	halsoccer.org
Squash	Highlands Squash Club	highlands-squash-club.com
Table tennis & Tennis	Check with your local municipality for court locations	See Municipal contacts
Wakeboarding, wakesurfing & water skiing	Ski-Mazing Watersports School	skiwakefootschool.com/ parasailing

Winter sports

In the winter wonderland that is the Highlands, sports lovers are among the many who defy the cold to enjoy it.

Carving fresh powder? Skimming the snow on your sled? Playing pond hockey? For these and more, we have just the place for you.

2019 WINTER SPORTS – HALIBURTON COUNTY

SPORT	ASSOCIATION / PROVIDER	WEBSITE
Curling	Baysville Curling Club Haliburton Curling Club Minden Curling Club Wilberforce Curling Club	haliburtoncurlingclub.com mindencurlingclub.com wilberforcecurling.com
Dog sledding	Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve Winterdance Dog Sled Tours	haliburtonforest.com winterdance.com
Ice car racing	Minden Fairgrounds	casc.on.ca
Ice climbing	Yours Outdoors	yoursoutdoors.ca
Ice fishing	Buttermilk Falls Resort	buttermilksfallsresort.com
Ice hockey	The Highlands' many ponds and lakes (depending upon temperatures)	Check with your local municipality for rink locations
Skating		
Skiing (alpine)	Sir Sam's Ski & Bike	sirsams.com
Skiing (Nordic)	The Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trail & Ski Club Association	skihaliburton.com
Snowboarding	Sir Sam's Ski & Bike	sirsams.com
Snowmobiling	Algonquin Snowmobile Club Haliburton County Snowmobile Assoc. Paudash Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club Tall Pines Snowmobile Club	algonquin-sc.on.ca hcsa.ca paudashtrailblazers.on.ca tallpines.org
Snowshoeing	Check with your local municipality for rink locations	See Municipal Contacts

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Real estate sales forecast

More listings, lower interest rates and cottages that can be used for part-time rentals are contributing to a strong sales forecast.

"It is exciting to see the changes occurring in our local market," said Terry Carr, sales rep with ReMax North Country Realty Inc.

"After two years of a shortage of listings, 2019 promises to be a bit more balanced. There is still good demand for both waterfront and non-waterfront properties, but more listings equals a levelling-off of values," Carr said. "It is expected that home and cottage values will settle this year, [with fewer] multiple offers, but definitely a higher value than we have seen in past years."

With interest rates already dropping this year, the residential market has strengthened, partly because young people from Southern Ontario are realizing that owning a property where they work is just not feasible, said Carr.

"Haliburton County is quite tempting. As many people are used to commuting anyway, those not required to be in the office five days a week are loving the idea of living in our county. This is bringing a surge of everyone from young families right through to early retirees – it is great for our

communities.

"The Highlands has always been a stable real estate market to invest in, and that certainly seems to be the continuing trend for the near future."

Cottage values continue to rise, and with them the trend of looking for a cottage that can be used as a part-time rental. Also, while at one time properties on the big boating lakes were a must-have, properties on smaller, more peaceful lakes have been rising in demand and value, and Carr foresees that trend continuing.

The Highlands saw 24 waterfront sales of \$800,000 and more in 2018, the highest number on record, and Carr said we may see an even higher number in 2019.

New construction in the residential market is also on the rise, added Carr.

All in all, it's an exciting time to be in real estate in the Highlands, said Carr.

"After a couple of years of sellers reaping the rewards of listing shortages, 2019 looks to be rolling out as a more balanced market. This is great for everyone – both buyers and sellers, a sustainable market."

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Liability

Most policies have a coverage amount for liability, typically one or two million dollars. The cost of this insurance is relatively low and worth the expense.

Personal Property

Generally, personal property is everything in the building that isn't nailed down: things like

furniture, clothing, electronics, dishes and bikes. Your first consideration is to ensure you have sufficient coverage — how much would it take to replace everything? The next step is to determine if replacement cost coverage is available and if you want it.

