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HHHS, Foundation ask County for \$1M for CT units

By Lisa Gervais

The County of Haliburton has put HHHS and its Foundation's request for \$1 million towards a CT scanner and CT mammography unit in the waiting room for now. However, the ask is expected to return to the next council meeting, scheduled for Oct. 25.

Haliburton Highlands Health Services interim president and CEO, Veronica Nelson, and Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's (HHHSF) executive director, Melanie Klodt Wong, made a delegation to an Oct. 11 County council meeting.

The province has approved both diagnostic tools but Klodt Wong told council the Foundation will need to raise more than \$4 million. It now generates about \$700,000-\$800,000 for health care services annually, so this, "is a big undertaking."

"And one that has such a profound effect on the well-being of Highlanders. We also don't want to take years and years to raise the funds. They (HHHS) need to raise these funds now and the plan is in motion."

Nelson said they would like both diagnostic tools up and running for the summer of 2024. "There's a desperate need for these services in our area, and we know that these services will keep health care local," she said.

Nelson added the tools will meet doctor expectations and reduce pressure on County EMS, which is now taking patients out of town for CTs. She estimated it will save County EMS \$200,000-a-year and more than 300 trips.

She added women are also travelling well over an hour each way for mammograms, or are not getting them due to distance.

Nelson said last week they were 75 to 80 per cent complete with design detail, which will go to the Ministry of Health this month, and then they can issue an request for proposals for construction.

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Haliburton Highlands Health Services interim president and CEO, Veronica Nelson, announcing the service had been successful in getting a CT scanner, and mammography CT unit. File.

Funding request deferred

The breakdown of costs is \$2 million for diagnostic Continued from page 1

suite construction and design, \$1 million for CT scanner equipment, \$800,000 for CT mammography equipment, \$250,000 for picture archiving upgrades and \$250,000 for ultrasound replacement for a total of \$4.3 million.

In making the \$1M ask of the County, Klodt Wong said “this investment will not only enhance our health care infrastructure but also improve the overall quality of life for our communities. The one thing I hear over and over is we need this...”

Klodt Wong added it will have an economic impact since people will spend money in the County versus out of town while there for “nerve wracking” medical appointments, build the health care system after a tumultuous four years, and optimize conditions for health care professionals.

“Thank you for considering this request. We are passionate about this project and truly believe it will have a positive impact on our community. Your support will make a significant difference and we’re hopeful for your favourable consideration,” Klodt Wong said. She added they want the funds in the next year, or may have to look into a loan.

Council weighs in

Coun. Murray Fearrey said when they funded the original hospitals in Haliburton and Minden, council of the day made a financial commitment. He asked CAO Mike Rutter how

much one per cent of the tax base would be, and was told approximately \$220,000. Fearrey said if it was two per cent, that would generate close to \$500,000 (\$440,000) and the County could find other savings in the budget to get HHHS and the Foundation its money.

Fearrey said it “wouldn’t raise the taxes any more than one per cent. And that’s how we did it before... that seems like not a big increase, and at the same time something that’s needed for all County taxpayers, and we’re going to save that on the ambulance on the other end.”

Rutter said he had discussed the issue with the director of corporate services and they could look to see if they have available reserve money to give upfront, then pay that money back into reserves over a period of five years.

Coun. Bob Carter wanted to defer the ask to budget time. “We can say it’s only one per cent or two per cent, but if that’s on top of five, or six, or seven already, then it gets to be a bit more difficult.”

Coun. Walt McKechnie was in favour of giving the money as soon as possible. “This is an important thing for every person who lives in Haliburton County... we spend so much money, this is really important to me and it’s going to save us money in the long run.” He wants the diagnostic tools up and running by May 2024.

Fearrey agreed he would like it done now.

Warden Liz Danielsen said she’d like to give Rutter and the director of corporate services time to look into funding options and impacts first. She asked for the referral to the next meeting.

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AH council outlines details for docks policy

By Mike Baker

Algonquin Highlands council has agreed to terms on a new license of occupation policy outlining rules for private dock registration on municipal property, with the legislation set to come into effect as of Jan. 1, 2024.

Following months of recent discussion, and years of consideration, the township's elected officials supported the policy in principal Oct. 5. It calls for residents who own property across a municipal road from a waterbody, which has a dock or other infrastructure installed on township land, to register them.

Algonquin Highlands planner, Sean O'Callaghan, said the policy would protect the township from any liability, while enabling staff to keep accurate records of the number, and type, of structures located on municipal land fronting lakes.

The original proposal called for residents to pay a \$750 application fee and provide a \$2,500 deposit to cover any legal fees. It also required a site plan identifying the location and size of the docks and proof of insurance – first set at \$5 million, but since reduced to \$2 million. It was recommended licenses be renewed annually for \$500.

Following criticism from some landowners, council came to something of a compromise at the meeting.

Coun. Sabrina Richards was concerned about the year one costs for those who would have to enrol, suggesting a lower annual renewal fee. Since he was unsure how much the program would cost, and council felt it was important to operate it strictly on a cost recovery basis, O'Callaghan suggested the \$500 annual fee be maintained, at least for the first two years, with the possibility of it being lowered later.

Policies, once approved, will remain in place for 10 years, the planner said. Should someone sell their property within that window, and the new homeowner wish to maintain use of a waterfront area, they would have to reapply for a new license, O'Callaghan said.

To help offset the financial burden for good actors, coun. Lisa Barry suggested the township waive the \$750 application fee for any property owner with existing structures who register in 2024. The fee would be for anyone who applies after that point, and for anyone looking to install a new

structure. Council unanimously supported the amendment.

Council established a two-year window for registration, giving everyone until Dec. 31, 2025 to secure a license. Any unlicensed structure still in place by 2026 will be removed, O'Callaghan said.

"Giving people two years to enter into a license is very reasonable," O'Callaghan said.

Concerns levelled

James Cooper and Logan Percy, who own impacted properties on North Shore Road, told council at the meeting they would not comply with the policy in its current format, and would be recommending members of the Haliburton County Landowners Association – recently established to combat the policy – follow suit.

Cooper opined that council and staff had not properly addressed a list of 42 questions he and Percy submitted to the township in August, covering issues with the initial application fee, seeking clarity on the need to renew annually, and asking why a liability waiver signed by users wouldn't be considered an appropriate exemption from the new rules. Council discussed those questions in detail at meetings Sept. 7 and Oct. 5.

Cooper also took umbrage with O'Callaghan's assessment that the township would reserve the right to terminate any license of occupation at any time at its own discretion.

"We asked for documented guidelines for scenarios where the township can revoke a license, the response was... guidelines will not be developed," Cooper said. "Without guidelines, anyone who signs this agreement effectively has little to no rights."

"There's no appeal process, no tribunals, no lawsuits, nothing. You've covered yourself in a way that says if there's any disputes, there's no recourse for us... Because we're the ones putting out significant funds, we want to make sure we get this right," Cooper added.

O'Callaghan said it would be difficult to establish a standard list, noting there's no one size fits all approach that would cover all properties. He outlined lack of payment and issues with the building code as two reasons for possible termination.

Percy wanted to know if applicants would



Algonquin Highlands council has supported a new license of occupation policy, to come into effect Jan. 1, 2024. Photo by Mike Baker.

have exclusive use of waterfront areas upon registration. O'Callaghan said that was the intent, but he was unsure whether that could be enforced. He committed to bringing an answer back to council at a future meeting.

Paying a fair share

Percy also took exception to prior comments made by Danielsen indicating homeowners like him were not paying their fair share for their docks.

"MPAC does assess us as waterfront residential, our properties are bought and sold at waterfront pricing, and Algonquin Highlands taxes us accordingly... we pay similar amounts in tax per year as all equivalent waterfront properties, so we are paying our fair share and always have been," Percy said.

He opined if this policy were to come into effect, the approximate 350 landowners impacted would be paying more in taxes and

fees, by percentage, than any other ratepayer in Algonquin Highlands. Danielsen expressed her belief Oct. 5 that this was untrue. She also shut down calls from Cooper and Percy to set up a meeting with MPAC, the body responsible for determining property values for taxation purposes.

"I don't see that helping at all," Danielsen said.

The mayor did admit the township "jumped the gun a little bit" in trying to establish the license without rolling out an extensive educational program, noted as a key priority in discussions over the years. She thanked Percy and Cooper for the work they had done on the file.

"In some ways you've forced our hand... we've gone a lot further with respect to education and we should have done that earlier," Danielsen said.

O'Callaghan said he would provide answers to outstanding questions and bring the policy back for official adoption in November.

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HIGHLANDS EAST NEWS

Short-term rentals

Following a presentation from County director of planning, Steve Stone, on proposed regulation of short-term rentals, coun. Angela Lewis sought clarification on what the townships' role will be.

Stone said County council would like the four municipalities to implement the licensing bylaw locally, so, "Highlands East would be issuing licenses for all of your short-term rentals within the municipality."

However, he said the County would like to handle appeals.

Lewis also asked if each township would "tweak" the bylaw.

Stone said, "it is hoped the mechanics of the bylaw... are pretty much equal across the four municipalities."

