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Hook, Line and Plenty of Smiles at Chantry Chinook Classic Salmon Derby

Photos: Brothers Kitt Choronzey (left) with an 11 pound Salmon and Mickey Choronzey (right) with a 7 pound Salmon celebrate their catch during the 42nd Annual Chantry Chinook Classic Salmon Derby. The 10-day Derby, hosted by the Lake Huron Fishing Club, was established to celebrate the region's world-class salmon fishery while bringing the community together in support of conservation, local initiatives, and a shared love of angling. Turn to page 12 for the full story.

Spirit Singers Present "Don't Worry, Sing Happy!" August 22 & 23

Submitted by Denise Burnett

Tired of all the bad news out there?
Looking for something uplifting?

Come on out to The Bruce Peninsula Spirit Singers 2026 concert: "Don't Worry, Sing Happy!" All happy and joyful songs. Songs to make you smile and maybe want to sing along!

This year we have changed things up a little. We are only doing one session with concerts at different venues. The picture below is of our performance at Harbourside in Lion's Head on July 30.

By printing, we will have had our concert at Sauble Beach United.

Not to worry, you still have a chance to see our concert!

Please join us on Saturday August 22 at 7:00pm, at our new venue for this year, Christ Church, 55 Main St, Lion's Head.

Then we are off to Tobermory for our concert on Sunday August 23 at 2:00pm at Tobermory United, 5 Brock St.

Come on out and join us, get your hands clapping and let us put a smile on your face!



Photo courtesy of Spirit Singers

Photo: Bruce Peninsula Spirit Singers entertain the audience at Harbourside in Lion's Head on July 30.

Municipal Election Update New Candidate Files Papers for Mayor; Three Incumbents Intend to File This Week

Tessa Swanton (Townson),
Bruce Peninsula Press

The first candidate for the 2026 Municipal Election in the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBP) filed nomination papers on July 29. The filing was officially announced on the Municipality's Facebook page on July 30.

"Brad Gesinghaus has filed nomination papers and is registered as a candidate for the office of Mayor for the 2026 Municipal Election," says the post.

Nomination papers must be filed by 2pm on August 21. To file papers, you need to schedule an appointment with the municipal clerk by emailing clerk@northernbruce.ca or by phone at 1-833-793-3537. The fee to run for office is \$200 for mayor and \$100 for all other positions. Campaigning cannot begin until papers are filed, except for signatures. To run for office, you must submit 25 original signatures endorsing your nomination. Nomination packages can be picked up at the Municipal Office, 56 Lindsay Road 5.

In MNBP, eligible voters will be able to select one mayor, one deputy mayor, three councillors, and one trustee depending on your school support designation.

To view the registered candidates list including phone numbers and emails, visit www.northbrucepeninsula.ca click "Government," "Council & Committees," "Elections," then "2026 Registered Candidates."

With just over one week left before the filing deadline, only one candidate has officially filed for office as of the date of this newspaper's printing.

Three (possibly four) incumbents intend to file nomination papers

John Francis,
Bruce Peninsula Press

As this newspaper goes to print, none of the incumbents on MNBP Council have filed nomination papers.

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MNBP Prepares for In-House Waste Collection with New Hires and Truck

Tessa Swanton (Townson),
Bruce Peninsula Press

The creation of two permanent full-time waste management operator positions and purchase of a \$318,000 plus tax garbage truck were approved by Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula (MNBP) Council at the July 27 Council Meeting. The decisions were prompted by a July 13 resolution where Council directed staff to proceed with "inhouse curbside collection."

A staff report from Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Peggy

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Homecoming Weekend Street Dance Raises \$8,000 For Local Daycare

Venue Changed to Lion's Head Arena Due to Forecasted Rain

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

The Annual Lion's Head Street Dance was moved to the Lion's Head Arena due to inclement weather on 1 August 2026. Even without the street party atmosphere, there was lots of community support and a family-oriented vibe as young kids ran around, played and danced. Parents enjoyed social time hanging out with each other. By 10 p.m. the arena was quickly filling up as the late night partiers came out to enjoy the fundraiser dance creating more of a dance party atmosphere.

Adam Hellyer and Midnight Blue provided the live music for the event. Bear Tracks Inn & Restaurant in



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo

Photo: By 10 p.m. there was a line-up for entry and the arena was quickly filling up as late night partiers came out to the dance.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo

Photo L-R: Volunteers Larissa and Kristina selling drink tickets.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo

Photo L-R: Locals Dustin, Adam and Anna having fun hanging out at the dance.

Ferndale operated the concession booth.

The annual street dance is a major fundraiser for the Bruce Peninsula Family Centre located in Lion's Head. This year the street dance raised approximately \$8,000 to support the local daycare.

There were approximately 550 paid attendees. The on-site security

team placed attendance of almost 650, which would also include the kids, band and volunteers/workers.

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Municipal Election Update

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But that will change shortly. At least three — and possibly more — of the incumbents intend to file nomination papers in the next few days.

Incumbent Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson was gathering signatures on Saturday August 8, to return as Deputy Mayor. Incumbent Mayor Milt McIver, who is the second-longest-sitting reeve/mayor in Canada, confirmed in a text message that he intends to file papers on Tuesday to retain his position as Mayor. Incumbent Councillor Todd Dowd

confirmed in a phone call that he will run again for the position of Councillor.

All three expect to file papers before Friday, August 14.

Incumbent Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden said in a phone call that she is filling out the paperwork and is leaning towards running again, but has not made a firm decision.

In a telephone interview, Incumbent Councillor Aman Sohrab said that he has not made a firm decision but is leaning against running again.

Nominations close on Friday, August 21.



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56th Annual Bruce Peninsula Art Show Sees Best Sales Year Ever

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

One of the largest art shows in the region, the Bruce Peninsula Art Show is held annually in Lion's Head on the Civic Holiday weekend. All of the artists participating in the show are permanent or seasonal residents of Grey or Bruce County. Organizers say 2026 was its best year ever in terms of sales of artwork.

During 31 July to 3 August 2026, two rooms at the Bruce Peninsula District School were transformed into high-end galleries. Forty-four artists displayed their original works of art, photography, paintings and fabric artworks in Gallery 1. Gallery 2 showcased reproduction prints, cards, jewelry, woodworking and pottery from 27 artists.

A special exhibit "Artful Echoes" by the Bruce Peninsula Society of Artists was new this year. Participating artists drew inspiration for their submission

from a series of three photographs taken by local artist/photographer Brenda Kerton. Art patrons were invited to nominate their favorite artwork for the "People's Choice Award". The winners are: Anita Penman - Coffee; Sylvia Elliott - Butterfly; and Lin Souliere - Nest.

Eligible students invited to apply for bursary

The Art Show offers bursaries to graduating high school students of the Bluewater District School Board. A percentage of proceeds from the sale of art works and donations go towards funding the Bursaries. The 2026 recipient of the Bursary is Daniella Connolly.

Eligible applicants must demonstrate a high level of talent in their work and plan to pursue post secondary studies in Fine Arts.

Interested students are invited to apply for the bursary through their school or contact the Art Show at thebpartshow@gmail.com by February of their graduating year. Each recipient of the bursary will receive a total of \$1,500; half of the amount (\$750) is awarded at graduation from high school, the final 50% will be awarded after they participate in the art show, showing their work from the first year of their Arts program.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo

Photo: Sam Hess, 2024 bursary recipient, showing her 2nd year work. There is always space held for the bursary recipient, however since there were no bursaries awarded in 2025, Sam returned to show her work to promote the bursary program.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo

Photo: Busy morning at the Art Show.



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Photo L-R: Art patrons Barbara, Kathy, Lin and Chris visit the Bruce Peninsula Art Show.

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JOHN'S COLUMN

By John Francis

Anybody who has driven on Highway 6 south of Tobermory will have noticed the string of fenceposts that are being installed on both sides of the road in the wetland section north of Cameron Lake Road.

What are they? We considered contacting the Ministry of Transport to find out, but they don't usually respond to information requests in a timely fashion. While we were "considering our options", a friend of mine took a more direct approach — she stopped and asked the folk installing the fenceposts.

It's going be wildlife fencing, she was told.



Photo: Fence posts are sitting in post holes along the shoulder of Highway 6 in the wetland area north of Cameron Lake Road. They will support wildlife fencing that will keep wetland creatures — turtles, snakes, frogs — off the highway.

Protecting Snakes and Turtles from Too Much Traffic

It's being installed by MOT, in cooperation with Saugeen Ojibway Nation and Parks Canada. (Thanks, Scarlett!!)

A snake-and-turtle fence.

It would be easy to dismiss this as overkill — after all, we've never needed it before, so why now?

I got my answer when I went to take some pictures. I was there about ten minutes. Close to a hundred cars went by during that time.

What are the chances that a snake or a turtle could cross that road without getting squashed? With eight or ten cars per minute, I'm betting against the reptiles.

It wasn't that long ago that Highway 6 had a whole lot less traffic, especially

during the May/June activity peak for reptiles and amphibians. But those days are gone.

Wildlife fencing is inconvenient and annoying, but then, getting squashed is even more inconvenient.

The other thing our roads have done is to create perfect places for turtles to bury their eggs. Highways and roads use a substrate of gravel, which extends well beyond the travelled lanes. That

gravel feels absolutely perfect to gravid female turtles, so that's where they lay their eggs. This in turn makes a perfect string of turtle nests for foxes, coyotes and raccoons to clean out at leisure.

Enter the dedicated volunteers who install nest-covering boxes on every turtle nest they see. (Thanks, Turtle Trackers!)

Roads are really hard on wildlife in general, but especially on reptiles and amphibians. Without the fences and the volunteers, they face a bleak future.



Photo: Nest-covering boxes are installed by volunteer Turtle Trackers to protect roadside turtle nests from predation.

Letter: Property Owners Expect Transparency From Local Government

Property owners in the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula expect transparency from their local government. We expect that when we ask basic questions about how local laws are enforced, we will get straight answers. Unfortunately, a disturbing new precedent has been set by municipal administration that should worry every taxpayer in Lion's Head and Tobermory.

Recently, I requested clarification from the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding the simultaneous operation of multiple commercial uses on a single residential lot under Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2002-54. Instead of pointing to the specific sections of the law that allow this, the CAO responded in writing that the Municipality is "not required to adopt your interpretation" and is "not required to address every possible combination of permitted uses."

Furthermore, administration confirmed that their internal analyses, inspections, and enforcement files regarding these operations will remain

locked away from public view.

This is not a simple dispute between neighbours; it is a fundamental breakdown of administrative accountability. When a municipality enforces rules on some properties while refusing to explain the legal basis for compliance on others, the integrity of our planning system collapses.

By-laws exist to provide predictability and fairness. If municipal staff can make sweeping compliance determinations behind closed doors—and then tell taxpayers they have no obligation to explain why—we no longer have a system governed by clear rules. We have a system governed by administrative whim.

Our elected Mayor and Council need to ask themselves if this "doors closed" approach to public inquiry represents the standard of open government they promised to uphold.

Sincerely,
James Kevin Carson
Lion's Head, ON

Letter: Disabled Excluded From Ever Seeing Cabot Head Lighthouse

With council's discission to turn the Cabot Head Road into a multi use trail my wife has effectively been barred from ever seeing the Cabot Head Lighthouse up close. She has severe mobility issues and cannot walk or bicycle. I guess the fact that she is disabled excludes her from any enjoyment of the lighthouse. I guess the ableist society wins again!

Somehow the forward thinking people of Neyaashiinigiig have managed to keep the road open to the Cape Croker Lighthouse for the enjoyment of all, not just some.

The Ontario Human Rights Act and the Accessibility For Ontarians With Disabilities Act guarantee equal treatment, barrier-free access, and the legal duty to accommodate people with disabilities. The council seems to have disregarded these acts!

I know the names of the councillors who voted in favour of the multi-use trail. If you are planning on running in the next municipal election, don't count on our votes!!

Ron Zinger

Letter: Cabot Head Access Shouldn't End with Age

Throughout the discussion about Cabot Head Road, one voice seems to have been largely missing—the voice of the people who have loved this place for decades but who, with the passing

of time, can no longer make a seven-kilometre walk.

I'm in my 70s and, unless something changes, **Continued on next page**

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Letter: Cabot Head Access Shouldn't End with Age
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there is a good chance I have already made my last trip to Cabot Head Lighthouse. I know I'm not alone. Northern Bruce Peninsula is largely a retirement community, and many of us who have enjoyed Cabot Head for decades are now at the stage of life where a seven-kilometre walk simply isn't possible. If ordinary public access disappears, many long-time residents will quietly lose something that has been part of their lives for years.

To me, that is a profoundly sad outcome for our community. Not because people are unwilling to walk, but because they no longer can.

Many of today's seniors first visited Cabot Head when they were raising young families. We returned with our children and later with our grandchildren. We helped support this community and its roads through decades of paying municipal taxes.

We never imagined that one day we might outlive our ability to reach it.