Water Damage

One of the most common causes of property damage in cottage country is water. Water can leak slowly from your sink, seep into your foundation, gush forth from a burst pipe, rain in through a window broken by a fallen tree, or wreck your roof in winter due to ice damming. Each of these hazards can be treated differently in an insurance policy.

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Most insurance policies require you to tell the company if you're renting your property, no matter how short the term. Failing to do so may mean a refusal to pay out in case of disaster. Often all that's required is a small additional premium — it's worth it.

Vacancy

Some policies, particularly all-risk ones with high limits, become void if you leave your property vacant for more than a specified period of time without taking certain precautions. Make sure you know what they are.

Fire

Nearly all policies will cover fire from many causes, including lightning, but there will, naturally, be exceptions. You may not be covered for fires caused by situations such as your own

negligence; a wood stove, thermostat or electrical wiring you installed yourself; using an appliance or electronic device for reasons other than its intended purpose; or leaving a barbecue or outdoor fire unattended.

Boats

Non-motorized boats are often covered as personal property, but motorized ones generally need a separate endorsement and additional premium. Check that your boating insurance covers liability — and don't forget to insure the trailer, too.

Proving a Loss

One of the smartest things you can do is take photos of every room, from every angle, including closets (with the doors open to expose the contents) and bathrooms, and keep them somewhere else. Do the same with separately insured items such as a boat. If you have replacement cost coverage, you'll get exactly what you spent to restore your property or item to its previous state, up to the limit of your policy; if you don't, you'll get what the adjuster considers fair, current value.



Larry Murphy

Getting ready to sell

As realtors will tell you, first impressions are important no matter where you live or whether you're selling a home or cottage.

The building's value can be increased by replacing worn-out plumbing, touching up chipped paint and staining the deck, but buyers will appreciate other details first.

"Curb appeal is huge," said Jeff Wilson of Team Haliburton Highlands ReMax. "If a buyer rolls up to a home and it doesn't look good from the outside, chances are they're thinking it's not going to look great on the inside."

Wilson suggested anyone about to list their property should walk through their house as if seeing it for the first time from the buyer's perspective.

Trimming the shrubs and keeping the walkways clutter-free will help make a strong first impression, said Bill Kulas of ReMax North Country Realty.

Sellers who have upgraded their home or cottage may be in for a disappointment at sale time if they're not careful. Pricing a home can be

tricky, and many sellers set the bar too high – specifically, those sellers who have upgraded, said Kulas.

"I see so many people overpricing their homes, and then they just end up sitting on the market," he said. "You have to realize when you put your home on the market you have to be comparable to other sales happening around you."

Listing a property at the right time can also make a big difference. Many parents don't feel comfortable pulling their kids out of school in the winter, so waiting until the spring to post your sale sign isn't a bad idea.

However, while the spring used to be known as the prime time for buying a home, Kulas noted times have changed and more homes are being put on the market in the dead of winter.

Wet basements can sink deals.

Wilson advises homeowners to deal with wet basement issues as these can deter buyers as well. Due to the heavy snowfall in the county, buyers here are well aware of the potential for wet basements, Wilson said, but if they notice extra effort put into minimizing the problem, it can help with the sale.

Two key actions are to clear all gutters of debris and eliminate pockets of standing water near the foundation.

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Cottage hunting in the winter

Cottage properties are in high demand once spring arrives and buyers can clearly see how they'll be able to enjoy the summer cottage season.

But it's also possible to find what you're looking on a fall or winter hunt with some good advice from local realtors who truly know the Highlands.

For example, as with any property search, you should start by finding the realtor you'll be most comfortable working with.

"Make sure you find someone who understands what your expectations are," said Anthony vanLieshout, broker of record of Royal LePage Lakes of Haliburton.

Winter cottage hunting is especially challenging. It's difficult to identify a property's good and bad features when so many of them are covered in snow or ice. To compensate, ask to see summer or off-season photos and talk to the neighbours, advised vanLieshout. The neighbours can be an unbiased source of information such as shoreline quality and depth at a waterfront property.

