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## Rotary Club Celebrates 70 Years of Service on the Northern Bruce Peninsula

Photo L-R: Past presidents of the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula gathered for a photo at the 70th anniversary celebration – Nick Borchardt, Wendell Thomson, Doug Embleton, Lee Brown, Jim Dilamarter, Willy Weatherhead, Gerry Greig and John White. Missing from photo: Cathryn Buckley.

Rotary Club hosted a formal meal for 80 guests on April 13th to celebrate its 70th Anniversary. The meal was catered by the SWANS, receiving rave reviews from the invitees. During the formal dinner, seven Paul Harris Fellow Recognition awards were given out to acknowledge the substantial contributions to the local community by fellow Rotarians and community members.

Turn to page 20 for the full story.

## Local Grocer Shows Outstanding Community Support for Food Bank



Photo Courtesy of Lion's Head & District Food Bank

Photo L-R: Co-owners of Peacocks Foodland, Ricky and Rick Peacock, with Lion's Head Food Bank Volunteer Coordinator Darlene Myles. 250 pounds of ground beef were packaged for the food bank, along with other sale items that will restock the food bank shelves.

Peacocks Foodland in Tobermory has been incredibly helpful in ordering food items needed by the Food Bank for the past 8 months while the Lion's Head grocery store has been closed.

Turn to page 31 for the full story.

## Sources of Knowledge Forum Fast Approaching May 3-5, 2024

Submitted by Moira Parker

Keep in mind that the annual SOK (Sources of Knowledge) Forum is fast approaching - enjoy the beautiful springtime weather on the Peninsula learning about sustainable tourism! Highlights include a geological hike near Dyers Bay ("Geotourism Live!") led by local geologist Daryl Cowell; presentations by the North Bruce Sustainable Tourism Action Plan and Implementation Advisory Group, the SON Environment Office, the Niagara Escarpment for Sustainable Tourism, and Longwoods International, all providing valuable insights into sustainable practices and regional growth. GreenStep Solutions will speak to the development of links between tourism destinations and businesses.

Our guest speaker on Saturday Evening will be Tony Pigott, Executive Director of "DEEPTIME: The Georgian Bay Aspiring Geopark". Tony is focusing on what is required for a new UNESCO Global Geopark to be established in the Georgian Bay region.

Sunday morning will be free to community members and starts with a

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## Come Celebrate the Arts at BPDS "Bringing The Outdoors In" May 6th

Submitted by Breanna Heels, Vice-Principal, Bruce Peninsula District School

On Monday, May 6th, BPDS (Bruce Peninsula District School) is hosting a Celebration of the Arts! The theme is "Bringing the Outdoors In", and this will be reflected through the art installations throughout the school, and the Spring Concert.

The event will start at 5:30pm with FREE pizza, provided by the BPDS

School Council. There will also be a bake sale and coffee shop to support Grade 8 Graduation! The concert will begin at 6pm in the gym.

Admission is by donations, and all proceeds will support the arts and music program at BPDS!

We look forward to not only bringing the outdoors in, but bringing you, our family and friends, into our school as well, and opening our doors to the community!

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# Volunteer Recognition Day Awards 44 Nominees for Their Volunteerism

By Joanne Rodgers,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

Northern Bruce Peninsula hosted their 2024 Volunteer Recognition event on 17 April at the Rotary Hall in Lion's Head. Community members and local

clubs/associations nominated 44 persons who have displayed outstanding volunteerism within the local community.

locals, kicks off the summer season in Tobermory, and is a major fundraiser for the local Daycare Centre and Hospital Auxiliary. Golden credited Johnstone for his steady influence over the years in making this a successful event and said this acknowledgment is long overdue.

The annual Volunteer Recognition event honours and celebrates an important resource of the community - its volunteers. Mayor Milt McIver called the volunteers "the heart and soul of the community", and thanked them for their commitment to the local community. The Mayor said the community is fortunate to have volunteers with a variety of experiences and that they bring "light and life to the local charitable and community endeavours."

Debbie Dover nominated the Pike Bay Community Association (with over 50 volunteers and 200 households). Described as a wonderful community, this active and supportive community also maintains their community centre (formerly a nineteenth century one room schoolhouse) and offers various activities to the general public.

The Chi Cheemaun Festival Committee nominated Don Johnstone. Smokey Golden, spokesperson for the Festival Committee says the Festival serves as a homecoming weekend for

The Lion's Head Farmers Market nominated Denise Blay and local resident Tamara Wilson nominated

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Coinciding with National Volunteer Recognition Week, the Municipality of



Photo L-R: The Peninsula Bruce Trail Club nominated some of their outstanding trail volunteers – Councillor Aman Sohrab, Mayor Milt McIver, Tamara Wilson (PBTC President), Shimeem Al-Ayash (BTC Volunteer and Outreach Assistant), Kove Sartor, Beth Gilhespy, Jane Greenhouse, Barbara von der Heide, Fran Turner, Christian Reimerschmid von der Heide, Brenda Stewart (PBTC Archivist), Betty Hastings. Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden and Councillor Todd Dowd.

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## Biosphere Association Fundraising Update

### Buy Your Ticket Today For The Gravel Gran Fondo Raffle

Submitted by Donna Cole, Communications Lead, Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association

We are kicking off our third fundraiser of 2024 - The Gravel Gran Fondo Raffle. Tickets are only \$10 each, with all proceeds going to the Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association (BPBA), and a limited number of tickets (1,000) are available.

This year's prizes are exceptional; thank you to all our sponsors!

**First Prize - Paddleboard:** Win a beautiful PULSE Elephas SUP donated by Jack 'n Jills Surf shop, Sauble Beach (<https://www.jacknjillssurfshop.com>)

**Second Prize - Original Painting:** "Peloton" acrylic/oil on canvas donated by local artist Deb Jeffrey.

**Third prize - Golf for Two:** 18 holes with a cart donated by Cobble Beach Golf Resort (<https://cobblebeach.com/>)

**Fourth prize - Stained Glass Art:** Two handcrafted stained-glass panels created by Charles MacGillivray and donated by Karen Sword.

Raffle tickets are available from Biosphere Board Members at some of the Tobermory and Lion's Head summer markets, or you can email us at [info@bpba.ca](mailto:info@bpba.ca). The draw will take place at the Lion's Head beach on October 6, 2024, at 3 p.m. during our sensational Gravel Gran Fondo charity bike ride, which is also filling up quickly. (<https://www.brucegravelfondo.com/>).

### Easter Egg and Music Event Fundraisers Sell Out!

The Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association has been organizing some exciting fundraisers to fund our conservation and outreach projects. We want to thank our sponsors Bear Tracks Inn and Restaurant, Ferndale, Peacocks Foodland Tobermory, Owen Sound Foodland, Vanderwerfs Independent Grocer, Southampton, Kimberly's Hair and Nail Beauty Salon, Wiarton, Foodland Wiarton and Zehrs Owen Sound for their generous support and a place to sell our Easter Eggs!

We are grateful to you, our community, for supporting our first sold-out fundraiser of 2024. We hope you enjoyed the eggs!

We also organized a summer music event, the Elegant Black & White Evening with Alfie Zappacosta, on August 24, which is already SOLD OUT!

We continue working on other exciting initiatives for Peninsula residents and visitors this summer, including fan favourites Eco Adventures and Bayside Astronomy programs and our new educational nature field trips, free for our members (see <https://www.bpba.ca/membership> for more details)

All proceeds from our fundraisers go towards the Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association projects that preserve, restore, and protect the beautiful Saugeen Bruce Peninsula. Your support is greatly appreciated!

### Sources of Knowledge Forum Continued from page 1

historical summary of tourism on the Peninsula along with new sustainable tourism initiatives by RT07. This will be followed by a roundtable discussion and tourism presentations by local actors involved in tourism and tourism

planning (Escarpment Heights Motel, Summer House Park, The Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association and the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula).

Please come join us for this SOK forum weekend! Register and find more information here: <https://sourcesofknowledge.ca/forums/>

## Season Kick-off Dance May 18th at the Tobermory Community Centre

Submitted by Terry Heffernan, The Meeting Place Tobermory

The Meeting Place Tobermory is excited to announce this year's fundraising concert featuring Scott Manery & The Barn Burners. This concert/dance will take place on Saturday May 18, 2024 at the Tobermory Community Centre beginning at 7pm.

You're going to love this band! Scott Manery & The Barn Burners have developed a strong following in southwestern Ontario and Michigan. With five CDs under their cowboy belt, the band features all original material as written by Manery. One of the best opening acts in Ontario, the

band has worked with a long list of top artists including Brooks & Dunn, Lady Antebellum (twice), Toby Keith, Rascal Flats, Keith Urban, Josh Thompson, Jason Blaine, Darryl Worley, Aaron Lines, Corb Lund, The Good Brothers, George Canyon, and many others.

Tickets will be available at select local businesses or online. Please check out our website [tobermorymeetingplace.com](http://tobermorymeetingplace.com) for more information. This event is our major fundraiser and we use the money it generates to help provide needed services and programs for our community.

Come out for a really good time Saturday, May 18th and help us help our community.

## 29th Annual Spring Auction Raises \$44,000 for Local Hospitals

Submitted by April Patry, BPHF Executive Director

The Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation Team is thrilled to announce that the 29th Annual Spring Auction raised an amazing \$44,000, all in support of local healthcare! The online Auction went 'live' on April 6th, running right through to April 13th when it came to a feverish close at 7pm.

The auction featured 'the Best of the Bruce' with a fabulous variety of 363 items to bid on, from local maple syrup, and bake goods, to dining experiences, local art and fine crafts, to loads of gravel and mulch, to a brand new Whirlpool Refrigerator and queen mattress set donated by Peninsula Appliances and so much in between.

"The reason our community is the best place to live, other than the scenery and people, is because of our healthcare services, which we are happy to support,"

said Mike Baskerville, owner of Peninsula Appliances.

Additionally and very uniquely this year, two lucky bidders won a one week stay at the Royal Regency Paris Vincennes Hotel in Paris, France, which were provided by really fabulous BPHF donors!

Of course, the \$5,000 shopping spree offered by Wiarton Home Hardware Building Centre attracts a lot of bidding competition too. "With such great community support for our local business, we choose to give back to Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation because the Foundation is there for the community, keeping our awesome hospitals up to date and efficient," said Patrick Sutter of Wiarton Home Hardware Building and Design Centres.

The \$44,000 will greatly assist in the funding of medical equipment and technology for Brightshores Wiarton and Lion's Head Hospitals.

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# Reporter's Notebook: Military Exercise May 3-5; MNBP Council Defers Cell Tower Decision

By John Francis, Bruce Peninsula Press

At Bruce County Council's regular Meeting on April 4, Council received a delegation from the Canadian Armed Forces. Major Paul Pickering appeared, representing 31 Brigade of the Reserves, under the aegis of 14 Division out of Toronto. 31 Brigade operates out of London.

Major Pickering explained that the Armed Forces have responded to various environmental emergencies in recent years including flooding in Ottawa and forest fires in Northern Ontario and elsewhere.

A planning exercise began in January as Operation Trillium Response —

planning for an environmental disaster. The result is Operation Trillium Venture, an all-hands-on-deck operational exercise in which three Battalions of Reserves will conduct field operations in different parts of Ontario. In all cases, the field operations will be done at some distance from familiar territory, to mimic actual field conditions. 33 Battalion operates out of Ottawa/Petawawa; its field exercise will be in the North Bay/Sudbury/Timmins area. 32 Battalion operates out of Camp Borden; its field exercise will be in the Bancroft area. 31 Territorial Battalion Group (31 TBG) operates out of London; its field operations will be in Huron and Bruce Counties.

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# Tobermory Coffee Club Purchases New Coffee Maker for Community Centre



Photo Credit: Teri Reid

Photo L-R: Jim & Joan Garner present a \$600.00 donation on behalf of the Tobermory Coffee Club for the purchase of a new Bunn Commercial Coffee Maker for the recently renovated kitchen in the Tobermory Community Center.

In its 10th year, the Tobermory Coffee Club meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from November to April at the Tobermory Community Centre. Many thanks to all who gave so generously, much appreciated!

# Upcoming Alternating Lane Closures on Bruce Road 29 (Main Street) and Isthmus Bay Road (North of Lion's Head)

Media Release

April 18, 2024 – Please take notice that road construction and storm sewer installation will be taking place this spring on Bruce Road 29 (Main Street) and Isthmus Bay Road, north of Lion's Head, Ontario. Motorists can expect alternating lane closures on Bruce Road 29 and Isthmus Bay Road, with traffic control measures in place starting April 22, 2024 and ending in early Summer 2024.

Signage/flaggers will be in place during these alternating closures.

Road Users are asked to be patient and drive safely as the Contractor works to complete crucial bridge rehabilitation, road work, and storm sewer installation.

E.C. King Contracting has been awarded the Bruce Road 29 and Isthmus Bay Road Construction work. GSS Engineering Consultants Ltd. are conducting the Contract administration and inspection of the work.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this important infrastructure work in Bruce County.



# Tim Hortons Smile Cookie Returns April 29-May 5, Supporting Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation

Submitted by April Patry, Executive Director, BPHF

Warton, April 24, 2024 – Back again for its 28th Anniversary, Tim Hortons Smile Cookie week will support charities in communities across the country, including Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation (BPHF), one of more than 600 Canadian charities, hospitals and community programs supported through the annual campaign. Guests can support a local charity or community group by purchasing a Smile Cookie for \$1.50 plus tax.

This year, Tim Hortons restaurants in Warton & Hepworth are once again supporting Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation by donating 100% of proceeds from every freshly baked chocolate chunk Smile Cookie purchased. Guests can complete a form to place pre-orders for Smile Cookies through their restaurants in Warton & Hepworth, pre-order forms are also available at [www.bphfoundation.com](http://www.bphfoundation.com). Every Smile Cookie is as unique as the people, charities and communities they help.

"Because the government provides very little funding for medical equipment

and facility upgrades, it is the responsibility of our local communities to provide the financial support required to keep our hospitals current. Providing up-to-date equipment allows our doctors, nurses and other medical professionals to offer the best care possible. It also helps recruit and keep doctors and medical professionals in our community. We strive to provide our physicians, nurses and technologists with the best equipment to diagnose and treat patients. Medical equipment and technology is constantly changing and improving. With this ongoing challenge our mission to lead our community in supporting our hospitals in their pursuit to provide exceptional rural care," said April Patry, BPHF Executive Director. She added "the Warton and Hepworth Tim Hortons have made such a positive impact on local healthcare through Smile Cookie over the years. We are so appreciative of Tim Hortons staff and our amazing community for supporting the fundraising campaign so enthusiastically!"

Tim Hortons has been raising funds for local charities for 28 years. Last year, Tim Hortons restaurants has raised a record breaking \$19.7 million for local charities and community - an incredible accomplishment contributing to the Smile Cookie legacy of over \$111 million raised since the program's inception.

# BPEG Potluck and AGM May 1st

Submitted by Joanne Rodgers

The Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG) will hold its Potluck supper and Annual General Meeting on May 1, 2024 at the Christ Church Anglican Parish Hall in Lion's Head, starting at 6 p.m.

The potluck will be followed by the formal proceedings of the AGM.

For those attending, please bring a dish to share as well as cutlery, a mug and plate.



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## PUBLISHER'S COLUMN

By John Francis

A municipal government's role is to help ratepayers get the most out of their properties. Zoning Bylaws and other regulations are intended to enable rather than restrict. The default setting is that if a proposed use does not contravene the various codes and bylaws, it will be permitted.

This is an important point for all concerned. If you buy a building lot, you are safe in assuming you can build on it, within the limits of applicable restrictions. If you buy a farm lot, you are safe in assuming that you can farm it, within the limits of applicable restrictions.

And so forth. That's how it's supposed to work. Permitted Uses may be implemented "as of right". But life is complicated and many of the Zoning Bylaws and other regulations are written using simple language and generalities, rather than listing every single possible use a property could be put to.

The Zoning Bylaw also includes a list of Prohibited Uses. The final item on the Prohibited Uses list says that any use that is not expressly permitted is prohibited.

The plot thickens...

An ongoing controversy around Tobermory hinges on whether a boat tour dock is a permitted use in the C1 (Commercial) Zone. The "Permitted Uses" for C1 Zone is a relatively short list — 40 items. It includes "Hotel" and "Tourist

## Pig Barn vs Cell Phone Tower – Welcome to the 21st Century

Home" but not "Motel". It includes "Eating Establishment" and "Tavern" but not "Restaurant". That never slowed anybody down in establishing a motel or a restaurant — as of right. They were implicitly permitted uses.

The Permitted Use list includes "Marina" and "Transportation Hub" but not tour boat dock. The question hangs on whether "tour boat dock" is an implied permitted use. I sure thought it was — the ferry dock is in a C1 Zone with no special conditions, so "ferry dock" is obviously a permitted use. But nonetheless — the tour boat dock issue is being expensively litigated.

It used to be that a landowner had the full use of his property — they could do pretty much anything they wanted. Zoning Bylaws have been an exercise in balancing the rights of the landowner against the rights of neighbouring properties and the community at large. Hence the list of "as of right" uses.

Our existing Zoning Bylaw dates to 2002. But that 2002 Zoning Bylaw incorporates the structure and intent of the Zoning Bylaws of the four municipalities that amalgamated into Northern Bruce Peninsula. I mean — they had to, right? They couldn't change the rules in the middle of the game...

That reluctance to change the rules has been going on since the 19th century when the land was originally surveyed. Our zoning not only predates computers, cell phones and SCUBA diving — it predates the automobile. It predates the Wright Brothers inventing the airplane.

Let that one settle for a moment...

So how does a Zoning Bylaw that has its roots in the 19th century deal with wind turbines, solar panels, cell phone towers and other 21st century paraphernalia? Nervously. On a case-by-case basis. And not particularly well.

Rural zones have a short list of permitted uses, which skew heavily towards agriculture, forestry and home businesses. Agricultural uses are permitted, within limitations, in spite of the fact that they may have an impact on neighbouring properties. Pig barns stink. Anybody who lives downwind of a pig farm will tell you stories about what it's like on hot summer days. Chicken barns are almost as bad. Cattle farms feature constant bawling and mooing that neighbours can hear 24/7.

To grossly oversimplify, the Zoning Bylaw's provision for neighbours of agricultural operations is: "Deal With It".

21st century uses of rural land have expanded beyond crops, flocks and herds. But the 21st century sensibility of "consider the neighbours" pervades our treatment of those new uses.

"Deal With It" isn't the rule of thumb anymore, except with traditionally "permitted" uses. Anyone who wants to do something different requires a Zoning Bylaw Amendment. There are hoops they have to jump through.

A cell phone tower doesn't make noise. It doesn't smell bad, even on hot summer days. It just sits there and blinks its little red light at the top. Oh, and it emits radiation. Ultimately, everything that moves through the air in waves can be defined as radiation, so yes, a cell phone tower emits radiation. Is that radiation harmful? That depends on who you talk to. Regulatory agencies have defined permitted levels. The proponent of the cell phone tower currently being discussed claims that their tower will emit only 2% of what the regulations permit. Opponents of the tower claim that even 2% of the permitted level is harmful and that the prescribed setbacks are inadequate.

Should a municipality accept the environmental standards and regulations established by senior levels of government? If not, whose expertise should be accepted instead? Who would be competent to make such a decision? Who would even be competent to evaluate the arguments of the opposing sides?

