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Sparks and Embers Explore the Power of Pollinators on Earth Day

Photo: Chelsea Lise from the Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG) organized a special hands-on nature-related activity for the 1st Northern Bruce Peninsula Sparks and Embers group. The enthusiastic girls participated in making pollinator seed balls and seed medallions as part of the BPEG and Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula Earth Day event. Turn to page 20 for the full story.

Local Indigenous Artist Mark Nadjiwan Designs Coins for Royal Canadian Mint

By Tammy Raycraft,
Bruce Peninsula Press

Local Indigenous artist Mark Nadjiwan from Three Trees Art recently had the pleasure of designing artwork and stories for the Royal Canadian Mint.

The process started in November of 2024 when Nadjiwan received a phone call from the Mint, saying they wanted to work with him to create 3 designs for a series of fine silver \$15 coins.

This is something that is usually done through a competition, according to Nadjiwan, but they had waived the competition and wanted to work directly with him. Nadjiwan does not typically do commissions, as he has only done 3 in his whole career.

"It's the Royal Canadian Mint," he said. "I couldn't say no."

While Nadjiwan typically creates one piece a year, he was able to design the 3 coins in about two and a half months, having them finished in January of 2025. Each coin features a clan animal – the bear, the otter and the crane.



Photo Credit: Kenneth McFarlane,
Bruce Peninsula Press

Photo: The first coin in the series of 3 is the Sandhill Crane.

The first coin, which was released on March 31 is the Sandhill Crane. While the bear and the otter were inspired from existing poses Nadjiwan had previously designed, the crane was a brand-new design.

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A Year of Giving: Community Donors Invest \$1 Million in Local Hospitals



Photo L-R: Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation (BPHF) Chair Linda Myles-Gallinger, President and CEO of Brightshores Health System Ann Ford and BPHF Director Brian Taylor with the \$1,037,005.00 cheque at Brightshores Lion's Head Hospital. Thanks to our community's generosity, the Brightshores Health System Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation invested \$1,037,005 in priority medical equipment, staff education, and system improvements that directly benefit patient care across the Bruce Peninsula. Turn to page 6 for the full story.

Cabot Head Road Virtual Open House Shows Substantial Interest, 946 Completed Surveys

By Tessa Swanton (Townson),
Bruce Peninsula Press

A Virtual Open House on April 9th hosted by the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBP), presented by Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Peggy Van Mierlo-West, and facilitated by Michelle Casavecchia-Somers and Michelle Smibert from Clerks on Call, leveraged over 200 registrations for the

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Tobermory Children's Camp Seeking Community Sponsors for 2026 Summer Season

Media Release

Tobermory, ON — As Tobermory Children's Camp prepares for its 2026 summer season, organizers are reaching out to local businesses, service clubs, and community partners to help support accessible, high-quality programming for children ages 4-10.

Running from June 29 to August 21, the camp offers six weeks of full-day activities designed to spark creativity, build confidence, and encourage hands-on learning. With themed weekly programming, STEM-based challenges, outdoor exploration, and opportunities for teamwork and self-expression, the camp plays a meaningful role in supporting families and enriching the lives of young people in the Northern Bruce Peninsula.

To keep programming affordable and accessible, Tobermory Children's Camp is inviting community sponsors to join in making this year's camp possible. Sponsorships help cover program materials, activity supplies and guest facilitators.

Why Sponsor?

Community support directly contributes to:

- Affordable access for local families
- High-quality programming and hands-on learning opportunities
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- Stronger community connections between families, organizations, and local businesses

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How to Get Involved

Tobermory Children's Camp welcomes sponsorships of any size, whether from businesses, service clubs, community groups, or individuals.

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joy-filled summer for children across the Peninsula.

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SWANS Donate To BPDS Grade 7/8 Class Trip to Ottawa



Photo: Connie Tackaberry (second from right) from the Peninsula SWANS presents a \$1,000.00 donation towards the Grade 7/8 Class Trip to Ottawa which happens every second year. On hand to accept the cheque were some of the Grade 6/7 students and teacher, Ms Rosenberg (right) from Bruce Peninsula District School (BPDS) in Lion's Head.

“Jam In The Tub” Live Music May 8th at Tobermory Legion

Submitted by Brad Gibbs

Members of the Open Mic music community of Tobermory and Lion's Head are excited to present this live concert “Jam In The Tub” Friday May 8th, 7pm at the Tobermory Legion.

Featuring “Trio Infernale” who are known for improvised takes on original compositions as well as vintage favourites, and “Hwy 6 Revisited” who

enjoy performing classics and deep cuts from The Beatles and Dylan to The Tragically Hip and Neil Young.

Please join us for this inaugural jam, pour yourself some musical creativity and enjoy fellowship at the top of the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula!

There is no cost at the door, but donations to the Legion are encouraged. Cash bar.

Tobermory Coffee Club Donates to St. Edmunds Public School Breakfast Program

Submitted by Joan Garner

The Tobermory Coffee Club recently presented a donation of \$752.00 to the St. Edmunds Public School Breakfast Program. The money was raised at the weekly Coffee Club gatherings.

The Tobermory Coffee Club meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:30-9:30 am at the Tobermory Community Centre (Nov to April only).

Thank you to all the Coffee Club participants who gave so generously.



Photo Credit: Teri Reid

Photo L-R: Mike, Jim Garner, Jada Mielhausen from St. Edmunds Public School, Joan Garner, Karen, Bunkie, Geoff and Wayne.



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April Showers Bring Flooded Basements, Submerged Walkways and Fields To North Bruce

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

The Northern Bruce Peninsula saw significant flooding the past few weeks, with numerous property owners reporting flooded basements, submerged driveways and gardens. One Dorcas Bay cottager says it was the most amount of water he has seen lying around, but luckily with no basement, he only had the minor inconvenience of a waterlogged driveway.

Low lying farmland had large pools of water everywhere. Bruce Peninsula National Park informed the public "As of April 14, all trails in the Park are temporarily closed due to flooding and

unsafe conditions." Johnson Harbour Road was also closed due to significant flooding. Cape Hurd Road in Tobermory had water temporarily covering the road.

However, South Bruce Peninsula experienced more damaging floods and declared "a significant weather event on Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 12:44 pm due to forecasted or observed weather conditions. The extreme rainfall events of the last five days, which followed significant snow melt events, has led to significant flooding throughout the Town. Local waterways are exceeding normal spring runoff levels with several watersheds in South Bruce Peninsula

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Photo Credit: Kenneth McFarlane, Bruce Peninsula Press

Photo: Cape Hurd Road in Tobermory had water temporarily covering the road.



Photo Credit: Bruce Peninsula National Park Facebook Page

Photo: Water flows along the trail in Bruce Peninsula National Park.

"Be Bear Wise": MNR Visits MNBPC Council to Discuss Black Bear Management for the Bruce Peninsula

By Tessa Swanton (Townson), Bruce Peninsula Press

An awaited visit from the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) on April 13th to the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBPC) Council revealed valuable information on the bear population on the Bruce Peninsula and how to prevent bear encounters. Kassidy Gregg, Integrated Resource Management Technical Specialist, presented the speech from MNR and was joined by John Almond, District Manager.

Data Shows Rise in Bears in the National Park

Gregg indicated that the MNR monitors black bear populations on the Bruce Peninsula with barbed wire hair traps, mandatory reports, harvest data from hunters, aging of premolar teeth from harvested bears, and research conducted with Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON) and Parks Canada.

The bear population is highest around the National Park in Tobermory and lessens towards the south end of the Peninsula. A population decline in the National Park was recorded from 2009 to 2018 then a rise as noted from 2018 to 2022. Peninsula wide, population levels tend to decrease when harvest levels are high, and levels increase when harvest levels are low. She stated that "Harvest levels have increased in recent years with more than 20 bears harvested in 2024 and 2025."

MNR monitors the bear population every three years through barbed wire

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Photo from "Be Bear Wise and prevent bear encounters - Ontario.ca"

Photo: In Ontario, black bears can range from black to cinnamon or brown in colour. All are considered black bears.

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JOHN'S COLUMN

Life in Northern Bruce Peninsula – Could Not Connect To...

By John Francis

It's Saturday night as I write this. As happened every weekend last summer for me and other Rogers 5G internet customers in Tobermory, my computer "Could not connect to the internet". Last year it didn't get that bad until June; this year it's starting in April. But even that is better than my previous provider, Eastlink, with whom I got "Could not connect to the internet" at some point every evening, all year.

On the other hand, I have pretty good cell service here in Tobermory.

With the recent (long awaited) fibre installation, people in Lion's Head now have much better internet, but they still have terrible cell service.

People at Dyers Bay and Cape Chin have neither good cell service nor good internet.

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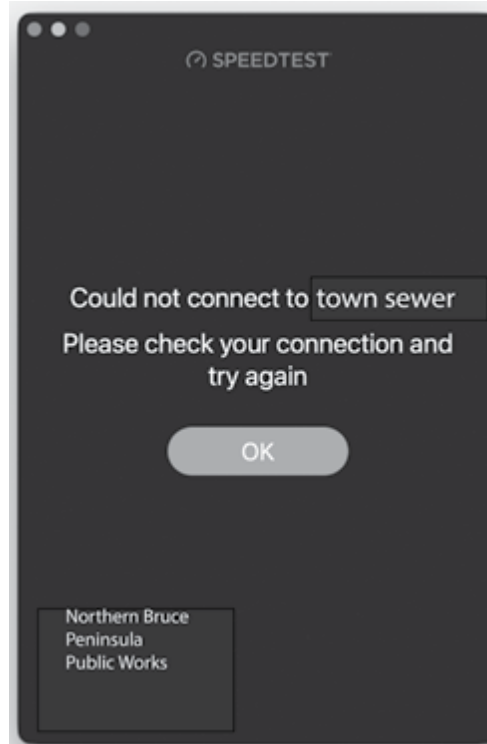
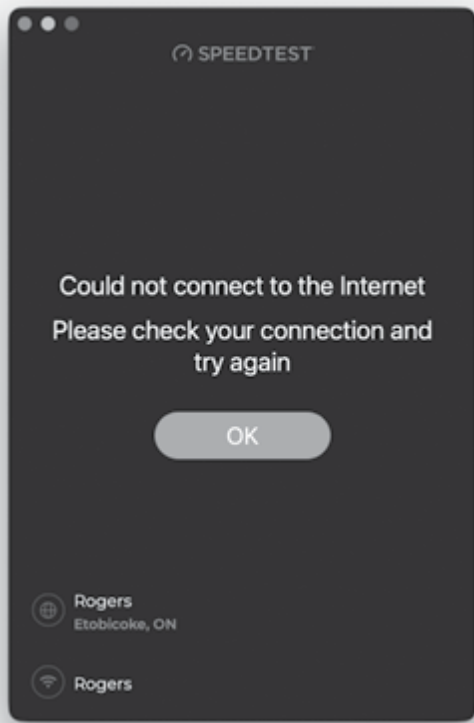
This is an election year for municipalities across Ontario. Councils throughout the province are three-and-

a-half years in to a four-year term.

At the beginning of the current term, the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBPP) hired a facilitator to hold a Strategic Planning exercise for Council and Staff. Here is the highest priorities from that exercise:

- A need for modernizing the water / wastewater infrastructure and managing the challenge of the regional logistics associated to this.
- Elevating the Exposure and Status of the unique challenges Northern Bruce has as a transient playground for the larger southern population of the province.
- Modernizing recreational facilities and opportunities that service the local population living year round in the municipality.
- Addressing vulnerable medical needs and doctor shortage.
- Planning housing development that meet the diverse needs of the entire local demographic, including seniors, while not losing sight of the transient/seasonal housing needs as well.
- Modernizing communications technology (Internet, cell phone, emergency measures) to meet the current needs while being in a position to satisfy the future needs as well."

Council and staff have been working diligently to find funding for our community's highest priorities, but there are no breakthroughs on the horizon. I imagine it's been a frustrating three-and-a-half years.



Letter: Response To Omnibus Legislation Passed By Provincial Government

The Provincial government just passed an Omnibus Bill, meaning it rolled a number of initiatives, (some quite sinister such as changes to FOI requests), into legislation.

The most important of the bills is Bill 5: Protect Ontario by unleashing our Economy Act, which affects the North Bruce in these ways:

One of the biggest features of the omnibus legislation is the ability to create "special economic zones."

- These zones allow the province to override provincial laws and regulations (including environmental rules) for specific projects or regions.
- Cabinet can issue directives to municipalities and public bodies
- Funding can be tied to compliance with provincial priorities
- The municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula could have less autonomy over planning decisions
- Provincial priorities (housing, tourism, infrastructure) may override local opposition

Everything in this omnibus direction boils down to a tension that pits

economic growth against environmental protection and local control.

In North Bruce Peninsula potential benefits include more property rights, the growth of tourism, faster approvals and infrastructure upgrades. The potential costs are less environmental protection, overcrowding, less community input and potential changes to the rural character of the area.

Nothing changes overnight—but the province is giving itself the power to:

- Step in faster
- Approve more development
- Override local/environmental rules when it wants

For a place like Northern Bruce Peninsula, that is significant because its identity depends heavily on natural landscapes and controlled growth. The provincial government decided we needed something different.

If these changes are worrisome, you may contact the local MPP Paul Vickers at Paul.vickers@pc.ola.org

Beverly Dywan,
Tobermory

Letter: Sharing and the Cabot Head Road

I was somewhat disappointed with the recent editorial by John on the Cabot Head Road. As a reporter, I would expect him to provide some exposure to the other side of the issue – albeit he does seem to get abnormally excited at the mere mention of bicycles and sidewalks.

Suggestions have been put forth to limit the traffic during tourist season via a gated entrance and a summer student to count cars and close the gate as required. Or to close the road completely during the tourist season. Some such solution would solve the problem and everyone would be reasonably happy, or should be, as a community is basically all about sharing isn't it?

Be that as it may the elderly must be accommodated in a civilized society as I'm sure you'd agree. And the elderly make up a huge percentage of the tax base here – far far larger than the meager consortium of bicycle riders. A

7 km walk is simply impossible for the majority of these people.

As I mentioned once before – is this what we have become in Tobermory – have we started the march to gated communities as it were? Big Tub Harbour Lighthouse is infested with tourists so let's gate it off and give keys to the chosen few. Dunk's Bay is plagued with tourists so by all means let's do the same with it. What about Singing Sands on the long weekends in the summer when you can't get to your house due to flocks of tourists – since they put the parking lot across "our" Municipal Road. The tourists are more plentiful than Canada geese. And so on.

So let's all work together and try to stop all this bickering that our community is sadly becoming known for.

Regards,
Kevin Doyle
Dorcas Bay

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A Year of Giving: Community Donors Invest \$1 Million in Local Hospitals

Submitted by April Patry, Executive Director

April 17, 2026, Bruce Peninsula, ON — Thanks to the extraordinary generosity and loyalty of donors, all identified needs of Brightshores Health System Warton and Lion's Head Hospitals have been met, ensuring patients and care teams continue to benefit from safe, modern, and high-quality healthcare close to home.

Thanks to our community's generosity, the Brightshores Health System Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation invested \$1,037,005 in priority medical equipment, staff education, and system improvements that directly benefit patient care across the Bruce Peninsula.

One of this year's most significant initiatives — the funding of Automated Dispensary Units (ADUs) — has been fully funded, installed, and staff training is complete at both Warton and Lion's Head Hospitals. The ADU's are now fully operational, and the units are already enhancing medication safety, improving workflow efficiency, and supporting safer patient care. "Donor generosity in Lion's Head and Warton helps make local enhancements possible, while support for system-wide projects like the ADU upgrade strengthens care across every Brightshores site," says Ann Ford, Brightshores Health System President & CEO. "We are deeply grateful to the foundation's donors whose generosity contributes to a healthier future for Grey Bruce."

Of the \$1,037,005 provided, \$53,000 came from earnings from the Foundation's Caring for Tomorrow Endowment Fund, supporting both immediate needs and long-term sustainability. "The Fund enjoyed excellent investment returns this past year, and we're excited to see those earnings translating directly into improved patient care on the Peninsula," said Helen Thomson, Foundation Director and Finance Chair.