It seems unfortunate that, just as age makes many of us dependent on a vehicle, the ability to continue visiting one of the Peninsula's best-known landmarks may disappear.

I read Ruth Goodman's recent letter with interest. I agree that Cabot Head's natural environment deserves careful protection. Where we differ is not over the goal, but over whether ordinary residents should lose access in order to achieve it.

Ruth wrote that "the consensus is clear—no public vehicular access." I don't believe the consultation supports such a broad conclusion. The survey asked people to respond to a proposed model that had already been developed. It did not seriously examine other reasonable alternatives that might have protected the environment while still allowing residents to continue visiting Cabot Head.

There is one practical reality that also deserves consideration. The road is already being used along its full length by certain authorized users, who are able to travel it safely by exercising

care around the two damaged sections. That suggests the issue is not whether the road can function, but how public access should be managed.

What seems to be missing is a serious look at practical middle-ground solutions. Seasonal managed access during the busiest summer months, controlled access when traffic becomes heavy, or other sensible management approaches could protect the environment without permanently excluding a large part of the community.

I also don't believe the consultation really gave residents an opportunity to consider those kinds of alternatives. Most of the discussion focused on a choice between a restricted-access trail and the status quo, rather than exploring practical compromises that many people might have supported.

To me, this doesn't have to be an all-or-nothing decision. Also, the decision being made today won't just affect this summer or the next few years. It will affect how future generations experience Cabot Head. I hope that future includes grandparents taking their grandchildren to the lighthouse, just as so many of today's grandparents once took their own children.

Ruth, I hope you'll think about the many people in our community who simply cannot walk seven kilometres to the lighthouse. Many are your neighbours. Like you, they have loved Cabot Head for decades. They care just as deeply about protecting it. They simply hope to continue visiting while they still can.

Perhaps, after reflecting on that, you might support keeping this conversation alive as our community chooses a new Council this fall. Once ordinary public access is lost, it is unlikely to return. That is why I hope the next Council will take one more thoughtful look at practical alternatives before deciding the future of Cabot Head Road.

I hope we can find a solution that protects Cabot Head's natural environment while ensuring that growing older does not mean losing the opportunity to experience a place that has meant so much to generations of Peninsula residents.

Respectfully,
Kevin Doyle, Dorcas Bay

11th Annual Fall Pig Roast – Mark September 19th in Your Calendar

Submitted by Noreen Steinacher

This year will be special – it's a 'cook off' with two outdoor BBQ enthusiasts, each cooking up their own specialty BBQ roast pork. More to come about the 'cook off' later. For the third year, And-Rod Construction Ltd. and The Meeting Place Tobermory are collaborating to host the 11th Annual Pig Roast at the Park on Saturday, September 19, 5-10pm at the Tobermory Community Park, 20 Centennial Drive, beside The Meeting Place. This is a community event, admission by donation and a fundraiser for TMP.

Great food cooked outdoors including a corn boil, live music performances on the pavilion stage and a 'beer tent', all make for a special fall meet up with friends and neighbours. DJ Maxx will be back with his unique play list and laser light show; a crowd pleaser. Everyone welcome. Bring your lawn chairs.

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Tobermory Thrift Shop Donating Proceeds of All Sales August 27 to Fire Relief Fund

Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer

The Tobermory Thrift Shop, an initiative of Tobermory United Church, has decided to dedicate August 27 as a fundraising day for the Fire Relief Fund – developed to support residents who need assistance with essential needs as they return to their homes following restoration from a fire that occurred in the Bradley Davis Seniors Apartments on June 23.

The Thrift Shop will open an hour earlier that day, at noon, with a hot-dog BBQ, the proceeds of which, as well as all sales for the day, will be donated to the Fire Relief Fund.

The Fire Relief Fund has been established by Tobermory Community Outreach in partnership with The Meeting Place, Tobermory. All residents of the Bradley Davis apartments were displaced from their homes for at least a month. Some have been able to move back in; others are still waiting while restoration takes place. Each resident has been offered a small sum from the fund to help with the replacement of groceries and other needed items. Residents who require more assistance are invited to fill out an application, which will be reviewed by a committee from Tobermory Community Outreach.

The Fire Relief Fund is only accepting donations until August 31. Donations of cash or cheques may be dropped off at the Meeting Place at 20 Centennial Drive during business

hours, 9 to 5, Tuesday to Thursday. Cheques can be made out to "the Meeting Place, Tobermory," with "Fire Relief Fund" in the memo. E-transfers may be sent to communityservices@tobermorymeetingplace.com. More than \$1,000.00 has been received by the fund to date. It is hoped that at least \$5,000.00 can be raised.

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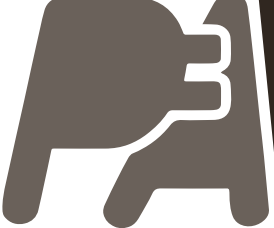
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Climate Comment for July 2026 Warmer Than Usual

Submitted by Bill Caulfeild-Browne

Although the warmest day only reached 29C (we usually have one or two days that exceed 30C) the month was 1.8C above the long-term norm. This was due to the night-time temperatures being distinctly warmer than normal. There were several nights in the middle of the month when the mercury stayed over 20C - the low on the 14th was 22.4C. Thus the coolest night on the 20th, at just 12.1C, came as a bit of a shock.

I attribute the extra warmth to the lake water which was more like late August than mid-July. Many swimmers reported it was warmer than usual, likely due to the copious sunshine we experienced - just two fully cloudy days in the month. This was despite the awful smoke conditions that prevailed mid-month. Pictures of Big Tub Light taken on the 14th look like old fashioned sepia photos.

Precipitation at 61mm was about 10% less than normal. There were only four days with measurable rainfall, but more than half (35mm) fell on the 9th. The latter half of the month was very dry, thankfully relieved by 7mm of moisture on the very last day.

Our weather here was typical of most

of Ontario - warmer and drier than usual. Exceptions were in the northeast where the mercury was over 3C above normal. We also escaped the extreme rainfall and flooding that afflicted both Ottawa and the Niagara peninsula. Vineland set a July record with 219 mm. That's about what we'd get in three months.

And now a cause for celebration! Climatologists generally reckon that thirty years are required to provide a valid standard baseline against which changes can be recorded. My weather station was established in August 1996 and has been collecting data every hour, every day, for a total of over a quarter million records.

In due course I will perform an in-depth comparison of Tobermory's present climate with that of the last century.

Editor's Note: August 2026 marks 15 years Bill Caulfeild-Browne has been submitting a "Climate Comment" column for the Bruce Peninsula Press. Bill has earned the distinction of being this newspaper's longest-standing independent community columnist. Congratulations on this milestone Bill. We appreciate all you contribute to our paper and this community.

Biosphere Association Septic Incentives Program Continues - Next Workshop August 27

Submitted by Willem Jacobson

Do you have questions about proper septic system maintenance? Don't miss the Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association's (BPBA) next workshop on August 27 at 9 am in Pike Bay.

To mitigate the impact of septic systems on our watercourses, the BPBA is proud to be able to provide assistance to homeowners through covering the cost of a set number of pump outs and inspections done by the Bruce Peninsula Septic Service (BPSS). Through a generous grant from the Ministry of Environment, BPBA offers ten \$4,000 incentive payments and works with local septic companies to assist in the replacement of a failing septic system if a problem is revealed in the inspection.

The BPBA held the first of its two Septic Workshops on July 29th at the Legion Branch 202. Participants learned about the maintenance schedule for septic systems, common hazards that can damage septic systems and why septic maintenance

is especially important in the Bruce Peninsula.

The second workshop will be held on August 27th, from 9-10am at the Pike Bay Community Center at 2 Sutter Rd. The workshop will feature a pump-out demonstration completed by the Bruce Peninsula Septic Service, a presentation on the Six Streams Initiative the Septic Incentive Program is a part of and septic best management practices followed by a Q&A.

These workshops are a part of the Biosphere's efforts to improve water quality throughout the region by educating the public, with thanks to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks for their generous funding. For more information, please email info@bpba.ca.

For information about our other homeowner assistance projects or activities please become a member or sign up for our newsletter at BPBA.ca. Please RSVP for the workshop through the BPBA calendar.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event in Tobermory August 15th

Media Release

Bruce County, Ontario: Bruce County is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event on **August 15, 2026**, at the **St. Edmunds Landfill Site at 71 McArthur Road in Tobermory from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.** This is your opportunity to clear out hazardous material from your home, garage or basement and make sure it's handled responsibly.

Bruce County's Household Hazardous Waste event provides a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of common items, such as Paints and stains, Aerosols and solvents, Propane tanks, Fuel, Used oil and oil filters, Batteries and antifreeze, Household cleaners, Fluorescent lights, Fertilizers and pesticides, Pool chemicals, Pharmaceuticals, Fire extinguishers.

A complete list of accepted materials is available at www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste.

Important Notes:

- We do not accept commercial, industrial, agricultural waste, PCB materials, ammunition and flares. Check with your local municipality about disposal of these products.

- We only accept containers 30 litres or smaller. Waste must be in disposable containers which staff do not empty or return (e.g., gas cans will not be returned).

For full details and updates, visit the Bruce County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events webpage at www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste.

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To help keep things moving smoothly, please place all items in your trunk or truck bed before you arrive. Once on site, stay in your vehicle and staff will assist by unloading your materials.

There are 13 collection events scheduled across Bruce County in 2026. You can see the full schedule at www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste.

We're committed to helping you safely dispose of household hazardous waste and protect our environment. By participating, you're contributing to a cleaner and safer Bruce County.

For more details and the full list of accepted materials, please visit www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste.

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43 Artists in 26 Studios at 2026 Studio Tour August 22 & 23

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

The largest regional art studio tour will be held on 22 and 23 August from 10 a.m to 4 p.m. The annual Studio Tour will showcase 43 artists in 26 studios located throughout the Peninsula from north of Wiarton to Tobermory.

The two-day Studio Tour is organized by the Bruce Peninsula Society of Artists (BPSA) and is free to attend. The Studio Tour highlights the talented and diverse artist community that finds inspiration from the beauty of the Northern Bruce Peninsula.

Pick up a Studio Tour brochure showing all the studio locations at the Lion’s Head Farmers’ Market or at various locations in Lion’s Head and Tobermory, or check out the digital version at <https://brucepeninsulaart.ca/studio-tour/>

Plan your self-guided tour, stop by the studios and meet the artists. This year there are eleven artists participating for the first time and many well-known artists returning. Revisit

Meeting Place Tobermory Receives Funding To Create Woodland Play Trail

Marianne Wood,
Bruce Peninsula Press

Children in Tobermory will soon have new opportunities to explore and play outdoors thanks to funding from Community Foundation Grey Bruce’s 2026 Free to Play initiative.

The Meeting Place Tobermory is one of seven organizations across Grey and Bruce counties to receive funding through the program. The organization will use the grant to develop Trail Walk Play Coves—a series of nature-inspired play stations along a public woodland trail designed to encourage children to discover, imagine, and play freely.

Community Foundation Grey Bruce awarded a total of \$219,300 through its 2026 Free to Play initiative, which supports projects that expand access to outdoor play for children. This year’s program attracted 29 applications requesting more than \$1.2 million in funding.

“Outdoor play gives children the opportunity to build confidence, resilience, creativity, and a sense of belonging,” said Stuart Reid, executive director of Community Foundation Grey Bruce. “We’re proud to support organizations that are creating safe, welcoming spaces where children can explore, imagine, take healthy risks, and simply enjoy the freedom of playing outdoors.”

Free to Play is a national initiative led by Community Foundations of Canada and supported by Waltons Trust, The Lawson Foundation, and Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities. The program helps local organizations create more opportunities for children to connect with nature and enjoy outdoor play.

The Trail Walk Play Coves will add another family-friendly outdoor attraction at the Tobermory Community Park, located beside the Meeting Place on Centennial Drive in Tobermory.

Correction

In issue #13, 2026, the article “Voters’ List Additions, Lame Duck Period, and Key Municipal Election Dates” incorrectly stated that voter list management was moved from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to Elections Canada. Voter list management is now managed by Elections Ontario.

The Bruce Peninsula Press apologizes for the error.

your favorite artist(s) and/or discover new talent.

On the event days, yellow signs will be posted along the route to assist in directing you to the studios.

The Studio Tour brochure also includes dining stops along the Tour route. For those looking for accommodations, the brochure also lists some options. Additionally, the studios, dining and accommodation options that are wheelchair accessible are clearly marked on the Studio tour brochure; look for the wheelchair accessibility symbol.

As you meander through the rural, forested and lakeview landscapes of the Bruce you will discover studios displaying stunning original artworks in various media. You will have the opportunity to view watercolours, oil and acrylic paintings, photographs, wire and stone creations, wood turning, wood sculptures, fibre art, clay art, hand-crafted jewelry, hand woven/knit/dyed textile products, kiln-fired glass, pottery and handcrafted soaps. At each stop, you will meet many of the artists in their home studios as well as their guest artists. You will get the opportunity to learn directly from the artists about their creative processes and techniques. At some of the studios, you can watch the artists at work, demonstrating their craft.