Coun. Cec Ryall asked about bunkies, not understanding why they cannot be considered as a bedroom for short-term rentals. Stone said municipal planners have advised the use of a bunkie as a rental unit would be contrary to their zoning bylaw.

Ryall asked if it would be allowable under the bylaw for Highlands East to recognize a bunkie as a bedroom for STRs and Stone said no. He said it was designed to limit the density of use on a given property. He said two persons per bedroom wards off overcrowding and keeps noise and parking complaints to a minimum.

Stone said STRs are classified as a business.

Cell tower for Glamorgan

Highlands East received a request for municipal support for a new cell tower in Glamorgan, accessed via Alsop Road.

Planner Chris Jones said the submission referenced 1587 Alsop Rd.

He said the proposal calls for a 90-metre tower with a radio equipment shelter. It would be central on the property and set back 350 metres from Glamour Lake.

Jones told council, "I believe the proposed location generally fits within the context of preferred locations for towers given that it is in a low-density rural area and the tower location is substantially set back from



HE council discussed the Countywide STR bylaw Oct. 10. *File.*

residential uses and is located in a heavily vegetated area."

He said once he has confirmation of ownership of the land, and a letter of undertaking indicating a commitment to share the facility with other providers, he would direct the proponent to do its enhanced public consultation. That will include written notice to neighbouring landowners, an information session, and report back to the township.

Video surveillance

Council is going ahead with video surveillance systems at a number of locations. They include: the municipal office at 2249 Loop Rd.; the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena; Highland Grove public works garage and fire hall; Hwy. 118 East and West public works garages; and the

Gooderham building department.

The cost is just over \$23,000 and was included in the 2023 budget

Deputy CAO and treasurer, Brittany McCaw, said it's because the municipality "has had previous security issues in these areas, including vandalism, theft and break and enters."

Council also directed staff to include costs to install systems at the five landfills, at a cost of \$12,500 plus contingency, in the 2024 budget.

Tree and bench policy

The draft of a commemorative tree and bench program was presented to council.

McCaw said the intent is "a means to recognize and honour a special person, organization, or event."

She added contributions would benefit

the municipality's parks, greenspaces, and natural environment.

She said the program would be offered through the parks, properties and facilities department.

Tree donations would include an engraved six-inch by 12-inch inch grey granite stone placed below the tree. Bench donations would include an engraved three-inch by six-inch inch plaque mounted to the bench.

She said installations and plantings would be completed annually in the spring and fall. Requests for spring installations and plantings would have to be received by March 15, and requests for fall installations and plantings by Aug. 1, as weather permits.

Donation fees would be \$1,000 for trees and \$2,100 for benches. (*Highlands East news compiled by Lisa Gervais.*)

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October 26 – Regular Council Meeting

November 9 – Regular Council Meeting

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Minden Hills gives STR bylaw the nod

By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills council, at its Oct. 12 meeting, supported in principle the County-led short-term rental bylaw, as well as a municipal accommodation tax.

County director of planning, Steve Stone, and director of economic development and tourism, Scott Ovell, are making the rounds of lower-tier townships.

After their presentation, mayor Bob Carter commented the bylaw was a culmination of six-plus years of work but, “this (County) council has been relatively aggressive in making sure that not only would we have a bylaw (but one that) would stand the test of time and the test of the legal world.”

He added, “we went out and hired a very experienced legal firm that has been working with these short-term rentals for a number of years. And we spoke extensively with people and other municipalities across the province.”

He said one of the challenges in the Highlands is “we have absolutely no idea how many short-term rental properties there are. Estimates have started in the hundreds to well over 3,000.” As a result, he said they don’t know how many applications they will get. He said the bylaw eases the load on fire departments, for example, from having to inspect 1,000 to 2,000 properties as there is a self-attestation in the bylaw.

Carter further added they have also been firm that “not one penny of taxpayer dollars should go into this program. In other words, the short-term rental structure should all be paid for by the fees that are collected for the program. This isn’t a money grab. This is something that is required. We’ve all heard complaints, we’ve all heard the issues, and we need to take control of the situation.”

As for the municipal accommodation tax, Carter said money collected could be put towards tourism infrastructure, roads and services, and even housing.

He said he’d like both the STR bylaw and MAT in place for the beginning of the



Coun. Pam Sayne says STRs have cut into the fabric of communities. *File.*

summer tourist season next year.

Coun. Pam Sayne, while in favour of the County’s work to date, said “this is something that I think should have been handled at the provincial level. She said the province has essentially allowed commercial properties in residential neighbourhoods across Ontario without giving townships planning teeth.

Sayne added it has created a situation

where people are worried about security with renters moving in and out of homes.

“They don’t know who their neighbours are anymore... And that has really cut into the fabric of our communities.”

Sayne said it had greatly affected housing. She knows of people who have lost long-term rentals to landlords seeking more money from STRs.

Ovell said once the short-term rental bylaw

goes live, the MAT should kick in as well. “If you don’t do it that way, I would say you’re just leaving money on the table.”

Carter said they may have legal challenges but, “we have done our best to make sure that we follow all the best practices. And, again, this isn’t a money grab. This is to make sure that what we have in our tourist world within Haliburton County is safe.”

MINDEN HILL NEWS

Scotch Line project expanded

Director of public works, Mike Timmins, said there had been some issues with the landfill grading and final cover project at the Scotch Line landfill.

Timmins said contractor, Marquis Snow and Ice, began preliminary work to clear

overgrown vegetation in and around the work area, “which subsequently revealed areas of steep slopes making the required 4:1 slope difficult to achieve within the originally established work area.”

He said the slope is required in the site’s Environmental Compliance Approval, or ECA.

As a result, he asked council to approve the additional project costs, estimated to be

no more than \$125,000 plus HST from the landfill reserve.

He added that in order to meet ECA requirements, the original work area (approximately 3,862 square metres) requires expansion to allow the contractor to achieve the desired results of addressing leachate, adequate drainage, and erosion prevention.

“The expansion of the work area has

resulted in an increase in material to extend the slopes and fill large gullies, in addition to the equipment time to apply the additional material,” Timmins said.

Despite this, Timmins pointed out the project remains under budget by approximately \$50,000. (*Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais*).

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NEWS

Shoreline bylaw update

County director of planning, Steve Stone, presented staff’s first, six-month, report on the new shoreline preservation bylaw.

The bylaw came into effect April 1, with planning staff taking on the work until July, when the County hired its first bylaw enforcement compliance officer. Stone said they spent time answering phone calls, emails, and visiting properties over the summer, “communicating what was expected of property owners around the shorelines here in the County.”

He said they issued several permits, but “typically after the fact - where we were informed of some activities and then we went out and, sure enough, the project had started, it didn’t comply or meet the exemption requirements of the bylaw. So, we worked with the contractors and property owners to massage the projects back to something that was more reasonable.” He said that helped staff avoid laying tickets and any further prosecutions.

However, Stone said there were a couple of “severe ones” they were hoping to bring back into compliance with the bylaw and were auditing those over a six-month period.

Dysart et al has opted out of the bylaw. But mayor Murray Fearrey said they had advised 12 people on violations in one month “with our feet on the ground and things are going very well.” He added they’d diverted some issues, and educated some people, “and they’re doing what we’re asking them – other than the two tree cutting bylaws” which the

County is dealing with.

“I think we’re moving right along, so we are trying to keep pace with you guys,” he said.

Helping housing

The County held a public meeting for its official plan amendment Oct. 11.

Stone said it clarifies existing wording within the plan pertaining to secondary dwellings.

He referenced the province’s mandate last year to improve housing stock across Ontario, with new regulations to allow for additional residential units in settlement areas.

He said since then, municipalities, including the County, have been clarifying the language in their OPs.