How does a cell phone tower compare to the stink of pig barns or the bawling of cattle? Because both pig barns and cattle are "as of right" uses for the property in question.

Ironic, isn't it? Welcome to the 21st century.

## Response to Letter Asking Council to Refuse Approval of Application For Proposed Lindsay Road 40 Telecommunication Tower

First, I'd like to remind people that the CRTC declared in 2016 that access to broadband internet is a basic human right. On the Bruce, many areas don't even have electricity, so telecommunications towers are the only way to access the internet. I own property on Lindsay Road 40 and get almost no connectivity at all where my road and driveway meet, let alone on my property. Is Ms Vanderaa not in favour of allowing her neighbours their basic human rights?

Next, Ms Vanderaa suggests that there is no evidence the tower will increase connectivity for anyone beyond the people living in and around Lindsay Road 40. This is patently false, because Lindsay Road 40 is part of the Bruce Trail. As such, a large number of hikers make use of the area and the road yearly. If there is no connectivity on the road, then all of these people have literally no ability to call for help should there be an emergency. If you can't

access 911 from your cell phone, then you are potentially having your basic human right of safety compromised.

So there's a second reason this tower is necessary.

Then she suggests that our community has "alternative options for connectivity that are faster, safer, more reliable, cost effective and can fill any gap". I'm not sure what this might be, frankly. My property doesn't have access to hydro; the lines don't go that far down the road. So I don't have electricity nor do I have a telephone line. If she's talking about Starlink (satellite internet) well... you'd need electricity for that, wouldn't you? And satellite internet is not particularly cheap.

When I stayed at the Camp on Gillies lake, while I had wifi I purchased from the camp itself, I had no actual phone service. My family couldn't connect with me at all, which was problematic.

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## Letter: Thank you and Apology Should Be Offered to Past Executive of Legion 290

When we first heard of the rule change at Tobermory Legion (Branch 290) allowing hats to be worn during social events like the meat draw, it was a bit of a gut punch for sure! Our immediate thoughts were that it would make our fathers roll over in their graves. But as we didn't attend the meetings, and neglected to open the emails sent out by the legion about the meeting, we really didn't have a right to complain.

But upon learning more about the reasons behind the decision and knowing that everyone on the executive only had the best interests and the financial future of the legion at heart, that helped us understand their reasoning — along with the fact that legion command has made it an option for all legion branches to consider this change if they feel it has

financial benefits and that no disrespect would be shown.

So when this was brought up at the meeting and passed by a two thirds majority, I'm sure the executive thought they had done something beneficial for the branch.

The legion is the heart and soul of the community — so important to so many people and was so valued by veterans. We thought, well if there is another general meeting where this is brought up we would do our duty and attend and hopefully modify this decision so it only applies to later in the evening social events like the Halloween dance where all kinds of hatwear was worn with absolutely no one caring.

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## Letter: Legion Br 290 Apology Continued from previous page

But then stories started circulating about the abuse heaped on the executive for their actions. Abuse inside and outside of the legion. Bullying that took place online, in the grocery store, post office and on the street. Shameful remarks made to volunteers who only had the legion's best interest at heart.

Our fathers joined the military to fight to stop bullying by dictators around the world, leaders who encouraged their nations' members to bully and harass others who did not agree with their beliefs. This led to concentration camps and wars. This is what our families stood up and fought against.

The fact that this bullying behaviour led to the resignation of the entire executive (an unheard of legion happening) and chased away folks who have given their time, money and resources to support this branch is disgusting!

A huge thank you and a huge apology should be offered to this board who had eagerly done so much in the past for this legion!

I've photographed Remembrance Day for many years but the pride and smiles on the colour guard and parade grew and grew over the past number of years! Last fall, I shared pictures just showing the pride on the faces of those people in doing the best job they could to honour our veterans and the legion.

It was the tireless efforts of the Sergeant at Arms which led to the restoration of the monument, along of course with the help of so many others, but he provided the knowledge, sweat and inspiration.

## Response to Telecommunications Tower Letter Continued from previous page

If we consider all the people who stay at that camp during the season, then we can see that being out of reach by phone from their families and friends who may be having emergencies and who need to contact them could be a problem. That's hundreds or thousands of people from everywhere all season long. Should we deny them these rights?

Ms Vanderaa also suggests this is a "community of medically vulnerable residents", which is also puzzling. I know some of my neighbours and frankly wouldn't classify ANY of them as medically vulnerable. And if they are, again, wouldn't easy access to the internet and telecommunications assist help in arriving instead of stymy it? After all, the first responders will need to be able to communicate with not only each other but also those back at the hospital or fire hall. They will also need

The reason our veterans joined our armed forces was for one common cause - to protect democracy! To protect the right to vote! And to adhere to the results of the vote, at least until another referendum can be taken. This is what our families fought for! Not to bully and deride volunteers. Definitely not to tell a member of our military he's not a real veteran because he was never posted overseas in a war. Both of our daughters served, but not in conflict thank God! And that's because our fathers fought to stop more wars! But they were ready to do so and had gone through the necessary training! This option of basic training is available to all Canadians if they wished to commit to serve their country. Our country and legion considers anyone who has shown the fortitude, loyalty and willingness to go through basic training, one of the toughest character building things you can do in life, a veteran! It's absolutely disgraceful to call a veteran a non-veteran!

Our oldest daughter, who sadly passed away far too young, has her name on a flag on Remembrance Day, and one of the most thoughtful and heartbreaking events of her passing was when after her service we passed by the cenotaph and saw the flag lowered to half mast by an incredibly thoughtful kind legion! The one I hope can be restored with acts of humility and compassion to those who were so cruelly chased away.

Perhaps if you see a member of the past executive, veteran or not, thank them for their service!

Mike and Wendy Reid

to geolocate in order to make sure they are going where they are supposed to be.

I'm not going to get into the "experts" who are cited in Ms Vanderaa's letter. The science is actually fairly clear here and does not indicate the extreme health hazard Ms Vanderaa clearly believes this tower to be.

That's not my point.

My point is, frankly, that the community and day users of Lindsay Road 40 are allowed to exercise their basic human rights here. Just as the government of Canada has mandated, they have the right to access the internet, in most cases via their cell phones, to communicate, to seek help, and to navigate the world. And despite Ms Vanderaa suggesting there is "strong public opposition" the reality is that the majority of letters to council support the tower. There is merely a small, loud cluster of people who are thinking only of themselves and not of the health, well-being, and human rights of others.

Tobey Schwartz

## Letter: Bringing To Light - Cell Tower Is For Corporate Benefit, Not Residents

Long awaited staff report BD24-10, regarding the proposed telecommunication tower at 75 Lindsay Rd 40, near Dyers Bay, has finally been released. Having expressed great concern regarding the misinformation, misdirection, and lack of transparency to date, this is a serious matter for the majority of residents living along Lindsay 40 and Bartley Drive.

Indicating potential utility for a tower in the greater area, the report lacks justification for this specific location.

Correspondence included in the report shows residents near the proposed site are currently satisfied with cellular service in this neighbourhood and are strongly opposed to a tower in this location. The report illuminates desire for increased connectivity from cottagers in the Gillies Lake community and a few in the Dyers Bay shoreline hamlet. However, Shared Tower Inc confirmed that the current proposed location would not succeed in improving coverage to those areas. During an April 22, 2024 delegation to council, Shared Tower informed that the 6km radius of coverage "is not a perfect circle," pointing to diminished cell reception from the tower due to signal blockage from the landscape's topography and forestation, as well as the obvious critical obstruction from the escarpment. The provided coverage maps illustrate the only area of improved coverage is directly in the centre of our settled rural residential area where it is unwanted.

One resident comments: "If these areas wish to have improved coverage, supporting infrastructure must be located within those same specific areas. A tower does not belong in this particular landscape and would diminish the very same features that brought us to this place."

Residents ask "why are landowners of this rural area being asked to shoulder the burden of adverse effects when service is presumably for customers that are outside the area."

Alternatively, we are informed that superior fibre optic infrastructure already exists at the Dyers Bay Eastlink station and Fibre Optics to the Premises is expected to roll out within the year, making a tower redundant.

The Shared Tower report made it abundantly clear that this tower won't provide for the supportive neighbouring residents and cottagers, but will instead serve corporate interests, improving Rogers tower-to-tower wireless networking with only adverse outcomes for the our immediate community.

During the April 22, 2024 council meeting, Councillor Golden made a superb effort in questioning Shared Tower's senior planning manager Cheyenne Zierler as to why Gillies Lake cottagers were given the false impression that they would benefit. There was no effort by Shared Tower to address misconceptions about the actual limited extend of proposed coverage by providing maps or by any other means. Instead, only vague 'cut and paste' email responses were provided to public correspondence. Misperception of improvement in cell reception has now been brought to light through details of the BD24-10 report correspondence.

Also during the meeting, Councillor Dowd asked some excellent questions regarding consideration of alternate sites and use of pre-existing infrastructure. Shared Tower's vague and incomplete responses only further solidify lack of justification for this application.

Some letters of support came from businesses located in Owen Sound, Lion's Head, Tobermory, and seasonal visitors who reside elsewhere. We can't imagine council could knowingly support a tower for transient visitors while rendering two local residents homeless, causing an ecotourism business to close, and causing up to 30% of year round residents to be affected by illness long term as per Dr. Bray, MD.

The proposed location has been discouraged by many experts due to a number of factors, such as close proximity to full time medically vulnerable residents including susceptible children and elderly, proximity to Bruce Trail Conservancy, Niagara Escarpment Commission, and heritage sites, area of Dark Skies preservation, and an important recognized migratory bird route, as well as accessibility, disability, and liability issues.

With ample evidence provided, council has been strongly urged to vote non-concurrence from renowned medical physicians/researchers: Dr. Riina Bray, MD, Dr. Meg Sears, PhD, Dr. Margaret Friesen, PhD, Dr. David Fancy, PhD, Dr. Magda Havas, PhD, as well as: esteemed environmental lawyer David McRobert, previous president of Microsoft Canada and CEO of Citizens for Safe Technology, Frank Clegg, director of Canadian Educators for Safe Technology, Shelley Wright, director of the Electrosensitive Society, Sheena Symington and the majority of residents surrounding the proposed site.

This new clarity, following multiple procedural irregularities, protocol violations, and biased and inadequate public consultation, all previously identified in Peninsula Press letters, indicates non-concurrence to this proposed site and application is the only reasonable outcome.

Laura Vanderaa

## Letter: Could Rovers Property/ Buildings Be Used To Its Full Potential?

April 22, 2024 - As I enjoy a sunny Earth Day, I am taking a few minutes to write to our community of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

This spring I have had the opportunity to walk to Driftwood Cove and viewed the outside of the buildings, known as the Rovers Property. The three solid brick buildings, built in 1993 as per the cornerstone, sit quiet, under utilized and in need of some repair.

After attending the Sources of Knowledge presentation featuring a presentation on Sustainable Tourism on April 4th, I ask myself why a beautiful location like this sits dormant.

In this day and age where assets are few, money is scarce, it makes sense to me to get this property used to its full potential instead of building more buildings. Hikers/walkers and cyclists could benefit from this location for rest areas or overnight lodging.

Would others like to investigate options with the Bruce Trail


Conservancy, Parks Canada, BPEG, SON and any other organizations, please contact me at karenjphillips65@gmail.com

Karen Phillips

*Peninsula*

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## Lion's Head Pickleball Club Hosting Charity Tournament June 1st & 2nd

Submitted by Lion's Head Pickleball Club

The Lion's Head Pickleball Club is hosting a charity tournament at the Lion's Head arena on June 1st and 2nd. Tournament proceeds will be donated to the Lion's Head Food Bank and the Lion's Head Hospital Foundation.

Local club players are participating as well as players from surrounding communities like Meaford, Collingwood, Port Elgin and Sauble Beach. Each tournament player will receive a

registration package with information from the area. Local area businesses are being encouraged to sponsor the tournament monetarily or with prize donations and sponsor names will be displayed prominently during the tournament.

Please reach out to lionsheadpickleballclub@gmail.com if you are interested in contributing to the registration package, sponsorship opportunities or have any questions.

## Stellar Debut For Kilian Academy At Budo Open Two North Bruce Youth Compete



Photo Credit: Abrie Kilian

Photo: Skylar Campigotto managing his opponent in side control following a successful takedown in his first match at the 2024 Budo Spring Open.

Media Release

SUDBURY - This past weekend Laurentian University played host to the 2024 Budo Spring Open, one of the first Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Tournaments on the annual BJJ calendar. Five Grey-Bruce athletes, representing Kilian Academy, competed at this year's Spring Open.

Shallow Lake's Bianca Carleton, competing in her second tournament, was able to secure a silver medal, winning two of her three matches in the girls' 10-11-year-old white belt featherweight division.

Due to a lack of girls in her division, the 10-year-old Willow Wynter from Owen Sound entered the boys' 10-11 years white belt ultra-heavyweight division and was awarded a bronze medal for her unbelievable effort.

The eleven-year-old up-and-coming prospect Kimberly Woodroffe from Kemble, took silver, losing two matches in her best out of three matchups against arch-opponent Charlize Lavallée.

Making his debut, Tobermory's Fisher Oke, was able to secure a bronze medal in a highly competitive eight-man white belt no-gi adult featherweight division. Kilian stated: "Still a teenager, Fisher chose to compete against the adults and ended in third place. Fisher's story is one of resilience and commitment, losing 40 pounds since starting his journey at Kilian Academy. Fisher is another one of our prospects to track during the 2024 BJJ-season."

Another teenager from Tobermory, Skylar Campigotto, also chose to take on the adults in the no-gi white belts light featherweight division and was able to secure himself a bronze medal. "Skylar personifies passion, and there are no half-measures when setting his sights on a goal. His debut served as an assessment of his game, in order to prepare him for the rest of the BJJ calendar. Similar to his training partner Fisher, both have the potential to follow in the footsteps of Nick Mole and the Wildeboer brothers": Added Abrie Kilian.

"With five athletes competing at this year's Budo Open, we were able to bring home 3 bronze and two silver medals. Our next tournament is the Ontario Open in May and we are looking forward to bringing more medals back to Grey Bruce County." stated Abrie Kilian.

## TCDMHA Win Top Spot In All of Ontario U15C

Submitted by Melissa Stewart

Lion's Head local and Grade 8 BPDS student, Caysie Stewart, along with her U15 hockey teammates from TCDMHA (Township of Chatsworth & District Minor Hockey), should be congratulated on an amazing season of hockey.

15 girls mostly from the Chatsworth/Tara/Desboro area joined together back in September 2023 with the goal of making it to the Provincial championships. Their head coach, Andrew Torrie, along with assistant coaches Jeff Wilkins and Jeff Rosenburg, encouraged the girls along every step of the way.

They played their entire regular season undefeated, won gold at the Saugeen Shores Silverstick tournament held in Port Elgin in December, finished top in their season and won all 8 games in their playdowns. They went on to

win the round robin play and the Year-End WOAA championship in Howick over the April 5-7th weekend.

They headed to Mississauga/Oakville the weekend of April 12-14th to play against the top teams in all of Ontario. After 6 games in 48 hours, the team had played and won each of their round robin games, the quarterfinals, semifinals, and gold medal game clinching the top spot in all of Ontario U15C.

A big thank-you to the team's sponsors Barry Construction and RF King and to all of the family and fans who supported the girls this year. What an unforgettable year as friendships were made and hockey skills were strengthened.

A parade and celebration was held in Keady for the team with a firetruck escort and a celebration in their honour. Congrats to everyone again!

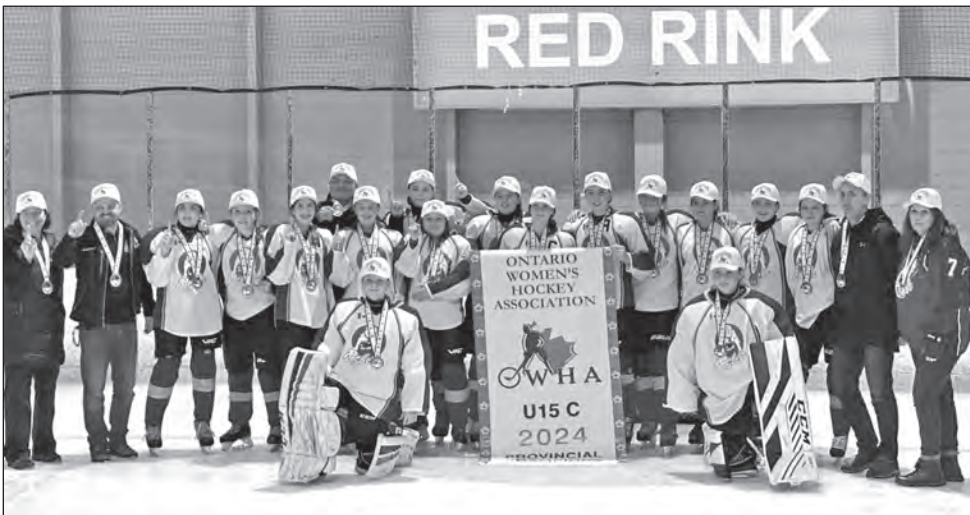


Photo: 2024 Provincial Champions TCDMHA Rebels celebrate taking top spot in all of Ontario U15C.

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# United Way of Bruce Grey Provides \$200,000 in Grants to Local Programs

Media Release

April 15th, 2024 – Every year, the United Way of Bruce Grey invites area charities to apply for grant funding in 3 priority areas (Healthy People Strong Community, From Poverty to Possibility, and All That Kids Can Be). Since its founding in 1998, the United Way Bruce Grey has granted over \$4 million in support to the local community.

The United Way is pleased to provide \$200,000 in grants for the 2024 year to the following programs, projects, and agencies:

- Bruce Grey Child and Family Services: \$35,000
- Ontario Student Nutrition Program – VON Canada: \$15,500
- Friends and Neighbours (FAN) Club – CMHA Grey Bruce: \$8,000
- Let's Talk Program – CMHA Grey Bruce: \$8,000
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grey Bruce: \$5,000
- South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council: \$4,000
- Saugeen Valley Children's Safety

- Village: \$4,000
- Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library: \$1,500
- **The Meeting Place Tobermory: \$1,000 (SOAR children's program)**
- Women's House Serving Bruce and Grey: \$5,000
- YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce: \$5,000
- **Grey Bruce Good Food Box (Lion's Head site): \$4,000**
- **The Meeting Place Tobermory: \$3,000 (Food Security Program)**
- ID Clinic – CMHA Grey Bruce: \$2,500
- Kincardine Community Services Association: \$2,500
- **Lion's Head and District Foodbank: \$2,500**
- The Men's Program – CMHA Grey Bruce: \$15,000
- The Salvation Army Warton: \$7,000
- P.R.A.N.C.E.: \$4,000
- Hope Haven Therapeutic Riding Centre: \$4,000

- Ed Taylor Community Garden through Elephant Thoughts Educational Outreach: \$3,000
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- REACH Centre Grey Bruce: \$3,000
- St. John Ambulance Grey Bruce Huron: \$3,000
- Safe N' Sound Residence: \$3,000
- Community Connection 211: \$45,000

Executive Director, Francesca Dobbyn of United Way of Bruce Grey says "We are proud to continue supporting local programs that make a real difference in the lives of individuals and families in our community. These grants will help address critical needs and create positive impact for our community members."