"Shoreline quality is important," he said. "Is it

sand or rock? What's the depth? Is there weed growth? The privacy and the view are obvious [selling points] regardless of the season, but all those other things are important characteristics for buyers."

Don't make one of the most common mistakes potential buyers make, which is to focus on what can be changed instead of what can't, said vanLieshout. For example, undesirable decks can be altered but exposure can't.

As a final security measure, hesitant winter buyers can always make an offer that is conditional upon a spring inspection and hope the seller will agree to this.

If you do decide to delay your search until next spring, keep in mind that the spring hunting season has been starting earlier as people want to get their home or cottage plans sorted out as quickly as possible to maximize their enjoyment of the high season.

A variety of properties in the area can be found at realtor.ca.

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Buy existing or build new?

Residential and cottage construction has been booming in the Highlands.

For example, several developers have discovered the Highlands and fallen in love, noted Terry Carr, sales representative with ReMax North Country Realty Inc., via email.

“It is a great place to do business, and they are even starting to live here themselves ... Minden and Haliburton are still more affordable to develop than outlying areas.”

Homes priced in the \$600,000 to \$800,000 range have been pulling multiple offers, according to local realtors. The current boom has been fed in part by additional subdivision offerings of lakefront lots of three or more acres over the past few years, such as those at Haliburton Lake and Percy Lake.

Also contributing to the growth are Toronto-area buyers age 40 and older who have the income to take on a second mortgage and are buying or building new cottages. Many retirees cashed in on record sale prices on their city homes and are

renovating their cottages or building new living spaces. When construction booms outgrow the local workforce, the work doesn't stop – it just spills over to contractors outside the county.

Historically, people with budgets of \$1.5-million-plus have elected to build in Haliburton and not buy an existing cottage. However, going the new-build route has its catches for any buyer. These include whether the buyer needs to occupy a home by a certain date, and how the price and value of existing stock compare to those of a new structure.

Other considerations include finding a suitable property and the buyer's ability to finance a new construction project. Financing a new build is costlier and less attainable for many buyers. Many buyers who can't find a home that suits, and for whom building is not an option, are choosing to go with factory-built homes.

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The school started as the dream of United Church minister Ron McCaw. McCaw formed a committee with Jan Augustiejn, Karl Hanke, Elizabeth Hobden, Harold O'Neill and Carole Finn to seek support for the dream. The group also planned workshops.

In late 1967, it was announced that the school would run as an extension division of Peterborough-based Sir Sandford Fleming College.

Full-time HSAD students often go on to develop their own studios, assist in other studios and work within creative industries and design studios.

HSAD's part-time program, commonly known

as summer school, is primarily a leisure learning opportunity but it also provides professional development for career artists and art school teachers.

Each year's course schedule is determined by several factors including current trends and interests, registration levels, and the many proposals received from potential new instructors who are drawn by the school's reputation for excellence.

HSAD plans to expand the type and level of programming available for professional artists with its new president, Maureen Adamson, who has a vision focused on excellence, according to dean Sandra Dupret.

"[The school] has been fantastic for the community and the community has been an amazing partner for the college," said Dupret, who has served as dean/principal for more than 11 years.

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Former Barenaked Ladies singer Steven Page and The Slokan Ramblers are among the varied Canadian artists slated to appear in this intimate setting.

Traditionally, the Forest has hosted the Festival at both the museum and the outdoor Bone Lake Amphitheatre but the amphitheatre is getting some overdue work this year, according to Festival manager Lesley English..

“The good news is we are focusing our full attention on the recently upgraded Logging Museum to make it even warmer and more magical than it already is.”

Scheduled to join Page and the Ramblers in the lineup are The Satallites, Collette Savard & The Savants, Soul Stew, and Amanda Rheame. CBC broadcaster Tom Allen will close out the Festival with Exosphere, one of his “chamber musicals.”