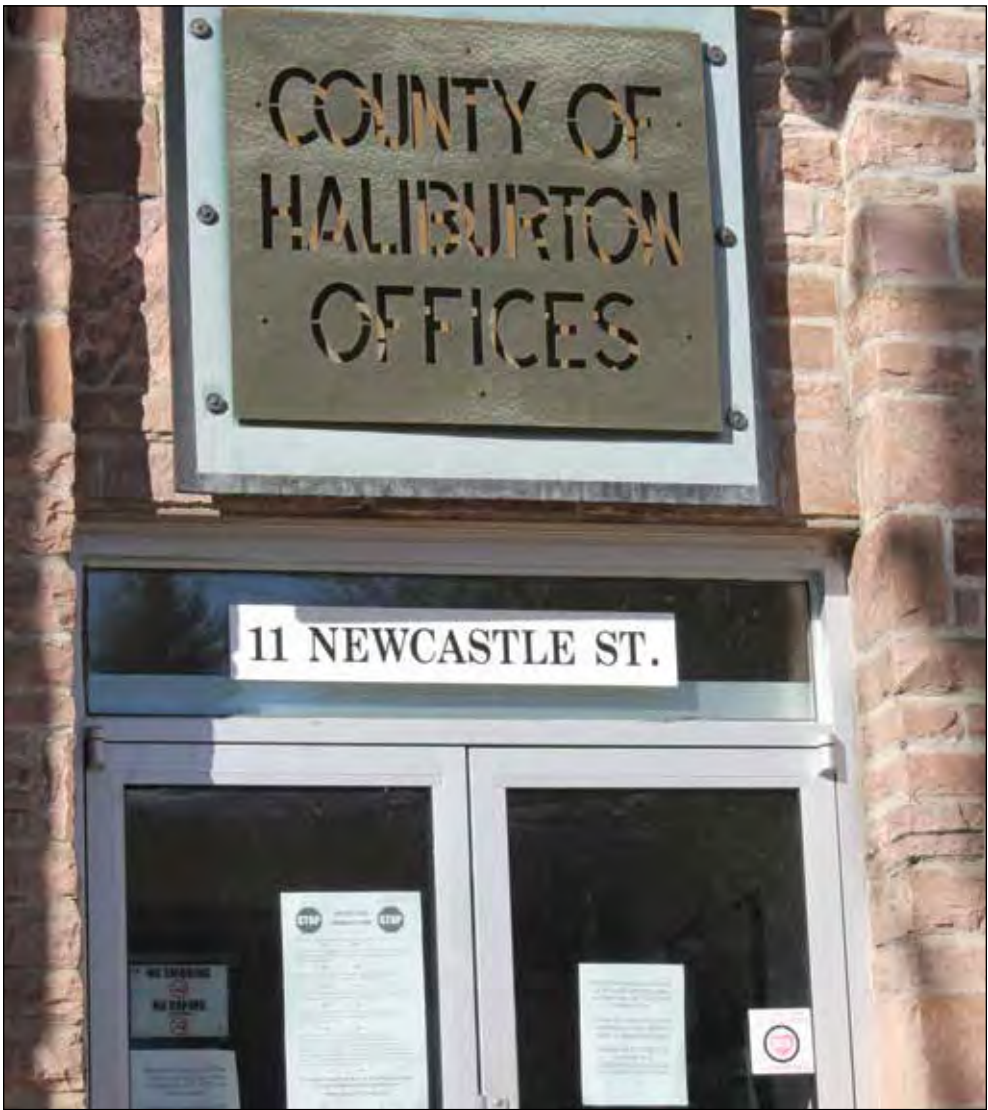
“It was a very easy fix to actually delete the word second, or secondary, and just change it with additional residential units,” Stone said.

No member of the public spoke at the meeting but Stone had received written comments. None opposed the amendment.

Stone said they would analyze comments received and provide a report at a later date.

Once approved, the local municipalities can look at their planning, Stone said. He added “the big reveal” will occur at the zoning bylaw stage of development.

Warden Liz Danielsen said members of the public seeking more information should contact the County’s planning department. *(County of Haliburton news compiled by Lisa Gervais).*



County council is changing its official plan to accommodate more housing. *File.*

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HE puts brakes on new office

By Lisa Gervais

With the design bid build RFP for a new municipal office coming in substantially over budget, council paused the project at its Oct. 10 meeting.

The municipality budgeted \$100,000 in 2023 towards the pre-construction work. However, costs as prepared by successful bidder, The Ventin Group, from Toronto, came in at \$376,890 plus HST.

The work on offer is developing a detailed municipal office design and parking lot and then assisting the township in putting the construction of the project out to tender, with building starting in 2024 and concluding in the fall of 2025.

Deputy treasurer, Brittany McCaw, said the balance of monies would have to be included as part of the 2024 budget if council were to proceed. She added there was surplus money available. She noted they had been putting money away for the past seven years, with more than \$930,000 banked, not including the previous years' surplus. She added the cost will only increase if they wait. Further, she argued they need shovel-ready projects for future funding applications.

She told council, "I understand there may be some concerns around the dollars," but said staff have been lobbying for some time that one facility housing all municipal staff would: aid financial stability; be cost effective; conserve energy and increase accessibility; ease operational defragmentation; help human resources management, and there's the potential to convert the current municipal buildings into housing units or office space.

"Currently, we cannot meet or exceed our current levels of service, which is desired by ratepayers of council," she said. "If ratepayers are required to visit the office... they need to visit multiple offices depending on the service. So, we have a building department down in Gooderham, and then if they require planning assistance, or need to pay their taxes, they need to come up to the office in Wilberforce." She noted they also have no permanent council chambers.

McCaw added the current buildings are at-capacity for additional staff and make it hard to plan other service models.



Coun. Cam McKenzie said he was blown away by the cost. File.

Coun. Cam McKenzie said, "these numbers just blew me away. We were talking about \$100,000. Now, we're into, with tax... \$425,000 to get a plan and oversight. We've been putting money away for seven years, with \$938,000 in reserves for this project. We're going to spend half of that on the plan and the oversight... and I know that's important, and we haven't bought a cement block or a two-by-four... I have a hard time getting my mind around this."

Coun. Cec Ryall said no one is arguing the need, or the return on investment, but "I think the cost is unbelievable."

He said when they last discussed the item, he suggested working with one of the community colleges or universities on design bid build and assumed that had not occurred. He said it would not have cost \$400,000.

"There's got to be a more financial, palatable, way of doing this than \$400,000 up front. This building is going to cost us \$2 to \$3 million bucks on the short side. Where's that coming from? We're going to have to borrow money or something ...", Ryall said.

Council opted not to proceed at this point.

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Corralling short-term rentals



By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills coun. Pam Sayne hit the proverbial nail on the head at the last council meeting when she said the province of Ontario has left its municipalities hanging in the wind when it comes to short-term rentals.

The government has turned a blind eye as this province's housing shortage has been exacerbated by an explosion of STRs. Perhaps they wouldn't need a Better Homes Built Faster Act had they tackled this file years ago.

Instead, they have sat idly by as what used to be renting out the family cottage to friends and neighbours to pay for the new roof has turned into a multi-million-dollar, if not multi-billion-dollar, industry in Ontario. In Haliburton County, we have seen the number of listings on online websites grow at an alarming, and unregulated rate.

Now, it's no longer a short-term rental to keep up with the costs or repairs, it's an industry in which some short-term rental owners are never sighted. Others own more than one property. Some are held by offshore interests.

Small wonder, as Sayne said, it's impacting the very fabric of our communities. We used to know our neighbours. Now, more frequently, we have new neighbours coming

every weekend, week, fortnight or month.

The province's lack of action has forced the County of Haliburton, and now its four lower-tier municipalities, to spend countless resources on trying to get the horse back into the barn. In fact, most of Ontario's 444 municipalities have been, or are being, tasked with the same challenge.

The province of British Columbia this week announced new regulations to tackle the issue.

They have teeth. A person can be fined up to \$300,000 if their short-term rental is an egregious breaker of the rules. All it might take is one Highlands STR to be fined \$300,000 to get the bad apple barrel righted.

They are also forcing renters to use mandatory platforms, not just throw their rentals on unregulated sites. If they break the rules, their STR ad can be taken down. They must be licensed as businesses, which, they are. Another biggie is a principal residence requirement. In other words, people can't buy multiple properties and operate them as short-term rentals. Hosts will be limited to one guest suite on a property. There will be some exemptions for tourism, and smaller communities.

What was announced this week provides

more provincial oversight and assistance that municipalities desperately need.

Even more importantly, the BC legislation is aimed at ensuring more people can actually get homes in that province. It's about increasing the housing stock as well as making it more affordable.

We hope Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott caught this week's news. Wouldn't it be great if she lobbied on behalf of her cottage country constituents that the Doug Ford government look at implementing similar rules and regulations for Ontario? Minden Hills mayor Bob Carter hinted at something being done at Queen's Park. We hope so.

Better yet, though, imagine if all of Canada's provinces and territories got together and had one national set of rules and regulations for short-term rentals?

We learned this week the federal government is actively examining options to crack down on STRs. Let's hope something comes of it.

CLIMATE CORNER

Who suffers from climate change?



By Dr. Nell Thomas

One billionaire produces more than a million times more carbon emissions than each one of us every year. The financial investments of the world's richest people produce on average three million tonnes of carbon emissions annually - per billionaire. Compare that to 2.76 tonnes annual emissions of each person in the bottom 90 per cent of wealth. According to "Carbon Billionaires: investment emissions of world's richest people," the lifestyles of 125 billionaires equals France's entire CO2 emissions, mostly coming from investments in fossil fuel and cement industries.

Fossil fuels are subsidized at \$13 million each minute (IMF). Oil, gas and coal received seven trillion dollars in 2022, despite being the primary cause of Earth's climate crisis.

The world's top three greenhouse gas emitting countries contribute 15 times those of the bottom 100. (World Resources Institute).

But poor countries, marginalized citizens and neighbourhoods bear the brunt of air pollution, lack of clean water, sanitation, extreme heat. Poor neighbourhoods in the U.S. are 6.5 degrees Fahrenheit hotter than wealthier ones. A Texas heat wave killed nine inmates because prisons lack air conditioning. Wildfires disproportionately affect rural and Indigenous communities.

Lost arable land accelerates food costs, threatening food security for the poorest first. Increasing climate disasters are hardest on poor nations handling restoration costs. Fires, floods, hurricanes, rising coastal waters have

displaced many facing rebuilding/relocation costs without resources.

At least 72 businesses profit from environmental emergencies clean-up in the U.S., exploiting disaster restoration workers while simultaneously investing in the same fossil fuels causing storms, floods, wildfires, heat.