For more information and details about the granting results, visit <https://unitedwayofbrucegrey.com/about-us/community-impact-grants/granting-call/>

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In our case, Major Pickering explained, the disaster is a 13-day heat wave, with temperatures exceeding 40°C on days 4-5 and 7-9. The exercise will be held on May 3-5 (it's a weekend; Reserves have other jobs.) The PowerPoint which accompanied the presentation explains the exercise: "Severe storm causing power outages, damage to infrastructure and homes on day 5; Possible water shortages in some communities. Option to add wildland fires to further escalate; Exercises occur on days 6-9".

Major Pickering explained that 31 TBG is mostly reservists, so command doesn't actually know for certain precisely who is going to turn out for any exercise; they are expecting approximately 800. The majority will report to their home armoury on Friday and will be deployed to the field that evening. The field HQ will be in Blyth; there will also be an emergency operations centre but its location has not been chosen yet. He noted that this is a large area for 800 personnel to offer any kind of humanitarian assistance so the coverage will be "light and thin".

There will be forest fire training in the Blyth area, but other exercises are planned for Mildmay, Walkerton, Warton, Sauble Beach, Lion's Head and Cabot Head. An important part of the training is simulated door-to-door wellness checks. This will be done "live", so if you live in Lion's Head, Warton or Sauble Beach, don't be surprised if soldiers knock on your door May 4 or 5, asking how you're doing.

Another part of the exercise is a simulated rescue at Cabot Head. The Battalion Engineers and a platoon of Naval Reserves will be deployed to Cabot Head to do a simulated Search and Rescue operation in Zodiac boats and on shore.

After the presentation, County Council Members (County Council consists of the Mayors of the eight municipalities in Bruce County) responded to Major Pickering's presentation. Councillor (and MNBP Mayor) Milt McIver asked "How are our communities going to be informed or

are they?" Major Pickering explained that this was being handled by Public Affairs in London. Public Service Announcements were being published in both Huron and Bruce Counties and they were in contact with various media; a flyer was distributed in early April.

Three weeks later, we have heard nothing other than a very sparse post on Facebook. [Update, April 29: A sparsely worded Press Release from Bruce County arrived as this newspaper was going to press.]

If you're interested in hearing/seeing Major Pickering's delegation to Bruce County Council, the video and PowerPoint are both available on the Bruce County website ([www.brucecounty.on.ca](http://www.brucecounty.on.ca)).

## Cell Tower Decision Deferred

Shared Tower Inc approached MNBP late last year with a proposal to build a 90m tall cell phone tower on Lindsay Road 40, west of Dyers Bay.

A public consultation process was undertaken, but the municipality has received letters and delegations alleging the process was not conducted fairly.

The issue came up for a vote at MNBP Council's Apr 22 Meeting, but Council voted to defer the decision, for multiple reasons. With two council members absent, Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson was reluctant to bring a contentious issue to a vote. He suggested deferring the decision until Council has more than a bare quorum.

Councillors Smokey Golden and Todd Dowd were comfortable with that decision, although both spoke in favour of re-starting the consultation process.

Councillor Golden pointed out that justice not only needs to be done; it needs to appear to be done. She felt that controversy undermines the credibility of the process. She complained that not enough effort was made to address misinformation. Councillor Dowd agreed, stating "I have put many hours of my time into trying to make sense of this".

The Motion to Defer was passed by a unanimous vote.

## War Amps 2024 Key Tags En Route To Tobermory

Media Release

April 15, 2024 – Tobermory residents can expect to receive their 2024 War Amps key tags in the mail starting this week. Each key tag has a confidentially coded number. If you lose your keys, the finder can call the toll-free number on the back of the tag or place them in any mailbox, and The War Amps will return them to you by courier, free of charge. The War Amps receives no government grants.

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**Stopped in Awe: News from Tobermory United**

**Preparations For Spring Chicken Barbecue May 15th Underway**

*Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer*

Thank you to everyone who came out to, made food for or helped in any way with "To the Tub with Love," the annual dinner hosted by Tobermory's four churches that was held April 18 at the Tobermory Community Centre. Not only did everyone receive a delicious dinner of ham and scalloped or mashed potatoes, salads and desserts, it was also great to see members of the community chatting and visiting, laughing and hanging out. Bit by bit, the fear that we all lived with as part of the pandemic is lifting, and it is, well, uplifting!

At Tobermory United, we're gearing up for the first Chicken BBQ of the season, which will be held May 15. You can order a barbecued chicken dinner for \$25.00, or, new this year, a vegetarian curry dinner, with all the same fixin's: baked potato, coleslaw, roll, sour cream and dessert (this year, tarts!) Dinners can be picked up at Tobermory United at 5 Brock St. between 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. To pre-order a dinner, call 519-596-2227 or e-mail [tucbbqtickets@outlook.com](mailto:tucbbqtickets@outlook.com). Dinners (though not the vegetarian option) can also be purchased the day of the barbecue.

The Tobermory Thrift Shop is also getting into gear. Will you be clearing stuff out on the Victoria Day weekend? Good news: The Thrift Shop, 7101 Highway 6, will be open from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Saturday May 18 to Monday May 20 to receive donations. Please, no couches, major appliances or mattresses.

Tobermory United is so proud to have led this community endeavor for many decades. The Thrift Shop reduces waste in our community, provides affordable goods, and if you're a volunteer, it's

a lot of fun! To volunteer, please call or e-mail the church (519-596-2394; [tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca](mailto:tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca)) by May 24, and please specify what day(s) of the week you're available. Shifts are from 1-4, and are available from Monday to Saturday.

*Rev. Sheryl Spencer is the minister at Tobermory United Church, 5 Brock St. She has office hours every Friday morning from 9:30 to noon. All are welcome to drop by for a chat or just to say hi!*

**Tobermory Legion Br 290 News: New Executive Welcomed**

*Submitted by Judy Hurst*

After our elections in April, we are pleased to welcome the new members of our executive committee who are stepping into their roles to complete the existing term at Branch 290. Daryl Cowell is your new president, Dan Mackey is your new 1st Vice President, Mike Haythorne is your new 2nd Vice President and Deb Thornton is your new Secretary. We wish them all the best in their new roles!

Summer is almost here, and with it, our summer hours. Starting Thursday May 2nd the branch will resume its regular hours of operation. Thursday through Saturday the branch will be open from 3pm to 9pm with extended hours on the nights where we have a DJ and dancing.

Speaking of Saturday nights, we are currently looking for additional people to staff the dances. We need a bartender,

door and floor help. All will need to have their Smart Serve and will be compensated for their time. Please reach out to Judy Hurst at [runjude@gmail.com](mailto:runjude@gmail.com) for details.

Darts for fun continue through the summer on Thursday nights at 7:30. Meat Draws will continue on Saturdays at 4:30pm. Trivia is on Friday May 10th at 7pm.

Sue Ball and Don Moors from Arviat, who are members at our branch, have donated Inuit Wall Hangings for silent auction at the branch. They will be on display and available for bidding at the legion during the meat draws.

We are still taking donations to pay for our new roof that will need to be replaced this summer. Donations can be made at the branch during opening hours or online at [donate@tobermorylegion.org](http://donate@tobermorylegion.org) and simply leave a note that it is for the roof fund.

**Happenings at The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 202 Lion's Head**

*Submitted by Sharron Colter, Secretary and PRO*

It is election time at the Legion Meeting on Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to attend the elections. If any member is interested in a position on the executive let President Richard Smith know by e-mailing [presbr202rc@gmail.com](mailto:presbr202rc@gmail.com)

The Lion's Head Legion needs a full executive to continue its work for veterans and families in the community for 2024 - 2025.

President Richard Smith was recognized for his volunteer work at the Lion's Head Legion as president for 5 years, the Poppy Campaign Chair for 12 years and the Honours and Awards Chair for 14 years. He was recognized by the Northern Bruce Peninsula Council and the Northern Bruce Peninsula Community Support Advisory Action Committee (NBPCSAAC) on April 17, 2024. Thank you, President Richard Smith for your dedication to the Lion's Head Legion and its veterans and community.

If you are interested in joining the legion, contact Membership Chair, Chris Mawdsley, at [branch202membership@gmail.com](mailto:branch202membership@gmail.com) Membership applications are available online.

There are members and veterans that may need a visit or a card to let them know that we are thinking of them. Contact Nancy Alleyne, Veteran's Service Officer and Seniors at [br202vetsandseniors@gmail.com](mailto:br202vetsandseniors@gmail.com) or phone 226-974-2505.

Wayne Morningstar, Sports Officer for the legion has announced that Darts will end on Monday April 29th. Stay tuned for the start-up of Corn Hole later in May.

The legion hall continues to be open Monday morning for coffee and chat with the Bruce Men's Shed. The Old School House Seniors meet on the first Tuesday for a meeting and a lunch. On the last Tuesday of the month they meet for dinner. Contact Membership Chair, Pat Howes at [pathowes@hotmail.ca](mailto:pathowes@hotmail.ca) for more information about the Old School House Seniors.

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# Municipality Of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Meeting Minutes April 8, 2024

Council Meeting No. 24-11 commenced following the adjournment of Committee of Adjustment No. 24-02.

Members Present: Mayor - Milt McIver, Deputy Mayor - Rod Anderson, 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, Public Works Manager - Troy Cameron, Chief Building Official - Wendy Elliott

Others Present: Bruce County Planner - Megan Stansfield, Steve Levack (Zoom)

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.

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

Following the adjournment of Committee of Adjustment Meeting No. 24-02, Mayor McIver called the Council meeting to order at 1:10 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

#11-01-2024

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

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

## Adoption of the Minutes

Re: Council Meeting No. 24-10, March 25, 2024.

#11-02-2024

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

That the minutes of Council Meeting No. 24-10, March 25, 2024, be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

## Public Meeting

**Bruce County Planner, Megan Stansfield**

**Re: Zoning By-law - Z-2024-005 (Sommer)**

Bruce County Planner, Megan Stansfield, appeared in person at the April 8, 2024, Council Meeting.

Mayor McIver welcomed Megan Stansfield to the meeting.

Megan Stansfield provided an overview of Zoning By-law - Z-2024-005 (Sommer) to Council. The following was noted:

· This zoning by-law is to facilitate the severance of an 8150.84 m<sup>2</sup> parcel with a frontage of 33m. The retained parcel will have an area of about 29 ha with a frontage of about 8 m on Bradley Drive. The Zoning By-Law Amendment will

permit the reduced minimum frontage for both lots and the undersized retained lot and places a Hold for an Archaeological Assessment.

· The property is zoned General Rural, which permits a residential use, being a single detached dwelling. The proposed retained parcel is currently vacant, while the proposed severed parcel has a recently constructed single detached dwelling and detached accessory building.

· The proposed severed parcel will be approximately 8000 square metres in size and have about 30 metres of frontage on Bradley Drive. The minimum lot size for a non-agricultural use Rural zoned property is 0.5 hectares, however the minimum frontage is 89.9 metres. The severed parcel meets the minimum lot size but not the minimum frontage. The zoning amendment will permit the reduced minimum lot frontage.

· The proposed retained parcel will be approximately 29 hectares with about 8 metres of frontage on Bradley Drive. The minimum lot size of an 'agricultural use' Rural lot is 39 ha - forestry is considered an agricultural use - while the minimum frontage is 100 metres. The zoning amendment will permit the undersized lot and a reduced minimum lot frontage. The current use of the property will not be impacted by the slightly reduced size, and Public Works has commented that the 8m access is wide enough for a residential driveway.

· There is a Holding applied to the property for the completion of an archaeological assessment prior to the development of the property.

· The County Official Plan designates the property as Rural and Rural Recreational. The Rural Recreational designation permits the severance of residential lots, provided they meet certain minimum lot sizes and that the new lot is located within reasonable walking distance to public waterfront access. The applicant has noted that there are two waterfront access locations within walking distance of the proposed properties. The proposed severance meets the requirements of the County Official Plan.

· The property is logged plantation forest, and the old logging trails can be seen across the property in the aerial photographs. During a site visit to the property, no natural hazard features were noted, which would impact the severance or development of this property.

· In terms of Natural Heritage, Section 4.3 of the County Official Plan and Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement outline the features that need to be taken into account, and if

staff are of the opinion that development may negatively impact these features, then an EIS should be provided to prove otherwise. In this case, there are no provincially significant wetlands or Areas of Scientific Interest. The County's policy regarding Significant Woodlands states that when municipalities have greater than 30% forest cover, an EIS shall only be required for developments that involve the removal of more than 1 ha of forest cover. The uses permitted in the by-law would not result in the removal of more than 1 ha of forest cover. County Staff did not require an EIS to support this application.

Mayor McIver opened the meeting to comments from the public at this time.

No public comments were received.

Mayor McIver thanked Megan Stansfield for her presentation.

#11-03-2024

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

Subject to a review of submissions arising from the public meeting:

That Committee approve Zoning By-law Amendment Z-2024-005 by Sommer and the necessary by-law be forwarded to Council for adoption.

Carried

## Delegation

**Steve Levack**

**Re: Short-term Accommodation Licence "Grandfathered" Request - 2 Front Street**

Steve Levack appeared online via Zoom for the April 8, 2024, Council Meeting.

Mayor McIver welcomed Steve Levack to the Council Meeting.

Mr. Levack noted that he is looking for a one (1) year exemption to the "grandfathering" provision of Short-term Accommodation (STA) By-law 2021-84, as amended, to permit rental of his property of 2 Front Street due to the Commercial Zoning associated with the property.

Mr. Levack noted that a planning application is set to be submitted to the Bruce County Planning Department.

He further noted that the dwelling has been utilized as a rental since the Blue Bay Motel purchased the property in 2019, and that he had previously been informed that an STA Licence was not required for the property.

Committee and Licensing Coordinator, Lindsay Forbes, noted that an application for an STA Licence had been submitted by Mr. Levack, however the proof of previous rental submitted to obtain the "Grandfathering" exemption for properties located within Rural and Commercial Zones was an invoice from the Blue Bay Motel. She further noted that as the rental was being invoiced through the Blue Bay Motel, it did not meet the intent of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program, where the property must be a primary residential dwelling.

Mr. Levack noted that as the owner of the dwelling the Blue Bay Motel, the invoice must be issued by the company.

Clerk, Cathy Addison, noted that a Planning Application would first be submitted to the Bruce County Planning Department prior to review by the Municipality.

Mr. Levack noted that the property had been rented consistently since 2019 and that meetings with the Municipal Chief Building Official denoted the need to submit a Planning Application for the long-term objectives of the property.

Discussion ensued regarding the zoning associated with the property as C1-a-b-h.

Committee and Licensing Coordinator, Lindsay Forbes, noted that if Mr. Levack intends to operate the dwelling under the Blue Bay Motel then it cannot be issued a Short-term Accommodation Licence as it does not meet the intent of renting primary residential dwellings.

Chief Building Official, Wendy Elliott, noted that she has met with Mr. Levack and the Bruce County Planners regarding next steps for the Planning Application.

Mr. Levack stated that he wishes to be grandfathered into the STA Licensing Program to permit rentals at the dwelling for the 2024 season.

Discussion ensued regarding a similar STA Licence application in 2022 which required a Zoning Amendment to operate under the umbrella of the company's business. It was noted that this property did not receive a STA Licence following rezoning and could only operate as a Rental Cottage Establishment, as defined by the Ontario Building Code.

It was noted that more information will be provided to Council following the submission of the Planning Application for 2 Front Street.

Mayor McIver noted that Council will have a better understanding of the request once the planning application is submitted.

## Consideration of Agenda Items

**1. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 24-09**

**Re: Contractual Agreement with Parks Canada Agency for Acceptance of Hauled Sewage**

#11-04-2024

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

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 24-09 titled Contractual Agreement with Parks Canada Agency for Acceptance of Hauled Sewage, as information; and

That Council supports passage of By-law 2024-21, being a by-law to authorize an agreement between Parks Canada Agency and the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula as it relates to the acceptance of hauled sewage, at its regular meeting of April 8, 2022.

Carried

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**2. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 24-11**

**Re: Lion's Head Sidewalk Tender**

Councillor Golden inquired regarding the timeline associated with the repairs to the sidewalks in Tobermory.

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, noted that the repairs to the interlock brick are anticipated to begin right away, as communication has occurred with the contractor.

It was noted that the worst sections, located from Highway 6 to the Tobermory Cenotaph will be addressed first for repairs.

#11-05-2024

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

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 24-11 titled Lion's Head Sidewalk Tender, and

That Council awards Contract 23-007 C1 – Main Street Lion's Head Sidewalk Reconstruction and Upgrades Phase #1 to Signature Contractors in the amount of \$378,430.00, excluding HST, as per letter of recommendation from GSS Engineering Consultants Ltd.;

And that Council authorizes GSS Engineering Consultants Ltd. to oversee the contract administration and site supervision for this contract.

Carried

**3. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 24-12**

**Re: RFT 221-09004-00 – Judges Creek Bridge Replacement**

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, provided an overview on Public Works Manager Report No. PW 24-12.

It was noted that the bridges are being replaced with a polymer coated pipe. It was further noted that guardrails and rehabilitation of the site will be incorporated within the bridge replacement projects.

Discussion ensued regarding the cost-benefit associated with single-lane bridges.

Public Works Manager, Tory Cameron, noted that the project will be approximately the same width of the existing bridge. It was noted that the lane width cannot be reduced to the utilization of the infrastructure by farm machinery. It was further noted that the design will not restrict waterflow.

#11-06-2024

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

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 24-12 titled RFT 221-09004-00 – Judges Creek Bridge Replacement, and

That Council awards RFT 221-09004-

00 – Judges Creek Bridge Replacement Tender for both Site 1 and Site 2 to Bridge Excavating Ltd. for a Total Tender Price of \$1,003,632.10, including HST, as per letter of recommendation from WSP Canada Inc.;

And that Council authorizes WSP Canada Inc. to oversee the contract administration and site supervision for this contract.

Carried

**4. Chief Building Official Report No. BD 24-08**

**Re: Trailer Agreement**

Applicant/Owner (s): Ms. Brenda Lee Stewart & Mr. David Lloyd Brown

Con 4 EBR Lot 33, 1155 East Road, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, County of Bruce

Assessment Roll No. 41 09 660 002 33500 0000

#11-07-2024

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

That the Trailer Agreement requested by Ms. Brenda Lee Stewart and Mr. David Lloyd Brown for the property legally described as Con 4 EBR Lot 33 (Assessment Roll No. 41 09 660 002 33500 0000) Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula be approved, and;

That the owner acknowledges that the building being constructed will be substantially completed and ready for occupancy within one (1) year from date of signing of the Trailer Agreement.

Carried

**5. Clerk Report No. C 24-15**

**Re: Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board – Final Implementation Report**

Clerk, Cathy Addison, presented a proposed addition to the

recommendation which was previously incorporated by the Township of South Gate regarding a standard remuneration rate.

