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Ferndale Gas

**Station Installs** 

**Temporary Pumps** 

**Ahead of Six Week** 

Renovation

The gas station at Ferndale has

The construction phase of the

"There will be new signage but

the property co-owner Phyllis Hayes;

The new signage will reflect the

the gas station will be a FAST STOP

energy supplier Central Ontario FS and

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additionally "all staff will keep their

There will be proper signage in place

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

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2025 Number Fifteen

September 9 to September 23, 2025



#### Lion's Head U9 Undefeated for 2025 Season

Photo Courtesy of Josh Choronzey Photo: The Lion's Head U9 baseball team completed the 2025 season UNDEFEATED with a record of 8-0, an incredible feat! The team also finished 2nd in the Grey Bruce softball year-end tournament.

Team players were Ezra Lott, Ayden Sabine, Dax Wilkinson, Gordon Lawson, Anna Phillips, Kaylene Fry, Zoey Ironmonger, Mickey Choronzey, Connor Thompson, Brody Harquail, Tucker Tackaberry, Dawson Tackaberry, Beau Hellyer, Zev Davies and Liam Campbell. Coaches were Josh Choronzey, Tom Harquail and Jed Ironmonger.

### **Whiskey Harbour Concert Fundraiser Earns** Almost \$2,500 for Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary

It was the first ever SOLD OUT Starlight 70s concert, August 23, held at the Whiskey Harbour home of Vickie

Submitted by Vickie van Dyke van Dyke and Richard Smith. Featuring award-winning singer-songwriter Thomas Wade, popular duo Jorge

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Photo: Nancy Lajoie (Auxiliary), Ian Michael Townsend, Lianne Timbers-Sharp, Sylvain Defoy, Kris Fisher, Brant Grozelle, Jorge Lasso, Thomas Wade and Vickie van Dyke.

### Record 456 Fish **Entered in Annual By** The Bay Fishing Derby

By Tessa Swanton (Townson), Bruce Peninsula Press

By The Bay's Annual Fishing Derby started out with colder temperatures but sunny skies remained throughout the four-day event proving to be good luck for anglers. A record number of 456 fish were entered in the derby this year compared to 336 in 2024.

Hundreds of attendees of all ages were gathered behind By The Bay store in Pike Bay on August 31 for the award ceremony. Event organizer, Brad Hazzard, emceed the event with his daughter and By The Bay owner,

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# station. The gas station will continue **Council Approves**

**Stokes Bay Channel Dredging Project** 

A motion moved by Councillor

Aman Sohrab was passed by Council on August 25 for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBP) to contribute up to \$5,000 for dredging of the channel in Stokes Bay adjacent to the municipal parkland at 67 Tamarac Road. The dredging project encompasses approximately 300 feet of shoreline - the

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By Tessa Swanton (Townson),

Bruce Peninsula Press

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Our Heat Pump Workshop is back by popular demand!

If you missed our previous Heat Pump Workshops, the Biosphere Association, in collaboration with the Municipality's Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee, and the Pike Bay Community Association will be offering another workshop! This initiative is one step towards

Submitted by Donna Cole climate action plan. https://www. biosphereclimateaction.ca/climate\_ action\_plan

> Electrifying heating using a heat pump and transportation by driving an electric vehicle are the most significant steps we as individuals can take to reduce carbon emissions. Learn from a local resident's experience with transitioning to a heat pump and achieving an annual savings in propane and wood consumption of over \$1,500 while saving over 5,600 kg of carbon emissions per year!

The Heat Pump Workshop will take place on Thursday September 18, 7 -

Centre, 2 Sutter Road. Eric Crose of Crose Mechanical, as well as other Heat better solution for you, pump users, will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

- Types of heat pumps and how they
- when in your furnace's life to switch,
- merits of converting to a heat pump (which cools and heats) rather than replacing or buying a new air conditioner,
- determining if a hybrid system is a
- installation and operating costs of a heat pump versus propane or wood
- and climate benefits of heat pumps.

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**5 ACRE BUILDING LOT** 

For Sale \$184,900

Well treed lot in Miller Lake area, driveway already in place, building approval previously confirmed with municipality, very private setting awaiting your personal design.

For Sale \$399,000

#### **Ferndale Gas Pumps** Continued from page 1

to offer their usual full-service to their

The renovation project consists of five the construction and future plans, pumps being installed, with two of the pumps being self-serve. A brand new kiosk and a canopy over the pumps will also be built.

In the Spring of 2026, construction of a commercial building will commence. Currently the plans for the retail space includes a convenience store.

For updates on the progress of please check the Ferndale UPI Gas Bar facebook page at https://www.facebook. com/profile.php?id=61559744855660



Photo: Three temporary pumps have been installed at the Ferndale gas station to serve customers through the construction phase on the existing pumps. The Ferndale gas station is an essential service, providing gas to both locals

### "Around the Hearth" Friday Night Feature Talk at Sources of Knowledge Forum Oct 24-26

Sources of Knowledge

Fire: Respect, Knowledge, Balance is the theme of this year's Sources of Knowledge (SOK) Forum, running October 24–26 in Tobermory. For millennia, fire has been both teacher and test, central to how we live, gather, and make sense of the world, and increasingly a force that reshapes communities under a changing climate. This year's forum brings together Indigenous knowledge holders, scientists, firefighters, foresters and community leaders to explore that double-edged story and what it means for the Saugeen Bruce Peninsula today.

Friday night is your invitation to come close to the flame—literally and figuratively. The evening opens at the Parks Canada Visitor Centre with a sacred fire at 5:00 p.m., kindled by

Submitted by Moira Parker, Saugeen Ojibway Nation firekeeper David Roote. At 6:00 p.m. a Wine & Cheese social welcomes neighbours and visitors alike, with forum registration open 6:00-9:00 p.m. We'll gather at 7:00 p.m. for a welcome, land acknowledgement, and prayer, followed by Indigenous Stories of Fire with David Roote, and "Fire & Water" with Elder Teresa Roote at 7:30 p.m., teachings that frame fire as both sacred and practical in this place.

> At 8:00 p.m.., the evening's feature talk "Around the Hearth" will be delivered by Dr. Michael Chazan, Professor of Archaeology at the University of Toronto. A Paleolithic archaeologist specializing in human evolution (PhD, Yale University), Dr. Chazan has co-directed research for the past two decades at Wonderwerk Cave in South Africa, the site that has

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### **Water/Sewer Public Information Sessions Held in Lion's Head and Tobermory**

### **Comments Open Until September 26 on letstalknbp.ca**

Bruce Peninsula Press

The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBP) has had water and

By John Francis, wastewater concerns for decades. The two main population centres, Lion's Head and Tobermory, both need expensive new systems.

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Doors open at 1pm

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#### **Save the Date**

### **Truth & Reconciliation Event**

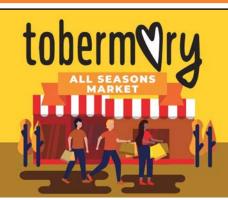
Tuesday September 30th, 2025

The Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation and the Municipality of South Bruce Peninsula invite you to join us in honouring the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

There will be a flag raising ceremony at the Wiarton Town Hall in the afternoon, followed by a walk to Blue Water Park. At the park, you will hear the powerful voices of Residential School Survivors, and experience the richness of Anishinaabe culture through drumming, traditional dancing, and interactive booths that highlight history and traditions.

This important gathering is an opportunity for reflection, learning, and coming together in the spirit of reconciliation. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. A detailed itinerary will be shared in the next publication.





### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Happy Thanksgiving Event!

**Shop Local, Support Local** 

Thanksgiving Saturday, October 11, 2025 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM **Tobermory Community Center** 7420 Hwy 6, Tobermory, Ontario, N0H 2R0

TobermoryMarket@gmail.com

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OCTOBER 24-26, 2025

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### **Town of South Bruce Peninsula Responds to Supreme Court Decision**

September 3, 2025, South Bruce Peninsula, ON – On August 28, 2025, the Supreme Court of Canada denied the applications filed by the Province of Ontario and the Town of South Bruce Peninsula for leave to appeal the Ontario Court of Appeal decision regarding Saugeen First Nation's claim to the sand beach between Main Street and 7th

The Supreme Court's decision not to hear the appeal means that phase one of the land claim is now complete with Saugeen First Nations being declared as the owner of the sand beach between Main Street and 7th Street North.

We anticipate that the Federal government will complete a land survey to formally set the Reserve's eastern and northern boundary. Based upon the Ontario Court of Appeal decision at paragraph 165, the Town is confident that Lakeshore Blvd North and any lands east of Lakeshore Blvd North will not be included in any new Reserve boundary realignment.

Court of Appeal for Ontario decision,

Media Release Paragraph [165] the declaration only affects lands west of Lakeshore Boulevard, between a point in the road allowance between lots 25 and 26 and up to a point in Lot 31 to the north.

> Phase two of the land claim will likely commence in 2026. This phase will be focused on compensation. On behalf of the residents and business owners in Sauble Beach, as well as for all ratepayers in South Bruce Peninsula, the Town will be seeking compensation from the Crown to address a multitude of issues created by the decision.

Our community is still called Sauble Beach, and the Town remains the owner of the sand beach between 7th St North and Groves Point, which we call Sauble Beach. Sauble Beach continues to be a vibrant and bustling business, residential, and tourism friendly

"Council's main goal now is to build and strengthen our relationship with our neighbours of Saugeen First Nation" says Mayor Kirkland, "by doing so, we can work together to bring even greater prosperity to our area".

### Resident of Tobermory Wins "Split the Pot" **Lottery, Donates to Tobermory Foodbank**

Mark Kelner, a semi-retired potter who moved to Tobermory in 1973 to join the Circle Arts group of artists, is not really sure why he decided to buy some tickets in an online lottery called "Split the Pot." But he is very glad that he did! When he bought the tickets, he was invited to name the hospital that would get the other half of the pot if he won. He chose Brightshores Health System the local provider of essential healthcare services in Grey and Bruce counties.

On the day that he got the call, he had to sit down and ask more than once, "How much did I win?". A few days after the call, he picked up his cheque for \$43,380.00 in the administrative wing of the Owen Sound Hospital.

Mark generously donated some of his winnings to the Tobermory Foodbank. He is not saying what he is doing with the rest of it - maybe tickets to a Blue Jays game? Congratulations Mark!

Note: If you are playing lotteries in

**Whiskey Harbour Concert** 

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By Martha Aitkin, the online world, please ensure they are Bruce Peninsula Press legitimate before you pay.

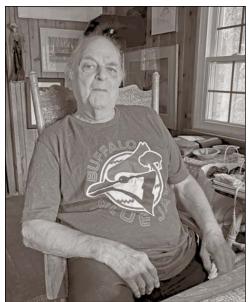


Photo: Mark Kelner at his home in Tobermory.

& Kris, recording artist Ian Michael Townsend, percussionist Sylvain Defoy and local favourite Brant Grozelle, the evening of all-70s hits was a huge treat for all in attendance.

The live auction, with unique items donated by The Shops at 84 Main, Scott's Home Hardware, Josie's of Wiarton, Lyn Townsend Artwork and Richard's Woodworks brought in almost \$1,000.00 in itself. Special thanks to

marquee sponsors Lianne Timbers-Sharp (realtor - Re/Max) and Leslie Morris (Elite Mortgage group) for their generous support.

"Everybody loves the music of the 70s," explains Ms. van Dyke, "and we really wanted a fun theme night to raise funds for our local hospital. People were singing along, making requests and having a blast! It's just so much fun when everyone knows every single song!"

A tradition in the making, Starlight 70s will be back again, open to helping all worthwhile causes on The Bruce!