Climate change has put nine per cent of human population (> 600 million) outside the 'human climate niche'. Human costs and inequities of climate change grow with our heating planet (Nature Sustainability, Quantifying human cost of global warming).

SOLUTIONS

Labor rights organization Resilience Force supports vulnerable workers. Migrant workers who rebuilt hotels destroyed by Hurricane Irma sued for \$280,000 in back pay and damages. The new U.S. Climate Resilience Workforce Act will support a fairly paid workforce, helping the U.S. prepare for our climate emergency.

Lawyers are winning climate cases. Jeffrey Simon is suing 17 fossil fuel companies for their contribution to a 2021 heatwave that killed 69 people in Oregon. A Montana judge supported young environmental activists saying state agencies violated their constitutional right to a clean and healthful environment by permitting fossil fuel development without considering its effect on the climate. The European Court of Human Rights is hearing an "unprecedented" lawsuit brought by six young people against 32 European countries accusing them of failing to tackle the human-caused climate crisis.

California's Governor Gavin Newsom set precedent by prosecuting polluters and utilities for damages they cause, under nuisance and fraud suits.

The Canadian government joined 38 countries committed to ending fossil fuel energies. Guidelines ensure fair transition from fossil fuel investments, providing federal support programs for vulnerable families.

The EU has legally binding targets to rapidly curb climate change (Energy and Climate Intelligence Unit Net Zero Emissions race 2023 ScoreCard).

The U.S. introduced a revolving fund to help city and state governments pay for climate resilience and adaptation projects. Year one of Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund has the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency distributing US\$50 million to coastal areas.

The UNHCR supports people moving from uninhabitable areas toward a life of safety and dignity, joining the 100 million forcibly displaced people seeking new homes.

Those billionaires controlling investments in polluting industries? Governments can make them accountable: legislate investors to reduce carbon emissions, enforce reporting, tax their wealth and investments.

Next: what you can do

Have an opinion? Send your letters to editor@thehighlander.ca (300 words max)

LETTERS

In support of outdoors column

Dear editor,

I would like to congratulate Toni Cooper on a successful hunt. I found it quite uplifting to read her opinion piece about her experience and that her and her lady friends are enjoying the great outdoors while also harvesting some of the great bounty of the resources that this province provides.

I have always hoped that more girls were given the opportunity to experience and participate in one of this country's long held traditions. I hope her grandchildren are given the opportunity to join her in her future hunting experiences.

To Mr. Killey, your letter just shows ignorance of what is involved in the process of being successful in harvesting an animal. Before commenting, it would behoove you to do a little research to educate yourself before making an ignorant comment. I would suggest sticking to cellophane wrapped meat.

Chris Baker
Haliburton

Why we should not feed deer

Dear editor,

When deer are fed, it can artificially increase survival, which can lead to over population, increase in aggression in deer yards and more negative interactions with cars and humans. It can also remove deer from their natural food sources.

There is a more important reason not to

feed deer and that is the increase of the deer population increases the incidence of deer ticks (black legged ticks), which can carry Lyme disease. Lyme disease is a serious disease in humans and there has been a marked increase in the number of human cases across Canada and the U.S.

Tick facts: they are active at 4 degrees C and above and survive the winter; nearly 70 per cent of ticks found on dogs and cats are deer ticks; adult deer ticks are most active late September to mid-December as they prefer cooler temperatures; found in wooded areas, leaf litter and tall grasses.

Check out ticktalkcanada.ca to see how to protect you and your pets from ticks and decrease your risk of getting Lyme disease and speak to your veterinarian to provide year-round protection for your pets as they can get Lyme disease as well.

Dr. Marie Hardy
Canning Lake

HHSS school trip

Dear editor,

I salute Ms. Searle for including a visit to the Dachau concentration camp during the upcoming school trip to Europe.

I visited Dachau many years ago while in university and the lessons are crucial for young people of all faiths.

The ability to learn about anti-Semitism and reject it completely is particularly necessary today given the vile barbarosity of the terrorist group Hamas as seen in its horrific crimes against Israeli civilians.

Dr. Robert Wagman
Toronto/Horseshoe Lake

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Greg Pichnej took this photo of a heron having a snack.



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CanoeFM celebrates 20 years on air

By Mike Baker

CanoeFM, Haliburton County's non-profit community radio station, turned 20 recently, with volunteers spanning two decades attending the station Sept. 26 to mark the occasion.

Among those was Joan Cameron – widow of Don, whose idea it was to bring radio to life in the Highlands.

Cameron said her husband was, “like a dog with a bone... tenacious” once he decided to launch the station. He enlisted the help of Dave Sovereign and, later, Jack Hewitt, with the trio coming together in March 2001 to conceptualize how to bring their dream into reality. They incorporated Canoe as a non-profit later that year.

Dysart et al authorized the use of the Canoe building in July, and the group of volunteers, which had grown to include a handful of other names, such as former Algonquin Highlands mayor Carol Moffatt and community stalwarts Wendy Bartlett, Eric Beaulieu, Russ Hemphill, Ray Miller, Caryl Ann Moulton, Al Sheridan and Harry Southworth, started to fundraise.

Start-up costs were pegged at \$125,000 – for a transmitter, antenna, transmission line, stereo generator, and audio processor. They utilized a tower in Eagle Lake to broadcast a signal across the County.

By mid-2003, the station had received the go-ahead from Industry Canada. On July 8, it had its first unofficial broadcast, celebrating its grand opening on Sept. 26. The first song broadcast, ‘The Impossible Dream’, was a direct nod to Cameron.

“His whole life revolved around that station at the beginning,” Joan said. “And, as a consequence, so did mine.”

Joan played a pivotal role in the early years. She was Don's chauffeur – he had to give up his driving licence after suffering a stroke in the late 1980s – and, later, became one of Canoe's most celebrated voices. Getting her start on the ‘Women, Weeds and Wisdom’ show on Tuesdays, Cameron blossomed as an on-air personality. Her most famous role was as “the story lady”, where she read Junie B. June tales to listeners.

“I still get stopped by people who recognize my voice,” Cameron said.

During those early years, there was no guarantee the station would be celebrating a 20-month anniversary, let alone 20 years, said Dave Allen, long-time sales representative. He joined Canoe weeks after the station's official launch. It may seem surprising now, but back then not everyone was convinced about the station's long-term viability.



Allen remembers when, upon returning from sales meetings, Don would greet him with a big smile. “Do you have a cheque for me?” Don would ask.

“Things were really tight back then,” Allen said.

Greg Roe was one of the first people to come forward in 2002 once word about the station's formation got out. He'd always had a passion for radio, dating back to his formative years when, growing up in Scarborough, he'd tune into stations across the border that played his kind of music.

The ‘It's Only Rock and Roll’ show has been running for as long as Canoe has been on the airwaves. Roe still gets excited when, on Friday nights, he escapes to the studio, closes the door, picks up his headphones, and goes out to people across the County.

“Things have changed a little over the years, but that feeling remains. Canoe has been such a big, wonderful part of my life. I don't know if there will ever be a time when I don't want to go on, on a Friday night,” Roe said.

While Cameron doesn't get out to the station much anymore, she's still a keen listener. She said the 20th anniversary celebration was a special day for her, as she got to reconnect with dozens of friendly faces from years past. One of those was station manager Roxanne Casey. Originally joining Canoe as an on-air host in 2004, transitioning

to her current position in 2008, Casey has spent almost 19 years helping shape the station's programming.

“Canoe is a wonderful story of what can be achieved when a community pulls together,” Casey said. “There's been a lot of people who have come through those doors over the years, and each one has contributed in their own way. It's been quite the journey.”

Her focus now is on ensuring Canoe is still around for another 20 years. Growing from that initial team of 10 or so volunteers, the station now has around 125 people who contribute in different ways, including 40 who frequently appear on-air. She noted succession planning is underway, to ensure the next generation can keep Canoe going.

Looking back on the many success stories, Casey said there's nothing quite like radio bingo. Since its inception in 2012, it has raised more than \$1 million – with half of that being donated back into the community, supporting dozens of causes over the years.

“It's a nice feeling knowing how much of a positive difference that money has made in the community,” Casey said.

After spending so much time herself, and watching Don give so much to ensure Canoe got off the ground, Cameron said it's amazing to see the station still thriving all these years later.

“It's a testament to Haliburton, it's a testament to all the incredible people who



Top: Station manager Roxanne Casey said 20 years is a special milestone.

Above: Joan Cameron, sitting, was with CanoeFM during its formation, alongside Greg Roe, also pictured, who has been an on-air host for 20 years. *Submitted.*

have contributed over the years, and it's a testament to Don, Dave, and Jack, who didn't give in even when everyone thought they should,” Cameron said. “This community is a much better place thanks to 100.9 CanoeFM.”

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Mostly Her owners Vanessa and Mary Douglas will welcome Anne Thompson and Barb Daize from Bodymed Boutique Oct. 27 and 28 for a community post mastectomy clinic. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

Post mastectomy clinic coming to Minden Hills

By Mike Baker

When Mary and Vanessa Douglas opened Mostly Her, a women's boutique in Minden, earlier this year they had a vision of offering more than just clothing and undergarments to their customers.