#11-08-2024

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

Whereas, the Province of Ontario passed the Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 (Bill 68), which established the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA, 2019), on March 26, 2019; and

Whereas, the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA, 2019), will be proclaimed on April 1, 2024; and

Whereas the Ministry of the Solicitor General has approved the creation of a joint, Grey Bruce Police Services Detachment Board, governing all municipalities and First Nations communities within the detachment area; and

Whereas the Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board must be established and formalized prior to the date of proclamation; and

Whereas the Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board will be composed of an elected official of all participating municipalities and First Nation communities, 4 Community Appointees and 3 Provincial Appointees; and

Whereas the Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board Community Appointee Selection Committee has recommended, by resolution, the appointment of 4 selected Community Appointees;

Now Therefore, Council hereby supports appointment of the following members to the 4 Community Appointee positions on the Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board:

1. Michelle Reynolds – Township of Georgian Bluffs
2. Karl Ellis – Township of Southgate
3. Gerry Solursh – Municipality of

Northern Bruce Peninsula

4. Nicole Martin – Municipality of Grey Highlands; and

That the same appointments be formalized by by-law of their representing Councils; and

Further, that Council hereby supports the Township of Georgian Bluffs providing administrative support to the Board; and

That Council hereby supports on-boarding a part-time shared staff resource, with costs to be shared evenly amongst the nine participating detachment parties; and

That staff be directed to create and circulate the Joint Board's 2025 Operating Budget to all participating bodies prior to commencement of 2025 Budget deliberations; and

That Council recommends that the Board consider the establishment of a standard remuneration policy that applies to all members, including municipal Council, community and provincial appointees to ensure consistent, fair, and equitable treatment.

Carried

**6. Accounts Payable Voucher**

**Re: March 2024**

#11-09-2024

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

That Council receives approved Accounts Payable Voucher for March 2024, in the amount of \$4,440,966.95.

Carried

**7. Museum Committee**

**Re: February 6, 2024, Meeting Minutes**

#11-10-2024

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

That the minutes of Museum Committee Meeting No. 24-02, February 6, 2024, and all actions contained therein be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

## 8. Chi Cheemaun Festival Committee

**Re: March 20, 2024, Meeting Minutes**  
#11-11-2024

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

That the minutes of Chi Cheemaun Festival Committee Meeting No. 24-03, March 20, 2024, and all actions contained therein be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

Other Business - Nil.

## Correspondence

1. Source Water Protection Committee (Information)

Re: November 24, 2023, Meeting Minutes

2. Petition (Information)

Re: Proposed radio communications tower at 75 Lindsay Road 40

3. Kathleen Westlake (Information)

Re: Proposed radio communications tower at 75 Lindsay Road 40

4. Grace Bray (Information)

Re: Proposed radio communications tower at 75 Lindsay Road 40

5. Jessica Rivers (Information)

Re: Proposed radio communications tower at 75 Lindsay Road 40

6. Laura Vanderaa (Information)

Re: Proposed radio communications tower at 75 Lindsay Road 40

7. Resolution - Township of Adelaide Metcalfe (Information)

Re: Request to Increase Tile Drain Loan Limit

8. Resolution - Town of Lincoln (Information)

Re: Request Provincial Government to Support Increasing Funding for Public Libraries and Community Museums

#11-12-2024

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

That the correspondence items #1-8 be received as information as printed and circulated.

Carried

9. Bruce Peninsula Bird Observatory,  
Beth Ann Currie (Direction)

Re: Minor Road Maintenance - Cabot Head Road

Councilor Golden inquired regarding information surrounding the long-term objectives of Cabot Head Road

It was noted that Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, will provide information to Council.

#11-13-2024

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

That Council directs Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, to bring a report to Council regarding the Bruce

Peninsula Bird Observatory's request for minor maintenance on Cabot Head Road.

Carried

## Reading of By-laws

By-law 2024-21

Being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement Between Parks Canada Agency and the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula as it Relates to the Acceptance of Hauled Sewage

By-law 2024-25

Being A By-Law to Establish and Appoint Members to a Municipal Drainage Committee for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula

By-law 2024-30

Being A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council Meeting of The Corporation of The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Held Monday, April 8, 2024

#11-14-2024

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

That the listed by-laws be given 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading, and enacted.

Carried

## Closed Session

#11-15-2024

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

That Council move into closed meeting at 2:01 p.m. pursuant to Section 239 (2) of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reasons: (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board members; (Personnel - Human Resources Issues) and f) advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege including communications necessary for that purpose (Tower Proposal Consultation).

Carried

Reconvene from Closed Session to Resume Council Meeting

#11-16-2024

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

That Council reconvenes from Closed Session at 2:46 p.m. and resumes the Council meeting.

Carried

Following Closed Session, Mayor McIver advised that Council approved the minutes of February 5, 2024, Closed Session meeting, Council directed the CAO to investigate the human resources issues and the tower proposal consultation.

## Adjournment

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#11-17-2024

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

That the meeting adjourns at 2:47 p.m.

Carried

Original signed by Mayor, Milt McIver and Clerk, Cathy Addison

# The Church at the Gap Returns to Summer Hours Sundays at 10:00am

*Submitted by Jane Greenhouse*

On Sunday, May 12th, the Church of St. Edmunds changes its worship time back to 10 am. Have you ever wondered why, in the winter, The Church of St Edmund shifts to an afternoon service?

LAAMB, (Lutheran And Anglican Ministries (of) the Bruce) has 5 churches under its umbrella with only one minister. What a very busy and energetic person is needed to lead, guide, and manage these five congregations on the peninsula plus the Anglican church in Lion's Head!

Pastor Janaki Bandara is this person! She is the Rector of all the Lutheran and Anglican churches on the Peninsula which includes the four Anglican churches located in Howdenvale, Cape Chin, Lion's Head and Tobermory plus the Lutheran church in Wiarton. That makes FIVE churches and SIX congregations expecting her attention!

In the winter only the Anglican churches in Tobermory, Lion's Head and the Lutheran church in Wiarton (where the Anglican and Lutheran congregations worship together) are open; the other three are summer churches. This leaves three congregations for Pastor Janaki to minister to during the winter months. She starts her Sunday in Wiarton with a 9:30am service, then to Lion's Head for 11:30am on most Sundays, and

finally arrives in Tobermory to lead our 3:00pm service. She has her homily well polished by the time she is in Tobermory!

Obviously, in the summer months, Pastor Janaki cannot be present at all six churches each Sunday! Therefore, St Edmund's invites clergy to visit for a week and stay at the cottage attached to the church. This is how we can come back to a more traditional morning worship time. The summer clergy arrive on Monday and can enjoy a relaxing week in beautiful Tobermory. They can choose to join in various church activities during the week, such as the bible study and Summer in the Spirit (Thursday evening this summer), and then will lead the 10 am service on Sunday. This visiting pastor will often participate in the 7 pm evening service at St Margarets Chapel in Cape Chin which centres around hymn-singing and storytelling.

It is always interesting each summer Sunday to see who is preaching and where they are from. We have had visiting ministers from far and wide, including the USA, England, and Wales. Our first three morning services this year are May 12th, 19th and 26th. For these Sundays we will have Rev Monika Wiesner serving on Mothers Day, and Rev MaryAnn Somerville serving on May 19 and 26th.

We hope you will come out to join us.



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## In The Garden: Hints From A Mrs Gardener Early Spring Garden Walks

*Submitted by Joan Regan*

Got out for a garden walk before the rain, it didn't look as bad as I thought it would, but still needing Moms TLC.

Once the paths get a clean up and raked it will look a lot better. Lots of small branches down from the Winter winds, but they make good fire starters. I do like a Spring and/or Fall fire.

However, before I get into the garden I will tidy up the patio, rake and add a bit more gravel, then the glider gets its Spring cleaning - cushions brought out

and planters readied for their Summer flowers. Small table for my coffee and I'm ready to go. Oh ya, and a stool to put my feet on so I can enjoy the view.

I really enjoy early Spring garden walks, every day something new popping up. Soon all will be green and it's garden time.

...and BOY do I need some quiet walks "In The Garden".

Happy Gardening, Happy Spring,  
Joni



# Newly Conserved Lands On Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula Protect Vital Natural Habitats

Media Release

Wiarton, ON (April 22, 2024) –  
Midwestern Ontario is home to some of the Great Lakes region’s most important biodiversity hot spots, supporting an exceptional abundance of species and habitats, and today an additional 105 hectares of thriving forests and alvars have been protected forever. The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) is announcing the protection of two new nature preserves to mark Earth Day: Sturgeon Bay Forest, located on the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula near Wiarton, and an additional 40-hectare property added to existing conservation lands on Cockburn Island, west of Manitoulin Island in Lake Huron.

The 65-hectare Sturgeon Bay Forest features expansive, intact forests that provide habitat for many species and support biodiversity. These forests also provide important ecosystem services for nearby communities, such as cleaning air and filtering water, while storing carbon within their trees, roots, soils and wetlands, and helping to slow the pace of climate change. This project builds on existing work by NCC and other conservation partners in the area. These collective protection efforts help ensure sufficiently large tracts of land on the peninsula are available to support species throughout their life cycles. The deciduous, mixed and coniferous forests at this site provide high-quality habitat for wide-ranging species, such as American black bear.

Meanwhile, the additional 40 hectares protected on Cockburn

Island contain alvars, an unusual habitat type characterized by shallow soils and areas of exposed bedrock that supports several species thought to have originated when the climate was warmer and drier than today. Several species at risk have been documented here, including Hill’s thistle. The property also contains pockets of diverse forest communities.

At the greater landscape scale, the forests and alvars at these two newly protected nature preserves will safeguard important habitat for at-risk bird species, including eastern wood-pewee

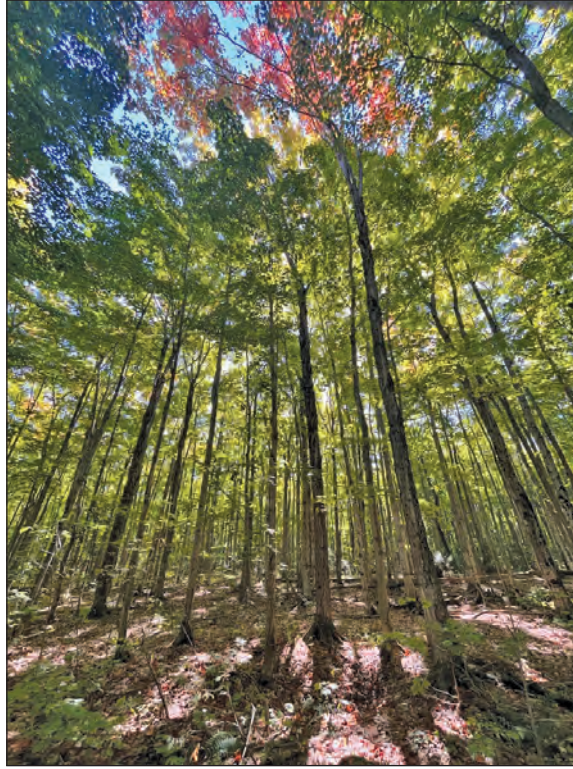


Photo Credit: Esme Batten

Photo: Sturgeon Bay Forest, ON.

and wood thrush, as both sites are found along a major migratory bird route.

The protection of Sturgeon Bay Forest and the additional 40 hectares on Cockburn Island are the latest in NCC’s land conservation efforts in the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula and Manitoulin Island Archipelago natural areas. Together with its partners, NCC has protected over 35,000 hectares of ecologically significant land in these regions.

These projects were made possible in part by the Government of Canada, through the Nature Smart Climate Solutions fund, and the Government of Ontario, through the Greenlands Conservation Partnership Program. NCC also thanks the many private donors across Ontario who supported these projects.

Conserving nature helps ensure healthy futures for wildlife and people, bolstering our ability to thrive in a changing world. In the past two years alone, NCC has influenced the protection of more than one million hectares (almost twice the size of Prince Edward Island), coast to coast to coast. Over the next few years, the organization will double its impact by mobilizing people and delivering permanent, large-

scale conservation. In the face of rapid biodiversity loss and climate change, nature is our ally. There is no solution to either without nature conservation. Nature makes it possible.

### Facts:

- The Saugeen Peninsula is the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON), comprised of the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation and Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation. NCC and SON have been working together since 2014. With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge the significant and ongoing role of Indigenous Peoples on these lands and look forward to continuing to engage with these communities in discussions about ways that these lands can continue to support the people with whom they are intertwined.
- NCC aims to ensure that sufficient connected habitat is maintained to support all of its native wildlife, including viable populations of American black bear and massasauga rattlesnake.
- Coniferous forests provide both breeding and movement habitat for rare and at-risk bird and herptile species, including eastern ribbonsnake.

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## Past and Present Residents of the Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home Juanita Ashcroft (Munson)

*Submitted by Christie Amyot,  
Volunteer/Director,  
Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home  
and Dona Ashcroft, co-author*

**Our Mission: Golden Dawn is a hub of support and empowerment for adults seeking care and those who care for them.**

*This brief story is one in a series of articles featuring past and present residents of the Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home in Lion's Head, ON. Summarizing almost a century of life for any one person is intimidating, but given the rich and storied lives of our Golden Dawn residents and their amazing contributions as pioneers of the Bruce, please consider that every effort has been taken to research and honor our interviewees in sharing a brief snippet of their personal life story.*

### Juanita Ashcroft (Munson)

Juanita Ashcroft (Munson) was born in Bronxville, New York, in 1928, where she spent most of her childhood years. Throughout her lifetime there were several major worldwide events. She lived through the depression and World War II, and her brother Harry, four years her junior, served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. WWII had a direct impact on Juanita's family. Her father was working in New York state at a job that he loved, but due to the war efforts in the United States, his job became redundant and other work was very hard to find. It was at that time that her family moved to Clinton, Connecticut, where her father found employment. Juanita loved school, and sports, and easily made new friends in Clinton, where she played field hockey, volleyball, softball and basketball.

As fate would have it, dear reader, in the early 1950s, Juanita was living in Florida where she met, and fell in love with, a handsome Canadian sailor by the name of Douglas Ashcroft. Doug was visiting his parents who were wintering in Florida. Juanita loved to dance, and Doug, a beautiful dancer, was attending a weekly dance with his parents. According to Juanita's daughters Dona and Debbie, "she fell in love with him when they danced the Tennessee Waltz". Doug and his three sisters were raised on a farm in Albemarle township, in South Bruce. He was a farmer, but he also sailed the Great Lakes for Texaco, working his way up to the position of First Mate; he gave up sailing in 1956 to farm full time.

Juanita and Doug married in 1953. The New England girl suddenly found herself living on a farm in rural Ontario. It was a far cry from the New England coast, and the warm climate of Florida. Some people learn another language by being immersed in it. Juanita learned farming by being immersed in it - with



Photo: Juanita showing off her Canadian pride at Lion's Head Beach, 1989.



Photo: Juanita as a young child.

the help of her new neighbours and friends, and Doug's family. "Here I was on a farm, and I didn't know one end of a cattlebeast from the other!" Doug was a sailor and this took him away from the farm for months at a time, leaving Juanita to look after the farm, feed the farmhands, and care for their six children.

Juanita was a quick learner, and came to love farm life. She learned how to "burn out" the chimney with kerosene-soaked rags, to sew and quilt, can and preserve fruits and vegetables, and everything else related to living on the farm. At this time, reader, let's not forget



Photo: Juanita was living in Florida where she met, and fell in love with, a handsome Canadian sailor by the name of Douglas Ashcroft.

those days, most of the shopping was done at Steip's in Mar, and Tucker's in Barrow Bay (which later became Eichenberger's).

Winters could be harsh. One winter in particular, the roads were blocked with snow for 14 days straight - with the banks being as high as the telephone wires.

Doug and Juanita's farm was on the Barrow Bay Road. The house was a 4 bedroom and featured a 2-seater outhouse. Until 1961, when the house was raised, and a root cellar was added, the house was prone to flooding in the spring. It was sometimes necessary to wear rubber boots inside the house to keep feet dry. This was part of living on the Eastnor flats. The farmland was excellent, but very wet in the spring. In winter, the fields would freeze, and the kids could skate from the farmhouse to highway 6. On windy days, it was difficult to make it home. In the spring, the kids could row around the property in the overflowing ditches in a small rowboat.

Farming was hard but wholesome work. As a teenager, Juanita would have never guessed that she would become a farmer in Canada, but she often said that she wouldn't have had it any other way. She loved the farm, and she loved animals (except bantam roosters - they would attack her every time she entered the barn!) Juanita has always been dedicated to, and a strong advocate for the community. When it came time to construct a barn on a farm property on the peninsula, the local community

would gather together to build the barn. The men would work on the building, and the women would look after the meals. The barn building efforts were social gatherings - everyone coming together to get the job done. Juanita

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Photo: Juanita with her six children.

that this, for Juanita, included hauling water from Judge's Creek in the summer months, and melting snow in the winter, as the household did not have running water. She planted a huge vegetable garden that would grow enough produce to carry the farm through the winter. In



Photo: Juanita in her early years.



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participated in several quilting bees, where women from the community would come together, usually at the Limberlost school house, to assist each other in finishing quilts.

For medical reasons, Doug had to back away from the physical work associated with farming, and moved to Toronto to start a new career as a stock broker. He travelled back and forth to the peninsula and continued farming on a part-time basis. Juanita moved into Lion's Head. Even though they lived separately, they maintained a close relationship. Doug passed away suddenly in 1987 at the age of 60.

In the early 70s, Juanita sought employment outside the home and became the Assistant Clerk Treasurer for the Township of Eastnor. She took training to further her education in municipal matters, and in 1976 became Clerk Treasurer for the Village of Lion's Head. She retired in 1987.

Juanita purchased the Menary home at 64 Main Street and ran it as The Cat's Pajamas Bed and Breakfast for 14 years. She didn't always charge her guests. One time there was a group of four young women who were camping at the Lion's

Head Beach campground who became ill with food poisoning. When Juanita heard of this, she went down to their campsite, gathered them and their belongings up and took them in, where they stayed free until they recovered. In another instance, a young man who was staying nearby was involved in a motor vehicle accident where his car was seriously damaged. Juanita invited him to stay at the B & B until he could get back to his home in Windsor. Over the 14 years of The Cat's Pajamas, many people experienced Juanita's kindness.

It was at The Cat's Pajamas that a long-standing tradition began. Every spring, family and friends looked forward to the annual Easter egg hunt. Full of fun, Juanita would hide 400 jelly beans throughout the house. Participants were paired off and tied together at the wrists. When Juanita said "GO!", the teams took off throughout the house to every room (except the bathrooms!). There were no rules other than having to stay tied to your partner, so there was usually full body contact and deviant behaviour (for example, putting a hole in the competition's bag). When the time ran out, the teams gathered in the kitchen to count their beans. The winning team always won a cake - baked and decorated by Juanita. For months following the hunt, the odd jellybean would be found, still hidden. After the house was sold, the tradition was continued. It moved outside to a bush trail and included a hotdog roast. The tradition continues today and is hosted by the Firth and Elliot families - who participated in the first days of the hunt at Juanita's house. The grand prize is still a home-baked decorated cake.

Another holiday that Juanita enjoyed celebrating at The Cat's Pajamas was Halloween. She took great pleasure in dressing up and scaring the kids when they came to the door. Some of those "kids", now grown with children of their own, still talk about being scared by Juanita. One year, there was a Halloween dance at the Rotary Hall, which was across the road from The Cat's Pajamas. Juanita dressed up as a hobo, got herself into a sleeping bag, and walked into the dance. She went to the front of the room by the stage, without saying a word to anyone, and laid down on the floor. She stayed there for the entire dance and nobody knew who she was.

Juanita loved to travel, but was terrified of flying. Her longest flight was to the UK, where they flew over some of the places that Doug had seen when he served during WWII. It's a wonder that Juanita ever flew again. When the plane landed in London England, Juanita had to be assisted to get off the plane. She was traumatized when the plane hit an air pocket and dropped several hundred feet. Most of Juanita's travels were by driving or by coach bus tours. She also did two cruises; one to Alaska and one through the Panama canal. Most of Juanita's trips were planned, but not always. One time she left a note on the kitchen table that read, "Gone to Toronto, might go to Florida". She did indeed drive down to Florida and arrived home three weeks later.