#### Peninsula

### Family Health Team

#### **SKIN CANCER SCREENING DAY**



Please call ahead and book an appointment for your free skin cancer screening.

Tobermory Clinic Site: (519) 596-2305 Lion's Head Clinic Site: (519) 793-3445 Protect the skin you're in by attending one of our free skin cancer screening clinics sponsored by the Peninsula Family Health Team.

Lion's Head Clinic Site (24 Moore Street, Lion's Head): Monday September 22nd

Tobermory Clinic Site (7275 Hwy 6, Tobermory): **Thursday October 2nd** 

Open to patients of the Peninsula Family Health Team who are 16+ years of age.



### **Bruce Men's Shed Holding Pork Roast Dinner September 26**

Submitted by Gerry Tilmans

If you're a retired guy and are looking for something to do, or to make new friends, September is a great time to come and check out our group. If you're a regular reader you'll be surprised to know that there's a shed load of things we do that don't make it into the paper.

I sat down last week to summarize the things we've been asked to do, and there's room for you to help if you're available. We have some small repairs and modifications to a trailer to do, bat houses to make for a local group who have bats in their belfry that need to be moved out. We will make custom picture frames for murals in town. We have cabinets to clean

and paint, a lunch and learn to plan too.

Did I mention that we are holding a pork roast? Well let me tell vou now; announcing that Friday September 26, we are holding a pork roast dinner. Tickets are \$20 per person, and will feature a ½ pound of shredded pork with a secret tasty sauce on a bun, along with coleslaw and another side Tickets can be bought at the legion on Monday mornings (see below), by email or phone. Only 80 tickets will be available. RSVP quickly before they're sold out.

Please note that our monthly Saturday meetings will resume on September 20th at 9 until 11, and every Monday morning we meet for coffee 9am-11am at Canadian Legion Branch 202, 6 Hellyer Road on Highway 6 just north of Ferndale. Feel free to drop in for coffee. Doors open at 8:45.

If you would like further information on how to get involved with the Men's Shed movement, please contact us at brucemensshed@gmail.com or call Gerry at (519) 793-3005.

"Somewhere to Go. Something to Do. Someone to Talk to".



Photo: Triple cavity bat houses being built for Nature Conservancy Canada by Bruce Men's Shed members.

We are excited to invite you to **BRUCE PENINSULA HOSPICE INC.'S** 

#### 19th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Celebrating 30 Years of Service!

Thursday September 25, 2025

**Tobermory Community Centre** 7420 HWY 6, Tobermory ON

> 4:30 pm Registration 5:00 pm Meeting 6:00 pm Dinner

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Horse Pull 6:45pm Friday Night Farmer's Olympics & Indoor Exhibits Friday Night New This Year: Saturday Sheep Shearing Contest!



Fair Times: Friday 6:30pm - 10 pm Saturday 9 am - 4 pm

QUILT DISPLAY
Upstairs in Arena during the Fair

\*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\*

Admission: \$10.00 per person; enjoy the weekend on one admission. Children 12 & Under: FREE

Peninsula

### **Family Health Team**

### **COMMUNITY PAP CLINICS**

Thursday October 9, 2025 - Lion's Head Site

These PAP Clinics are for individuals who are not patients of the PFHT and do not have a primary care practitioner.

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### **JOHN'S COLUMN**

By John Francis

Every now and again I go through old issues of this newspaper to remind me of what the issues have been over the years. Ten years ago, for example, Bruce County was promising to improve the West Road. Bruce County Roads made a presentation to MNBP (Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula) Council on the subject and also held a public meeting in Lion's Head.

There were three stories about it in the 2015 Public Meeting: Labour Day issue of the BPP (2015 #13).

From my coverage of the August 10, 2015 presentation to Council:

Bruce County Highways Engineer Brian Knox "...explained that the West Road became a County Road in 2005 as the County implemented the recommendations of a two-year comprehensive study of its roads. In 2010 it was decided to put the West Road improvement on the County Official Plan. This decision was appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. The OMB officer made three recommendations...

Knox told Council that the most significant of the OMB's recommendations stated that the road allowance should be made only as wide as it absolutely needed to be.

### The West Road 20 Years Later — Anatomy of a Failure

Responding to questions from then-Councillors Tom Boyle and Rob Rouse, Knox explained that Bruce County had a general policy that County Roads should operate on a 30-metre road allowance, but that this is not a hard-and-fast rule. The section of the East Road from Barrow Bay to Lion's Head, for example, is entirely within a 20-metre road allowance.

From my coverage of the August 26,

"About 200 people came out to an information session about the proposed improvements to the West Road. The presenter was Brian Knox, Bruce County's Highway Engineer.

It quickly became clear that most people in attendance were not concerned with the West Road, but rather with wind turbines. Rumour has it that the whole purpose of the improvement is to provide a 30 metre access road to get huge wind turbine components onto the peninsula and a transmission corridor to get the resulting electricity off the peninsula.

This caught County Engineer Brian Knox by surprise — he assured the audience that he had received no overtures or queries from wind turbine companies.

Many people were concerned about the language in the documentation presented by the County. The prescribed road allowance width of 30 metres would involve buying or expropriating a lot of land and would also provide enough room for a hydro transmission line. "We do not want wind turbines and you're working right into their hands," accused one man, seething with anger.

Knox agreed that there was no reason most of the road couldn't be done within a 20 metre road allowance but many in the audience remained angry

After that public meeting, I got chatting with Councillor Boyle. I wrote about this in my Opinion Page piece:

Councillor Boyle "...gave me a bit of background to the current situation. Years ago, he explained, Bruce County agreed to take on responsibility for some roads in Northern Bruce Peninsula, mainly the West Road and Whippoorwill Shore Road. Boyle feels this was a sort of payback for the fact that there are no County Roads at all in the former Lindsay and St Edmunds Townships. Even though the newly assumed roads are in Eastnor, it still reduces the tax burden on everybody in MNBP.

In 2011, Bruce County came up with the funds to pave the West Road.

Then, he continued, a bunch of people from South Bruce Peninsula kicked up a stink and appealed the project to the Ontario Municipal Board. But the money had to be spent in a timely fashion. So where did they spend it? he asked. Paving the shoulders from Sauble to Oliphant! In South Bruce Peninsula! South Bruce Peninsula kicked up a stink and all of the money got spent

there anyway. Boyle shook his head in frustration.

Then he introduced me to Arran Elderslie Mayor Paul Eagleson, who attended the meeting as Chairman of the County Highways Committee.

Boyle suggested to Eagleson that the dirt section of the West Road that lies in MNBP should be treated as a separate section and paved immediately. The objections are all concerned with the dirt sections in South Bruce Peninsula, so let's separate the NBP section and fix it.

Mayor Eagleson agreed that the County would very much like to pave that road as they are not equipped to maintain gravel roads. He also agreed that there is no need for a hundred foot road, that the issues are mainly about visibility and curves and would be easy to fix, especially at the north end. He agreed the split makes good sense.

Councillor Boyle explained why he feels this project is urgent: there are more and more people on bicycles and motorcycles who come up the shore road to Pike Bay but then where do they go? There is no way to cycle from Sutter Road to Stokes Bay without going out to Highway 6.

I remember that Councillor Boyle also told me that MNBP would probably have paved the road long ago if Bruce County ĥadn't taken it over.

Ten years after that meeting — and fully 20 years after Bruce County's initial promise to pave the West Road we still have a narrow, twisty dirt road that is a nightmare for cyclists and not a whole lot better for cars.

Our government inaction in action!

### **Letter: Venus Cat Family – Over the Halfway Mark!**

Summer isn't officially over but even the cats know we are heading into a different season. They sleep better with the cool nights.

The month of August was a giant step forward for this colony of cats. Currently we have neutered/spayed 35; 10 adults were returned to the family where the colony lives; 23 have been adopted and there are 2 ready to find their forever

While we are over the halfway mark, there are still another 30 kittens yet to be fixed and their forever homes found. Anyone can come now and pick out a kitten - there are all types of personalities, colours and genders.

A special thank you goes out to everyone who helped ensure that twenty kittens/cats each had their own carry case and were transported to and from Sauble Beach for the neutering/spaying session on August 9th. From carry cases to transportation this could not have been done without so much help from our community.

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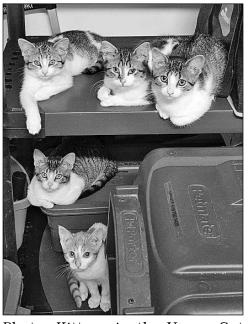


Photo: Kittens in the Venus Cat Family colony. 35 have been spayed/ neutered, with another 30 kittens yet to be fixed.

### **Letter: The Wittholz Wooden Tug Boat Maleo Returns To Tobermory**

Maleo is a 1964 Tugboat that resided at the docks in Tobermory for nearly 2 decades, owned at the time by Pastor Chuck Beaton - a joyful character on the dockside always willing to talk about his

We saw it in 2008 when travelling in our Great Lakes double ended light house tender and my husband was smitten. Life went on and when we went back it had been sold. We found the new owners and asked them to let us know if they ever wanted to sell.

In 2017 we got a call, they couldn't or didn't want to handle the repairs on a wooden boat. We bought it, used it until Covid, and the decided to build a custom shop on our land where we could do extensive renovations. 826+ days later we launched at Orillia and last week started the Americas Great loop - approx. 6,000 miles through the Great Lakes and intercoastal waterways of the United

Most loopers go up the Parry Sound to Kilarney route, but we felt it was only right to bring Maleo through the Tobermory route and up to Kilarney. Maleo was a regular on Georgian Bay and Lake Huron and it is great she is back.

Weather permitting we will be at the dock Friday ready for some famous pizza.

Anne Hodkin

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### Bayside Astronomy Program Managers Reflect on 2025 Season

Francesca Borromeo

Moving nine hours away from home was a scary experience. I didn't know what to expect when I first arrived in Tobermory, but I quickly realized there was nothing to be afraid of. My coworkers, Grace Jaklitsch and Patrick Hamani, along with our mentor Mike Warkentin, Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association (BPBA) chair Victoria Lant, and the many dedicated volunteers welcomed me with open arms. Their warmth and support turned what could have been a daunting summer into one of the most rewarding experiences of my

Working with the Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association has been deeply fulfilling. As a biology student, our work in night sky conservation and environmental research aligned perfectly with my studies. Back home in Ottawa, the city lights leave little room to see the stars. Here in Tobermory, the sky is alive; millions of stars, constellations, and galaxies that left me in awe. Mike was generous in sharing his deep knowledge of the night sky, and because of him, I've gained a much more intimate relationship with the universe above. Knowing the stories of the stars makes them feel like old friends.

The season came with its challenges, telescope malfunctions and cancelled viewing nights. Although, with Mike's guidance and the persistence of Grace, Patrick, and our volunteers, we always found a way to push through.

Through the Bill 5 and Bill C-5 project, and with Victoria's support, I also developed a deeper appreciation for the Bruce Peninsula itself. Its wildlife, forests, and crystal shorelines make it one of the most unique regions in

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As you digest the numbers in this

colony, we can't help but feel the same

Tobermory. The loss of Otis is a harsh

sadness as the Doucette family in

reminder of what happens when we

- the only way to ultimately stop

responsible human actions.

overpopulation and thus pain and

We continue to arrange play

sessions for the Venus kittens.

don't control the stray cat population

suffering for these animals is through

Interaction with humans, both young

**Letter: Venus Cat Family** 

Submitted by Program Manager Canada, and working on this project opened my eyes to how vulnerable, and how valuable, this ecosystem truly is.

> This summer has been a gift: new friends, new knowledge, and a deeper connection to one of Canada's most breathtaking natural regions, under some of the clearest skies in the country.