Having recently celebrated their sixth-month anniversary in the community, the pair are partnering with a Burlington-based clinic to bring post mastectomy services to Haliburton County.

On Oct. 27 and 28, the business will open its doors to Barb Daize and Anne Thompson of Bodymed Boutique, who will be in town conducting specialty bra fittings.

"This is something we've been really passionate about for some time – I think bringing a clinic like this to the County is going to help so many people. It's a service that is not easily accessible for people who live here," Mary said. "I think this is going to be an incredible learning opportunity for us, and for a lot of our customers."

Daize, an RPN, and Thompson, a breast cancer survivor, have been working together for about 15 years educating women about the mastectomy process and how they can move forward with their lives post-procedure.

"A mastectomy is major surgery that removes the entire breast following a cancer diagnosis," Daize told *The Highlander*. "It's a very personal surgery and can often lead to women mistakenly feeling embarrassed about their situation... we're here to tell you, there's absolutely nothing to be embarrassed about."

Thompson added, "I can relate to people's stories, what they're going through after beating the cancer. How they're feeling mentally and physically. Part of the reason I do this

is to share my story and let people know there is a path to feeling comfortable and confident in yourself again."

Daize, who cottages in the area, said she reached out to the Douglas' shortly after Mostly Her opened in the spring. While they weren't ready to host a clinic right away, the possibility piqued their interest. They started planning for an event in the fall.

Private fittings are available by appointment or walk-in. Douglas said she has two scheduled already.

"The event is already a success, because we have people booked already," Daize said. "It's at least an hour and a half drive for most women to get to a specialized mastectomy store, so we're really pleased to be offering this. The education piece is important for us, because Anne and I know of many women who, after a surgery, will continue to wear normal bras, and stuff them with socks or toilet paper.


"Nothing is more sad to me, because these people deserve so much better, to maintain [their dignity]," she added.

Fittings are complimentary, while the Mostly Her team will be on-hand with options should women decide to make a purchase.

And if you can't make this month's event, there will be further chances in the future. The Douglas' have committed to hosting four clinics annually, which Daize said she's really excited about.

"It means we'll have a continued presence. We know this is a very intimate thing and people might not be quite ready – there will be other opportunities," Daize said. "Even though you feel different now, you feel a loss, it doesn't always have to be that way."

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Top: There were 22 riders participating in the first-annual Ride for Ryan. Above: Organizers Brandi Hewson and Tom Neville present a \$3,400 cheque to Rob Sargent, of the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department. *Submitted.*



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Hitting the field

Archie Stouffer Elementary School welcomed visitors from J.D. Hodgson in Haliburton Oct. 12 for a soccer tournament featuring students from Grades 4 to 6. Four teams duked it out over several games, with JDH Team 1 emerging victorious. Cheryl Patterson, a teacher at ASES and organizer of the event, said there were 30 players from Minden, with 23 kids representing JDH. An intermediate tournament for ASES and JDH students in Grades 7 and 8 took place in Minden Oct. 17, with ASES Team 1 securing the win.

Left: JDH students Callum Merritt, Liam Ward, James Gooley and Olivia Emmerson celebrate a goal. Insert: ASES goalie Andrew Duszak throws the ball back into play after making a save. Above: Atticus Rowe (ASES) takes the ball past Ruairi Byrne (JDH). *Photos by Mike Baker.*



Fun on the court

Basketball action returned to Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) Oct. 12 as the Red Hawks junior girls team were clipped by the Fenelon Falls Falcons. Coach Mike Rieger said his team put in a valiant effort playing against a much bigger school. The team is 0-5 on the season but is preparing to head into the single A portion of the schedule, where Rieger expects his team to be more competitive. The Red Hawks travel to Peterborough Oct. 26 to play the Kenner Rams and will play them again for the Kawartha A championship in early November.

Far left: Jordyn Hurd protects the ball while making a play. Left: Maddy Walker moves the ball down the court, tailed by Jordanna Jennings. *Photos by Mike Baker.*

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This year's guest speaker is Ryan Hill Research Scientist/Professor from Centre for Innovative Aquaculture Production at Sir Sandford Fleming College. His topic will be "Aquaculture Research and Conservation, a Recreational Context."

A summary of the HHOA's activities for the past year will be shared as well as the last fiscal year's financial report. The opportunity for invitations of prospective HHOA Board directors will take place as well. This commitment leads to becoming involved in the workings of the HHOA and assisting in maintaining Haliburton County as a premier Outdoor Activity destination in the Province of Ontario and beyond.

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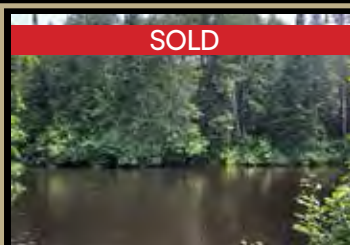
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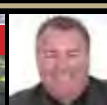
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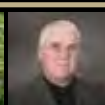
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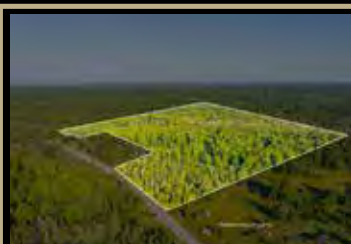
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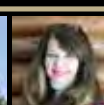
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Captain Jenn McGovern prepares to race eight-year-old Zane Smith through an obstacle course. *Photo by Mike Baker.*



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Water Walk raises \$14k for well build

By Mike Baker

Almost 20 years after participating in a “life changing” mission trip, providing a sustainable water source to a village in Guatemala, Haliburton resident Rebeka Borgdorff is preparing to make new memories with her family after planning a similar expedition next spring.

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) teacher will travel to Guatemala again in February, flanked by husband Graham and her three children – Annabelle, 16, Isaac, 14, and Gideon, 13. The family will spend a week drilling a water well for a small community outside San Antonio Palopo in the impoverished Central American nation.

The project is one of many under the Water Ambassadors Canada umbrella to be completed next year. Founded by Haliburton residents Barry and Heather Hart in 2002, the organization has led more than 1,000 water projects over the past two decades, helping more than 500,000 people from 25 countries.

The Harts, Rebeka, and Annabelle were joined by 20 others for a water walk fundraiser at Glebe Park Oct. 14. The event raised the \$14,000 needed to pay for the well.

“Contaminated water is the biggest cause of death and disease in the world, yet it’s the easiest problem to fix – you just have to give people clean water,” Barry told *The Highlander*. “About a billion people drink swamp water out of ponds and puddles every day. So, we do what we can to help these people, provide for them, and provide for their children.”

Participants were asked to complete several circuits of the Glebe Park trail on Saturday to emulate the distance, between four and six kilometres, millions of people travel daily to collect water for their family. Some carried water jugs and other items to duplicate the weight of those buckets.

“A five-gallon bucket of water is about 50 pounds – that’s the same weight as a checked bag at the airport. For people in Haliburton,



that would be like walking to Donald while carrying all that extra weight,” Barry said. “It’s often women and children making these trips – so kids can’t go to school, do chores, or even play. And the worst part is that the water isn’t clean. It’s not safe to drink.

“Giving folks a potable water source near home is just about the greatest gift you can give. It resolves so many issues,” Barry added.

David Lowry participated in the weekend event alongside his wife, Ann. He said they’ve been long-time supporters of Water Ambassadors.

“It’s an amazing organization. We live in a part of the world where we take clean water for granted. We have so much fresh water all around us. I connected with Barry about seven years ago and his mission really resonated with me. I can’t think of a better cause than raising money to help people have

access to clean drinking water,” Lowry said.

Prior to their weeklong well build in Guatemala, the Borgdorffs will be spending a week in Colombia, where they will help to build a new school. They are fundraising for their portion of the two-week adventure, slated at around \$17,000. For Rebeka though, the money is secondary – her primary focus is on setting an example for her children.

“Helping people who, perhaps, are not as fortunate as we are, is a remarkable, life-changing experience. We want to show our kids how others live in the world, what their needs are, and how they can help,” Rebeka said. “We want to do what we can to spread some love around the world.

“I still remember the day that we hit water on my first trip [in 2006] – it just came sprouting out of the ground and the next thing I knew all the children came piling out of the schoolhouse and started running



Above: More than 25 people came together to raise money for a water well building project in Guatemala. Inset: Water Ambassadors Canada founders Heather and Barry Hart, centre and right, with Ursula Devolin, events coordinator. Photos by Mike Baker.

through the water. They were laughing and crying, it’s still one of the most touching things I’ve ever seen... to see people be that excited about something we take for granted every day,” Rebeka said.

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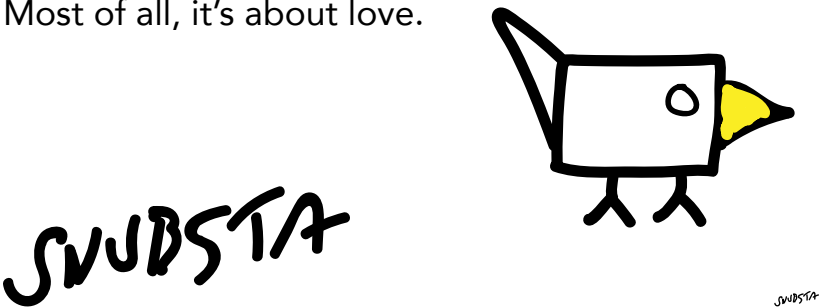
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Carter Braun
Braun's solid goaltending was a crucial part in his team securing the win. He made big saves, at key times, to keep the Storm in a winning position.