The Endowment income supported the purchase of critical equipment and staff education, including funding for a new infant warmer at Warton Hospital, the Automated Dispensary Units at Lion's Head Hospital, and continuing education and training for nursing staff.

Advancing Healthcare Close To Home

Additionally, Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation contributes to regional healthcare initiatives that support access to essential services across Grey Bruce. These investments help ensure Peninsula residents and visitors can access specialized care closer to home, reducing the need to travel outside the region. By supporting regional services, donor funding helps sustain coordinated, high-quality care for the communities we serve.

"This past year is a powerful reflection of what consistent, community-driven support can accomplish," said Linda Myles-Gallinger, Chair of Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation. "Donors can be confident that their gifts are carefully stewarded and directed to real, identified healthcare needs that make a direct difference for patients and care teams. We are also deeply grateful for the longstanding support of the Warton and Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliaries, whose dedication and volunteer spirit continue to strengthen our local hospitals and the care they provide."

The Foundation extends sincere thanks to the donors, volunteers, and community partners whose generosity made these investments possible. As healthcare needs continue to evolve, the Foundation looks ahead with gratitude and optimism, knowing that continued community support will remain essential to ensuring high-quality care close to home for years to come.

Brightshores Health System Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation

The Brightshores Health System Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation is dedicated to supporting Brightshores Health System by fundraising for medical equipment, technological advancements, staff education, and facility improvements. We adopt a local as well as a regional approach, committed to supporting the advancement of healthcare solutions that serve the broader population of Grey and Bruce counties.

SOK Invasive Species Forum to Explore Impacts and Responses in Tobermory

Submitted by Moira Parker

Sources of Knowledge will return to Tobermory May 1-3 for its 16th annual forum, bringing together researchers, conservation professionals, and community members to explore one of the most pressing environmental challenges facing the Great Lakes region: invasive species.

This year's theme, **Invasive Species: Action and Adaptation**, looks at how non-native plants and animals are reshaping ecosystems on land and in water and what can be done in response.

The weekend opens Friday afternoon with a guided hike to a restored site near Malcolm Bluff, led by the Bruce Trail Conservancy's Brian Popelier. Participants will visit an area where invasive plants have been suppressed and native species re-established. Space is limited on this hike, so ensure you pre-register by emailing info@sourcesofknowledge.ca to get your spot.

Friday evening opens with a focus on Indigenous knowledge and global context. SON elder David Roote and fire keeper Lloyd Ritchie will kindle the sacred fire at 5pm which will stay ablaze the entire weekend. Renowned Chef Zach Keeshig of Nawash will serve hors d'oeuvres featuring invasive species, an unexpected way to engage with the topic and think differently about what these species mean and how we interact with them. This will be followed by a keynote from Dr. Peter Stoett of Ontario Tech University, who recently co-chaired a global assessment on invasive species across 145 countries. His talk will be followed by a discussion with Saugeen Ojibway Nation knowledge keepers Lenore Keeshig and Miptoon, exploring how relationships between people, land, and species are understood from an indigenous perspective.

Saturday features a full day of presentations examining invasive species across the Great Lakes region. Dr. Nicholas Mandrak will trace the history and future of aquatic invaders in Lake Huron, while Dr. Erin Dunlop will speak

to the impacts of invasive mussels on lake whitefish populations. Additional talks will explore fish stocking, phragmites control, invasive species monitoring in national parks, emerging threats such as hydrilla, and approaches to ecological restoration at landscape and residential scales. The evening banquet, catered by Heat n' Eat Meal Co., will be hosted at the Tobermory Community Centre. A cash bar will be available at the banquet.

The forum concludes Sunday with a moderated dialogue and question period, giving participants the opportunity to engage with speakers and reflect on key themes from the weekend.

Following the forum on May 5th, a guided e-bike tour, The Tub on Two Wheels: Identifying Forest Invaders, will explore local ecosystems and signs of invasive forest species. The small-group ride will be led in partnership with The Meeting Place Tobermory. Pre-registration required by emailing info@tobermorymeetingplace.com.

Sources of Knowledge will continue its spring talk series at the Parks Canada Visitor Centre. On May 21, photographer Willy Waterton will present Salt of the Earth: People of Bruce County, a photo essay focusing on individuals across the northern Peninsula. On June 11, Dr. James Conolly of Trent University will present on what is considered to be the oldest shipwreck identified to date in the Great Lakes, placing the Ashbridge's Bay wreck within a broader archaeological and environmental context.

The forum takes place at the Parks Canada Visitor Centre in Tobermory. Registration is open at [sourcesofknowledge.ca](mailto:info@sourcesofknowledge.ca) or by emailing info@sourcesofknowledge.ca. Space is limited, but please reach out to inquire about availability. We look forward to seeing you there!

We would like to express a huge thank you to the many supporters and donors whose generosity has made this year's Forum possible - this work could not happen without them.

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Notes: Carl was a Collector & went to many Tractor, Steam shows. Interesting Sale. 2 sale rings.

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Mark Nadjiwan Coins
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In the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, the Sandhill Crane was tasked with communication with those outside of the community. The crane is known for its powerful call that can be heard from kilometers away. Nadjiwan found this fitting as the coin is available worldwide to anyone.

The bear is a protector and a guardian. According to Nadjiwan, some communities are aligning various departments within administrations, like police and law enforcement, with traditional clan animal meanings like the bear. Also known as a medicine animal, the bear is very knowledgeable about plants and is a teacher in that way. The bear coin will be released in June 2026.

The otter will be released in October 2026. Nadjiwan chose the otter as traditionally it represents a medicine animal, a sacred, and a healing animal. Otters are known to be playful, which is one of the ways they are healing. "In these times that are clearly dark and

heavy, to be reminded of lightness and playfulness and to make space for that in our lives," said Nadjiwan.

Each coin has its own bio which appear on the mint website. Nadjiwan wishes to acknowledge Indigenous legal scholar, and fellow Nawash community member John Borrows for agreeing to review and approve all of the writing.

Nadjiwan views his work as reconciliatory in nature and hopes that these coins and their stories start conversations, reaching a broader audience globally. He said he was very impressed with the mint and what they were able to do with his work.

Nadjiwan hopes for the future that these animals are still around, and their stories are still being shared with the world. "Let's hope that if it's 100 years or 500 years from now that they are still actually around," he said.

These coins and their stories can be found on the mints website, under new releases in the shop tab.

To learn more about Mark Nadjiwan and his art visit www.threetreesart.com

Bruce Men's Shed Holding Free Spring Bicycle Tuneup

Submitted by Gerry Tilmans, Team Leader

This past weekend Bruce Men's Shed had a booth at the indoor Lion's Head Farmers' Market (LHFM) that was held at the Bruce Peninsula District School. It gave me a chance to say hello and introduce shoppers to our group. Many thanks to Charlene for inviting us again this year.

Towards the end of May, we will hold a free spring bicycle tuneup event at the LHFM Saturday morning market on May 30th. Drop off your bike between 9-11am, wander the market and check back for your bike by noon. We will have a team of men on hand who will adjust gears, brakes and derailleurs, replace worn brake pads, straighten wobbly wheels, fix flats and lubricate chains.

We are selling raised planters again

this year, but made with cedar legs and bottoms with pine boxes and a liner. They are deeper at 10" to 11". Let us help you get ready for planting season!

Our next monthly Saturday meeting is May 16 from 9am-11am. Every Monday morning we meet for coffee from 9am-11am at Canadian Legion Branch 202, 6 Hellyer Road on Highway 6, 4 km north of Ferndale. Doors open at 8:45.

There is also a Bruce Men's Shed coffee gathering every Wednesday at 10 am in Wiarton at 451 Frank street, Matthew Mutch hosting.

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.

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Save the Date: Orchid Fest June 13

Afternoon Celebrating The Remarkable Native Orchids of the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula

Submitted by Bill Caulfeild-Browne

Join us for Orchid Fest, an afternoon celebrating the remarkable native orchids of the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula. This special event invites nature lovers, artists, and curious visitors to explore the beauty, ecology, and conservation of these fascinating wildflowers.

Hosted by Friends of Bruce District Parks and delivered in collaboration with Parks Canada, the Owen Sound Field Naturalists, and the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club, Orchid Fest is designed to deepen appreciation for the region's native orchids and inspire action to safeguard them.

The afternoon will feature an expert speaker, orchid-inspired arts and crafts, and information on the unique habitats where these sensitive plants grow. Visitors will also learn how to observe orchids responsibly and help protect these fragile ecosystems.

Save the date for Saturday, June 13, 2026, 2:00 PM. Space will be limited, and advance registration will be required. Program details and registration information will be shared soon. Mark your calendar now for this special afternoon celebrating and protecting native orchids.

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Flooding
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experiencing much higher levels than typically seen. The ground is fully saturated with no capacity to absorb additional rainfalls”.

Several communities on Manitoulin Island declared a state of emergency due to flooded medical facilities, road washouts, water inundated properties and drinking water advisories.

Here in Northern Bruce, by the week of 20 April 2026, the waterlogged properties were gradually drying out, even though there were large tracts still underwater. Johnson Harbour Road was reopened. The Park has reopened some of their trails but advised the trails were quite wet and muddy.



Photo Credit: Bruce Peninsula National Park Facebook Page
Photo: A trail in Bruce Peninsula National Park completely submerged due to minor flooding.

Community members are advised to exercise caution near water sources and stay off closed trails.

“Fuel Our Youth” Sunday Bike/Car Nights at Hungry Hiker Ferndale to Raise Money for BPDS Breakfast Program

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

On May 17 2026 and continuing every Sunday in the summer from 6 - 8 p.m in the front parking lot of the Hungry Hiker in Ferndale, classic car, motorcycle and truck enthusiasts are invited to come hang out with each other and meet interested community members.

Alternative summer activity; foster community engagement

Organizer Connor Rouse says he has always wanted to encourage the owners of these vehicles and the wider community, including young families, to engage with each other and spend time together. He especially wanted the kids to come out to see some cool vehicles, get to sit in/on them and talk to the drivers. He hopes this activity will draw the kids away from their electronic devices, get them outside and interacting with community members of all ages.

Donations to BPDS breakfast program

Connor also wanted to donate to a good cause. He was surprised to learn how expensive it was to run the breakfast program at the Bruce Peninsula District School (BPDS), and felt this event would be a good fit.

Children under 12 eat for free; \$5 from dinner specials go to breakfast program

His slogan for the Sunday nights' event is **“Fuel Our Youth”**. This is also twofold – on the Sunday nights, children under 12 eat free at the restaurant and \$5 from every dinner special sold between 6 to 8 p.m. will be donated to the BPDS Breakfast Program. Connor hopes this will make a night out for families more affordable, at the same time the monies donated from the dinner specials will help feed the kids at school.

There will be a donation bucket for those wishing to donate directly, 100% of the donations will go to the breakfast program. Connor plans to expand to raffles/draws whereby the net proceeds will also be donated. He wishes to thank his relatives Linda and Neil Bain, the owners of Hungry Hiker, for sponsoring the free meals for the kids and for donating funds from the dinner specials.

Kids, add the dates in your calendar, come out for a fun summer evening, bring your parents and grandparents. Your grandparents are sure to have interesting stories of their youthful adventures with similar vehicles. Make sure you meet Connor and check out his Harley!

Tim Hortons Smile Cookie Returns April 27-May 3 Supporting Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation

Media Release

Warton, April 20, 2026 – The iconic Tim Hortons Smile Cookie campaign is marking its 30th anniversary with over \$151 million raised since 1996 as it returns on April 27 with 100 percent of the proceeds supporting nearly 700 charities and community groups in Canada. Last year, Tims® guests helped raise \$22.6 million through the annual Smile Cookie campaign.

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

“Because government funding for medical equipment and facility upgrades is limited, local communities play a vital role in ensuring hospitals have the resources they need to stay current. Access to modern, up-to-date equipment enables doctors, nurses, and other healthcare professionals to deliver the highest quality care. It also helps attract and retain skilled medical staff within our community.

Community support helps ensure patients can receive safe, high-quality

care close to home. This year’s Smile Cookie fundraiser will support the Medical Device Reprocessing Department (MDRD) at Brightshores Warton Hospital, an essential service that supports all Peninsula and area patients requiring scopes and day surgery.

By investing in the MDRD, we are strengthening the behind-the-scenes systems that protect patient safety and ensure procedures can be delivered reliably, close to home. Together, our community is helping ensure local patients continue to receive the care they need, when and where they need it.” said April Patry, BPHF Executive Director.

She added “the Warton and Hepworth Tim Hortons have made such a positive impact on local healthcare through Smile Cookie over the years. We are so appreciative of Tim Hortons staff and our amazing community for supporting the fundraising campaign so enthusiastically!”

“The annual Smile Cookie campaign is a powerful reminder of what community truly means. For the past 30 years, Tim Hortons restaurant owners, team members, and guests have come together to create real change for people right in their own neighbourhoods,” says Axel Schwan, President of Tim Hortons. “With nearly 700 local charities and community groups supported this year, the reach of this campaign has never been greater. We encourage everyone to visit their local Tims and join us in making a difference.”



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Butt Blitz Campaign Tackles Cigarette Litter On the Saugeen Peninsula

Up to \$50,000 Available Through Affordable Additional Residential Unit Funding Program



Photo: A cigarette butt drying station. The cigarette butts collection are dried and sent to TerraCycle, where they are recycled into new products such as park benches and picnic tables.

Submitted by Peninsula Bruce Trail Club & Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula
 In 2026, a community effort to combat cigarette butt pollution is growing on the Saugeen Peninsula, with organizers calling on residents, visitors and local businesses to take part.

The "Butt Blitz" campaign is led by the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula and the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club (PBTC), with support from Bruce Peninsula National Park. The initiative aims to raise awareness about the environmental damage caused by discarded cigarette filters while mobilizing volunteers to clean up hiking trails, beaches and public spaces.

Cigarette butts are among the most common forms of litter, and organizers say their impact is often underestimated. Made with plastic filters, the butts do not biodegrade. Instead, they break down into microplastics that leach harmful chemicals into soil and water, posing risks to plants, wildlife and marine and terrestrial ecosystems.

"Every cigarette butt collected makes a difference," Marg Glendon, PBTC Litter Ambassador, notes. According to research a single butt can contaminate up to 1,000 litres of water.

The campaign builds on previous success. Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean! volunteers have already collected nearly 20,000 cigarette butts along the Bruce Trail and at access points on the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula. With support from Parks Canada, the cigarette butt collection is dried and sent to TerraCycle, where it is recycled into new products such as park benches and picnic tables.

This year, organizers have set an ambitious target. As part of the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club's "Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean!" community science initiative, the goal is to collect 7,000 cigarette butts along the Bruce Trail corridor between Warton and Tobermory. With additional contributions from local businesses and Lion's Head Rotary Club-led efforts, the overall target rises to 50,000 butts.

Organizers say achieving that goal will require broad community participation. "We need everyone," Sue Kolundzic, Rotary Club Butt Blitz Organizer, emphasizes. "Whether you join an organized cleanup, pick up litter during your daily walk, or contribute as a local business, every single butt counts."

Beyond reducing litter, the campaign also aims to prevent forest fires, protect sensitive natural areas and foster long-

term behaviour change among visitors and residents alike.

Join a Peninsula Butt Blitz at Lion's Head Beach and along the Bruce Trail on May 12th. Meet at Lion's Head Beach @ 10:00 a.m. Materials provided.

Not able to join a group butt blitz? Look for a Rotary Club Butt Blitz Litter Picking Station near the Tourist Information Station at the Lion's Head beach. Clean up the beach and nearby trail while on your daily walk.

Community members interested in participating or supporting the initiative are encouraged to get involved as the campaign rolls out throughout the spring and summer.

Contact Marg Glendon @ pbtcoutreach@gmail.com if interested in volunteering with the Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean! or Sue Kolundzic with Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula @ nbprotary@gmail.com.

If you are a business owner in Tobermory or Lion's Head, and would like to contribute your cigarette butt collections, please contact Marg or Sue.

Watch for details on the PBTC website: <https://peninsula.bruce-trail.org/hikeitloveitkeepitclean/> and Rotary Club's website: <https://www.rotarynbp.org/page/meeting-info>

Media Release

Bruce County, Ontario: A simple renovation or basic new build could help residents stay close to aging parents or children, support renters and strengthen communities. Bruce County is offering financial support to homeowners who create an affordable rental unit on their property.