> > Submitted by Program Manager Patrick Hamani

Working this summer for Bayside Astronomy has been an otherworldly experience, both literally and figuratively. Before getting into how enjoyable the job was and how friendly all the visitors were, I would be amiss if I did not extend a thank you to my coworkers, Grace Jaklitsch and Francesca Borromeo, my boss and astrophotography advisor, Mike Warkentin, Jeff Hatt who taught me how to use my scope and bared with me while I was learning, and the numerous volunteers who made our Lion's Head sessions so much more memorable. Thanks as well to all of the BPBA members and volunteers who supported Bayside and conservation in

An additional thanks goes out to the staff at Summer House Park, Miller's Family Camp, and the Parks Canada staff at Singing Sands who ensured our sessions ran smoothly and advertised

Being a student of physics and astronomy, I have always known that I wanted to work in this field. However, in classes thus far I have been far from looking at any objects and rather have been working in numbers and code. Being able to see the objects and

and old is so important for their development. If you are interested please let me know.

What the colony needs now is kitten food, both wet and dry. Donations for the Venus cat family can be dropped at Peninsula Pet Supplies, 2826 Hwy 6 in Ferndale (tell them it is for the Venus Cat Family).

If you would like to adopt or just talk about adopting options, please email Karen Livick at livick@eastlink. ca or call 519-793-3055.

Karen G. Livick Lion's Head

everything else that I had been learning about in real life has been a life-changing experience. Seeing binary star systems that match the C++ simulations I had coded, the planets whose orbital equations I had learned about, and everything in between is not something I will soon forget.

Being able to speak with so many interesting people and share my passion for astronomy, all while living in as jaw-dropping a location as the Bruce Peninsula, has made this summer an unforgettable one.



Photo L-R: Bayside Astronomy Program Managers Patrick Hamani and Francesca Borromeo at Summer

### **Climate Comment for August 2025** A Hot One!

Submitted by Bill Caulfeild-Browne we got last August. The wettest day was

Last month I remarked that climate change was becoming evident in the summer as well as the winter, where it has been obvious for some time. August added to that observation by being 1.9C above 20th century means - one of the warmest I've recorded.

Our highest temperature was 32.2C on the 11th, narrowly beating the previous day's 30.5C. For five days, from the 8th to the 13th, the mercury never went below 20C. Unfortunately those days were very humid too. Our coolest night was 10.6C on the 27th, when it felt as if Fall were imminent

It was also a drier than usual month; just 50mm of rain against the average of 78mm and a far cry from the 154mm

the 28th when a cold front moved in and provided 20mm of much needed moisture - and an end to the warm weather we'd been enjoying.

As might be expected from the stats above, it was the second sunniest August in the last ten years. There were just two truly cloudy days and four that were about 50% sunny.

Interestingly, our higher-than-normal temperatures were not shared by the rest of the Province which experienced near-normal warmth - although Cornwall set a new record of 36C. I attribute our difference to the very warm lake water brought on by the aforementioned sunshine. Not sure if that's true, but it was certainly welcome!

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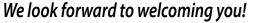


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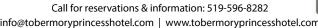
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### Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Minutes August 11, 2025

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

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer-Peggy Van Mierlo-West, Clerk-Alexandra Croce, Deputy Clerk-Lindsay Forbes, Public Works Manager-Troy Cameron

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

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

Councillor Dowd declared a Pecuniary Interest on Closed Session Item b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (HR update).

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

#22-01-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

#### 3. Adoption of the Minutes

a. Re: Council Meeting No. 25-20, July 28, 2025

#22-02-2025

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

That the minutes of Council Meeting No. 25-20, July 28, 2025, be approved as printed and circulated.

- 4. Public Meeting Nil.
- 5. Delegation Nil.

#### 6. Consideration of Agenda Items

a. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 25-19

#### Re: Tender PW 2025-05 for the Rental of Tandem Snowplow Trucks with One-way Plow, Wing and Sander with Operator and the Rental of a Sidewalk/Parking Lot Blower and Sander with Operator

Council asked about the number of bids received for Tender PW 2025-05.

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, noted that a combination of factorssuch as rising insurance costs and challenges in recruiting employees—has contributed to a decline in the number of bids received for municipal tenders in recent years.

Council asked whether potential fluctuations in fuel costs were accounted for in Tender PW 2025-05.

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, confirmed that the tender includes a 'Fuel Escalator and De-escalator" clause to help offset potential changes in fuel

#22-03-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

THAT Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 25-19 titled Tender PW 2025-05 for the Rental of Tandem Snowplow Trucks with One-way Plow, Wing and Sander with Operator

and the Rental of a Sidewalk/Parking Lot Blower and Sander with Operator, as information;

AND THAT Council, pending discussions and comments from today's review, awards the Tender to the following contractors for a three-season term:

Beat Contractor Price per hour 2025/2026, 2026/2027, 2027/2028

Pike Bay Area Liverance Haulage \$173.50, \$173.50, \$177.00

Cape Chin Area Rydall Contracting \$175.00, \$185.00, \$195.00

Dorcas Bay Area Rydall Contracting \$175.00, \$185.00, \$195.00

Tobermory Sidewalks and Parking Lots Rydall Contracting \$145.00, \$155.00,

Tobermory Handwork Rydall Contracting \$60.00, \$65.00, \$70.00

Carried

b. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 25-20

#### Re: Tender PW 2025-04, Winter Sand

#22-04-2025

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

That, Council receives Public Works Department report titled PW 25-20 Tender 2025-04 - Winter Sand, as information, and;

That, Council awards the Winter Sand Tender to Walker Aggregates, for \$115,840.00, excluding HST.

Carried

c. Building Department Report No. BD 25-10

#### Re: Trailer Agreement

Applicant/Owner (s): Mr. Alexander Bruce Lawson

Con 1 WBR Pt Lot 6, 152 Clarke's Road, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, County of Bruce

Assessment Roll No. 41 09 660 002 00806 0000

#22-05-2025

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That the Trailer Agreement requested by Mr. Alexander Bruce Lawson for the property described as 152 Clarke's Road, Con 1 WBR Pt Lot 6 (41 09 660 002 00806 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

d. Building Department Report No. BD

#### **Re: No Demand for Services Site Plan Control Agreement**

Owner: Mr. Mark Alexander Reschke and Ms. Kelly Lisa Reschke

TP Bury Pt Farm Lot 6 WBR RP R173 Part 6, Unassigned on Glacial Terrace Assessment Roll No. 4109 680 004

115036 0000 Property Identifier Number (PIN): 33100 0163 (LT)

#22-06-2025



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Email: renelangen@blackbearpc.org

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That, the negotiation, and registration of a No Demand for Services Site Plan Control Agreement requested by Mr. Mark Alexander Reschke and Ms. Kelly Lisa Reschke, owners of the property legally described as TP Bury Pt Farm Lot 6 WBR RP R173 Part 6 and located at an unassigned lot on Glacial Terrace, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula be approved.

e. Building Department Report No. BD 25-12

#### Re: Lift Holding (H) Zone

Owner: Mr. Mark Alexander Reschke and Ms. Kelly Lisa Reschke

TP Bury Pt Farm Lot 6 WBR RP R173 Part 6, Unassigned on Glacial Terrace Assessment Roll No. 4109 680 004

115036 0000 Property Identifier Number (PIN): 33100-

#22-07-2025

0163 (LT)

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

That the removal of the Holding "H" zone requested by Mr. Mark Alexander Reschke and Ms. Kelly Lisa Reschke of the properties legally described as TP Bury Pt Farm Lot 6 WBR RP R173 Part 6, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula be approved, and;

The passage of By-law No. 2025-63 being a by-law to lift the Holding "H" zone, at its Council meeting on Monday August 11, 2025.

f. Building Department Report No. BD

#### Re: Trailer Agreement

Applicant/Owner(s): Ms. Angela Beth McKenney and Mr. Randy Glen McKenney

Plan 417 Lot 26, 151 Simpson Avenue, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, County of Bruce

Assessment Roll No. 41 09 680 004 16822 0000

#22-08-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod

That the Trailer Agreement requested by Ms. Angela Beth McKenney and Mr. Randy Glen McKenney for the property described as 151 Simpson Avenue, Plan 417 Lot 26 (4109 680 004 16822 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.

g. Municipal Law Enforcement Officer Report No. MLEO 25-08

#### **Re: Bylaw Enforcement Officer Appointments 2025**

#22-09-2025

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod

That Council receives MLEO Report 25-08 titled Bylaw Enforcement Officer Appointments 2025, and

That Council approves the passage of Bylaw No. 2025-64 being a bylaw to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, at today's meeting.

Carried

#### h. Museum Committee

Re: July 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes

#22-10-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rod

That the minutes of Drainage Committee Meeting No. 25-06, July 8, 2025, and all actions contained therein be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

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#### i. Drainage Committee

Re: July 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Council asked for clarification regarding the recommendations from the Drainage Committee about the Copper Kettle

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, provided an overview of the Stokes River Drain in relation to the Copper Kettle Bridge and the infrastructure's associated impact on drainage.

Public Works Manager, Troy Cameron, stated that a report provided by a Structural Engineer from GEI outlines that rock clearing within the proximity of the Copper Kettle Bridge can be completed to assist with drainage capacity, and a report with additional information about the project will be presented to Council at a later date.

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

That the minutes of Drainage Committee Meeting No. 25-04, July 10, 2025, and all actions contained therein be approved as printed and circulated; and

That Council supports the recommendation made by the Drainage Committee and directs staff to consult with Cobine Engineering regarding extending the Municipal drain downstream of the Copper Kettle Bridge;

That Council supports the recommendation made by the Drainage Committee, and directs staff to enter into an agreement with GEI Consultants to provide services to prepare for tendering work and contract administration associated with increasing the hydraulic capacity at the Copper Kettle Bridge.

7. Other Business - a. Nil.

#### 8. Correspondence

a. Paul Vickers, MPP-Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound (Information)

Re: Ontario Expanding Palliative Care Access in Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That the correspondence be received as information as printed and circulated.

#### 9. Reading of By-laws

a. By-law 2025-64

Being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Property Standards Officers for the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula

b. By-Law No. 2025-65

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The Corporation of The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Held Monday, August 11, 2025

#22-13-2025

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.

#### **10. Closed Session**

#22-14-2025

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson

Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That Council move into a closed meeting at 1:15 p.m. with the CAO and Clerk in attendance 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 employees (HR update); and c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality (Arena Property Update).

Carried

b. Reporting Out

Mayor McIver reported out that Council met in closed session with the CAO and Clerk in attendance to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (HR update); and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality (Arena Property Update). Council approved the closed session minutes from July 28, 2025 and direction was given to the CAO.

#### 11. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn

#22-15-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That the meeting adjourns at 2:15 p.m. Carried

### **MNBP Special Council Minutes Aug 11, 2025 Water and Wastewater Master Plans** for Tobermory and Lion's Head

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

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer - Peggy Van Mierlo-West, Clerk -Alexandra Croce, Deputy Clerk – Lindsay Forbes, Public Works Manager - Troy Cameron

Others Present: WSP Land Development & Municipal Engineering Manager, Chris Wilson, OCWA Senior Operations Manager - Léo-Paul Frigault, OCWA Project Manager, Natalie Colantonio (Via Zoom)

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

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

a. Approval of the Agenda #21-01-2025

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

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#### Peninsula

### Family Health Team

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#### 3. Consideration of Agenda Items

a. WSP Land Development & Municipal Engineering Manager, Chris Wilson and OCWA Project Manager, Natalie Colantonio (Via Zoom)

#### Re: Water and Wastewater Master Plans for Tobermory and Lion's Head

WSP Land Development & Municipal Engineering Manager, Chris Wilson, provided an overview of the Tobermory and Lion's Head Water and Wastewater Master Plans Project.