Reid McEathron
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Storm U15 Rep win home opener

With a relatively busy exhibition schedule wrapping up, the Haliburton Timber Mart U15 Rep Storm kicked off their home schedule during primetime Oct. 13 at the A.J. LaRue Arena against the Lindsay Muskies.

In the first period of the 7 p.m. tilt, spectators were treated to stellar team play by the Storm, with strong skating, and solid puck movement that kept the Muskies chasing most of the period.

With 8:27 remaining in the first, Kieran Cox poked a loose puck past the defence at the Storm blueline and raced down the ice to make a smooth backhand deke to open the game's scoring. Later in the frame, with time winding down, Reid McEathron potted a second goal for the Storm, burying a nice passing sequence, with assists to Vanek Logan and Cox. The Storm ended the first up 2-0.

In frame number two, the Muskies pushed back with balanced play and effort throughout the period. Through a series of penalties balanced on both teams, the battle ensued to the end of the period until the Muskies' snuck one by goalie Carter Braun to make the score 2-1 after the second.

After the flood, the Storm had clearly reset and came out focused on locking in a win, with hard work to start the period. Brody Harrison chugged through the Muskies to score unassisted at 11:42. The Muskies pressured play throughout most of the third period, but faced strong and hard defensive play by all six Storm defence. There were timely shot blocks by Jack Peters that limited chances on goalie Braun, much to the Muskies' frustration.

Hartwig potted a fourth for the Storm with 6:01 remaining in the game, fed with a long, heads-up pass from Ethan Decarlo from his own zone. With the Muskies down 4-1, the penalty box loaded up and the Storm cruised to their first home win safely on the powerplay.

The Storm are home on the weekend of Oct. 21-22 for their home tournament at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden.



Top left: Brody Harrison tries to beat a Muskies player on the outside. Top right: Deagan Davison handles the puck, with Brody Hartwig watching on. Above: Luke Gruppe pounces on a rebound. *Photos by Mike Baker.*



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Huskies ground first place Golden Hawks

By Mike Baker

Haliburton County Huskies captain Patrick Saini believes a morale boosting 2-1 win over the table-topping Trenton Golden Hawks Oct. 14 can be the catalyst for the hometown team to turn their season around.

Welcoming the eastern conference's first place team to Minden on Saturday, the Huskies put on a show for the 511 fans in attendance, dominating much of the game. The win, their first in three games, saw their season record improve to 6-5-2, good enough for 14 points and eighth place in the league standings.

"We've been struggling as of late, we've not really had the ability to hold onto a lead, so this is a huge win. It's a confidence booster for sure, and a bit of a statement. The performance, as well as the result, shows what we're capable of," Saini said.

The Golden Hawks got the better of the early exchanges, with David Fournier giving them the lead four minutes in after a scramble in front of the Huskies net. There was frustration on the ice and in the stands as it appeared the goal had come off the spikes before the puck crossed the line, though the officials waved away complaints.

A flurry of penalties, nine in total, led to a stop-start feel for the rest of the period.

The home team started the second on the penalty kill and had goaltender Vlad Visan to thank for keeping it a one-goal game, the 18-year-old flashing the glove to keep out an Adam O'Marra shot from the point, then sprawling to deny Fournier on the rebound.

Back at regular strength, the Huskies took over. Saini fired narrowly wide after finding space off the boards, and blueliner Jack Staniland saw a screened shot from the point go narrowly over the crossbar. The home side's persistence paid off midway through the period – Ty Petrou backhanding a rebound in at 10:22 after Saini had another shot saved.

Rhyse Brown went eye-to-eye with Bonisteel a minute later but couldn't find a way through. Josh Rumolo, playing in his



Gavin McGahey-Smith was relentless on the forecheck in Saturday's win over Trenton. Photo by Mike Baker.

third game as a Husky after moving from the Burlington Cougars last week, saw a shot from the point, tipped by forward Antonio Cerqua, flash agonizingly wide, and Charlie Fink then struck the iron with a rasper from the point. Aidan Yarde then saw a low shot blocked in the late stages, sending the teams in tied at the end of the second.

The Huskies peppered Bonisteel in the third, with Lucas Stevenson, Johnathon Mead, Raine Nadeau and Rumolo all having opportunities early in the frame. Visan then stood tall to deny Matthew Lee on a breakaway, sending the Huskies down the ice on a two-on-one opportunity of their own. Petrou found an open Fink, who made no mistake with the finish, but the goal was called back by the officials who felt the

Trenton goal had come loose.

Boos rang out through S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena, which seemed to drive the home side forward. After Yarde spurned a good opening at the 10-minute mark, Saini took centre stage, tipping a Staniland shot in over Bonisteel's blocker at 11:08 to spark mass celebration on the ice and in the stands.

"It was an emotional moment – there's a lot of history between us and Trenton, so I let things show a little more than usual," Saini said, commenting on his one-knee celebration. "It was a big moment in our season, too. I think we've been a bit unfortunate to lose some of the games we have, so getting the goal that our play deserved was huge."

The Huskies defended their zone well to

close the game, with Visan making six stops in the final two minutes after Trenton pulled Bonisteel, earning the Huskies a much-needed win.

"That was our best game as a group, no doubt. We were dialed in for a full 60 minutes, which is something we've struggled with," Saini said. "To dominate against arguably the top team in the league, it shows how good a team we are. We just need to work and make sure we're at this level every single game."

The Huskies are on the road this weekend, with away games against the Aurora Tigers Oct. 20 and the Golden Hawks Oct. 22. They will be back in Minden Oct. 24 to play the Milton Menace. Puck drop is set for 7:30 p.m.

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Top: Huskies defenceman Izyah Luddington assesses his options from the blueline.
Above: Raine Nadeau celebrates Saturday's 2-1 win over the Trenton Golden Hawks with captain Patrick Saini, Aidan Yarde, and Johnathon Mead. *Photos by Mike Baker.*



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Left: Madeleine Roger is coming to Haliburton County Oct. 21. Image courtesy of BNB Studios. Right: Local musician Laren Main will open the show. Submitted.

Minden Hills church to provide acoustics

By Lisa Gervais

The acoustics of the Highland Hills United Church will amplify the voice of Winnipeg singer, songwriter Madeleine Roger Oct. 21. The Haliburton County Folk Society is bringing her to Minden Hills, accompanied by Ella Korth, with local musician, Laren Main, to open.

Folk society spokesperson, Barrie Martin, said, “while skillfully accompanying herself on acoustic guitar, it is Madeleine’s artistry

as a songwriter and storyteller that can silence a room, uniting her lyrical prowess with breathtaking melodies that linger long after they are sung.” He added her critically-acclaimed debut album, *Cottonwood*, combines the elegant storytelling of folk traditions with the grounded vibe of roots music. It is a collection of songs that reflect on femininity and equality, the majesty of the wilderness, and the beautiful awkwardness of trying to love another person.

Cottonwood reached the No. 1 spot on the national folk/roots charts in Canada, and Roger’s was nominated for both English songwriter of the year at the 2020 Canadian Folk Music Awards and producer of the year at the 2019 Western Canadian Music Awards. She has toured extensively across Canada and Europe. Martin said Main is impressing audiences wherever he performs. “His love of music comes from being in a musical family where he was constantly surrounded by different

types of music. The Beatles, Bob Dylan and Johnny Cash are also big influences.” People have likely heard his music on CanoeFM. Tickets are \$30; \$25 for folk society members and students. \$35 at the door, if available. Tickets can be purchased online at haliburtonfolk.com. Children/youth 18 and under are admitted for free but tickets must be ordered online. Children and adults 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. More information, and tickets, are available at haliburtonfolk.com.

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Haliburton Highlands | Chapter #54

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Guest Speakers will be:

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CARP President

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Jamie Schmale MP
Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Brock

Jamie will speak about the various programs the government offers, services for seniors and he will be taking questions from the floor. Bring your questions, have your say.

A FREE buffet lunch will be provided to all individuals who preregister.

We are looking forward to seeing you in person this year.
(Preregistration is need for ordering food and seating arrangements.)

EVENTS

- Oct. 19, 11 a.m.**
United Way for the City of Kawartha Lakes is kicking off its annual fundraising campaign with a movie screening at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library, featuring *The Garden* - a film about food security. To donate visit unitedway.ca/donate-now. Money raised in Haliburton County stays in Haliburton County.

Oct. 19, 1:30 p.m.
The Haliburton County Historical Society invites you to an afternoon with Roxanne Casey, manager of CanoeFM, celebrating 20 years of broadcasting in the Highlands. Event taking place at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Light refreshments will be served.

Oct. 19, 6:30 p.m.
Aging Together as a Community invites you to continue conversations and shared vision to expand the current options of what aging could look like in Haliburton County. Event taking place via Zoom. For more information, email agingtogetherhc@gmail.com, or call Bonnie Roe at 705-457-6579.