The Affordable Additional Residential Unit (ARU) Funding Program, now in its third year, offers up to \$50,000 in funding assistance to eligible homeowners for ARU construction.

"Through the Affordable ARU Funding Program, we're working with homeowners to create more options for people who need a safe and affordable place to live. It's an important part of our Build in Bruce initiative and our Housing Action Plan. It reflects Bruce County's commitment to supporting strong, sustainable communities," says Claire Dodds, Bruce County's commissioner of community development.

The Affordable ARU Funding Program is ideal for homeowners who have extra space. Perfect for empty nesters, seniors, new homeowners or anyone looking to transform underutilized space into a creative housing solution benefitting both their household and the community.

The program also supports building ARUs as separate, detached structures, providing even more flexibility for innovative housing solutions.

"With the Affordable ARU Funding Program, Bruce County is embracing new solutions to meet our growing housing needs. It opens doors for renters, provides new opportunities for property owners and strengthens community across our region," says Bruce County Warden Luke Charbonneau.

The 2026 program is supported in part by Bruce Power's Seed Funding Program for Affordable Housing, granted to Bruce County in partnership with the eight local municipalities.

Program Details:

Intake: Applications are received on a continuous basis until available funding is fully committed.

Funding: Up to \$50,000 per approved applicant, covering up to 75% of total construction costs. This funding structure recognizes that creative ARU solutions come in many forms and scales, allowing homeowners to pursue innovative designs and approaches that best suit their property and circumstances. The review of applications and funding awards are based on the scoring matrix outlined in the application.

Eligibility: Homeowners of single-detached, duplexes/semi-detached and townhouse properties in Bruce County. Homeowners must use the property as their principal residence and maintain current property taxes, mortgage payments and insurance coverage.

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How to Apply:

Learn more and apply online at www.brucecounty.on.ca/buildinbruce/arufunding.

For support with by-law questions, application requirements or general guidance on your housing project, please contact Bruce County's Housing Concierge Service. Our team is available by email at housingconcierge@brucecounty.on.ca or by phone at 1-800-265-3005.

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Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Minutes March 23, 2026

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, Treasurer-Teresa Shearer, Public Works Manager-Troy Cameron, GIS/IT Manager-Kara Smith, Chief Building Official-Emily McDougall, Fire Chief-Jack Burt, Parks and Facilities Manager-Mark Coleman, Committee/Planning Coordinator-Bob Stewart

Others Present: Signature Contractors Inc.- Don Bastien, Signature Contractors Inc.- Rui Matos

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.

2. Approval of the Agenda

a. Approval of the Agenda

#08-01-2026

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

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Closed Session

a. Closed Session

#08-02-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council move into a closed meeting at 1:01 p.m. with the CAO, Clerk and Municipal Solicitor in attendance pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b)(e) and (f) of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reasons:

1. Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, specifically related to municipal land matters; and
2. Litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality; and
3. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried

b. Reporting Out

Mayor McIver reported out that Council met in closed session with the CAO, Clerk and Municipal Solicitor in attendance to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, specifically related to municipal land matters, litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality; and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. Council accepted the Closed Session minutes from February 23, 2026.

4. Adoption of the Minutes

a. Re: Council Meeting No.26-07, March 9, 2026

#08-03-2026

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

That the minutes of Council Meeting No.26-07, March 9, 2026, be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

5. Public Meeting – a. Nil.

6. Delegation

a. Signature Contractors Inc. - Don Bastien and Rui Matos

Re: Tobermory Sidewalk Project

Mayor, Milt McIver welcomed the representatives from Signature Contractors Inc. to the Council Meeting.

Rui Matos provided an overview of the processes completed by Signature Contractors Inc., regarding the Tobermory Sidewalk Project, including the site and architectural plans, and noted current deficiencies related to accessibility features, crosswalks, and pedestrian guidance.

Council asked about the proposed plans for reusing the interlocking bricks currently used in the Tobermory sidewalks.

Mr. Matos noted that the bricks would not be reused, as the pathways would be expected to require replacement in approximately five years due to the natural shifting of the bricks.

Council asked about the timeline associated with the project and the potential impact on tourism.

Mr. Matos described timelines for the project and identified Harbour Drive as a potential location for a sidewalk and curb, which would create a designated parking lane and improve pedestrian safety.

Council asked whether the creation of a parking lane would provide additional parking spaces, asked if the sidewalks adjacent to Highway 6 are under municipal jurisdiction, and asked about the ability to expand the Tobermory Sidewalk Project if traffic lights were installed at the intersection of Hay Bay Road and Highway 6.

Mr. Matos noted that the proposed plan from Signature Contractors Inc. brings the sidewalk system up to code by creating the necessary infrastructure base and also allows for easy future expansion to accommodate additional parking areas.

Council asked if the new concrete sidewalks could be made to look like paving stones to maintain the charm of the existing interlocking brick sidewalks.

Mr. Bastien explained that their team can use several techniques to improve the look of sidewalks, including stamping, colored concrete, and different finishing options.

Council thanked Mr. Bastien and Mr. Matos for their presentation.

7. Consideration of Agenda Items

a. Clerk Report No. C 26-09

Re: Shore Road and Road Allowances

Clerk, Alexandra Croce, provided an overview of the report, highlighting the inclusion of procedures for the sale of Shore Road Allowances and Unopened Road Allowances, as well as the associated application forms. Ms. Croce noted the legislated requirement for municipalities to maintain policies regarding municipal land, explained that the Comprehensive Land Policy establishes a framework for staff to process requests, and outlines a procedure for Council to review applications.

Council asked about the fees associated with the Comprehensive Land Policy.

Ms. Croce outlined the pre-consultation process and provided an overview of the associated application fee and required deposit.

Council asked about the reasons why an abutting land owner may want to purchase a portion of shore road allowance.

Planning and Committee Coordinator, Bob Stewart, noted that the purchase of an abutting shore road allowance may help address ownership issues, resolve encroachments, and ensure that appropriate setbacks are maintained.

#08-04-2026

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

That Council receives staff report C26-09 Shore Road and Road Allowances for information; and

That Council directs staff to:

1. Bring forward a by-law to establish a Comprehensive Land Policy for the Municipality; and

2. Proceed with the project plan as outlined in Appendix D in order to process the pending requests regarding municipal land matters.

Carried

b. Clerk Report No. C 26-10

Re: Election Report

#08-05-2026

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

That Council receives report C26-10 Election Report for information.

Carried

c. Treasurer Report TR 26-06

Re: 2026 Budget - Response to Public Meeting Comments

Council discussed the responses outlined in the report regarding public comments received at the March 9, 2026 Public Meeting Re: 2026 Budget.

#08-06-2026

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

That Council receives report TR26-06, regarding staff response to the comments received at the public meeting on March 9, 2026; and

That By-law 2026-30, being a by-law to Adopt the Estimates of All Sums Required During the Year and Set the 2026 Tax Rates, be presented and considered for passage at today's meeting.

Carried

d. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 26-08

Re: Tender PW 2026-01 – Supply and Application of 5/8” Granular “A”

#08-07-2026

Moved by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives report PW 26-08 titled Tender PW 2026-01 – Supply and Application of 5/8” Granular “A” for information; and

That Council awards the 5/8” Granular “A” Tender to Walker Aggregates Inc. for the amount of \$345,000.00, excluding HST.

Carried

e. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 26-09

Re: Tender PW 2026-03 – Micro Surfacing

#08-08-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 26-09 titled Tender PW 2026-03 – Micro Surfacing for information; and

That Council awards the Micro Surfacing Tender to Duncor Enterprises Inc. for the amount of \$487,320.00, excluding HST.

Carried

f. Public Works Manager Report No. PW 26-10

Re: Tender PW 2026-02 – Surface Treatment

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Council asked about the number of quotations received for Tender PW 2026-02.

#08-09-2026

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

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 26-10 titled Tender PW 2026-02 – Surface Treatment for information; and

That Council awards the Surface Treatment Tender to Walker Construction Ltd. for the amount of \$639,985.00, excluding HST.

Carried

g. Public Works Manager Report No. PW-11

Re: 2025-2026 Lion's Head Drinking Water System Inspection Report

#08-10-2026

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

That Council receives Public Works Department Report PW 26-11 titled 2025-2026 Lion's Head Drinking Water Inspection Report; for information; and

That Council directs staff to advise the system users through the Municipal Ad in The Bruce Peninsula Press that the Inspection Report is available for viewing on the Municipal Website.

Carried

h. Chief Building Official Report No. BD 26-05

Re: Exemption from Tent and Trailer By-law

#08-11-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives report BD26-05 Exemption from Tent and Trailer By-law for information; and

That Council approves the application for exemption from the Tent and Trailer By-law for a special event at the subject property.

Carried

i. Parks and Facilities Manager Report No. PF 26-03

Re: Imperial Falconry Services Agreement

Council asked about the overgrown areas of the Lion's Head Beach that were identified within the report, and about the long-term plan regarding the use of the services.

Parks and Facilities Manager, Mark Coleman, provided an overview of the Lion's Head Beach, highlighting that certain sections were naturalized a few years ago to assist with deterring geese from the shore., and that after the service is used for approximately three years, staff will have a clearer understanding of future needs.

Council discussed the success of the program in 2025.

#08-12-2026

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

That Council receives report PF 26-03 Imperial Falconry Services Agreement as information; and

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a service agreement with Imperial Falconry Services Inc for Falconry-based Abatement Techniques for Nuisance Bird Mitigation within Lion's Head Harbour for the period April 1 to December 31, 2026.

Carried

j. Parks and Facilities Manager Report No. PF 26-04

Re: Draft Parks and Facilities By-law

Council asked about the location of barbeques within the Municipality.

Mr. Coleman noted that barbeques are available at the Lion's Head Harbour, Lion's Head Beach and the Tobermory Community Centre.

Council asked about the definitions section of the by-law and the inclusion of the Chief By-law Officer under "Managers."

#08-13-2026

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden

That Council receives report PF 26-04 Draft Parks and Facilities By-law for information; and

That Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to adopt the Draft Parks and Facilities By-law for final passage at a subsequent meeting.

Carried

k. Fire Chief Report No. FD 26-02

Re: Purchase of a New Fire Department Tanker

Council asked about additional equipment for the new tanker, and whether Parks Canada had been consulted in assisting with the costs of fire protection services and resources.

Fire Chief, Jack Burt, noted that the only additional purchase required will be new hose for the truck and that a meeting with Parks Canada had been scheduled.

#08-14-2026

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

That Council receives report FD 26-02 Purchase of a New Fire Department Tanker for information; and

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Battlesfield Industries Limited for the purchase of a fire department tanker for the purchase price of \$768,000.00, plus \$99,905.00 in applicable taxes.

Carried

l. Fire Chief Report No. FD 26-04

Re: Sole Source Purchase of Firefighter Bunker Gear

Council asked about cost comparisons for firefighter bunker gear among alternative suppliers, and about the

status of the Firefighter Bunker Gear replacement plan.

Mr. Burt advised that pricing is generally consistent across suppliers, noted that the Department is satisfied with the gear previously purchased from PPE Solutions, and that efforts are ongoing to replace gear that is out of service.

#08-15-2026

Moved by Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives report FD 26-04 Sole Source Purchase of Firefighter Bunker Gear for information; and

That Council waives Section 5.2 Informal Quotation Purchases \$30,000 to \$60,000 of Bylaw 2023-38 Purchasing Policy, and;

That Council authorizes the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with PPE Solutions for the purchase of ten (10) sets of Bunker Gear for \$38,430.00 plus \$4,995.90 HST through the Canoe procurement process.

Carried

m. Accounts Payable Voucher

Re: February 2026

#08-16-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives approved Accounts Payable Voucher for February 2026, in the amount of \$1,482,228.68.

Carried

8. Other Business

a. Councillor Dowd informed Council that the Municipality's individual contribution to the Grey Bruce OPP Detachment Board has increased from \$10,800.00 to \$15,000.00, due to a recent reallocation of costs.

9. Correspondence - Requiring Council Direction

a. Tobermory Meeting Place

Re: Request for Letter of Support – Bruce County Spruce the Bruce Grant Application

#08-17-2026

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

That Council supports The Meeting Place in their application to Bruce County's Spruce the Bruce - Product and Experience Development Grant.

Carried

10. Correspondence - for Information

a. John Currie

Re: Request to reduce speed limits on Myles Drive, Ray Drive, Rita Crescent, and Zorra Drive

Council referred Correspondence Item a. to staff for review.

b. Sue Lessard

Re: Comprehensive Land Policy Inquiries

Council referred Correspondence Item b. to staff for review.

c. Debbie Myles

Re: Comprehensive Land Policy Inquiries

Council referred Correspondence Item c. to staff for review.

d. Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team

Re: Grey-Bruce Primary Care Patient Attachment Update

Council referred Correspondence Item d. to staff for review.

e. MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound - Paul Vickers

Re: Ontario Investing \$5 Million in

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 Pay and Display Machines are located throughout town. Parking stub must be placed on dash.
 Pay & Display Machine, Public Washrooms, Information, You are here
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Reconstruction of Toronto Street in Markdale

f. MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound - Paul Vickers

Re: Ontario supporting 2025 Ice Storm Recovery in Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

g. Clean Energy Frontier

Re: 2026 Conference - Save the Date

h. County of Bruce

Re: Letter of Support - Goderich Harbour Development

#08-18-2026

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

That Council supports Bruce County in its endorsement for the proposed Goderich Harbour Developments.

Carried

11. Reading of By-laws

a. By-law 2026-25

Being A By-Law to Establish a Comprehensive Land Policy for the

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula

b. By-law 2026-30

Being a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of All Sums Required During the Year and Set The 2026 Tax Rates

c. By-law 2026-31

Being A By-Law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on Monday March 23, 2026

#08-19-2026

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

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

Carried

12. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn

#08-20-2026

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

That the meeting adjourns at 2:58 p.m.

Carried

Lion's Head Legion Branch 202 Elects New Executive



Photo: L-R: Gerry Tilmans, 1st VP and PRO; Don Colter, 2nd VP, Lottery and Maintenance; Kim White, Sergeant-At-Arms, Bar, Youth Ed., Track & Field; Chris Mawdsley, President; Sharron Colter, Secretary; Karin Webb, Treasurer; Dawn Spence, Veteran's Service Officer (VSO); John Bell, Branch Sports Chair. (Missing from photo: Mark Johnson, Poppy Chair).

Submitted by Gerry Tilmans,
1st VP, Public Relations

Since Branch 202 was formed July 10 1931, we have held elections annually to determine who would be on our Branch Executive group for a year. At a meeting earlier this year it was voted to increase to a two-year term and at our April meeting we voted on the new Executive (see photo above).

This year has been fantastic in that we have already sworn in and expect to get many more new members. Membership is open to all eligible Canadians regardless of whether they served or not, had a relative who served or not, so please consider signing up. For all new members in 2026, there is no membership fee this year, and if before the end of 2026 you pay your 2027 dues your name goes into a national draw for a chance to win a brand new F150 Ford pickup.

Veteran's Coffee at Lion's Head Legion will take place Wednesday, May 13 from 10am-noon. Open to all Veterans (Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP) and serving members of either the CAF or RCMP (they do not need to be members of the Legion). Anyone with questions can leave me a message or text at 519-270-3428.

Open to the public are our monthly movies. Friday May 29 is "Mission Impossible Dead Reckoning Pt 1". Friday June 26 "A Complete Unknown". We will provide tea, coffee and snacks. This event is provided in partnership with the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula's Senior Active Living Centre (SALC) funding with support from the Government of Ontario. Doors open at 1:00, movie starts at 1:30.