Mr. Wilson noted that the project is currently in Phase 2, which focuses on public and stakeholder consultation to present the recommended solutions identified to date.

Council asked about the upcoming Public Information Centres (PIC) for the

Mr. Wilson noted that the purpose of the

- · Introduce the studies and learn more about the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process being followed.
- To review the study areas, problems to be addressed, proposed alternatives, evaluation of the alternatives, and the preliminary preferred solution.
- To outline how feedback can be provided on the information presented, and how to stay informed and involved.
- Mr. Wilson noted the follow locations and dates for the upcoming PIC's: Tobermory Community Centre -
- Wednesday, August 27, 2025 (Morning)
- Lion's Head Rotary Hall Wednesday,

August 27, 2025 (Afternoon)

Alternative solutions for the Tobermory and Lion's Head Water and Wastewater Master Plans Project were presented to

Council asked about the potential costs and scope of work for the project, and about including the project cost information in the PIC materials..

Mr. Wilson that once the Master Plans have been complteded, more information will be available to assist with grant funding for the project.

4. Other Business - a. Nil.

#### 5. Reading of By-laws

a. By-law 2025-66

Being A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Special Council Meeting of The Corporation of The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Held Monday August 11, 2025

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

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

6. Closed Session - a. Nil.

#### 7. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn

#21-03-2025

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

That the meeting adjourns at 11:43 a.m.

On August 26, 2025, the Grey Bruce OPP were alerted to a website

that was selling fraudulent tickets to a

Tobermory area ferry. The fraudulent

legitimate source of ticket sales. The

legitimate source has issued an alert

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anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at

purchases, exercise a moderate level of

caution. Scammers will use fraudulent

site appears quite similar to the

banner on their website.

financial information.

### **Stopped in Awe: News from Tobermory United Tobermory Thrift Shop Extending Season to October 11**

Due to the amazing generosity of the community, the Tobermory Thrift Shop is able to continue its season beyond the posted closing date of September 13. The Thrift Shop will maintain regular hours (open 1 to 4 Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays) until September 13 and then will be open Saturdays only from 1 to 4 until October 11.

Tobermory United Church is humbled by, and grateful for, a record number of donations of quality household items that has enabled this extension of sales.

Over the summer, the Thrift Shop has also recorded record sales. The Tobermory Thrift Shop is not only a major fundraiser for Tobermory United Church and the Tobermory Community Outreach Fund, but also enables household items that might otherwise go to the landfill to be re-used. It also provides low-cost items to residents and visitors alike - as well as the thrill of finding treasures!

Donations to the Thrift Shop are no longer being received, but if you have items to donate, please store them for

Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer next spring! Many thanks to everyone who has supported the Thrift Shop in any way.

> Summer in the Spirit, a joint initiative between Tobermory United and St. Edmunds Anglican churches, with the goals of building community, honouring the sacredness of place and celebrating Spirit, finished the series with a community potluck on August 27.

Over the summer, nine weekly events were held, and hundreds of people participated - residents, summer residents and tourists, alike. "Summer in the Spirit brings everyone in," one participant offered in the feedback session. "Not just church people. The series is so versatile. It brings in people who are interested in different things, and it enriches our lives."

In worship at Tobermory United, we will kick off the Season of Creation on September 14 with a "Blessing of the Animals" service. This will be an outdoor service on the labyrinth (weather permitting) and well-behaved animals are welcome! Pictures of pets are also welcome to be blessed.

### Peninsula

### **Family Health Team**

### COMMUNITY TAKE BACK DRUG DAY

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### **Grey Bruce OPP Recover Stolen Trailer; Fraudulent Ferry Ticket Sales**

(NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA, ON) - The Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has charged one individual following the recovery of a stolen camper trailer in Northern Bruce Peninsula.

In May 2025, Grey Bruce OPP received a report regarding a stolen 2022 Cherokee Wolfpup 16' camper trailer, valued at approximately \$30,000. The trailer had been reported missing between September and

Following an investigation led by the Grey Bruce Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), police located the trailer on a property situated on North Shore Road in Northern Bruce Peninsula.

On September 2, 2025, members of the West Region Emergency Response Team (ERT), West Region Canine Unit, Grey Bruce CSCU, and Grey Bruce Major Crime Unit (MCU) executed a search warrant at the location. One individual was arrested without incident and the trailer was recovered.

A 49-year-old, of Northern Bruce Peninsula, has been charged with:

#### Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5000 Criminal Code

The accused was released from custody and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Owen Sound on October 2, 2025

The OPP would like to thank the public for their assistance and remind residents to report suspicious activity to police. Anyone with information related to property crimes is encouraged to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2000.

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### **Studio Tour Features 47 Artists and 25 Studios**



Photo: Darlene Bolahood displays hand dyed and hand woven Mohair throws, scarves and shawls.

By Joanne Rodgers,

The Annual Studio Tour was held on 23 and 24 August 2025, featuring 47 artists and 25 studios. This well-organized event is the largest art studio tour in the region and attracted visitors from throughout southern Ontario and even some international visitors.

The Studio Tour took patrons on a scenic discovery of Northern Bruce from north of Wiarton to Tobermory and the Lake Huron Shores to Georgian Bay with its stunning coastal and rural landscapes.

The patrons say they are astounded Bruce Peninsula Press by the immense range of creativity and diversity of art on display. Watercolours, oil and acrylic paintings, photographs, wire and stone creations, wood turning, wood sculptures, fibre art, clay art, jewelry, handwoven/knit/ dyed textile products, glassworks, pottery and handcrafted soaps were some of the amazing art being showcased.

> Patrons enjoyed being able to chat with the artists. Many said that being able to learn about the artist's

inspiration and techniques, especially when it came to that "special piece", enhanced the purchasing experience.

The artists said they were pleased to meet the patrons and learn a little about them and about the art they were attracted to. The artists reported that they had a steady flow of visitors over the two days and were pleased with the overall success of the event.

For more information on the Studio Tour visit https://brucepeninsulaart. ca/studio-tour/



Photo: Artist Kristin Moore with her handcrafted sterling silver jewelry.

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Photo: Rachel Moore of RM Photography with her photographs.

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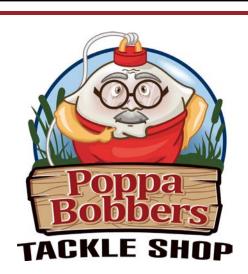
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### **Pike Bay Fishing Derby**Continued from page 1

Sarah Carson assisting throughout the ceremony. Hazzard said, "Thank you to all the grandmas, grandpas, moms, dads, brothers, and sisters that took the time to take somebody fishing, that's so important." He continued to thank all weigh station volunteers and his family for their support. Several local



Photo: Long-time derby participants and cottagers Luke and Ryan Lightheart weighing in their smallmouth bass on August 31.

Photo L-R: Biggest Fish Caught in Each Category (Adults) – Kendra Stewart

(Perch), Ed Deutschmann (Largemouth Bass), Jim McDonald (Salmon), Darren

businesses and individuals donated an abundance of prizes. Participants were seen walking away proudly with fishing poles, tackle boxes, lifejackets, backpacks, balls, and toys.

A touching moment was witnessed when Hazzard presented the Betty Conn Memorial Award for the tournament's smallest fish. "Betty was a cottager in Pike Bay for over 50 years and passed away a few years ago. Betty taught us

> to appreciate the little things in life and that it's not the size of the fish in the fight but the size of the fight in the fish."

> Weigh station volunteer and cottager, Peter Scopu, spoke about his love of the derby and gratitude towards Hazzard for continuing to organize the event. "What brought us into [the derby] is my granddaughters, we started fishing together. The derby is mostly a lot of grandparents and families together. We're glad that [Brad] has a passion for it, and we're very grateful for Brad for keeping that tradition alive.



Photo L-R: Biggest Fish Caught in Each Category (Youth) – James Thompson (Salmon), Annalyn Thompson (Largemouth Bass), Kyren Shearer (Pike), Dawson Sweiger (Smallmouth Bass) and Easton Smyth (Perch).

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### **Stokes Bay Dredging**Continued from page 1

Municipality owns a middle section. The proponent, a property owner fronting the channel is requesting financial assistance from other property owners along the channel.

Mark Coleman, Parks and Facilities Manager provided an overview of the project. He informed that an existing channel was dredged several years ago which has since filled with sediment and vegetative growth resulting in only 18 inches of water in the channel fronting the municipal parkland. A southeast portion of the channel was dredged in 2024 to a 6-foot depth which is the depth proposed for the remaining sections of the channel.

Coleman said, the plan is to "refresh the dredgings to allow motorized boat access in along the shoreline to potential lots." He advised that there is no established hard boat ramp or dock, just a natural sloped shoreline into the water at the parkland. The Municipality cuts the parkland grass and supplies a few picnic tables; no other facilities are located on site. Coleman explained that the parkland potentially serves as water access for residents and exists due to fill from dredging 50 years ago.

A report from CAO, Peggy Van Mierlo-West, stated that the project will benefit multiple waterfront property owners including the Municipality. She confirmed that "dredging involves environmental, regulatory, and property considerations, including possible permitting under federal and provincial legislation like the Fisheries Act, Public Lands Act, and Canadian Navigable Waters Act."

The Municipality's involvement is contingent on all applicable approvals being obtained and Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON) will be included in the permitting/consultation process. Staff will prepare a formal agreement with the proponent outlining proof of permits and insurance, scope of work, location, methods, timeline, and cost-share budget breakdown. Payment will only be made after the work is approved as satisfactory and municipal commitment does not represent an ongoing future obligation for dredging or maintenance.

### Bruce County Planning Provides Planning 101 Session to Council

Bruce County Senior Planner, Jenn Burnett appeared before the MNBP Council on August 25 to provide planning information to Council. The presentation is the result of Council's concern with becoming involved in planning applications too late in the planning process. This concern was prompted by a June 2025 decision to approve Green Acres subdivision on Simpson Avenue near Tobermory despite apprehensions with the file. Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson stated, "I think what we want is to get into this loop before it gets out of control somehow... I'm sure if we'd been [involved] back at the study stage then it probably would have been a lot different than it is... you would've got our feedback.'

Rejecting a planning application that is recommended for approval by a county planner may result in MNBP facing a costly appeal process at the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT).

Burnett presented statistics to Council indicating 74 planning inquiries in 2024 and 31 to date in 2025. She said, "What these statistics



Graphic: Stokes Bay Channel Dredging Project Site. Municipal parkland outlined in orange.



Photo above & below: Location of Stokes Bay channel and dredging project. Photos taken from the Stokes Bay Municipal Park at 67 Tamarac Road.



do show is there is a healthy interest in development in Northern Bruce Peninsula. People are asking about development...subdivision development, lot creation, commercial uses, minor variances, building additions." She described planning as "cyclical in nature" with many factors impacting development applications, such as the economy, as undertaking the planning process is expensive.

Burnett noted that subdivisions are limited to settlement areas as provincial policy restricts rural subdivision development. She advised that Bruce County policy would permit a maximum density of three lots from an original "say 100 acres." Lack of full municipal services also limits lot development.

The application lifecycle was

addressed by the planner, beginning with the initial inquiry followed by meetings with staff, application submission and circulation, then a public meeting. She said, "Applications are confidential and hypothetical – when submitting a plan of subdivision, it'll take two years from the first meeting with staff until the time you submit your application – it can be an entirely different application by the time it is presented to Council." Applications are only shared with Council upon completion.