Come out to appreciate great art; there is something for every taste and budget.

Follow the BPSA facebook page for daily posts featuring all the artists: <https://www.facebook.com/BrucePeninsulaSocietyOfArtists>

Registration Opens for Old Woman Island 1 Mile Swim

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

Swimmers of all ages are invited to register for the 5th Annual Old Woman Island 1 Mile Swim taking place at Black Creek Provincial Park (aka Sandy Beach). The swim will start at 10 a.m on August 30, 2026. Registration fee is \$25 per person.

The swimmers will start at the beach and swim to Old Woman Island and back, a total of 1.6 km or 1 mile.

Organizers say this will be their final year organizing the event.

This year, proceeds from the event will be donated to Bagida-waad Alliance. The organizers says “the group organizes regular shoreline cleanups, restores wildlife habitats, removes invasive

species, and creates spaces where native plants (and the creatures that depend on them) can thrive! Their work is hands-on, community-driven, and rooted in Indigenous knowledge. By sponsoring our swimmers, we’ll be supporting access to equipment, field supplies, safety gear, habitat restoration materials, transportation, and youth training.”

For more information on the Bagida-waad Alliance visit <https://bagidawaad.ca/home/>

All donations will be entered into a raffle to win a two-night stay at the Friendly Owl Bed and Breakfast. To donate, please go to <https://gofund.me/014ac3f94>

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Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Minutes July 13, 2026

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

Staff Present: Peggy Van Mierlo-West, Chief Administrative Officer, Alexandra Croce, Clerk, Troy Cameron, Public Works Manager, Mark Coleman, Parks and Facilities Manager, Kara Smith, GIS/IT Manager, Carol Hopkins, Chief By-law Enforcement Officer, Deputy Clerk, Cally Mann

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

Due to technical issues, Mayor McIver called the meeting to order at 1:09 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

16-01-2026

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

That the content of the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Adoption of the Minutes

a. Re: Council Meeting No. 26-15, June 22, 2026

16-02-2026

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

That the minutes of Council Meeting No. 26-15, June 22, 2026 be approved.

Carried

4. Public Meeting

a. Bruce County Planning Report Zoning By-law Amendment - Z-2026-022 (Stewart)

Mayor McIver welcomed Bruce County Planner Megan Stansfield.

Ms. Stansfield provided an overview of the information contained within Application Z-2026-022 (Stewart).

Council inquired about septic system requirements.

Mayor McIver opened the Public Meeting at 1:17pm.

There were no comments from members of the public.

Mayor McIver closed the Public Meeting at 1:20pm.

16-03-2026

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

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

That Council receives Bruce County Planning report ZBA – Z-2026-022 (Stewart) for information; and

That Council approves Zoning By-law Amendment Z-2026-022 by Connie Stewart and directs staff to bring forward the by-law for adoption at a subsequent meeting.

Carried

5. Delegations

With the consent of Council, the Lion's Head and District Food Bank delegation was heard first.

a. Charlene Scharlach and Darlene Myles, Lion's Head and District Food Bank

Charlene Scharlach and Darlene Myles provided an overview and statistics for Food Bank usage and programs since 2018. Ms. Scharlach requested a designated space within a municipal facility to accommodate the need for increasing inventory and the safe, convenient and accessible storage of goods.

Council asked if there has been any inquiries made with the private sector in order to find a location and discussed future potential options.

Ms. Scharlach and Ms. Myles left the meeting at 1:40pm.

b. Jack Van Dorp, Director of Planning and Development, Bruce County - New County Official Plan, Planning Report

Jack Van Dorp, Director of Planning and Development, Bruce County, provided an overview of the County Official Plan project, including the schedules within the draft Official Plan.

Mayor McIver noted that the Plan the Bruce website has an interactive map with a slide feature that shows current mapping compared to proposed mapping.

Council asked about the agricultural areas, the aggregate mapping, and compliance with provincial direction.

Ms. Van Dorp reviewed the agriculture designation in relation to the soil mapping and provided an overview on the land evaluation area review.

Mr. Van Dorp and Ms. Stansfield left the meeting at 2:15pm.

5. Consideration of Agenda Items Office of the CAO

a. CA026-07 Cabot Head Business Plans

Council inquired about the restoration costs for the lighthouse, legal access and the proposed costs.

Peggy Van Mierlo-West, CAO, provided clarification on legal access for the road and outlined how the proposed costs were calculated.

Main Motion

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

That Council receives report CA026-07 Cabot Head Business Plans for information; and

That, this report be brought back for Council discussion at the July 27th, 2026 meeting.

Superceded

With the consent of the Mover and Seconder, the motion was amended.

Main Motion as Amended

16-04-2026

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

That Council receives report CA026-07 Cabot Head Business Plans for information; and

That Council approves preliminary option 3, and that administration proceed with consultation with collaborators.

Councillor Dowd requested a recorded vote.

Alexandra Croce, Clerk, pursuant to the Procedural By-law, called upon each member of Council for their vote.

Councillor Todd Dowd - No

Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden - No

Councillor Aman Sohrab - Yes

Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson - Yes

Mayor Milt McIver - Yes

The Clerk declared that the motion is carried

Carried - as Amended

Clerk's Department

a. C26-20 Notice Provision By-law Update

Council inquired about the timelines for newspaper notices and notice for deferred items.

16-05-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd,

Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That Council receives report C26-18 Notice Provision By-law Update for information; and

That Council directs staff to bring forward an updated notice provision by-law.

Carried

b. MLE026-13 Appointment By-law Update

16-06-2026

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

That Council receives report MLEO26-13 Appointment By-law Update for information; and

That Council directs staff to bring forward:

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- 1. An updated by-law to appoint municipal staff as Municipal Law Enforcement Officers; and
- 2. An updated by-law to appoint Municipal Support Services as contract Municipal Law Enforcement Officers.

Carried

Public Works Department

a. PW26-18 Residential Waste Curbside Collection Study

Council inquired about the capacity of staff, required equipment, schedule for collection days and recycling impacts regarding an in house model. Council also noted additional considerations for bears and seasonal residents and roads.

Main Motion

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

That Council receives report PW26-18 – Residential Waste Curbside Collection Study for information; and

That Council directs staff to proceed with inhouse curbside collection.

Superceded

Motion to Amend

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

That the motion be amended so that paragraph 2 reads “That Council directs staff to proceed with inhouse curbside collection.”

Carried

Main Motion as Amended

16-07-2026

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

That Council receives report PW26-18 – Residential Waste Curbside Collection Study for information; and

That Council directs staff to proceed with inhouse curbside collection.

Carried - As Amended

b. PW26-19 Heron Point Bridge Tender

Council inquired about the expected lifespan of the bridge.

16-08-2026

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

That Council receives report PW26-19 Heron Point Bridge Tender for information; and

That Council awards BR1611 Heron Point Bridge Tender to Strat-Con Construction Ltd. For \$426,728.00, excluding HST.

Carried

Parks and Facilities

a. PF26-12 Seniors Active Living Centre Programming and Funding Update

16-09-2026

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

That Council receives report PF26-12, 2025–26 Seniors Active Living Centre (SALC) Program Update, Survey Results, and 2026–27 Funding Confirmation, for information.

Carried

b. PF26-13 Tobermory Airport – ECCC Licence Agreement Renewal

16-10-2026

Moved by Councillor Aman Sohrab, Seconded by Councillor Todd Dowd

That Council receives report PF26-13 Tobermory Airport – ECCC Licence Agreement Renewal for information; and

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Environment and Climate Change Canada for a Licence Agreement for the continued operation of a Reference Climate Station at the Tobermory Municipal Airport.

Carried

Building Department

a. BD26-11 Regulating Backyard Hens

16-11-2026

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

That Council receives report BD26-11 Regulating Backyard Hens for information.

Carried

GIS/IT Department

a. GISIT26-02 Award of Contract for RFP GIS/IT 2026-01 Council Chambers AV Upgrade

16-12-2026

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

That Council receives report GISIT26-02 Award of Contract for GIS/IT Council Chambers AV Upgrade for information; and

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Dynamix Professional Video Systems for the Council Chambers Audio Visual Upgrade in the amount of \$87,550 plus HST.

Carried

6. Committee Minutes

7. a. Grey Bruce OPP Detachment Board

Correspondence - Requiring Council Direction

a. Bob Goodall, Stokes Bay Bench Request, 2026

Council referred the correspondence to Staff

8. Correspondence - for Information

Resident correspondence

a. St. Edmunds Property Owners Inc., Executive, Municipal Voters’ List, 2026

Council referred the correspondence to staff

b. James Kevin Carson, Section 6.8 of the Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2002-54 - Home Based Businesses, 2026

Council referred the correspondence to staff

Resolutions from other municipalities

c. Town of Petawawa, Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario, 2026

16-13-2026

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

That Council support the Town of Petawawa resolution regarding Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario.

Carried

Government news and releases

d. Paul Vickers, Ontario Supporting Rural Economic Development in Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, 2026

Other

e. Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team, Grey-Bruce Primary Care and Health System Update, 2026

f. Nuclear Innovation Institute, Clean Energy Frontier Conference, 2026

g. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Planning Act Updates for Parkland Dedication, 2026

h. Bruce County Council, Conservation Authorities - Advocacy Approach, 2026

i. Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care, Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day, 2026

Council referred the correspondence to staff

j. Brightshores Health System, Donation Appreciation, 2026

All correspondence items were noted and filed.

9. Other Business - nil

10. Closed Session

a. Closed Session

16-14-2026

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

That Council move into a closed meeting with the CAO and Clerk in attendance pursuant to Section 239 (2) of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reasons:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality, specifically related to a request to sell property to the Municipality.

Carried

Reporting Out

Mayor McIver reported out that Council met in closed session with the CAO and Clerk in attendance regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, specifically related to a request to sell property to the Municipality. Council approved the closed session minutes from June 8, 2026 and direction was given to the CAO.

11. Reading of By-laws

a. BY-LAW 2026-52 - 2026 Fees and Charges

b. BY-LAW 2026-53 - to Designate a Site Plan Control Area for MNBP

c. BY-LAW 2026-54 - to Establish Procedures Regarding the Provision of Notice

d. BY-LAW 2026-55 - to Appoint MLEOs for MNBP (Municipal Staff)

e. BY-LAW 2026-56 - to Appoint MLEOs for MNBP (Municipal Support Services)

f. BY-LAW 2026-57 - Confirmatory By-law

16-15-2026

Moved by Councillor Todd Dowd, Seconded by Councillor Aman Sohrab

That by-laws 2026-52, 2026-53, 2026-54, 2026-55, 2026-56, and 2026-57 be given a first, second, and third reading, and finally passed.

Carried

12. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn

16-16-2026

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

That the meeting adjourns at 3:38 p.m.

Carried

Milt McIver, Mayor Alexandra Croce, Clerk

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Tea Time Quilters Quilt Show Comes to a Successful Close



Photo credit: Joanne Clark

Photo: Viewer's Choice for large quilts was Afternoon Delight by Lucy Weir.



Photo credit: Joanne Clark

Photo: Viewer's Choice for medium quilts was Infinity by Catherine Petch.



Photo credit: Joanne Clark

Photo: Viewer's Choice for small quilts was The Gathering by Mary Swanton.



Photo credit: Joanne Clark
Photo Left: Viewer's Choice for wall hanging quilts was Cheep Sunglasses by Kathy Wilson.

Submitted by Elaine Powney

Many local residents and visitors came to admire the quilts, shop in the boutique and make generous donations at the annual Tea Time Quilters Quilt Show on the Civic Holiday weekend. Thanks to your support, all proceeds from the quilt show will be donated to the Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary to help support our local hospital.

The show would not be possible without the support from all the quilters who entered their beautiful quilts. We would like to offer a special thanks to the quilters from Tobermory who contributed many of their community quilts in support of fundraising for the Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary.

Visitors were invited to vote for their favourite quilt in four different categories.

Viewer's Choice for large quilts was Afternoon Delight by Lucy Weir. This amazing quilt was a block of the month appliqué and patchwork. Lucy machine quilted it

by using the ruler work quilting method.

Viewer's Choice for medium quilts was Infinity by Catherine Petch. She used bright, vibrant colours to create this quilt using the technique called foundation paper piecing which has become her favourite quilting method.

Viewer's Choice for small quilts was The Gathering by Mary Swanton. The background of this quilt was machine quilted before Mary patiently spent hours hand appliquéing the colourful quail using batik fabric

Viewer's Choice for wall hanging quilts was Cheep Sunglasses by Kathy Wilson. This colourful appliqued wall hanging, featuring four whimsical chicks wearing stylish sunglasses will be a cheerful addition to Kathy's son's optometrist's office.

Please save the date. We look forward to welcoming you to next year's Quilt Show.