The Red Cross Beach Party and Auction Sale, held on Civic Holiday weekend in Lion's Head was an annual event that attracted hundreds of people. The work involved in putting on this event was done by community organizations and volunteers. One of Juanita's contributions was making the coleslaw, or at least chopping the cabbage for it. Juanita, the kids (the ones old enough to not chop their fingers off), and other community women would chop enough cabbage

to fill at least ten big garbage bags in preparation for the meal. Over the years, the Civic Holiday weekend events evolved and changed. When the Ferndale slow-pitch tournament was introduced as one of the weekend activities, Juanita got her umpire's ticket so that she could participate. She was a Charter member of the Ferndale and District Lioness Club, now known as the S.W.A.N.S. In recognition of her community contributions, she received awards

such as the Helen Keller Award (Lions Club), the Paul Harris Fellow award (Rotary Club), and the Volunteer Award (Municipality).

Juanita is kind and compassionate. Throughout her life, there have been many random acts of kindness. When she could, she would do them secretly, and the recipient would never know. Even now, if she can do something by herself, she will, and gets frustrated when she needs assistance. Her sense of humour has served her well, and still does. She loves to joke and tease the staff of Golden Dawn, and they give it right back to her. Sometimes you can't tell if she is joking or not, then you'll see a twinkle in her eyes, or a smirk spread across her face. Some of her favourite sayings include: "Count your blessings", "To thine own self be true", and "There but for the grace of God go I", and

"You're a pain in the a\$\$."

In 2018, Juanita started losing her joie de vivre. She wasn't eating properly, losing interest in things that she once loved. She was getting more forgetful, and, in spite of efforts to help her improve, her decline continued and she ended up in the Lion's Head hospital for several weeks in the summer of 2019. It was from there that she moved to long-term care in the Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home in August 2019. It was a very difficult, but necessary move. It was hard and confusing for Juanita, and hard for her family. But, at the Golden Dawn, she could be in a safe environment and receive the care that she needed. She had always been one to look at a tough situation and talk herself through it. She made the best of her situation and adjusted. Then Covid hit and all long-term care homes went into lockdown. That was extremely difficult for everyone - residents and family, but especially staff.

It's been almost four years now that Juanita has been a resident of Golden Dawn. She is comfortable in her room, and her sense of humour continues to serve her well. The staff members are kind and compassionate, and treat her with dignity and respect. Her favourite things are going for drives and ice cream and singing - in particular, reader, she loves "The Old Grey Mare", and at that, I will sign off! If I've inadvertently put that little tune in your head, please sing it with a smile and a cheer for Juanita!



Photo: Juanita (center) as a bridesmaid for one of her good friends. Taken in Connecticut in the late 1940s.



Photo: Juanita on her 80th birthday.

**About Golden Dawn**

Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home is a non-profit, registered charity - the only long-term care home and senior apartments complex in Northern Bruce. Located in the village of Lion's Head, Ontario, it is also the largest year-round employer in Northern Bruce.

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# Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula 70th Anniversary Celebration

Submitted by Rob Hiscott

Your local Rotary Club thanks everyone who came out to help celebrate our 70th Anniversary as a Club on April 13th at Rotary Hall! It was a fantastic turnout with plenty of conversation and cheer as past and present Rotarians gathered to mark this momentous occasion. We especially thank the ladies of SWANS who prepared and served a delicious dinner that evening!

For more information regarding our Anniversary celebration event, see article on page 20.

## Rotarians and Friends of Rotary Volunteer Awards

Five Rotarians and two Friends of Rotary were nominated and received awards for volunteer dedication and commitment to our community of Northern Bruce Peninsula at the 2024 Volunteer Recognition Day held on Wednesday, April 17th at Rotary Hall and hosted by the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

Award recipients this year included Rotarians Douglas Greig, Wendell Thomson, Dan Bryans and Rob Hiscott, and a posthumous award to Bob 'Bonzai' Spearing (received by Rotarian Captain Jerry Greig on behalf of Denise Spearing, Bob's daughter). Friends of Rotary Dale Diebel and Dr. Dave Thomson also received volunteer awards for their support at Rotary community Pancake Breakfasts over many years.

## Trivia Night in May at Rotary Hall

Another fun Trivia Night was held at Rotary Hall on Friday, April 26, hosted by Caeli Mazara and Eric Perez. The next scheduled Trivia Night will be held on

Friday May 24 from 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Rotary Hall, with doors opening at 7:00 PM. There will be a \$5.00 entry free, and those participating can organize their own teams or join an existing team, with typically four to six people per team. Test your trivia knowledge and have some fun - hope to see you there!

## Celebration of Life for Bob 'Bonzai' Spearing

Rotary is hosting a Celebration of Life for long-time Rotarian Bob 'Bonzai' Spearing who passed away recently. The event will be held Saturday, May 11 at Rotary Hall in Lion's Head between 11:00 AM and 2:30 PM with Rotarians tending bar at the Hall. A light luncheon will be served. All present and former Rotarians, friends of Rotary and friends and neighbours of Bob and Dee are invited to join us to celebrate our dear friend.

Bob was a very active Rotarian involved in most Club activities, especially with coordinating our Food and Beverages services (including the very popular Rotary Pancake Breakfasts for the community), serving as our Bar Manager, along with serving on Scholarships and other Club committees. Bob was a Rotarian who truly exemplified the Rotary motto of 'Service Above Self' at all times.

In memory of our dear friend, the 'Service Above Self' Scholarship, awarded annually to a student who excels in volunteer and extra-curricular activities, has been re-named the 'Bob Spearing Service Above Self Scholarship' which will be reflected in the upcoming BPDS graduation event at the end of June 2024.



Photo Credit: Amanda Bishop Ashe

Photo L-R: Rotarians and Friends of Rotary receiving awards at the 2024 Volunteer Recognition Day – Municipal Councillor Aman Sohrab, Friend of Rotary Dr. Dave Thomson, Mayor Milt McIver, Rotarian Wendell Thomson, Rotarian Rob Hiscott, Rotarian Captain Gerry Greig (accepting the posthumous award to Rotarian Bob 'Bonzai' Spearing on behalf of his daughter Denise Spearing), Rotarian Presenter and Past-President Cathryn Buckley, Municipal Councillors Laurie 'Smokey' Golden, and Todd Dowd.

Also receiving volunteer recognition awards (not present to receive their awards at the Hall), Rotarian Douglas Greig, Rotarian Dan Bryans and Friend of Rotary Dale Diebel.

# Easter Colouring Contest Winners at St Edmunds Public School



Photos Courtesy of Melissa Stewart

Photo: St Edmunds Public School students entered three different colouring contests before Easter – Ferndale UPI contest, Great Canadian Boutique Owen Sound contest and the Tara General Store contest – and five students won! Congratulations to the winners!

# SWANS Donate \$1,000 to Bruce Peninsula Family Centre

**SERVICE – WE ASSIST,  
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Submitted by Bonnie Warder

Our regular April meeting had a huge agenda. The Club was preparing for two major catering events and the Conveners reviewed the menus and arranged for helpers. We completed some unfinished business from the March meeting and passed our annual budget.

The Club decided to donate \$1,000 to the Bruce Peninsula Family Centre to assist with some badly needed items that were on their "Wish List."

## 'C'MON Barbie - Let's Go Party' Fashion Show May 9th

The plans for our "C'MON Barbie - Let's Go Party" Fashion Show are coming together quite nicely. Just a quick reminder, it will be held on May 9th in the Auditorium of the Lion's Head Arena, with the doors opening at 4:30 pm, Dinner at 5:30 pm and the Show starting at 7:00 pm., featuring fashions from Verna's in Tobermory, Classic Casual Boutique in Miller Lake and The Shops at 84 Main in Lion's Head. Tickets are on sale NOW at Bear Tracks in Ferndale or by contacting Roberta at 519-374-4110. The cost is \$30 for the full event. CASH only

please. If you can only make the show it is \$15. Tickets will be available at the door, and again CASH only please.

We are so fortunate that the local stores participate in the show and help us to fundraise for various community needs. There will be a Silent Auction Table and again, we are so grateful to all the individuals and businesses that make such generous donations.

Thanking you in advance for helping to make this important fundraiser a success!



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Photo: SWANS President Cathy McLay (left) and SWANS Treasurer Bev Miller (right) present a cheque for \$1,000 to Katherine Crivea (center) accepting on behalf of the Bruce Peninsula Family Centre.

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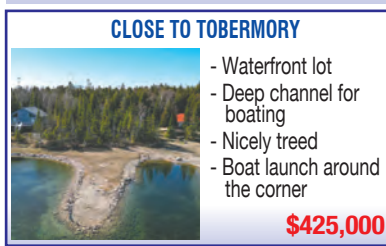
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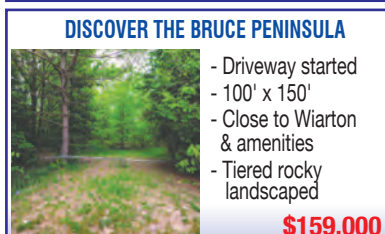
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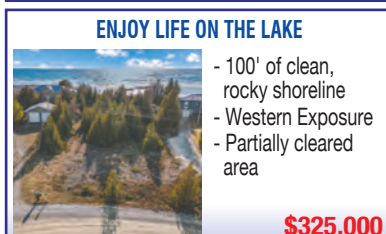
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## Lion's Head Friendship Club Plans Trip to St. Jacob's Market

Submitted by Maxine Catteau

We're going on a trip! Where to? St. Jacobs Market and Anna Mae's restaurant. When did you say? Thursday, September 26. How? We are renting a coach. The good news is everyone is invited! Cost will be \$85 and that pays for a full dinner and your ride. If you happen to be a Friendship Club member, your trip will be subsidized. September is a beautiful month, the leaves changing and the market is full. We need to know by May 15, 2024 if you are interested and we will book you a seat.

We have had a great month at the Lion's Head Friendship Club. The trip to the Belmore Pancake Festival was

amazing, then the following week off to the Roxy, followed by a great dinner last Saturday and a Euchre tournament at the hall.

Our next event is our luncheon on May 9 at 11:30am. For \$7 you get homemade soup, sandwiches, coffee and dessert, followed by 2 speakers and a fun bingo where can you get a better deal and throw in some great companionships.

We would love to see more of you out – come and join us. We have trips, meals, cards and great times. For more information on any of this call Maxine at 519-375-0959 or email the club at thelionshheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com



Photo: Lion's Head Friendship Club members enjoy the Belmore Pancake Festival on their recent trip.

## Bruce Men's Shed Celebrates 1st Anniversary

“Somewhere To Go, Something To Do, Someone To Talk To”

Submitted by The Bruce Men's Shed

April 1 marked the official anniversary of the Bruce Men's Shed (BMS) organization. From a humble start as an unknown entity by one member, our group has grown substantially to count 90 today. Over the winter many regulars went south for months at a time and yet our weekly visits climbed with new men coming out. Word of mouth brings new faces in, and they in turn bring in others they feel would also enjoy the Monday morning coffees.

Our group currently has no membership fees and we welcome any men interested to come out to join us. For people in Owen Sound and Collingwood areas, Men's Sheds are also in startup mode as the idea of “somewhere to go, something to do, someone to talk to” catches on.

There are many activities that different organizations offer here on the Bruce Peninsula, such as card games, darts, cornhole, hiking and more. Woodworking can now be added to that list. So many BMS members have great workshops at home and opened them to us to gather on Project Days. So far, we have produced bird houses, bat houses, and cornhole boards as group events. We have other plans in the works, stay tuned!

Marg Glendon of Bruce Trail Conservancy (Peninsula Club) organized with teacher Sarah Peacock of Bruce



Photo: Bruce Men's Shed members celebrate their 1st Anniversary with a Breakfast at Legion Branch 202.

Peninsula District School to present a series of lessons about birds this past month. One of the lessons involved having the Grade 7 students assemble bird houses. One of Bruce Men's Shed members had approached Hayes Timber (adjacent to Wilson's Home Hardware) about material for the houses and was happy to pick up the donated material. Thank you very much to Hayes for this! On April 4 a group of BMS members guided the students to assemble the bird houses at the school. Pictures of this event can be found on Facebook under Bruce Peninsula DS.

- Weekly Meeting: Monday Morning Coffee, 9-11am,
- Monthly Meeting: Third Saturday each month, May 18th, 9-11am at Legion 202 on highway 6 just north of Ferndale. Doors open at 8:30am.

For further information about the Men's Shed movement and the Bruce Men's Shed reach us at brucemensshed@gmail.com or call Gerry at (519) 793-3005 or check us out on FaceBook and YouTube.

## Hike For Hospice June 2nd “Local People Helping Local People”

Submitted by Bruce Peninsula Hospice

Hike for Hospice is a yearly fundraiser for Bruce Peninsula Hospice and an event hosted by local hospices across the country. Local people helping local people is our driving force and once again we need your help. Community participation makes us strong, and we look forward to walking with you on Sunday, June 2nd at 1:00pm.

This year our host community will be Wiarton. We expect a great turnout with at least three hikes to choose from, all leaving from the Wiarton Arena. You can choose from an easy Historical Walk through Wiarton, A Waterfront Walk to the water treatment plant (moderate pace), or a hike to Spirit Rock and the McNeil Mansion for the more hearty hikers.

To get started, just go to our website [bphospice.ca](http://bphospice.ca) and click on Hike for Hospice. You can create a team of your own or join an existing one, collect sponsors, make a donation and join us however you wish. The details are all there. The goal is to raise \$35,000 and

we know we can achieve that with your support.

Every year we step into the Hike for Hospice fundraising challenge and we are never disappointed due to the enormous efforts of our volunteers, the generosity of our community and the support of our sponsors. This year we thank our sponsors Bruce Power, Middlebro' & Stevens Wiarton, Ebel Quarries Inc./Polycor Ontario and Mckenzie's IDA Pharmacy. Donations from these caring organizations have given us a great start on our 2024 campaign.

Please join us on June 2nd and show the world how local people helping local people makes our community strong!

*Bruce Peninsula Hospice is a community hospice providing in-home visiting and grief support in Tobermory, Sauble Beach, Lion's Head, Wiarton and surrounding rural areas. To learn more about volunteering or joining the Hike, go to [bphospice.ca](http://bphospice.ca) or call 519-534-1260 ext. 5612.*

## New Business: Peninsula Imprint & Promo Co. Products For All Your Promotional Needs

RAM Trophies & Sportswear in downtown Wiarton has begun a new chapter.

Koreen Ryan, who has owned and operated the apparel and promotional products business since 2009, has sold the business to Matthew Standen and Denis Langlois. The new owners officially took over operations in April.

RAM is being renamed and rebranded as Peninsula Imprint & Promo Co.

The new name honours the place — the Peninsula — where the apparel business has grown and earned a loyal customer base, which values small-

town service and supporting local.

Peninsula Imprint & Promo Co. will continue to operate at 676 Berford Street in Wiarton, ON.

The company creates promotional products, with embroidered, heat-pressed, or lasered logos or designs, for businesses, entrepreneurs, sports leagues and teams, groups and clubs, and individuals. This includes hoodies, T-shirts, hats, tumblers, medals, plaques, and trophies.

For more information, visit Peninsula Imprint & Promo Co. on Facebook, online at [peninsulaimprintandpromo.ca](http://peninsulaimprintandpromo.ca) or call 519-534-0000.

## St Edmunds Students Celebrate Earth Day



Photo Courtesy of Bonita Myles

Photo: Students from St Edmunds Public School celebrate Earth Day by picking up garbage around their school. Way to go students!

Hike for Hospice

Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024 at 1:00pm

Warton Arena, 526 Taylor St.

Save the Date! Everyone Welcome!



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# April 4th SOK Talk Discusses Blazing New Trails In Sustainable Tourism

Submitted by the Sources of Knowledge  
Our April 4th SOK Talk by Tamara Wilson premiered SOK's upcoming 2024 Forum (May 3-5): "A Sustainable Tourism Future for the Saugeen Peninsula". The Forum's program and registration can be found at [www.sourcesofknowledge.ca](http://www.sourcesofknowledge.ca).

Tamara, President of the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club (PBTC), provided a history of the Peninsula Club and discussed specific actions underway to ensure the trail remains sustainable. She noted that the goal of the Bruce Trail is to "Provide a Ribbon of Wilderness for Everyone Forever". Emphasis on 'wilderness' the trail is defined as a Class III Wilderness Trail having minimal impact on host lands.

The Bruce Trail Conservancy (BTC) is a registered charity and consists of 9 individual clubs supported by over 1,500 volunteers. Planning for what is now the BTC began in 1962 and the first meeting held on the Bruce-Saugeen Peninsula was held in 1963. Today, the BTC stewards over 19,000 acres of protected lands and has agreements with over 650 landowners. The entire Trail has over 900 km of Main Trail (MT) and 400 km of Side Trails (ST), supported by about 12,400 members and 1,500 volunteers.

Programs, trail maps, and real-time trail conditions can best be accessed via the Bruce Trail phone APP. For Apple iPhone users, the Bruce Trail App is available for iOS devices through the App Store. For Android users, the Bruce Trail App is available for Android devices through Google Play. In both cases search for Bruce Trail Conservancy and look for the green diamond logo. This app can also be used to report downed-trees on the trail and other conditions under "Report a Problem". It will also map your route and provide data on distances traveled. In addition, BTC professional biodiversity ecologists, conservation specialists and mapping experts provide on-going advice and support to trail sustainability.

The PBTC, the northernmost Peninsula Club from Wiarton to Tobermory, is currently supported by 1,000 members and a 20-person Board of Directors. The PBTC portion has 170 km of MT and 100 km of ST and is maintained by 200 very dedicated volunteers. The Peninsula Club offers a busy program including many event hikes guided by leaders certified under Hike Ontario. There is also a badge program targeting both Conservation themed hikes as well as distance hikes. More information on Club activities can be found at [PBTC.ca](http://PBTC.ca).

Sustainability messaging from the Club supports social and environmental well-being, including "leave no trace"; "take nothing but photographs"; "pack-in and pack-out"; and "respect

all wildlife". PBTC also monitors and maintains the trail on a regular basis.

Keeping the Trails clean is a big initiative for the Peninsula club. In 2021, PBTC volunteers removed 62.2 kg (137.2 lb) of garbage consisting of 10,812 individual pieces of which 3,126 were cigarette butts! In 2022 and 2023, volunteers undertook 2,415 hours of Trail maintenance including the removal of dead wood and downed-trees as well as trimming to ensure a clear path.

Recent increases in tourism on the Peninsula has resulted in parking issues at trail access points and local trail crowding. PBTC is working with the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula's Sustainable Tourism Action Group (STAG) and along with the local tourism agency - RT07 and the National and Provincial Parks, STAG works together to implement sustainability measures. In some locations, these have resulted in the need for paid parking (on-line reservations for McCurdy Road in Lion's Head); speed signs; use of trail counters; and access control measures. There has also been a need to better instruct users on how to read trail blazes to keep people on the path.

The PBTC continues to work with our users to control/minimize littering; ensure all dogs are leashed; and minimize "spider trails" caused by hikers leaving the main trail. We also need to further educate hikers on the need to plan ahead to fully understand distances and routes (this is where the phone APP is particularly important). Please remember to bring lots of water and don't underestimate how dark the trail can be given our 'dark skies' environment.

