

# The Bruce Peninsula Press

Since 1988

Newsstand Price \$1.50 + HST



DELIVERING LOCAL NEWS TO THE NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA FOR 35 YEARS

2024 Number One

January 16 to February 6, 2024

## Old Peacock's Foodland Demolished



Photo: Over the week of January 8th, the old Peacock's Foodland building in Tobermory was demolished. The area "will be a park/green space in the summer months for public use, and will be a dry dock/winter boat storage for our boats in the winter months" said Griffin Salen of Blue Heron Company.

In 1974, Ron, Barb and their son Rick Peacock purchased what was known then as "Haythorne's Grocery" from Ethel and Bill Haythorne. The original store had been operating at 9 Bay Street since the 1960s and officially became a Foodland store in the year 2000. This month, Peacock's Foodland is celebrating their 1st anniversary at the new location on highway 6, as well as their 50th anniversary of serving the community (see ad page 13).

## MNBP Draft 2024 Budget Proposes 7.2% Mill-rate Increase

By John Francis,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

With four Council Meetings over a ten-day period, it's a very busy time of year for staff and council members at Northern Bruce Peninsula. In addition to the day-to-day business of the municipality, there is also a 2024 budget to create and an arena/community centre to renovate.

A regular Council Meeting was held on January 8 as well as a Special Meeting to consider the 2024 capital budget. On January 15, a Special Meeting (cancelled due to weather and closure of Highway 6) was supposed to consider operating budgets and on January 17, a Special Meeting will address the budget for the renovation of the Lion's Head arena/community centre.

The first draft of the 2024 budget was included in the Agenda for the January 8 Special Meeting. It proposes a 7.2% increase in the tax rate which, coupled with a 1.67% increase in the total assessed value of all properties, would generate a 9.11% increase in net tax

**Continued on page 4**

## Hellyer's Foodland Renovation Underway

Submitted by Joanne Rodgers,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

A Christmas wish came true, reconstruction of the grocery store in



Photo L-R: Steve and Kyle Hellyer were excited to see the progress during the first week of repairs.



Photo: Toronto Construction crew on site the week before Christmas.

Lion's Head began the week before Christmas. Kara Hellyer says there is "no time lines to share, or finish dates, but a good start is worth a share."

Logistical issues and insurance details had to be worked out. The Hellyers stated "the insurance world is hard to navigate, so please be patient as we take each step methodically and cautiously."

From her social media postings, Kara said that during the first week of work, the construction crew was working non-stop (apart from sleeping) since they got here! - All the way from the Toronto area. "She complimented the crew on their dedication saying there is no insulation left and no heating upstairs. Seeing these contractors in t-shirts says something about their work ethic!"

Scott's Home Hardware is now stocking milk, cream, eggs, bacon, butter and cheese. They have taken over supplying some basic food items, since The Shoppes at 84 Main is closed until February. The fridge containing the items is located by the cashiers at the front of the store.



Photo: That's COLD! Over 17 full-time residents, seasonal residents, their families and friends took the icy plunge at the Lion's Head Beach on January 1st 2024 for the annual Polar Bear Dip. Canned food items were collected from participants to be donated to the Lion's Head and District Food Bank. Turn to page 2 for the full story.

### In This Issue:

- Biosphere Heat Pump Workshop – page 4
- BPDS & St Edmunds School News – page 10
- Christmas Bird Count Results – page 14
- BP Sportsmen's Association Fin Clipping – page 15

\$1.50 (plus tax)

ISSN 1495-2696



9 771495 269609

**Tobermory Press Hours - Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.**  
Deadline for our next issue (#2/24) is Jan 31/24, printing Feb 6/24.

**MILLER LAKE RONA**

jeremy.mcmillan@doidgegroup.ca  
4707 Hwy. # 6 MILLER LAKE

**OVER 40 YEARS IN BUSINESS!**  
**WE DELIVER!**

SHOP ONLINE AT [www.Rona.ca](http://www.Rona.ca)

**519-795-7729**

Serving the Entire  
Bruce Peninsula

**McNAIR**  
CONSTRUCTION

[sales@mcnairconstruction.ca](mailto:sales@mcnairconstruction.ca)  
[www.mcnairconstruction.ca](http://www.mcnairconstruction.ca)

**QUALITY CONSTRUCTION  
& RENOVATION SOLUTIONS**

Custom Homes & Cottages  
Renovations & Roofing



# The Meeting Place Bringing the Good Food Box to Tobermory

Submitted by Beige McIntosh,  
Food Security Coordinator,  
The Meeting Place Tobermory

The Lion's Head Good Food Box Program is teaming up with The Meeting Place and starting in February, you will be able to order a box to pick up in Tobermory!

The Good Food Box is a collective buying program where each month, you can get a bin of seasonal produce for \$22 (or free, if needed). Everyone is welcome to participate in this program and benefit from the cost savings! The Good Food Box is available from September-June (taking a short summer break for July and August). The contents of the box

are different each month, but it usually contains some onions, potatoes and apples.

The order cutoff will be the last Thursday of each month and the pickup is the first Thursday of each month between 5:30 pm and 6:30 pm at The Meeting Place. We have tokens available for people who need a free box, which can be used on a recurring basis. To place an order, call us at 519-596-2313, email [food@tobermorymeetingplace.com](mailto:food@tobermorymeetingplace.com) or come to The Meeting Place (we're here on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays).

We can't wait to bring more delicious fruits and vegetables to the community!

# Climate Comment for December 2023 The Warmest On Record

Submitted by Bill Caulfeild-Browne

1923, 100 years ago, boasted the warmest December on record with a mean temperature of +0.8C, just above freezing. 1952 was the only other year in the past century that had a mean temperature exceeding zero degrees - it was +0.2C.

2023 knocked those records out of the ball park with a whopping mean of +2.0C, exactly five degrees above the long-term average. Further confirmation - if it's needed - that the winters are warming faster than the summers.

No wonder we didn't have a white Xmas - the 25th was the warmest day of the month at 10.4C. The coldest day was the 19th at -6.7C, roughly the same as the coldest day in November. On top of that, it was a dry month. My station recorded just 29mm of moisture, half the average of 60mm.

We were not alone. Nearly every location in Ontario from Windsor to Kapuskasing broke records - Thunder Bay

was 10C above normal while Toronto was the same as us. However, areas south of us got much more precipitation. Areas like Welland and Kingston saw 20-40% more than average, while areas to the north like Sudbury saw only 25% of normal.

The year as a whole continued the warming of the post-industrial world. For Tobermory it was the second hottest (tied) year on record at a full 2.0C above normal, eclipsed only by 2012 which had an unusually warm summer.

As I write this on January 4th it looks as if real winter will be held at bay for a while yet. Last night did drop to -8C but the forecast continues to show highs around the freezing mark - most un-January like. This is bad news for humans who like to ski or snowmobile and for animals who should be hibernating. We had a black bear on our deck just last week, using up his fat reserves when he should be sleeping.

On that note I'll leave you with wishes for a more normal climate in 2024.

# Residents, Cottagers Take Part in Lion's Head Beach Polar Bear Dip

By Joanne Rodgers,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

Supporters and passersby watched as over 17 brave full-time residents, seasonal residents, their families and friends took the icy plunge at the Lion's Head Beach for the annual Polar Bear Dip. While some took a quick dip, running into the reportedly 3 degree waters, and exiting quickly, some enjoyed a leisurely cold water swim.

Arriving for 11 a.m., many were

bundled up in parkas and mitts for the -4 C temperatures and light snow, while some hardy visitors turned up wearing tropical attire.

Organizer Anna Martens was pleased to see the large turnout of both participants and spectators. This organized event is now in its third year and many of those taking the plunge have made it an annual New Year's Day tradition to join in the chilly event. The event also attracted participants and supporters from Tobermory who joined in on the January 1 tradition.

Canned food items were collected to be donated to the Lion's Head and District Food Bank.

See more photos at [www.brucepeninsulapress.com](http://www.brucepeninsulapress.com)



## McARTHUR TREE REMOVAL

### WE DO MORE THAN JUST CUT TREES

New Services Available:

- Hydro & Propane Service Trenching
- Driveway Preparation & Leveling
- Building Footings Excavated

Still offering:

- Cutting Trees & Brush For Building Sites & Hydro Lines
- Tree Stumps Removed
- Firewood & Mulch For Sale

Fully Insured • Call Tony  
519-596-2989 519-372-8048

**CHESTNUT PARK**  
REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE  
CHRISTIE'S  
INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE

HAPPY  
New Year

Mark McDade  
REALTOR®  
519.387.7650  
Info@markmcdade.com  
www.markmcdade.com

**SOPHISTICATED LUXURY ON GEORGIAN BAY** For Sale \$5,500,000 Exclusive Listing  
Affluent Estate situated on 98 acres with just over 700 feet of Georgian Bay shoreline. This property features heated natural stone & hardwood floors throughout along with two beautiful wood burning fireplaces. Walk in wine cellar, enjoy meals prepared in a spacious kitchen & dine between a wood burning fireplace and natural stone waterfall. After dinner take a plunge in the large inground pool or steam in the indoor sauna. Outside you will be awe struck by the many fabulous perennial gardens, natural ponds, large vegetable garden and lavender labyrinth. Currently operating as an elite boutique inn & fine dining restaurant known as "Sweetwater Bay".

**ONE LEVEL LIVING - METICULOUS OWEN SOUND BUNGALOW** For Sale \$779,900 MLS® 40524851  
4 Bedroom, 3 bathroom residence steps away from the Sydenham River and nature trail to Harrison Park. All amenities on main floor. This home has been adorned with substantial upgrades and higher end finishes over recent years. Pride of ownership is evident. This is an ideal retiree home with its configuration, accessibility features and easy maintenance yard. Vaulted ceilings in the great room. Terrace doors open out to a 20 x 12 deck and a private rear yard oasis. Other features include natural gas heat, central air, double concrete drive. This is an exceptional well-kept home in an upscale neighborhood. Everything has been done- just move in and enjoy.

**RUSTIC & CHARMING WATERFRONT COTTAGE** For Sale \$675,000 MLS® 40481369  
Charming 3 season Waterfront Cottage situated on a private 1.1 acre property. 3 comfortable size bedrooms with closet nooks. Open concept dining / living room with stone fireplace & wood burning insert. Updated spacious kitchen with views of the lake. Newer mudroom comes in off the back door leading to a new updated 3 pc bathroom. New deck that wraps around along the waterside of the cottage. The 100' waterfront has partial Sand Beach making easy entry for swimming or launching your kayaks. Dock your fishing boat on your own property with a protected harbour and easy access to the big water of Lake Huron. 12' x 27' detached garage. 20 minute drive to the village of Tobermory.

**SPRING Cottage Life SHOW**  
March 21-24, 2024  
THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, MISSISSAUGA

**Thinking of Selling Your Home or Cottage?**  
Call for a free market evaluation to have your home or cottage featured at the Cottage Life Show

\*Not intended to solicit properties currently under contract with other brokerages.

7433 Highway 6, Tobermory, N0H 2R0 | Office: 519.371.5455 | [tobermory@chestnutpark.com](mailto:tobermory@chestnutpark.com)  
Chestnut Park® Real Estate Limited, Brokerage | [chestnutpark.com](http://chestnutpark.com)



# Hooked on Health Lottery

## Take a Chance to WIN BIG and Support Your Hospital!

Submitted by  
April Patry,  
Executive  
Director, BPH  
Foundation

Tickets  
for Bruce  
Peninsula  
Hospital  
Foundation's  
annual Hooked on Health Lottery are  
now available and going fast! In recent  
years, the proceeds from this annual  
lottery has supported the purchases  
of new x-ray machines, defibrillators,  
transport monitors, and powerchart for  
oncology for Wiarton and Lion's Head  
Hospitals.

This year, Hooked on Health lottery  
proceeds will assist in upgrading our  
Nurse Call Systems at both Wiarton and  
Lion's Head Hospitals, as the current  
systems are at end-of-life, and must be  
upgraded in order to provide the care  
our patients deserve and rely on.

This isn't just any upgrade though.  
It is a modernized, multi-alerting call  
system that visually shows the location  
of calls using a light board. Call requests  
can be readily seen in all areas of a  
hallway, making it easier for the medical  
team to attend to calls as they come  
in. A call bell is in every patient room

and washroom, allowing the patient to  
push the call bell to indicate they need  
assistance. The system also allows  
staff to call more staff into rooms in  
emergency situations by the push of a  
button.

When you purchase a Hooked on  
Health lottery ticket, not only are  
you eligible to win great cash prizes,  
you are also making this advanced  
technology available to our families,  
friends and neighbours in their times of  
need, right here, close to home. There  
are 5 cash prizes with a \$5,000 Grand  
Prize! We expect sales to be swift again  
this year, so make sure you get your  
tickets early.

The BPH Foundation team is so  
grateful for the fabulous support of  
all of our family physicians from the  
Sauble Health Team, the South Bruce  
Peninsula Family Health Organization,  
and the Peninsula Family Health Team  
for generously supporting the cash  
prizing for this lottery again this year!

The draw will take place at 2pm,  
February 23 at the Wiarton Hospital.  
Tickets are \$10 each and are available  
at Josie's Fashions, Scott's Home  
Hardware, and at the BPHF office  
(in the Wiarton Hospital), over the  
phone at (519) 534-5856, or you can  
order your tickets online at [www.bphfoundation.com](http://www.bphfoundation.com).

# Get Ready to Celebrate 2024

## Warton Willie Festival February 2 & 3



Town of South  
Bruce Peninsula  
Media Release  
South Bruce  
Peninsula, ON  
— January 5,  
2024 — Mark  
your calendars,

the Warton Willie Festival is just  
around the corner! The countdown  
has begun as we await Warton Willie's  
annual prediction on February 2nd!

Join us at 7 am, on February 2nd  
as we wake up Willie with a dazzling  
fireworks spectacle. The highlight  
arrives at 8:07 am when Warton Willie  
unveils the official prediction, setting  
the stage for the season ahead.

Following the prediction, head over  
to Warton Arena and revel in free  
public skating, adding an extra layer of  
joy to the morning's activities.

This year, the event will be emceed  
by Country 93's dynamic morning  
show hosts, Shawn & Julia.

"As Groundhog Day coincides with a  
Friday which also happens to be a PD  
Day, we're thrilled for an anticipated  
surge in attendance for the 2024  
Warton Willie Festival. This alignment  
promises a day filled with joy,

tradition and creating an unforgettable  
experience for families" says Danielle  
Edwards, Manager of Communications.

But the excitement doesn't stop  
there! On February 3rd, the celebrations  
continue with the Warton Willie Festival  
of Events in Bluewater Park, Wiarton  
from 10 am to 4 pm. Prepare for a day  
full of entertainment, featuring gaming  
trailers, a trackless train, rock climbing  
wall, axe throwing, photo booth, human  
foosball, and an assortment of surprises  
to enchant attendees of all ages.

Community members hosting  
Warton Willie Festival-related events  
are encouraged to feature them on the  
Town's Calendar of Events. This ensures  
their visibility on the Town's website at  
<https://calendar.southbrucepeninsula.com/default/Month>

Gratitude goes to Bruce Power,  
our esteemed Platinum Sponsor,  
whose generous support has been  
instrumental in making this celebration  
a reality.

Mark your calendars and gear up for  
a weekend packed with joy, activities,  
and the much-anticipated prediction  
from Warton Willie!

For further details and updates,  
please visit [www.wartonwillie.com](http://www.wartonwillie.com)

# St Edmunds Students Donate 27 kg of Food to Tobermory Foodbank



Photo Courtesy of Melissa Stewart

Photo: Jim Mosiuk, Chair of the Tobermory Foodbank, accepts 27.2 kg of  
food collected by St Edmunds Public School students during their December  
food drive.

## Lion's Head & District Curling Club

Proudly Presents

## A Curling Bonspiel

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9am

Sponsored by

**RE/MAX**  
Grey Bruce Realty Inc., Brokerage  
Locally Owned and Independently Operated  
YOUR BRUCE PENINSULA REAL ESTATE TEAM  
Ashley Jackson, Broker

Two 8 end games  
Lunch and Snacks  
Cash Bar  
Prizes  
Fun!

Entry fee:  
\$40 per person

Contact Betty:  
call/text 416-805-5830  
or email [curlionshead@gmail.com](mailto:curlionshead@gmail.com)

# Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula

## 2023 Recap and Plans for 2024

Submitted by Rob Hiscott

Rotary had a very busy and  
successful 2023 with a wide range of  
fundraising activities including new  
initiatives started this past year which  
will likely continue into 2024. Some  
of the highlights of Rotary's contributions  
to the local community this past year  
include:

- Rotary hosted four community

Pancake Breakfasts during holiday  
weekends in 2023 between Victoria Day  
and Labour Day weekends, serving over  
900 breakfasts and raising more than  
\$12,000 over the four Breakfasts, which  
is returned to the community through  
Rotary projects and donations.

- Rotarians tended Bars for no  
fewer than 18 different events in 2023,

Continued on page 21

# COVER PHOTO CONTEST!

SUBMIT YOUR PHOTO FOR THE 2024 TELEPHONE DIRECTORY



Submit your full colour photographs of the Bruce Peninsula and all its beauty.  
If your photo is chosen, we will donate \$300 to the charity of your choice!

Email your photos to: [info@tobermorypress.com](mailto:info@tobermorypress.com)

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31st, 2024.**

\*Only selected entries will be contacted

Tobermory Press Inc.

P.O. Box 89, 39 Legion Street Tobermory, Ontario NOH 2R0  
226-256-2658 | [info@tobermorypress.com](mailto:info@tobermorypress.com)



Reporter’s Notebook:  
Proposed Budget Increase  
Continued from page 1

revenue to a total of \$8,399,770. (The total value of all property in MNBP is \$1,746,403,018, which is an increase of \$28,609,600 over the 2023 total.)

For residential properties, the 2024 mill rates will increase taxes by \$33.65 per \$100,000 of assessed property value.

The largest single component of our municipality’s expenses is our 442 km of municipal roads, which normally consume more than half of the municipality’s operations budget and, in the long term, more than half of the capital budget as well.

But this year is a bit different. More on that in a moment.

Road building and road maintenance materials have seen steep price increases over the last five years, especially the last three years. As Public Works Manager Troy Cameron told Council on January 8, surface treatment gravel took a huge jump in 2022 and another jump in 2023. He is anticipating a further 10-15% increase in 2024. According to the consultant study the municipality commissioned three years ago, we should be spending \$1.4 million per year to keep our paved roads from deteriorating further (and more than that if we want an improvement). What we have actually been spending is about \$1 million

ROOM NAME	SQ FT	COST
Gymnasium	5,045	\$2,794,971
Multi-Purpose	629	\$364,663
Library	3,685	\$2,285,781
Friendship Club	2,517	\$1,436,408
Cash Handling/Admin	880	\$401,772
Change Rooms	2,749	\$1,594,308
Outdoor Storage	213	\$139,823
Outdoor Washrooms	189	\$119,257
Zamboni/storage	2,167	\$1,071,108
Hallway Spaces	3,258	\$1,072,070
Sitework	131,491	\$3,983,978
TOTAL NEW CONSTR	21,332	\$11,280,160
SITWORK		\$3,983,978
RENOVATE EXISTING		\$519,338
GRAND TOTAL		\$15,783,476
CONTINGENCIES		\$250,000
		\$16,033,476

Graph: “Order of Magnitude” cost estimates for various facilities MNBP proposes to incorporate into the arena/community centre complex in Lion’s Head. The numbers were prepared by Ball Construction, MNBP’s Construction Manager for the project.

per year. Maintaining our gravel roads adds another \$1.1 million per year. What’s worse, the consultant’s projections are based on 2022/2023 prices so the actual costs will probably be higher.

In addition to maintenance, Public Works is projected to spend \$4.8 million in capital expenses this year — \$720,000 in equipment, \$3,015,295 in construction (roads, bridges, sidewalks) and \$1,085,000 in resurfacing.