The role of Council in the municipal planning process is to provide an independent review of the application as it's presented. Council must consider public interest when making decisions. Burnett emphasized that Council shall "evaluate the applications on a planning merit, not emotional" which can be "hard when you have a number of residents in the room that are opposed to it.' Burnett described examples of someone living in MNBP for 30 years or someone moving from the city to embrace a quiet peaceful lifestyle and a 20-lot subdivision development being constructed nearby. These situations may invoke a "significant amount of anxiety" on homeowners resulting in a challenging decision for Council.

A valid planning reason is required for Council to refuse any planning application. Where planning staff make a recommendation for approval and Council rejects an application, MNBP would be required to hire an outside planner if the decision is appealed by the applicant.

#### Council to Consider Extending Paid Parking at McCurdy Drive Parking Lot in Lion's Head

An email directed to Council requesting extension of the paid parking season for the McCurdy Drive parking lot, also known as the Lion's Head Lookout parking lot, located off Moore Street, promoted Council's consideration to amend the regulations. Currently, the paid parking program runs from May 15 to September 15 with online reservations required for this lot at least 24 hours in

On February 24, 2025, Council amended the paid parking season to end on September 15 rather than October 15 based on input from an online public survey.

Mayor Milt McIver suggested extending the paid parking season at the McCurdy Drive parking lot until after Thanksgiving as it's "very busy." He noted that the parking lot is monitored by by-law staff. He said, "[the emailer's] concern is that ratepayers are paying for something that hikers should pay for." Presently, payments cease on September 15 although free parking reservations are still required.

A report from Chief By-law Officer, Carol Hopkins, suggests that paid parking reservations would be extended for Big Tub Road, Little Cove Road, and McCurdy Drive parking lots to October 15. Signage replacement costs are estimated at \$1,259.00. Council is scheduled to review this potential amendment on September 8.

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Dr. Carsten Schepp from Germany (a past Rotary exchange student who attended Bruce Peninsula District School in 1988-89), is visiting Canada with his family and came out to our final Rotary Pancake Breakfast of 2025! A nice surprise to see Carsten and his family! Photo with Rotarian Wendell Thomson outside Rotary Pavilion.

Submitted by Rob Hiscott

Nearly 200 breakfasts were served to customers at our final Rotary community Pancake Breakfast of 2025 at Rotary Pavilion next to Lion's Head Beach on a beautiful Sunday morning of Labour Day weekend! Over the course of four Rotary Pancake Breakfasts held in 2025, we served nearly 900 breakfasts to the community!

Rotary thanks everyone who came out for a delicious 'Made in Canada' Pancake Breakfast making these events a huge success! We thank our 'Friends of Rotary' who helped out throughout 2025 at these breakfast events with preparing food on our new grills and serving food on the customer line!

We are especially appreciative of our Pancake Breakfast individual and business sponsors who generously donate product and money to defray Rotary's costs of putting on these events, allowing us to return more of the proceeds back to the community of Northern Bruce Peninsula! Our 2025 Pancake Breakfast sponsors include Jane & Dr. Dave Thomson, Tiffany Embleton & Dan Jorritsma, Barbara Dirckx (RE/MAX Grey-Bruce Realty Inc.), Garden in Thyme Country Market, Russell and Abby Miners (Miners' Maple Products) and Leroy Dirckx (Atlas World Real Estate Corp.).

More photos from this latest and past Rotary community Pancake Breakfast events can be found at https://www. rotarynbp.org/photoalbums/pancakebreakfast-august-31-2025.

#### Third Annual Oktoberfest September 27!

Later this month (Saturday,

September 27th from noon to midnight), your local Rotary Club and Tagwerk Bier will be hosting the third annual Oktoberfest celebration at the Rotary Hall! Oktoberfest-themed food (sausages, currywurst, sauerkraut, pretzels and strudel) will be available throughout both afternoon (12:00 noon to 6:30 PM) and evening (7:00 PM to 12:00 midnight) portions of the event, along with Tagwerk biers, ciders, wines, coolers and soft drinks (with drinks available for purchase from the beer tent outside Rotary Hall during the afternoon, and at the bar inside Rotary Hall throughout the evening). The evening portion of Oktoberfest will feature live entertainment by the local Paul Williamson Band, the very popular beer stein holding contest, some polka music, and lots of fun!

Oktoberfest will begin at noon on Saturday with a mule-drawn, beer caskladen wagon arriving at the Rotary Hall for a traditional ceremony of 'tapping the cask' by Mayor Milt McIver of 'Oktoberfest Draught' Tagwerk Bier!

Tickets for the evening-portion will cost \$25.00, and can be purchased ahead of time from Rotarians or through Eventbrite at lionsheadoktoberfest. eventbrite.ca – get your tickets early as this will likely be a sell-out event based on the past two years. Net proceeds from this event will go to the Rotary Hall Building Fund, towards refurbishing our beloved Rotary Hall!

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Submitted by Elaine Powney supporting us - whether by shopping at our boutique or contributing to our donation jar. Your generosity made this gift possible.

> We look forward to welcoming everyone again next year!



Photo credit: Sandy Walsh

Photo: Members of the Tea Time Quilters present a donation of \$2,500.00 to the Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary. Proceeds from the annual Quilt Show in August made this donation possible.

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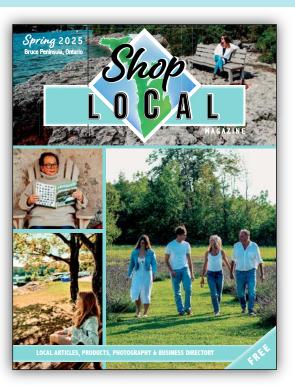


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### **Lion's Head Friendship Club News**

### **October 9th Lunch & Learn Featuring Guest Speaker Nicole Jensen**

Submitted by Maxine Catteau

After a very busy summer for the club, we are about to embark on a very active fall. We now have 177 members who all enjoy doing different activities.

The highlight of our summer was a trip to Drayton to the theatre to see Yesterday Once More, which was quite an active musical. We had a picnic on the way there and supper at Pebbles on the way home, all paid for by the club just one of the perks of being a member.

We had three barbeques this summer, which were all paid for by the club. It has been a great summer.

But now, onto the fall, starting off with our first craft day with Nicole starting next week, which we're all looking forward to.

Our luncheon on Thursday, the first of this season, is seven dollars and there's still room to sign up.

All our regular activities: cards, chair yoga, line dancing and rug hooking are all open and ready to go.

Our next trip is to St Jacobs on Thursday October 23, with a tour of downtown and onto the St Jacobs Theatre to see a play, then to Anna Mae's for supper, all for a cost of \$35. We still have two tickets available. If you're interested please contact us.

Our monthly supper for September is already sold out. October tickets will be available before the end of the month.

If you're a senior and you're sitting at home saying, it's going to be a long fall and winter, come out and join us. We have so many activities and it's all about getting out and meeting new people and old friends.

Our October luncheon, which is the second Thursday of the month at 11:30am, is a lunch and learn – and it's free. A great way to come out and experience the club. We are having a guest speaker, lawyer Nicole Jensen. You must be signed up so we know how many

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### 1 Mile Swim Raises Over \$2,000 for Georgian Bay Children's Choir

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

The 4th Annual Old Woman Island 1 Mile Swim was held on August 30 at Black Creek Provincial Park (aka Sandy Beach). The swim event continues to attract participation from locals and cottagers. The winner was cottager Jackie Madden of Little Pine Tree Harbour.

The event also serves as a fundraiser for a regional charity. This year's recipient is the Georgian Bay Children's

Organizers Sahand Amiri and Teresa Nesci are happy to report that they exceeded their fundraising goal of \$2,000.00. They say the funds will cover six years (or six students for a full year)

Linda Hawkins, Artistic Director of the Georgian Bay Children's Choir, says this an important fundraiser for the Choir and they appreciate the donation. Music literacy and accessibility are important goals of the Choir and participants can apply for bursary funding to cover up to 75% of their fees. The Choir has about 30 to 40 kids on a yearly basis. Last year there were 15 kids that required financial assistance. The donation from this event will go directly to assist children requiring financial assistance for the music program.



**Sue Paquette** 



Photo: 1st place winner Jackie Madden, with a time of 27 minutes and 49 seconds.

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### Last Day for Keep the Bruce Clean & **Green Bottle Drop offs October 1st**

Submitted by Keep the Bruce Litter Ambassador list! Clean & Green (KTBC&G)

Thank you to everyone who has been Keeping the Bruce Clean & Green, especially to our Litter Ambassadors!

The season is coming to a close and one more sweep to collect litter would be appreciated. If you are in Tobermory and walking the Harbour path, maybe a group lunch and pick up could be a part of your day?

October 1st is the deadline to return liquor and beer containers to 182 Cape Hurd Road, or in the Harbour behind the Chamber information booth.

Sincere thanks to Bunkey and Geoff Cunliffe for all their hard work over the vears. This has been our best source of income ever. The landfill has also been a big winner.

We are looking for suggestions for new signage locations along Hwy 6. Wouldn't it be nice to see KTBC&G signs from Wiarton to Tobermory? If you wish to display a sign, contact KTBC&G at keepthebruceclean@gmail. com. We will be ordering more signs for

We welcome any new suggestions or ideas and would love to add YOU to our

Thinking of new ideas... Have you heard of "Litter Lotto"? It is a reducing litter program started in the UK that has been brought to Ontario by Georgian Bay Forever (GBF). Environmental activist, John Scott brought it to Canada and GBF has brought the initiative to the shores of Georgian Bay. While places from Parry Sound and around Georgian Bay take part, we need to get our Municipal Council on board to make it happen in

The "Litter Lotto" program allows you to win cash prizes by collecting trash. It is a free prize draw app where you upload a photo of yourself disposing of litter in a public bin to enter the contest. While not a direct payment for trash, it offers the chance to win local weekly and global monthly cash prizes by participating in this gamified cleanup effort! Do you think it is worth pursuing? Download the App.

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### **Tobermory Legion Branch 290 Earlybird Membership Campaign Begins**

Poppy Chair membership!

Hello September! Depending on where you are driving, you can already see some leaves changing into their fall

Meat draws are still happening on Saturdays starting at 4:30pm, Euchre is on the last Friday of the month starting at 7:00pm and September 26th is the last Progressive Euchre game. Try your luck at darts, every Thursday starting at 7:00pm. BINGO is at the Tobermory Community Centre on Wednesdays starting at 6:00 with the games beginning at 7:15pm.

A BIG THANK YOU to Pat Boyle and crew for making and installing the cement slabs for our shed and thanks also to the crew of volunteers who jacked up the shed for this operation!

The Earlybird Membership Renewal Campaign has begun! Earlybird price is \$55.00 until November 30 when it then increases to \$65.00. Please come

Submitted by Kathryn Hauck, and support your legion and renew your

National Legion Week is taking place from September 21 to 27, 2025. Watch the board outside the branch for details!

If you are looking to support a legion program, maybe consider taking part or contributing to RUCK for Homeless vets. Register to participate in person or virtually or donate today to support the cause. Visit www.ruck2remember.com for details and to register.

Did you know: Howard G. Chisholm, born on January 19, 1908 in South Baymouth, ON, enlisted in the RCA in 1939. He served with the Highland Light Infantry of Canada during WW2. Corporal Chisholm was discharged in 1946 and was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service medal. He operated a restaurant in Tobermory, was a member of the legion and served as president in 1952.

~ We Will Remember Them~

#### SOK Forum Oct 24-26 Continued from page 3

produced some of the earliest reliable evidence for the use of fire by human ancestors. Drawing on that research and on his other work, including his Routledge book, The Reality of Artifacts: An Archaeological Perspective, Chazan traces our enduring human and cultural relationship with fire, from Stone Age hearths to the present. He explores fire as the center of warmth and gathering, a sacred focal point, and a driver of social and economic change. Then he will turn to fire in our future. how a warming climate and intensifying wildfires challenge communities, and how reframing our personal relationship with fire can inform preparedness, stewardship, and policy on the Peninsula and beyond.