Oct. 22, 1 p.m.
Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library is hosting its 15th annual gala and silent auction at the Minden Hills library branch. Guest speaker is Maureen Jennings, award-winning author of the Murdoch Mystery books. Advance tickets are \$25. Contact Pat Brezina at 705-286-1958, or Sue Sisson at 705-286-2000.

Oct. 23, 7 to 8 p.m.
Coffee house at Castle Antiques. Come out for some live music and uplifting conversation contributing to personal wellbeing and that of the community. Light refreshments available. Free admission, welcoming people of all backgrounds. Sponsored by the Baha'i community of Haliburton.

Oct. 24, 7 p.m.
Environment Haliburton! and Friends of the Muskoka Watershed invite you to learn more
- about hazardous algal blooms at a virtual Zoom event. Please register in advance at environmenthaliburton.org. For more info: info@environmenthaliburton.org.

Oct. 28, 10:30 a.m.
Bring your whole family out to the Dysart library to learn Indian dancing with local volunteer, Yasmin. All ages are welcome.

Oct. 28, 2 p.m.
Sign up for a free gardening workshop at the Minden Hills library. We'll learn about soil testing and nutrient requirements to improve your garden for next year. Call 705-457-2241 or visit haliburtonlibrary.ca to sign up.

Oct. 28, 2 to 6 p.m.
The Haliburton County Red Wolves is hosting its annual Bowl-a-thon fundraiser at Fast Lane Bowling in Minden. All proceeds support Special Olympics programming in the Highlands. Sign up as a team, collect pledges, and enjoy a fun day of bowling while supporting a worthy cause. Fancy dress encouraged. Prizes available. For more information, contact Rick West at 705-457-8855 or email haliburton@specialolympicsontario.ca.

Nov. 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Pop-up Christmas sale in the lower level of the Glecoff Family Store building. Featuring select products by Cedar Mountain. All proceeds going to Pregnancy Care and Family Support Centre. For more information, call 705-457-4673.

Nov. 7, 7 p.m.
Minden and District Horticultural Society invites you to listen and watch guest speaker Lorraine Turcotte demonstrate making outdoor Christmas pots. AGM to be held immediately after. Event taking place at the Minden Community Centre (55 Parkside St.).
- Have a non-profit event you want advertised?**
email mike@thehighlander.ca.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

- Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 129 Haliburton weekly activities**
- Mondays:** Bridge at 1 p.m.
- Tuesdays:** League darts 7 p.m. Haliburton Army Cadets practice 6:30-9 p.m.
- Wednesdays:** Bid euchre 1 p.m. start, main hall, and bingo, doors open at 5 p.m, with games starting at 7 p.m. Weekly jackpot of \$500.
- Thursdays:** General meeting third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. & ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
- Fridays:** Meat draw starting at 4:30 p.m., tickets \$2 per draw. Ed Pickard, MC. Friday fun darts 4:30 p.m.
- Saturdays:** 50/50 draw 4 p.m. Tickets \$1 each available in the Clubroom.
- Oct. 29,** from 3 to 4 p.m. there will be a PTSD drum therapy circle event at the legion. All are welcome.
- Nov. 4,** 5 p.m. Remembrance dinner at the Legion. Cost is \$25 per person. Please come and honour our veterans.
- Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 519 Coboconk**
- Second Monday of the month:** General meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesdays:** Soup and sandwich lunch, Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Euchre - 1 p.m. Open Darts - 7 p.m.
- First Wednesday of the month:** Big Buck Bid Euchre from 10 a.m. \$15 per person.
- Saturdays:** Music & Meat Roll - Music starts 2 p.m. Meat Roll at 3 p.m.
- Oct. 27,** from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch and Music event from 1 to 4 p.m.
- Monday Night Football** from 6:30 to 11 p.m.
- This is on a trial basis until Oct. 30.
- Soliciting interest in a Texas Hold-em poker league.
- Loonie auction** Oct. 28 at 7 p.m.
- Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624 Wilberforce**
- Oct. 19:** Open 2 to 6 p.m.
- Oct. 20:** Open 2 to 9 p.m. Fish & chips from 5 to 8 p.m.
- Oct. 21:** Open 2 to 6 p.m. Meat draw at 3 p.m.
- Oct. 22-24:** Closed
- Oct. 25:** Open 2 to 6 p.m. Darts at 2 p.m.
- Oct. 26:** HHHS social from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Open 2 to 6 p.m.
- Karaoke will be back Oct. 28, with Halloween costumes encouraged.
- Royal Canadian Legion - Mabel D. Brannigan Branch 636 Minden**
- Monday - Thursday:** Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with regular menu and daily special including Liver Lovers' Tuesday.
- Friday** Fish & Chips & Wings. Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and dinner 4-7 p.m.
- Saturday** all day breakfast 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with meat draws at 11:30 a.m.
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- Weekly activities:**
- Karaoke: call for dates
- Monday: Rug Hookers every second week.
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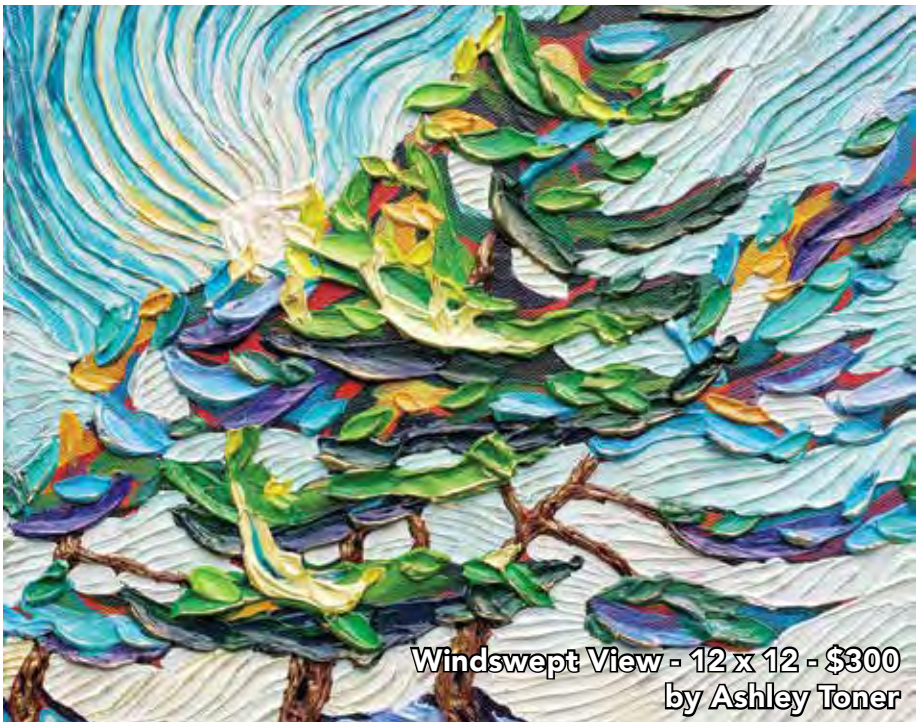


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Committee of Adjustment - Notice of Public Hearing
Application For Minor Variance

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:
DATE: Monday, October 30, 2023
TIME: 9:30 AM
LOCATION: This will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public may attend either in person or electronically via Zoom. Details are provided below.

To Attend in Person:
Location: Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting in person can do so by attending the Township Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden.

To Participate: Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the public meeting must pre-register by emailing dsisson@mindenhills.ca by Friday October 27, 2023 before 4:00 PM or by registering the morning of the meeting before 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers.

To Attend Electronically:
To Watch: Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting can do so by joining the Meeting Live Stream Link: https://youtube.com/live/ZM-Wfzo48c8?feature=share

The live-stream link provided for each meeting will only be activated while the meeting is in session.

To Participate: Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the public meeting must pre-register by emailing dsisson@mindenhills.ca by Friday October 27, 2023 before 4:00 PM or by attending electronically and registering the morning of the meeting before 9:00 AM. Once registered, participants will automatically be placed into a holding room and brought into the meeting as permitted by the Chair.

To attend the Zoom virtual meeting via Web, type https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81485143085?pwd=vMr7rHJttc7e3nKmB_VhrsZIRIYQA.DeNX8vtXkAcUs3hr into your browser or attend by dialing the number below:
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Participants registering either virtually or in person after 9:00 AM will not be permitted into the public hearing.

The purpose of the Public Meeting will be to consider Minor Variance Applications PLMV2023019, PLMV2023041, PLMV2023042 and PLMV2023046 and the proposed minor variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act as shown below:

PLMV2023019 - Part Lot 11, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Anson; municipally known as 1419 Claude Brown Road, located on Bob Lake (See Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The purpose of the application is to seek relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the reconstruction and enlargement of a detached dwelling and attached decks. The effect of the application would be to permit a reduction in setbacks for the dwelling to the northerly shoreline from 67.5 ft (20.6 m) to 60.4 ft (18.4 m), and to the westerly shoreline from 64.3 ft (19.6 m) to 62 ft (18.8 m); together with reducing the easterly shoreline setback of the attached deck from 32 ft (10 m) to 25.6 ft (7.8 m), whereas a minimum setback of 75 ft (23 m) is required and which otherwise would have the effect of increasing the extent of existing non-compliance. In addition, approval would also allow an increase in the height from 18 ft (5.6 m) to 34 ft (10.4 m), together with the total size of the dwelling and attached deck from 870 sq.ft (80.8 sq.m) to 1212 sq. ft (112.6 sq.m) whereas no increase in height or size is permitted within 49 ft (15 m) of the shoreline and where otherwise a maximum increase of height and size of 4 ft (1.2 m) and 25%, respectively is permitted.