Also open to the public (by RSVP): Let's Talk Lunch and Learn events with guest speakers. The events are free to attend but please register with Sharron Colter at 519-793-3473 or at dshcolter@eastlink.ca This series

is sponsored by a 2026 community grant from the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, the Northern Bruce Peninsula Community Support Advisory Action Committee (NBP CSAAC), the Council on Aging Grey Bruce (COAGB) and Legion 202 Lion's Head. The dates are:

- Wednesday April 29 11am-2pm "Let's Talk About Options for Housing for Older Adults" with Angela Yensson, lawyer for the Owen Sound Community Legal Clinic.
- Friday May 22 11am-2pm "Let's Talk About Health and Wellness" with Dr. George Harpur of the Peninsula Family Health Team.
- Friday June 12: 11am-2pm "Driving Safely Into Your Senior Years" with Kristy Kastelic, Regional Strategic Coordinator - West Region - Public Outreach & Education Office Ministry of Transportation Ontario.

- Tuesday June 23 10am-1pm "Let's Talk About Senior Resources" Francesca Dobbyn, United Way Bruce Grey.

RSVP required: dshcolter@cabletv.on.ca or 519-793-3473.

Just a reminder that our weekly Tai Chi classes are Fridays, now 9:30 to 10:30 am. This is open to the public so if you're interested just come out a few minutes early, and bring a dry pair of shoes with you. The focus of the moves are to stretch, improve balance, and of course, have fun. This is not a "hot" workout so casual wear is fine.

Join us on Mondays and Thursdays (Except the first Thursday of the month) at 1:00 pm for a fun round of darts. Doors open at 12:30, play begins at 1:00. It costs \$3 to play. Saturday May 9th we play "darts for meat" where you play for a chance to bring home a prize cut, entry is \$4.00 plus \$1 per game (maximum \$10 depending on your skill/luck). Our address is 6 Hellyer Road.

~ Lest we forget ~

Tobermory Legion Collecting Pop/Beer Tabs To Raise Funds

Submitted by Kathryn Hauck,
Poppy Chair

See you later April and you can take the snow and rain with you! I do hope easy showers are in May and keep things growing and healthy!

We are now in month five of having the opportunity to get a free legion membership, for new members, for this year only in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Royal Canadian Legion (actual date Friday July 17th) - a century of standing with Veterans, strengthening communities and honouring the memory of those who served. Please consider joining, this is your "free" chance. We would love to add more people to this great organization AND to have a few new members at our local branch. Please consider joining and help support veterans and your local legion.

Tobermory Branch 290 Annual General Meeting followed by a social will be held on Tuesday May 12 at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome. Please come and support your branch.

Save your Pop/Beer Tabs and deliver them to Your Local Legion Branch - Tabs can help purchase needed items such as chairs, walkers, canes, crutches and commodes. Please take the moment to wiggle the tab and give to a great cause.

On Friday May 8 starting at 7:00pm, come and enjoy Jam in the Tub! Members of the Open Mic music community of Tobermory and Lion's Head are excited to present this live concert. Featuring "Trio Infernale" who are known for improvised takes on original compositions as well as vintage favourites, and "Hwy 6 Revisited" who enjoy performing classics and deep cuts from The Beatles and Dylan to The Tragically Hip and Neil Young.

Darts time will change on April 30th to 7:00pm! Barbecue sauce! (Ted Lasso reference). Euchre is the last Friday of the month at 7:00. Meat draw is ongoing - 4:00 every Saturday.

Remembering John R.B. DesJardine

From the Legion Ontario Command Military Service Recognition Book - John R.B. DesJardine was born in Owen Sound on September 10, 1903. He enlisted in the Army on October 6, 1939 and served with the Perth Regiment B Company in England during World War 2. Prior to enlisting, John was working as a fisherman.

After his discharge on October 9, 1942, he spent time in the hospital suffering from rheumatic fever, but was eventually able to return to Tobermory, where he built a boat and worked as a tour guide.

John's brother and sister also served in WW2.

He was a member of Tobermory Legion Branch 290. John passed away on June 15, 1985.

~ We Will Remember Them ~



Photo: John R.B DesJardine.



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MS Chi-Cheemaun Returns to Tobermory April 30th, Sailings Begin May 1st



Photo L-R: 2026 Easter Bunnies included organizers Elizabeth Thorn and Lori Jennings, long-time volunteers Sue Ellen and Tom Boyle (pictured in 2012) and 50/50 lucky prize winner Doug Embleton with volunteer Pat Sein.

Submitted by Donna Cole, BPBA Communications

The BPBA (Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association) wants to extend our thanks to you, our community, for supporting our annual Easter fundraiser. We also want to send a huge thank you to all of the volunteer Easter bunnies who hand-created 433 Easter eggs using donated ingredients! We hope you enjoyed our sweet treats.

We had a near sellout of our Easter 50/50 tickets, and the big winner of \$1,050.50 was Doug Embleton from Lion's Head! He said he almost didn't buy the tickets but then thought it was for a good cause, so he did!

This year's funds will help run our Bayside Astronomy program. While we do receive support in the form of grants to pay our student astronomer leaders, these do not always cover all of the expenses associated with our activities.

Bayside Astronomy is a free astronomy program running from Canada Day until Labour Day! Attendees learn about

preserving dark skies and look through our telescopes to see Jupiter, Saturn's rings, galaxies, nebulae, lunar craters, and more!

Since 2012, it has been one of the most popular tourist attractions on the Saugeen Bruce Peninsula. We want more people to understand the importance of dark skies—not only for astronomy but also to protect wildlife, particularly nocturnal animals, and to save energy.

Bayside Astronomy happens five nights a week all summer. Over 2,000 people from all over the world attend this event every year. The sessions get underway around sunset with a group of volunteers led by Mike Warkentin, the "Dark Sky Guy," and our student Program Managers. Please visit <https://www.bpba.ca/bayside-astronomy> for details!

Thank you again from the Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association—a non-profit, community-based registered charity dedicated to achieving a healthy environment!

By Tammy Raycraft, Bruce Peninsula Press

The MS Chi-Cheemaun will kick off the 2026 sailing season on April 30 with its annual Spring Repositioning Cruise.

Boarding will start at 11:00 a.m. at the Owen Sound harbour and will depart at noon for the four-and-a-half-hour cruise, arriving in Tobermory at 4:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$85 for adults and seniors, and \$45 for children 5-11. Children under 5 are free. A lunch buffet is included in the ticket price.

Buses will arrive at the Tobermory terminal at 5:00 p.m. and will return to the Owen Sound harbour at an estimated time of 6:30 p.m.

For the 2026 season, the Chi-Cheemaun will provide two sailings a day, between Tobermory and South Baymouth, every day of the week from May 1 – June 18. There will be an additional sailing on Fridays only, as well as Monday, May 18, for Victoria Day.

Peak season the ferry will provide three sailings a day from June 19 to September 7. On-peak rates will apply. From September 8 to October 18 there will be 2 sailings a day with an additional sailing on Fridays as well as Monday, October 12 for Thanksgiving.

The Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) had requested that the Chi-Cheemaun increase sailings to four a day during peak summer sailing season, however, a spokesperson from the Owen Sound Transportation Company confirmed the sailing schedule will remain consistent with the prior year, with no changes to passenger or vehicle fares.

Bryan Barker, chair of the MMA, said the request was made because there is a need for additional sailings to help local residents get off the island for appointments. The current peak sailing schedule of three trips a day has made it difficult for residents to secure a ticket if not booked early.

Dale Scott, a member of Central Manitoulin Council, told the MMA that passenger traffic on the ferry increased 4.7 per cent in 2025. There was also a 1.7 increase in vehicle traffic, which, according to Scott, has the ferry running full most of the time.

Parking fees will be in effect from the first day in the sailing season until the last day of the sailing season. Parking lots are reserved for ferry users only and are available on a first come first serve basis. Parking rates are \$10 per day or \$70 per week.

Tickets can be booked at ontarioferries.com or by calling 1-800-265-3163.



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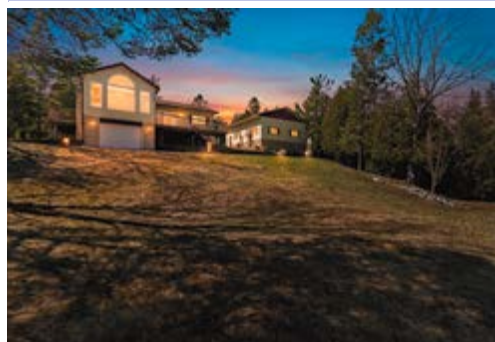
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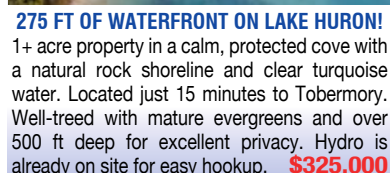
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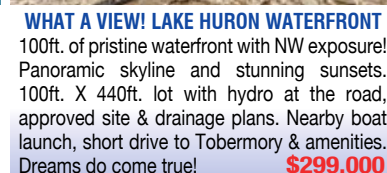
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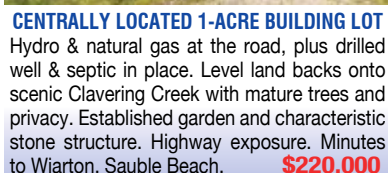
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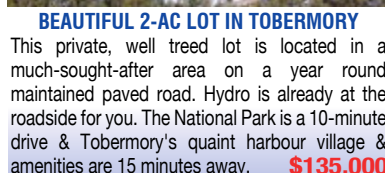
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\$135,000

Lion's Head Farmers' Market 'Spring Market' Popular Sunday Outing



Photo: Busy day – The auditorium at Bruce Peninsula District School was used to hold the Spring Market.



Photo: Lion's Head Farmers' Market Manager Charlene Jordan with vendor Angela of Stone Bridge Flour.



Photo: Kind Hands showcase their new bag for the season.

By Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

The Lion's Head Farmers' Market Spring Market held at the Bruce Peninsula District School in Lion's Head proved to be a popular Sunday outing on April 19, 2026.

Market Manager Charlene Jordan says that she deliberately chose a Sunday for the Spring Market so that local workers, who typically work on Saturdays, could come out to enjoy the Market.

After a long winter, residents were ready for a social and shopping outing that harks of warmer days. The Market has long been a central community hub for locals and visitors, and the Spring market definitely reflected this flavour of community connections. There was the hum of conversation as neighbours and friends caught up on each other's lives, vendors reacquainted themselves with their customers, and interacted with their fellow vendors.

The market goes, as always, expressed their awe at the wide range and high quality of product offerings and were happy to meet the nine new vendors along with thirty of the regular summer vendors. The vendors reported that they had good sales and were glad they participated in the Spring Market. The Market enjoyed a steady flow of patrons throughout the opening hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Summer Market starts May 16

The Lion's Head Farmers Market is back for the 2026 season at the beach in Lion's Head. Opening day is May 16, 2026.

The vendors are gearing up for the Summer Market and say they are excited to participate either as a full time or occasional vendor. The market is still looking to attract more farms and food producers from the region.

Everyone is welcome to come out on Saturday mornings in the summer, treat yourself to freshly grilled sandwiches and homemade treats, stock up on local foods and shop at the many artisan stalls. Enjoy the social time and listen to live music from the ever popular Market Band.

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Spring Farmers' Market
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Table Share program

Charlene is excited to promote the Table Share program. She says "this initiative is designed to assist start-up farmers in their growth and success." If a vendor does not have sufficient product for a full booth, they can sell their products by sharing a table with another vendor. This program is open to full time or occasional vendors.

Interested vendors are invited to contact Charlene for more information at lionsheadfm@hotmail.com

An initiative to encourage the use of reusable bags invites market goers in need of a shopping bag to take a bag from the selection located in a box at the front of the market. If you have extra bags at home, please consider leaving a bag or two for this Market initiative.

The Market will be open every Saturday from Victoria Day weekend to Thanksgiving weekend. The Market runs from 9 a.m. until noon, and on the long weekends, open until 1 p.m. The Market is located at "the beach" in and next to the beach pavilion in Lion's Head.

To see a full list of vendors visit www.lionsheadfarmersmarket.com. Visit their facebook page for regular updates.



Photo: Krumblyss with their fresh baked soft, gourmet stuffed cookies which were a highly popular item at the Market.



Photo: Braeburn Maple of the West Road was a popular stop to get real, local maple syrup

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Ontario Investing Over \$4.2 Million to Connect Over 9,000 Patients to Primary Care in Bruce and Grey Counties

Media Release

OWEN SOUND – The Government of Ontario will be investing \$4,201,000 in primary care organizations across Bruce and Grey counties in 2026, as part of the province’s plan to connect every Ontarian to a primary care provider by 2029. Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound MPP Paul Vickers and Huron-Bruce MPP Lisa Thompson made the announcement on Thursday.

“Access to a family doctor or care provider is an issue I hear about in all corners of my constituency,” said Vickers. “Our government is proud of our \$3.4 billion commitment to primary care, and today’s announcement shows that we are serious about attaching every Ontarian to high-quality care.”

Additional annual funding through the province’s Primary Care Action Plan will be provided to the following organizations: Hanover Family Health Team, Kincardine Family Health Team, Noongwa Gamig Incorporated, Owen Sound Family Health Team, **Peninsula Family Health Team**, and Southeast Grey Community Health Centre. The funding aims to add an additional 17.8

interdisciplinary healthcare professionals across these organizations and in the communities of Grey Highlands, Meaford, Owen Sound, Saugeen Shores, South Bruce Peninsula, and the Town of the Blue Mountains.

“The Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team and Primary Care Network welcome the provincial investment of over \$4.2 million to help attach approximately 9,000 local residents to a family doctor or nurse practitioner,” added Lindsay Johnston, Executive Director of the Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team. “This funding strengthens primary care capacity across our region, improves timely access to continuous, team-based care, and will make a measurable difference in health outcomes for our communities.”

The province’s Primary Care Action Plan has committed \$3.4 billion, with the goal to commit every Ontarian to care by 2029. You can learn more about the Plan at the following link.

Individuals in need of a primary care provider are encouraged to register for Healthcare Connect, the province’s primary care waiting list, by calling 8-1-1, or visiting the following link.



Photo L-R: Pamela Loughlean, Peninsula Family Health Team; Dr. Debra Dyke, Owen Sound Family Health Team; Lindsay Johnston, Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team; Paul Vickers, MPP; Dr. Lizbeth Cox, Owen Sound Family Health Team; Dr. Elisa Levi, Noongwa Gamig Inc.

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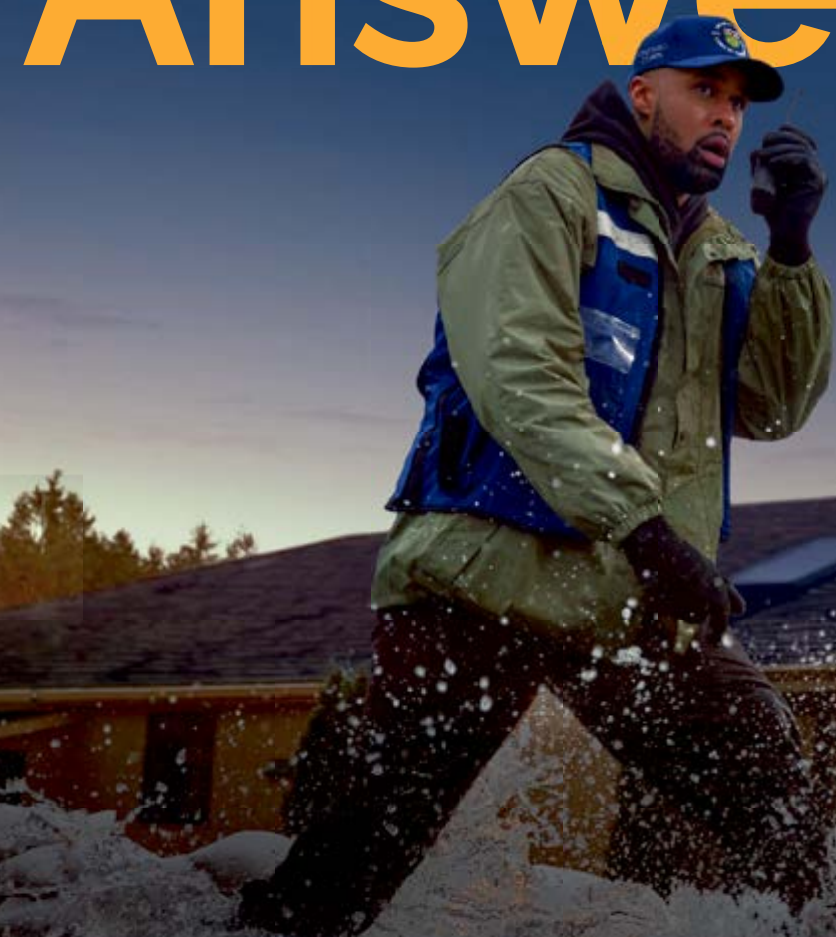
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Local Doctor Recounts Near Close Encounter With Space

By Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

As global attention turned skyward following the high-profile Artemis II launch, closer to home is a local connection to the first Canadian Astronaut Team.