\$1.64 million of Public Works’ capital budget comes out of various municipal reserves; \$433,000 comes from federal and provincial grants. The rest comes out of this year’s budget.

But far and away the biggest project this year is the renovation of the arena/community centre building in Lion’s Head. The municipality had earmarked \$10 million for the project, more than a quarter of which is federal and provincial grants. But inflation has taken a large bite out of what \$10 million will buy.

Ball Construction, the firm MNBP hired to act as Construction Manager for the project, recently submitted an “order of magnitude budget” for each of the facilities MNBP would like to incorporate into the arena complex.

The total cost is \$16 million, not \$10 million. Council will have to decide whether to expand the budget or make drastic cuts to the facility.

Ball Construction’s report to Council appears in the Agenda for the January17 Special Meeting. It can be found online.

Tobermory Fire Department  
Floods Skating Rink

With the temperature dropping well below freezing and the forecast saying it will stay there for weeks, Tobermory’s Fire Department has flooded a skating rink at the baseball diamond behind the Tobermory Community Centre.

The rink should be up and running by the time this newspaper goes to print.

Tobermory and Northern  
Bruce Peninsula Chamber of  
Commerce Name Change

Tobermory’s Chamber of Commerce has jumped through all but one of the necessary hoops to change its name to Tobermory and Northern Bruce Peninsula Chamber of Commerce. The name change reflects a broadening of the organization’s reach and scope — it now has members from around the entire municipality and advocates on their behalf.

The final “hoop” in the name change process is recognition by the federal government’s registry of Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade. The necessary paperwork has been submitted.

Are You Considering Installing a  
Heat Pump While the Grants Last?

Heat Pump Workshop February 24th

Submitted by Donna Cole,  
Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association

The Biosphere Association, in collaboration with the Municipality’s Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee, will be offering a workshop designed to answer your questions about heat pumps. This initiative is one step towards implementation of our community’s Climate Action Plan. (<https://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/media/kvkhax4/climate-action-plan.pdf>)

The Northern Bruce Peninsula Climate action plan has set a goal of lowering community Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 20% by the year 2030. The plan identifies that 25% of our buildings and structures need to be converted from oil and propane to electric sources of heating and cooling by the year 2030. The best and most promising way to achieve this goal is through the installation of Heat Pumps.

Electrifying heating through use of a heat pump and transportation by driving an electric vehicle are the most significant steps we as individuals can take to reduce carbon emissions.

The Biosphere Association Heat Pump Workshop will be held Saturday February 24th from 9:30 am - 11:30 am at the Rotary Hall, 59 Main Street, Lion’s Head (on street parking available).

Eric Crose of Crose Mechanical and Dan Blenkinsop, an energy auditor

as well as other experts will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

Learn about:

- Obtaining a grant
- Types of heat pumps and how they work
- When in your furnace’s life to switch
- Merits of converting to a heat pump (which cools and heats) rather than replacing or buying a new air conditioner
- Determining if a hybrid system is a better solution for you
- Installation and operating costs of a heat pump versus propane or wood heat
- Climate benefits of heat pumps

Please join us - the famous Biosphere Butter Tarts and coffee will be served!

BIOSPHERE VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP YOU COMPLETE YOUR GRANT APPLICATION. Signup sheets for this assistance will be available at the meeting.

PS: Did you know heat pumps act as air conditioners too? With our hotter summers that is a real benefit!

Register at [www.bpba.ca](http://www.bpba.ca) to ensure a seat—walk-ins possible too.



**CANADIAN RIVER CRUISING**  
Experience the beauty and history of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers on a classic Canadian riverboat. *Request our free travel brochure.*  
**1-800-267-7868** [www.StLawrenceCruiseLines.com](http://www.StLawrenceCruiseLines.com)  
253 Ontario St., Suite 200, Kingston, ON K7L2Z4   TICO #2168740



**GREY BRUCE Elder Abuse Prevention**



CSAAC  
Lighting the way forward

Senior Centre  
Without Walls

Focus Group and Presentation  
Tuesday, 23 January 2024  
1:00 ~ 3:00 p.m.

Christ Anglican Church,  
55 Main Street, Lion’s Head

(Note: Tentative Snow Date ~ Tuesday, 6 February 2024)

Presentation Topics:  
Home Takeovers, Ageism, Abuse, Fraud and Scams

Focus Group Topic:  
Elder Abuse Prevention

Refreshments

Please RSVP to:

Marlene Davies at 519-793-3110 or [chixed@outlook.com](mailto:chixed@outlook.com)  
Sharron Colter at 519-793-3473 or [nbpcsac@eastlink.ca](mailto:nbpcsac@eastlink.ca)

RSVP deadline: 19 January 2024

Sponsored by:  
Christ Church, Lion's Head, Ontario  
Northern Bruce Peninsula Community Support Advisory Action Committee  
Northern Bruce Peninsula Senior Centre With and Without Walls

Uke the Bruce!

New Members Wanted for Northern Bruce Ukulele Club

Submitted by Jace Weir

Do you have a ukulele languishing in it’s case because you don’t know how to play it? Or, do you play the ukulele and would like to help others learn? Either way, you might be a potential member of the Northern Bruce Ukulele Club (NB-UKE). Right now this club is pretty exclusive, as there are only four members, but we want to change that! This is a huge opportunity to get on the ground floor of perhaps the fastest growing club anywhere!

There are no dues, just bring your ukulele and some songs you know or would like to learn, and join with a fun-loving bunch of people with great potential to become the next Elvis! (Elvis had a ukulele! Did you ever see Blue Hawaii?)

Where shall we meet? At The Meeting Place (TMP), of course! The TMP Board has unanimously approved the hosting duties of our start-up, and we will have access to electronic gear such as amps, mics and speakers to practice with as we become more accomplished players. One objective I have is for us to play at a future Open Mic night!

If the opportunity to learn to play your ukulele excites you, or you just want to be part of the action, please contact Jace Weir at 519-596-2057 or by email [jacemweir@gmail.com](mailto:jacemweir@gmail.com) or Danielle Vaccari at 647-291-8336 or by email [danielle@naturesgifts.ca](mailto:danielle@naturesgifts.ca)

We hope to get underway this month, so don’t miss out!



PUBLISHER'S COLUMN

By John Francis

As often happens to politicians, our municipal councillors are being given contradictory instructions by different groups of MNBP citizens.

Loud instructions.

As Mayor Milt McIver often reminds us, a lot of voters tell him that “tourism should pay for tourism”.

With commercial tourism properties constituting less than 2% of the municipality’s tax base, there’s no way to cover those expenses out of the tourism sector’s municipal taxes.

So other strategies are needed.

Paid parking was MNBP’s first foray into trying to get tourism to pay for tourism. It has been quite successful but it barely scratches the surface of what all those visitors actually cost us.

Tourism costs us somewhere over a million dollars a year, although you have to squint to see it.

Take Bylaw Enforcement, for example. It has an operations budget of \$632,000

Businesses Push Back Against Municipal Accommodation Tax Extension

for 2024 (not including capital items). But that’s not all for tourism, is it?

Well... think back to 25 years ago. Bylaw enforcement used to be something the building inspector did in his spare time. Now Bylaw Enforcement is its own department with a much higher budget than Building Inspection.

What changed? Tourism.

You can see the same pattern with our Fire and Emergency Services department. A large number of their calls to service are for people lost in the woods, people lost in the water, people who’ve fallen off cliffs or people who have built illegal bonfires.

Tourists.

If you squint a little harder, you can see the same pattern in our Roads budget, our garbage and landfill budgets, our OPP budget and so on.

Crowds of tourists add cost to almost every budget. Most owners of residential and farm properties resent paying those costs, resent paying higher taxes without a corresponding increase in the services they care about.

“Tourism should pay for tourism,”

they tell our councillors.

So when the Government of Ontario put in place a mechanism for municipalities to charge a 4% tax on accommodations, a lot of municipalities — including ours — jumped all over it. In MNBP it has only applied to Short-Term Accommodations for the first couple of years — residential properties that take advantage of a loophole in the law to rent by the night instead of by the year.

But the revenues generated by the Municipal Accommodation Tax have been disappointing — nowhere near covering the out-of-pocket costs MNBP is facing.

Most destinations charge MAT on all overnight accommodations, not just STAs. After listening to voters during the election campaign, MNBP’s new Council set out to extend the MAT here.

They were going to implement it last summer, but delayed when they encountered heavy pushback from affected businesses. As Council considers implementing it for the summer of 2024, they are hearing from those businesses again.

Two delegations appeared at MNBP Council’s January 8 Meeting.

Griffin Salen, Past President of Tobermory Chamber of Commerce told council that the business community is not in favour of extending the MAT to commercial accommodators. The original rationale for the MAT was to level the playing field — remove some of the advantage that STAs gain by not paying commercial taxes or obeying commercial regulations.

He pointed out that levying a MAT on campgrounds would be particularly unfair, given that their main competition — national park campgrounds — would not have to charge the MAT.

Salen pointed out that Chamber members are already unhappy with paid parking, which charges their

customers but has yet to produce any visible benefit. To get Chamber of Commerce members on board for the MAT extension, the community would need to see visible improvements — “You can’t just keep adding tax without adding improvements and we’re not seeing improvements.”

He also stressed that the business community needs a lot of lead time on any new charges. A few months are not enough.

The second delegation was Jeff Mielhausen (Bear Tracks), Wilf Laman (Lion’s Head Beach Motel) and Serge Marcella (Tamarac Island Inn). They also asked Council to vote down the MAT extension proposal.

They stressed that this is not the time to add a burden to MNBP’s hospitality sector. Many businesses are struggling, still recovering from the pandemic and faced with labour shortages, increased wage costs, increased insurance costs, increased propane costs and dwindling margins. They encouraged MNBP staff and council to stop thinking of tourism as a problem. Tourists aren’t the problem — lack of facilities is the problem. With many tourists coming back every year, motels and campgrounds are the solution, not the problem.

The problem, they said, is that Parks Canada is attracting an influx of daytrippers. It is unfair to go after a small segment of the industry — accommodators — to solve a problem they are not causing, while the national parks are making out like bandits and they’re exempt from MAT.

They pointed out that the extended MAT would apply year round. What tourism expenses does the MNBP have in the winter that entitle it to add a further burden to a struggling sector?

Council will have to find a way to steer the municipality through this. They’re the referee and it’s always hard to satisfy both teams.

Letter: Is Basic Housing a Right or a Privilege?

From Wiarton to Sauble Beach, Howdenvale to Lion’s Head, Cape Chin to Tobermory I am hearing from parishioners and community members about housing shortages. How is this possible on a Peninsula where so many houses are locked up all winter long? How is it possible that people are homeless in an area with so many unoccupied homes? Is basic housing - basic shelter with heat, running water, septic and hydro - a right or a privilege?

In October, a water treatment company came to my home in the North Peninsula, to service the well water filtration system. From the service technician, who has been in the business for over a decade in this area, I learnt that the bacterial content in peninsula well water is rising. These elevated bacteria levels are being observed in water samples further and further north. Not surprising, given the number of septic systems being built to support homes which do not have access to municipal sewage systems or municipal water systems. Are our pooppy septic systems ultimately leaking into our water table?

Housing: the kind that is affordable or attainable relies on municipal services in order to even get built.

Affordable and attainable housing is necessary to build stable, healthy, year-round communities.

When a developer or builder has to provide their own water supply or their own sewage system for each unit they build, those costs have to be passed on to the renter or buyer. The result is housing costs which are out of reach of the ordinary person. This makes basic housing a privilege. I would like to suggest that basic housing is a right. Food, clothing, shelter, safety – aren’t these basic human rights?

By digging and questioning, I am finding that there are deep pockets of concern amongst many groups of people, but how are we organizing as communities to address these concerns? And how is the lack of organizing affecting the very environment that so many of us move here to enjoy?

Can our churches offer some kind of scaffolding for community organizing, with which to tackle the housing and services shortage? If you feel we can, please get in touch with me.

Pastor Janaki Bandara  
janakibandara@diohuron.org  
519-588-7701

Griffin Salen, Past President of Tobermory Chamber of Commerce told council that the business community is not in favour of extending the MAT to commercial accommodators. The original rationale for the MAT was to level the playing field — remove some of the advantage that STAs gain by not paying commercial taxes or obeying commercial regulations.

He pointed out that levying a MAT on campgrounds would be particularly unfair, given that their main competition — national park campgrounds — would not have to charge the MAT.

Salen pointed out that Chamber members are already unhappy with paid parking, which charges their

Letter: Thankful for Rescue

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to some lovely folk in Ferndale who rescued me after I inadvertently ditched my car in a whiteout on January 13. Unfortunately I didn’t find out their names but there were several who helped me. The owner of the garage, his wife and son, and another fellow who was a hero, and by trying to help me, ditched his truck.

It all turned out just fine. We both were pulled out of that ditch and live to tell the tale.

Special thanks go out to the 11 year old boy who took care of me, offering me water and a chair to sit on. He is a sweetheart. When I said how embarrassed I was he said “not to worry, these things happen”.

There is much kindness around and these folks are absolutely the BEST. Thank you to all.

Cheers from a grateful,  
Joan Barton,  
Mar

The Bruce Peninsula Press

Since 1988



MAILING ADDRESS: P. O. Box 89, 39 Legion St., Tobermory, Ont. N0H 2R0  
HOURS: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Closed Statutory holidays  
LOCATION: 39 Legion Street, Tobermory.  
PHONE: 226-256-2658 or 1-800-794-4480 FAX: 226-256-0066  
EMAIL: info@tobermorypress.com WEB: www.brucepeninsulapress.com

Customer Service/Advertising Sales	Trudy Watson, info@tobermorypress.com
Managing Editor	Marianne Wood, editor@tobermorypress.com
Advertising/Graphic Design	Tanya Early, advertising@tobermorypress.com
IT Services/Graphic Design	Kenneth McFarlane, graphics@tobermorypress.com
Publisher	John Francis
Production Manager	Scott McFarlane

Reproduction of editorial or advertising material requires permission of the writer, photographer and/or publisher. Any article reproduced in other publications must credit the original author and The Bruce Peninsula Press.

Advertising is accepted on the condition that in the event of a typographical error, the advertising space occupied by the erroneous item, together with reasonable allowance for signature, will not be charged for, but that balance of advertisement will be paid for at the applicable rate. In the event of a typographical error advertising goods or services at the wrong price, goods or services need not be sold at the advertised price. Advertising is merely an offer to sell and may be withdrawn at any time. The Bruce Peninsula Press is not responsible for the loss or damage of unsolicited manuscripts, photos or other materials submitted.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

The Bruce Peninsula Press welcomes letters to the editor. Letters are published at the discretion of the editor and/or publisher who reserve the right to edit.

All letters must abide by the **4 Ls rule:**

- **Local** (must be directly linked to the Northern Bruce Peninsula)
- **Length** (must be less than 750 words long)
- Cannot be **Lewd** or **Libelous**.

All letters must include the name of the writer. Letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions, policies or beliefs of the Bruce Peninsula Press.

Email letters to **editor@tobermorypress.com**

2024 Printing Schedule		
#1	January 10	January 16
#2	January 31	February 6
#3	February 21	February 27
#4	March 13	March 19
#5	April 3	April 9
#6	April 24	April 30
#7	May 8	May 14
#8	May 22	May 28
#9	June 5	June 11
#10	June 19	June 25
#11	July 3	July 9
#12	July 24	July 30
#13	August 7	August 13
#14	August 21	August 27
#15	September 4	September 10
#16	September 25	October 1
#17	October 16	October 22
#18	October 30	November 5
#19	November 20	November 26
#20	December 11	December 17

**CIRCULATION:** Delivered free to all mail boxes in the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula. Extra copies are available for \$1.52 (plus 5% tax) at a number of peninsula businesses.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS:**  
20 issues per year by mail

**Canada**  
\$52.00/year, Seasonal \$3.25/issue (includes tax)

**U.S.**  
\$125.00/year, Seasonal \$8.00/issue (in Canadian funds, not taxable)

**International**  
\$220.00/year, Seasonal \$15.00/issue (in Canadian funds, not taxable)



CMCA  
AUDITED



OCNA  
Ontario Community Newspaper Association

Funded by the Government of Canada  
Financé par le gouvernement du Canada

Publications Mail Registration # 40014723

Canada

Published by:  
**Tobermory Press Inc.**  
P.O. Box 89, 39 Legion St., Tobermory,  
ON N0H 2R0  
Ph: 226-256-2658  
email: info@tobermorypress.com



Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Meeting Minutes December 11, 2023

Members Present: Mayor - Milt McIver, Deputy Mayor - Rod Anderson (Via Zoom), Councillor - Todd Dowd, Councillor - Laurie (Smokey) Golden

Members Absent: Councillor - Aman Sohrab

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer - Peggy Van Mierlo-West, Clerk - Cathy Addison, Committee/Licensing Coordinator - Lindsay Forbes, Treasurer - Teresa Shearer, GIS/IT Coordinator - Kara Smith, Bylaw Enforcement Officer - Carol Hopkins, Parks and Facilities Manager - Mark Coleman

Others Present: Climate Action and Waste Management Committee Chair, Mike Campbell

Note: Members of Council and staff were present in the Municipal Office Council Chamber and the meeting was held via zoom, an electronic platform, for members of the public to view.

In the absence of the ability to vote by a show of hands, due to Deputy Mayor Anderson attending the meeting via Zoom, in accordance with By-law No. 2021-08, Section 3-64.3 Council votes will be recorded for resolutions presented at electronic Council meetings.

**Call to Order and Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

Mayor McIver called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and Council members were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof that may arise during the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

The Clerk advised that the report pertaining to Green Acres Subdivision would not be presented at today's meeting as indicated at the November 27, 2023, Council meeting. The Bruce County Planning Department had advised the Clerk that the Developer will continue to work on outstanding items and a report will be brought back to Council.

#31-01-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**Adoption of the Minutes**

Re: Special Council Meeting No. 23-29, November 27, 2023

#31-02-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That the minutes of Special Council Meeting No. 23-29, November 27, 2023, be approved as printed and circulated.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

Public Meeting – Nil.

That the minutes of Council Meeting No. 23-30, November 27, 2023, be approved as printed and circulated.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

Re: Council Meeting No. 23-30, November 27, 2023

#31-03-2023

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That the minutes of Council Meeting No. 23-30, November 27, 2023, be approved as printed and circulated.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

Public Meeting – Nil.

Delegation

**Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee, Mike Campbell**

**Re: Presentation Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee Climate Lens Annual Report of Municipal Progress Climate Action Plan**

Mayor McIver, welcomed Mike Campbell to the December 11, 2023, Council Meeting.

Committee Chair, Mike Campbell, provided Council with a presentation from the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee regarding Municipal implementation of the Climate Action Plan's - "Climate Lens" into the Municipal decision-making process.

It was noted that on May 12, 2022, the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula committed to a goal of reducing Greenhouse Gases by 20% from 2020 levels by 2030.

It was further noted that council accepted the Northern Bruce Peninsula Climate Action Plan to achieve this goal, including the utilization of a Climate Lens Approach. The Climate Lens Policy integrates action for climate change into decision making throughout the Municipality. The policy outlines a process to help the Municipality achieve the targets and actions identified in the Climate Action Plan. These identified actions focus on mitigation and adaptation measures in the key areas of transportation, waste, and facilities management.

It was noted that there are five questions employed within the lens.

- Cost - Does the proposal consider the full lifecycle cost of the initiative?

- Resilience - Does the proposal consider the local impact of climate change and put in place strategies to reduce its potential risk?

- Emissions - Does the proposal assess the emissions it will generate and propose strategies to reduce them?

- Leadership - Does the proposal demonstrate that the Municipality is taking a leadership role in addressing climate change?

- Alignment - Does the proposal align with the recommendations included as part of the NBP Climate Action Plan?