New features include the Festival’s first-ever

licensed dance parties on Friday and Saturday and weekend ticket packages.

Artists and audiences alike enjoy the Festival’s forest setting, English noted in an interview.

“Performing at the Forest Festival takes them out of the ordinary. Where else is a musician likely to hear loon calls and wolf howls during a show?”

As for the audience appeal, “[there] are very few venues where the front row of the audience is six feet from the front of the stage,” said English.

It’s all made possible by the people behind the scenes, said English.

“No story about the Forest Festival is complete without mentioning our amazing team of volunteers and the dedicated hardworking staff without whom the Festival simply could not happen,” she said.

The 2019 Festival runs Aug. 14-18 at Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, 1095 Redken Rd., Haliburton. For more information and for tickets visit theforestfestival.com or call Haliburton Forest at 1-800-631-2198.

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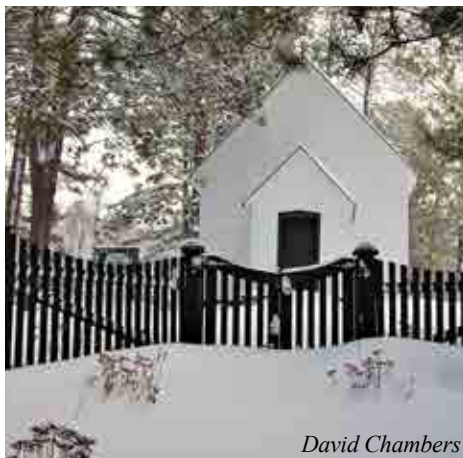
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April 20, Wilberforce, Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre

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May 4, Wilberforce, Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre

HATVA Deep Woods

Safari

May 18, Gooderham, Robert McCausland Memorial Centre

Storm the Trent – Hosted by Storm Racing

May 25-26, Village of Haliburton

Haliburton Home and Cottage Show

May 31, June 1-2, Haliburton Curling Club + A.J. LaRue Arena

Haliburton County Fair & Beef BBQ Dinner

June 8-9, Minden Fairgrounds

Haliburton Highlands Food and Beverage Showcase

June 15, Wintergreen Pancake Barn

Trash N Treasures Sale and Art Heaven

June 15, Head Lake Park - Haliburton

ATV & 4 wheel mud bog – Minden Kinsmen

June 16, Minden Fairgrounds

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June 21, Junction Skate Park – Haliburton

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July 6, Dorset Heritage
Museum

Haliburton County Wellness Fair

July 10, Head Lake
Park – Haliburton

Art on the Dock

July 13, 14,
Kennisis Lake

Bluegrass Festival

July 18, 19, 20,
Minden Fairgrounds

Rockstar Adventure Race

July 19, 20, 21, Bark

Lake Leadership &
Conference Centre

Haliburton Craft Beer Fest

July 20, Head Lake
Park - Haliburton

Stanhope Heritage Day

July 20, Stanhope
Museum Grounds

Haliburton Art and Craft Festival

July 26, 27, 28, Head
Lake Park, Haliburton

Giant Penny Raffle & Dinner

July 27, Wilberforce,
Keith Tallman
Memorial Arena

Gooderham Music Festival

Aug 3, Gooderham –
Community Centre

Highland Yard - Run

Aug 4, Village of
Minden

Rotary Carnival

Aug 7, Head Lake Park
– Haliburton

Wilberforce Agricultural Fair

Aug 9, 10, Wilberforce
Fairgrounds

Haliburton Ribfest

Aug 9, 10, 11, Head
Lake Park - Haliburton

Highlands East Studio Tour

Aug 10, 11 & 17, 18.