In the 1960's, Dr. George Harpur, a medical doctor with the Canadian Air Force, was working for the Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine (DCIEM).

This organization was tasked with "investigating the effects of occupational hazards such as cold, heat, impact, and pressure on pilots and divers. Survival testing of clothing and food was also carried out in an effort to increase safety and assess risks.

The effect of G-forces on pilots was researched in a human centrifuge, while hypobaric and hyperbaric chambers were used to study decompression sickness, aka 'the bends', a problem for both divers and astronauts." (Source: Downsview Park)

At the time, the research around decompression sickness had serious implications for both military operations and future space exploration. Amongst the researchers at the lab, this pioneering research generated a lot of speculation about Canadian participation in space missions. Some of the tests conducted at the lab were far more rigorous than any situation that was expected to be actually encountered by the astronauts in space.

For Dr. Harpur, the possibility of getting into space arose because of a little known project, the Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL), initiated by

the United States Air Force during the Cold War as a way to scan Soviet Russia from space. There was an expectation it would include a Canadian participant from among the group working on these issues. But alas, the project was cancelled in 1969, just before Dr. Harpur left the Downsview research lab to enter practice in Huntsville, Ontario.

Dr. Harpur noted that life at the lab had its lighter moments. He recalls that his outstanding ears became an issue of contention at one point when he got his head stuck in one of the goldfish bowl space helmets and a debate arose over whether to break the prohibitively expensive helmet or modify his ears in order to get him out. He hastily wriggled free, ears intact.

Dr. Harpur moved to Tobermory in 1974, enticed by an agreement with Natural Resources Ontario that would provide the funding for a hyperbaric chamber in Tobermory to support the Fathom Five Marine Park and the opportunity to practice family medicine at the, yet to be built, Tobermory Health Clinic. Over the next ten years, with the hyperbaric chamber and clinic in operation, Dr. Harpur continued to be very active in the hyperbaric and diving medical communities doing general practice, conducting medical application of hyperbaric oxygen therapy, and offering support for diving emergencies in Fathom Five Marine Park along with Dr. Ralph Suke.

Dr. Harpur's second opportunity to get into space came in 1983. Now in his forties, Dr. Harpur was one of 32 selected from among the approximately 4,000 applicants who responded to the call for applicants for the newly planned Canadian Astronaut Team. He was in illustrious company, being in the same

interview session as Dr. Ken Money (one of Canada's first six astronauts) and Dr. Roberta Bondar (the first Canadian woman astronaut). Dr. Harpur was not selected as one of that group but was asked if he was willing to let his name remain on a secondary reserve list.

While never called up for a space mission, he found the selection process and interviews interesting and the 1983 experience gave rise to some reflections on what he most wanted to do.

At the time, Dr. Harpur and Dr. Suke were awaiting a decision on a research grant for a study examining the effect of hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) on chronic stable MS. He recognized that he might have to face a choice between

space and this important medical study. Dr. Harpur says that he now feels fortunate that the decision was made for him, as the chance to go into space would have been amazing, but with the huge problems we have right here on earth perhaps we would do well to direct more of our resources and energy to less lofty endeavours.

Dr. Harpur is retiring from work in his area of research and practice and with the Hyperbaric Chamber in Tobermory. He maintains his connections to the aerospace industry and still lectures yearly at the School of Operational Medicine (SOM), Canadian Forces Environmental Medicine Establishment, Downsview, ON.



Bruce Peninsula Press file photo

Photo: Dr. George Harpur with the old hyperbaric chamber at the Tobermory medical facility, January 2012.



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Photo: Medical students visiting Northern Bruce Peninsula in 2025 during Rural Ontario Medicine Program (ROMP) week in the hyperbaric chamber with Dr. George Harpur.

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Inspiring Stories and Hands-on Activities at Local Earth Day Event

Submitted by Joanne Rodgers, BPEG

To commemorate Earth Day 2026, the Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG) and the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula hosted an afternoon of discussion, inspiring stories and hands-on activities for kids.

Local seed producer Megan Franken was on hand to sell her seeds, while there was also a seed swap as community members exchanged seeds and offered gardening advice.

The Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association, the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula and BPEG had information booths and showcased some of their upcoming activities.

BPEG is hoping to host a series of Repair Cafes in Northern Bruce and are looking for volunteers wishing to lend their skills to repair items and share skills. Persons willing to volunteer can contact BPEG at bpeg10@gmail.com

There were three



Photo: Jim Kuellmer and Rod Layman share their insights on composting methods.



Photo: Chelsea Lise from BPEG leads the girls in song and explains the evening's activities.



Photo: Jan Mackie from BPEG guides the Sparks and Embers in creating seed medallions which can be used to feed little critters and birds.



Photo L-R: Scott Parent and Billy Shearer and Andrew Ryzebol recount their experiences on the recent Fathom Strait Winter Crossing.

feature presentations, each offering a unique look at the world around us.

Jim Kuellmer shared some of his insights on the beneficial aspects of composting. He highlighted techniques for proper composting practices and gave examples of some successful urban community composting initiatives.

Kristine Hammel of Persephone Market Garden shared practical insights and ideas on holistic decision making. She explained how she employed the holistic management framework to guide her decisions on her farm property. She shared some of her farming practices such as no till, crop rotation, intercropping, and the use of mulch and compost.

Kristine offers a veggie share service, with pickup in Lion's Head. For more info on share sizes and pricing, please visit <https://persephonemarketgarden.ca/>

The final presentation was by Andrew Ryzebol, Scott Parent and Billy Shearer

relating their first-hand experiences of their Fathom Strait Winter Crossing. They shared their special memories, photos and videos of their amazing five day winter expedition from Tobermory to Manitoulin Island.

Jan Mackie and Chelsea Lise of BPEG organized a special on-hands nature related activity for the Sparks and Embers. The enthusiastic girls participated in making pollinator seed balls and seed medallions.

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hair trap surveys from mid-spring to mid-summer to detect population size, distribution, and overall health. "Because Bruce Peninsula bears are isolated from other bears in the province, they are considered genetically unique and require careful monitoring to understand changes in their numbers, movements, and their overall health," said Gregg.

If You Encounter an Aggressive Bear, Call 911

Police are the first responders in Ontario when a bear poses an immediate threat to public safety, specifically when a bear is acting aggressively, approaching people, entering a school yard when in session, or moving into a busy area. If you encounter an aggressive bear, call 911. The MNR may be called to assist during daylight hours.

You may contact the MNR Bear Wise Reporting Line to report on a non-emergent bear situation at 1-866-514-2327. The line operates 24/7 from April 1 to November 30.

Residents are encouraged to manage common bear attractants like garbage, bird feeders, and barbecues.

Relocation is Not a Viable Option for Bruce Peninsula Bears

"When responding to bear conflicts, MNR uses a decision-making approach that prioritizes public safety while minimizing the risk to wildlife," explained Gregg. She stated that relocation is not a suitable option for Bruce Peninsula bears as bears must be relocated 160 km away and that space is not available.

Rather than relocating bears, MNR focuses on education and outreach to help communities reduce bear attractants and avoid conflicts.

Another alternative to relocation is aversion conditioning where MNR may trap and chemically immobilize a bear that is then ear tagged and hard released using aversion condition deterrent, "a repetitive pain stimuli accompanied by loud noises" like paintball rounds, HV stars, arrow stocks, bear bangers, and air horns. This non-lethal bear management method teaches bears to associate negative stimuli with humans hopefully invoking fear to avoid future conflicts.

Gregg confirmed that bear euthanasia is uncommon and only administered after repeated aggressive behaviour involving serious incidents when non-lethal options have been proven ineffective.

2022 Barbed Wire Hair Trap Showed Roughly 270 Bears on the Bruce Peninsula

Although 2025 barbed wire hair trap results are not publicly available yet, MNR data from 2022 suggests a

population of 270 bears on the Bruce Peninsula, give or take 80 bears. Gregg mentioned a slight increase in bears following the reduction of the bear hunting season, although harvest rates are also increasing. Currently, the bear hunting season on the Bruce Peninsula is limited to one week per year during the spring, set for May 1-7.

"They say a population not at risk is above 400 bears," she said. However, the Bruce Peninsula is unique and cannot be directly compared to other places in Ontario.

Potential Changes to MNBPF Garbage Collection Poses Risk for Increased Bear Activity; What Will Happen to St. Edmunds Landfill Bears Once it Closes?

Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden expressed concern with the possibility of MNBPF garbage collection switching to a cart system and eliminating the use of bear proof garbage bins throughout the Municipality. Public Works (PW) Manager, Troy Cameron, clarified that recycling will be shifted this year to an automated cart system as mandated by the province "and there's a proposal to also bring the waste collection into that same system." Waste Management, the Municipality's current waste and recycling contractor, holds the upcoming blue box recycling contract with the province, which is out of the Municipality's control. "Those cart systems I believe will not be bear proof," said Cameron. "We're really fearing that the way the new system's going, which is out of our control, that we might have some issues there," he said. A report from PW will be brought forward soon with curbside waste collection options for Council's consideration.

Councillor Golden said, "There's approximately, I've been told, about nine bears who frequent the St. Edmunds Landfill...now we are going to be closing the St. Edmunds Landfill...so that is a further concern for the people around Tobermory." A worry was raised regarding where the landfill bears will search for food when the landfill closes, eliminating fresh garbage.

"Our bear problems are going to exacerbate I believe in this Municipality for a couple of reasons: Number One, is that bear season is down to one week a year; Number Two, is that we are changing our garbage system and closing the garbage [St. Edmunds Landfill] in Tobermory; Number Three, sometimes we're seeing sows with two or three cubs...So there's a pattern here, as the Municipality and MNR I think we should be thinking of ways to get ahead of it," voiced Councillor Golden.

For more information, visit Ontario's Bear Wise webpage: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear-wise>

SIU Invokes Mandate After Northern Bruce Peninsula Arrest

Media Release

(NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA, ON) - The province's Special Investigations Unit (SIU) has invoked its mandate following an arrest in Bruce Peninsula.

On Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at approximately 1:10 p.m., members of the Grey Bruce Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) executed a warrant at an address on Spry Shore Road in Northern Bruce Peninsula. One person was taken into custody.

During the arrest, the individual sustained non-life-threatening injuries after being gripped by a police service dog. The individual was transported by ambulance to a local hospital.

As the SIU has invoked its mandate, the OPP will not be able to provide further information. Any media inquiries related to the SIU investigation should be directed to SIU Communications at siu.media@ontario.ca.

INCREASED POLICE PRESENCE IN SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA

(SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA, ON) - The Grey Bruce Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) continues to investigate a series of break and enter occurrences in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula.

On Tuesday, April 21st, at approximately 2:03 p.m., officers responded to a report of a possible break and enter in progress at a residence on Howdenvale Road, east of Huron Road. Upon arrival, officers

determined that multiple residences in the area had been forcibly entered. Containment was established with assistance from the OPP Aviation Unit, Canine Unit, and Emergency Response Team (ERT). During the search, police recovered a pickup truck that had been reported stolen from Warton earlier in the day.

Police have since learned that between April 21st and April 22nd the suspect stole a green Polaris Ranger 500 side-by-side ATV, bearing Ontario licence plate 84X83. A photo of the suspect can be seen below left to assist with identification.

The suspect remains outstanding. If you see this individual or the stolen ATV, do not approach. Call 911 immediately.

The Grey Bruce OPP is asking residents and business owners to review any video surveillance footage from the afternoon and evening of April 21st through April 22nd for suspicious persons, vehicles, or activity.

Anyone with information that may assist investigators is asked to contact the Grey Bruce OPP at 1-888-310-1122. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit a secure web tip at www.cstip.ca. You may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

The investigation is ongoing.

PICKUP TRUCK REPORTED STOLEN IN SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA

(WIARTON, ON) - The Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is investigating the theft of a pickup truck reported in Warton.

On April 21st at approximately 4:30 a.m., a 2025 white Ford F-150, Ontario licence plate CD85917, was stolen from a vacant lot on Jenny Street. The vehicle is described as having a headache rack and steel toolboxes mounted in the truck bed.

Grey Bruce OPP are asking residents and businesses in the area to review any available surveillance footage from the early morning hours of April 21st. Anyone who may have seen suspicious activity in the vicinity of Jenny Street is encouraged to come forward.

If you or anyone you know has information that may assist in this investigation, please contact the Grey Bruce OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

If you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit a secure web tip at www.cstip.ca. You may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.



Photo: Suspect in the April 21/22, 2026 incident.

JOIN OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Golden Dawn Senior Citizen Home in Lion's Head is seeking interested and motivated volunteers to join our Board of Directors.

The Board oversees the operations of our charitable, non-profit 37 bed Long Term Care Home and our 21 independent-living seniors apartments. The Board is primarily tasked with the financial oversight and strategic planning of our organization while supporting management in ensuring our residents, staff and visitors remain comfortable, healthy and safe.

The Director role would be a commitment of approximately 4-6 hours per month for Board discussions and meetings and future planning.

Our Board is searching for people with different skills to give us a well-rounded group as we move forward. Candidates with experience in the areas of finance, healthcare/LTC, leadership, legal, real estate development, planning/building/construction, and fundraising will be true assets.

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Rotary's Commitment to the Bruce Peninsula Environment

Submitted by Rob Hiscott

Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula and Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG) co-hosted Earth Day activities at Rotary Hall on Wednesday, April 22nd with guest speakers, vendors and displays, including a display by Rotary's Environment Committee.

This year, our Environment Committee will focus on a single major initiative, 'Butt Blitz' which is an education and awareness program about the toxicity of cigarette butts in the environment. Rotary will be working in collaboration with the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club to clean up areas around Lion's Head.

Tuesday, May 12th will be Ontario's seventh annual 'Day of Action on Litter', and Rotarians and others will meet at 10 AM at Lion's Head Beach to formally kick off 'Butt Blitz'! Litter grabber tools will be available that morning to help pick up litter including cigarette butts at our wonderful Lion's Head Beach! We hope you can join us at this event to help keep our beach environment clean and beautiful!

On the morning of Tuesday, May 5th (or on the rain date of May 6th), your local Rotary Club will be helping out with trash pick-up along the shoulders of a four-kilometre stretch of Bruce County Road 9 between Lion's Head and Barrow Bay (and also along some of the side road stretches between Bruce Road 9 and Highway 6). We participate annually in the Ontario 'Adopt-a-Highway' program, helping with road clean-up to keep Northern Bruce clean!

Upcoming Events including Rotary's First Pancake Breakfast of 2026!

We hope to see you at the upcoming Harbourside Inside Open Mic concert and Music Trivia night at Rotary Hall on Friday, May 1st starting at 7:00 PM (with doors opening at 6:30 PM). As always, Rotarians will tend bar for this community event while the musical portion of the event is being hosted by Trio Infernale (featuring musicians Dominik Franken, Dan Corcoran and Robert Franklin). This is a free entry event, though donations towards Harbourside Inside are appreciated. Come out, test your music trivia knowledge and enjoy music by Trio Infernale and other local musicians!

The next scheduled Pub Nights at Rotary Hall are set for Fridays, May 8th and 22nd, starting at 7:00 PM and running through the evening. In addition to a wide range of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, a variety of snacks are available at Rotary Pub Nights – such as flatbread pizzas, sandwiches and potato chips.

Beyond our regularly scheduled Rotary Pub Nights, Rotarians will be tending bar for upcoming community events including the SWANS annual Fashion Show (to be held Thursday, May 7th, starting at 5:30 PM), and the annual Fish Dinner Fundraiser for Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary (Saturday, May 16th from 4:00 to 8:00 PM), with both of these events taking place in Lion's Head Arena.