PLMV2023041 - Part Lot 4, Concession A, Geographic Township of Minden; located at 23 Invergordon Avenue, Minden (See Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The purpose of the application is to seek relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the replacement/enlargement of the legal non-complying attached deck on three (3) of the legal non-complying resort rental cabins. The effect of the application would be to permit a reduction in the setback from a nearby watercourse (drainage swale) from 47 ft (14.3 m) and 46.5 ft (14.1 m) to 45 ft (13.7 m); whereas a minimum setback of 50 ft (15 m) is required. In addition, approval would also allow an increase in the size of the subject decks to 72.5 sq ft (6.7 sq.m) 90 sq ft (8.3 sq.m) and 92 sq ft (8.5 sq.m) from 45 sq ft (4.1 sq.m), 36 sq ft (3.3 sq.m) and 52 sq ft (4.8 sq.m) respectively, whereas a maximum increase of 25% is otherwise permitted.



PLMV2023042 - Part Lot 7, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Anson; located at 1138 Tennyson Road (See Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The purpose and effect of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the construction of a single storey detached garage having a ground floor area of 550 sq ft (51.0 sq. m), to be located in the front yard, being closer to the public road than the main dwelling.



PLMV2023046 - Part Lot 20, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as 2262 Deep Bay Road (See Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The purpose of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the replacement of a gazebo located 8.5 ft (2.6 m) from a stream with a shed. The effect of the application would be to permit the new shed to be located 8.5 ft (2.6 m) from the high-water mark of a watercourse, whereas otherwise a 49 ft (15 m) setback is required.



Additional information regarding these applications will be available online. Links to meeting agendas and full reports can be found on our Minden Hills Civic Web. A copy of the complete applications will be available for public inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department by appointment only.

Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail adougherty@mindenhills.ca.

Any person or agency who is of the opinion that holding the hearing as a hybrid/combined in-person and electronic hearing is likely to cause them significant prejudice, may make a submission to the undersigned, and if the Committee is satisfied that holding the hearing as hybrid is likely to cause the party significant prejudice then the hearing will be re-scheduled as an oral hearing only. If a person or agency does not make a submission to the Secretary-Treasurer prior to the hearing, and the person or agency does not participate in the hearing in accordance with this Notice, then the Committee may proceed without the party's participation and the party will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceeding.

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

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

For more information about this matter contact at adougherty@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 506
Amanda Dougherty
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In Loving Memory of
Wendell Wood
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It is with great sadness, we announce the passing of Wendell Hugh Wood in his 91st year at his home at Extendicare, Haliburton. Beloved husband of the late Norma Wood (nee Avery). Loving father to Deborah (Al Cholette) Diane (Frederick Skaarup) and David (predeceased) and their families. Fondly remembered by his nieces Melinda (Michael), Wendy, Nancy, and their families. Also lovingly remembered by his special cousin Gloria Hutchison. Predeceased by his brother Wayne. Wendell spent more than 25 years working as a Paramedic in Haliburton County, providing care and comfort to the sick and injured. He was a caring and kind man, with a quiet sense of humor. He will be missed greatly by all who truly knew him.

Visitation & Graveside Service

Friends and family are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Monday morning, October 16, 2023, after 10 o'clock. A Graveside Service will take place at Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton at 11 o'clock. Please dress warmly and bring your memories of Wendell to share with the family. As an expression of sympathy, donations to Extendicare - Proud Pioneers would be appreciated by the family.



In Loving Memory of
Margit Marie Henriksen



Born April 11, 1931, died peacefully, surrounded by family, on October 9, 2023.

She leaves behind a legacy of 8 children. Jane Kejser (John, deceased), Jette McEachern (Allen), Hanne Williamson (Brian), Robert Henriksen (deceased), Annette Nicoll (Gordon), Paul Henriksen (Dorthe), Karen Hudjik (Brent), and David Henriksen. She also leaves behind 8 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren.

She immigrated to Canada from Denmark with 4 small children in 1956. She loved everything and anything to do with nature and loved to read. But most importantly, it was her love of Jehovah and her faithfulness that really stood out.

We would like to thank Dr. Toth and staff at Haliburton Highlands Hospital, along with her personal doctor, Dr. Coles and staff. We would also like to thank the many personal support workers that worked very hard to care for our mother for the past few years.

A Memorial Service for Margit will be held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1017 Wigamog Rd., Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at 2:00 pm.

Donations can be made to www.jw.org.



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Thank you to our wonderful supportive community for the comfort that you have shown us during this sad time.

The family of the late Scott Mitchell has been blessed with cards, texts, Facebook posts, phone calls, visits, flowers and food from people sharing our grief.

Everyone, including the caring O.P.P. officers and those friends of Scott in Lac La Biche, have been sharing their grief for our loss.

Many thanks to our church community, Reverend Harry Morgan and Melissa, for their comforting message and music, and to Dwaine, Lori and Carley for their help in arranging the Celebration of Scott's life.

Thank you to the many people who came to the celebration in support of family, and to share memories from time past. Every act has touched our hearts and eased our pain.

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**Employment Opportunity
Municipality of Dysart et al**

FULL TIME EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

Reporting to the Operations Manager, the successful applicants will have sound knowledge of the methods, tools and equipment required for the general maintenance of the municipal road system including bridges, culverts, drainage, and other road/property. Primary duties include, but not limited to operation of a sidewalk plow, dump truck (with sander/snow plow), backhoe, loader and grader.

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A detailed job description is on our website at www.dysartetel.ca/careers

Interested individuals are invited to email a detailed resume and cover letter to:

Laura Casey, HR Manager hr@dysartetel.ca
Position will remain open until filled.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITY

**Public Works Equipment Operator
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P is for Promo

by Barbara Olson
© ClassiCanadian Crosswords

- Across**
- 1 Certain side of Chinatown?
 - 5 Many iPhone icons
 - 9 Destroy evidence, in a way
 - 14 Pee Wee preceder in minor hockey
 - 15 Countess Crawley on "Downton Abbey"
 - 16 A little out there
 - 17 Mediocre
 - 18 Sorry sort
 - 19 Clickable zines
 - 20 Aggressively pepper with questions
 - 23 Sitting props for stand-up comics, often
 - 24 Lists off, as examples
 - 25 Golf variation that can be played in an hour
 - 30 Van. school that publishes "The Peak"
 - 33 Forest-scented
 - 34 Juan's ones
 - 35 School surfaces for hop scotch
 - 37 On the ___ (legit)
 - 40 Part of a vintage store name, maybe
 - 41 "___ stands right now ..."
 - 42 People might be under here: Abbr.
 - 43 Repeatedly extend one's parking time limit
 - 48 Stick out like ___ thumb
 - 49 Serena's victor at the 2019 U.S. Open
 - 53 Try to aggravate, as one's mom
 - 56 ___ Québécois (Plamondon's political group)
 - 57 Saguenay sky
 - 58 Duet numbers?
 - 59 Big smoke?
 - 60 Head & Shoulders rival
 - 61 ___-Brite (glowing picture toy)
 - 62 Viking dog of comics
 - 63 No-good scoundrels, initially
 - 64 Saisons in the sun

- Down**
- 1 Talks like a movie mafioso, maybe
 - 2 "Let ___" (Ed Sheeran song)
 - 3 "Seinfeld" klutz
 - 4 Punk fusion genre
 - 5 Cryptogram cousin
 - 6 Come down in buckets
 - 7 Prone to lecturing
 - 8 Chris Hadfield's Ontario birthplace
 - 9 Off-kilter
 - 10 Raised in rustic simplicity
 - 11 Clearly enjoy a joke
 - 12 Tachycardia tests, in brief
 - 13 Bad start?
 - 21 Words before coin or switch
 - 22 End of the line, maybe: Abbr.
 - 26 Certain freight trains
 - 27 Use the backward arrow in Word
 - 28 "Magical Mystery ___"
 - 29 Recipe amts.
 - 30 Flipped-out sign on a school bus
 - 31 Complete a trip?
 - 32 Language that gave us "shampoo"
 - 36 Major celebrity
 - 37 Don't mothball
 - 38 Ones with "dogged" determination
 - 39 Swallowed a loss
 - 41 Explorer Vespucci
 - 44 Common swag bag item
 - 45 Water, chemically
 - 46 Puts up
 - 47 ___ one's cage (provoke)
 - 50 "Aha, ___ makes sense!"
 - 51 Borden's bill, slangily
 - 52 Certain burden bearers
 - 53 Pesky person
 - 54 Quitter's bane, often
 - 55 English network nickname, with "the"
 - 56 Lenovos, e.g.

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