Forest Festival

Aug 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,
Haliburton Forest &
Wild Life Reserve

Lantern Festival of the August Moon

Aug 15, Minden, Wild
Swan B&B Inn



John Crowe

Wilberforce/HATVA ATV Poker Ride

Aug 17, Wilberforce
Curling Club

Minden Pride

Week of Aug 19 – Aug
25, Village of Minden

Garlic Festival

Aug 25, Abbey Gardens

Haliburton Drum Fest

Aug 31, Head Lake
Park – Haliburton

*Check out our 'What's On' in The Highlander
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Live Entertainment

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Minden Artisan Markets

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Santa Claus Parades

Haliburton, Minden & Wilberforce

Holiday Activities

Throughout the Haliburton Highlands

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Autumn events

The Ultra Run

Sept 7-8, Haliburton Forest

Harvest Festival and Social

Sept 7, Minden Fairgrounds

Doors Open – Municipality of Highlands East

Sept 14-15

Haliburton Highlands Quilt Show

Sept 14-15, Minden Community Centre

Terry Fox Run

Sept 15, Village of Minden

17th Annual Hike

Haliburton Festival
Sept 18-22, Haliburton County

Corduroy Enduro

Sept 21-22, Gooderham

ColourFest

Oct 5, Head Lake Park - Haliburton

The Studio Tour

Oct 5-6 & Oct 12-13, Haliburton County

Annual Autumn Social – Open House

Oct 13, Bark Lake Leadership & Conference Centre

Fall Festival

Oct 19, Abbey Gardens

Hali Halloween

Week of Oct 24 – Nov 1, Haliburton Village

Family Halloween Party

Oct 25

Haliburton

International Film Festival

Nov 1-3, Haliburton Northern Lights Pavilion

Lights & Delights

Nov 15, Downtown Minden

Festival of Trees

Nov 22-24, Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Ugly Sweater Run

Nov 24, Haliburton Highlands Museum

Winter Market

Nov 30, Abbey Gardens

Family New Year's Eve

Dec 31, Minden



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Winter events

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Minden Fairgrounds

Haliburton Highlands

Dog Sled Derby

Jan 19-20, Pinestone
Resort & Conference
Centre

Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships

Jan 25-26 & Feb 1-2,
Pinestone Resort &
Conference Centre

Ontario Cup

Snowshoe Race
Jan 26, Abbey Gardens

Haliburton Forest Snowmobile /ATV Poker Run

Feb 9, Haliburton Forest
& Wild Life Reserve

Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival

Feb 15-16, Village of
Dorset

Winterstock 2019

Feb 15-18, Wolf Den
Hostel and Nature
Retreat

Snowmobile Fun Radar Run

Feb 16, Pine Grove
Point Campground

Frost Festival

Feb 16, Head Lake
Park, Haliburton

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March 1-4,
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Performances

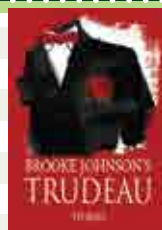
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(7:30 p.m.)



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12 (2 p.m.
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Maggie Lawrence

Cottage Rentals

A good way to begin your search is to contact a reputable cottage rental agency to help you find the right cottage for your needs and avoid fraud or misleading advertising. The agency should have a superior website and strong references along with first-hand knowledge of their listed properties. Many agencies are registered with the Travel Industry Council of Ontario (TICO), which regulates the provincial travel industry.

Whether or not you use an agency, start your search as soon as possible. Ensure the person renting the cottage is the true owner, and that the photos are current and show that exact cottage. Find out whether the cottage is accessed by road or by water and how close it is to amenities.

You need to be sure the cottage can support all your guests and visitors regarding number of beds, size of septic system etc. (see Cottage etiquette), so be precise about the total number of people who may visit. If you want to bring kids or pets, ensure the owners are agreeable to this, and that decks and water access are safe.

List the features you want, including types of appliances, a barbeque and fuel, and confirm the cottage has them. Ask about telephone, mobile phone, Internet and television reception services. Find out whether you'll need to bring your own towels, sheets, games, videos or other items.

If you're a first-timer and would prefer to ease into renting, you may want to consider one of the Highlands' many attractive cottage resorts.