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Fewer Fish Weighed in at 42nd Annual Chantry Chinook Classic Salmon Derby

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

The Annual Chantry Chinook Classic Salmon Derby kicked off July 24, 2026. Many local anglers took to Isthmus Bay throughout the 10-day fishing tournament from July 24 to August 2. The derby is a major fundraiser for two fish hatcheries operated by the Lake Huron Fishing Club. The derby boundaries extend from Pine Tree Harbour to Port Albert on the Lake Huron side, and from Cabot Head to Griffith Island on the Georgian Bay side (see <https://chantrychinook.com/rules-and-regulations/> for exact boundaries).

The first few days of the derby had great weather for fishing on both Georgian Bay and Lake Huron sides of the peninsula. However by the midway point, anglers had to contend with choppy waters for a few days. Ticket sales were similar to last year's sales, with over 1,200 tickets sold for the derby.

Many of the local anglers fishing on Isthmus Bay reported fewer fish caught, with some anglers coming up empty-handed.

Co-organizer Josh Choronzey stated that the overall number of fish entered for weighing at the various weigh stations were down slightly. He said that the size is nearly the same for length/weight from last year. However,



Photo credit: Jayme Hastings

Photo: Ryan Deska caught a 18.18 lbs Salmon on July 24; weighed in at the Lion's Head marina.

he reported that the fish being weighed appear healthy, and in good body condition which means they are finding adequate food/baitfish.

Choronzey attributes the slower fishing to the timing of salmon passing through, maybe delayed by the colder spring/early summer.

Volunteers at the weigh station at the Lion's Head Marina said that the fish being weighed in were averaging about 10-12 lbs and only about 5 to 10 fish are being weighed in daily, which is lower than previous years.

On July 29, Peter Hanson caught a 20.47 lb Chinook out of Lion's Head. According to the Chantry Derby's Leaderboard postings, Hanson ended up in the #5 overall spot for the Derby. Also for Senior's Day held on July 29, Hanson took 1st place.

On August 1, young angler Jaxxon Henderson weighed in a 16.54 lbs Salmon at Lion's Head in the Junior Salmon category; placing him in 3rd place.

The largest Lake Trout weighed in at Lion's Head was caught by Matt Martin at 13.05 lbs. While Debbie Brick weighed in a 11.97 lbs Rainbow Trout on July 30, placing her in the #1 spot in this category.

The Derby is run by dedicated volunteers. Chad with sons Ryan and Tyler volunteered at the Lion's Head weigh station, and say they try to do what they can to support the Derby and to ensure that it will continue into the future. They also say they see many of the same anglers participating year after year.

For full results, please check <https://chantrychinook.com/leaderboard/>



Photos credit: Josh Choronzey
Photo L-R: Reid Cameron and Kitt Choronzey with a 15lb and 4lb Salmon.



Photo Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press
Photo: Volunteers Ryan, Chad and Tyler at the Lion's Head weigh station on 29 July. They reported a slow morning with no boats out on Isthmus Bay due to very choppy conditions (40 km wind gusts from the north).



Photo Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

Photo L-R: The Hastings family – Sly (in stroller), Krista, Jayme, and Ziggy – have been out 4 times, but disappointingly no catch. They say it is very different from last year when they caught fish every time they went out.



Photo credit: Chantry Derby Facebook page

Photo: Peter Hanson (right) caught a stellar 20.47 lb Chinook out of Lion's Head with his grandson by his side.



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\$400,000



OPEN HOUSE: 73 MAPLE DRIVE Saturday, August 22nd: 1pm-3pm

NEW PRICE



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Move-in ready! 4-season home or cottage in sought-after Miller Lake, only a short distance to public water access and a boat launch. Built in 2019, this 3-bedroom, 2-bath home sits on a private, treed 100' x 150' lot on a paved year-round road, just minutes from public water access and a boat launch. Features include 16' ceilings, open-concept living, main-floor laundry, attached garage with woodstove, covered porch, back deck, and spacious back yard. Ideal as a home, cottage, or investment property.

\$495,000



LAKE HURON WATERFRONT IN A CALM COVE!

This charming 3-bedroom, 1-bathroom, 750 sqft cottage is situated on the beautiful shores of Lake Huron. Featuring 110ft of natural, rocky shoreline and sought-after western exposure. Inside features vaulted ceilings and a stunning classic stone fireplace, creating a warm and inviting cottage atmosphere. Step onto the waterside deck, where you can relax, entertain, and take in the views of Lake Huron. There is also a detached garage. Here is your chance to own a classic Lake Huron waterfront cottage and start enjoying everything the Peninsula has to offer!

\$475,000



TURN-KEY LAKE HURON WATERFRONT!

Enjoy 115 ft of direct Lake Huron waterfront just 10 minutes from downtown Tobermory. 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom, just over 1,000sqft, all one level living with laundry! Charming wood interior throughout with exposed beams, built in dressers and locally made furniture. Enjoy your morning coffee or evening beverage from the covered wrap-around porch or soak up the sun on the open waterfront deck. Sold completely turn-key, right down to the boat! The property also offers a 13' x 8.5' workshop, 8' x 8' storage shed, and covered storage area.

\$575,000



RARE FIND IN TOBERMORY - MINUTES TO TOWN!

Located on the North-shore of Tobermory, this stunning 2-acre property is an oasis! Offering over 200ft. of clean, rocky shoreline on Georgian Bay, a large pond, gardens and various outdoor sitting areas to take in the views. The 4-season residence features 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, solarium, and an attached 2-car garage. The detached garage ft. a workshop plus upper level bunkie. Sited minutes to Tobermory for amenities, hiking and scuba diving plus more Bruce Peninsula adventures!

\$1,385,000



LAKE HURON WATERFRONT WITH STUNNING VIEWS

This waterfront home or cottage features 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, attached oversized garage plus unfinished lower level walkout which almost doubles the size and includes another roughed in bathroom. Open-concept kitchen, dining, and living spaces with expansive windows showcasing incredible Lake Huron views. A newer 14-foot wide patio door leads to a large waterfront deck with glass railings for seamless indoor/outdoor living. Recent upgrades! The gradual shoreline entry is ideal for swimming and family water activities. Being sold turnkey!

\$825,000



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\$625,000



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\$1,100,000



1.9 ACRES NEAR LION'S HEAD

Welcome to Little Pike Bay! A short walk around the corner is a public water access park. This 1.9-acre property offers a blank canvas to design your dream home or cottage. With a driveway installed and a large clearing in place, you are ready to set a plan in motion for the site.

\$110,000



GEORGIAN BAY WATERFRONT

This 100ft. X 378ft. property offers a beautiful Georgian Bay shoreline. This 3 bedroom / 2 bathroom cottage features an open concept living / dining room. Furnished and turn-key! The property is located only a short drive or bike ride into Tobermory.

\$659,000



JUST MINUTES TO TOBERMORY!

"Sunny Ridge Cottage" is a fully furnished, turn-key 2 bdrm cottage, 4 minutes from Tobermory. Everything included! Many updates! Step out the front door and enjoy your screened in covered porch area. Outside features a fire pit, wood shed, and 10x10 bunkie.

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LOG HOME ON SCUGOG LAKE

Charming waterfront log home offering 1,563 sq.ft. of finished living space. The open-concept main floor features a spacious kitchen, main floor bedroom, 4-pc bath, laundry, and a stunning living area with a wood-burning fireplace. Being sold fully furnished & turn-key.

\$575,000



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Sited in Lion's Head, walkable to town. Large back yard and storage sheds. 1,149 sq.ft. of main floor living space, plus a sunporch. Attached garage. The full lower level basement requires work, but has plenty of potential! Being sold in As Is condition.

\$299,900



OPEN HOUSE: 104 Maple Drive Saturday, August 22nd: 1pm-3pm

NEW PRICE



OVER 1 ACRE WATERFRONT LOT

Westerly facing with 105' of waterfront offering stunning sunsets! Located just 15 minutes to Tobermory. Ready for you to start building right away or simply enjoy as a recreational property. Beautifully treed with mature evergreens for year-round privacy.

\$310,000

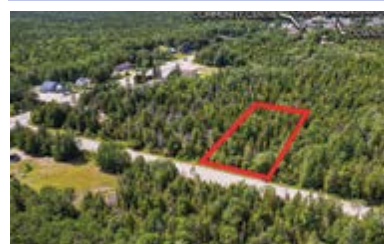


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Located in desirable Cape Chin North. Open pasture and productive hay fields currently generating approx. 45-50 bales annually. Mature apple trees, a year-round creek, and lower marshlands. Large entrance gate. Short drive to public water access. Lion's Head is nearby.

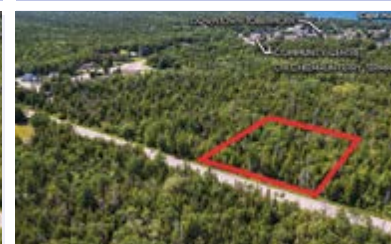
\$239,000



0.5 ACRE NEAR TOBERMORY!

This 113.99ft. x 200ft. Lot is recently surveyed, boundaries marked and ready for your dream build! Enjoy convenient access to Tobermory. This property is nicely treed and sited on a year-round paved road, with access to hydro hookup approx 400ft away.

\$110,000



ENJOY THE TOBERMORY LIFESTYLE!

This 200 ft. x 200 ft. vacant lot, clearly marked, is ideally located just minutes from downtown amenities. Hydro connection is available from the corner of Highway 6 and Chi Sin Tib Dek Rd. Welcome to Tobermory! This property is shown on the key map as Ref. # 8.

\$133,000

Tobermory’s Historic Dawn Light Takes Great Lakes Journey Into U.S. Waters



Photo credit: Dan Welsh

Photo: Tobermory’s own Dawn Light travelled the Great Lakes to U.S. waters and visited the boat’s original home, wearing a Leroy Brooks sign to signify her original name.

Tammy Raycraft,
Bruce Peninsula Press

A historic vessel that has called Tobermory home for years recently returned to the waters where its story began, reconnecting two Great Lakes communities separated by an international border.

The Dawn Light, a 135-year-old vessel originally built in 1891 as the Leroy Brooks, travelled from Tobermory to Middle Bass Island, Ohio, this summer with owner Dan Welsh and his son Glenn aboard.

For Welsh, the journey was years in the making.

After acquiring the vessel, Welsh was given two baskets filled with documents detailing its history, dating back to the day it was built.

“From that second on, I was hooked, totally!” Welsh said.

The records revealed the vessel’s connections to the Aburg, the Henry Stokes, the Dominion Sugar Company and, ultimately, the Leroy Brooks and its original owner, Count William Rehberg of Middle Bass Island.

Welsh said he soon wanted to take the Dawn Light back to Middle Bass Island, where the vessel was originally associated with the Rehberg family.

That goal became reality this summer.

The journey took Welsh and his son from Tobermory to Kincardine, Sarnia and through the St. Clair River, Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River before reaching Lake Erie and Middle Bass Island.

The vessel carried historic flags for

the voyage, including a Canadian Red Ensign dating to 1891 and a 44-star American flag, representing the number of states in the United States when the Leroy Brooks was built.

As the Dawn Light approached U.S. waters, Welsh and his son encountered Jim and Sue Otton of Vermilion, Ohio, who were travelling to Middle Bass Island aboard their own vessel. The Ottos agreed to let the Dawn Light follow behind them as it crossed into U.S. waters for the first time since 1910.

Once in Middle Bass, Welsh and his son were welcomed by members of the community and descendants of the Rehberg family. Family members toured the vessel, while Welsh said the visit allowed them to experience places and history connected to the vessel’s original owner.

Welsh said the experience also highlighted the similarities between Middle Bass Island and Tobermory, as both are busy summer destinations with strong, longstanding families and communities committed to preserving their local history.

“The connection of the Dawn Light to Tobermory means to us, in short, everything!” Welsh said.

He also credited numerous people from Tobermory and the surrounding area for helping prepare the vessel for its historic voyage.

Welsh said the trip could become a biannual event, creating an ongoing connection between the communities.

“In a way, the Leroy Brooks, now the Dawn Light, are the connection between Middle Bass Island and Tobermory,” Welsh said.

Keeping Care Close 50/50 Lottery Raises Vital Funds for Local Healthcare

Submitted by Catherine Anderson,
BPHF Coordinator

WIARTON, ON – The Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation is celebrating another successful Keeping Care Close 50/50 Lottery, with one lucky winner taking home a jackpot of \$33,200 while helping support important healthcare improvements at Brightshores Wiarton Hospital.

The winning ticket was drawn on August 1, 2026, at Wiarton Homecoming Weekend in Bluewater Park. Congratulations to Margaret Ann Howe of Georgian Bluffs, who was the winner of the grand prize.

Earlier in the lottery, Doug Luxton of Lion’s Head was announced as the winner of the \$2,500 Early Bird Prize.

Proceeds from the Keeping Care Close 50/50 Lottery will support the renovation and modernization of the Medical Device Reprocessing Department (MDRD) at Brightshores Wiarton Hospital. While often unseen by patients, the MDRD plays a critical role in healthcare, ensuring medical instruments and equipment are properly cleaned, sterilized, and prepared for safe patient care.

The project is a key component of Brightshores’ vision to further develop its Endoscopy Centres of Excellence and expand access to high-quality diagnostic and screening services close to home.