The Friday evening event sets the tone for the weekend, pairing Indigenous teachings and human history, then turning toward the present. It's also a chance to meet

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speakers and fellow participants in an informal setting before Saturday's technical sessions on local fire ecology. wildfire response and resilience. Expect voices from Parks Canada, municipal fire services, forestry centres and more across the weekend.

If you want to start earlier on Friday, join the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club at 1:30 p.m. for a guided hike at the Vanishing Streams Nature Reserve to learn how prescribed burning supports meadow restoration. The outing is led by Brian Popelier, Land Stewardship Coordinator with the Bruce Trail Conservancy. Space is limited to 20 people, so if you would like to join the hike please plan ahead.

More details, prices, and registration are available on the SOK site, www. sourcesofknowledge.ca. We are looking forward to welcoming everyone in Tobermory, around the hearth on Friday night at the Parks Canada Visitor Centre, and throughout the weekend as we listen, learn, and connect.

### **9th Annual Tobermory Trail Race** September 13 and 14

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This year marks the 9th Anniversary of the Tobermory Trail Race Weekend. Trail runners from all over Ontario come to participate in this event, which takes place on some of the most beautiful and challenging terrain of the Bruce Trail.

All runners will gather at the Cenotaph in Tobermory for the pre-race safety briefing at 7:15am. The 42 km marathon course starts at the Cenotaph, proceeds to the campground at Cyprus Lake, and returns to Tobermory, generally following the Bruce Trail. Runners for the half-marathon will travel by bus to their starting location at the campground, while runners for the 7 km race will be taken to Little Cove for their

By Martha Aitkin, run along the course. The finish line will be well-marked and located on Bay Street in Tobermory, and awards will be presented at the Bruce Trail Northern Terminus, also located on Bay Street.

> The weekend event includes a 5 km run on Flowerpot Island on Sunday.

The Tobermory Trail Race Weekend supports Tobermory Primary Place Child Care Centre. The event raised over \$14,000.00 in 2024!

Spectators are welcome at the finish line and along the streets of Tobermory. Spectating on the trails is a bit more challenging as the trail is often narrow and steep.

For more information, go to https:// www.tobermorytrail.com/home

### **Darts Return to Lion's Head Legion**

Submitted by Gerry Tilmans, First VP, Public Relations Officer

September 21 to 27 is Legion week nationally and is the third year for this event, now held on the third Sunday of September. The idea is decades old, but holding it on a consistent schedule across the country is still new. The intent is to educate their community about the work the legion does to support military and RCMP veterans and how this contributes to the

We have transitioned from Cornhole to darts now, every Monday and Thursday. Cost is \$3.00 to play. There are snacks and refreshments available

including the bar. Play starts at one o'clock so please arrive ten minutes before so teams can be made up. All skill levels are welcome, as I can attest. Lots of fun, come out and see. You do not have to be a legion member to play.

Also, the first Saturday of every month we play "darts for meat", which makes me laugh every time I hear it. Cost is \$4.00. Saturday October 4th will be the first monthly event. It starts at one on every first Saturday of the

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#### **OBITUARIES**

CAMERON, James Finley - unexpectedly at Owen Sound Hospital on Tuesday, August 26, 2025. Finley Cameron of Lion's Head in his 72nd year. Beloved husband of Janice (nee Weir). Cherished father of Bonnie (Terry Moser), Ray, Karen, and Earl (Emily). Much loved grandfather of Lane, Cougen, Mabel, and Paisley. Dear brother of Larry Cameron (Thelma Curtis) of Miller Lake, Carol Anne McLay (Eric) of Pike Bay, Ian Cameron (Anita) of Woodstock, and Ron Cameron of Pike Bay and brother-in-law of Ruth Weir of Wiarton, Dave Weir (Carol) of Mar and Dennis Weir (Trudy) of British Columbia. Missed by his special aunt Bev Davis of Alberta, nieces, nephews, and many cousins. Predeceased by his parents Margaret Cameron (nee Davis), Glen Cameron, and Mary Cameron (nee Crow) and sister-in-law Barbara Cameron.

Family and friends were invited to share memories at the Bethel Missionary Church, 18 Ferndale Road, Lion's Head on Tuesday, September 2nd from 2:00 to 4:00 and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The funeral service was conducted from the church on Wednesday, September 3rd at 11:00 a.m. Interment Eastnor Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the George Funeral Home, Lion's Head Chapel, Lion's Head. Expressions of remembrance to the Lion's Head Hospital c/o Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation would be appreciated. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through www.georgefuneralhome.com

> BEYER, Lavern - Howard Lavern Beyer of Listowel passed away at Royal Terrace, Palmerston on Friday, August 29, 2025, in his 87th year. Beloved husband of the late Gloria (Simpson) Beyer. Father of Tracy Beyer & Mike Ongena, and Tim & Christa Beyer, all of Listowel. Very proud and joyful Pa of Tyson, Justin, Kaylee, Sophie, and Lily, all of Listowel. Brother of Sharlene Beyer, and Joy & Dan Kelly, all of Listowel, and brother-in-law of Clarence Johnston, and Joyce Simpson, both of Listowel. Predeceased by his parents Howard & Elsie (Bartmann) Beyer, sister Maxine Johnston, and Sheila Ann in infancy, brother Jerry Beyer, and brother-in-law Joe Simpson. Visitation was held at the Eaton Funeral Home, Listowel on Sunday, September 7 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Funeral service was held at Knox

Presbyterian Church, Listowel on Monday, September 8, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. Interment in Fairview Cemetery, Listowel. Memorial donations to Royal Terrace Residents Council would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.eatonfuneralhome.ca



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#### **REGULAR MEETINGS, FUN & GAMES**

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before September 17, 2025 to be included in the next Press.

#### **MONDAY-**

Bruce Men's Shed Drop-in Coffee. Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact <u>brucemensshed@gmail.com</u> or 519-793-3005 to get involved. 8:45-11am

Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation Virtual Board Meeting. Contact Catherine at 519-534-5856 for info. (last Mon.) 9-11am Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. 11-11:30am

Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Visit von.ca for more info. 10am Yoga for Bone Health. Zoom. Contact nina@lovingyoga.ca for link. 10am Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com.

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VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Tobermory Community Centre. Visit von.ca for more info. 10:30am Chair Yoga with Karin. Tobermory United Church. See

tobermoryunited.ca. 11:15am-12:15pm

Bridge. Tobermory Legion Branch 290. 1pm

Darts. Lion's Head Legion. \$3 entry. Snacks & refreshments available. All skill-levels welcome. 12:50pm

Cards. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. <u>Lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com</u> 1pm

Hatha Yoga with Karin. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca 1–2:30pm

MNBP Council Meeting. 56 Lindsay Rd, Lion's Head. Or view online at northernbrucepeninsula.ca (2nd & 4th Mon.) 1-4pm Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. 4-8pm Euchre. Pike Bay Community Centre. \$4 entry. Until Oct. 27. 7pm

#### **TUESDAY**

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. 8am-12pm Senior Chair Yoga. Tobermory Community Centre. Free. 55+. Limited spots. Register ahead northbrucepeninsula.ca/news/posts/tcc-chair-yoga. 11-11:30am

Mindful Movement with Joann. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. 10am

Meeting Place Gym. The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. Drop in 10am-1pm

Mind~Body~Chair~Yoga. Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Drop in, or register at nina@lovingyoga.ca. 11am

Meditation with Joann. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited. <u>ca</u>. 11:20am-12pm

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

Hand Drummers. Tobermory United Church. Everyone welcome. See tobermoryunited.ca. 1-2:30pm

Tobermory Legion Branch 290 General Branch Meeting. Tobermory Legion. 2nd Tues. each month, not July/Aug. 8pm The Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula. Hybrid virtual and inperson meeting. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. More info at 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 or 519-374-4110. 1st Wed. Not July/Aug. Yin & Yang Yoga. Via Zoom. Contact 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-4pm Tobermory Marketplace. Downtown Tobermory. 10am-1pm

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

Tobermory Muses. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. 2nd Wed. ea. month. 1pm Writer's Workshop. Friendship Club, Lion's Head. Free. Register 519-

793-3473. Third Wed. ea. month. 12:30-2:30pm 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. 2nd & 4th Wed. ea. month. Not June-Sept. 1-3pm

Bereavement Support Group. Oliphant Community Hall. Free. Register at 519-534-1260, info@bphospice.ca, more info bphospice.ca. 1:30-3pm

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. 4-8pm Bingo. Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by Tobermory Legion Ladies Auxiliary. Until Sep.24. Doors 6pm, starts 7:15pm

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

Darts. Wiarton Legion Br. 208. All are welcome. 7pm Euchre. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. 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

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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. Pickup at the Meeting Place 5:30-6:30pm. Not July/August

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. 8am-12pm VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Visit von.ca for more info. 10am Mind~Body~Chair~Yoga. Zoom. Contact nina@lovingyoga.ca for link. 10am Tai Chi. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. 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 for more info. 10:30am

Friendship Club Luncheon & Bingo. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. \$7 for members. Contact 519-375-0959 lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com for time & more info. 2nd Thurs. each month. 11:30am.

Darts. Lion's Head Legion. \$3 entry. Snacks & refreshments available. All skill-levels welcome. 12:50pm

Bridge Club. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. 1–4pm Lion's Head Legion Branch 202 General Branch Meeting. Lion's Head Legion. 1st Thurs. each month. 2pm

Wiarton Rotary Club Virtual Meeting. email wiartonrotary@gmail.com for more info. 6–8pm

Darts for Fun-Tobermory. Tobermory Legion Branch 290. 7pm Stokes Bay Community Meeting. Stokes Bay Community Centre. 4th Thurs. each month. 7pm

Alcoholics Anonymous. United Church. 54 Main St, Lion's Head. 519-376-4193. **7-8pm** 

Bruce Peninsula Sportsman's Association Monthly Meeting. BPSA Clubhouse, 611 Northacres Rd, Wiarton. Guests welcome. Visit bpsportsmen.com for info. Last Thurs. each month. 7:30pm Wiarton Legion Branch 208 Members Meeting. Wiarton Legion. 3rd Thurs. Not Jan/Feb. 7:30pm

Coffee Chat. Tobermory United Church. All are welcome. 9:30am–12pm Body Rolling for Myofascial Release. Via Zoom. Contact <u>barbara@lovingyoga.ca</u>. 8:50am

Myo Yin Yoga. Via Zoom. contact <a href="mailto:barbara@lovingyoga.ca">barbara@lovingyoga.ca</a>. 10am Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com.

Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of SCWW. Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. 11-11:30am

Bid Euchre. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Bid Euchre and/or Bridge. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. 1pm Euchre Night. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. Last Fri. 7pm Trivia. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. \$10 entry, proceeds to the Food Bank. All are welcome (19+). tobermorylegion.org 2nd Fri. each

month. 7pm Karaoke. Wiarton Legion Br. 208. All are welcome. 8pm Narcotics Anonymous. Frank St. Baptist Church, 365 Frank St, Wiarton. For more information call 519-375-7125. **7–8:30pm** 

#### **SATURDAY-**

Bruce Men's Shed General Meeting. Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact <u>brucemensshed@gmail.com</u> or 519-793-3005 to get involved. Starts Sep. 20. Third Sat. each month. 9-11am Lion's Head Farmers' Market. Pavilion, Lion's Head Beach. Free. 9am-12pm (until 1pm long weekends)

Tobermory All Seasons Market. Ball Diamond Pavilion. 10am-3pm Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of SCWW. Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. 11-11:30am

Darts for Meat. Lion's Head Legion. \$4 entry. First Sat. each month.