It was noted that the Climate Lens should be applied to all decisions regarding:

- new infrastructure
- project or program design
- planning and policy documents

Discussion ensued regarding lifecycle costing. It was noted that lifecycle costing is the process of compiling all costs that the owner or producer of an asset will incur over its lifespan. These costs include the initial investment, future additional investments, and annually recurring costs, minus any salvage value.

Discussion ensued regarding the evaluation of grid capacity issues by the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee.

It was noted that the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee intends to recommend that Council requests a delegation from Hydro One surrounding potential strategies to address the noted grid capacity issues.

Mayor McIver thanked Mike Campbell for their presentation.

Consideration of Agenda Items

**1. Committee and Licensing Coordinator Report No. CLC 23-06**

**Re: 2023 Committee Operations Overview**

#31-04-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson

That Council receives CLC Report No. 23-06, entitled "2023 Committee Operations Overview" as information.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**2. Committee and Licensing Coordinator Report No. CLC 23-07**

**Re: Expansion of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program**

Discussion ensued regarding the potential expansion of the Short-term Accommodation (STA) Licensing Program.

Discussion ensued regarding the expansion of the STA Licensing Program into Rural and Commercial Zones.

Discussion ensued regarding the reduction of the cap within the STA Licensing Program from 700 licences to 500 licences.

It was noted that a report should be brought back to Council in the new year regarding the expansion of the STA Licensing Program, the reduction of the cap from 700 to 500 licences, and restrictions on Class C Short-term Accommodations within rural or residential zones.

It noted that following the subsequent report's review by Council, it will be placed on Let's Talk NBP for public comment.

#31-05-2023

Moved by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That Council receives CLC Report No. 23-07, entitled "Expansion of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program" as information; and

That Council directs the Committee and Licensing Coordinator to prepare a subsequent report regarding the expansion of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program into Rural and Commercial Zones, the reduction of the cap from 700 to 500 licences within the Municipality, and restrictions on Class C Short-term Accommodations within rural or residential zones, for clarification.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

Councillor Dowd Yes

Councillor Golden Yes

Continued on next page



Located at



### JANUARY EVENTS @ Pharos Restaurant – Wine Bar

**MONDAY - WING NIGHT**

Buy 1 pound wings at regular price get the 2nd at 50% off

**WINE WEDNESDAY**

Buy 1 glass of wine and add 1 app at 50% off

**THURSDAY- GAMES NIGHT**

Bring your own board game or play one of ours.

**FISH & CHIP FRIDAY**

Fish & Chips -\$15.95 OR Fish taco wrap -\$12.50

**SONGWRITER SERIES**

Featuring songwriters from around the Peninsula

January 22nd and February 5th at 6pm

Open:

Monday - Saturday 9am-7pm

Sunday 9am-6pm





Call for reservations & information: 519-596-8282

info@tobermoryprincesshotel.com | www.tobermoryprincesshotel.com





**DOLLAR STORE**

and more



### Greeting Cards, Gift Bags & Wrap

Yarn & Notions

Craft Supplies

Party Section

Toys

Puzzles

Pocket Novels



Housewares

Stationery

Bed & Bath

Kitchenware

Pet Supplies

Candles



### Yarn and Notions Galore!!

For all your sewing, quilting, knitting and crocheting needs



WOOLEN MILLS LTD

Heritage Tuffy Regal Roving

564 Berford St., Wiarton, 519-534-1390

Hours: Monday - Saturday 9am - 6pm | Closed Sunday



Council Minutes Dec 11/23  
Continued from previous page

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

3. GIS/IT Manager Report No. GIS IT 23-08  
Re: Asset Management Software

#31-06-2023  
Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson  
That Council receives GIS/IT 23-08 report titled Asset Management Software, and;  
That Council supports Staff's proposed direction with regards to the Asset Management Program and meeting the 2024 legislated requirements, and;  
That Council supports the allocation of unused 2023 Asset Management and Software operating budget to purchase Brightly Asset Essentials Enterprise; and;  
That Council supports the inclusion of fees to implement Brightly's Asset Essentials Enterprise in the 2024 capital budget.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

4. GIS/IT Manager Report No. GIS IT 23-09  
Re: Ecopia Agreement

#31-07-2023  
Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden  
That Council receives GIS/IT 23-09 report titled Ecopia Agreement for information, and;  
That Council Authorize the CAO to sign an Agreement for End User License Agreement with Ecopia Tech Corporation.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

5. Chief Building Official Report No. BD 23-31  
Re: Affordable Housing

#31-08-2023  
Moved by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd  
That Council receives BD Report 23-31, entitled" Affordable Housing" as information.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

6. Chief Building Official Report No. 23-32  
Re: Proposed Amendments to By-law 2023-94, Licensing, Regulating & Governing Food Truck Businesses

Discussion ensued regarding the public comments received surrounding By-law 2023-94, Licensing, Regulating & Governing Food Truck Businesses.  
It was noted that section 2.6 should

be removed from By-law 2023-94, which pertains to not permitting food trucks within 100 metres of an existing restaurant.  
#31-09-2023  
Moved by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd  
That Council receives BD Report 23-32, entitled "Proposed Amendments to By-law 2023-94, Licencing, Regulating & Governing Food truck Businesses", and

That Council agrees that the existing Food Truck Businesses in Tobermory and Lion's Head and will be grandfathered and will have the first right of refusal, and wording to address A-frame sign and signage along Highway 6 MTO corridor must receive the applicable sign permits from MTO; and wording pertaining to the use of barbecues, smokers, and any outdoor cooking equipment will be revised; and the first year licence application date to operate a food truck within the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula will be extended to April 15, 2024; and that Section 2.6 of the draft by-law pertaining to the 100 metre setback from an existing restaurant be removed; and  
That By-law 2023-94, Being a By-law to provide for the Licensing, Regulating, and Governing of Food Truck Businesses will be adopted at the January 8, 2023, regular Council meeting.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

7. Treasurer Report No. TR 23-27  
Re: Budget Program - Questica

It was noted that several municipalities within Bruce County currently utilize the Questica Budget Program.  
#31-10-2023  
Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson  
That Council receives Treasurer's report TR 23-27 as information regarding the Questica Budget Software proposal; and  
That Council approves a 5-year contract with Questica Budgeting Software for a total of \$147,378. Year one of the subscription, in the amount of \$36,500, to be financed by the Northern Bruce Peninsula Capital Reserve.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried

8. Treasurer Report No. TR 23-28  
Re: Asset Retirement Obligations - Consultant

#31-11-2023  
Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson  
That Council receives Treasurer's report TR23-28 as information regarding the requirement for recording Asset Retirement Obligations; and  
That Council approves contracting the services of BDO as a consultant for the implementation of Asset Retirement Obligations at an estimated cost of

\$42,500 to be included in the 2024 Budget.  
The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:  
Councillor Dowd Yes  
Councillor Golden Yes  
Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes  
Mayor McIver Yes  
The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.  
Carried  
9. Treasurer Report No. TR 23-29  
Re: 2024 Community Funding  
The following was noted on discussions  
Continued on next page

POLTEK INC.

Hardwood Restoration



519-580-WOOD( 9663)

SANDING | CUSTOM STAINING  
INSTALLATION | REPAIRS

Poltekhr@gmail.com

 Poltek Hardwood Restoration  @patrykmala

AVIS PUBLIC	PUBLIC NOTICE
PYLÔNE DE TÉLÉCOMMUNICATION PROPOSÉE DE SHARED TOWER INC. 75, CHEMIN LINDSAY 40, MILLER LAKE, ON	PROPOSED SHARED TOWER INC. TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER 75 LINDSAY ROAD 40, MILLER LAKE, ON
<div>OBJET:</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Type : Tour haubanée de 90 m</li><li>Emplacement : 75, chemin Lindsay 40, Miller Lake, ON (coordonnées : 45,177257, -81,378848)</li><li>Description légale : LOT 41 CON 7 EBR LINDSAY SAUF PARTIE 1, 3R2941 MUNICIPALITÉ DE NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA</li><li>Site : Shared Tower propose une tour haubanée de 90 m pour résoudre directement les problèmes de mauvais service cellulaire et avoir un impact positif sur la connectivité dans la région. La structure de 90 m accueillera des charges initiales et futures pour tous les fournisseurs de services cellulaires, ainsi que des équipements sans fil fixes supplémentaires au besoin.</li></ul></div> <div>Innovation, science et développement économique Canada (ISED) est l'organisme directeur pour les installations de ce type et peut être contacté à l'adresse suivante : Bureau de l'ISED : Bureau de district du Sud-Ouest de l'Ontario 4475, chemin de service Nord, bureau 100, Burlington, ON L7L 4X7 Tél. : 1-855-465-6307; Fax : 905-639-6551 Courriel : ic.spectrumswodo-spectrebdsoo.ic@canada.ca</div> <div>TOUTE PERSONNE peut soumettre des commentaires écrits à la personne listée ci-dessous au plus tard à 17 h (HE) le 26 JANVIER 2024. Veuillez mentionner notre numéro de dossier, <b>STC0335</b>, dans votre correspondance.</div> <div>Des informations complémentaires peuvent également être obtenues auprès du contact suivant :</div>	<div>SUBJECT:</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Type: 90m Guyed-style tower</li><li>Location: 75 Lindsay Road 40, Miller Lake, ON (coordinates: 45.177257, -81.378848)</li><li>Legal Description: LT 41 CON 7 EBR LINDSAY EXCEPT PT 1, 3R2941 MUNICIPALITY OF NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA</li><li>Site: Shared Tower is proposing a 90 metre guyed tower to address the poor cellular service issues directly and positively impact connectivity in the area. The 90m structure will accommodate initial and future loading for all cellular service providers, and additional fixed wireless equipment as required.</li></ul></div> <div>Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) is the governing body for installations of this type of telecommunication installation and can be contacted at: ISED – Southwestern Ontario District Office 4475 North Service Road, Suite 100 Burlington, ON L7L 4X7 Telephone: 1-855-465-6307; Fax: 905-639-6551 Email: ic.spectrumswodo-spectrebdsoo.ic@canada.ca</div> <div><b>ANY PERSON</b> may make a written submission to the individuals listed below no later than 5pm (ET) on <b>JANUARY 26, 2024</b>. Please reference our file number, <b>STC0335</b>, in your correspondence.</div> <div>Further information may also be obtained through the following contacts:</div>

CONTACT DE LA DEMANDE

Cheyenne Zierler,  
Senior Planning Manager  
Shared Tower Inc.  
1300 Cornwall Rd. Unit 101  
Oakville ON, L6J 7W5  
czierler@sharedtower.ca

SITE LOCATION MAP/CARTE DE L'EMPLACEMENT DU SITE



APPLICANT CONTACT

Cheyenne Zierler,  
Senior Planning Manager  
Shared Tower Inc.  
1300 Cornwall Rd. Unit 101  
Oakville ON, L6J 7W5  
czierler@sharedtower.ca



**Council Minutes Dec 11/23**  
**Continued from previous page**

surrounding 2024 Community Funding applications:

- Bruce Men’s Shed - Reduced to \$1,000.
- Bruce Peninsula Hospice - Removed \$2,000, due to 5-year financial commitment approved earlier in 2023.
- Crime Stoppers of Grey-Bruce - Reduced to \$1,000.

Sources of Knowledge - Reduced to \$1,000.

St. John’s Ambulance - Determined that the submission does not meet eligibility criteria.

It was noted that the total amount allocated to the 2024 Funding Requests is \$30,200.

#31-12-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That Council receives Treasurer’s Report TR23-29 as information regarding the 2024 Municipal Community Funding requests; and

That Council approves the Community Funding as amended and directs staff to distribute the grants prior to passing of the 2024 Budget.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden Yes
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**10. Treasurer Report No. TR 23-30**  
**Re: Meeting Place Pavilion Funding**

Discussion ensued with regards to Council having more detailed information with projects associated with the Meeting Place when using tax payers dollars.

#31-13-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson

That Council receives Treasurer’s Report TR23-30 as information regarding the new pavilion that was built on the Tobermory Meeting Place property; and

That Council approves further funding in the amount of \$8,621.90 to cover the budget shortfall to be financed by the Northern Bruce Peninsula Capital Reserve.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden No
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**11. Treasurer Report No. TR 23-31**  
**Re: Municipal Accommodation Tax Expansion**

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed expansion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

It was noted that tourism should pay for tourism.

It was noted that an outline of the allocation and utilization of the funds remitted through the Municipal Accommodation Tax should be created and presented to Council.

Chief Administrative Officer, Peggy Van Mierlo-West, noted that she will send out emails to Council regarding available dates in January to schedule a Special Council Meeting strategic session surrounding long term capital improvements and funding including the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

#31-14-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That Council receives Treasurer’s report TR23-31 regarding expansion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax; and

That the expansion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax be deferred at this time.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden Yes
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**12. Clerk Report No. C 23-44**  
**Re: Volunteer Recognition Day 2024**

#31-15-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson

That Council receives C-23-44 report with regards to Volunteer Recognition Day 2024 as information; and

That Council acknowledges the scheduling of the Annual Recognition Day event on Wednesday, April 17th, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the Rotary Hall in Lion’s Head.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden Yes
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**13. Clerk Report No. C 23-45**  
**Re: Collection of Unpaid Line Fence Construction**

#31-16-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That Council receives the Clerk’s report C 23-45 as it relates to the Line Fence Act; and

That Council acknowledges that the Municipal Treasurer will be proceeding with the payment for an outstanding Line Fence payment, under section 12 (7) of the Line Fences Act.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden Yes
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**14. Clerk Report No. C 23-46**  
**Re: Accessibility Annual Status Report for 2023**

#31-17-2023

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That Council receives Clerk Report No. 23-46, Accessibility Annual Status Report for 2023, as information.

The Clerk proceeded to call and record the votes of Council:

- Councillor Dowd Yes
- Councillor Golden Yes
- Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes
- Mayor McIver Yes

The Clerk announced that the motion was carried.

Carried

**15. Accounts Payable Voucher**  
**Re: November 2023**

#31-18-2023

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That Council receives approved Accounts Payable Voucher for November 2023, in

*Continued on next page*



**PENINSULA**  
APPLIANCES





**\$2,299.00**  
+ tax

Whirlpool® 33-inch Wide  
French Door  
Refrigerator - 22 cu. ft.  
Model #WRF5333PZ

Features:  
Fingerprint resistant  
Humidity-controlled crispers  
interior water dispenser  
full width temperature-controlled drawer

**FREE DELIVERY ON THE BRUCE PENINSULA**  
Same day delivery available on all in stock appliances!  
® Registered Trade-mark of Whirlpool Canada Inc.

**NEED AN APPLIANCE REPAIR? CALL US FOR SERVICE**



**CANADIAN MADE**  
**MATTRESSES**



**WINTER CLEARANCE**  
**MATTRESS EVENT**



**Box Springs & Frames**  
Available sizes:  
twin to king

**West side of Hwy. #6 at Ferndale**  
**peninsula.appliances2@gmail.com**  
**519-793-4444**



Controlled Heat. All Night Long.



www.blazeking.com



**“Your Store For All Seasons”**  
*For Today’s Lifestyle*

**OWEN SOUND (SPRINGMOUNT) HWY. 6 & 21**  
**519-371-2963 www.thefyreplace.com**  
**Open Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm,**  
**Saturday 9am to 1pm**



## Carried

**Phone: 519-534-5599 Fax: 519-534-3836**  
**Monday - Saturday 8:00am - 5:00pm | Closed Sunday**



# Bruce Peninsula District & St Edmunds Public School News

## December Was a Time of Giving

Submitted by  
Emily Cameron

December was such an amazing month at our family of schools. We spent a lot of time cooking, dancing, singing, laughing, building culture, and practicing gratitude.

On December 11, members of the local food bank came to pick up over 875 lbs of food collected by Bruce Peninsula District School (BPDS) staff and students. What a great way to support those in need. Thank you to our BPDS families for your generosity. Secondary Student Council also collected 218 toonies for 'Toonies for Turkeys', an initiative which helps those in need purchase a turkey for the holiday season.

Speaking of turkey, on December 14, BPDS hosted its annual Festive Feast. This is a long-standing tradition at BPDS and has been made possible by the generosity of many community members, especially Tim Hayes, who donates all the food for the event. Every single staff and student in the school was able to come together and eat a home-cooked turkey dinner. (more Festive Feast on page 12)

This kind of event requires the help of many people. By lending a hand, students were able to learn a lot about nutrition, cooking, cleaning up, and the importance of togetherness and giving. Many people contributed to this event: Secondary and Elementary Student's Council, the grade 8 class, Tamioka Eby and Jordon Hurst (former BPDS students), Mrs. Cunningham, many staff members including our amazing custodial team, Mary Hewton and the staff at the Booth, and community volunteers Kara Hellyer and Cecile Myles. We really are so fortunate to live in such a wonderful community.

Early on the morning of December 15, 51 students from the K-5 choir and JK/SK class went carolling at the Bruce Peninsula Family Centre and the Golden Dawn Nursing Home! A big thank you to Mrs. Collins for starting the choir and organizing this! Also, thanks to Mrs. Clarke, the JK/SK co-op student Abigail, and volunteers - Jennie, Charlotte and Cecile for helping get all our littles where they were going safely! BPDS is so lucky to be within walking distance to the community and have such wonderful community support!

Also on December 15, Kim White from the branch Legion came to BPDS to present the awards for the Remembrance Day Literary and Poster contest. This is always a crowd



Photo: Students Travis Vanderkooy, Michael Rouse, and Cole Catley enjoying the Festive Feast.

favourite. Students and staff eagerly gathered in the gym to celebrate our talented writers and artists who took great care in commemorating Remembrance Day through their work. There were 111 entries between St Edmunds and BPDS students! That number alone is worth celebrating. The list of winners are as follows:

### Poster Contest

#### Primary Poster- Black and White

1. Allison Elliott-Batista, 2. Emory Harpur, 3. Olivia Brown

#### Primary Poster- Colour

1. Adel Janknegt, 2. Olivia Brown, 3. Emory Harpur

#### Junior Poster- Black and White

1. Adalyn Cullen, 2. Avery Sachs, 3. Mabel Cameron

#### Junior Poster- Colour

1. Avery Sachs, 2. Autumn Liverance, 3. Aria Pitual

#### Intermediate Poster- Black and White

1. Lena Hofstrand, 2. Isis Brooks, 3. Eva Lewkowicz

#### Intermediate Poster- Colour

1. Morgan Kerton-Moir

#### Senior Poster- Colour

1. Trace Morrison

### Literary Contest

#### Junior Poem

1. Trent Lyle, 2. Adalyn Cullen, 3. Avery Sachs

#### Junior Essay

1. Trent Lyle, 2. Emmett Stewart, 3. Owen Cameron

#### Intermediate Poem

1. Emery Cameron, 2. Kenzie Szymezko, 3. Nichole Hutchinson

December 15 proved to be a very busy day. After caroling and the Remembrance Day Assembly, students from grades 7-12 marched up to the arena to watch the Secondary Girls' Tournament Hockey Team battle it out



Photo L-R: St Edmunds Public School Remembrance Day Contest Winners – Ajay Janknegt, Emory Harpur and Olivia Brown.

against the teacher/alumni team. The event was a fundraiser to raise money for the girls' team which is hoping to go to a tournament in Toronto in the near future.

The game was a lot of fun – the final score 5-5 – and it was great to see the community come together to support the girls. Many former BPDS students played for the alumni team, as well as a few current staff. A big shout out to Mary Hewton and her staff at the Booth for helping support the girls by selling pizza and slushies and donating proceeds to the team. We would also like to thank Milt McLay and the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula for hosting us for the afternoon, as well as Blake Hellyer and James Wheeler for refereeing. Finally, thank you to Scott's Home Hardware, The Dandelion, The Owen Sound Attack,



Photo: Sisters Eden, Natalie and Sahara Weatherhead at the Girls Hockey Game.

and 8x8 Apparel for donating prizes and pucks used for the intermission activities.