“The renovation of our Medical Device Reprocessing Department is much more than a building project. It is an investment in the future of endoscopy care for our communities,” said April Patry, Executive Director of the Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation. “The redesigned space will improve the experience for patients while helping

clinical teams work more efficiently and meet growing demand for services.”

The updated design will create a seamless flow between the endoscopy suites and the Medical Device Reprocessing Department, allowing equipment to move more efficiently between procedures and sterilization while supporting best practices in infection prevention and control. Patients will also benefit from improved privacy and comfort, moving directly between procedure and recovery areas without travelling through public hallways.

This investment comes at a pivotal time. With the Province lowering the age for routine colorectal cancer screening to 45, demand for endoscopy services is expected to continue growing. Improved facilities will help position Brightshores to increase capacity, reduce delays, and provide more timely access to potentially life-saving screenings and procedures.

“Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we have an opportunity to build a modern endoscopy program that is designed not only for today’s patients, but for the growing needs of tomorrow,” said Patry. “Together, we can expand access to care, improve the patient experience, and help ensure more people across our region receive high-quality healthcare close to home.”

The Foundation extends its sincere appreciation to everyone who purchased lottery tickets and to the many volunteers who dedicated their time throughout the campaign.

“We are incredibly grateful to every person who bought a ticket and every volunteer who helped sell them,” said Patry. “Community support continues to make an extraordinary difference in the care available at our local hospitals.”



Photo credit: Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation

Photo: Grand prize winner of the 50/50 lottery, Margaret Ann Howe.

Following the success of this year’s campaign, the Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation is pleased to announce plans to bring the Keeping Care Close 50/50 Lottery back in the spring of 2027.

For more information about the Bruce Peninsula Hospitals Foundation and its support of local healthcare, visit www.bphfoundation.ca.

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BBQ Fundraiser Raises \$818 for Tobermory Primary Place



Photo Tammy Raycraft, Bruce Peninsula Press

Photo L-R: Gregory Rawlings (Tobermory Primary Place volunteer), Heather Pettigrew (Maple Leaf Foods) and Ricky Peacock (Peacock's Foodland Owner) at the July 30th fundraiser held by Maple Leaf Foods and Peacock's Foodland, to raise money for Tobermory Primary Place daycare. The crew sold barbecued hot dogs and sausages to many who stopped by. The event raised \$818 for Tobermory's daycare, completing another successful local fundraiser.

Red Schoolhouse Gallery Artist Spotlight : Guest Artists Joanne Brouwer and Bev Morgan

Submitted by Janet Whittington

Guest artist Joanne Brouwer is a self taught contemporary and impressionist artist. She operates out of her personal gallery space, the Artistic Roots Farm Studio, located on the Saugeen-Bruce Peninsula. Her work focuses heavily on capturing natural light, seasonal transformations and the scenic water, forests and farm life. She works extensively with acrylic paint on gallery wrapped canvas with a limited pallet to build rich texture. Joanne enjoys painting “en plein air” as well as in her studio. Her work embraces a style that represents the natural beauty of the Saugeen-Bruce Peninsula and its expansive coastlines and forests.

Guest artist Bev Morgan has taught her passion of watercolours for over thirty years in her Hanover community, three cruise lines, Southampton Art School and Udem



Photo credit: Joanne Brouwer

Photo: Joanne Brouwer at her Artistic Roots Farm Studio.

online courses with over 8800 students. She uses watercolours traditionally and incorporates watercolour into other mediums, such as photography, batik, and scratch art. Every year, she challenges herself to create a new series of subject matter. This year her watercolour and batik paintings of local lighthouses on rice paper will be exhibited and for sale at the Red Schoolhouse Gallery.

During July and August, the Red Schoolhouse Gallery is open every Thursday to Monday from 11am to 5pm. The gallery is located at 2866 Hwy 6 in Ferndale, ON.



Photo credit: Bev Morgan

Photo: Big Tub lighthouse in Winter by Bev Morgan.

\$1,085 Raised for Lion's Head Minor Baseball at BBQ Fundraiser



Photo credit: Kara Hellyer

Photo: Lion's Head Minor Baseball league players Rose, Kaylene, Layton, Emma, Dawson, Tucker, Emmy, Ian, Cora and Emmett were on hand for the July 29th BBQ fundraiser, hosted by Maple Leaf Foods and Hellyer's Foodland.

Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press

Maple Leaf Foods and Hellyer's Foodland joined together to host a BBQ fundraiser for Lion's Head Minor Baseball in the parking lot of Hellyer's Foodland on 29 July 2026. The goal was to raise \$1,000, and due to generous

donations, they were able to meet and even exceed their goal slightly by raising a total of \$1,085.

The local league plays at Ferndale baseball diamond from Monday to Thursday, during the months of May to August. This season there are 7 teams of 15 players each and 45 T-ballers.



Happy Homecoming From SMART Level 1 Class

Photo courtesy Rebecca Hagey Mackay

Photo: The SMART Level 1 class from Lion's Head wish the community a Happy Homecoming Weekend!

Back row (L-R): Sherri, Jeanette, Colleen, Grace, Faye and Cheri. Front row (L-R): Dorothy, Mary and Cecile.

Fire Relief Fund

For the residents of the Bradley H. Davis Senior Apartments in Tobermory affected by the fire there, June 23, 2026

Tobermory Community Outreach and The Meeting Place are partnering to provide an opportunity to assist residents with essential supplies and refurbishing as they move back into their homes.

Donations of cash or cheques accepted at The Meeting Place, 20 Centennial Drive, Tobermory, 9 to 5, Tuesday to Thursday

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Tobermory United Annual Summer Chicken BBQ Sells Out!

Submitted by Rev. Sheryl Spencer
What a supportive community!

Collectively you purchased 630 dinners at Tobermory United's Annual Summer Chicken BBQ on August 1. We could not have done it without the volunteers and all the folks, who not only baked almost 700 tarts, but also used their gifts and skills to make this annual tradition a success once again. Most importantly, amid all the planning, preparation, running and tallying, we had fun! Special gratitude is extended to folks in Lion's Head, who purchased 139 dinners that were delivered thanks to Peninsula Parcel. Next Chicken BBQ – May, 2027!

The Thrift Shop has been receiving a continual supply of donations and has experienced an unprecedented volume of sales. Some important dates to keep in mind: August 25 is the last day to drop off donations. For now, the Thrift Shop is open every day (except Wednesday and Sunday) from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., however, as of September 12, the Thrift Shop will only be open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. The last day of sales before the Thrift Shop closes for the season is October 10.

Please note also that August 31 to September 5, the Thrift Shop presents its annual bag sale: A bag of books - \$10.00. Bag of clothing - \$20.00.

On August 27, all proceeds from sales will go to the Fire Relief Fund for the residents of the Bradley Davis Senior

Apartments affected by the fire there on June 23 (see article page 6). The Tobermory Thrift Shop is located at 7101 Highway 6.

Summer in the Spirit, a joint project between Tobermory United and St. Edmund's Anglican, continues with gusto! Almost 70 people came to the Tobermory Legion July 29 to hear Bluesky Day (Brian Taylor, Arnie Crittenden and Brian Osborne) play "Songs of the Canadian Spirit." The evening was framed beautifully as not only uplifting for Canadians, but as an act of friendship for folks south of the border, despite what is happening politically.

On August 19, Graham Bland will lead "Conversations that Matter" around the fire at St. Edmund's, 138 Big Tub Road. On August 26, Music on the Bruce, in partnership with Summer in the Spirit, presents music by Beethoven, Frank Horvat and Maurice Ravel at 7:00 p.m. at Tobermory United Church. This is a rare and intimate opportunity to experience classical music at the tip of the peninsula!

Summer in the Spirit, designed to "build community, honour the sacredness of place and celebrate Spirit," ends September 2 with "The Last Sweet Bite," a potluck of both food and poetry, featuring spoken-word poet Naomi Nwanyioma Abiola. 6:00 p.m., Tobermory United Church.



Photo credit: Tobermory United Church

Photo L-R: Volunteers Heike Domke-Talbot and Gwen Groves staff the ticket table at the 54th Annual Tobermory United Summer Chicken BBQ, August 1.

Techno Night with DJ TubRatz at Tobermory Legion August 14

Submitted by Kathryn Hauck, Poppy Chair
Hello August – summer's last stand but let's hope it can stretch well into October!

Don't miss August 14 at 9:00pm - TECHNO NIGHT brought to you by the TubRatz. There is a \$10 cover charge for this event.

Saturday nights with DJ Maxx will take place on August 22 (annual SUMMERWEEN – come in your costumes) and September 5th. Come on out and dance like no one is watching from 9:30pm to 1:00am. There is a \$10.00 cover charge.

Make your dinner a BBQ at the Legion on August 29 and September 12, after the meat draw, which starts at 4:00pm. You can get a burger and a bag of chips for \$15.00.

Here are some more events happening that you do not want to miss:

-Friday, August 28 Euchre starts at 7:00pm.

-Every Wednesday is the Ladies' Auxiliary Summer Bingo, held at the Tobermory Community Centre. Doors open at 6:30pm.

-Every Thursday starting at 7:00pm is Darts. Everyone is welcome.

-Every Saturday is the Meat Draw. Starting time is 4:30pm.

The Legion is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 3:00pm. Stop in and say hi to Raelene. The drinks are cold and the welcome is warm!

Remembering William Earl McFarlane

From the Legion Ontario Command Military Service Recognition Book - William Earl McFarlane was born in Tobermory, Ontario in 1889. He enlisted in the Army on June 16, 1916 and served with the 160th Bruce Battalion in France during WW1. He suffered a serious leg wound in France.

Following his discharge on May 28, 1919, he worked in lumber camps in Northern Ontario and as a carpenter in Tobermory until he had to have his leg amputated due to his war injuries.

He was a member of the Tobermory Legion Branch 290. William passed away on January 24, 1966. Unfortunately, there is no picture to accompany this bio.

~We Will Remember Them~

August Brings More History, Crafts and Family Fun to the Museum!



Photo credit: St Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum

Photo: Farming Homestead Diorama by The Top of the Bruce Woodcarvers Club. On display in our Trades exhibit at the St Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum.

Submitted by Laura Kelly,
Museum Attendant

Although July has come and gone, there is still plenty of summer left and many programs to enjoy at St. Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum. This August, we are offering visitors even more opportunities to engage with local history and discover what makes our community so special.

The Top of the Bruce Woodcarvers Club have already visited the museum twice this summer, giving visitors the opportunity to admire the members' remarkable skill and craftsmanship. There are only two demonstration dates remaining, so be sure to visit us on August 12 and 22 to see these talented local woodcarvers at work and learn more about this traditional craft.

Those who cannot attend a live demonstration can still enjoy five detailed dioramas on display at the museum, created by Stan McClellan and members of the Woodcarvers Club. Depicting historic scenes of everyday life, the dioramas offer a glimpse into how people in our community once lived, worked and helped shape the town we know today.

Visitors interested in trying their hand at carving can join us on August 30 for a soap-carving activity. This hands-on program offers a fun and safe way for visitors of all ages to learn about the historic craft of carving.

Our summer drop-in programs continue every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. until the end of August. Join us to make your own miniature lighthouse on August 15 or learn how bread was traditionally made during our bread dough activity on August 26. Each program gives visitors a new way to explore history through fun and engaging hands-on activities.

Even outside of our scheduled programs and events, there is always something to discover at St. Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum. Until the end of August, the museum is open 7 days a week from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Rain or shine, visitors can explore the stories of this remarkable community and the people who helped build it.

Summer may be flying by, but there is still plenty left to experience at the museum. To stay up to date on upcoming programs and events, follow us on social media or visit www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/museum.

We would also like to thank our wonderful volunteers, whose time and dedication help keep the museum running, as well as everyone who visited us this summer. Thank you for helping make it a memorable and historic summer at St. Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum.



Photo credit: St Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum
Photo: D.I.Y. Lighthouse activity from 1PM-3PM on August 15.

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28 Entries for Annual Sandcastle Competition in Lion's Head

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

A little rain did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of the 70 participants who braved the weather to craft 28 sand

sculptures at the annual Civic Holiday weekend Sandcastle competition at the Lion's Head beach.

On 2 August 2026, the beach was populated by busy crafters, creating sea creatures and castles. The crafters say that the slight rain helped to dampen the sand and hold their creations together.

Each creation could not exceed 6 ft by 6 ft and could not include any man-made materials.

There were three categories:

- Sand Sculpture - Family category had 8 entries,
- Sandcastle - Family category had 6 entries, and
- 12 and under category had 14 entries.

Three judges (Cadence, Carly and Phillip) were tasked

with the difficult decision of selecting 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category.

The sponsors of the event are the Lion's Head Community Bottle Fund and The Shops of 84 Main.