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Haliburton

Tuesdays from May 21 to Oct. 15, noon to 4 p.m.
at Head Lake Park on York Street

Minden

Saturdays from May 18 to Oct. 12, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the corner of Prince and Milne streets across from the municipal office

Stanhope (formerly Carnarvon)

Fridays from June 21 to Aug. 30, noon to 4 p.m. at the Stanhope Community Centre, 1095 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands (4 kilometres north of Highway 118 off Highway 35)

The county also features a unique educational component to the "eat local" experience through the Abbey Gardens project in West Guilford. The project includes a market garden, a Food Hub to sell the garden produce and ready-made foods, a community kitchen and a restaurant patio. Visitors will also find a bakery, a craft brewery, heritage breed ponies and chickens, educational displays and hiking trails. Educational events such as day camps encourage visitors to think about managing land, food, energy and the economy more sustainably.

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Haliburton Ribfest 2019

Haliburton held its first Ribfest in August 2018, and it was so well received that the village has joined the Ontario Festival Group (OFG) Ribfest Tour again this year.

“Ribfest was excellent,” said OFG organizer Ricky Brooks of the 2018 festival, which drew 5,600 people.

“Friday night solidified the event with the amount of people that came out, and when we saw everyone on Saturday with umbrellas in the rain we knew this was an event that was warranted here in Haliburton.”

“The [Dysart et al] township has a responsibility for promotion of economic sustainability and vitality of the community, including encouraging cultural and dynamic events,” said Larry Clarke, chair of the municipality’s events and recreation



committee, via email.

“For both seasonal and year-round residents of Haliburton, we have significant interest in the rib event, often described as a reason for attracting young adults to spend a weekend at the family cottage or [return] home to Haliburton. Ribfest is professionally organized

and well attended. Feedback on the event was mostly positive, with a desire to see the event return this year.”

OFG donated \$2,500 to the Haliburton Junction Skate Park following Ribfest 2018 and Clarke said the organizers have advised they’ll contribute to a local initiative or charity again.

Haliburton Ribfest 2019 will feature three of North America’s best “pitmaster” rib teams from Alabama and Oklahoma. Here’s your chance to savour award-winning barbecue smoked ribs

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Aside from the mouth-watering food, the big draw is the variety of family-friendly events. This year's activities will include a kids' zone with jumping castles and face painting, a marketplace featuring various artisans, parasailing tours, free hot air balloon rides on Friday from 5 to 8 pm and more. Live music all weekend long will showcase Bon Jovi and ACDC tribute groups and a variety of local bands.

The 2nd annual Haliburton Ribfest will take place Aug. 9 and 10 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Aug. 11 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Head Lake Park, 13 York St. in Haliburton.

Event admission is \$3 per person aged 11 and older. Children aged 10 and younger are admitted free. Parking is free and concerts are free with admission. Organizers advise attendees to bring their own lawn chairs. Pets and smoking are not allowed. The event is wheelchair accessible.

For updates visit ontariofestivalgroup.com/event/haliburton-ribfest-2019 and facebook.com/HaliburtonRibfest.



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Haliburton & District – Second and fourth Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. No formal meetings in July and August. haliburtonlions.com or haliburtonlions@gmail.com

Minden & District – Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m. at the Lions Hall, 166 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden. e-clubhouse.org/sites/minden_on, mindenlions@lionsa16.com or 705-286-3233

Minden Kin Club

Meetings: Dinner meeting every other Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Minden Lions Club, 166 Bobcaygeon Rd. facebook.com/mindenkin

Rotary Club

Meetings: Minden – Mondays at 5:45 p.m. at the Minden Legion, 12847 Highway 35.

Haliburton – Thursdays at 5:45 p.m. at Pinestone Resort, 4252 County Road 21, Haliburton. More information: Minden – leacliff@sympatico.ca or 705-286-6699. Haliburton – clubrunner.ca/haliburton.

Royal Canadian Legion

Meetings: Haliburton – Third Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at 719 Mountain St. – haliburtonlegion.com, rc1129@bellnet.ca or 705-457-2571;

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