The annual Elementary Winter Concert was held December 21 in front of an almost full gymnasium. Every elementary class participated in various activities including dancing, singing, skits, musical

numbers, comedy routines and more! Many in the audience said it was the most entertaining concert they had ever been to! Way to go BPDS!

The secondary assembly also happened on December 21. Students were treated to a lip-sync battle – won by the teachers! – watched several videos made by our very own Communications and Design students, sang holiday carols, received some treats and prizes for the holiday trivia game, as well as took time to recognize the hard work of some student leaders and staff. One staff member we recognized was Mr. Pickett, who had been filling in as our supply Vice Principal two days a week since September. It was so nice to see his smiling face around the halls of BPDS again and we thank him for filling in for Mrs. Heels who will be back with us full time in January.

The entire last week of December was filled to the brim with fun holiday activities. Both Elementary and Secondary students participated in fun holiday themed dress up days, Secondary students held a 3-point shooting competition – won by Isis Brooks - there was hot chocolate, a movie day, non-denominational secret gift giving, and a whole lot of laughter. It was a great way to end 2023.

Upcoming events include Secondary Girls Volleyball, Elementary Volleyball, Secondary Girls Hockey, and the January Bottle Drive (to help support the grade 7/8 trip).

Thank you to everyone in our community for your continued support of our family of schools.

### Important Dates are:

- January 15: University application deadline
- January 26: Secondary Exam period A
- January 29: Secondary Exam period B
- January 30: Secondary Exam period C
- January 31: Secondary Exam period D
- February 1: College application deadline
- February 2: PD day (no school)
- February 5: First day of semester 2 (Secondary)
- February 7: Outers guardian meeting (more information TBA)
- February 15: Grade 8 guardian meeting (more information TBA)



Photo: Secondary Teachers during story time at the Holiday Assembly.



Photo: BPDS Primary/Jr Remembrance Day Contest Winners.



Photo: BPDS Senior/ Intermediate Remembrance Day Contest Winners.

## RYDALL CONTRACTING



Lot Clearing • Driveways • Rock Breaking • Building Site Prep & Foundations  
Licensed Septic Installation • Hydro Pole Installation & Trenching • Disposal Bin Rentals  
Screened Topsoil & Aggregate Delivery • Waterfall & Rockery Stone • Landscaping  
Retaining Walls • Shoreline Protection • Shorewells • Snow Removal



FREE ESTIMATES

519-793-4793 | rydallcontracting@gmail.com



# Stopped in Awe: News from Tobermory United

## More Than \$3,000 Raised at Christmas with Peninsula Musicians Concert

*Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer*

It was a busy time at Tobermory United in the week leading up to Christmas. Our first event that week was “Christmas with Peninsula Musicians,” a fundraising concert on December 20 for the Golden Dawn that featured BlueSky Day, Jonathan Newitt, Brian Taylor, Carol Mulder, Barb Zych and the Tobermory United Pop-up Choir with Elaine White as accompanist. Almost 60 people attended this beautiful evening of music and stories that will hopefully become a Tobermory holiday tradition!

More than \$3,000 was raised to support the upcoming developments at the Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home in Lion’s Head. Memories of this evening are tinged with sadness, however, in that a few days after the event, Carol Mulder, who had played the cello with such poignancy, passed away. It was her last concert.

On December 21st, we held “The Longest Night” service. This service not only honours the Solstice, but also offers a time of quiet contemplation for those who find themselves grieving or weary during the holiday season.



Photo: Jonathan Newitt was one of the performers at Christmas with Peninsula Musicians, a fundraiser for the Golden Dawn, that was held December 20th at Tobermory United Church. Photo courtesy of Carol Mulder, who, sadly, passed away a few days after the concert.

With the sanctuary in semi-darkness, all who attended were invited forward to light a candle in honour of a loved one whom they were holding in their hearts. I’m not often moved by my own services, but at the end of this service, I couldn’t help but think of all the things that had happened over the year, and it was good to shed a few tears.

The morning of Christmas eve, Tobermory United shared a joint service with St. Edmund’s Anglican. It was wonderful to share worship leadership with my friend and colleague Pastor Janaki Bandara. Rather than a sermon, Janaki and I had a conversation about Mary. Was she powerful or powerless? I think we agreed that despite the society in



Photo: Reverend Sheryl Spencer of Tobermory United and Pastor Janaki Bandara of the Lutheran and Anglican Ministries of the Bruce Peninsula co-led worship at Tobermory United on the morning of December 24th.

which she lived, her resilience, courage and steadfastness made her a powerful individual indeed.

Finally, we celebrated Christmas eve, so welcome after this service not being celebrated for so many years during the pandemic and because of the snowstorm last year. We sang “O Little Town of Bethlehem,” whilst acknowledging that the city of Bethlehem currently is in a war zone. After the singing of “Silent

Night,” it was a beautiful sight indeed to see all who attended moving through the sanctuary greeting one another with Christmas greetings.

And now? A bit of breathing space. Time for budgeting and visioning. Time for gratitude and taking stock, but the pancake supper, February 13, is not far off...

*Rev. Sheryl Spencer is the minister at Tobermory United Church.*

RE/MAX

Grey Bruce Realty Inc., Brokerage

Locally Owned and Independently Operated

AWARD WINNING TEAM

#1 Team in

Northern Bruce Peninsula 2022\*

\*As per RAGBOS MLS® Sales Jan 1 - Dec 21 2022

INFO@GREYBRUCEREALESTATE.NET • WWW.GREYBRUCEREALESTATE.NET • 519-596-2255

<div><b>WATERFRONT LOT NEAR TOBERMORY</b> Peacefully nestled &amp; close to Bruce Peninsula's attractions. Hike the Grotto, bask at Singing Sands, indulge in local shops &amp; eateries only minutes into downtown. Beautiful 100 foot rocky shoreline with captivating views! Endless possibilities! <b>\$349,000</b></div>	<div><b>12 ACRES OF PARADISE!</b> Mature mixed bush, located on a year-round roadway. Featuring natural rockery, level areas, valley &amp; seasonal creek! 1600+ ft. of road frontage provides plenty of privacy. Relish in the convenient access to Miller Lake only a short bike ride or walk away! <b>\$230,000</b></div>	<div><b>STUNNING LAKE HURON WATERFRONT</b> 3 bed/2 bath open concept home with a magnificent wall of windows providing unobstructed ocean-like views. The 1600 ft of outdoor deck space with glass railing is perfect for outdoor entertaining, dining, and stargazing. 10 minutes from Tobermory! <b>\$1,155,000</b></div>	<div><b>HOME/COTTAGE ON 26 ACRES</b> 2 bed/2-bath home, located in a serene setting near Miller Lake. Open plan layout &amp; cathedral ceilings. 745 sq.ft. wrap around deck. Heated &amp; insulated garage, with living space above. Lots of outside space to enjoy. 20 minutes from Lion's Head. <b>\$749,000</b></div>	<div><b>CUSTOM BUILT TOBERMORY HOME/COTTAGE</b> Enjoy in town! Tennis court &amp; playground steps away! 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath home/cottage with wraparound covered deck, stunning wood finishes &amp; basement garage/workshop. Open concept living space with hardwood floors. Both bedrooms boast private ensuite &amp; walkout. <b>\$729,000</b></div>
<div><b>CONSIDERING SELLING IN SPRING / SUMMER 2024?</b> CONTACT OUR TEAM NOW TO DISCUSS YOUR SELLING GOALS AND HOW WE CAN ASSIST YOU!</div>	<div><b>MODERN STYLE &amp; COMFORT!</b> Newer 4-season bungalow, on quiet road &amp; spacious corner lot. Covered front deck, 3 bdrms/2 baths, open concept living area &amp; hardwood flooring throughout. Large kitchen, walkout to covered screened back deck. Short drive to Black Creek Provincial Park. <b>\$675,000</b></div>	<div><b>LOVELY LION'S HEAD HOME!</b> Large lot includes back yard. Detached garage. 4 bdrm/4Pc bath home features over 1350sq.ft. of living space, plus a full unfinished basement. Sunroom, large living area, bright windows, spacious kitchen &amp; walkout to the back deck. Short walk into town. <b>\$439,000</b></div>	<div><b>SET UP AND RUN YOUR OWN BUSINESS</b> In Ferndale on Highway 6 for prime visibility in a high-traffic area. Main building features overhead bay doors &amp; newly renovated showroom/retail area. Secondary building with 2 overhead bay doors &amp; expansive upgrades. Buildings and Land being sold only. <b>\$699,000</b></div>	

YOUR BRUCE PENINSULA REAL ESTATE TEAM

Ashley Jackson  
Team Leader/Broker  
519-596-2255

Chris Mawdsley  
Broker & Assistant Team Leader  
226-668-4540

Nellie From  
Broker  
519-377-3914

Dylan Dolson  
REALTOR®  
519-596-1221

Tara MacAskill  
Office Manager

Dennis Barker  
Field Manager

DIAMOND AWARD TEAM  
2017 - 2022



BPDS Festive Feast Feeds Over 300 Students and Volunteers

By Joanne Rodgers,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

A BPDS Senior Kindergarten student, and possible future food critic, says the best thing about the Festive Feast was the taste.

Over 300 Bruce Peninsula District School (BPDS) students, teachers and volunteers enjoyed BPDS' Annual Festive Feast on December 14, 2023. On the menu this year were turkey, mashed potatoes, corn, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, rolls, and cake.

The meal was sponsored 100% by the Lion's Head Community Bottle Fund. Tim Hayes says he started donating to the Festive Feast in 2015; since 2018 the Community Bottle Fund has been fully paying for the food.

The purchases towards the meals are sourced locally as much as possible. This year with Hellyer's Foodland being closed, the schools and daycare sourced their supplies from Peacocks Foodland. Both Principal Brewer and Hayes complimented Peacocks staff on their great and efficient service.

Community members, teachers and students all pitched in to make this Festive Feast a memorable one. Aptly led by the Grade 8 and High School Student Councils, student volunteers played an active role in decorating the auditorium, preparing, serving and cleaning up of the meal.

Mary Hewton from The Booth Takeout & Catering, with help from former BPDS teacher Dannah Oliver, cooked many of the turkeys.

The potatoes were peeled by Grade 7 and cooked by Grade 8. The secondary food class led by Ms Sweatman did much of the food preparation, along with the Developmental Learning class led by Ms Rice.



Photo L-R: Tim Hayes and Principal Brenda Brewer. Hayes, through the Community Bottle Fund, fully funds the festive feast at BPDS, St Edmunds and Tobermory Primary Place.



Photo: Student helpers Rowan, Gracie, Quintin and Sam serve up a sumptuous feast of mashed potatoes, stuffing, turkey, corn, gravy, and cranberry sauce to BPDS students.



Photo: Grade 5 and 6 students enjoy the Festive Feast. They say the mashed potatoes and turkey were their favorites.



Photo L-R: Teachers Oliver Clark, Jennifer Cameron, Brenda Brewer (Principal), Jordan Collins, Breanna Heels (Vice-Principal), and Terri McIver.



Photo: SK/Grade 1 classes with Grade 11 student volunteers Annabelle Galasso, Lillie Dowd, and Wesley McFarlane.



Photo L-R: Community volunteer Kara Hellyer with Tim Hays.

Kara Hellyer, Cecile Myles and former teacher Michelle Minke helped out during the day.

Two former BPDS students Tamioka Eby and Jordon Hurst, graduates of the dual credit culinary program at Georgian College, helped with carving the turkeys, making gravy and other food prep as needed.

All the students from Grade 7 and above took various jobs to ensure the seemingly slick operation of feeding over 300 persons.

The kindergarten classes and Grade 1 classes were served in their classrooms by student volunteers. There were two seatings in the auditorium, 220 elementary students were served first, followed by 80 high school students.

The meal received rave reviews from the students, with the consensus that the mashed potatoes were especially excellent this year.

St Edmunds Public School and Tobermory Daycare Enjoy Festive Feast

This year, the Lion's Head Community Bottle Fund also provided all of the supplies through Peacock's Foodland to St. Edmunds Public School and Tobermory Primary Place Daycare to allow them to arrange their own Festive Feast on December 14, 2023. The kids enjoyed the same menu as BPDS students: turkey with all the fixings.

Fourteen kids at St Edmunds participated in decorating the room for the meal including using festive

tablecloths and creating the centerpieces. At the Daycare, 11 kids enjoyed the festive feast served in their classrooms. The cranberry sauce was a big hit with the daycare kids.

Both the Administrator at St Edmunds and the Supervisor at the Daycare reported that all the kids absolutely loved the festive event.



Photo courtesy of Brenda Brewer  
Photo: St Edmunds Public School students and staff in Tobermory enjoy their festive feast sponsored by Lion's Head Community Bottle Fund.

Personalized Real Estate Service with Results\*. Enjoy your Buying or Selling Experience.

**Chris Amyot\*** 519.793.3575

\*Red Diamond Award 2023 - top 2% of Individual Royal LePage Realtor Sales†

**All from the Beautiful Bruce Peninsula!**

Experience the Difference.

chrisonthebruce@gmail.com

\*Sales Representative  
†2023 Across Ontario,  
2023 National Ranking TBA

www.chrisamyot.ca

**HOFSTRAND**

CONTRACTING LTD.

- Homes • Cottages
- Roofing • Masonry
- Windows • Doors
- Renovations • Additions
- Commercial & Residential Builders

**Tony Hofstrand**  
519-375-6595

Hwy. #6 Miller Lake, ON  
hofstrandcontracting@gmail.com



PEACOCK'S  
FOODLAND®

Fresh Food. Friendly Neighbours.  
Visit [www.Foodland.ca](http://www.Foodland.ca)

50<sup>th</sup>

HAPPY 1<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
AT OUR NEW LOCATION!

• In store Bakery • Fresh Produce  
• Fresh Meat • Deli

Anniversary!

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

\*Limited Quantities\*

AS A CUSTOMER APPRECIATION FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE,  
**WE ARE HAVING A 50 CENT SALE!**

FRIDAY JANUARY 19<sup>th</sup> & SATURDAY JANUARY 20<sup>th</sup>

Compliments  
White &  
Whole Wheat  
Bread

50¢

50¢

1L Pepsi  
or Coke



FIRST 50 CUSTOMERS GET  
A FREE VINYL STICKER

Bone in Hams

50¢ /100g  
or \$5.00/Kg

Lays Classic  
160g Chips

50¢

50¢

Campbell's  
Soup

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION!

Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am for  
Marlene Wagler, Judy Willson,  
and Carolyn Rouse



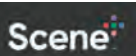
Pebbles<sup>™</sup>  
— FAMILY BUFFET —

NEW DINNER ENTREES  
DEMONSTRATION



FRIDAY JANUARY 19<sup>th</sup> FROM: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Open Monday to Saturday 8am-6pm | Closed Sunday



7357 Hwy. #6, TOBERMORY • 519-596-2066





# The Bruce Peninsula Press

since 1988

KEEP IN TOUCH ALL YEAR ROUND WITH A SUBSCRIPTION  
TO THE BRUCE PENINSULA PRESS!

A great gift  
for friends,  
family or  
yourself!

**\$52** CDN  
\*includes HST  
20 issues per year

P.O. Box 89, 39 Legion St.,  
Tobermory, ON N0H 2R0

info@tobermorypress.com  
226-256-2658 • 1-800-794-4480



# Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen’s Association Christmas Celebration and Year End Fin Clipping

Submitted by Stu Paterson for the  
Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen’s Association

Wiarton, Ontario: There was a merry mood during the Christmas Pot-Luck celebration at the headquarters of the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen’s Association (BPSA). The clubhouse was jammed as members marked the end of another successful year of community conservation efforts including fish stocking and tree planting.

This event was a pot-luck affair which included sharing such goodies as zesty fish chowder with 5 kinds of fish and seafood. And scrumptious cakes, pies and cookies.

The BPSA Youth and Adult Archery Team co-ordinators Donna and Paul Maginnis were honoured for their years of leadership. They are stepping aside due to health concerns. They presented awards to several Youth Archery members. BPSA Director Al Hunter honoured Donna and Paul with a plaque recognizing their “excellent volunteerism chairing the BPSA Archery Program.”

BPSA President Carl Jones wished the members “A VERY MERRY AND HEALTHY CHRISTMAS.” He also congratulated the volunteers who put in thousands of hours a year doing all that is necessary to keep a successful conservation club operating effectively.”

When he heard us singing “Santa Clause is Coming to Town” Santa appeared on cue to hand out the Early Bird prizes. The BPSA Early Bird club membership sign-up program was successful. Those who renewed their membership or signed on as new members by 2pm on December 17, were eligible for special prizes.

BPSA Early Bird membership draw winners: Jeff Coady - smoker, Tom McKee - microwave, Dennis Morton - Wiarton Home Hardware gift card, Carl Berfelz - tackle box, Alison Gibson - cooler, Brydon Shiels - Great Lakes Hearing certificate, John Morton - coffee maker, Dave Hemington - Hoodie, George Mallard - solar light, Marc Boisvert - fishing shirt & bow hanger, Joanne Stevens - glass and fishing lures, Bruce Beacock - BPSA calendar & lures, Charles Robinson - BPSA calendar and lures.

The last two years have been exciting for BPSA. We celebrated 61 years of conservation. Twice this year we stocked the largest amount of fish our club has ever stocked. We continue to be supported by the Ontario Community Hatchery Program. We officially affiliated with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters. Our tree program is a success, as are our archery and sports shooting programs.

Ahead is the BPSA Youth Firearms Safety Program launching January 14th, 2024. It runs every Sunday for six weeks starting at 1:00 pm.

The next BPSA general meeting is at the clubhouse at 7:30 pm on Thursday January 25, 2024.



Photo: Santa and children at the BPSA Christmas Pot-Luck

## Year End Fin Clipping

Just before New Year’s there was a countdown at the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen’s Association (BPSA) Fish Hatchery. No it wasn’t a countdown to 2024. It was all about fish – brown trout in fact. Thirty volunteers counted thousands of yearling brown trout, then clipped their adipose fins. It was an assembly line of love dedicated to our sports fishery.

The several thousand browns, many six or seven inches long, were raised at our state of the art hatchery west of Wiarton. The fish were netted and transported from the big tanks to trays where they were carefully clipped.

BPSA Fisheries Chair Kevin Harders says “We clip the adipose fin which is on the back, the last one before the tail fin. This does not affect the fish and is for identification purposes.”

“It is a ministry requirement,” explained Alan Sutter, BPSA hatchery manager. “Any fish raised in an Ontario hatchery for more than 12 months must be fin-clipped.”

This requirement is set by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. Fin clipping allows researchers and sportsmen to identify whether a fish began its life in a hatchery or spent its first year in the wild. When anglers catch a fish, one of the first things we check is if it has been clipped. Then we know if it was hatchery raised. The brown trout clipped recently, will be stocked in Colpoy’s Bay in January .



Photo: BPSA volunteers clip the adipose fins of Brown Trout at the hatchery. This does not affect the fish and is for identification purposes.

The Wiarton hatchery started as little more than an outdoor tank, fed by one stream, and partially protected by a roof. These days BPSA operates its modern hatchery on an annual budget of approximately \$12,000. Half of this is provided by the Ontario Community Hatchery Program, which supports qualifying hatcheries across Ontario. The majority of the work performed by the club is done by members who volunteer their time. During an average year 50 BPSA volunteers donate over 1,500 hours raising and stocking: 75,000 Rainbow Trout fingerlings, 25,000 Rainbow Trout yearlings and 25,000 Brown Trout. Since the sixties, BPSA has stocked more than 4,000,000 fish to boost our sports fishery. In 2023 this 300-member conservation club stocked over 2,100 pounds of fish in Grey-Bruce waters.

“We are assisting sustainable recreational and sports fishing,” said Sutter. We are proud of the work we do. “A lot of people come to this area to fish,” said Sutter. “Anybody who wants a hatchery tour can contact us.”