Rotary's first community Pancake Breakfast of the 2026 season will be held at Rotary Hall on Sunday, May 17th from 9:00 to 11:30 AM! Rotarians and Friends of Rotary will be serving a delicious breakfast which includes pancakes with real maple syrup, scrambled eggs, pork sausages, hash browns, orange juice and coffee/tea. The cost remains \$15.00 per adult, or \$7.00 for children aged 12 and under. Rotary now accepts payment in cash or debit/credit card as we have a card reader at the Hall.

As in past years, this will be the first of four community Pancake Breakfasts scheduled for the Sundays of each holiday weekend from May to September – we hope you can come out for a delicious breakfast and support your local Rotary Club in its fundraising efforts for the Northern Bruce community!

Rotary Supports Local Students to attend the Youth Leadership Assembly

Your local Rotary Club is sponsoring and covering expenses for two Grade 11 students from Bruce Peninsula District School to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly: Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders, which is being held at Western University in London, Ontario from Friday to Sunday, May 8-10. Lena Hofstrand and Gage Robbins have been nominated by the school to attend this conference where they will learn leadership skills through interactive activities and lectures. It is anticipated that they will use these skills in their academic and personal lives!

Lots of Exciting Things Happening at Lion's Head Friendship Club This Spring

Submitted by Geraldine Loker

The Lion's Head Friendship Club Games Day on April 18th was a fantastic success, with every table full and plenty of fun had by all. A big thank you to everyone who helped make the day so enjoyable.

Looking ahead, our Anniversary Dinner will take place on May 30th at 5pm, featuring a delicious roast turkey with all the trimmings. Tickets went on sale April 18th, so be sure to get yours soon.

We also have a Craft Day and Pizza Lunch coming up on May 6th at 12pm—only 20 tickets are available for this popular event, so don't wait!

Mark your calendars for May 12th, when Classie Casual Boutique will be visiting the club with a great selection for all your fashion needs.

Our next lunch is scheduled for Thursday, May 7th at 12pm, and there are still a few tickets remaining for the trip to see Sister Act on June 11th.

We're also pleased to share that the Belmore Maple Syrup Festival on April 9th was very well attended and enjoyed by all. Everyone left with full stomachs and big smiles!

As always, our weekly activities continue:

- Monday: 10 a.m. VON Exercise, 1 p.m. Bid Euchre & Bridge
- Tuesday: 10 a.m. Line Dancing
- Wednesday: 10 a.m. Chair Yoga, 7 p.m. Euchre
- Thursday: 10 a.m. VON Exercise
- Friday: 1 p.m. Bid Euchre & Bridge

There's always something fun and interesting happening at your club—stay tuned for more upcoming events!



Photo L-R: The big winners of the Trivia event on April 18th – Helen Greig, Faye Campbell, Mary Kelly and Debbie Tackaberry.



Photo Courtesy of Helen Milligan
Photo: The Friendship Club group at the Belmore Maple Syrup Festival on April 9th. Everyone left with full stomachs and big smiles!

In Memory

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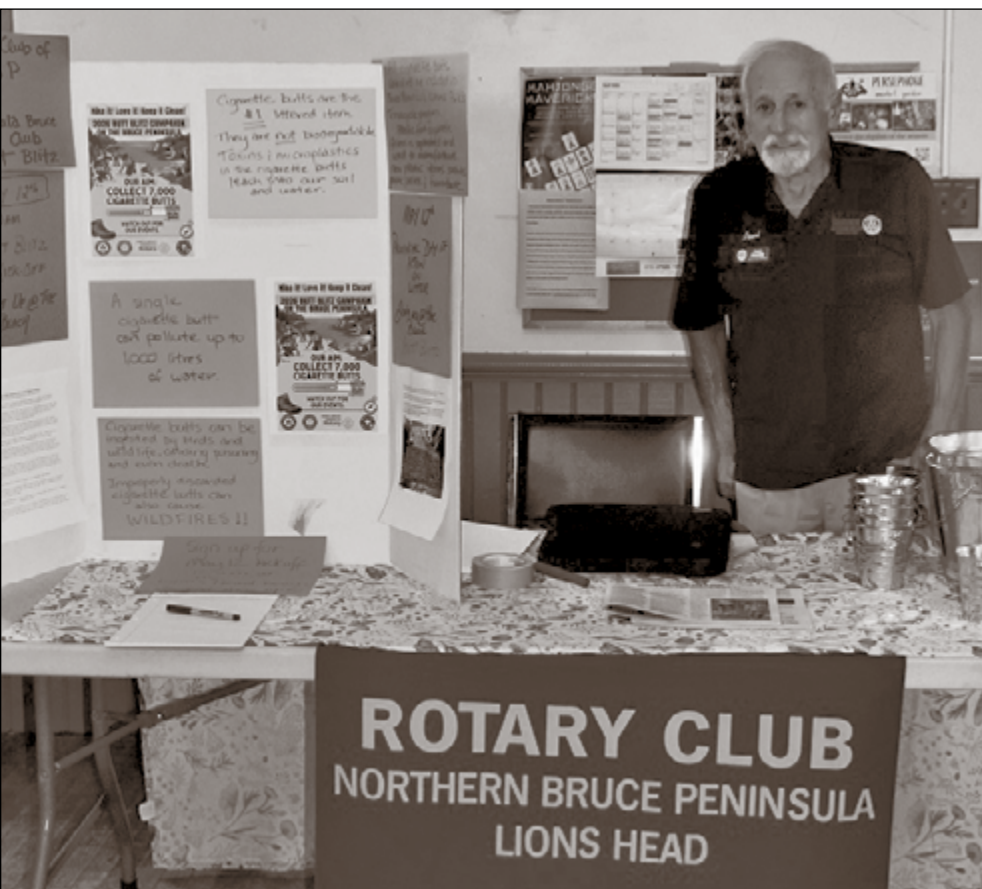


Photo: Rotarian Paul Cinanni at the Rotary Display on Earth Day (April 22nd) at Rotary Hall.

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The Sweet Shop is seeking seasonal staff for the 2026 season: Cashiers, ice cream scoopers, assistant manager-retail & supervisors. Full and part-time positions with flexible scheduling. All experience levels welcome. Apply at jobs@sweetshop.ca

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Cindy Lou's in Lion's Head is hiring for the 2026 season. Short order cook & ice cream server. Full time & part time available. Looking for responsible individuals who know how to wear a smile and work as a team in a multi-tasking environment. Send details to cindykraag@hotmail.com or text me at 905-802-4460.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Internment Ceremony for both Barry and Linda Smith, past residents of Stokes Bay will be held on June 23, 2026 at 11 am at the Zion Cemetery in Hepworth. Please accept this as the family's invitation to attend and share memories.

OBITUARIES



DANIELS, Beverley Jane - In memory of Beverley Jane Daniels. Born Feb 25/1938 - Mar. 29/2026. How do you sum up a person's life? That is a task of which I hope, I do not fail at, miserably. Let's start at the beginning. Bev was born and raised in London, Ontario sharing a home with 6 siblings and her parents. She often said her mother and father ran a 'tight ship'. I can only surmise that with 7 kids at large, a less stringent form of parenting would only result in mayhem. Her father, a veteran of WW1, no doubt had a hand in house rules. 1938, a time when your word was a bond and a handshake had meaning. Beverley espoused these traits in her daily life. She was a no-nonsense caring woman who looked out for others and was, as they say, 'generous to a fault'. Here she is, just 21 years old in 1959, out for an evening of dancing and enjoying some room temp. ale, a practise picked up, no doubt, from her British born parents. She worked for several employers over the years, including 10 years at a long-term care facility in Brantford. Bev had the opportunity to do some travelling and managed to experience most of what Canada has to offer. One of her favourite adventures, attending a Stevie Wonder concert in New York City in the 70's, was often verbally recollected. (I'm jealous). Beverley moved to Tobermory in the late 80's after having her little home on the waterfront built. She worked locally for several years before retirement and spent 38 years enjoying her little slice of paradise on the shores of Lake Huron. Her diligence and self-sacrifice gave her a full life of 88 years. She was proud of her accomplishments and had little to no regrets. She is and will be missed. XO. God Speed Beverley. Private family arrangements entrusted to the **GEORGE FUNERAL HOME**, Wiarton. Expressions of remembrance to Tobermory Medical Clinic would be appreciated. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through www.georgefuneralhome.com

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REGULAR MEETINGS, FUN & GAMES

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before May 6, 2026 to be included in the next Press.

MONDAY

Bruce Men's Shed Drop-in Coffee. Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact brucemensshed@gmail.com 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**
VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Visit von.ca for more info. **10am**
VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Tobermory Community Centre. Visit von.ca for more info. **10:30am**
Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of Senior's Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. **11-11:30am**
Chair Yoga with Karin. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. **11:15am-12:15pm**
Bid Euchre. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. Bid Euchre and/or Bridge. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **1pm**
Darts. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. \$3 entry. Snacks & refreshments available. All skill-levels welcome. **Last day May 11. 1pm**
Mahjong Monday. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. All are welcome. Contact nbprotary@gmail.com for more information. **1pm**
Hatha Yoga with Karin. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca **1-2:30pm**
Bingo. Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. **1-3pm**
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**
Lion's Head Peanut Soccer. Bruce Peninsula District School field. Ages JK - Gr. 5. \$30/child. Contact lionsheadsoccer@gmail.com. **May 4-June 22, not May 18. 6-7pm**
Stokes Bay Community Meeting. Stokes Bay Community Centre. **4th Mon. each month. 7pm**

TUESDAY

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. **8am-12pm**
Mindful Movement with Joann. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. **10am**
Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **10-11am**
Meeting Place Gym. The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 10am-1pm**
Senior Chair Yoga. Tobermory Community Centre. Free. 55+. Limited spots. Register ahead northbrucepeninsula.ca/news/posts/tcc-chair-yoga. **11-11:30am**
Meditation with Joann. Tobermory United Church. See tobermoryunited.ca. **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. 7pm**
The Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula. Hybrid virtual and in-person meeting. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. More info at [facebook.com/LionsHeadRotaryClub](https://www.facebook.com/LionsHeadRotaryClub) or 519-793-4040. **1st and 3rd Tues. 7-8pm**
Tobermory Open Mic. The Meeting Place, Tobermory. Free refreshments. All are welcome. **2nd Tues. each month. 7-9pm**

WEDNESDAY

Yin & Yang Yoga. Via Zoom. Contact barbara@lovingyoga.ca. **7am**
Tobermory Coffee Club. Tobermory Community Centre. All are welcome. **Until May 1. 7:30-9:30am**
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**
Chair Yoga. Hosted by Lion's Head Friendship Club. Call Maxine at 519-375-0959 for info. **10am**
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**
Afternoon Jamboree. Warton Legion Br. 208. Music & Dancing. All are welcome. **Doors 1pm, Music 2-5pm**
Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. **4-8pm**
Peninsula SWANS Meeting. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. New members welcome, contact Roberta at rjmihlhausen@gmail.com or 519-374-4110. **1st Wed. Not July/Aug. Social time 5:30pm, Dinner 6pm.**
Bruce Peninsula Environment Group Meeting. Anglican Church Hall, Lion's Head. Presentations each meeting. **1st Wed. 7pm**
Darts. Warton 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**

THURSDAY

Good Food Box Program, Lion's Head. Not-for-profit sustainable food program. Fresh fruits & vegetables. Drop off order before last Thurs. Each month. Pickup box first Thurs. Bring sealed envelope with your name & \$22 to: LH Pharmacy, Peninsula Pet Supplies. Pick up at LH Rotary Hall (between 3:30-5pm). Info on Facebook [@LHGoodFoodBox](https://www.facebook.com/LHGoodFoodBox).
Good Food Box Program, Tobermory. As above. Drop off order and payment at The Meeting Place, Tobermory during business hours or contact 519-596-2313 or food@tobermorymeetingplace.com. 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**

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THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Tobermory Community Centre. Visit von.ca for more info. **10:30am**

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**

Friendship Club Luncheon & Bingo. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. \$8 for members. Contact 519-375-0959 lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com for time & more info. **2nd Thurs. each month. 11:30am.**

Darts. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. \$3 entry. Snacks & refreshments available. All skill-levels welcome. **Not 1st Thurs. each month. Last day May 11. 1pm**

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**

Warton Rotary Club Virtual Meeting. Wartonrotary@gmail.com for more info. **6-8pm**

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

Darts for Fun-Tobermory. Tobermory Legion Branch 290. **7pm**

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**

Euchre. Stokes Bay Community Centre. \$3 entry. **7:30pm**

Warton Legion Branch 208 Members Meeting. Warton Legion. **3rd Thurs. Not Jan/Feb. 7:30pm**

FRIDAY

Tobermory Coffee Club. Tobermory Community Centre. All are welcome. **Until May 1. 7:30-9:30am**

Body Rolling for Myofascial Release. Via Zoom. Contact barbara@lovingyoga.ca. **8:50am**

Tai Chi. Lion's Head Legion. All are welcome. Bring dry shoes. **9:30-10:30am**

Coffee Chat. Tobermory United Church. All are welcome. **9:30am-12pm**

Myo Yin Yoga. Via Zoom. contact barbara@lovingyoga.ca. **10am**

Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head, 6 Tackabury St. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **10-11am**

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**

Lion's Head Legion Monthly Movies. Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. All are welcome. Free. Tea, coffee, snacks provided. **May 29: Mission Impossible Dead Reckoning Pt 1; Jun. 26: A Complete Unknown. Doors 1pm, Starts 1:30pm**

Lion's Head Knitting Group. Lion's Head Library. 51-9-793-3844 for more info. **2-4pm**

Cornhole. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. **3pm**

Euchre. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. All are welcome (19+). tobermorylegion.org **Last Fri. each month. 7pm**

Trivia. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. \$10 entry, proceeds to the Food Bank. All are welcome (19+). tobermorylegion.org **2nd Fri. each month. 7pm**

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

Karaoke. Warton Legion Br. 208. All are welcome. **8pm**

SATURDAY

Bruce Men's Shed General Meeting. Lion's Head Legion Br. 202. Contact brucemensshed@gmail.com or 519-793-3005 to get involved. **Third Sat. each month. 9-11am**

Lion's Head Farmers' Market. The beach, Lion's Head. Full list of vendors at lionsheadfarmersmarket.com. **Starts May 16. 9am-12pm (until 1pm on long weekends)**

Tobermory Market. At the ball diamond park. **Starts May 2. 10am-3pm**

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

Guided Winter Bird Walk. Meet at Head of Trails at Cyprus Lake, Tobermory. 45min hike or snowshoe to discover winter birds. More info at parks.canada.ca/pn-np/on/bruce/activ/hiver-activ-winter. **11:30am**

Darts for Meat. Lion's Head Legion. \$4 entry + \$1/game. **Last day May 9. 12:50pm**

Repair Café. Owen Sound Library. Email GBOSRepairCafe@gmail.com to get involved, or osngupl.ca/repair-cafe for info. **Second Sat. each month. 1-4pm**

Music & Dancing. Warton 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 **4pm**

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 info. **Last Sat. each month.**

SUNDAY

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. **8am-12pm**

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Clubs, Organizations, Groups, etc., call us before May 6, 2026 to be included in the next Press.

Ongoing
Peninsula Bruce Trail Club Hikes. Dates, times, locations, and registration at peninsula.bruce-trail.org/hikeitloveitkeepitclean, or follow us on Facebook under PeninsulaBTC.

Wednesday April 29
Lunch & Learn – Let's Talk about Options for Housing for Older Adults. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. Speaker Angela Yensson, lawyer for the Owen Sound Community Legal Clinic. Free. Register ahead at 519-793-3473 or dshcolter@cabletv.on.ca. 11am–2pm

Thursday April 30
Electric Vehicle Info Session. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association and Bruce Peninsula Environment Group. Free. Contact info@bpba.ca for more info. See ad pg. 3. 7–8:30pm

Friday May 1 – Sunday May 3
Sources of Knowledge Forum – Invasive Species. Parks Visitor Centre, Tobermory. For more information email info@sourcesofknowledge.ca, or visit sourcesofknowledge.ca.