Going forward, the Peninsula Club aims to continue to enhance the hiker experience by replacing ladders with stairs at Hope Bay as well as reviewing other high traffic areas for

opportunities. The Club will also be hosting invasive plant 'pulls'; undertake volunteer planting events; and continue restoration work on 5.7 acres at Barrow Bay. See you on the trail!

## In Memory



In loving memory of  
**Vern Ruland**  
who passed away peacefully  
with his family by his side  
5 years ago on May 16th at  
his home in Barrow Bay.  
Love Carol, Bill and Angie

## In Memory

Allan B. Carnahan  
Sept. 12, 1940 to Apr. 9, 2019

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Loved and with memories forever,  
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Eric, Emma, Abby (Jamie) & Connor.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We want to wish Bob Burgess  
a Very Happy 85<sup>th</sup>  
on May 12<sup>th</sup>!



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**Music In The Air**  
Meeting Place Spring Concert Fundraiser  
May 18th

Submitted by Norwen Szelechner  
Did you know The Meeting Place Tobermory (TMP) has a lot of music enthusiasts among its volunteers, staff and community members? We have this great opportunity to all the social and local support work we do, start with our first Open Mic for the season at the Meeting Place. What a successful monthly event through the winter, with an eclectic mix of musicians and appreciative audience. We want to thank Nick Forrester and Brenda Bartholomew for organizing and hosting Open Mic sessions at TMP for the past few years. Both Nick and Brenda clearly have a love of music and people.

With the kind of popularity we are seeing, we have our annual spring concert well on its way with the date of Saturday May 18th, from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. It's also an important fundraiser for The Meeting Place Community Centre.

This concert will bring a little country to the Northern Bruce and a great 'kick off' to the season. It's also an important fundraiser for The Meeting Place Community Centre. Check the website, soon at [tobermorymeetingplace.com](http://tobermorymeetingplace.com) for more information and on-line ticket sales.

**Tobermory VON SMART Class Wishing Everyone a Happy Easter**  
Photo Courtesy of Barb Orem  
The Tobermory VON SMART (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) class (Level 2) wishes everyone a Happy Easter!  
The classes are offered to community members 55+, or any adult living with a disability, who wants to improve their strength, balance and mobility through low-impact exercise. The exercise classes are facilitated by fitness instructors and/or volunteers who receive specialized training and ongoing education to deliver safe exercise programs for all levels of ability.  
The Tobermory group meets Mondays and Thursdays, 10:30am, at the Tobermory Community Centre. The Lion's Head Group meets Mondays and Thursdays, 10:00am, at the Lion's Head Friendship Club. For more information on SMART classes near you visit [vna.ca](http://vna.ca)



# Rotary Club Celebrates 70 Years of Service on the Northern Bruce Peninsula

By Joanne Rodgers,  
Bruce Peninsula Press

To celebrate its 70th Anniversary the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula hosted a formal sit-down dinner for 80 guests on April 13, 2024 at the Rotary Hall.

The meal was catered by the SWANS, with the meal receiving rave reviews from the invitees.

During the formal dinner, seven Paul Harris Fellow Recognition awards

were given out to acknowledge the substantial contributions to the local community by fellow Rotarians and community members. Recipients of the awards were the late Bob (Bonzaai) Spearing, accepted by Captain Gerry Greig on behalf of Denise Spearing (Bob's daughter); Douglas Greig; Wendell Thomson; Dan Bryans and Rob Hiscott, as well as Friends of Rotary and long-time supporters of NBP Club, Dale Diebel and Dr. Dave Thomson.

Guest speaker Dr. Trace McKay shared her experiences as a Rotary exchange student to South Africa back in the 1980s.

Tickets were sold out for the 50/50 draw with the monies going towards the Rotary Bruce Peninsula District School (BPDS) scholarships. The draw for \$700 was won by Barry Thorn of Lion's Head, which he generously offered to donate half of his winnings to the Rotary Scholarships Fund.

After the formal event, the general community was invited to come out for cake and ice-cream and social time.

Rotarian Tim Lang describes the anniversary event as a "fantastic night"; current President Catherine Henderson was pleased saying the event was a "huge success and the meal was fabulous".



Photo L-R: Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson, Val Anderson and local School Board Trustee Jane Thomson.

Currently, the local Rotary Club has 22 members and continues to be very active in the community. The Club hosts the very popular pancake breakfast held on the Sunday of the long weekends during the summer. Last year they sponsored the inaugural Oktoberfest which garnered lots of interest and support from the local and regional community. They host social events at the Rotary Hall in Lion's Head for all ages such as concerts, trivia nights, Sunday afternoon coffee and conversation. The Club donates funds for BPDS school events and up to five scholarships to BPDS graduates to pursue post-secondary studies. Rotarians tend the bar for many

local events and plus offer much more support for community based activities.

To learn more about the activities of the NBP Rotary Club, check out their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryNBP/> or their website [www.rotarynbp.org](http://www.rotarynbp.org)



Photo L-R: Recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Recognition award, Wendell Thomson, and Willy Weatherhead.



Photo L-R: Rotarians Catherine Henderson, Doug Embleton and Tim Lang.

## Tobermory Muses Inaugural Earth Day Event "Rugged Wild" Warmly Received

Submitted by Claire O'Reilly

The Tobermory Muses held its inaugural Earth Day event "Rugged, Wild, A contemplative exploration of connectedness to the Earth" on April 19th. Mother Nature gave us beautiful Spring weather, for which we were grateful. The atmosphere was casual and friendly, but also respectful in accordance with intent of the evening.

Our thanks are extended to Priscilla Yellowhead Tobey who opened and closed the affair with prayer and smudging to cleanse the air and bring us into the room.

As the room gathered, Nolan Davis and Jonathan Newitt provided us with lovely music for which we are also grateful. The Tobermory Choir, which opened our musical evening with "O Beautiful Gaia", sang beautifully, setting the tone for the evening to come.

Many thanks also to the Tobermory Drummers, who had us close our eyes as they took us through rain and water sounds, and the rhythmic flow of nature.

Olivia Mater sang, accompanied by Nolan Davis on guitar. Together they brought to our attention that there has been a wholesale removal of nature-related lexicon from dictionaries and resources in favour of including language related to electronic media.

We are grateful, also, to Nick Ferrence for managing acoustics, without which we would have had a much quieter event!

For our part, we the Muses generally kept our work to the lighter side of Mother Nature, expressing what a joy we share here, living in the Northern Saugeen Peninsula. We took great pleasure in bringing awareness to our rich environment, and are grateful to Tobermory United Church for hosting us.

Guests shared afterward that "Rugged, Wild" was warmly received, that the evening had a "sacred"

sensibility and that more such occasions would enrich the community.

The Rugged, Wild Earth Day Celebration was our privilege to present. We the look forward to creating another program next Spring.



Photo: The Tobermory Drummers and Beth Bauman speaking at the "Rugged Wild" event.



Photo L-R: SWANS catered the formal sit-down dinner – Bev Miller, Sandy Walsh, Pauline Flick, Lindsay deMalmanche, Cathy McLay, Mary Ann Devries and Kim Dawson. Missing from photo: Connie Tackaberry.

# Bruce Peninsula Family Centre

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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 Come and join our team.

The Sweet Shop is seeking seasonal staff for the 2024 season: Cashiers, baristas, ice cream scoopers, assistant manager-retail & supervisors. Full and part-time positions with flexible scheduling. Accommodations for qualified applicants. All experience levels welcome. Apply at jobs@sweetshop.ca

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Dennis, Bonnie, Kyle, (the late Paul McLay) and families.

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### OBITUARIES



**STEWART, Allan Charles** - Stewart, Allan (Ally) passed away unexpectedly, with family at his side at LHSC, London on Friday, January 12, 2024. Allan Stewart of Lion's Head, ON in his 72nd year. Al will be forever remembered by wife and best friend of 49 years, Connie. Cherished father of Julie Hawke (Jason) of Sauble Beach, Chad Stewart (Melissa) of Lion's Head and Stephanie Weatherhead (Cassidy) of Miller Lake. Much loved Grandfather of Natalie Weatherhead (Brock) of Miller Lake, Allie Russell (Dan) of Allenford, Autumn Edgar (Chris) of Allenford, Sahara and Eden Weatherhead, Elise and Caysie Stewart, Ella and Thomas Hawke.

Dear Brother and friend of Alvin Stewart, Owen Sound, Ainsley Stewart, Feversham, Morgan Stewart (Linda) of Innisfil, Janet Mackie (Verd) of Wiarton.

Predeceased by parents Jean (nee Rydall) and Harold Stewart and brother Harvey Stewart, sister in laws, Elaine Stewart and Beth Stewart. He will be greatly missed by many cousins, nieces and nephews. As many will attest, Al never met a stranger he made friends everywhere he went. He managed to defy death on numerous occasions, and it was everyone's expectation, hope and prayer that he would continue to defy the odds. He lived life to the full every single day. He worked hard, he loved hard, and he played hard. He loved what he did and did what he loved. I am not sure why it would surprise us, as his family and loved ones that he would handle death in any other manner. While Al will be dearly missed by all who knew him, he would want everyone to know that he was more than 'prepared to meet his Lord and Savior'. Al was born and raised on the Beautiful Bruce Peninsula, this was always home, and this is where he will be laid to rest. Thank you to the staff at Lion's Head, Wiarton, Owen Sound and London Hospitals for their exceptional care. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Stewart Family Homestead, (2237 Hwy. 6 Lion's Head, Saturday June 22, 2024, 10:00 A.M. Parade of Trucks. (a farewell tribute to Al presented by his fellow truckers and associates.) Bring a lawn chair. There will be a time for food and fellowship, followed by a Service at 1:00 P.M. Friends & Family Welcome.



**BLACKLOCK, Wayne Earlby** peacefully and surrounded by the love of family and friends at the Lion's Head Hospital on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Wayne Blacklock of Lion's Head in his 86th year. Beloved husband and best friend of the late Heather Blacklock (nee Thomas). Loving father of Cindy Clarke of Calgary, Alberta, Tammy McAllister (Chris) of Hamilton, Kim Hamilton (Rob) of Hamilton, Corinne Nichols (Bruce) of London and Leanne Kilby (Doug) of Thunder Bay. Special grandfather of 13, great grandfather of 14 and great great grandfather of 4. Dear brother of Willi Yurtis (Phil) of California and Arlene Ruttan of Wiarton. Missed by many nieces, nephews and friends. Predeceased by parents Thelma (nee Walpole) and John Howard Blacklock, son-in-law Tom Clarke and sisters Marion Butchart (Carmen) and Myrna Gowanlock (George). The funeral service was conducted at Bethel Missionary Church, Lion's Head on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. Interment Eastnor Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the George Funeral Home, Lion's Head Chapel, Lion's Head. Expressions of remembrance to the Bethel Missionary Church or Golden Dawn Nursing Home would be appreciated. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through www.georgefuneralhome.com

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## REGULAR MEETINGS, FUN & GAMES

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before May. 8, 2024 to be included in the next Press.

### MONDAY

**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. **9-11am**

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

**Laughter Chair Yoga with Carolyn.** Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. **10-10:30am**

**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. Visit [von.ca](http://von.ca) for more info. **10am**

**VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes.** Tobermory Community Centre. Visit [von.ca](http://von.ca) for more info. **10:30am**

**Mind~Body~Chair~Yoga.** Zoom. Contact [nina@lovingyoga.ca](mailto:nina@lovingyoga.ca) for link. **10am**

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

**Bridge.** Church of St. Edmund, Tobermory. **1pm**

**Cards.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. [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 Meeting.** 56 Lindsay Rd, Lion's Head. Or view online at [northernbrucepeninsula.ca](http://northernbrucepeninsula.ca) **(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**

**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**

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

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

**The Old Schoolhouse Seniors Lunch.** Lion's Head Legion Branch 202. Visit [oshs.brucepen.com](http://oshs.brucepen.com) to reserve or call Peter at 519-793-3589 for more info. **First Tues. each month, Apr.-Oct. 11:30am**

**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**

**Tobermory Legion Branch 290 General Branch Meeting.** Tobermory Legion. **2nd Tues. each month, not July/Aug. 4pm**

**The Old Schoolhouse Seniors Dinner.** Lion's Head Legion Branch 202. Visit [oshs.brucepen.com](http://oshs.brucepen.com) to reserve or call Peter at 519-793-3589 for more info. **Last Tues. each month, Apr.-Oct. 5-7pm**

**Lion's Head Peanut Soccer Program.** BPDS soccer field. 8 weeks. Ages JK-Gr.5. \$30. **Starts May 7, 6-7pm**

**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**

### WEDNESDAY

**Peninsula SWANS Meeting.** New members welcome, contact Roberta at [rjmielhausen@gmail.com](mailto:rjmielhausen@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**

**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. Bone fit informed yoga using light weights. **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**

**Writer's Workshop.** Phone-in. Part of SCWW. Call 519-793-3473 for the link. **May 15, 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**

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### THURSDAY

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**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 [lhha220@gmail.com](mailto:lhha220@gmail.com) for more info. **1st Thurs. each month.**

**VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Visit [von.ca](http://von.ca) for more info. **10am**

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

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

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

**VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes.** Tobermory Community Centre. Visit [von.ca](http://von.ca) for more info. **10:30am**

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

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

**Bridge.** Tobermory United Church. **1pm**

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

**Darts & Cribbage.** Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Cribbage \$3/person. Bring your own darts. All are welcome. **Not 1st Thurs. each month. 1-3:30pm**

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

**Lion's Head Legion Branch 202 General Branch Meeting.** Lion's Head Legion. **1st Thurs. each month. 2-3pm**

**Wiarion Rotary Club Virtual Meeting.** email [wiarionrotary@gmail.com](mailto:wiarionrotary@gmail.com) for more info **6-8pm**

**Spirit Singers Choir Practice.** Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. For info or to sign up, contact 519-793-4826 or [mbullen174@gmail.com](mailto:mbullen174@gmail.com). **Until Oct., 6:30pm**

**Bruce Peninsula Spirit Singers.** Christ Church, Lion's Head. Contact Vicki at [rv\\_corcoran@yahoo.ca](mailto:rv_corcoran@yahoo.ca) if interested. **6:30-8:30pm**

**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) **7:30pm**

**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, Wiarton. Visit [bpsportsmen.com](http://bpsportsmen.com) for info. **Last Thurs. each month. 7:30pm**

### FRIDAY

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

**Beginners Line Dancing.** Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. [lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com). **9:30-10am**

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

**Laughter Chair Yoga with Carolyn.** Part of SCWW. Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. **10-10:30am**

**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**

**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**

**Tobermory Trivia Night.** Tobermory Legion, Branch 290. \$10 entry. **Next May 10, 7pm**

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

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

**Rotary Trivia Night.** Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. \$5 entry. **Next May 24, 7:30-9:30pm**

### 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 May 18. 9-11am**

**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 [osnguapl.ca/repair-cafe](http://osnguapl.ca/repair-cafe) for info. **Second Sat. each month. 1-4pm**

**Music & Dancing.** Wiarion 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, \$16 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**

**Rotary Club Coffee Socials.** Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Drop in for coffee and conversation. **12-4pm**

**Addiction is Addiction.** The Meeting Place, Tobermory. Educational support group for anyone directly or indirectly affected by addiction. Contact Kobi with questions 647-821-5624. **May 5 & 19, Jun. 9 & 23. 2-3pm**

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### Ongoing

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

### Wednesday May 1

**BPEG Potluck Supper Annual General Meeting.** Christ Church Anglican Parish Hall, Lion's Head. Please bring a dish to share and your cutlery, mug, and plate. Potluck followed by formal proceedings. **6pm**

### Thursday May 2 – Saturday May 25

**Rug Hooking Exhibition.** Deep Water Gallery, Wiarton. Presented by Hooked on the Bruce. Demos on May 4 & 18. See ad pg. 7. **Thursday-Saturday, 11am-4pm**

### Friday May 3 – Sunday May 5

**SoK Forum: A Sustainable Tourism Future for the Saugeen Peninsula.** Hosted by Sources of Knowledge. See [sourcesofknowledge.ca](http://sourcesofknowledge.ca) for more information. See ad pg. 3.

**Friday Evening Social.** Parks Canada Visitor Centre, Tobermory. **6pm**

**Technical Programs.** Parks Canada Visitor Centre, Tobermory. **Saturday/Sunday.**

**Banquet with Guest Speaker.** Tobermory Community Centre. Dinner prepared by Pharos Restaurant, Tobermory. **Saturday, Bar 5:30pm, Dinner 6:30pm**

### Monday May 6

**Celebration of the Arts! Bringing the Outdoors In.** Bruce Peninsula District School, Lion's Head. Art installations, bake sale & Spring concert. Admissions by donation, proceeds supporting the BPDS art & music program. **Pizza 5:30pm, Concert 6pm**

### Thursday May 9

**SWANS Annual Spring Fashion Show – C'mon Barbie, Let's Go Party.** Lion's Head Arena Auditorium. Barbie theme. Dinner. Cash bar. Silent auction table. Tickets \$30 for the evening available in advance at Bear Tracks Restaurant, or \$15 at the door for the show only. CASH ONLY. **Doors 4:30pm, Dinner 5:30pm, Show 7pm**

### Friday May 10

**Skin Cancer Screening.** Peninsula Family Health Team, Tobermory Site. Ages 16+. Call 519-596-2305 to book appointment time. See ad pg. 6.

### Saturday May 11

**Celebration of Life for Bob 'Bonzai' Spearing.** Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by Rotary Club of NBP. Bar, light luncheon. **11am-2:30pm**

**Classie Casual Boutique 2nd Annual Spring Open House.** Tobermory Community Centre. See ad pg. 16. **1:30-5pm**

### Tuesday May 14

**Classie Casual Boutique 2nd Annual Spring Open House.** Ferndale Tourist Information Centre. See ad pg. 16. **11am-4pm**

### Wednesday May 15

**Spring Chicken BBQ.** Tobermory United Church (drive through). Chicken dinner meal for \$25, will be available in advance, or day of. New this year: Vegetarian curry (advance orders only). Call 519-596-2227 or 519-596-2140 or email [tucbbqtickets@outlook.com](mailto:tucbbqtickets@outlook.com) for tickets. See ad pg. 2. **4:30-6pm**

### Saturday May 18

**Scott Manery & The Barn Burners Fundraiser Concert.** Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by The Tobermory Meeting Place. Tickets \$20 advance from local businesses or at [tobermorymeetingplace.com](http://tobermorymeetingplace.com), \$25 at the door. See ad pg. 3. **8pm**

### Friday May 24

**Community Take Back Drug Day.** Lion's Head Fire Hall. Sponsored by Peninsula Family Health Team. See ad pg. 10. **9am-1pm**

### Saturday May 25

**PBTC Tree Planting.** Vanishing Stream near Colpoy's Bay. Peninsula Bruce Trail Club invites youth and young adults to plant trees. Volunteer hours available for high school students. Contact Laura Pisko at [pbtc.dir.conservations@gmail.com](mailto:pbtc.dir.conservations@gmail.com) to register.

### Sunday May 26

**Lions Walk-for-Dog-Guides.** Lion's Head Beach Park. Hosted by Lion's Head & District Lions Club in collaboration with the Lions Foundation of Canada. Contact [ferndalelionsheadlions@gmail.com](mailto:ferndalelionsheadlions@gmail.com) or 519-793-3654.