This Wiarton based conservation club is best known for fish stocking. However, we have other family-oriented programs that attract young and old. There’s our “Invasive Species Awareness – Boot Scrubber Program”, Stream Rehabilitation projects, BPSA youth and adult Archery, Tree Planting sessions, youth and adult Firearms Safety Training and our BPSA Handgun Club at our indoor range in the BPSA Clubhouse. Oh yes, don’t forget our open houses and the annual BPSA Kids Fishing Derby.

Upcoming programs include our Ladies Firearms Safety program which begins January 28th, 2024 and runs every Sunday for 6 weeks starting at 6:30 pm. As a pilot project BPSA has dedicated the second Tuesday of the month at 6:45 pm for a members only rifle shoot. The

first shoot is January 9th. And there’s our Youth Firearms Safety Program which kicks off January 14th, 2024. It runs every Sunday for six weeks starting at 1:00 pm. These programs take place indoors at our clubhouse shooting range.

BPSA recently affiliated with the 100-thousand member Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters (OFAH). OFAH is the major Canadian lobby group representing the interests of anglers and hunters. The Federation meets regularly with governments on the many issues facing the outdoors community.

Our regular BPSA club meetings are held on the last Thursday night of the month. The next session is on January 25th at 7:30 pm at the BPSA clubhouse on North Acres Road west of Wiarton. Join us if you are curious about our conservation group and our aim of preserving and enhancing fish and wildlife.

Please check our website at:  
bpsportsmen.com/newsletters-wp/



## WE'RE HIRING!

If you love camping and would like to be part of a team that is dedicated to creating cherished family memories for their guests, consider a full-time career or seasonal employment with us at Summer House Park.

We are hiring now for a variety of full-time seasonal and summer positions at our campground, store and restaurants.

Review postings and application information on our website;  
[summerhousepark.ca/contact-us/job-opportunities](https://summerhousepark.ca/contact-us/job-opportunities)

Or contact us at  
519-795-7712 ext. 222  
or [info@summerhousepark.ca](mailto:info@summerhousepark.ca)



# Thank You



To my wonderful community: Thank you. Thank you for your cards, emails, texts, food, flowers, hugs, tears, donations, help at home and for letting me grieve out loud everywhere I go. The loss of my beloved Doug (Dailey) has been profound and beyond anything I could have imagined. It has tested my ways of being in the world on so many levels. The PFHT and staff at the Lion’s Head Hospital have been as kind as possible under these difficult circumstances. My family often remarked ‘that would never happen in the city’. And we knew that. The generosity and kindness I have been shown is such a deep reflection of the love we all had for a very good man. Weeping openly while sharing stories and hugs has been good for my healing which I acknowledge may take a very long time. My gratitude for our community support is genuine. The heartfelt messages written on cards have been shared with my family and will comfort our hearts as we navigate the year ahead. Thank you for all you have done to ease my sadness. I’m forever thankful I live in a truly caring community.

Daryl Wood and our families

## In Memory of MCLAY, Paul Bruce

In loving memory of a dear brother who passed away January 16, 2023.



God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be  
So he put his arms around you and whispered  
"Come to Me"

With tearful eyes we watched you and saw you pass away  
And although we love you dearly, we could not make you stay  
A Golden Heart stopped beating, hard working hands took rest

God broke our hearts to prove to us  
"He Only Takes the Best"

Fondly Remembered by Dennis, Bonnie & Dennis,  
Kyle & Cathy and families.



# Tobermory Legion Branch 290 News Fundraising for New Roof Begins

*Submitted by Judy Hurst*

Happy New Year! As the new year gets its customary slow start up here in the quiet village in the winter, things are rolling right along at branch 290.

The big news of the day is that we are in need of a new roof. We saw this coming during the summer months and we are currently sourcing out roofing companies to replace the roof in the coming spring.

With that being said, we will be hosting events, and running fundraisers to help us cover the cost. Currently there is a donation box at the branch that will be on display during branch operating hours and during events where all are invited to drop a few dollars (or more) into it. We are also accepting online donations via e-transfer at [donation@tobermorylegion.org](mailto:donation@tobermorylegion.org) , just add in the notes that it is for the roof so that the funds get allocated to that cost.

December was a busy month at the branch and January is shaping up to be just as fun filled!

We have our normal Thursday Darts at 7pm, and the Saturday Meat Draw starting at 4pm, along with Euchre (no potluck) on Friday, January 19th at 7pm. Bingo is hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary at the Tobermory Community Centre every Monday at 1pm and all

are invited to come out, visit with the neighbours and have some fun!

For all of the NFL fans in town – have you seen the new 85 inch TV at the branch yet? Aren’t playoffs the best time to check it out? Starting Sunday, January 14th at 1pm we will be at the branch with the TV on and the bar open. Come out and watch the playoffs – we will be open each Sunday in January leading up to the Superbowl on February 11th, so keep that day open too and stay tuned for additional details for the day.

We are also hosting one last Ceasar Sunday and Breakfast at the branch for the winter on January 21st starting at 9am. Breakfast will be served until noon, but guests are invited to stick around for the game starting at 1pm.

Painting afternoon Sunday, February 4th from 1 to 4pm. Watercolour class with Sara Gowland. You will leave with a framed sunflower painting. Cost \$60, limited spaces, maximum 15 participants. Pay at the branch to secure your spot.

If you have an idea for a fun event to run at the legion, please reach out to Judy Hurst, Ways & Means Chair, at [runjude@gmail.com](mailto:runjude@gmail.com) and don't forget that the branch is always available to rent for your own private events as well!

# Happenings at the Lion’s Head Legion Branch 202 for January 2024

*Submitted by Sharron Colter, Secretary, Lion’s Head Legion*

The members of the Lion’s Head Legion wish the community members a Happy Healthy New Year!

There are many activities happening in January for the community to participate in. Darts continue on Mondays and Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. Cribbage is also played on Thursdays. The cost is \$4.00 per person which includes snacks. Darts for Meat is scheduled for Saturday February 3rd. You do not have to be a member of the legion.

The Bruce Men’s Shed continues to meet for coffee on Monday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. The next general meeting is Saturday January 20th at 9:00 a.m. Phone Gerry Tilmans at 519-666-3178 or e-mail [brucemensshed@gmail.ca](mailto:brucemensshed@gmail.ca) for more information.

The legion has a monthly 50/50 lottery draw on the first Thursday of the month. Tickets can be purchased at By the Bay in Pike Bay, at the legion or from a legion member. Proceeds of this draw are donated to the many charities in the community. Some recent donations have been given to the Lion’s Head and Area Foodbank and the Lion’s Head Youth Skating Club. The lottery funds will sponsor the upcoming Public Speaking contest at the school in Lion’s Head.

A special lottery with tickets for \$5.00 each is available at the legion. The proceeds from this lottery will support the continued updates at the legion. The draw will take place at the Spaghetti Dinner and silent auction

planned for Saturday April 27 at 5:00 p.m. The lottery has two cash prizes of \$500.00 and \$300.00. You could be a winner. Call Don Colter at 519-793-3473 or Wayne Morningstar at 519-592-5846 for tickets or e-mail Don at [dshcolter@cabletv.on.ca](mailto:dshcolter@cabletv.on.ca).

The legion members would like to thank the community for their donations to the Poppy Campaign in November. The proceeds of the Poppy Trust Fund are donated to the Ontario Command Bursary Fund and the Ladies Auxiliary and Branch Charitable Foundation. The Bursary Fund is available for youth who are attending college or university. The Charitable Foundation fund is available to hospitals, family health clinics, residences of long-term care, fire fighter associations and the cadet programs for needed equipment. Both funds are open now for applications that are online or available at the legion. The Poppy Trust Fund also supports veterans in long-term care, with special needs and the Veteran’s Dinner.

Membership is always open for new members. If you would like to join the legion contact Chris Mawdsley, Membership chair at 226-668-4540 or [branch202membership@gmail.com](mailto:branch202membership@gmail.com).

Contact Nancy Alleyne Veteran Service Officer and Seniors at 226-974-2505 or [br202vetsandseniors@gmail.com](mailto:br202vetsandseniors@gmail.com) for assistance and friendly visiting to veterans or legion members whether in person or by sending a card. Let Nancy know if someone would like her to visit.

FARM FRESH EGGS

FOR SALE

Limited time offer on fresh farm eggs

\$4.00/Dozen \$5.00/18 Pack

Call (519) 596-2911

# Grey Bruce O.P.P. Report Grey Bruce OPP Festive Ride Numbers Released

*Media Release*

(GREY BRUCE, ON) - Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers participated in the Festive Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) campaign which ran from November 16, 2023, until January 1, 2024.

Across West Region, OPP officers conducted 2446 RIDE events, as a result 353 Impaired Driving related charges, and 55 Warn-Range suspensions issued

**During the Festive RIDE campaign, Grey Bruce OPP officers conducted 165 RIDE events within the Grey Bruce OPP catchment area.**

Officers dedicated approximately 452 hours to the Festive RIDE campaign.

One driver received a warn range drivers licence suspension. The warn range is a blood alcohol concentration between 50 milligrams and 79 milligrams.

**28 drivers were charged with impaired driving related charges. This includes an immediate 90-day drivers' licence suspension and an immediate 7-day vehicle impoundment.**

Drivers are reminded that the OPP conducts RIDE events throughout the year as part of its ongoing efforts to save lives on Ontario roads.

If you plan on drinking or consuming drugs, plan to not drive. Instead, arrange for a designated driver, take a taxi or public transit, or come up with another plan that takes impaired driving out of the picture.

**MULTIPLE STORAGE UNITS ENTERED**

(SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA, ON) - On January 7, 2024, the Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) attended a storage unit for a break and enter located on Industrial Drive, Wiarton, South Bruce Peninsula.

Police attended and was advised that sometime between January 6, 2024, and January 7, 2024, the storage units were entered. Investigation revealed an additional 22 units had their locks removed and were entered.

There is currently one item outstanding that has been reported to police. A 1993 Kawasaki KSF All-terrain Vehicle, white and green in colour, VIN JKASFMA1XPB518874.

If anyone has any information, they are being asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous you can call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or leave an anonymous online message at <https://crimestop-gb.org/> where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

**STUNT DRIVING CONCERN**

(GREY BRUCE, ON) - On January 2, 2023, the Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) stopped three drivers for stunt driving on Grey Bruce roads.

In 2023 the Grey Bruce OPP charged 72 drivers with stunt driving on Grey Bruce Roads. This averages to 6 drivers a month had a vehicle impound for 14 days and their drivers licence suspended for 30 days.

On January 2, 2024, at 2:01 p.m., the Grey Bruce OPP observed a motor vehicle exceeding the 50km/hr speed limit on Highway 6 in Hepworth. A 22-year-old from Scarborough was charged with drive motor vehicle - perform stunt- excessive speed.

On January 2, 2024, at 6:04 p.m., the Grey Bruce OPP observed a motor vehicle exceeding the 50km/hr speed limit in a Community Safety Zone on Grey Road 4 in Ceylon. A 35-year-old from Durham was charged with drive motor vehicle - perform stunt - excessive speed.

On January 2, 2024, at 8:40 p.m., the Grey Bruce OPP observed a motor vehicle exceeding the 80km/hr speed limit on Berford Street in Wiarton. A 21-year-old from Brampton was charged with drive motor vehicle - perform stunt - excessive speed.

Officers actively patrol, educate and enforce laws to help ensure compliance and the safety of our communities. Anyone who witnesses unsafe driving or unlawful activity is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or 9-1-1 in an emergency.

**OPP ADVISES SEASONAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO CHECK THEIR PROPERTY**

(GREY BRUCE, ON) -The Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is reminding the public to properly secure and check on your seasonal property frequently after a recent increase in the number of seasonal residence break and enters.

The OPP are urging all seasonal property owners to ensure that all valuable items and alcohol are removed from the residence. Small appliances and alcohol are often targeted by thieves as they are easy to steal and equally easy to sell for cash and drugs. Homes should be always locked.

The OPP encourages seasonal property owners to have someone check their property daily during the “off season” to ensure everything is secure. This tried and tested method is the best deterrent against crime.

The OPP continues to appeal to persons living in and around trailer parks and cottages to report all suspicious activity to police when it happens.


If you have security camera's the OPP is encouraging everyone to register them with the CAMSafe program. Interested community members are only required to provide basic contact information and camera location but, can include more details if desired. The OPP does not have access to your security system.

To learn more about the CAMSafe program and to register security cameras please visit [camsafe.ca](https://camsafe.ca)

You can contact the Ontario Provincial Police at 1-888-310-1122 or if you wish to remain anonymous you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

The Bruce Peninsula Press

since 1988



THINKING OF ADVERTISING A HELP WANTED AD?

HELP WANTED DISPLAY ADS NOW INCLUDE A FREE CLASSIFIED AD.

info@tobermorypress.com

226-256-2658 • 1-800-794-4480

P.O. Box 89, 39 Legion St., Tobermory, ON N0H 2R0



# Classified Ads

info@tobermorypress.com • 226-256-2658 • 1-800-794-4480



## HELP WANTED

Bruce Anchor Motel & Villa, Bruce Anchor Cruises, and Big Tub Resort have the following positions available for the 2024 season: Captain, First Mate, Deckhand, Ticket, Island, and Parking Agents, Bus Driver, Laundry Attendant, Housekeeper, Front Desk, Information, and Night Clerks, and Marine Attendant. Each position has full time and part time hours available. Please email resume to jobs@bruceanchor.com. For more information visit [www.bruceanchor.com](http://www.bruceanchor.com)

The Tobermory Princess Hotel is now hiring for the 2024 season - Full time, part time and seasonal positions available - Sous chef, line cook, kitchen assistants, bartender and housekeeping. Send resumes to [info@tobermoryprincesshotel.com](mailto:info@tobermoryprincesshotel.com) Come and join our team.

Summer House Park is hiring now for a variety of full-time seasonal and summer positions at our campground, store and restaurants. Information on [summerhousepark.ca/contact-us/job-opportunities](http://summerhousepark.ca/contact-us/job-opportunities) Contact Darci at 519-795-7712 ext. 222 or [info@summerhousepark.ca](mailto:info@summerhousepark.ca)

2024 Seasonal Staff WANTED. Experience not necessarily required. Assistant Manager-Retail, supervisors, cashiers, baristas, ice cream scoopers. Full- & part-time work with flexible schedules. Accommodation available for qualified applicants. APPLY NOW to [jobs@sweetshop.ca](mailto:jobs@sweetshop.ca).

## HELP WANTED

FULL-TIME year-round BOOKKEEPER / OFFICE ADMIN required at The Sweet Shop. This is an in-office position. Will train. Familiarity with bookkeeping systems preferred. Office experience skills preferred: bookkeeping, answering phones, proficiency with Word, Excel. Must have previous computer experience in various software solutions. Contact, send resumes to [jobs@sweetshop.ca](mailto:jobs@sweetshop.ca) or call 519-596-2750.

FULL-TIME SEASONAL, seasonal PRODUCTION WORKER - PACKAGING. Mon - Fri, days, \$19 - \$21 per hour. APPLY NOW to [jobs@sweetshop.ca](mailto:jobs@sweetshop.ca).

## SERVICES

Dan's Contracting - Over 30 years experience New cottages & homes. Additions & renovations. For more info or quotes call Dan at 519-592-5024.

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful gifts. I really appreciate them all. Wishing everyone a wonderful 2024.

Joyce Thompson

To all the fine folks on my RR2 route. Thank-you for your kindness! It is appreciated.

Rick The Mailman

## WANTED

Bass Player Wanted.  
Reply to [tryituphere@gmail.com](mailto:tryituphere@gmail.com)

Looking to rent space on land between Hepworth and Lion's Head on highway 6 to erect a billboard. South facing. Good visibility. Call 226-256-2658 or email [info@tobermorypress.com](mailto:info@tobermorypress.com)

## IN MEMORY

**PLUMMER, Norm** - In loving memory of our dear father and grandpa who left us twenty years ago on December 23, 2004. You still live on in the hearts & minds, of the loving family you left behind.

Sadly missed, alway loved, your family.

## IN MEMORY

**GRENKE** - Donna Grenke passed away on December 23, 2023 in Lion's Head at the age of 94. Donna was an elegant, always gracious lady with a lovely quick sense of mischief that put smiles on the faces of everyone she was with. She had been volunteering in our community for over twenty years, recipient of awards from Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary, volunteering at our hospital and with Meals on Wheels. Over the years she brought her humour to line dancing and yoga. For the local branch of rug hookers, she was our matriarch who filled a large space in the lives she touched. In her final weeks, many times she spoke of the goodness she found in her many friends and community. We will miss you, Donna.  
Your rug hooking friends.

## OBITUARIES



**MOCCIA, Sandra (nee Tiffin)** - May 29, 1953-December 29, 2023, B.Sc. 1976, Reg Nurse 1981. It is with profound sadness that our family announces the passing of Sandra Joan Moccia on December 29, 2023, at the age of 70 after a prolonged battle with vascular dementia. Sandra passed away peacefully in the palliative care unit of St. Peter's Hospital in Hamilton, held in the loving arms of her husband Rich, her son Scott, and daughter-in-law Terra. Sandra was the much-loved daughter of the late G.W. (Bill) Tiffin (1979) and Audrey Isobel (Tiffin) Marples (2013), and a wonderful sister to Mark (Sue) Tiffin and the late Marilyn (2019) (Doug) Keene and Paul Tiffin (1974). She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Rich, son Scott (Terra), and two beautiful grandchildren Maverick (6) and Makenna (3) Moccia, whom she will miss more than life itself. Sandra will be fondly remembered by her brothers- and sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews, cousins, and many friends. Sandra was born in Wingham, Ontario on May 29, 1953 which rivalled the 'other' achievement of Ed Hillary and Tenzing Norgay who first summited Mt. Everest that very same day. Rich often said that Sandra's birth was the bigger deal! She excelled scholastically and athletically in high school, and was a talented figure skater, swimmer, and canoeist, growing up on the banks of the Maitland River. Sandra went to the University of Guelph in 1972 where she completed her B.Sc. Zoology degree with honours. She then worked as a research technician at the university in both the Zoology and Biomedical Sciences departments before she followed her calling into nursing, completing her Registered Nursing diploma at Conestoga College, which she also received with honours. Sandra worked at the Hamilton General and Grand River Hospitals as a surgical nurse for 2 years. Her career was fulfilled at the Cambridge Memorial Hospital where she excelled once again as a gifted ICU and CCU nurse for 32 years, finishing out her career back in surgical day care. Sandra met her life partner at the University of Guelph in the fall of 1973 in statistics class, where this guy named Rich had saved a seat for the very cute girl who was always a bit late! They made Guelph their home, and had a beautiful son Scott, born in 1985. She was an amazing and nurturing mom to her son whom she adored, and a supportive wife who created a warm and welcoming home for all. She thought the world of her daughter-in-law and was an incredible Nana to her two grandchildren. Their lives were active and fully engaged in the Guelph community, and they travelled to many parts of the world for work and play. They have a second home on the shores of Georgian Bay, where her time was spent hiking, kayaking, boating, swimming, reading, entertaining family and grandkids and building rock patios and walkways. She was known locally on the Bruce Peninsula as a 'Rock' Star! Sandra had many artistic talents and was a tireless volunteer for numerous causes including the Canadian Cancer Society for 30 years, as well as the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario and the Syrian Refugee program. She had a true philanthropic spirit. Above all, Sandra was a caring, thoughtful, loving, kind and compassionate person who always put others above herself. She had a gift for making people feel better about themselves, often with few words. She was loved and will be missed by all who knew her. A private memorial service will be held at Wall-Custance Funeral Home & Chapel, 206 Norfolk St., Guelph, followed by an open 'Celebration of Life' to be held at a later date, with details to follow. Arrangements entrusted to Wall-Custance Funeral Home & Chapel (519-822-0051 / [www.wallcustance.com](http://www.wallcustance.com)). As an expression of sympathy and in lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to either the Canadian Cancer Society, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario, the Guelph-Wellington United Way programs or the Alzheimer Society of Canada. A tree will be planted in memory of Sandra J. Moccia in the Wall-Custance Memorial Forest.