Friday May 1
Harbourside Inside Open Mic & Musical Trivia. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Hosted by Harbourside Inside and the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula. All are welcome. Free, donations appreciated. Doors 6:30pm, Starts 7pm

Tuesday May 5
Electric Vehicle Info Session. Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association and Bruce Peninsula Environment Group. Free. Contact info@bpba.ca for more info. See ad pg. 3. 7–8:30pm

Wednesday May 6
Lion's Head Friendship Club Craft Day & Pizza Lunch. Lion's Head Friendship Club. Create a gnome or fairy terrarium with succulents. \$5/person, includes lunch. 12pm

Friday May 8
Grey Bruce Youth Film Festival Submission Deadline. Selected films will be screened at the Owen Sound Cinema in June. Application forms at local libraries or osngupl.ca/grey-bruce-youth-film-festival.

Jam in the Tub. Tobermory Legion, Br. 290. Live music from *Trio Infernale* with improvised originals and *Hwy 6 Revisited* covering classics. Free entry, donations to the Legion are encouraged. Cash bar. 7pm

Rotary Hall Pub Night. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Bar and Trivia. 7pm

Tuesday May 12
Veteran's Coffee. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. Open to all veterans and serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces or RCMP. Do not need to be Legion members. Call or text 519-270-3428 for more info. 10am–12pm

Peninsula Butt Blitz. Lion's Head Beach & along the Bruce Trail. Hosted by the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club & the Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula. More info at peninsula.bruce-trail.org/hikeitloveitkeepitclean or rotarynbp.org/page/meeting-info. 4:30–6pm

Tobermory Legion Annual General Meeting. Tobermory Legion, Br. 290. Social time follows the meeting. All are welcome. 7pm

Wednesday May 13
Tobermory United Spring Chicken BBQ. Tobermory United Church. Drive-through meal pickup. Vegetarian Option available. Delivery available. Tickets \$25/dinner. Contact tucbbqtickets@outlook.com or 519-851-3411 for tickets or more information. For delivery to Lion's Head, call 519-793-3119. See ad pg. 3. 4:30–6pm

Friday May 15 – Sunday May 17
Tobermory Thrift Shop Opens for Donations. Tobermory Thrift Shop. After the long weekend the Thrift Shop will be open for donations Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, & Sat, 1–4pm. Open for sales starting June 6 on the same days. To volunteer, contact 519-596-2394 or tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca. See ad pg. 8. 1–4pm

Saturday May 16
Annual Fish Dinner Fundraiser. Lion's Head Arena. Fundraiser for the Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary. Take-out available. \$26/adult, \$13/child 12 & under. Tickets available at Scott's Hardware, Walsh's Garage, or call 519-374-5778, 519-596-2351, or 519-270-6978. 5–7:30pm

The Meeting Place Tobermory 11th Annual Spring Fundraiser Concert. Tobermory Community Centre. Scott Manery and Barnburners. DJ Max opens. Licensed event 19+ only. Tickets available from The Meeting Place, Princess Hotel, Reader's Haven, or Rachel's Cafe in Lion's Head. Online at eventbrite.com. See ad pg. 4. Doors 7pm; 8pm–1am

Sunday May 17
Rotary Pancake Breakfast. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. \$15/adult, \$7/child 12 and under. 9–11:30am

Fuel Our Youth – Classic Car & Motorcycle Show Opening. Hungry Hiker Ferndale parking lot. Donations accepted for the Bruce Peninsula District School Breakfast Program. \$5 from each dinner special go to the breakfast program. Kids under 12 eat free. 6–8pm

Wednesday May 20
Writer's Workshop. Lion's Head Friendship Club. Funded by Seniors Active Living Centre. More info at 519-793-3473 or dshcolter@eastlink.ca. Lunch 12:30pm; Workshop 1pm

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SPECIAL EVENTS (CONTINUED)

Thursday May 21

Sources of Knowledge Talk – Salt of the Earth: People of Bruce County. Parks Visitor Centre, Tobermory. Speaker Willy Waterton. Donations welcome. For more information visit sourcesofknowledge.ca. See ad pg. 4. **Doors 6:30pm, Starts 7pm**

Friday May 22

Lunch & Learn – Let's Talk about Health & Wellness. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. Speaker Dr. George Harpur. Free. Register ahead at 519-793-3473 or dshcolter@cabletv.on.ca. **11am–2pm**

Rotary Hall Pub Night. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Bar and Trivia. **7pm**

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18 Ferndale Rd, Lion's Head. **Sunday, 10:30am**

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226-559-0564. 2627 Hwy #6. **Sunday, 10:30am***

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519-376-0778.

• **St. Mark's** 54 Main St, Lion's Head. **Saturday, 9:30am**

• **St. Thomas Aquinas** 552 Gould St, Warton. **Sunday, 11am**

• **St. Thomas the Apostle** At Tobermory United. **Saturday, 11:30am**

Lion's Head United Church lhpc@amtelecom.net, 519-793-3312.

54 Main St, Lion's Head. **Sunday, 10:30am, Not Jan–Mar.**

Pike Bay United Church lhpc@amtelecom.net, 519-793-3312.

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FRI	9:30am–5pm	10am–2pm	10am–6pm
SAT	9:30am–2pm	10am–2pm	10am–4pm
SUN	Closed	Closed	2–6pm

Biosphere Association Spring Pasture Meeting Brings Together Local Farmers

Submitted by Donna Cole

On April 8th Bruce Peninsula

Biosphere Association (BPBA) held our Spring Pasture Meeting and Grant Recognition Event at the Rotary Club in Lion's Head. The meeting was to both celebrate approval of the grant from the Ontario government that supports ongoing work in watershed health protection on the Northern Bruce Peninsula (NBP), and bring together local farmers, community members, and partners in an opportunity to review ongoing water quality improvement work, share knowledge, and discuss stewardship approaches that benefit agricultural operations and the environment.

More than 35 people attended the event that also had our very engaging speakers Craig Reid (Agronomy Manager, Sprucedale Agromart) and Don Hargrave (Beef Farmers of Ontario). MPP Paul Vickers attended the event and presented the BPBA with a certificate as recipient of

a grant from the provincial government's Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF).

The event highlights how collaboration between landowners, community members, and environmental organizations is essential to sustaining clean water and healthy ecosystems. The \$358,300 Grow grant, which was awarded in 2025 and runs for a three-year period, is enabling BPBA to expand its long-running Six Streams Program. This initiative focuses on improving water quality and ecosystem health in key sub-watersheds, including Judges Creek and the Stokes River. The OTF grant is helping BPBA to undertake advanced environmental monitoring, community engagement, and targeted restoration activities in these key NBP watersheds.

Our guest speaker Craig Reid shared the importance of carefully managing fertilizers to optimize crop yield and save money while preserving the environment. We also learned that our local farmers are impacted by global nutrient trade.

The current supply chains are at risk because of global uncertainty such as trade disruptions and war. Don Hargrave also shared valuable information about traceability in our beef food chain and discussed the impacts of social media regarding trust in these systems.

With no conservation authority on the NBP, BPBA plays a critical role in protecting local water resources and enabling community action in conservation initiatives. Building on more than a decade of success, the Six Streams Program has reduced impacts from agriculture through streamside fencing, alternative watering systems, and volunteer-led restoration. This

next phase will use new tools such as drone-based assessments and citizen science to better understand and address erosion, turbidity, and nutrient loading to watercourses on the NBP.

The project is expected to benefit the entire NBP community by improving water quality, protecting vulnerable aquifers, and supporting sustainable agricultural practices, while also enhancing recreational and ecological health across the region. BPBA would like to say thank you again to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for supporting sustainable agricultural practices, while also enhancing recreational and ecological health across the region.

Become a Keep the Bruce Clean & Green Litter Ambassador

Submitted by KTBC&G

Spring has sprung! The snow is gone... but, now we see the trash! Just like doing Spring cleaning in your home, please take the time to pick up trash around your area, if you can. We thank all our diligent Litter Ambassadors!

If you would like to join the Litter Ambassador team and take care of a certain area or street, please contact keepthebruceclean@gmail.com. You pick up litter whenever you feel like it and we try to recognize you in different ways with meals, pick up supplies and great companionship.

As you are walking about, maybe along the harbour or in town, if you see trash, it would be appreciated if you collect it. Being a role model is noticed by visitors and locals, young and old. They even say "thank you" at times.

If you would like a KEEP THE BRUCE CLEAN & GREEN sign on your property, contact us. Signage along

the Bruce Peninsula reminds visitors to be aware of their trash and proper disposal. Green bags, donated by Parks Canada and/or tomato cages are also available. You would be amazed how many people throw their trash in them!

Due to administrator's health, KTBC&G will not be collecting returnables. If someone or a group would like to take it over, the box that used to be at the harbour will be given to you. It was always our biggest fundraiser, you can donate the money to your chosen cause!

Did you know? Ontario has added new items for recycling. New items are plastic lined coffee cups, black plastic, foil, stir sticks, straws, and personal care items such as toothpaste tubes. To see a full list, contact A Greener Future at <https://www.agreenerfuture.ca>

We hope you are looking forward to making a difference by getting involved! Have a great KEEP THE BRUCE CLEAN & GREEN summer!



Photo L-R: Dr. Jennifer Adams, Craig Reid, John Rodgers, Don Hargrave, Milt McIver, Paul Vickers at the April 8th Spring Pasture Meeting and Grant Recognition event.

Stopped in Awe: News from Tobermory United Tobermory Thrift Shop Expands Hours

Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer

The Tobermory Thrift Shop, a community initiative of Tobermory United Church, will be receiving donations May 15, 16 and 17 (Victoria Day weekend) 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., and then Monday to Saturday (except Wednesday) from then on. In fact, the Thrift Shop is thrilled to announce that for the 2026 season, it will be open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays – for both sales and donations, with the sales season beginning on June 6. The Thrift Shop will continue to be closed on Wednesdays for sorting.

The Tobermory Thrift Shop, located within the former settlement church at 7101 Highway 6, is a long tradition in the community. It's a win-win-win-win-win situation that not only provides funds for Tobermory United Church and Tobermory Community Outreach, but also contributes to a circular economy, ensuring that household goods are used over and over again before they become waste. The Thrift Shop is completely run by volunteers, and anyone who would like to join the team is welcome! It's fun! More information can be found by contacting the church at 519-596-2394; tobermoryunitedchurch@eastlink.ca

On April 18, Tobermory United presented a concert, Jeff Bird Plays the Music of Hildegard von Bingen.

About 90 people from near and far attended the event, a transcendent experience that was meditative, healing and profound. "Inspiring" is what most people are saying about this legendary musician's interpretations of the songs of the twelfth-century mystic.

Tobermory United is grateful for all those who attended and for a Mission and Service grant from the United Church of Canada that supported the concert. We are inspired to hold more such events in the future.

In fact, local musicians often perform during worship services at Tobermory United. You can hear Janet Whittington, well known at Tobermory open mic, during the service on May 3.

Tobermory United's annual Spring Chicken BBQ will be held May 13th! Tickets include half a barbecued chicken, a baked potato, sour cream, coleslaw and dessert. Tickets are \$25.00 and can be purchased by e-mailing tucbbqtickets@outlook.com or by calling 519-851-3411, 519-803-2483 or, for dinners delivered to Lion's Head, 519-793-3119. Dinners may be picked up in a drive-through fashion from the church at 5 Brock St between 4:30 and 6:00 on May 13th. Volunteers are also welcome for this event!

Tobermory United was part of the team that contributed to Tobermory Community Outreach's "To the Tub with Love" dinner on April 16. This dinner was held for the whole community, a celebration of Spring, but also a thank you for the support of Tobermory Community Outreach. About 175 people enjoyed ham, scalloped and mash potatoes, corn, rolls, salads and desserts – and a great time visiting with friends and neighbours!

Tobermory Community Outreach is supported by the four Tobermory churches and provides support to the community, including emergency financial aid as well as a driving program for those who require assistance getting to medical appointments.



Photo: Multi-instrumentalist musician, composer and producer Jeff Bird mesmerized an audience of 90 people April 18 at Tobermory United Church with his interpretations of the music of twelfth-century mystic Hildegard von Bingen.

Music on the Bruce Chamber Music Concerts Return for Sixth Season

Something Extra Special: World Premiere Performances During 2026 Festival

Submitted by Sarah Pratt-Parsamian,
Artistic Director, Music on the Bruce

Music on the Bruce (MOTB) is back for a sixth season of chamber music concerts August 24-30, 2026, with a little something special that we are very excited to share with you!

Thanks to a grant from the SOCAN foundation, and to the generosity of our private donors, MOTB has commissioned a brand new work, that will have its world premiere performances during the 2026 festival! The work is a set of songs for string quartet and voice, with music by Toronto-based composer Frank Horvat, and text by acclaimed Canadian poet and Neyaashiinigmiing resident, Kateri Akiwenzie-Damm.

The actual world premiere performance will take place during our concert at the bandshell in Cape Croker Park, Friday, August 29, 7:00pm. Come and be a part of history in the making - hear a world premiere performance, as we present this new work, dedicated to the Saugeen/Bruce Peninsula.

Featuring a roster of Canadian musicians who perform throughout the year in leading orchestras across Canada and the United States, MOTB Festival offers two unique chamber music programs, each performed three times, with each concert in a different community. This allows you plenty of opportunity to find the locations nearest to you, and take in both programs!

Violinists Sarah Pratt-Parsamian and Shane Kim, violist Caitlin Boyle, and cellist Rachel DeSoer form the string quartet for the first program, featuring string quartets of Beethoven and Ravel, and three ethereal works of Frank Horvat from his work "Music for Self-Isolation". The quartet will be joined by mezzo-soprano Joanna Diindiisikwe Simmons for the second program, which will

feature the new work, as well as a set of songs by American composer Rebecca Clarke (1886-1979), and Schubert's epic string quartet in d-minor, "Death and the Maiden".

The full schedule is below:

- Monday, August 24 - Red Bay Lodge rehearsal day. (These are not open to the public, but if you are in the neighbourhood you will hear the music all day!)
- Tuesday, August 25, 6:30pm - Open Rehearsal at **Pike Bay Community Centre**
- Wednesday, August 26, 7:00pm - Program 1 at **Tobermory United Church**
- Thursday, August 27, 7:00pm - Program 1 at **Oliphant Campers Church**
- Friday, August 28, 7:00pm - Program 2 at **Cape Croker Park (WORLD PREMIERE)**
- Saturday, August 29, 2:00pm - Program 1 at **St. Andrews Presbyterian, Southampton**
- Saturday, August 29, 7:00pm - Program 2 at **Harbourside Stage, Lion's Head**
- Sunday, August 30, 2:00pm - Program 2 at **St. John's United, Wiarton**

Music on the Bruce concerts are made possible by grants from the Ontario Arts Council Music Production and Presentation program, Bruce Power Community Grant program, the Town of South Bruce Peninsula Community Grant program, and generous individual donors.

Full artist bios, composer bios, ticket info, rain locations for outdoor concerts, and much more can be found at our website www.musiconthebruce.com. You can also follow us on facebook and instagram, and visit our youtube channel to see videos of past performances.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Council Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of each month, beginning at 1:00 p.m. and held at the Council Chambers at 56 Lindsay Road 5, Lion's Head, ON N0H 1W0.

Council meetings are open to the public and are available to watch via livestream.

For more details, including access to public meeting agendas and minutes, please visit www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/government.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION UPDATES

NOTICE OF NOMINATION FOR OFFICE

Nominations for the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election open on May 1, 2026.

Candidates may be nominated for Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council, including the offices of Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and three (3) Councillors.

Candidates may also be nominated for School Board Trustee positions with the Bluewater District School Board, BruceGrey Catholic District School Board, Conseil scolaire Viamonde, and Conseil scolaire catholique Providence.

Nomination papers may be filed with the Municipal Clerk in person beginning May 1, 2026, during regular business hours until August 20, 2026, and on August 21, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Residents who are thinking about running for Council are encouraged to attend a Candidate Information Workshop on May 14, 2026. The workshop will be offered in person at the Bruce County Administration Centre (30 Park Street, Walkerton) and virtually.

More information, including the Official Notice of Nomination, workshop details, and election resources, are available at <https://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/government/council-committees/elections/>.