The winners of the sandcastle competition were:

- **12 and under category:**
 - 1st place Zoe
 - 2nd place Ryker
 - 3rd place Wyatt and Harry
- **Sand Sculpture - Family category**
 - 1st place Justin and Anause
 - 2nd place Robert and Amanda
 - 3rd place The Ryans
- **Sandcastle - Family category**
 - 1st place Manfields, the Originals
 - 2nd place Pearces and Richardsons
 - 3rd place Mansfields 2.0



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Justin and Anause won 1st place in the Sand Sculpture category.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Robert with his happy fish, 2nd place in the Sand Sculpture category.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Jordan and Alex with their 3rd place Sand Sculpture creation.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Zoe won 1st place in the under 12 category.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Team Mansfields, the Originals won 1st place in the Sandcastle Family category.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Ryker won 2nd place in the under 12 category.



Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press photo
Photo: Team Mansfields 2.0 won 3rd place in the sandcastle category. The Mansfield family has been building castles on the beach for over 40 years, with the next generation carrying on the tradition.



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Photo: Team Pearces and Richardsons were awarded 2nd place in Sandcastle Family category.

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What's Left Behind? Impact of Single Use Plastic Lunch & Learn August 26

St. Edmund's Anglican Church Yard Sale Raises \$3,800 for Community

Submitted by Peninsula Bruce Trail Club and Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula

Join us for a free educational lunch and learn, *What's Left Behind – The Impact of Single Use Plastic on the Environment*, on Wednesday, August 26th at 12 noon. This is a hybrid meeting – you can join us in person at the Rotary Hall in Lion's Head or virtually via ZOOM. Bring your lunch. Beverages provided. Contact Marg at pbtcoutreach@gmail.com for more information.

Chelsea Rochman, Associate Professor at University of Toronto Department of Ecology and Environmental Biology will provide an overview of her research related to plastic pollution. In addition to research, Chelsea translates science beyond academia acting as the Head of Operations and Lead of Scientific Programming and Application for the UofT Trash Team.

UofT Trash Team is a science based organization at the University of Toronto which aims to improve waste literacy and reduce plastic pollution. Rien Maynard is a an undergraduate in Biodiversity, Conservation Biology and Political Science and Pollution Prevention Fellow at UofT. Rein will join Chelsea to provide an overview of their research about the reduction in cigarette butt debris in highly trafficked areas.

A Greener Future (AGF) is a non-profit environmental organization which focuses on education about plastic pollution in the Great Lakes. Later this summer, Rochelle Byrne and AGF will visit Bruce Peninsula National Park to share their experience and knowledge, while conducting shoreline and Bruce Trail cleanups.

Let's look local! This summer, Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula joined Peninsula Bruce Trail Club's (PBTC) trail stewardship program called, Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean! Together, the two clubs aim to remove at least 7,000 cigarette butts from the Bruce Trail.

The cigarette butt collections contribute toward the Bruce Peninsula National Park's butt collection, and at season's end are dried, baled and sent to Terra Cycle for recycling. Here, the butts

are compostable and recyclable materials. The plastic components are recycled into items such as plastic benches, pallets and lawn furniture. Your butt could literally be sitting on our local Butt Collection!

PBTC is one of nine Bruce Trail Conservancy Clubs supporting BTC. Bruce Trail is a non-profit, non-governmental organization with a dual mandate – to steward a conservation corridor along the Niagara Escarpment from Wiarton to Tobermory and maintain a public footpath within that corridor. Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula brings together volunteers to address global and local challenges, support humanitarian needs and work toward local improvements.

The Rotary Club team have already removed over 2,000 cigarette butts from the Lion's Head Beach and Marina in just two Butt Blitzes this year!

PBTC Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean! volunteers picked up over 700 cigarette butts along the Bruce Trail in Wiarton, in just one litter pickup!

Marg Glendon, Hike It! Love It! Keep It Clean! Coordinator says, "During the past five years, PBTC volunteers

have categorized, counted and removed litter from the Bruce Trail, including thousands of cigarette butts from Bruce Trail hot spots on the Saugeen (Bruce) Peninsula. Bruce Trail Litter Hotspots occur in heavily trafficked areas, such as popular local destination points, adjacent busy parking areas, and town paths. Our aim is to keep the trail clean, educate trail users about the impact of single use plastic, promote reusable food and beverage containers, encourage responsible cigarette butt disposal, and keep cigarette butts from going to our local landfill."

We need all hands on deck to protect our environment!

Learn more about our local project, how to help, and what science is telling us about the impact of plastic pollution on our environment. Join as for *What's Left Behind?* on Wednesday, August 26th, noon-1 pm, for this informative lunch and learn. If joining virtually, look for information on local posters and the Peninsula Bruce Trail Club and Northern Peninsula Rotary Club social media accounts.



Photo credit: UofT website
Photo: Lunch and Learn speaker Chelsea Rochman, Associate Professor at University of Toronto.

Submitted by Jane Greenhouse

The Community Yard Sale held at St. Edmund's Anglican Church on Saturday July 18th was once again a huge success. No one is certain how many years this sale has been held, but it consistently unites parishioners and neighbours to raise funds for good causes.

We are extremely grateful to everyone who donated items, who, the week before the sale, helped sort donations, volunteered on the day, or came out despite the rain to purchase treasures—some of which may even return next year!

In just three hours, the sale this year raised over \$3,800 all of which will be used to support community activities through the Summer in the Spirit (SiS) programme and the Tobermory Outreach Committee (TOC)

The SiS programme, organized by the local Anglican and United Church congregations, features seven Wednesday evening events from July 22nd to September 22nd. The

programme aims to build community, and to honour the sacredness and beauty of this peninsula. Events range from Sacred Fire, held on July 22 with members of the Saugeen-Ojibway First Nations, to Music on the Bruce on August 26 at 7 p.m. at Tobermory United Church, featuring string music by Beethoven, Horvat, and Ravel.

TOC is organised by all four Tobermory churches, it supports local people who may otherwise fall through the cracks by offering emergency help with food or utilities, transportation to medical appointments, a listening ear, and referrals to other programs.

Special thanks to Lawrence Beagan, who for the second year, donated beautiful charcuterie boards, this year inscribed with a flowerpot and signed "Tobermory", and to Cecile Eadie for donating nine pairs of hand-knit socks and headbands. We also thank the Bruce Anchor Company for allowing us, for another year, to use its parking lot. It truly takes a village and what a village we have!

Keep the Bruce Clean & Green Banner On the Move

Submitted by KTBC&G

The Keep the Bruce Clean & Green (KTBC&G) banner has been on the move around the community of Tobermory.

If you would like the banner in your area, please send the request to keepthebruceclean@gmail.com.

Kudos to all our Litter Ambassadors for helping to Keep the Bruce Clean! You are the reason for our success!



Photo credit: Connie Baron

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All claims against the estate of Robert John Burgess, late of the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula in the County of Bruce, who died on or about the 10th day of March, 2025, must be filed with the undersigned Estate Trustee on or before the 11th day of September, 2026; thereafter, the undersigned will distribute the assets of the said estate having regard only to the claims then filed.

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Lynda and Michelle McIver wish to express their thanks to all their family, friends and neighbours for the overwhelming support shown to them both during Emmet's illness and after he passed. For the food, the flowers, the donations, and the many cards of condolences we thank you. A special thank you to the SWANS for providing a lovely luncheon, and the MNBPF for the use of the facility. We were so moved by the number of people that reached out and came to share their memories of Emmet at the memorial luncheon. Colleagues, friends, teammates, neighbours, community members and family who all shared a special story or two about Emmet. Emmet always maintained that there was no more beautiful place in the world than Lion's Head. He would have been honoured to have had so many people pay tribute to his life.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE



HEISE, Nancy (nee Hayley) - November 28, 1946 – May 10, 2026. Family and friends are invited to gather and share memories of Nancy at a Celebration of Life. It will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2026 at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 202 (located at 6 Hellyer Road, Lion's Head, Ontario) from 1-3 pm (memories to be shared at 2 pm). Refreshments and a light lunch will be served.

OBITUARIES



PAUL, David Edward - A very quick passing, peacefully in hospital in Lion's Head. David Edward Paul, born March 14, 1959, left us on Saturday August 1st, 2026. Survived by his partner Norma Winstanley and by his sister Dawnne Fiarawe and family of Calgary. Predeceased by his wife Brenda Klerks, and his parents Vera "Allie" Paul and Donald Paul of Owen Sound. Will be deeply missed by Goby Klerks and family, Tina Klerks and family, Tracey MacLeod and family, Janet MacLeod and partner, and his son, Allan Paul and family of Kemble. Celebration of Life will be held at Goby Klerks' farm, 216 Scenic Caves Road in Hopeness, Lion's Head on Saturday August 29, 2026 from 1 – 4 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to Grey Bruce Cremation and Burial Services, greybrucecremation.com.

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VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Tobermory Community Centre. Contact gbsmart@von.ca or 519-376-5895 ext. 6103 for more info. **10:30-11:30am**

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. Bid Euchre and/or Bridge. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **1pm**

Mah Jongg Mavericks. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. New players welcome. Drop in or call Carol for info/lessons 519-795-7143. **1-4pm**

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**

Peninsula Pilates. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Reserve at goldenchainforever.com/in-person-offerings. **6-7pm**

Euchre. Pike Bay Community Centre. \$4 entry, includes light refreshments and prizes. Contact pikebay.ontario@gmail.com **Last day Oct. 5. 7pm**

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

Bayside Astronomy. Miller's Family Camp, Miller Lake. Free. [Facebook.com/baysideastronomy](https://facebook.com/baysideastronomy) for details. **Sunset.**

TUESDAY

Community Café. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Coffee, tea, snacks. **8am-12pm**

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

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

Meeting Place Gym. The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 9am-1pm & 3-5pm**

Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **Not July/Aug. 10-11am**

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**

Hooked on the Bruce. Lion's Head Friendship Club. Rug hooking & punch needle. Drop in, or call Linda at 519-377-6592 for info or lessons. **1-3pm**

Tobermory Legion Branch 290 General Branch Meeting. Tobermory Legion. **2nd Tues. each month, not July/Aug. 7pm**

The Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. More info at facebook.com/RotaryNBPP or 519-793-4040. **1st and 3rd Tues. 7-8:30pm**

WEDNESDAY

Community Café. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Coffee, tea, snacks. **8am-12pm**

Yin & Yang Yoga. Via Zoom. Contact barbara@lovingyoga.ca. **7am**

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

Meeting Place Gym. The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 9am-5pm**

Tobermory Quilters. Light & Life Chapel. Quilt, share ideas, collaborate. Contact Glenna at 519-596-8332 if interested. **9:30am-4pm**

Bruce Men's Shed Coffee Gathering. 451 Frank St, Wiarton. Contact Matthew at 905-979-9934 or Arcticfinearts@outlook.com for info. **10am**

Chair Yoga. Hosted by Lion's Head Friendship Club. Call Maxine at 519-375-0959 for info. **10am**

Tobermory Marketplace. At the harbour, Tobermory. **10am-1pm**

Veterans Coffee. Lion's Head Legion, Br. 202. For veterans and currently serving members of Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP, and first responders. **3rd Wed. ea. month. 10am-12pm.**

Lakeview Vendor Market. Bluewater Park, Wiarton. facebook.com/saublemarket. **Until Sep. 7, 10am-4pm**

Top of the Bruce Woodcarvers Meeting. Tobermory Community Centre. **Not July/Aug. 11am-2:30pm**

St. Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum Summer Drop-in Program. Explore history through fun activities. See schedule at northbrucepeninsula.ca/discover/museum/programs. **1-3pm**

Afternoon Jamboree. Wiarton 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 rjmielhausen@gmail.com or 519-374-4110. **1st Wed. Not July/Aug. Social time 5:30pm, Dinner 6pm.**

Bingo. Tobermory Community Centre. Hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. All are welcome. **Doors 6:30, starts 7pm**

Darts. Wiarton Legion Br. 208. All are welcome. **7pm**

Euchre. Friendship Club Lion's Head. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **7pm**

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

Bayside Astronomy. Summerhouse Park, Miller Lake. Free. [Facebook.com/baysideastronomy](https://facebook.com/baysideastronomy) for details. **Sunset.**

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 & \$25 to LH Pharmacy or e-transfer to lionsheadgfb@gmail.com. Pick up at LH Rotary Hall 2:30-4:30pm). Info on Facebook [@LHGoodFoodBox](https://facebook.com/LHGoodFoodBox).