## OBITUARIES



**BARTLEY, John Alexander** - at Owen Sound Hospital on Monday, December 18, 2023. John Bartley of Stokes Bay in his 76th year. Beloved husband of Linda for 39 years. Cherished father of Leaonda Burley of Stokes Bay and Jeff Bartley and his wife Rene of Stokes Bay. Loving grandpa to Jade and Jasmine. Dear brother of Cindy Thomas (Steve) of Mount Forest and son-in-law of Donna Burley. Predeceased by parents Lila (nee Smith) and Cecil Bartley brothers Dennis, Bert (Audrey) and Rick, sister Janice West (Roy) and father-in-law Cliff Burley. Family and friends were invited to share memories at the George Funeral Home, Lion's Head Chapel, Lion's Head on Friday, December 22nd from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Expressions of remembrance to Heart and Stroke Foundation or Diabetes Association would be appreciated. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through [www.georgefuneralhome.com](http://www.georgefuneralhome.com)



**STONEHILL, Julia "Julie" (nee Wren)** - of Lion's Head, suddenly at Brightshores Health System Lion's Head on Wednesday December 20, 2023 at the age of 83 years. Devoted wife and best friend of the late John (2023) for 49 years. Dear mother of Mark Stonehill (Joanne), and Lynne Rock, both of Dundas, and John Stonehill (Kim), of Hamilton. Cherished Nana to Mandy, Derek, and Sarah; and great-grandmother of Ashley and Olivia. Sister-in-law of Judy Stonehill, of Dundas. Predeceased by her parents, John and Mary; brother Gordon (wife Betty); brother-in-law, Bruce Stonehill; and great-grandson, Harrison. Sadly missed by friends, Bob and Leann Rouse, and Lois and Wes Rydall. A gathering to celebrate Julie and John's lives will be announced at a later date. Private family arrangements were made at the Thomas C. Whitcroft Peninsula Chapel, Wiarton 519-534-5341. Donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association, or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Condolences may be expressed online at [www.whitcroftfuneralhome.com](http://www.whitcroftfuneralhome.com)



**TORRA, Charlie** - unexpectedly but with Nick by her side at Owen Sound Hospital on Sunday, January 7, 2024. Charlie Torra of Stokes Bay in her 77th year. Beloved wife and best friend of Nick Torra for 36 years. Cherished mother of Cheryl Bennett (Donnie) of Windsor and step-mother of Todd Torra (Judith) of Salmo, B.C. and Terri Torra of Windsor. Much loved grandmother of Michelle (Gerry) and Carlie (Kenny) and GG to her beloved great granddaughters Florence, Avery and Emma. Dear sister of Audrey Bertram, Lucky Cavanaugh (Ron), Trudy Gascon, Donna Morykot (Roy) and Jody Eagen (Kathryn) and sister-in-law of May Eagen, Kathleen Eagen and Gerry Torra (Barbara). Missed by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by parents Gertrude (nee McDonald) and Hubert Eagen, brother Edward, brothers-in-law Carl Bertram and Gilles Gascon and sons-in-law Rob Proudfoot and Peter Chuchmach. A celebration of life will be held at the Tamarac Island Inn, 240 Tamarac Road, Stokes Bay on Saturday, January 20th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. with memories shared at 2:00 p.m. A celebration of life will be held at the Windsor Yacht Club, 9000 Riverside Drive East, Windsor on Sunday, January 28th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. with memories shared at 2:00 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to the George Funeral Home, Wiarton. Expressions of remembrance to Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation would be appreciated. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through [www.georgefuneralhome.com](http://www.georgefuneralhome.com)

It is with our sincere appreciation and hope, that gifts made to  
**BRUCE PENINSULA HOSPITALS FOUNDATION**  
in memory of a loved one, has provided some measure  
of comfort during a very difficult time.

Memorial gifts assist in providing exceptional health care  
right here, close to home.



Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation  
369 Mary Street, Suite 101, Wiarton, ON N0H 2T0 519-534-5856  
[www.bphsfoundation.com](http://www.bphsfoundation.com)

*Downs & Son*  
FUNERAL HOME LTD.

*George*  
FUNERAL HOME LTD.



Brenda Scott  
Owner



Steve Rogers  
Managing Director

Caring, Compassionate, Respectful

<b>Warton</b>	<b>Lion's Head</b>	<b>Hepworth</b>
430 Mary Street 519-534-0240	71 Main Street 519-793-3115	145 Queen St. West 519-935-2754

Thomas C. Whitcroft  
Funeral Home & Chapel  
Sauble Beach & Peninsula Chapel  
(519) 422-0041 & Wiarton (519) 534-5341  
[www.whitcroftfuneralhome.com](http://www.whitcroftfuneralhome.com)

Q. I pre-arranged my funeral years ago, but there are some things that I would like to change. Can I?  
A. Definitely! They are *your* arrangements. You have the right to change them or transfer your arrangements. A simple phone call & I will look after everything for you.

Toll Free 1 (866) 694-0041



Tom Whitcroft



# Service Directory & Information Centre

FILL THIS SPACE FOR AS LOW AS

\$35.66\*

PER ISSUE

\*call Trudy for details  
519-596-2658

 **HARRINGTON BINS**

519-590-3112

[harringtonbins@gmail.com](mailto:harringtonbins@gmail.com)

Servicing Wiarton to Tobermory!

6 YARD, 14 YARD & 20 YARD BINS AVAILABLE

Waste Bin Rental • Junk Bin Rental • Construction Bin Rental

 **Great Lakes Hearing**

Jill Curtis

Hearing Instrument Specialist

673 Berford Street  
Warton, ON

Ask about Tobermory Clinic Days

Free Hearing Assessments  
for age 18 and over

Ear Wax Removal

Hearing Aid Sales & Service

Phone: (519) 534-1818

Email: [info@greatlakeshearing.ca](mailto:info@greatlakeshearing.ca)

[www.greatlakeshearing.ca](http://www.greatlakeshearing.ca)

Proudly Serving the Bruce Peninsula's Electrical Needs

 **ACN ELECTRIC INC.**

ECRA/ESA Licence #7000342

24 Hour Service

Residential/Commercial/Industrial

Lion's Head, ON N0H 1W0

519-375-1599

[www.acnelectric.ca](http://www.acnelectric.ca) email: [info@acnelectric.ca](mailto:info@acnelectric.ca)

• New Hydro Services & Upgrades

• Whole Home Wiring- New & Renovation

• Pole Line Service/Installation

• Commercial & Industrial Maintenance

• Free Estimates

We do Yearly Check-over

**REID SERVICES**

Heating and Cooling

Servicing Northern Bruce Peninsula

Installation & Service of Residential

• propane • water heaters • boilers

• natural gas • fireplaces • in floor heating

• furnaces

Now Continental Dealer

Manufacturers of the only Made in Canada furnaces.

"Specializing in quality workmanship"

Licensed and Insured

Doug Reid 519-387-6234 • Lion's Head

**Caudle Masonry • Concrete**

"Setting Your Dreams In Mortar"

ALL TYPES OF MASONRY

• Natural Stone • Cultured Stone

• Engineered Slabs • Stamped Concrete

• Flagstone • Brick • Block • Rumford Fireplaces

• Contra-flow Masonry Heaters

Jerry Caudle - Licensed Mason

W.E.T.T. certified.

8 Caudle S. Rd., Lion's Head

226-668-4488

[caudlemasonry@hotmail.com](mailto:caudlemasonry@hotmail.com)

**MIKE ROBINS CONTRACTING LTD.**

Sand \* Gravel \* Topsoil

Excavating

Trucking

Bulldozing

Driveway & Lot Preparation

Foundation Excavation

Licensed Septic System Installation



4984 Highway 6, Miller Lake, ON N0H 1Z0

Office Phone: 519-795-7757

Darryl Cell: 519-270-7092

[drobins@amtelecom.net](mailto:drobins@amtelecom.net)

## REGULAR MEETINGS, FUN & GAMES

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before Jan. 31, 2024 to be included in the next Press.

**MONDAY**

**Tobermory Coffee Club.** Tobermory Community Centre. All welcome. **7:30–10am**

**Bruce Men's Shed Drop-in Coffee.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact [brucemensshed@gmail.com](mailto:brucemensshed@gmail.com) or 519-793-3005 to get involved. **9–11:30am**

**Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation Virtual Board Meeting.** Contact Catherine at 519-534-5856 for info. **(last Mon.) 9–11am**

**Laughter with Carolyn.** Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Pre-register at 519-793-3473. **11–11:30am, 1–1:30pm, 2–3pm**

**Chair Yoga.** Lotusheart Yoga & Mindfulness. [facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga](https://facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga). 519-270-4905. **10–11am**

**VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Call 519-371-5331 for info. **10–11am**

**Mind~Body~Chair~Yoga.** Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Drop in, or register at [nina@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:nina@lovingyoga.ca). **11:15am**

**Bingo.** Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by the Legion Branch 290 Ladies Auxiliary. **1pm**

**Bid Euchre.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Bid Euchre and/or Bridge. [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com). **1pm**

**Darts.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Bring your own darts. All are welcome. **1pm**

**MNBP Council Virtual Meeting. (2nd & 4th Mon.) 1–4pm**

**Nar-Anon Family Groups Meeting.** Frank St. Baptist Church, 365 Frank St, Wiarton. For more information, call 519-375-2901. **7pm**

**Curling.** Lion's Head Arena. Contact 416-805-5830 or [curlionshead@gmail.com](mailto:curlionshead@gmail.com) for info. **7pm**

**Euchre.** Pike Bay Community Centre. \$4 entry. **7pm**

**Pickleball.** St. Edmunds Public School, Tobermory. Ages 12+. **7–9pm**

**TUESDAY**

**Scale Model Building.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact [brucemensshed@gmail.com](mailto:brucemensshed@gmail.com) or 519-793-3005 to get involved. **9–11:30am**

**Adults Learn to Play Pickleball.** Tobermory Community Centre. Guests welcome. \$5. **9am–12pm**

**Line Dancing.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. May not be suitable for beginners. [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com). **10–11am**

**Hatha Yoga.** Lotusheart Yoga & Mindfulness. [facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga](https://facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga). 519-270-4905. **10–11:15am**

**Meeting Place Gym.** The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 10am–3pm**

**Nia Dance Fitness.** In-person & on Zoom. Contact [wendy@rhythmwood.ca](mailto:wendy@rhythmwood.ca) or 519-793-4687. **11am–12pm**

**Book Club.** Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Next Jan. 30. 11am–12pm**

**Phone-in to Chat.** Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Next Feb. 20. 11:15–11:45am**

**Rug Hookers.** Hosted by Lion's Head Friendship Club. Call Maxine at 519-375-0959 for info. **1pm**

**Drum Circle.** 172 McArthur Rd, Tobermory. Bring your chair. Shade tree provided. Weather permitting, otherwise indoors at Tobermory United Church. 289-439-1413 for info. **1–3pm**

**Youth Learn to Play Pickleball.** Tobermory Community Centre. Guests welcome. \$5. **6–9pm**

**The Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula.** Hybrid virtual and in-person meeting. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. More info at [facebook.com/LionsHeadRotaryClub](https://facebook.com/LionsHeadRotaryClub) or 519-793-4040. **1st and 3rd Tues. 7–8pm**

**Tobermory Legion Branch 290 General Branch Meeting.** Tobermory Legion. **2nd Tues. each month, not July/Aug. 8–9pm**

**WEDNESDAY**

**Peninsula SWANS Meeting.** New members welcome, contact Roberta at [rjmihlhausen@gmail.com](mailto:rjmihlhausen@gmail.com) or 519-374-4110. **1st Wed. Not July/Aug.**

**Yin & Yang Yoga.** Via Zoom. Contact [barbara@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:barbara@lovingyoga.ca). **7am**

**Tobermory Coffee Club.** Tobermory Community Centre. All welcome. **7:30–10am**

**Tea Time Quilters.** United Church Hall, Lion's Head. Quilters meet to work on their projects. **9am–3pm**

**Tobermory Quilters.** Light & Life Chapel. Quilt, share ideas, collaborate. Contact Glenna at 519-596-8332 if interested. **9:30am–3pm**

**Chair Yoga.** Lotusheart Yoga & Mindfulness. [facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga](https://facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga). 519-270-4905. **10–11am**

**Yoga for Bone Health.** Via Zoom. Contact [nina@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:nina@lovingyoga.ca) to register. **10am**

**Meeting Place Gym.** The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 10am–3pm**

**Tip of the Bruce Woodcarvers Meeting.** Tobermory Community Centre. **11am–2:30pm**

**Phone-in.** Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Feb. 14. 11:15am–12pm**

**Writer's Workshop.** Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Next Jan. 17. 1–2pm**

**Afternoon Jamboree.** Wiarton Legion Br. 208. Music & Dancing. All are welcome. **Doors 1pm, Music 2-5pm**

**North Bruce Truth & Reconciliation Group.** The Meeting Place, Tobermory. **1–3pm**

**Bruce Peninsula Environmental Group Meeting.** Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Presentations each meeting. **1st Wed. 7pm**

**Euchre.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com). **7pm**

**Lion's Head & District Lions Club Dinner Meeting.** Swan Lake Legion Hall. **2nd & 4th Wed. ea. month. NOT Jul./Aug. 7–9pm**

**Badminton/Sports Night.** St. Edmunds Public School, Tobermory. Ages 12+. **7–9pm**

**THURSDAY**

**Good Food Box Program, Lion's Head.** Not-for-profit sustainable food program. Fresh fruits & vegetables. Drop off order before last Thurs. Each month. Pickup box first Thurs (bring a reusable bag). Bring sealed envelope with your name & \$22 to: LH Pharmacy, Peninsula Pet Supplies. Pick up at LH Rotary Hall (between 3:30–5pm). Info on Facebook [@LHGoodFoodBox](https://facebook.com/LHGoodFoodBox).

**Good Food Box Program, Tobermory.** As above. Drop off order and payment at The Meeting Place, Tobermory during business hours or contact 519-596-2313 or [food@tobermorymeetingplace.com](mailto:food@tobermorymeetingplace.com). Pickup at the Meeting Place 5:30–6:30pm.

**Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary Meeting.** New members welcome. Contact [lha220@gmail.com](mailto:lha220@gmail.com) for more info. **1st Thurs. each month.**

**Hatha Yoga.** Lotusheart Yoga & Mindfulness. [facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga](https://facebook.com/brucepeninsulayoga). 519-270-4905. **10–11:15am**

**Meeting Place Gym.** The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 10am–3pm**

**Mind~Body~Chair~Yoga.** Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Drop in, or register at [nina@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:nina@lovingyoga.ca). **11:15am**

**Meditation.** Phone-in. Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Feb. 1 & 15. 11:15am–12pm**

Kevin Curran

Master Electrician

[kevin.curran1962@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.curran1962@gmail.com)

519.994.1878



**CURRAN**

Electrical Solutions

ECRA/ESA #7013094

375 Pike Bay Road,  
Lion's Head, ON N0H 1W0

No Job Too Small



**WEST CARPENTRY**

Lukas West

(226) 668-0485 | [west.carpentry83@gmail.com](mailto:west.carpentry83@gmail.com)

NEW HOMES • RENOVATIONS • DECKS • GARAGES

**North Bruce Heating**

Servicing Lion's Head & Tobermory

**Cameron Greig**

Owner / Gas Technician

519.793.3669

[northbruceheating@gmail.com](mailto:northbruceheating@gmail.com)




**JV CONSTRUCTION INC.**

BUILD YOUR DREAM

Licensed Carpenter & HCRA Certified Builder

[jvcustomconstruction.com](http://jvcustomconstruction.com)

John Vanderkooy 519-387-9791



**KCS FINANCIAL**

Carrie E. King

519-447-1044

[carrie@kcsbookkeeping.ca](mailto:carrie@kcsbookkeeping.ca)

[www.kcsbookkeeping.ca](http://www.kcsbookkeeping.ca)

Know Your Financial Health

Income Tax Preparation & Business Bookkeeping

Local to the Bruce Peninsula

Over 15 Years of Experience



**BERNIE HELLYER CONTRACTING**

• sand • gravel • topsoil

• bulldozing & backhoe

• rockbreaking

• licenced aerobic and standard septic systems

**LION'S HEAD 519-793-3377**



# Service Directory & Information Centre

519.377.1360 info@russellcabinets.ca

**RUSSELL CABINETS**  
CUSTOM KITCHENS & BATHROOMS

CUSTOM CABINETRY: DESIGN, QUOTE, BUILD & INSTALL

**LET'S TALK SOLUTIONS**  
for all your water treatment needs  
(Rental - Sale and Finance options available)  
**Call or text TIM "Your local Culligan Man!"**  
1.519.835.1234

**McNairs Firewood**  
**Wood Available Now**  
**519-795-7730**  
*"We Keep the Home Fires Burning"*

**H&H**  
PLUMBING  
Sales • Service • Installation  
**519-793-3004**  
**Dave Henderson**  
Licenced Plumber

**Dan Hollis Contracting Ltd.**  
E-Mail danholliscontracting@gmail.com  
Phone/Fax (519) 596-2692

- Licensed Septic System Installer
- Renovations
- Brush Chipping
- Excavating
- Landscaping
- Bob Cat Services
- Lot Clearing
- Roofing
- Snow Removal
- Underground Hydro Lines Services

**LAWSON**  
CONSTRUCTION

NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION • INSULATED CONCRETE FORMS  
WOOD FRAME CONSTRUCTION • FINISH CARPENTRY

Al Lawson, Licensed Carpenter  
519-387-0084 | lawsoncnst@gmail.com  
Miller Lake

**Marshall MIELHAUSEN ROOFING LTD.**

Home: 519-596-2838  
Cell: 519-379-8891

Specializing in  
Limited Lifetime Warranty Fiberglass Shingles

**BP Certified Roofer**

Free Estimates Fully Insured

## REGULAR MEETINGS, FUN & GAMES (THURSDAY, CONTINUED)

**Mindfulness.** Phone-in. Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the number. **Feb. 8 & 22, 11:15am–12pm**

**Tai Chi.** Tobermory United Church. Call 519-596-8003 for info. **10–11:30am**

**Friendship Club Luncheon & Bingo.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. \$7 for members. Contact 519-375-0959 [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com) for time & more info. **2nd Thurs. each month.**

**Open Play Pickleball.** Tobermory Community Centre. Guests welcome. \$5. **1–4pm, 6–9pm**

**Darts & Cribbage.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Cribbage \$4/person. All are welcome. **Not 1st Thurs. each month. 1pm**

**Warton Legion Branch 208 Members Meeting.** Warton Legion. **2nd Thurs. Not Jan/Feb. 1pm**

**Lion's Head Legion Branch 202 General Branch Meeting.** Lion's Head Legion. **1st Thurs. each month. 2pm**

**Warton Rotary Club Virtual Meeting.** email [wartonrotary@gmail.com](mailto:wartonrotary@gmail.com) for more info **6–8pm**

**Stokes Bay Community Meeting.** Stokes Bay Community Centre. **4th Thurs. each month. 7pm**

**Alcoholics Anonymous.** United Church. 54 Main St, Lion's Head. 519-619-7781. **7–8pm**

**Bruce Peninsula Sportsman's Association Monthly Meeting.** BPSA Clubhouse, 611 Northacres Rd, Warton. Visit [bpsportsmen.com](http://bpsportsmen.com) for info. **Last Thurs. each month. 7:30pm**

**Darts for Fun–Tobermory.** Tobermory Legion Branch 290. Darts, euchre, pool, or shuffleboard. Entry \$2 plus 10¢ to the duck! [tobermorylegion.org](http://tobermorylegion.org) **7pm**

**FRIDAY**

**Tobermory Coffee Club.** Tobermory Community Centre. All welcome. **7:30–10am**

**Body Rolling for Myofascial Release.** Via Zoom. Contact [barbara@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:barbara@lovingyoga.ca). **8:50am**

**Myo Yin Yoga.** Via Zoom. contact [barbara@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:barbara@lovingyoga.ca). **10am**

**Laughter with Carolyn.** Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Pre-register at 519-793-3473. **11–11:30am, 1–1:30pm, 2–3pm**

**Nia Dance Fitness.** In-person & on Zoom. Contact [wendy@rhythmwood.ca](mailto:wendy@rhythmwood.ca) or 519-793-4687. **11am–12pm**

**Bid Euchre.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Bid Euchre and/or Bridge. [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com). **1pm**

**Darts & Karaoke.** Warton Legion Br. 208. All are welcome. **Darts 7pm, Karaoke 8pm**

**Narcotics Anonymous.** Frank St. Baptist Church, 365 Frank St, Warton. For more information call 519-375-7125. **7–8:30pm**

**SATURDAY**

**Bruce Men's Shed General Meeting.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact [brucemensshed@gmail.com](mailto:brucemensshed@gmail.com) or 519-793-3005 to get involved. **Next Jan. 20. 9–11am**

**Laughter with Carolyn.** Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Pre-register at 519-793-3473. **10–10:30am, 11–12pm**

**Darts for Meat.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Bring your own darts. All are welcome. **1pm**

**Repair Café.** Owen Sound Library. Email [GBOSRepairCafe@gmail.com](mailto:GBOSRepairCafe@gmail.com) to get involved, or [osngupl.ca/repair-cafe](http://osngupl.ca/repair-cafe) for info. **Second Sat. each month. Starts Mar. 9. 1–4pm**

**Music & Dancing.** Warton Legion Br. 208. Music & Dancing. All are welcome. **Doors 1pm, Music 2–5pm**

**Meat Draw.** Tobermory Legion Branch 290. \$7 for 3 draws, plus bonus draw. All are welcome (19+). [tobermorylegion.org](http://tobermorylegion.org) **4pm**

**Friendship Club Meal.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Full course meal. \$14 for members, \$15 non-members. Contact 519-375-0959 [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com) for time & more info. **Last Sat. each month.**

**SUNDAY**

**Open Play Pickleball.** Tobermory Community Centre. Guests welcome. \$5. **9am–12pm**

**NFL Viewing.** Tobermory Legion Branch 290. TV on and bar open. All are welcome (19+). [tobermorylegion.org](http://tobermorylegion.org) **1pm**

**Cantata Choir Rehearsals.** Bethel Missionary Church. For info contact David at 519-793-4015. **Until Mar.24. 2pm**

**Through the Week**

**Yoga.** Yoga Hive North. [facebook.com/yogahivenorth](https://facebook.com/yogahivenorth)

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before Jan. 31, 2024 to be included in the next Press.