Repair Café. Owen Sound Library. Email <a href="mailto:GBOSRepairCafe@gmail.">GBOSRepairCafe@gmail.</a> com to get involved, or osngupl.ca/repair-cafe for info. Second Sat. each month. 1-4pm

Music & Dancing. Wiarton Legion Br. 208. Music & Dancing. All are welcome. Doors 1pm, Music 2-5pm Meat Draw. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. \$7 for 3 draws, plus bonus

draw. All are welcome (19) . tobermorylegion.org 4:30pm Friendship Club Meal. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Full course meal. \$15 members, \$18 non-members. Contact 519-375-0959 lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com for time & more

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#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before September 17, 2025 to be included in the next Press.

#### Ongoing

Peninsula Bruce Trail Club Hikes. Easy Hikes: 3 km. Peninsula Blue Series: 5-11km. Dates, times, locations, and registration at pbtc.ca, or follow us on Facebook under PeninsulaBTC.

#### **Tuesday September 9**

Community Conversation - How We Care for One Another. Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by Tobermory Health Services Auxiliary and Bruce Peninsula Hospice. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments provided. RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@bphospice.ca">info@bphospice.ca</a>. 6–9pm

#### Saturday September 13

Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary Annual Clothing Drive **Donations.** 22 Hayes Drive, Storage Unit 17, beside the arena. Gently used clothing, shoes, jewellery, accessories, bedding, and more. Drop off items in plastic garbage bags. 9am-12pm

Saturday September 13 – Sunday September 14 **9th Annual Tobermory Trail Race Weekend.** Tobermory. Raising funds for Tobermory Primary Place Child Care Centre. Marathon, half-marathon, and 7 km races on Saturday, 5km Flowerpot run Sunday. More info at tobermorytrail.com.

#### Sunday September 14

Terry Fox Run. Start at Lion's Head Beach Pavilion. Register in advance at run.terryfox.ca/92870 or on the day. 1pm

#### Thursday September 18

Heat Pump Workshops. Pike Bay Community Centre. Biosphere Association in collaboration with Municipality's Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee, and Pike Bay Community Association. Speaker Eric Crose of Crose Mechanical. Famous Biosphere butter tarts and coffee will be served. **7–8:30pm** 

Friday September 19 – Saturday September 20 157th Annual Wiarton Agricultural Fair. Wiarton Arena & Bluewater Park. Wiarton & District Agricultural Society. Family-friendly community fair. Exhibits, entertainment, competitions, and more. See ad pg. 4. Fri. 6:30-10pm; Sat. 9am-4pm

#### Saturday September 20

10th Annual Pig Roast at the Park. The Meeting Place Pavilion, Tobermory. Presented by And-Rod Construction and The Meeting Place. Beer garden, live music. Proceeds to the Meeting Place. 5-10pm

#### Monday September 22

Skin Cancer Screening Awareness Clinic. Lion's Head Clinic. Peninsula Family Health Team. For Peninsula FHT patients 16+ with valid OHIP. 15-minute screening by physicians. Appointment required, call 519-793-3445. See ad pg. 4. By appointment.

#### Tuesday September 23 -

Classie Časual Boutique Fashion Show & Shop. Lion's Head Friendship Club. See ad on pg. 3. Doors 1pm. Fashion show 1:30-2pm, shopping 2-5pm

#### Thursday September 25

Bruce Peninsula Hospice Annual General Meeting. Tobermory Community Centre. 519-534-1260 ext 5612 or BPHAGM2025.eventbrite.ca to register. See ad page 4. Registration 4:30, meeting 5pm, dinner 6-7pm

#### Friday September 26 -

Pork Roast Dinner. Lion's Head Legion. Hosted by Bruce Men's Shed. ½ pound shredded pork on a bun, coleslaw and side. Tickets \$20 per person. Limited number of tickets available at Lion's Head Legion Monday mornings, or contact brucemensshed@gmail.com or 519-793-3005. Time TBA

#### Saturday September 27

Third Annual Oktoberfest. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by the Rotary Club & Tagwerk Bier. BBQ, Oktoberfest food, live music, cask tapping ceremony, and beer tent through the day. Paul Williamson Band, beer stein contest, polka, and full bar starting 6:30pm. Tickets \$25 at lionsheadoktoberfest.com. 12pm-12am

#### Tuesday September 30 -

Truth & Reconciliation Event. Wiarton Town Hall. Flag raising at Wiarton Town Hall, walk to Bluewater Park. More details TBA. See ad page 3.

Community Take Back Drug Day. Lion's Head Firehall. Safely dispose of expired and unused prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications and natural health products. See ad page 9. 10am-2pm

#### Thursday October 2

Skin Cancer Screening Awareness Clinic. Tobermory Clinic. Peninsula Family Health Team. For Peninsula FHT patients 16+ with valid OHIP. 15-minute screening by physicians. Appointment required, call 519-596-2305. See ad pg. 4. By appointment.

#### Friday October 4

Community Fall Vendors Market. Stokes Bay Community Centre. Local vendors market. 10am-2pm

#### Wednesday October 9

Community PAP Clinic. Lion's Head Peninsula Family Health Team site. Appointment required, call 519-793-3445. See ad page 4. By appointment.

#### Friday October 11

Tobermory All Seasons Market Thanksgiving Market. Tobermory Community Centre. TobermoryMarket@gmail.com or 416-554-7872 for details. See ad page 3. **11am-3pm** 





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#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

Anglican, Christ Church, <a href="mailto:christchurchlionshead@diohuron.org">christchurchlionshead@diohuron.org</a> 55 Main St. Lion's Head. 519-793-3784

SUNDAY: St. Margaret's Service, in person and online, email or call for link, 7pm

Bethel Evangelical Missionary Church, bethelemc.ca

18 Ferndale Rd, Lion's Head SUNDAY: Indoor Service, 10:30am

**Light and Life Community Chapel,** <u>lightandlifecommunitychapel.ca</u> or search Facebook for Light and Life Chapel, 7347 Hwy#6, Tobermory **SUNDAY: Service**, 10:30am - *Live on Facebook at 11am* 

Lutheran & Anglican Services, laamb.ca 519-534-1604

Tobermory: St. Edmund's, 38 Big Tub Rd Cape Chin: St. Margaret's, 133 East Rd SUNDAY: St. Edmund's Service, 10am

Pentecostal Country Church, pentecostalcountrychurch.org,

2627 Hwy#6, Lion's Head, 226-559-0564 SUNDAY: Service, also available online, call for link, 10:30am

Pike Bay & Lion's Head United Church,

519-793-3312, 54 Main St, Lion's Head SUNDAY: Lion's Head, 11am. (10:30am Jan.-Mar.) Pike Bay, 9:30am. (Not Jan.-Mar.)

St. Mary's and the Missions Catholic Church, stmarysandthemissions.ca, St. Mark's, Lion's Head, 54 Main St, 519-376-0778

St. Mary's, Neyaashiinigmiing: 20 Lighthouse Rd

St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton, 552 Gould St

St. Thomas the Apostle, Tobermory United Church, 5 Brock St SATURDAY: St. Mark's - (Sunday Liturgy) 9:30am

St. Thomas the Apostle - 11:30am SUNDAY: St. Thomas Aquinas - 11am

St. Mary's - closed until further notice

Tobermory United Church, tobermoryunited.ca,

5 Brock St, Tobermory, 519-596-2394, tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca SUNDAY: Service, in-person, 10:30am

#### LIBRARY HOURS

See <u>library.brucecounty.on.ca/locations</u> for information.

_	LION'S HEAD	TOBERMORY	WIARTON
MON	9:30am-5pm	Closed	Closed
TUES	Closed	12:30-4:30pm	10am-7pm
WED	2–6pm	10am-6pm	10am-6pm
THU	10am-2pm	10am-6pm	10am-7pm
FRI	9:30am-5pm	10am-5pm	10am-6pm
SAT	9:30am-2pm	10am-3pm	10am-4pm
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2nd & 4th Thurs. each month.

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34 Community Centre Rd, Neyaashiinigmiing. 519-534-3266 ext 105. Order. Tuesday, 9am-12pm

Pick up. Thursday, 1–3:30pm

**Tobermory.** The Meeting Place 20 Centennial Dr, Tobermory. 519-851-3411 Walk in service. Tuesday, 1–3pm Emergency service. Contact for service.

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

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# BPEG's September Meeting: Soils of the Escarpment

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

At BPEG's (Bruce Peninsula Environment Group) September Meeting, presenter Joachim Schmidt talked about the factors that impacted the soil forming processes on the Lion's Head Area of Natural and Scientific Interest (A.N.S.I.) and Provincial Nature

He started off the informative session by giving a brief review of the geology of the Escarpment as part of the Michigan Basin. He explained that some of the factors that lead to soil development are caused by climate, organisms in the soil, relief/topography, parent material such as rocks, fluvial deposits and time.

The intriguing evidence for postulated subglacial meltwater sheet flood events were discussed. He highlighted how the changing postglacial lake levels affected the area by superimposing the rise and fall of the water on a local topography map. He used the example of the berms, located on his Moore Street property and visible on the high resolution topographic relief as historic beach heads, evidence of the different lake levels. Schmidt compared soil profiles on one of the berms with a profile at the toe of the berm. The profile on the old beach head showed many layers of different size textures, from coarse sand to small

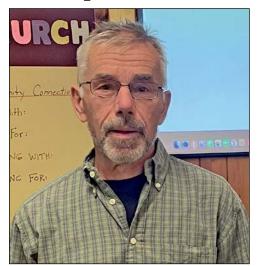


Photo: Joachim Schmidt, speaker at BPEG's September meeting on "Soils of the Escarpment".

pebbles, while the profile behind the berm was consisting of finer sandy material.

The presentation concluded by comparing the surface soils under a maple - beech forest with the topsoil under a pine stand.

BPEG's next meeting is on Karst presented by Jenna McGuire, 1 Oct at 7 p.m, Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head.

# Water/Sewer Public Information Sessions Continued from page 3

Lion's Head has an excellent water system that serves the village but no sewers at all. The presence of many dozens of tile beds in a small area on a hillside is a constant worry and an impediment to growth. The solution — a town sewage system — would be very expensive.

Tobermory's situation is even worse: it has a tiny water system that mainly serves the MS Chi-Cheemaun ferry dock and a slightly larger sewer system that serves the ferry dock and a few dozen homes and businesses. All of the village's homes and businesses either have wells or draw water from the harbour. Many wells are prone to running dry in the summer and there are concerns about drawing drinking water from an increasingly contaminated harbour. The solution: a town water system and an expanded town sewer system, would cost tens of millions of dollars.

MNBP desperately needs more housing but water and/or sewer capacity is a major limitation in both villages. There is an increasing sense

that MNBP must find a way to fund these systems before the need becomes

desperate.

MNBP
commissioned
the Ontario
Clean Water
Agency (OCWA)
to conduct
a needs and
feasibility
study. This has

Public consultation also includes the *letstalknpb. ca* website, which offers comprehensive information and an easy way to comment (comments are open until September 26).

been a multiyear process but it is beginning to bear fruit. OCWA presented its third project update to MNBP Council at a Special Meeting on August 11. (The full report can be found online in the Agenda for that Special Meeting northbrucepeninsula.ca, then select the three little bars in the upper right corner and select government then Council and Committees, then Agendas and Minutes).

MNBP presented that report to the public at public information sessions in Tobermory and Lion's Head on August 27. About 30 people came out to the morning session in Tobermory; about 25 to the afternoon session

in Lion's Head. Public consultation also includes the *letstalknpb.ca* website, which offers comprehensive information and an easy way to comment (comments are open until September 26).





a parking space.