For questions, to pick up a Candidate's Package, or to book an appointment to file nomination papers, please contact or visit the Office of the Clerk.




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Effective Monday, March 2, 2026 the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula is implementing weight/load restrictions of 5 tonnes per axle on all municipal roads until further notice.

These restrictions are in place to protect our roadways during the spring thaw, as roads become most vulnerable to damage when frost leaves the ground. During this period, roads will be posted for "half loads" only to help minimize deterioration caused by heavy vehicles. A follow-up notice will be issued when the Half Load Restrictions are lifted. Thank you for your cooperation in preserving our roads!

Visit Municipal 511 for information regarding road closures, conditions, and restrictions:
<https://www.municipal511.ca>

FACILITIES OPENING

The following facilities will be open on Friday May 15, 2026 for the season:

- Lion's Head and Tobermory Harbours
- Lion's Head Beach Campground
- St. Edmunds Museum, Tobermory
- Tobermory Municipal Airport

LANDFILL SITES HOURS OF OPERATION APRIL 1ST TO OCTOBER 31 2026

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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 1-800-561-1655 or canresidential@wm.com

PROPERTY TAXES

The interim tax billing will be processed the first week of February with due dates of:

February 28, 2026 and April 30, 2026.

If you have not received your mailed or emailed bill by mid February, please contact the Tax Clerk at the Municipal Office.

For information regarding Pre-authorization Payment and E-billing options, please visit our website.

AFTER-HOURS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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

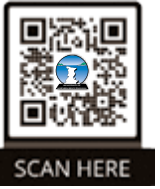
For a municipal road hazard, by-law or livestock claim emergency, please call 1-866-750-8219.

MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX

Do you own or operate a Short-Term Accommodation, Bed & Breakfast, Hotel, Motel, or any other establishment offering short-term lodging (30 days or less) in all or part of a dwelling? You are required to collect and remit the Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT). For more information about the MAT, visit our website at www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/MAT

MAT Remittance Deadlines

- Q1 (January–March) – Due April 30
- Q2 (April–June) – Due July 31
- Q3 (July–September) – Due October 31
- Q4 (October–December) – Due January 31



How to Pay

Visit the Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) Payment Page on the municipal website or scan the QR code provided to submit your remittance. The Municipality does not have agreements with third-party booking platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, or similar services.

These companies do not collect or remit MAT on your behalf. Property owners/operators remain responsible for compliance.

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.

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:

1. 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

FRIENDLY REMINDER: FIRE PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

As we head into fire season, just a reminder that fire permits are required each year for all outdoor fires in Northern Bruce Peninsula, including campfires.

- Permits are free and must be renewed annually
- Never leave a fire unattended
- Keep water or an extinguisher nearby
- Check weather and conditions before burning

Getting your permit is quick and easy, apply online today! <https://nbp.burnpermits.com/home>

Thanks for helping keep our community safe!

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.



CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) SAFETY

Ontario Fire Code Changes – Effective January 1, 2026

New requirements for all homes with fuel-burning appliances, attached garages, fire places or heated by a fuel-burning appliance not located in your home:

- CO alarms must be installed beside all sleeping areas,
- New: CO alarms are now required on every story of the home as well

These updates help provide earlier warning and better protection from carbon monoxide.

Install and test your CO alarms to keep your household safe.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Scan the QR Code to access the events calendar:



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Photo: The Bruce Peninsula District School cast and crew of Footloose the Musical.

Scott Manery and the Barnburners Return to Tobermory May 16th

11th Annual Live Music and Dance Supporting the Meeting Place Tobermory

Submitted by TMP Fundraising Team
Saturday May 16, 2026 from 8pm - 1am The Meeting Place Tobermory (TMP) is welcoming Scott Manery and Barnburners to the Tobermory Community Centre for our 11th annual live music concert, dance and Fundraiser.

The band is back by popular demand and looking forward to entertaining the community as we start a new and busy tourist season. The Meeting Place is part of the welcoming culture of the community and hosting this fundraiser helps us serve the community all year round.

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Cabot Head Rd Open House
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online event and almost 1,000 public surveys completed regarding the future of the Cabot Head Road (CHR) in Dyers Bay.

Casavecchia-Somers and Smibert, experienced CAOs and Clerks, said, “Public involvement for this project has truly been amazing.” The extensive public interest in the future of CHR speaks to the project’s connection to the community from an emotional, cultural, and historical standpoint.

Proposed Operational Model: Controlled Vehicles and Public Multi-Use Trail

Council agreed on a proposed operational model for CBH consisting of two access systems: controlled authorized vehicle access and public multi-use trail. Vehicle access would be restricted by a gated system allowing only contractors, staff, emergency services, Friends of the Cabot Head Lighthouse and Bruce Peninsula Bird Observatory. Permits and agreements would be mandatory for vehicles allowed entry including logs, signage and optional surveillance. The public multi-use trail would allow walking, hiking, and cycling and feature a trailhead kiosk with maps and safety information, wayfinding signage, and rest areas. MNBPN would be responsible for maintaining the trail, gate system, monitoring access logs, conducting inspections, trail grading, trimming, drainage, erosion tracking, and enforcement.

Full comments from provincial and federal agencies and First Nations will not be made until a decision is reached by Council on how to proceed with the road.

Survey Data Results Show Support for the Proposal with Some Concerns

The current proposal of authorized vehicle access and public multi-use trail received 76% support from survey respondents, 50% of which were strongly in favour along with 8% neutral, 6% somewhat opposed, and 7% strongly opposed.

Most respondents supported the installation of a gate but want to ensure it works properly to restrict trespassers. To manage the site, providing trespass fines and ticketing, increased by-law enforcement, and camera monitoring and warning signs, were all popular methods. Data revealed that 79% of respondents support public access to CHR through a trail. “They want to see nothing overbuilt, just enough to make it safe and useable,” said the CAO.

Environmental concerns were prominent in the survey results with 85% stating that protection of the environment was extremely or

very important to them. Wetland and sensitive habitat and waste management were the most important environmental priorities. “Respondents want to ensure that the area does not become overcrowded by overtourism,” noted Van Mierlo-West.

Recorded data suggests that of the 946 survey respondents ranging from age 45-79, 39% are year-round residents, 37% are seasonal residents, 72% are from MNBPN, and 94% have visited Cabot Head. Respondents ranked public access and environmental protection as the most important priorities overall.

In summary, the CAO emphasized that “the key message is that conservation must take precedence.” Further she said, “Concerns were brought forward regarding the potential of overtourism without appropriate management...In return the potential for serious environmental damage could occur.”

Regarding parking concerns, “Currently there are no plans for any large parking areas or new development of parking areas. We want to avoid traffic problems, keep the community safe, and prevent illegal parking,” she confirmed.

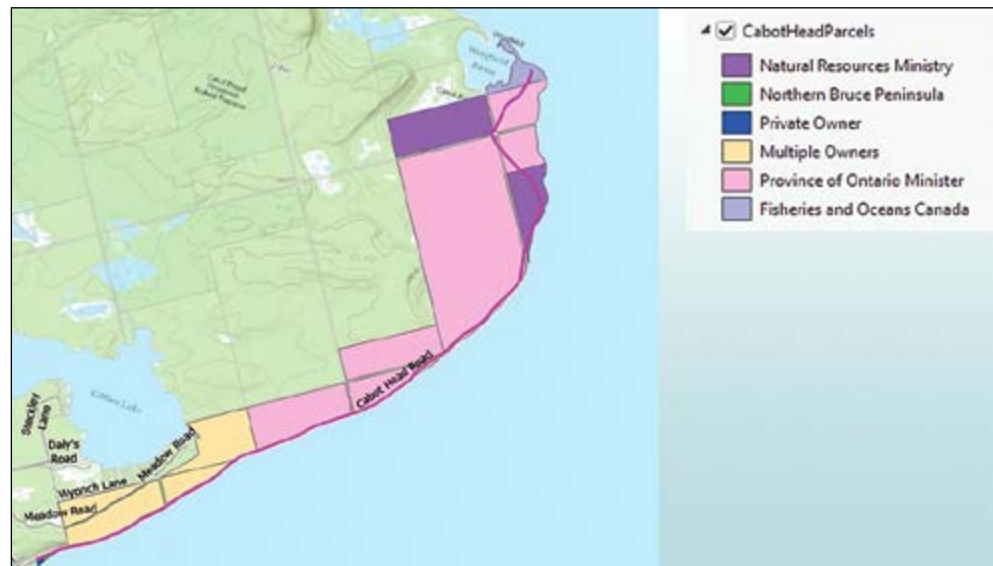
Comments During Open House Mostly Reveals Parking Concerns and Trail Support Subject to Conditions

A Cabot Head property owner stated, “The trail doesn’t actually start at Cabot Head, it starts at the beginning of Dyers Bay because there’s no parking in Dyers Bay available for those going to use the trail...Currently we have individuals that park on private landowners’ property at their own free will...It hasn’t been addressed in the past and I imagine it’s only going to get worse moving forward.”

One commenter was concerned with the lack of attention to accessibility. “We want to make an appeal that the needs of the disabled are not just casual for when it suits us...It’s a judge, I would say, of who we are as people by how we care for those that are most vulnerable...And that’s what’s disappointing of how little indication that that would be taken seriously.”

Another commenter with extensive experience advocating for the reopening of CHR as a trail commended Council on this initiative. “I think it’s one of the most spectacular bike routes potentially in Ontario. The lighthouse has a symbiotic relationship to the road, without a road or trail being improved the lighthouse is doomed...The lighthouse has been broken into five times in the last three years and significant damage has happened...There’s no way to save the lighthouse and access to Wingfield Basin unless we have a trail...There should be no parking in Dyers Bay.” They continued, “Maintenance of the trail would be municipal...Consider the maintenance of the lighthouse as part of that package, the two are interlocked – we need to think about both of them at the same time, one can’t really exist without the other...If the trail doesn’t have a destination there’s no point in a trail and if there’s no way to get to the lighthouse, there’s no point in maintaining the lighthouse.”

One speaker encouraged the Municipality to start using a Visitor Use Management Framework to “help navigate the situation.” “There’s a lot at stake here, Cabot Head, Wingfield Basin, and the lighthouse



Graphic from MNBPN Cabot Head Virtual Open House Presentation on April 9, 2026. Graphic: Ownership of Cabot Head Road. The Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula owns a small portion of land at the beginning of Cabot Head Road and possesses “wheel track” rights along Cabot Head Road.

itself have so much cultural and natural heritage features that I would be broken hearted to see cut off from the community and public at large,” they voiced.

Another speaker suggested making the trail accessible for mobility devices, paving the trail with a bike/pedestrian lane if shared with vehicles, and restricting vehicles to certain times.

Several comments were made regarding the importance of directing parking away from the Dyers Bay community and private property, employing adequate by-law enforcement to keep people from participating in illegal activities like hauling away rocks, camping, setting campfires, littering, and blocking parking.

A few participants expressed disagreement with the proposal.

CAO Van Mierlo-West concluded the open house by affirming, “Thank you for the input that’s been provided today, it’s been really great to hear everybody’s comments and thoughts regarding the project itself...I’m

very grateful, it’s been a wonderful experience and one of the highlights of our public engagement projects that we’ve worked on.”

Brief History of Cabot Head Road

The Cabot Head road was constructed in 1962 to provide easier access to Wingfield Basin, a protected natural harbour, under an agreement between the former Township of Lindsay and Department of Transport. According to the CAO, the road was never legally transferred and MNBPN has wheel track rights only, no legal ownership. The road became severely damaged following a 2019 storm prompting its closure to the public. The road remains closed today. A request from Council in 2025 initiated review of the road and the possibility of reopening to the public. The road leads to the historic Cabot Head Lighthouse, constructed in 1895, which is currently also closed.

For more information on this project, visit <https://letstalknbp.ca/cabot-head-road>



Photo from MNBPN Cabot Head Virtual Open House Presentation on April 9, 2026.

Photo: Cabot Head Road following the 2019 storm prompting its closure.

NOTICE

Roadside Pesticide Use

The County of Bruce intends to control noxious weeds along the following rural County roadsides: BR 1, BR 2, BR 3, BR 4, BR 6, BR 7, BR 12, BR 15, BR 19, BR 20, BR 22, BR 23, BR 28, BR 86, and BR 6E.

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

- Navius FLEX Herbicide (Reg. #30922) containing the active ingredients Metsulfuron – methyl and Aminocyclopyrachlor.
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- ClearView Herbicide (Reg. #29752) containing the active ingredients Aminopyralid (present as potassium salt), and Metsulfuron-methyl.

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

Spraying will commence on May 11, 2026, weather permitting, and conclude June 30, 2026.

For more information, please contact:

- Greenstream: Steve Ford at 1-905-510-1229
- Bruce County: Andrew Beumer, Environmental Services Manager at 1-226-909-2824

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Tobermory Health Services Auxiliary 'Spirings' into Action

Submitted by Wendy Caron

She's back! Once again, the Tobermory Health Services Auxiliary (THSA) is pleased to support dental hygiene care in Tobermory. In cooperation with the Peninsula Family Health Team (PFHT), Candace McIntyre, RHD will be parking her Shine 1-1 Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinic at the Tobermory Clinic (7275 Hwy 6) on Tuesdays. This service provides access to residents who may otherwise face logistical barriers to dental services such as dental hygiene evaluation and cleaning, fluoride protection, oral cancer examinations, and tooth whitening. Book your appointment now by calling 519-373-3519, emailing info@shine-1-1.ca, or visiting the website: shine-1-1.ca.

Taking advantage of Candy's expertise and presence in the community, the THSA has made arrangements for JK and SK students at St. Edmunds Public School to participate in oral/dental care instruction on May 5, 2026. Each

kindergartener will receive a free goodie bag – containing a new toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste courtesy of Maxill.

The THSA has recently approved revisions to its Scholarship for Health Care Studies expanding who can apply; adding Paramedic to the list of eligible professions; and extending the deadline to May 31, 2026. The \$2,000 scholarship will now be awarded to a student whose primary residence is in the Northern Bruce Peninsula who is entering or continuing a college or university program, at any level, leading to certification in a health care profession. For example, eligible applicants now include students graduating with a bachelor's degree entering a medical school or students progressing from year to year within their current program. For full scholarship details and application information, please visit: thsa.ca. All eligible students are encouraged to apply.

The initiatives of the THSA – equipment purchases for the PFHT clinics, Golden Dawn, Fire Department, our Health and Wellness Speakers Series, the THSA Scholarship, community partner support – are funded through fundraising. A Quilt Raffle is currently underway. A Quilt Raffle is currently underway. For just \$5 per ticket, you could win a beautiful 64" x 80" handmade quilt in the Homespun pattern, valued at \$1,200. To purchase tickets, contact any THSA member, email tobermoryhsa@gmail.com, or watch for our ticket table at Peacock's or Hellyer's Foodland in the near future. Don't miss your chance to take home this stunning quilt while supporting health initiatives that benefit communities across the Northern Bruce Peninsula.

At the recent THSA Annual General Meeting, the resignations of

Vice President, Carol Solursh and Communications Lead, Donna Cole were accepted with both regret and gratitude. The dedication and commitment of these two individuals will be greatly missed. Fortunately, they will continue to remain active members of the THSA. The position of Vice President remains vacant while the role of Communications Lead has been assumed by Wendy Caron. Lin Gitterman, President; Patty Kelly, Secretary, Rick Caron, Treasurer and Rob Davis, Past-President will complete their terms in April 2027.

Upcoming opportunities for the community to engage with and support the THSA will be at future Health and Wellness Speaker Series talks, the Chi-Cheemaun Festival Pancake Breakfast, and our Fall Fundraiser Dinner at the Princess Hotel. Please follow our Facebook and Instagram pages or visit the THSA website to learn more about these events.



Photo: Candace McIntyre and the Shine 1-1 Mobile Dental Hygiene Van.

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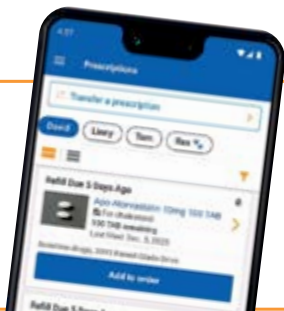
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