### Saturday June 1 – Sunday June 2

**Lion's Head Pickleball Club Charity Tournament.** Lion's Head Arena. Proceeds to LH Food Bank and the LH Hospital Foundation. Contact [lionsheadpickleballclub@gmail.com](mailto:lionsheadpickleballclub@gmail.com) to contribute or with questions. More info to come.

### Sunday June 2

**Hike for Hospice.** Meet at Wiarton Arena. Three hikes to choose. Check [www.bphospice.ca](http://www.bphospice.ca) for more info. See ad pg. 16. **1pm**

### Thursday June 6

**Sources of Knowledge Presents: SOK Sings.** Parks Canada Visitor Centre. Featuring musicians and songwriters of the Saugeen Peninsula. Ticket details to follow. See ad pg. 8. **Doors open 6:30pm**

### Friday June 7

**Tobermory Thrift Shop Volunteer Orientation.** Tobermory United Church. Lunch provided. Contact 519-596-2394 or [tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca](mailto:tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca) to get involved. **12pm**

### Saturday June 8

**Men's Breakfast.** Tobermory Community Centre. Members of Tobermory Legion Branch 290 will speak about the military history of the Bruce Peninsula. Please RSVP by contacting Martin, [hogarth@auracom.com](mailto:hogarth@auracom.com) **Coffee ready 8am, Breakfast 9am**

**Friends of the Bruce District Parks 40th Anniversary Celebration.** Flowerpot Island Lightstation. Members or anyone interested in attending, contact Heather at [heather.a.keast@gmail.com](mailto:heather.a.keast@gmail.com).

### Thursday June 13 – Sunday June 16

**Chi-Cheemaun Festival – Celebrating 50 years.** Tobermory. More info to come.

### Friday June 14

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**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  
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**Lutheran & Anglican Services**, [laamb.ca](http://laamb.ca) 519-534-1604  
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**Pike Bay & Lion's Head United Church**,  
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# Bruce County Memories

## Troops Prevent Attack On Tobermory Wireless Station

Submitted by Robin Hilborn,  
Bruce County Historical Society

At the start of the Great War, and convinced that Germany could attack Tobermory at any time, the government called in the troops. Their goal was to prevent enemy agents from sabotaging the radio equipment at the wireless telegraph station.

The Tobermory wireless station was built in 1912 at North Point, known locally as Wireless Point. It was one in a chain of eight on the Canadian side of the Great Lakes. The others were at Kingston, Toronto Islands, Port Burwell, Point Edward, Midland, Sault Ste. Marie and Port Arthur. The stations broadcast weather and navigation reports in Morse Code to ships on the Great Lakes.

In 1914 15 soldiers of the 32nd Bruce Regiment (before 1900, the 32nd Bruce Battalion of Infantry, founded in 1866) were posted to Tobermory. They camped at North Point, known locally as Wireless Point, beside the Tobermory station. The men were experienced soldiers, but were soon replaced with untrained recruits and local men, possibly when the Army realized that the threat of German invasion was not as great as imagined.

The station had two buildings: a smaller one housed the radio-telegraph equipment; the larger provided living quarters for the wireless operators and their families. There were two 185-foot radio masts, a well-known landmark for passing sailors.

The transmitter put out 5.5 kilowatts of power and could transmit 350 nautical miles, at a wavelength of 600 metres, easily linking to its neighbours in the network.

Station operators used Morse code to communicate with ships on the Great Lakes, or at least those suitably equipped with Marconi apparatus. To send their weather and navigation messages, operators had to achieve at least 20 words a minute in Morse Code.

The Tobermory wireless station was

closed in 1939, when messaging by dots and dashes was replaced by voice over marine VHF radio. The two masts were taken down in 1941.

However the buildings gained a second life after the war, transformed into Trails End Lodge.

Arthur Amos bought the property in 1972 and his children, Sharon and Scott Amos, inherited it in 2020. The Amos family has maintained the station buildings in near pristine condition, so that Trails End Lodge is one of the last intact radio-telegraph stations of the early 20th century on the Great Lakes.

You can visit the former wireless station by joining the annual Bus Tour of the Bruce County Historical Society. The tour on June 5, 2024 will also include the St. Edmunds Museum and the National Park visitor centre. Register by May 24, 2024, at [bchsregister@gmail.com](mailto:bchsregister@gmail.com). The cost of \$100 per BCHS member and \$110 for non-members includes a picnic lunch.

Arthur Amos conducted much historical research on the station. With permission of his family, his material was used by Scarlett Janusas in her 2021 book, *The Story of the Tobermory Wireless Station* (available at the Bruce County Museum's gift shop).

Based in Tobermory, Janusas is an archaeologist who has conducted many underwater projects and cultural heritage assessments. She first stayed at the lodge in 1979, during her Scuba diving checkout, and met Arthur Amos.

In her book she dispels one rumour, that the Tobermory station received one of the first distress calls from the Titanic. It didn't happen, because the ship sank April 14, 1912 and the station opened on July 26, 1912.

Scarlett Janusas is one of three featured authors at Authors Night, on August 12, 2024 in the Bruce County Museum Theatre. Also speaking will be Dr. John Carter, on editing the Rebellion issue of "Ontario History" magazine, and David Pyper, on his book *The History of Sauble Beach*.



Photo: Tobermory wireless station (Arthur Amos archives).



Photo: On guard at the wireless station (16143/Archives of Ontario).

## Men's Breakfast Dives Into the Experiences of Local Mariner John Currie

Submitted by the Men's Breakfast

John Currie, who happens to be our M.C. for the Men's Breakfast, got to introduce himself as guest speaker at our April 13th breakfast. John retired 20 years ago and moved to the Tobermory area where he soon got bored of retirement and went to work at Graham's Marine which was located on the highway across from the golf course (now operated by Rod Anderson). Graham's Marine owned two dive boats that were leased to the Diver's Den. He obtained his Ministry of Transport Master's Level certification and found himself crewing the dive boats as Graham purchased Diver's Den along with two additional dive boats.

John outlined his duties which involved assisting experienced and novice divers and snorkelers with their gear. More experienced divers, called "Tech Divers" wouldn't let him touch their gear (nor anyone else!). He also provided the passengers with some historical facts about the Tobermory area and about the wreck they were about to explore.

The W.L. Wetmore, located at the northwest end of Russel Island, was and is a popular dive and snorkel destination as the 215 ft ship is in fairly shallow water and is particularly well-displayed including its boiler, propeller and anchor. The Wetmore wrecked in 1901 while pulling two other boats including the King which lies at the southwest tip of Russel Island.

John provided us with an interesting marine history of this area including displaying several artifacts. Of particular interest was the scale model of the cross-section of Schooner *Clipper City* ca. 1854 constructed by local carver Stan McClellan about 20 years ago. The model demonstrates the complex construction details of the mid-ship hull, keel, and deck and can be seen on display at the Parks Canada visitor center.

The first marine chart of Tobermory and the Islands was of particular interest. Drawn by British naval officer William Fitzwilliam Owen (familiar names) it dates from 1815 when Tobermory was called Collins Harbour. Cove Island was originally named "Island of Coves", which I find much more descriptive. Former naval officer David Wingfield mapped offshore islands Lucas and Yeo which happened to be two

of the names of a British officer and Bayfield remapped the area using better equipment.

The first chart didn't have many depth soundings but these were supported by sailors' log books referred to as "Sailing Directions". Navigation was principally undertaken using your speed multiplied by time to determine distance. Direction was based on "dead reckoning" using visible landmarks and navigation aids. Lights were installed at Cabot Head and Flowerpot Island in 1896 after the Cove Island Lighthouse which was constructed in 1855/56.

Some of John's interesting experiences included performing a wedding for a couple from Sudbury, taking a mother and son to a location where a deceased son undertook his first dive, and steering the Parks Canada boat to support drone operations for filming. Over a four-year period between 2015 and 2019, John crewed for 453 divers, 50 snorkelers, and a total of 6,357 passengers. After a short hiatus due to Covid, he has returned to crewing for the Blue Heron company.

The next Men's Breakfast on May 11 will feature our number one cook Lawrence Beagan who will leave the kitchen and provide a presentation on IT (information technology). Lawrence consulted in IT so bring your most perplexing computer/software questions and stories to share.

On June 8th, members of the Tobermory Legion Branch 290 will speak about the rich military history of the Bruce Peninsula. Shirley Johnstone (Branch Veterans' Committee Chair) and Rob Davis will highlight some of the many veterans who left the peninsula in order to fight for Canada in two wars.

If you are planning to attend, it would be helpful if you let us know, by contacting Martin at [hogarth@auracom.com](mailto:hogarth@auracom.com)

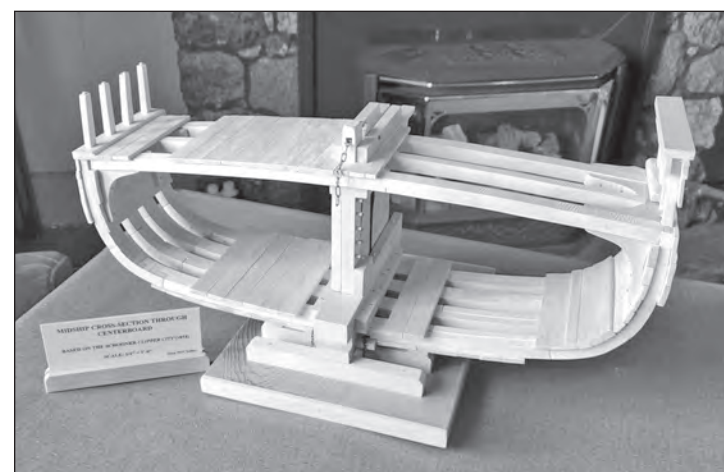


Photo: The scale model of the cross-section of Schooner *Clipper City* ca. 1854 was constructed by local carver Stan McClellan about 20 years ago. The model demonstrates the complex construction details of the mid-ship hull, keel, and deck and can be seen on display at the Parks Canada visitor center.

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# Peninsula Bruce Trail Club Pioneers – 60 Years Ago

Submitted by Brenda Stewart,  
PBTC Archivist

Continuing with the theme of recognizing the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club (PBTC) founding pioneers for our 60th anniversary this year, we are reprinting this article originally published in the "Rattler" in 2014. It was written by Deb Sturdevant, former PBTC Archivist about Howard and Bruce Krug, from Chesley.

## 50 Years Ago: Chesley Bruce Trail Club

Howard Krug (1904-1997) and his brother Bruce Krug (1919-2013) of Chesley, Ontario are known as two of the pioneers of the Peninsula section of the Bruce Trail, having cut and blazed portions of original trail between Cabot Head and northwest of Cave Point fifty years ago. Bruce Krug was awarded a Pioneer Plaque at the PBTC 2003 AGM for his contributions to establishing the trail, and in 2007 he was awarded the BTC's Calypso Orchid Environmental Award for his significant contributions to the restoration and preservation of the Bruce Trail and Niagara Escarpment.

After Bruce's passing in 2013, his Estate donated Peninsula properties to the Bruce Trail Conservancy.

The Estate also donated many boxes of Krug family personal, business, and local history records to the Archives at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre. Among those many treasures was one of particular interest to the PBTC – a diary created by Howard Krug entitled "Notes of the Chesley Bruce Trail Club"! As Howard noted in the first entry, this was "an unorganized group from Chesley and vicinity which helped to cut and mark parts of the Bruce Trail." Although other parts of the trail were much closer to Chesley, the group decided to help in the Peninsula area "where it appeared that there might be less people interested in helping with the Trail." From Chesley to Cabot Head, the southern most starting point, would have been more than two hours of driving.

They made their start on November 24, 1963, meeting Jack Johnstone and his son at Cabot's Head Lighthouse. At that time, until 1978, the Trail ran from Wingfield Basin, along the base of West Bluff and then beside the escarpment edge to High Dump. Currently, the trail cuts inland north of Dyer's Bay, before Cabot Head, emerging along the escarpment edge again at High Dump. The BTC is working towards the possibility that one day the trail will again follow a route similar to that blazed by the Chesley group.

The diary records their trail work activities on thirteen weekend days, from 1963-1965. The group ranged from two to nine people, including: Howard and Bruce Krug, Jeff Ankerman, Dennis Bradley, Ted Cobean, Floyd Dudgeon, Doug Gaelor, Don McLean, Jim Siegrist, Tom and John Soper, Ken Steinhoff, Sid, Peter and Bud Street, George Toner, and Jim Witzhee.



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Photo: Howard Krug, Bud and Peter Street, and Dan McLean at old Burdock Camp, May 9, 1965 / by Bruce Krug.

It is clear from Howard's notes that they enjoyed the unexplored nature of the area, including the fascinating views and interesting discoveries. Perhaps not so enjoyable were the access challenges, sometimes resulting in more time spent hiking to the trail than working on the trail. The following is a selection of excerpts from the diary, the original of which is available to view in the Research Room and Archives at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre ([bruce-museum.ca](http://bruce-museum.ca)).

November 24, 1963: From Cabot Head Lighthouse, "we walked south of Wingfield Basin and the small lake coming out of the stony shore near the old boiler. Continuing along this Stony and pebbly shore, we came to where the Bluff approached the shore and we were all fascinated by the large rock boulders which had fallen from the bluff and made it nearly impossible to get by at places." The February 1968 Bruce Trail Guide Book notes in the Rocky Bay area description "For the next mile the Trail follows the shoreline to reach West Bluff. Here several house-size boulders pepper the Trail where previous mountain climbing experience is an asset."

April 12 or 19, 1964: "We came across a trail running away from the lake here, so Tom and I followed it and it led to Urbshott's hunting camp."

May 3, 1964: "...we drove in to the north end of Gillies Lake... we went in the trail past Lymburner Lake and Conlon Lake to Urbshott's camp and then on to

join up with our previous stopping place. We did not cut trail today, but carried on along the top of the cliff and partly marked where the Trail should run, going as far as the High Dump. Here we went down to the shore (only place of access in this section) and had our lunch. Some of



Photo Courtesy of Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre, A2014.003.K64-08-11  
Photo: Howard Krug, north of Cabot Head, April 1964 / by Bruce Krug.

the old timber work still remains of the slide which they had to put logs down to the shore from the top of the cliff. From the High Dump, a trail leads in the towards Moore Lake so we took this trail and after about a 4 mile hike, we came out to the road, after which Jack (Johnstone) and I had the additional walk of about a mile to get to the cars."

October 18, 1964: "We walked in the Umbrella-Moore Lake trail to High Dump. After our long walk in from the car, our group were pretty leg weary, especially since some shoes were not fitting too good, so after cutting between ¼ and ½ mile, we retraced our steps on that long walk out."

October 25, 1964: "The road that we took in today from near Emmett Lake goes past what is called Burdock Camp. This is an old logging camp of Casters and the clearance around the remains of the log buildings gives ample evidence of the name of the camp without any need of signs."

May 2, 1965: "We went in the Emmett Lake road and trail to Halfway Rock Dump. At places we had quite a lot of snow on the road but, with the help of others pushing, we managed to get through. ...We were working in deep snow for most of the way until we got on top of the ridge running out to Cave Point."

May 16, 1965: "We worked east from the end of the road [Cameron Lake Forest road] towards Crawford Warder's cabin. When we got near it a thunderstorm came up and we had to run for shelter. Fortunately, he does not leave the place locked so we spent the duration of the storm inside and watched the storm over the lake... we headed back for the car with not too much work to show for the day's trip."

More information about the Krugs' contributions to conservation, the BTC and Bruce County communities may be found in Ross McLean's booklets "50 to Remember" (2012) and "Forty Years of Trail Building: the People and Stories of the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club" (2004), as well as the book "A Century of Excellence: Krug Bros. & Co. Furniture Manufacturers" by Howard Krug and Ruth Cathcart (ed.), (2001), or contact PBTC Archives at [pbtarchives@gmail.com](mailto:pbtarchives@gmail.com)



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Photo: Chesley BTC members among remains of a ship boiler on the shore north of Wingfield Basin, November 24, 1963 / by Bruce Krug.



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# Bruce Peninsula O.P.P Report: Family Pet Shot With Pellet Gun

Media Release

(SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA, ON)

- On April 5, 2024, the Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) received a call that a family pet was shot with a pellet gun in South Bruce Peninsula.

Police spoke with the pet owner who advised that the family cat roams free in the town and is out from morning to night. On April 1, 2024, the pet owner noticed that the cat was not acting normal and noticed a hole in the cat's leg. The pet owner brought the cat to the vet who determined that the cat was shot with a pellet. The cat has died from its injuries.

Police are reminding all pet owners that most Municipalities in Grey Bruce have by-laws for animals being at large. Pet owners are asked to educate themselves on their local by-laws. If you notice a nuisance animal on your property, please contact your local by-law officer. There is no reason for anyone to shoot a pet animal with a pellet gun.

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.

## A REMINDER TO OFF-ROAD VEHICLES OPERATORS

(GREY BRUCE, ON) - The Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) want to remind all Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) operators that the Grey County's CP Rail Trail is currently closed for ORV operators. ORVs are

only permitted on a portion of the trail from May 1 - November 30. Anyone located on the trail can be stopped and charged under the Trespass to Property Act (TPA).

The Grey Bruce OPP would like to remind riders to check with their local municipality to determine if Off Road Motor Vehicle usage is permitted. Municipalities have the authority to create by-laws to restrict/prohibit usage of ORVs. Ensure that you are on a public trail and not private property. Ensure if a trail permit is required that you have it properly affixed.

The OPP would like to offer ORV operators some safety tips and laws surrounding operating ORV's on the highway:

- For any on road usage, all operators must be at least 16 years old and hold at a minimum a valid G2 or M2 licence. This includes driving the ORV across the road.
- Wear an approved motorcycle helmet.
- ORVs must be driven in the same direction as traffic and on the shoulder where available.
- Vehicles must be registered, plated, and insured.
- No passengers under the age of 8 and the number of occupants is limited to the number of available seating positions.
- Have headlights and taillights on between sunset and sunrise or when the weather is unfavourable.
- If the posted speed limit is 50 km/h or less the limit for the ORV is 20 km/h.
- If the posted speed limit is greater than 50 km/h the limit for the ORV is 50 km/h.



## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK

May 5th -11th, 2024



Emergency Preparedness Week is an opportunity to encourage Canadians to take concrete actions to be better prepared to protect themselves and their families during emergencies.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Learn about different emergencies that may affect our area and how to be prepared. For information about current emergencies, visit [ontario.ca/alert](http://ontario.ca/alert) or Emergency Management Ontario

### BE PREPARED

Everyone in Ontario is encouraged to be prepared — by creating a plan, assembling an emergency survival kit and by staying informed.