Good Food Box Program, Tobermory. As above. Drop off order and payment before the last Thurs. each month. At The Meeting Place, Tobermory during business hours or contact 519-596-2313 or food@tobermorymeetingplace.com. Pickup at the Meeting Place 4:30-6:30pm. **Not July/August**

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THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

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Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. **8am–12pm**
Meeting Place Gym. The Meeting Place Tobermory. New users please register with staff. **Drop in 9am–3pm**
Lakeview Vendor Market. Sauble Town Square, Sauble Beach. facebook.com/saublemarket. **Until Sep. 7, 9am–4pm**
VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Friendship Club Lion's Head. Contact gbsmart@von.ca or 519-376-5895 ext. 6103 for more info. **10am**
VON SMART Exercise & Fall Prevention Classes. Tobermory Community Centre. Contact gbsmart@von.ca or 519-376-5895 ext. 6103 for more info. **10:30–11:30am**
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. \$8 for members. Contact 519-375-0959 lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com for time & more info. **2nd Thurs. each month. 11:30am.**
Cornhole. Lion's Head Legion. All are welcome. Bring your darts in case of rain. **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. Not July, Aug, or Dec. 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

Roll & Release. Via Zoom. Contact barbara@lovingyoga.ca. **9–10:30am**
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**
Line Dancing. Friendship Club Lion's Head. May not be suitable for beginners. lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com. **Not July/Aug. 10–11am**
Warton Farmers' Market. Berford St. parkette. facebook.com/wartonfarmersmarket. **Until Thanksgiving, 10am–2pm**
Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of SCWW. Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. **11–11:30am**
Bid Euchre. Friendship Club Lion's Head. 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. **Aug. 21: Movie TBA. Doors 1pm, Starts 1:30pm**
Lion's Head Knitting Group. Lion's Head Library. 519-793-3844 for more info. **2–4pm**
Euchre. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. All are welcome (19+) . tobermorylegion.org **Last Fri. each month. 7pm**
Harbourside Music. Harbourside Stage, Lion's Head Marina. Live music. Bring your chair. Free. Donations welcome. Rain location Rotary Hall. **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**
Bayside Astronomy. Peninsula Observation Deck, Lion's Head Marina. Free. [Facebook.com/baysideastronomy](https://facebook.com/baysideastronomy) for details. **Sunset.**

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. **9am-12pm (until 1pm on long weekends)**
Tobermory All Seasons Market. At the ball diamond park. facebook.com/tobermoryallseasonsmarket. **10am-3pm**
Laugh Yourself Healthier. Part of SCWW. Phone 519-793-3473 for the link. **11–11:30am**
St.Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum Summer Drop-in Program. Explore history through fun activities. See schedule at northbrucepeninsula.ca/discover/museum/programs. **1–3pm**
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. 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 Full course meal. \$15 members, \$18 non-members. Contact 519-375-0959 lionsheadfriendshipclub@gmail.com for time & more info. **Last Sat. each month.**
Club 290. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. \$10 cover. With DJ Maxx. All are welcome (19+) . tobermorylegion.org **Aug. 22, Sept. 5. 9:30pm–1am**
Bayside Astronomy. Peninsula Observation Deck, Lion's Head Marina. Free. [Facebook.com/baysideastronomy](https://facebook.com/baysideastronomy) for details. **Sunset.**

SUNDAY

Pickleball. Tobermory Tennis Court. Guests welcome. \$10. **8am–12pm**
Bingo. Stokes Bay Community Centre. **Until Sep. 6. 1pm**
St.Edmunds Bruce Peninsula Museum Summer Drop-in Program. Explore history through fun activities. See schedule at northbrucepeninsula.ca/discover/museum/programs. **1–3pm**
Summer Concerts. Earthbound Gardens, Red Bay. Local musicians. Bring a chair. Free, donations appreciated. **See ad pg. 9. 2–4pm**
Fuel Our Youth. Hungry Hiker, Ferndale parking lot. Children under 12 eat free. \$5 from every dinner special sold goes to the Bruce Peninsula District School Breakfast program. Cash donations accepted. **6–8pm**
Bayside Astronomy. Singing Sands, Tobermory. Free. [Facebook.com/baysideastronomy](https://facebook.com/baysideastronomy) for details. **Sunset.**

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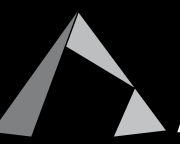
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Ongoing

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

Wednesday August 12

Golden Dawn Senior Citizens Home Fish Fry Fundraiser. Golden Dawn?. \$25/person. Contact 519-793-3433. **5pm**

Summer in the Spirit – Brews & Hymns. Tobermory Legion, Br. 290. Hymns and a cup of tea or beer. **7pm**

Friday August 14

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

Techno Night. Tobermory Legion, Br. 290. Music by TubRatz. \$10 cover. 18+. **9pm**

Friday August 14 – Sunday August 16

Traditional Pow Wow. Cape Croker Park, Neyaashiinigmiing. Admission \$5/person ages 5–55, others free. Parking by donation. Ceremonies, musical performances, meals, information sessions. See nawash.ca/powwow for full schedule.

Saturday August 15

Household Hazardous Waste Collection - Tobermory. St. Edmunds Landfill Site. No commercial, industrial, agricultural waste, PCB materials, ammunition, or flares. Full list at brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste. **8am–12pm**

Artisan Fair & Bake Sale. Pike Bay Community Centre. Hosted by Pike Bay Community Association. To book a 10'x10' space to show your crafts, email pikebay.ontario@gmail.com. Donations of baked goods, preserves, etc, can be dropped off at the centre Aug. 14, 6–8pm. Proceeds support our community centre and initiatives. **10am–2pm**

From Concept to Keg – Talk on Craft Brewing. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. Speaker Tagwerk Bier Brewmaster Christian Von Der Heide. See ad pg. 3. **7:30pm**

Wednesday August 19

Summer in the Spirit – Fireside Conversation about Things that Matter. St. Edmund's Anglican Church, Tobermory. A safe space to speak & listen. Bring a chair. **7pm**

Saturday August 22

Household Hazardous Waste Collection - Sauble Beach. St. Edmunds Landfill Site. No commercial, industrial, agricultural waste, PCB materials, ammunition, or flares. Full list at brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste. **8am–12pm**

Lion's Head Friendship Club Games Day. More info to come. Tickets \$5/person, includes BBQ and corn roast before games. **4pm**

Bruce Peninsula Spirit Singers Concert – Don't Worry, Sing Happy. Christ Church, Lion's Head. **7pm**

Summerwe'en. Tobermory Legion Br. 290. Come in costumes and dance. \$10 cover. 18+ **9:30pm–1am**

Saturday August 22 – Sunday August 23

Bruce Peninsula Society of Artists' Studio Tour. Across the Bruce Peninsula. 43 artists at 26 studios. Brochures with a full map available at Lion's Head Farmers' Market or from various shops in Lion's Head and Tobermory. See online at brucepeninsulaart.ca/studio-tour.

Sunday August 23

Bruce Peninsula Spirit Singers Concert – Don't Worry, Sing Happy. Tobermory United Church. **2pm**

Monday August 24 – Sunday August 30

6th Annual Music on the Bruce – Chamber Music Concerts. Daily performances across the Bruce Peninsula. Full schedule and more information at musiconthebruce.com/schedule.

Wednesday August 26

Summer in the Spirit – Music on the Bruce. United Church, Tobermory. Local musicians perform classical music. **7pm**

Thursday August 27

Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association's Septic System Workshop. Pike Bay Community Centre. Pump-out demonstration, presentation on the Six Streams Initiative, best management practices, Q&A. More info, email info@bpba.ca. **9–10am**

Tobermory Thrift Shop Fire Relief Fundraiser. Tobermory Thrift Shop. Hot dog BBQ. See ad pg. 8. **12pm**

Friday August 28

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

Saturday August 29

Legion BBQ. Tobermory Legion, Branch 290. Burger and bag of chips for \$15. After the meat draw. **Meat draw starts 4pm.**

Sunday August 30

5th Annual 1 Mile Swim. Black Creek Provincial Park (Sandy Beach). All ages welcome. Registration \$25. Proceeds go to Bagidawaad Alliance. More info at oldwomanislandswim@gmail.com. **10am**

Friday September 4 – Sunday September 6

Sauble Beach Party. Sauble Speedway. Live music all weekend. All ages.. See ad pg. 3.

Sunday September 6

Community Pancake Breakfast. Rotary Hall, Lion's Head. **Time TBA**

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Legion BBQ. Tobermory Legion, Branch 290. Burger and bag of chips for \$15. After the meat draw. *Meat draw starts 4pm.*

Summer in the Spirit – *The last Sweet Bite of Summer!*
United Church, Tobermory. Poetry readings and a potluck meal. *6pm*

Saturday September 19

11th Annual Pig Roast at the Park. Tobermory Community Park, beside the Meeting Place. Hosted by And-Rod Construction Ltd. and The Meeting Place, Tobermory. Admission by donation. Live music, beer tent, DJ Maxx. All are welcome. Bring your own chairs. *5–10pm.*

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CHURCH SERVICES

Services with an asterisk () are also available online.*

Christ Church Anglican christchurchlionshead@diohuron.org
226-949-9105. 55 Main St, Lion's Head. *Sunday, 11:30am*

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

- **St. Edmund's** 38 Big Tub Rd, Tobermory. *Sunday, 10am*
- **St. Margaret's** 133 East Rd, Cape Chin. *Victoria Day, Labour Day, & Thanksgiving weekends, July & Aug, Sunday, 7pm*

Bethel Evangelical Missionary Church bethelcnc.ca
18 Ferndale Rd, Lion's Head. *Sunday, 10:30am*

Pentecostal Country Church pentecostalcountrychurch.org
226-559-0564. 2627 Hwy #6. *Sunday, 10:30am**

Pentecostal Light & Life Community Chapel lightandlifecommunitychapel.ca
7347 Hwy#6, Tobermory. *Sunday, 10:30am**

St. Mary's & the Missions Catholic Church stmarysandthemissions.ca
519-376-0778.

- **St. Mark's** 54 Main St, Lion's Head. *Saturday, 9:30am*
- **St. Thomas Aquinas** 552 Gould St, Wiarton. *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, 11am, Not Jan–Mar.*

Pike Bay United Church lhpc@amtelecom.net, 519-793-3312.
575 West Road, Pike Bay. *Sunday, 9:30am, Not Jan–Mar.*

Tobermory United Church tobermoryunited.ca
519-596-2394. 5 Brock St, Tobermory. *Sunday, 10:30am*

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	LION'S HEAD	TOBERMORY	WIARTON
MON	9:30am–5pm	Closed	Closed
TUES	Closed	10am–5pm	10am–7pm
WED	2–6pm	10am—5pm	10am–6pm
THU	10am–2pm	10am–6pm	10am–7pm
FRI	9:30am–5pm	10am–2pm	10am–6pm
SAT	9:30am–2pm	10am–3pm	10am–4pm
SUN	Closed	1–4pm	2–6pm

MNBP Prepares for In-House Waste Collection

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Van Mierlo-West, explained that the Municipality is continually trying to improve waste management services for residents.

A draft waste management operator job description was attached stating that the position will operate garbage trucks, complete collection routes, conduct vehicle inspections, maintain records, and “provide courteous service to residents and customers.” Qualifications include a secondary school diploma or equivalent, previous experience operating commercial vehicles or similar, and a Class DZ driver's licence. The job comes with several strenuous physical requirements and working conditions like exposure to adverse weather and difficult terrain, flexible shifts, continuous lifting of heavy objects, and repetitive movements around vibration and noise. The wage rate will be reviewed with the union through the collective agreement process.

Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden questioned the hiring of two new operators. The CAO clarified that Council establishes a level of service for municipal operations at the beginning of each term and if they wanted to facilitate inhouse collection without additional staff, then “Council would have to advise of which level of service that we would be required to cut.”

The CAO noted that collection will likely span across the week unlike designated Mondays with Waste Management, who “bring up seven to eight trucks on a Monday to actually do all of our collection...that will be impossible for us to complete [inhouse].” A casual part time staffer will be considered to cover sick days as two staff are needed to operate the garbage truck. Current Public Works

staff can be moved to waste collection but that will result in a service level reduction in another area, she explained.

Council approved the purchase of a 2025 Freightliner Labrie Leach 2R-111 Rear Loading Refuse Truck mounted on a M2106 chassis. The \$318,000 truck will be purchased from Joe Johnson Equipment and funded through municipal reserves. A report from Pubic Works Manager, Troy Cameron, stated that “Staff believe that acquiring a new garbage truck is the most effective option to support municipal waste collection operations, which are scheduled to commence later this fall.”

Project Update for Tobermory and Lion's Head Water and Wastewater Master Plans

Chris Wilson with WSP attended the July 27 Council Meeting with a project update regarding the Water and Wastewater Master Plans for the villages of Tobermory and Lion's Head. The plans identify a preferred solution for expanding water and wastewater (WW) services to the downtown core and community area in Tobermory. A preferred solution for Lion's Head includes expanding water to service new growth and provide sufficient volume for fire flow while constructing a new WW treatment facility to provide services downtown.

The project is in the second phase of a five-phase process, culminating in construction and operation. The report indicates that preferred solutions will meet the village's current and future growth up until 2051 and should be constructed in a phased approach to

reduce impacts to services, properties with existing wells and septic systems, and the community in general.

Councillor Laurie (Smokey) Golden said, “The key to any of this is predicting where development is going to go in any of these communities.”

Tobermory: A map for Tobermory showed two potential locations for a new centralized water treatment plant with adequate water storage to provide for fire flow capacity, one near Hay Bay Road and another near Nicholas Street. Two infrastructure options were revealed.