**Ongoing**

**Peninsula Bruce Trail Club Hikes.** *Easy Hikes:* <3km. *Peninsula Blue Series:* 5–11km. Dates, times, locations, and registration at [pbtc.ca](http://pbtc.ca), or follow us on Facebook under PeninsulaBTC.

**Sunday January 21**

**Caesar Sunday & Breakfast.** Tobermory Legion, Branch 290. **9am**

**Tuesday January 23**

**Community Forum on Senior Issues & Elder Abuse Prevention.** Chirst Church, Lion's Head. See ad pg. 4. **1–3pm**

**Friday February 2 – Saturday February 3**

**Warton Willie Festival.** More info at [wartonwillie.com](http://wartonwillie.com)

Friday

**Fireworks.** Bluewater Park. **7am**

**Prediction.** Warton Arena. **8:07am**

**Free Public Skate.** Warton Arena. *After prediction*

Saturday

**Entertainment & Games.** Bluewater Park **10am–4pm**

**Sunday February 4**

**Painting Afternoon.** Tobermory Legion, Branch 290. Watercolour class. \$60. Limited spaces. Pay at the branch to secure your spot. **1–4pm**

**Monday February 5**

**Lion's Head & District Curling Club 4th Draw.** Lion's Head Arena. Contact 416-805-5830 or [curlionshead@gmail.com](mailto:curlionshead@gmail.com) to register. **7pm**

**Saturday February 10**

**Lion's Head & District Curling Club Bonspiel.** Lion's Head Arena. Contact 416-805-5830 or [curlionshead@gmail.com](mailto:curlionshead@gmail.com) to register. See ad pg. 3. **9am**

**Cassidy's Carpentry + Services**

Email: [cassidyweatherhead@yahoo.ca](mailto:cassidyweatherhead@yahoo.ca)  
Website: [weatherheadcarpentry.ca](http://weatherheadcarpentry.ca) **226-974-0668**

**LICENSED CARPENTER**

**Virus & Spyware Removal • Computer Repair • Tune-ups**  
Friendly On-site and Remote Support Services

**COMPUTER AID & CONSULTING**

**519-374-4768 • Darren Curry**  
[www.ComputerAid.net](http://www.ComputerAid.net)

Serving the Bruce Peninsula & Surrounding Area Since 1999

**Tri-Ark Heating and Air**  
Local HVAC Specialist

**HVAC CONTRACTOR**

FREE ESTIMATES

- Residential & Commercial
- New Construction & Renovations
- Custom Sheet Metal
- HRV Installs
- Furnace Relocation
- Custom Homes

**519-749-5349**  
[admin@triarkheatingandair.com](mailto:admin@triarkheatingandair.com) **BOOK NOW**

**BLUEWATER RV SALES LTD.**  
Sales Parts Service

[www.bluewaterrv.ca](http://www.bluewaterrv.ca)  
[bluewaterrv@bmts.com](mailto:bluewaterrv@bmts.com)

(519) 534-0014 **Lonnie Bray**  
Fax (519) 534-4058 Cell (519) 270-0533  
1-800-225-7937

210 Berford St, Warton, ON N0H 2T0

**SKP PROPERTY SERVICE**

Gravel Driveway Restoration  
Power Sweeping  
Pruning • Brush Cutting • Yard Cleanups  
Lawn Care • Mulch • Decorative Stone

Email: [matsudadarcy@gmail.com](mailto:matsudadarcy@gmail.com)  
Phone: 905.466.6296

**MARGOT'S OPTICAL**

Prescription Eyeglasses & Sunglasses  
Low Vision Devices • Repairs/Adjustments

583 Berford St. Warton, ON N0H 2T0  
[margotsoptical@gmail.com](mailto:margotsoptical@gmail.com)  
**519-534-5222**

**DB SERVICES AND HOME INSPECTIONS**

WETT Certified Technician  
WETT Inspections with written report on wood burning appliances

Insurance Inspections  
Short term Rental Inspections  
Fully Insured

**CALL 519.374.5748**



Service Directory & Information Centre

**AUTOCARE CENTRE**  
- Automotive  
Service & Repair  
- Nationwide Warranty  
  
White's Garage  
Main St. Lion's Head  
**519-793-3327**





Something Bugging You?

**AAMCOTT PEST CONTROL**

HOMES • COTTAGES • COMMERCIAL

✓ Ants ✓ Spiders ✓ Wasps & Bees ✓ Mice & Rats ✓ Bed Bugs  
✓ Cluster Flies ✓ Earwigs ✓ Fleas ✓ Wood Roaches & Cockroaches  
✓ Plus many other pests

**Serving the Bruce Peninsula since 1989**

• Locally owned and operated • Open year round • Written Guarantee  
• Fully Licensed and Insured • Seniors Discounts • Unmarked Vehicles  
• Yearly Maintenance Packages • Cottage Watch  
• Member of SPMAO, NPCA, CPCA & Bat Conservation International

Owen Sound: 519-372-1373    Wiarton: 519-534-2533



**CRC GENERAL CONTRACTING**

♦ Custom Building   ♦ Roofing   ♦ Renovations  
♦ Decks   ♦ Additions   ♦ Siding

**519-793-6240**  
**WWW.CR-C.CA**  
check us out on facebook



**Mansfield Renovations**  
**519-374-3920**  
Renovations & Interior Remodels  
Windows/Doors & Exterior Finishing  
New Builds | Decks & More  
Contact us today for your FREE quote  
**www.mansfieldrenovations.com**



**Tyler Robins**  
Licensed Carpenter since 2010

**CUSTOM HOMES • RENOVATIONS • ADDITIONS**  
**INTERIOR & EXTERIOR FINISHING**

106 Cape Hurd Rd    **519.477.2281**  
Tobermory, ON N0H 2R0    **info@robinscontracting.ca**

**Harrington Plumbing**

• Pumps/New Wells  
• Well Extensions & Maintenance  
• Water Treatment  
• Pressure Systems  
• Service

**Nathan Harrington**  
Owner/Licensed Plumber & Well Contractor  
**519-590-3112**  
Warton, ON

**HARRINGTON<sub>2</sub>O**  
BY Harrington Plumbing

SOFTENERS | IRON & SULPHUR FILTERS | ULTRA VIOLET

**519-590-3112**  
harringtonplumbing1981@gmail.com



SPECIAL EVENTS (CONTINUED)

**Monday February 13**  
Tobermory United Church Pancake Supper. *Details TBA*

**Thursday February 18**  
**Family Fun Day.** Hiking the Bruce Trail near the Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club. Followed by games, music, and hot chocolate at the hall. Please BYOM (Bring Your Own Mug). *More details to come next issue. 1pm*

**Friday February 23**  
**BPHF Hooked on Health Draw Date.** Tickets \$10 available at Scott's Home Hardware in Lion's Head, Josie's Fashions and the Bruce Peninsula Hospital Foundation office in Wiarton, by phone at 519-534-5856, and online at [bphfoundation.com](http://bphfoundation.com).

**Saturday February 24**  
**Heat Pump Workshop.** Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by the Biosphere Association. Register at [www.bpba.ca](http://www.bpba.ca) to ensure a seat. Walk-ins welcome while seating is available. **9:30-11:30am**



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Offering free resources in the community? Call us before Jan. 31, 2024 to provide updates or new listings to be included in the next Press.

CHURCH SERVICES

**Anglican, Christ Church,** [christchurchlionshead@diohuron.org](mailto:christchurchlionshead@diohuron.org)  
55 Main St, Lion's Head, 519-793-3784  
**SUNDAY: Service,** *in person and online, email or call for link*, 11:30am

**Bethel Evangelical Missionary Church,** [bethelemc.ca](http://bethelemc.ca)  
18 Ferndale Rd, Lion's Head  
**SUNDAY: Indoor Service,** 10:30am

**Light and Life Community Chapel,** [lightandlifecommunitychapel.ca](http://lightandlifecommunitychapel.ca) or search Facebook for Light and Life Chapel, 7347 Hwy#6, Tobermory  
**SUNDAY: Service,** 10:30am - *Live on Facebook at 11am*

**Lutheran & Anglican Services,** [laamb.ca](http://laamb.ca) 519-534-1604  
**Tobermory:** St. Edmund's, 38 Big Tub Rd  
**Cape Chin:** St. Margaret's, 133 East Rd  
**SUNDAY: St. Edmund's Service,** 3pm (Nov. 5 service at 2pm)

**Pentecostal Country Church,** [pentecostalcountrychurch.org](http://pentecostalcountrychurch.org).  
2627 Hwy#6, Lion's Head, 579-793-3443  
**SUNDAY: Service,** *also available online, call for link*, 10:30am

**Pike Bay & Lion's Head United Church,**  
519-793-3312, 54 Main St, Lion's Head  
**SUNDAY: Lion's Head,** *in-person and online, contact church for details*, 10:30am  
**Pike Bay,** 9:30am. *Not Jan. 7-Mar.31.*

**St. Mary's and the Missions Catholic Church,** [stmarysandthemiissions.ca](http://stmarysandthemiissions.ca), St. Mark's, Lion's Head, 54 Main St, 519-376-0778  
St. Mary's, Neyaashiinigiing: 20 Lighthouse Rd  
St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton, 552 Gould St  
St. Thomas the Apostle, Tobermory United Church, 5 Brock St  
**SATURDAY: St. Mark's - (Sunday Liturgy)** 9:30am  
**St. Thomas the Apostle -** 11:30am  
**SUNDAY: St. Thomas Aquinas -** 11am  
**St. Mary's -** *closed until further notice*

**Tobermory United Church,** [tobermoryunited.ca](http://tobermoryunited.ca),  
5 Brock St, Tobermory, 519-596-2394, [tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca](mailto:tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca)  
**SUNDAY: Service,** *in-person*, 10:30am

LIBRARY HOURS

See [library.brucecounty.on.ca/locations](http://library.brucecounty.on.ca/locations) for information.

	LION'S HEAD	TOBERMORY	WIARTON
MON	9:30am-5pm	<i>Closed</i>	<i>Closed</i>
TUES	<i>Closed</i>	10am-1:30pm/2-5pm	10am-7pm
WED	2-6pm	10am-1:30pm/2-5pm	10am-6pm
THU	10am-2pm	12-6pm	10am-7pm
FRI	9:30am-5pm	10am-2pm	10am-6pm
SAT	9:30am-2pm	10am-2pm	10am-4pm
SUN	<i>Closed</i>	<i>Closed</i>	2-6pm

BRUCE PENINSULA ADULT LEARNING CENTRE

**G.E.D., Computer Essential Skills, Upgrading**  
576 Edward St., Wiarton. 519-534-4911

GREY BRUCE HEALTH SERVICES VIRTUAL URGENT CARE

**[gbhs.on.ca/virtual-urgent-care](http://gbhs.on.ca/virtual-urgent-care)**  
**Monday-Saturday, 8am-3:30pm**  
Non-emergency care for those without a family doctor.



**NUSKO PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION**  
**David Nusko** B.A. (Hons.), J.D., J.D.  
ONTARIO: Barrister, Solicitor, & Notary Public  
MICHIGAN: Attorney, & Counselor at Law

For your legal matters call: 1-800-536-0566    [www.nusko.ca](http://www.nusko.ca)



*Designs By Brenda*  
**519-534-9817**  
**FLORIST 519-793-3817**

Serving the Bruce Peninsula

**BOYLE CONCRETE**

• Foundations • Floors  
**519-793-3447**  
**www.boyleconcrete.ca**  
**Fax: 519-793-3015**



•Shutters •Draperies  
•Cellular Shades  
•Wood Blinds •Woven Woods  
•Roman Shades •Window Film  
and more!

Style and service for every budget.\*

**Residential & Commercial**

**“Expert Fit”**    **FREE In-Home Consultation**  
**Measuring &**    **519-793-3921**  
**Installation**    **www.budgetblinds.com**

**We carry the hottest styles and colours to fit your decor.**



**Custom Homes**  
**Additions**  
**Renovations**  
**Eavestroughing**

**JODY.MUNN@OUTLOOK.COM    519-374-0059**



**CUSTOM FURNITURE, KITCHEN CABINETS,**  
**BATHROOM VANITIES AND MORE!**

**Terry Harnden**

Miller Lake, Ontario    Cell: (416) 951-5884  
(By Appointment Only)    [terry@homegrownwoodworks.com](mailto:terry@homegrownwoodworks.com)

Available in     Like Us On Facebook  
home consultations    [www.homegrownwoodworks.com](http://www.homegrownwoodworks.com)

**JOSEPH FILLION**  
Professional  
Drywall & Taping  
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL

**30 YEARS EXPERIENCE**

**SERVING BRUCE PENINSULA & AREA**  
**PRO FAST!**

**Stokes Bay**    Phone 519-592-5064  
Cell 519-982-5703



Service Directory & Information Centre



NATURAL & MANUFACTURED  
STONE, FLAGSTONE,  
BRICK, BLOCK FOUNDATIONS,  
FIREPLACES & MORE

(226) 668-9025  
bricklayerlenny@gmail.com



Est. 2023

The Bees Knees

Non-Medical Home Care  
ODYSSEY MADDEN

519.477.4807 | thebeeskneeshomecare@gmail.com  
thebeekneeshomecarenbp.com

COMMUNITY FOOD BANKS

**Neyaashiinigiing.** Community Centre.  
34 Community Centre Rd, Neyaashiinigiing. 519-534-3266 ext 105.  
Order. Tuesday, 9am–12pm  
Pick up. Thursday, 1–3:30pm

**Lion's Head.** Pentecostal Country Church.  
2627 Hwy. #6, Lion's Head. 519-378-8842. [lhdfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:lhdfoodbank@gmail.com)  
2nd & 4th Thurs. each month.  
Pick up Thursdays. 10am–12pm  
Walk-in hampers now available, no appointment required. Call day before if you require delivery.

**Tobermory.** The Meeting Place.  
20 Centennial Dr, Tobermory. 519-375-7010  
Sept–June: Walk in service. Tuesday, 1–3pm  
July, Aug: Emergency service. Contact for service.

**Warton.** The Salvation Army.  
576 Edward St, Warton. 519-534-0353.  
Walk in service. Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1–3:30pm

Tom

**McAFEE & SONS**

Contracting Ltd.

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

•HOMES •COTTAGES •RENOVATIONS •CERAMICS

•WOOD FLOORS •CONCRETE WORK & FINISHING

[www.mcafeeandsonscontracting.com](http://www.mcafeeandsonscontracting.com)

**519-596-2482**

Over 30  
years as a  
licenced  
carpenter

**A.S.H. Excavating Ltd.**

Over 10 years experience

Alex Hepburn  
Owner/Operator

- Licensed Septic Design & Installation
- Landscaping, Driveways, Trenching,
- Site Prep, Backfilling, Grading & Rock Breaking

Lion's Head On, NOH 1W0  
**226-668-2681** [ashexcavating1@gmail.com](mailto:ashexcavating1@gmail.com)

Tobermory Food Bank Thankful For Generous Support of Community at Christmas and All Year Round

Submitted by Linda Godhue

The Tobermory Food Bank provided thirty-seven Christmas Hampers to those who needed some help in having a Christmas meal. And as always, we could not do this without the amazing help and support of so many individuals, Churches, organizations and businesses.

OPP Auxiliary Officers started us off with their Stuff the Cruiser Food Drive on December 2nd, helped by the Staff at Peacock's Foodland. This resulted in 335 pounds of food and \$118 being donated. And a large cash donation from Bruce Power helped as well.

And of course, it was a privilege and a pleasure to distribute the toys and gifts collected by Northern Bruce Firefighters. It can not be said enough what a caring community we have.

We start the New Year with increased numbers of those facing food-insecurity, as it is with all Food Banks. The rising cost of Food and Housing has seen, many who never faced food-insecurity before, turning to Food Banks to feed their families or themselves. It is not an easy decision to make that first visit to the Food Bank. Often people think that there are others that need it more, or feel embarrassed that they have to come to a Food Bank. But no one should have to make that choice between paying housing and utility costs versus putting food on the table. Our Volunteers are very welcoming and all is held in confidence.

Donations allow the Tobermory Food Bank to continue our work of assisting those most in need in our community. And the Second Harvest/Food Rescue Program that Peacock's Foodland participates in provides so many items to help those visiting the Tobermory Food Bank.

Our dedicated volunteers turn up to assist in so many ways. Taking a shift when the Food Bank is open, or collecting the Second Harvest from Peacock's or filling Holiday Hampers. This past year we were very fortunate to have many new volunteers step forward to help. As said, a very caring community.

All the Volunteers from the Tobermory Food Bank wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.

BPEG Members Learn About Tiny Forests at January Meeting

Submitted by Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG)

On 3 January 2024, Thorsten Arnold shared concepts, insights and lessons learned from creating a Tiny Forest at the Peninsula Shores District School (PSDS). He jokingly describes it as the largest tiny forest in Ontario.

Arnold posed thought provoking questions about how we think about our landscape and our connection to it. He feels that our continued focus on economic growth, prosperity, consumerism and competition is problematic and that we need a shift in our values if we are to realistically become climate resilient.

Arnold explained the impact of land use on climate and re-emphasised that vegetation cools the landscape, for example the Greenbelt is about 5 degrees cooler than non-vegetative spaces.