For further information regarding emergency preparedness, contact Jack Burt, Fire Chief/Community Emergency Management Coordinator

[firechief@northernbruce.ca](mailto:firechief@northernbruce.ca) 1-833-793-3537

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK 2024

## May 5th-11th, 2024

**We can keep supplies that will help us if a disaster happens. Put together a disaster supplies kit today!**

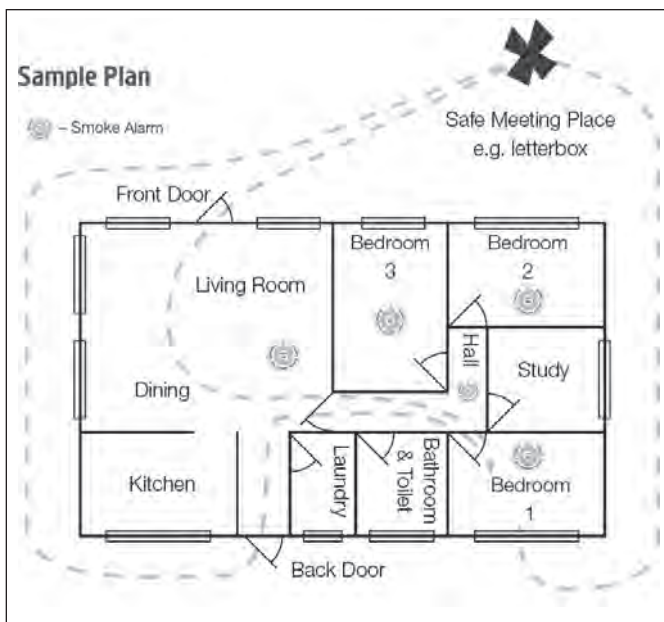


Emergency Preparedness Week (EP Week) is an annual event that will take place from May 5-11, 2024. We are offering **children, ages 4-6**, that reside within Northern Bruce Peninsula to colour and submit the attached colouring page.

To promote Emergency Preparedness, we are offering **children, ages 7-10**, that reside within Northern Bruce Peninsula, to complete Fire Safety/ Exit Plans for their homes. Children can refer to the attached Fire Safety Plan. They should remember to include the location of all Smoke/ CO alarms, Fire Extinguishers, Fire Exits, and the preferred emergency meeting place for the house.

**There will be prizes awarded in the two different age groups: 4-6-year-olds and 7-10-year-olds.**

**Please ensure your name, age, grade, home address, and email (if applicable) are included in your submission. Your coloured poster or Fire Safety Plan can be submitted by email to [lforbes@northernbruce.ca](mailto:lforbes@northernbruce.ca) or by mail to the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula - 56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head, Ont. N0H 1W0 - Contest closes on May 17th, 2024.**







# MUNICIPALITY OF NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA PUBLIC NOTICES

Office Hours  
Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
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Ontario N0H 1W0  
Telephone: 1-833-793-3537  
Fax: 519-793-3823  
Website: [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca)

## OFFICE CLOSURE - VICTORIA DAY

The Municipal Office will be closed on Monday, May 20, 2024, for Victoria Day the office will reopen on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

All noted meetings are held at the Municipal Office unless otherwise indicated below.

Tuesday May 7, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Museum Meeting - The Meeting Place
Monday May 13, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting Public Meeting Zoning- Ziolkoski
Monday May 27, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday June 4, 2024	9:00 a.m.	Museum Meeting - The Meeting Place
Monday June 10, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting
Monday June 24, 2024	1:00 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting



EVENTS CALENDAR

## 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, May 13th, 2024, in the Council Chambers at 56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head, Ontario.

**By-Law No. 2024-29** Being a By-Law to Authorize a Software Licence Agreement between ParkPass Inc. and the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

**By-law No. 2024-31** Being a By-law to Appoint the Community Member to the Grey Bruce Detachment Joint Board.

**By-Law No. 2024-33** Being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement with Golden Dawn Seniors Home for the Provision of Shuttle Services Within the Village of Lion's Head.

**By-Law No. 2024-34** Being a by-law imposing special annual drainage rates upon land in respect of which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act.

**By-law No. 2024-35** Being a by-law imposing special annual drainage rates upon land in respect of which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act.

**By-Law No. 2024-37** Being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Property Standards Officers for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula.

**By-Law No. 2024-38** Being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement with Parks Canada for the Collection of Parking Fees on Chi sin tib dek Road.

**By-Law No. 2024-39** Being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement with Parks Canada for the Sale of Daily Family/Group Entry Permits to Bruce Peninsula National Park at Little Cove Rd.

## CHI CHEEMAUN FESTIVAL COMMITTEE 50TH EVENT

Chi Cheemaun Festival Committee 50th event will commence on June 13th with a Fashion Show at the St. Edmunds Community Centre and continue until Sunday, June 16th. Get your Cardboard Boat ready for the annual race on Saturday, June 15th at 2:00 p.m. A parade is being organized for Saturday, June 15th at 11:00 a.m.- Get your float ready. A "Light up the Night" Cruise onboard the M.S. Chi-Cheemaun – Saturday, June 15th. Annual Baseball Tournament begins on Friday, June 14th to Sunday, June 16th. More details to follow as the planning and preparation work continues.



## FOOD TRUCK LICENSING PORTAL HAS BEEN ACTIVATED

Council adopted the Food Truck Licensing By-law on January 8th, 2024, which requires all food trucks operating within the Municipality to obtain a licence each year. The Municipality licencing portal to accept Food Truck Licence was activated on Monday, April 22, 2024. Please use the link below to access information surrounding the application process. <https://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/foodtrucks>

## FIRE PERMITS

For your convenience, fire permits are available on-line at [www.northbrucepeninsula.ca](http://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca). On the Municipal home page, scroll to the flame symbol beside "fire permits." Commencing April 1, 2024, daytime burning is not permitted unless the appropriate fire permit is obtained.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK MAY 5-11, 2024

The Emergency Preparedness Week is May 5-11, 2024. This year's theme is "Plan for Every Season". Thank you for your support in developing a safe, practiced, and prepared Ontario.

## 2024 HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT SCHEDULE FOR MNB

Now is a great time to remove hazardous materials and dispose of them in an environmentally safe manner. Household hazardous waste materials include but are not limited to the following items:

Paints & Stains	Propane Tanks	Used Oil	Aerosols
Batteries	Antifreeze	Oil Filters	Solvents
Household Cleaners	Fluorescent Lights	Fertilizers	Fuel
Pharmaceuticals	Fire Extinguishers	Pesticides	Pool Chemicals

Event Location	Date	Hours of Operation	Location
Lions' Head	June 22	8:00-12:00	Lions' Head – Eastnor Landfill Site – 1252 West Rd
Tobermory	August 10	8:00-12:00	Tobermory – St Edmunds Landfill – 71 McArthur Rd

Attendees must remain in their vehicle, with waste material in open trunk only for unloading. Commercial, Agricultural, Industrial Wastes, PCB'S, Ammunition or Flares will not be accepted. Only containers with a volume of 30 litres or less will be accepted. Waste must be received in containers that can be disposed of. Containers are not emptied and returned (i.e. gas cans). Empty metal paint cans are blue box recyclable. For further information, visit [www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardous-waste.php](http://www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardous-waste.php)

## INTERIM TAX BILLING

Just a reminder that the Interim 2nd due date for the Tax Billing is Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

## NEW MONTHLY COMMUNITY 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.



Sign-up for our E-Newsletter

## MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX (MAT) NEW PAYMENT SITE

The Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) remittance is due on April 30th, 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.**



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## LANDFILL SITES HOURS OF OPERATION APRIL 1ST TO OCTOBER 31ST, 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Lindsay 9-5 p.m.	Eastnor 9-5 p.m.		St Edmunds 9-5 p.m.		Lindsay 9-5 p.m.	Eastnor and St. Edmunds 9-5 p.m.

**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 no later than 8:00 a.m. on Mondays. All issues with curbside waste and recycling collection, are to be directed to the contractor at 1-888-730-3344 extension 1.

## BRUCE COUNTY BOOKMOBILE

Bruce County Public Library is offering the Bookmobile service in Northern Bruce Peninsula. The BCPL Bookmobile is a mobile library designed to bring the joy of reading and learning directly to underserved communities throughout Bruce County. Literacy, remote communities, senior isolation and mobility, and financial barriers to library and internet access can be addressed through a mobile library service serving Bruce County.

Patrons can expect a collection of books, DVDs, and educational materials, including tech kits. The Bookmobile is also outfitted with a free Wi-Fi hub. The Bookmobile staff are dedicated to creating a safe and welcoming space and assisting patrons of all ages. Please check the schedule at <https://library.brucecounty.on.ca/bookmobile-schedule/> to see when it's in our area.

## REPORT BEAR SIGHTINGS AND ENCOUNTERS

The Ministry of Natural Resources has a "Bear Wise" program that provides tips and information on how to prevent the bears from becoming a nuisance. Visit their website. Here is who to call if you encounter a bear:

– Call 911 non-emergency encounters

– call the toll-free Bear Wise reporting line at 1-866-514-2327

## BUILDING PERMITS

The Building Department would like to remind residents that a building permit is required for: new construction, additions, and alterations to commercial, residential, industrial and agricultural buildings; home improvements; and all plumbing work. Please note that a failure to comply with the Building Permit requirements is an offence under the Building Code Act and that an order to comply will be strictly enforced.

## AFTER-HOURS TELEPHONE NUMBER

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.

## MEMBERS OF COUNCIL 2022-2026

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

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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

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**Volunteer Recognition Day Continued from page 2**

Charlene Jordan, the Market Manager. Wilson said the Market is greatly appreciated, calling it a "gem of the area."

The Northern Bruce Peninsula Support Advisory Action Committee nominated six men from the Bruce Men's Shed. Its leadership team consists of Bill Rusk, Gerry Tilmans, Owen Glendon, Peter Roser, Tim Wilson and Terry Dovaston. Spokesperson Sharron Colter said each of the men with their special talents/roles were instrumental in the implementation of the Men's Shed in the Northern Bruce Peninsula. The organization aims to provide programming that promotes good health and wellness for men in the community.

The Peninsula Bruce Trail Club nominated some of their outstanding trail volunteers: Ron MacDonald, Brenda Stewart, Janna Cheghano, Randy



Photo L-R: Bruce Men's Shed members are recognized for their volunteer work - (Back row) Bill Rusk, Tim Wilson, Owen Glendon, Terry Dovaston, Gerry Tilmans, Sharron Coulter, and Councillor Todd Dowd.

(Front row) Mayor Milt McIver, Councillors Laurie (Smokey) Golden and Aman Sohrab. Missing from photo: Peter Roeser.

Vanderlaan, Christian and Barbara von der Heide, Nina Andic, Doug Hill, Kove Sartor, Maverick Solomon, Barb Reuber, Beth Gilhespy, Betty Hastings, Dr Brian Taylor, Jane Greenhouse, Caley Doran and Fran Turner. Tamara Wilson said that 200 volunteers maintain 170 km of main trails and 100 km of side trails from Wiarton to Tobermory. These trails are described as some of the most challenging terrain of the whole Bruce Trail. From trail maintenance, community outreach to fundraising, the volunteers have been generous with their time and skills.

Sharron Coulter on behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 202, recognized the contributions by Richard Smith, its current President. Smith has been the President for the past five years, for 12 years was the Chair of the successful campaigns for the sale of Poppies and for 14 years ran the honours/ awards program for the Legion.



Photo L-R: Mayor Milt McIver, Richard Smith and Sharron Colter. Smith was recognized for his volunteer work with Lion's Head Legion Branch 202.



Photo: Norbert Woerns was nominated by Tobermory Health Services Auxiliary for his work in beautification of the grounds of the Tobermory Medical Centre. (L-R) Milt McIver, Norbert Woerns, Rob Davis, Councillors Smokey Golden, Aman Sohrab and Todd Dowd,

The 2024 recipients nominated by The Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula are Robert Hiscott, the Late Robert Spearing, Douglas Greig, Dale Diebel, Dan Bryans, Wendell Thomson, and Dr Dave Thomson. Cathryn Buckley said community volunteers are the glue that holds everything together and recognized the Rotarians for their service above self.

The Sources of Knowledge nominated Daryl Cowell who took the opportunity to promote the upcoming Sources of Knowledge Forum on a



Photo L-R: Mayor Milt McIver, Daryl Cowell and Owen Glendon. Cowell was recognized for his work with Sources of Knowledge.



Photo: Attendees enjoyed light snacks and social time at the 2024 Volunteer Recognition Day.

Sustainable Tourism Future for the Saugeen Peninsula to be held May 3 - 5, 2024. Cowell has been involved in every Forum since 2009.

Ruth Bainbridge was nominated by St Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum for her many years of volunteering at the museum and promoting the history of the area.

Norbert Woerns was nominated by Tobermory Health Services Auxiliary for his work in beautification of the grounds of the Tobermory Medical Centre.

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Photo: Ruth Bainbridge was nominated by St Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum for her many years of volunteering at the museum and promoting the history of the area - (L-R) Mayor Milt McIver, Ruth Bainbridge, Rob Davis, Councillors Aman Sohrab, Laurie (Smokey) Golden and Todd Dowd.

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**Volunteer Recognition Day  
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Tim Hayes was nominated by Bonnie Ashcroft for his efforts with the Lion's Head Community Bottle Fund and his support of local events, Ashcroft made special mention of the Bottle Fund fully sponsoring the Christmas Feast for students at the local schools in Lion's Head and Tobermory.

Jennifer Dewey was recognized for her years of service at the Tobermory Food Bank.

Sue Gremm, Barbara Zych, Gail Pells and Gail Beagan are volunteers at Tobermory Smartfit Program and were recognized for their efforts in leading exercise classes for seniors for the past three years at the Tobermory Community Centre.



Photo: Jennifer Dewey was recognized for her years of service at the Tobermory Food Bank. (L-R) Mayor Milt McIver, Jennifer Dewey, Councillors Aman Sohrab, Laurie (Smokey) Golden and Todd Dowd.



Photo: Volunteers at Tobermory Smartfit Program were recognized for their efforts in leading exercise classes for seniors for the past three years at the Tobermory Community Centre. (L-R) Milt McIver, Councillor Smokey Golden, Barbara Zych, Gail Pells, Sue Gremm, Councillors Aman Sohrab, and Todd Dowd. Missing from photo: Gail Beagan.



Photo L-R: Aman Sohrab, Laurie Smokey Golden, Milt McIver, Debbie Dover, two members from the executive of the Pike Bay Community Association, and Todd Dowd.

**BPDS Students Continue to Support Lion's Head Food Bank**

*Submitted by Lion's Head & District Food Bank*

Secondary Students at Bruce Peninsula District School participated in a Toonie Collection for Easter. The Students' Council matched the amount collected and presented a cheque of \$200.00 to The Lion's Head & District Food Bank (LHDFB).

Christmas and Easter holiday hampers as well as more than usual regular hampers. Peacocks Foodland in Tobermory have been incredibly helpful in ordering food items needed by the Food Bank for the past 8 months while our local grocery store has been closed. We are very grateful for their assistance. (see photo front page)

**Outstanding Community Support of Food Bank**

The LHDFB continues to purchase food items from the funds donated through Christ Church's Christmas fundraiser, "Gifts of Gratitude".

We were able to provide substantial

Special thanks to John Power, Food Bank volunteer driver, for driving to Tobermory to pick up food items and also for his willingness to deliver hampers as needed.

It takes a community to make a difference and Food Bank volunteers appreciate the amazing community support for our programs.



Photo: Student Council Representative Ava Cameron and Food Bank volunteer Darlene Myles. Ava Cameron is the Events Coordinator on the BPDS Secondary Students' Council.

**Notice of Pesticide Use**

The County of Bruce intends to control noxious weeds along the following rural County roadsides: BR1, BR2, BR3, BR4, BR6, BR6E, BR7, BR10, BR12, BR15, BR19, BR20, BR22, BR23, BR28, BR30, and BR 86.

The following pesticides will be used which are registered under the Pest Control Products Act (Canada):

- Navius FLEX Herbicide (Reg. #30922) containing the active ingredients Metsulfuron - methyl and Aminocyclopyrachlor.
- Hasten NT Ultra Spray Adjuvant (Reg. #31760) containing the active ingredients Methyl and ethyl oleate (esterified vegetable oil).
- ClearView Herbicide (Reg. #29752) containing the active ingredients Aminopyralid (present as potassium salt), and Metsulfuron-methyl.

We are controlling Noxious weeds under Public Works Exception of the Cosmetic Pesticides Ban for the promotion of public health and safety.

Spraying will commence on May 13, 2024, weather permitting, and conclude June 30, 2024.

For more information, please contact:

- Greenstream - Steve Ford  
1-905-510-1229 (collect calls accepted)
- Bruce County - Andrew Beumer,  
Environmental Services Manager  
1-226-909-2824 (collect calls accepted)



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# Midnight Blue Rocks The Wiarton Propeller Club's 75th Anniversary Gala

Media Release

Wiarion, ON - On Saturday, April 20, 2024, the Wiarton Propeller Club's 75th Anniversary Gala Dinner & Dance took off with a performance by Midnight Blue that had everyone on their feet. The event, held at the Wiarton Propeller Club, was a night to remember, filled with music, dance, and celebration.

The weekend started with a heartwarming gesture as Julianne Hull, President of the Wiarton Propeller Club, presented Jenny Bell, coach of the Bluewater Ballistix under 15 girls volleyball team, with a \$1,000 team sponsorship grant for their upcoming provincials tournament in Ottawa on April 24-27, 2024.

Special guests included fourteen members of Captain Harold Miller's family. Their presence was a heartfelt tribute as they attended the unveiling ceremony of his portrait, which will hang on the stage for years to come. Captain Harold Miller's generous donation of the land to the Wiarton Propeller Club on March 13, 1969, remains a cornerstone of our history and community spirit. Seven guests from the Given family also attended and shared stories.

The Gala kicked off at 4:00 p.m. with a cocktail reception where guests mingled and shared memories of sailing. Chef Andy Mackey served a delicious Roast Beef Dinner with all the Fixin's at 5:00 p.m., and volunteers from the Lions Club, Optimist Club, local girls volleyball team, and the Wiarton Propeller Club helped make the event a success.

At 6:30 p.m., Paul White's theme story "BATTLING GEORGIAN BAY & OTHER FOES" captivated the audience with tales of sailing ships in the Wiarton area. A balloon archway provided a backdrop for families to capture commemorative photos.



Photo L-R: Members of the Bluewater Ballistix volleyball team accept a cheque for \$1,000 from the Wiarton Propeller Club – Jenny Bell, Julianne Hull (President of Wiarton Propeller Club), Lena Hofstrand, Teagan Verburg, Isis Brooks, and Jason Verburg.

Midnight Blue, with Special Guest Pete Myles, took the stage and had the crowd dancing all night long. Fiddler, Brooklyn Hewton, played while Marg Miller called a couple of square dances, adding to the fun-filled evening.

President Julianne Hull expressed her gratitude, saying, "An unforgettable evening at our 75th Gala! Chef Andy's feast and Optimist Club's pies were delightful. Thanks, Jackie and volunteers!"

For more information about the Wiarton Propeller Club Gala Dinner & Dance, please visit [www.wiartonpropellerclub.ca](http://www.wiartonpropellerclub.ca) or

contact Julianne Hull at [contact@wiartonpropellerclub.ca](mailto:contact@wiartonpropellerclub.ca)

## About the Wiarton Propeller Club

Founded in 1949 by local sailors and their families, the Wiarton Propeller Club has a rich history of community engagement and support. Initially established to celebrate the return and departure of sailors with dinners, the club quickly became a hub of activity in Wiarton.

During times when the men were away at sea, the women took charge of fundraising for the community and the maintenance of the club's building. Over the years, the building, initially a club room, was expanded to include a dance hall and underwent continuous renovations. The club also became a focal point for community groups and events, including the famous Wiarton Willie festivities.

The Wiarton Propeller Club aims to promote sports, recreation, healthcare support, community services, and charitable causes in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula. Additionally, the club raises funds for charitable organizations, fosters an appreciation for boating and sailing, provides social and recreational opportunities for seniors and youth, offers enjoyable facilities for members and guests, assists individuals with disabilities, and operates and supports youth programs that encourage personal development and community pride.

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