# MUNICIPALITY OF NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA PARKING PROGRAM: MAY 15 - SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

### PAID PARKING PROGRAM LOCATIONS FOR ON-STREET/PARKING LOT PAID PARKING:

 -Tobermory - Lion's Head - 60 Carter Road - End of Borchardt Road - Dunk's Bay Parking Area - 941 Dyers Bay Road

### LOCATIONS WHERE PARKPASS RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED:

Little Cove, Tobermory & Big Tub Lighthouse, Tobermory McCurdy Drive, Lion's Head
These maps outline the parking limits, rates, and "Pay &

### Display" machine locations within Lion's Head and Tobermory. PARKING VIOLATIONS

Payments for parking violations can be made through the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula website: northbrucepeninsula.ca

#### **RESIDENT PARKING PASS PROGRAM**

Provides free parking, with specific time frames for residents. All other provisions of the Parking By-law shall apply.

- If you reside within the Municipality you are entitled to a resident parking pass provided you show proof of residency with a valid Ontario issued Driver Licence. Each parking pass will be associated with a specific licence plate.
- Additional residential parking passes can be purchased for a fee of \$50.00 each per year.
- $\bullet$  Non-resident parking passes are available to purchase for a fee of \$100 per year.
- Commercial (Bus) passes are available to purchase for a fee of \$300 per year.
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### HOW DO I OBTAIN A PARKING PASS?

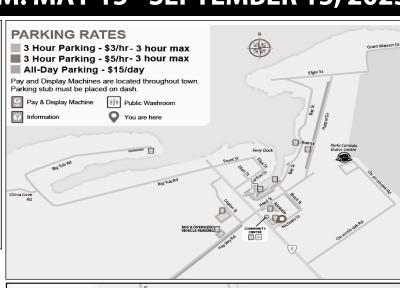
Residents may apply in person at the Municipal Office, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, or by email to parking@northernbruce.ca

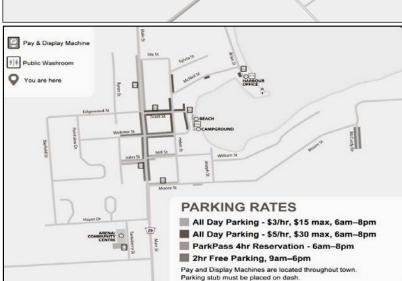
If you have a Parking Pass you are not required to renew your pass unless you have changed vehicle ownership/licence plates.

### WHAT IF I RENT LONGTERM OR HAVE MOVED BACK HOME?

•Vehicle ownership
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(e.g. Driver's Licence)

Rental agreement, phone or a hydro bill that ties you to the property





#### NOTES

- Resident passes are limited to two (2) per improved (cottage) property. A maximum of only two (2) passes will be issued even if one person owns multiple properties. In the case of properties registered as corporate names, proof showing the principals of that corporation will be required.
- Each parking pass will be associated with a specific licence plate (not to a property or a person).
- Complete ParkPass details can be found at www.northernbruceparking.ca

Municipal Office 56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head, ON 1-833-793-3537 www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/parking for more information

### NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA

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#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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



Monday September 22, 2025 1:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday October 14, 2025 1:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Monday October 27, 2025 1:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Monday November 10, 2025 1:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

### LANDFILL SITES HOURS OF OPERATION APRIL 1ST 2025 TO OCTOBER 31ST 2025

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9-5 p.m.	9-5 p.m.		9-5 p.m.		9-5 p.m.	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.

#### PROPERTY TAX DUE DATE

Installment 2 Due Date September 3, 2025

Questions about your property taxes? Contact the Municipal office at 1-833-793-3537.

### MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX CHANGES

There are important updates to the Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT), effective January 1, 2025. This change introduces an expanded scope of the MAT to include hotels, motels, and bed and breakfast establishments.

#### **Key Details:**

- Effective Date: January 1, 2025
- Who is Affected: All accommodation providers, including hotels, motels, bed & breakfasts
- Purpose of the Change:

This expansion is part of our commitment to supporting the Chamber of Commerce in enhancing tourism services and infrastructure development through a fair and inclusive approach.

#### How to Prepare for the New MAT Regulations:

#### 1. Stay Informed:

Visit our website at www.northernbrucepeninsula.ca for comprehensive information about the MAT expansion and how it may impact your business operations.

#### 2. Ensure Compliance:

Review and update your booking systems, accounting practices, and related processes to incorporate the new tax requirements by the effective date.

#### 3. Communicate Proactively:

Notify your staff and inform guests about the new MAT to prevent confusion during check-in or check-out. We are committed to supporting accommodation operators through this transition and minimizing any potential disruptions. For additional information and ongoing updates, please refer to our website or contact us directly. Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to strengthen our tourism sector.

### MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX (MAT) PAYMENT SITE

The Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) remittance due dates are as follows:

- Q3 (July September) is due on or before October 31
- Q4 (October December) is due on or before January 31

To remit payment visit the municipal website or scan here to be directed to the page. The Municipality has no agreements with 3rd party companies like VRBO, Airbnb, etc., and they are not collecting MAT on behalf of the Municipality.



### SHORT-TERM ACCOMMODATION LICENCING PROGRAM

For information on how to register your Short-Term Accommodation, please visit https://northbrucepeninsula.ca/sta/

If you wish to report a concern regarding a Short-term Accommodation property, please call (1) 855-331-0489.

Any person who obtains a licence shall comply with the regulations set out in the Municipality's STA Licence By-law.

### AFTER-HOURS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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

For a municipal road hazard, by-law or livestock claim emergency, please call 1-866-750-8219.

### MUNICIPALITY OF NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA NOW HIRING!

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Apply by September 19th, 2025, by 4:30pm to hr@northerbruce.ca.

More information can be found on our website under Employment Opportunities.

The Municipality does not use AI in recruitment and will provide accommodation upon request

### VOTER REGISTRATION FOR PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN ONTARIO

To maintain your information for provincial, municipal, district social services administration board and school board elections in Ontario, please go www.registertovoteon.ca to register and/or ensure your information is correct. Identification will need to be uploaded, and a drivers license is preferred.

#### **BYLAW ENFORCEMENT**

Municipal law enforcement is provided by the By-law Enforcement Department. The goal is to serve, protect, and provide a desired quality of life for residents and visitors of the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula. By-law Enforcement is committed to raising awareness of community standards and enforcing the Municipality's by-laws using a timely, professional and unbiased approach.

By-law Enforcement complaints can be submitted 24/7 through the three following methods:

- Online By-law Complaint Form by visiting our website at www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/government/by-law-enforcement/
- 2. Phone: 1-833-793-3537 Ext. 235
- 3. After Hours Emergency/Animal Control: 1-866-750-8219

### WEED SPRAY CONTROL PROGRAM NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula will be conducting a Weed Spray Control Program in accordance with the Weed Control Act R.S.O. 1990. Notification is required as per current regulations under the Pesticides Act Ontario Regulation 63/09.

The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula will be spraying for Noxious Weeds on all road rights-of-way within the boundaries of May 5, 2025, to October 3, 2025

Weeds included are: Wild Parsnip, Giant Hogweed, Poison Ivy, or other noxious weeds listed on the Noxious Weed list Regulation 1096 under the Weed Control Act.

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#### **MONTHLY COMMUNITY E-NEWSLETTER**

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** 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.

### OPEN AIR BURNING AND FIREWORKS PERMITS

#### Burn Cautious, Burn Safe, Stay Tuned!

**Open Air Burning Permits** are required for all outdoor fires within the Municipality, as per the Open Air Burning By-law. When you have a fire, exercise extreme caution and always have water nearby. **Fireworks** are not permitted within the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula without a valid Fireworks Permit.

Please refer to the Open Air Burning By-law, and the Fireworks By-law, for more details available on our website. Open air burning and fireworks permits are free of charge within the Municipality.

For further information please contact the Fire Department at 1-833-793-3537 X 347.

#### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL 2022-2026

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Municipal Website: www.northbrucepeninsula.ca

### **Successful "Stuff The Cruiser" Event Benefits Tobermory Food Bank**

On August 23rd the OPP "Stuff the Cruiser" Event was held at Peacock's Foodland in Tobermory. Due to the very generous donations of those who came by, 174 kg (384lbs) of grocery items were donated along with \$568 in cash. A great help to the Tobermory Food Bank. As the fall season begins, we anticipate the increased number of clients will continue. Many thanks to OPP Auxiliary Staff Sergeant Tom Buckley for once again giving up a Saturday to be on site from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to receive the donations. This event has been happening for many years, in the summer and just before Christmas, and it really makes a difference to the food we have available for those in need.

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances we had to cancel the Fundraising Hot Dog BBQ scheduled for Saturday August 30th. Our apologies for any inconvenience or disappointment that the cancellation may have caused. Like all the things we do, we depend on the availability of volunteers, and due

Submitted by Linda Godhue to illness and other commitments on a long weekend, we did not have enough volunteers to have the event. But there will be other Hot Dog BBQs and fundraising events that the community supports, for which we are so very

The number of visits to the Tobermory Food Bank increases in the fall and going into the winter season. If you did not have an opportunity to drop by the Stuff the Cruiser event and wish to donate, there are many ways:

-You can drop grocery items off at the Tobermory Post Office, the entrance way at the Tobermory Community Centre or during Food Bank Hours Tuesdays 1-3 p.m. at the Meeting Place.

-Cash donations can be made by e-transfer using tobermoryfoodbank@ gmail.com and providing full name and mailing address so that you receive a tax receipt for donations over \$20.

-Or you can mail a cheque to Tobermory Food Bank, P.O. Box 144, Tobermory ON, NOH 2R0



Wishing everyone a great start to fall with all that it brings.

### **Red Schoolhouse Gallery Artist Spotlight: Rebecca Suzanne Michie and Kelly Fletcher**

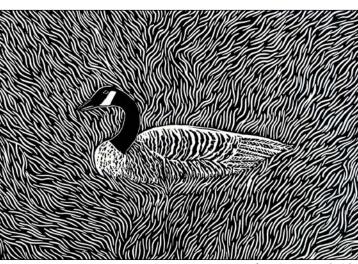


Photo Courtesy of Rebecca Michie

Photo: Goose in the Grass by Rebecca Michie.



**Photo Courtesy of Kelly Fletcher** Photo: Lazy Days With You by Kelly Fletcher.

Submitted by Janet Whittington

Until October 12th, the Red Schoolhouse Gallery is open every Saturday and Sunday from 11am to 5pm.

Rebecca Suzanne Michie, one of 12 permanent member artists, is an OCAD University graduate having majored in Illustration with a minor in Printmaking. She is passionate about allegorical expressions of the female, particularly

in ancient folk myth, legend and religion. Exploring themes of sisterhood, patriarchy and ancestral legacy, she works mostly in oil paint and relief print. Rebecca is also greatly inspired by the natural world. In her work you will find sunsets, birds, fish, flowers and trees, all inspired by the beauty of the

Guest artist Kelly Fletcher is a selftaught mixed-media artist living on 28 wooded acres in the North Saugeen Peninsula. Originally a graphic designer, Kelly became completely mesmerized when she discovered the unpredictability of fluid art. In her studio, she combines fluid acrylic paint with various ingredients to create spontaneous works that are inspired by the beauty and chaos of nature that surrounds us here on the Bruce. Kelly's artwork has been featured in various shows across the Grey and Bruce regions, earning a People's Choice award and a spot in the 2025 Bruce Trail Conservancy Calendar.



Photo L-R: OPP Auxiliary Staff Sergeant Tom Buckley with Rick

Caron, Treasurer of Tobermory Food Bank.

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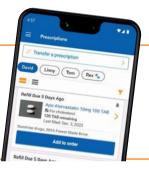
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