The Tiny Forest serves as an educational tool that can change values and teach how to change our landscape.

The grounds of the Warton School were exposed to the brutal sun in summer and strong winds in winter. Transforming this stark landscape, the Tiny Forest project with the help of students, volunteers and local contractors created a 300-square-metre forest. About 25 native species, including maples, oaks, ironwood, pine, poplar, willow, dogwood and Carolinian species like shagbark hickory and tulip tree were planted. It serves as a living classroom to demonstrate regeneration. Arnold says eco-system regeneration includes physical labour and commitment, using the analogy of raising a child.

Arnold feels that Tiny Forests are suitable for spaces around Municipal buildings, schools and churches.

To see the presentation, please subscribe to BPEG's Channel on Youtube <https://youtu.be/19Zz66YTqPY>

Next Meeting: 7 February 2024, 7 p.m at the Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Come and learn about the work of Salthaven Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Centre.

**Rotary Club**  
*Continued from page 3*

including three Curling Bonspiels at Lion's Head Arena, several music events, three Trivia Nights, four Northern Bruce Theatre play performances, as well as other special and private events.

- Rotary held a successful Silent Auction at Rotary Hall to raise funds for our ongoing Scholarships program for graduates of BPDHS. Close to fifty people attended the Silent Auction, bidding on over fifty different items, and raising sufficient funds to cover about half the cost of our annual scholarship commitment!
- Rotary and Tagwerk Beer sponsored the first annual Lion's Head Oktoberfest event this past fall, which featured Oktoberfest-themed food, draft Tagwerk Oktoberfest beer on tap, a Tai Kwon Do demonstration in the afternoon, musical entertainment throughout the day, fun and games for the kids in the afternoon, and the very popular 'beer stein hold' contest in the evening, along with a 50/50 draw.
- Rotary sponsored three Trivia

Nights at Rotary Hall beginning in September and continuing in October (with the popular Halloween 'Spooktacular' event) and November of 2023.

- Rotary continued its ongoing Scholarships Program, supporting graduates of Bruce Peninsula District High School pursue their post-secondary goals. At last year's graduation ceremony, Rotary awarded five scholarships worth a total of \$5,000 to graduating students to pursue post-secondary studies at universities, community colleges and in trades programs.
- Rotarian Wendell Thomson raised over \$30,000 through Wendell's Walk from Tobermory to Pike Bay this past September, with all funds raised going to Lion's Head Hospital to help 'keep health care local'.
- Rotary continues to participate in the Ontario 'Adopt a Highway' program, helping out annually with trash clean-up along a 4-kilometer section of Bruce County Road 9 between Lion's Head and Barrow Bay.
- Rotary sponsored the Lion's Head Santa Claus Parade held on December

2nd. After the Parade, everyone had an opportunity to meet with Santa in front of Rotary Hall where treat bags were handed out, made possible by very generous community donations.

- Your local Rotary Club continues to make donations to many local community groups and organizations including area Food Banks, Golden Dawn Seniors Home (contributions towards their Redecorating Project, purchasing hanging baskets of flowers in the spring, and sponsoring their birthday celebrations for the month of November), Bayside Astronomy, Royal Canadian Legion (towards wreaths for Remembrance Day ceremonies held at cenotaphs in Lion's Head and Tobermory), as well as raising funds towards the improvement of Lion's Head Rotary Hall. We also donated towards Owen Sound Rotary/YMCA Camp Presqu'ile Renovation Project. Rotary also contributes to the global community through donations to Rotary International's 'Polio Plus' program to eradicate polio world-wide, as well as the 'Hand Up' program supporting clean water projects in Guatemala.

**Rotary in 2024**

Our Rotary Club membership grew significantly in 2023, and we hope to continue this trend by inviting others in the community to come join us in 2024 – contact any local Rotarian if interested. Rotary is also committed to collaborating with other local service groups and organizations to help support our community.

Your local Rotary Club turns 70 years old in 2024, and we will be holding a special celebration in 2024 to mark this important event – more details to follow as our plans develop! The success and accomplishments of your local Rotary Club are in large part due to the extraordinary generosity and tremendous support of our community here in Northern Bruce Peninsula, and we are deeply appreciative – all Rotarians extend a thank you to everyone who has helped us throughout this past year! We wish everyone all the best in 2024!

Visit [www.brucepeninsulapress.com](http://www.brucepeninsulapress.com) for full Rotary recap article.





# MUNICIPALITY OF NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA

## PUBLIC NOTICES

Office Hours  
Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head  
Ontario N0H 1W0  
Telephone: 519-793-3522  
Fax: 519-793-3823  
Website: [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca)



### EVENTS CALENDAR

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, January 17, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Special Council Meeting – Arena Project Update
Wednesday, January 17, 2024	7:00 p.m.	Chi-Cheemaun Festival Committee Meeting - Meeting Place
Monday, January 22, 2024	1:00 p.m.	<b>CANCELLED</b> Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 5, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Special Council Meeting – 2024 Operational Budget
Tuesday, February 6, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Museum Committee Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Special Council Meeting – 2024 Operational Budget
Monday, February 12, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 26, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Committee of Adjustment Meeting – (Ho and McNamara) Regular Council Meeting Public Meeting – Zoning – (Hicks)
Tuesday, March 5, 2023	9:00 a.m.	Museum Committee Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting Public Presentation 2024 Budget

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO PASS BY-LAW(S)

The following by-law(s) will be tabled for consideration of passage by Council at its regular meeting on Monday, February 12th, 2024, in the Council Chambers at 56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head, Ontario

**By-Law No. 2024-03** Being a By-law to Establish Notice Provisions for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

**By-Law No. 2024-05** Being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement with Brent Huehn for Cleaning and Maintenance Services.

### POLICE SERVICES BOARD RECRUITMENT

Starting April 1, 2024, the Community Safety and Policing Act will be in place across Ontario. This means a change for the Grey Bruce OPP Detachment: they will now be overseen by a new Joint Police Services Board. Recruitment is now underway for Elected Officials and community members to join the board. The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council appointed Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden, as the elected official on Monday, January 8, 2024.

### Board Composition

The Board will include one elected official from each of the following communities, as well as 4 members of the public:

- Township of Georgian Bluffs • Township of Chatsworth • Municipality of Meaford
- Municipality of Grey Highlands • Township of Southgate • Town of South Bruce Peninsula
- Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula • Saugeen First Nation
- Neyaashiinigmiing First Nation (Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation)

### Eligibility

You are NOT eligible if you are:

- A judge or justice of the peace • A member of a police service, special constable, or a First Nation Officer
- Someone practicing criminal law (either defense or prosecution)
- A director, officer, or employee of any policing provider
- A former officer of the Grey Bruce Detachment OPP (if you left less than a year ago)

Having experience in local government or policing is considered an asset.

### Compensation:

Appointed community members will receive a per diem rate and mileage for travel to meetings.

### How to Apply

To apply to serve your community as a community member of the OPP Joint Police Services Board, please submit the form on the website at <https://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/policeservicesboard> and attaching your resume.

### Application Deadline:

All applications must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on February 26, 2024, on the online application to [clerks@georgianbluffs.ca](mailto:clerks@georgianbluffs.ca) or drop off at the Municipality of Northern Bruce Clerk's office.

### PUBLIC NOTICE – CALLING FOR MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula is seeking individuals to provide advice, recommendations, and oversight on matters related to municipal drainage within the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

The Municipal Drainage Committee will consist of a minimum of three (3) members to a maximum of five (5) members, which will include a municipal representative. The Committee will be appointed for the balance of the 2022-2026 Council term.

The Terms of Reference is available from the Clerk, upon request. Please go to [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca) under Committees of Council to complete the fillable application form. Please ensure it is submitted no later than **Friday, March 8th, 2024, at 12:00 Noon.**

### ANNUAL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DAY

Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

Rotary Hall – Lion's Head

Hey there!

Do you know someone in your community who deserves a big shoutout? Well, now is the perfect time to show them some appreciation! It could be anyone - a member, an executive, a team, a coach, a parent, a group, or even a fan - young or old, they all deserve a pat on the back!

But wait, before you go ahead and sing their praises, there are a few things you need to know. Local groups and organizations need to let the Clerk know who their chosen recipient(s) are. You can do this by sending a letter or a quick email, just make sure to do it before **Thursday, March 28th, 2024, at 12 Noon.** And don't forget to include the name of the person from your organization who will be making the presentation.

Here's the exciting part. Each group will get a few minutes in the spotlight at the Recognition Day ceremony to present their chosen recipient(s) with their well-deserved recognition. Groups can also choose to go the extra mile and purchase a cool gift like a fancy plaque or beautiful flowers to present on behalf of the group.

If you have any questions about Recognition Day, just reach out to the Clerk. You can give her a call at 1-833-793-3537, ext 236. or [clerk@northernbruce.ca](mailto:clerk@northernbruce.ca).

So, what are you waiting for? It's time to recognize those outstanding individuals who make our community shine. Let's show them some love and appreciation at Recognition Day!



### PUBLIC NOTICE – WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

From November 1 of any year to April 30 of the following year between 2:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., parking is prohibited on any highway including a boulevard that will interfere with the removal of snow from any road or sidewalk in the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

### NEW MONTHLY COMMUNITY E-NEWSLETTER



Sign-up for our E-Newsletter

We've got some super exciting news to share with you. We are thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new monthly community E-newsletter!

Why are we so excited about this, you ask? We have been listening to your feedback, and we want to improve our communication with each one of you. We want to keep you in the loop about all the amazing events and activities happening in our beautiful Municipality.

Our E-newsletters will be sent out on the first business day of each month, filled with upcoming events, cool activities, important announcements, and so much more. You don't want to miss out!

Now, you might be wondering, how can I be part of this fabulous E-newsletter club? Just head on over to our website at [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/newsletter](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/newsletter)

It's that simple! Say goodbye to FOMO (because you'll be the first to know about all the fantastic things happening in our community.

### MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX (MAT) NEW PAYMENT SITE

The Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) remittance is due on **January 31, 2024.** To remit payment visit the municipal website or scan here to be directed to the page.

**MNBP have NO agreements with 3rd party companies like Vbro, Airbnb, etc., and they are not collecting MAT on behalf of MNBP.**



SCAN HERE

### LANDFILL SITES HOURS OF OPERATION NOW ON WINTER HOURS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Eastnor 10-4		St Edmunds 10-4			Lindsay 10-4

Eastnor Site – 1252 West Road | Lindsay Site – 627 Ira Lake Road | St. Edmunds – 71 McArthur Road

To ensure your materials are collected, please have them curbside by no later than 8:00 a.m. on Mondays. All issues with curbside waste and recycling collection, including missed collections, are to be directed to the contractor at **1-888-730-3344 extension 1.**

### AFTER-HOURS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

If you require immediate assistance with a municipal water or sewer emergency, please call **(519) 372-3034.**

For a municipal road hazard, by-law or livestock claim emergency, please call **1-866-750-8219.** The Municipal Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL 2022-2026

**Mayor Milt McIver** [mayor@northernbruce.ca](mailto:mayor@northernbruce.ca) (519) 592-3076

**Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson** [deputymayoranderson@northernbruce.ca](mailto:deputymayoranderson@northernbruce.ca) (519) 373-2601

**Councillor Todd Dowd** [councillordowd@northernbruce.ca](mailto:councillordowd@northernbruce.ca) (519) 592-5010

**Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden** [councillorgolden@northernbruce.ca](mailto:councillorgolden@northernbruce.ca) (519) 596-2614

**Councillor Aman Sohrab** [councillorsohrab@northernbruce.ca](mailto:councillorsohrab@northernbruce.ca) (647) 890-0632

Municipal Website: [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca)



We are changing  
our phone number!

Our new toll-free number is:

**1-833-793-3537**





# Happy 2024 from the SWANS

## \$1,134 Donated to The Women’s Centre Grey Bruce

**SERVICE – WE ASSIST, NURTURE, SUPPORT**

*Submitted by Bonnie Warder*

It’s hard to believe but we are halfway into January already!

To update you from the final activities of December, the Christmas Bazaar was a success and we want to say a “huge” thanks to everyone that supported this event. Also, thanks to the members that made it happen!

The group held our Christmas “get-together” in December and from all reports, everyone enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and fellowship.

The members can bring a donation for the Women’s Shelter to this event and Treasurer Bev Miller delivered the items, along with a cheque of \$1,134 which represents the SWANS’ annual financial donation and the proceeds raised from the Silent Auction at the Christmas Bazaar. Another thank you to the community support for this very important service.

The 1st regular meeting for the year was held on January 3rd at the Swan Lake Legion. We enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Legion Ladies, followed by discussions for 2024 events.

Member Jane Clayton received recognition from the SWANS Ontario President for her contributions over the past year. Jane is our representative for District 9 at the Provincial level and our

local membership wants to recognize her commitment to our service group and the Provincial Board.

We have an Executive Meeting scheduled for January 25th to finalize some details for 2024.

On behalf of our group, we wish everyone a Happy and Healthy year

and thank you for your continued support.

SWANS also accepts new members and if you have an interest in checking out our group, please give Roberta Mielhausen a call/text at 519-374-4110.



Photo Courtesy of Bonnie Warder

Photo: SWANS President Cathy McLay (right) presents a certificate from the Provincial President to Jane Clayton (left), District 9 representative for SWANS Ontario, for her assistance over the past year.



Photo Courtesy of Bev Miller

Photo: SWANS Treasurer Bev Miller presents a cheque of \$1,134.00, representing our annual financial commitment to the Women’s Shelter and proceeds from the Silent Auction at the Christmas Bazaar.

## Lion’s Head Friendship Club Activities Continue for January

*Submitted by Maxine Catteau*

We hope each and everyone of you had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We certainly enjoyed the holiday season at the Friendship Club. We started off our celebrations with a sit down dinner for 72 complete with appetizers, punch, a full course meal and caroling catered to by Bear Tracks. We continued our celebrations with a bring whatever pot luck and the club supplied the meat. We had a great time with our \$5 gift exchange later in the month.

Now it’s time to get back into the swing of things for the new year with all our regular programs returning and we hope some new ones.

Do you like to go the show or theater? Don’t want to go alone? Don’t drive? Maybe we could form a new group with the same interests.

If you’re looking for something else to do we have many activities:

Bid Euchre and Bridge Monday and Friday @1pm.

Are you free on Wednesday night? We can entertain you with regular Euchre @ 7pm.

Also line dancing and rug hooking groups during the week.

On the second Thursday of the month, which is January 11th this month, @11:30am we have our regular meeting which lasts about 15 minutes and then on to a full lunch of soup, sandwiches, coffee/tea and dessert, a fun bingo and maybe a game of cards – all at the low cost of \$7. Just call in advance so we know you are coming.

At the end of the month we will be doing a Poorman’s Dinner, which is our way to thank our members and we know January can be a long hard month. What’s a poor man’s dinner? A complete dinner for \$5 just for our members.

On the last Saturday of every month (except July and August) we do a dinner at a minimum charge.

We are always looking for new members. Winters can be long on the peninsula, so if you are interested in any of the above please call Maxine @ 519-375-0959. Memberships are \$20 and between free dinners and discounts on all the activities, it certainly pays for itself.

Hoping to hear from you!



2024

Free Skates

Lion’s Head Arena



Sat. Jan. 27	6-9 pm	ACN Electric
Sat. Feb. 3	6-9 pm	Bruce Peninsula Family Health Team
Sat. Feb. 10	6-9 pm	Bear Tracks Inn and Restaurant
Sat. Feb. 17	6-9 pm	Tobermory Fire Department
Sat. Mar. 2	6-9 pm	Lion's Head Fire Department
Mon. Mar. 11	2-4 pm	Lakeside Campground
Tues. Mar. 12	2-4 pm	Harrington Plumbing
Wed. Mar. 13	2-4 pm	Bob Hofstrand
Thurs. Mar. 14	2-4 pm	Bear Cubs Restaurant
Fri. Mar. 15	2-4 pm	Blue Heron Co.
Sat. Mar. 16	6-9 pm	Hofstrand Contracting
Sat. Mar. 23	6-9 pm	Verna's
Sat. Mar. 30	6-9 pm	Peacock’s Foodland

For a schedule of Municipal ice programs, free skates and cancellations

please contact Bob at 519-596-1226 or bobhofstrand@gmail.com



# Bruce Men's Shed Featured in Globe and Mail Article

*Submitted by The Bruce Men's Shed*

Bruce Men's Shed finished off the year with a potluck breakfast at the year-end meeting that was both well attended and very tasty. There was plenty of time afterward to talk to each other about upcoming holiday gatherings and other plans.

This year started off in a rush. Tuesday January 2 we were informed that an article in the Globe and Mail was published talking about the Bruce Men's Shed and how it helps cope with isolation for men in rural areas. Reporter Oliver Moore had visited us in November after speaking to Men's Sheds Ontario and Men's Shed Winnipeg. His thoughtful article was well received and gained attention to the global Shed movement.

This publicity led to one of our members being invited to do a radio interview for the show "Moore in the Morning" on NEWS 10 10 in Toronto. Guest host, former Toronto Mayor John Tory, interviewed member Gerry Tilmans

to ask "what is a Men's Shed" and is there an actual shed, and more.

Good questions to answer here as well.

The Shedding movement is intended to gather men and allow them to spend time with each other. No agenda needed, just get together and the conversations and time will flow.

The question "is there an actual shed" has a yes and a no answer. Each shed is independent and members determine where to meet, how often, and any activities they want to do. Many Shed groups do find a building and set up shops to allow a number of people to work together on a single project such as making wooden toys or birdhouses or to come out for the coffee and watch. Other Sheds have weekly gatherings for meals, bowling or just coffee.

Tuesday mornings in January a small group of us continue building scale models. We are also learning about paints and how to apply them using brush and airbrush.



Photo: Bruce Men's Shed members Michael and Mark working on their model kits at a recent gathering.

Feel free to drop in and say hello and for a coffee, we are at the Legion listed below from 9-11:30 am. This is in addition to our weekly Monday morning coffee gatherings.

Monthly Meeting:  
Saturday January 20th 9:00 - 11:00 am at Legion 202 on highway 6 just north of Ferndale. Doors open at 8:30 am. Guest speaker Justin Johnston of Nature Conservancy of Canada will be describing the work they do with their properties in North Bruce.



Photo: The Men's Shed group after our potluck breakfast in December.

Monday mornings we are at the Legion from 9-11:30 am for coffee, feel free to drop in.

If you would like further information on how to get involved with the Men's Shed movement, please don't hesitate to contact the Bruce Men's Shed at [brucemensshed@gmail.com](mailto:brucemensshed@gmail.com) or call Gerry at (519) 793-3005.

# Another Successful Book Give Away by Friends of the Lion's Head Library

*Submitted by Donna Hambleton*

Friends of the Lion's Head Library once again gave away a variety of books to approximately 80 local children this year. Children were given the opportunity to choose a book from the many available after visiting with Santa at the Rotary Hall on Saturday, December 2, 2023.

Friends also participated in the Santa Claus Parade for the first time. Sue and Barry Robinson carried a banner in the parade in front of the new Bruce County Library Bookmobile. There was a lot of activity around the bookmobile after the parade. If you didn't get the chance to see it up close, be sure to check out the BCPL website (<https://library.brucecountyon.ca>) for scheduled visits in this area.



Photo: Sue and Barry Robinson represent Friends of the Lion's Head Library at the Lion's Head Santa Claus Parade, while the new Bruce County Public Library Bookmobile follows closely behind.

# DON'T GET MISSED!

## Why Advertise Your Business?

14,000 copies of the Bruce Peninsula Telephone Directory are printed and delivered to every home and business from Hepworth to Tobermory!



# Last Chance!

IS YOUR LISTING CORRECT?

Cancelled your landline? Only using your cell or VOIP?

Call us so we can include your cell/VOIP phone number for free!

info@tobermorypress.com • 226-256-2658 • 1-800-794-4480  
P.O. Box 89, 39 Legion St. Tobermory, ON NOH 2R0