Option 1, retrofit existing Little Tub Water Treatment Plant to convert to a low lift pumping station with potential for larger water intake and build a new water treatment plant with increased capacity and fire flow for \$68 million.

Option 2, decommission of the existing Little Tub Water Treatment plant and construction of a new low lift pumping station on a new property with a new raw water intake and water treatment plant totaling \$81.75 million.

Both options offer around 7km of new distribution watermain, 70 fire hydrants, new service connections, new water storage of 2,552m3, and decommissioning of existing wells.

To expand WW in Tobermory, two options were listed.

Option 1 showed an expansion of the existing WW treatment plant with increased capacity for \$44 million.

Option 2 costs \$57.25 million to decommission the existing WW treatment and construct a new plant nearby with increased capacity. Both options include new/updated existing sewage pumping stations and

forcemains, approximately 4km of new gravity sewers, 60 new fire manholes, new sanitary service connections, and decommissioning of existing septic systems.

Lion's Head: Infrastructure for Lion's Head water suggested upgrading the existing water treatment plant and low lift pumping with increased capacity and fire flow, approximately 2km of new distribution watermain, 20 fire hydrants, new water service connections, and decommissioning of existing wells.

Option 1 shows a new water storage of 3,683 m3 on the same property as the existing water treatment plant totaling \$32.1 million.

Option 2 depicts new water storage on a separate property for \$36.35 million.

Lion's Head WW options plan for a new WW collection, pumping systems and WW treatment plant, 8km of new gravity sewers, 80 new fire manholes, new sanitary service connections, and decommissioning of existing septic systems.

Option 1 shows a new WW plant in Lion's Head on Bannister's Hill for \$66.15 million.

Option 2 involves pumping sanitary to a plant outside of Lion's Head to a larger property in Ferndale, costing \$60.75 million.

Wilson explained the necessity of conducting environmental assessments (EAs), only one is required per project and covers various sites. “You have to get into more detailed EAs to come up with your best solution,” he said. Deputy Mayor Rod Anderson commented, “So you could spend a lot of money and not be able to afford the capital project.” Wilson recommended staff investigate funding options as 33% grant funding is usually expected for similar projects.

To read the full reports visit <https://northernbrucepeninsula.civicweb.net> and click the July 27 Council Meeting on the calendar.



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Visit RegisterToVoteON.ca before August 12, 2026 to confirm you're on the Voters List.

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After August 12, eligible voters can visit the Municipal Office with identification and proof of ownership or tenancy to be added to or update their information on the Voters List.

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Three (3) Councillors

Nomination packages are available at the Municipal Office during regular business hours. Completed nomination papers must be filed in person with the Municipal Clerk no later than **2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 21, 2026**. Please contact the Municipal Clerk to make an appointment at clerk@northbruce.ca

Visit www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/election for election information, important dates, and resources.

If you have any questions, the Clerk's department is here to help - feel free to contact us or stop by the Municipal Office.

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 OFFICE CLOSURE

The Municipal Office will be closed for the Civic Holiday on Monday August 3rd, 2026 and will re-open on Tuesday August 4th, 2026.

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Eastnor Site – 1252 West Road | Lindsay Site – 627 Ira Lake Road | St. Edmunds – 71 McArthur Road

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Now is a great time to remove hazardous materials and dispose of them in an environmentally safe manner. Bruce County staff will be at the following locations within the Municipality on the assigned dates for the collection of hazardous materials

Event Location	Date	Hours of Operation	Location
Tobermory	August 15	8:00-12:00	Tobermory – St Edmunds Landfill – 71 McArthur Rd

For more information, and for a full comprehensive list on what can be collected, visit: brucecounty.on.ca/hazardouswaste

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

- **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.



PROPERTY TAXES

The final tax billing were processed in July with due dates of July 31, 2026 and September 30, 2026. If you have not received your mailed or emailed bill, 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.

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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.

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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.

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- Keep water or an extinguisher nearby
- Check weather and conditions before burning

Getting your permit is quick and easy, apply online today! 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.



NEW! SENIORS ACTIVE LIVING CENTRE E-NEWSLETTER

Stay connected with programs, events and opportunities for adults aged 55 and older across Northern Bruce Peninsula.

The first SALC E-Newsletter launches on August 15, with new issues delivered quarterly. Each edition will feature upcoming workshops, social activities, bus trips, lunch & learns, community updates and other ways to get involved.

Scan the QR code to subscribe and have the latest SALC news delivered directly to your inbox!



SALC AUGUST AT A GLANCE

For full program details, locations and registration information, visit <https://www.northbrucepeninsula.ca/salc>.

Weekly Programs

Laugh Yourself Healthy: Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays, 11:00–11:30 a.m. on Zoom

Mah Jongg Mavericks: Mondays, 1:00–4:00 p.m. at the Rotary Hall

Hooked on the Bruce: Tuesdays, 1:00–3:00 p.m. at the Lion's Head Friendship Club

Chair Yoga: August 6 and 13, 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at the Pike Bay Community Centre

Upcoming Events & Offerings

August 4: Wet Felted Vessels Workshop, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

August 5: Lunch & Learn, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

August 7: Fused Glass Sun Catcher Workshop, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

August 12: Red Hat Social Luncheon, 12:00–2:00 p.m., and Macramé Feathers Workshop, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

August 19: Writer's Workshop, 12:30–2:30 p.m.

August 21: Legion Movie Screening, 1:00–4:30 p.m.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Scan the QR Code to access the events calendar:

Interested in seeing what events and activities are happening in Northern Bruce Peninsula or wish to add your event to the calendar? Scan the QR Code below to access the events calendar.



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Councillor Aman Sohrab: councillorsohrab@northbruce.ca – (647) 890-0632

The Long Game – Fighting Wild Parsnip Infestations in MNBP

John Francis,
Bruce Peninsula Press

Wild Parsnip has been a problem in Northern Bruce Peninsula for at least 15 years. It can form a solid wall along roadsides. It can take over entire fields. It can also give you a very nasty sunburn.

Wild Parsnip sap contains furanocoumarins, chemicals which make human skin extremely sensitive to sunlight — exposed skin can get badly burned and blistered in a matter of minutes. (Treatment: cover the affected



Photo John Francis, Bruce Peninsula Press
Photo: Individual Wild Parsnip plants can exceed five feet in height and can produce almost a thousand seeds, which then remain fertile for up to nine years.

area to block further sunlight, then wash the furanocoumarins off with soap and warm water.)

Once Wild Parsnip gets established in an area, getting rid of it is difficult. This drama has been playing out for many years on the Highway 6 roadside north of Lindsay Flats (see photos).

One story has it that ground zero for the infestation was the parking lot at Lindsay Tract Trails. All that would have been needed was for a car, truck, trailer or snowmobile to bring in a seed head from somewhere else, caught in a bumper or grill. Shake a couple of seeds loose from that seed head and the infestation is off and running!



Parks Canada Photo
Photo L-R: Laura Beaton-Williamson and Anna Fletcher preparing to spray for Wild Parsnip Control in the Crane Lake area of Bruce Peninsula National Park.

Wild parsnip is particularly well suited for taking over roadsides. When the roadside weed-cutting tractor comes to visit in July, Wild Parsnip has already produced its first lot of seeds and it's tall enough to be chopped off. The cutting blade then distributes the seeds over the next kilometre or so of roadside. Ever since that first patch was established, you could watch it spread in both directions from the Lindsay Tract Trails parking lot — northward on the east side, southward on the west side. It also spread onto some nearby municipal roadsides.

By 2022, Wild Parsnip formed a solid wall along the east side of Highway 6 for a kilometre or so. In recent years, a chemical spray campaign has somewhat reduced the infestation.

Wild Parsnip is a biennial plant, which means that it lives for two years. The first summer, it consists of a rosette of leaves, which store energy in the root (a parsnip). The second summer, the plant uses up all the energy stored in the root to put up a tall stem with multiple flowers. Individual plants can exceed five feet in height and can produce nearly a thousand seeds. Wild Parsnip seeds remain fertile for up to nine years and are able to germinate and thrive in relatively poor soils — roadsides, for example. This means that an outbreak will keep coming back, for



Bruce Peninsula Press file photo
Photo: By 2022, Wild Parsnip formed a solid wall, 3 to 4 feet tall, along the east side of Highway 6, north of Lindsay Flats. An MOT spray program has reduced it somewhat since then.

up to nine years, even after you've killed all of this year's plants.

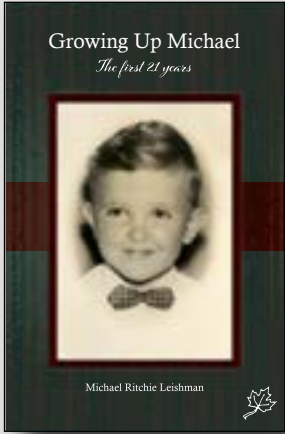
Bruce Peninsula National Park staff are monitoring 36 Wild Parsnip infestations in the park. The worst of these are in old field environments in the former ranch areas around Crane Lake. Park staff have been monitoring and fighting that infestation since about 2012. They have it under control, but have been unable to eliminate it.

Parks Canada uses a two-phase technique to control Wild Parsnip. They start with a chemical treatment in June to kill the young plants, then come back in July to cut off (then bag and destroy) the flower heads on any plants they missed in June.

But it's impossible to get every flower and there will always be old seeds lying around. "It's a long game we're playing," says Anna Fletcher, who is running the invasive species program for Bruce Peninsula National Park.

The moral of the story: don't let it get established.

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'First Taste' of Oktoberfest 2026 at Meet the Brewmaster Event August 15

Submitted by Rob Hiscott

On Saturday, August 15th at 7:30 PM at Rotary Hall, Tagwerk Bier Brewmaster Christian Von Der Heide will present 'From Concept to Keg', a talk to 'walk us through the craft of brewing – from the first idea for a recipe all the way to the finished keg. Come with your questions and thirst for good beer.' There will also be a 'first taste of Oktoberfest 2026 ... a sneak preview of what's coming Saturday, September 26th at Rotary Hall – live music, beer and more.' Hope to see you there!

Two Friday Pub Nights will take place at Rotary Hall this month on August 14th and 28th from 7:00 PM until late in the evening.

Come join us for coffee, tea and snacks at the Community Café being held at Rotary Hall, Tuesday through Thursday mornings from 8:00 until noon. These Community Cafés are sponsored and hosted by your local Rotary Club on Tuesdays, Lion's Head Hospital Auxiliary on Wednesdays, and Golden Dawn Senior Citizens Home on Thursdays. Please note that these morning Cafés may be cancelled if Rotary Hall renovations are in progress, and any schedule changes will be posted on our facebook page and Club website.

Rotarians and Friends of Rotary prepared and served delicious pancake breakfasts to 226 customers at Rotary Hall on Sunday, August 2nd. In addition to tables and chairs

set up in the now air-conditioned Rotary Hall, there was also seating on the street-side patio as well as picnic tables under the tent on the north side of the Hall.

Our fourth and final community Pancake Breakfast this season will be held at Rotary Hall on Sunday, September 6th.

Rotary thanks our 'Friends of Rotary' who regularly volunteer their time to help preparing and serving at our community Pancake Breakfasts, and we are especially thankful for our individual and business sponsors of pancake breakfasts who help defray the costs of putting on these events, allowing Rotary to return more money directly to our community. A full list of our 2026 sponsors can be found on our facebook page (facebook.com/RotaryNBP/) and Clubweb site (www.rotarynbp.org/).



Photo credit: Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula
Photo: Friends of Rotary serving customers at the August 2nd pancake breakfast.



Bon Voyage to Rotary Exchange Student Ellie Robbins

Photo credit: Rotary Club of Northern Bruce Peninsula

Photo: Rotary exchange student Ellie Robbins (right), with Rotarian Cathryn Buckley (left), cuts her 'Bon Voyage' cake decorated in the colours of the Belgian flag at the Bon Voyage BBQ August 4th.

Ellie recently graduated from Bruce Peninsula District High School and is off to Belgium on a year-long Rotary exchange, before returning to post-secondary studies at University of Toronto. Ellie was also presented with a Rotary Club jacket and other gifts at the BBQ get-together to mark the occasion.

We wish Ellie good luck and a wonderful learning experience during the course of her Rotary exchange to Belgium! Bon Voyage, Ellie!

Bruce Men's Shed Well Represented at Wiarton Homecoming Weekend



Photo credit: Dave Leggatt

Photo: Bruce Men's Shed volunteer Wayne Clements and his smile serving up pulled pork, fries, and coleslaw at the Wiarton Homecoming Weekend festival.

Submitted by Gerry Tilmans,
Team Leader

Our group was well represented at the third annual Wiarton Homecoming Weekend on Saturday August 1st. We set up the information booth early where we could talk to visitors about our Shed's activities. We set up the roaster and cooked up the pork roasts. At the same time members were helping the Wiarton Rotary by making French fries along with their volunteers. The Wiarton contingent of Bruce Men's Shed gave us a great presence and helped increase awareness about our group. By the end of supper time we had prepared and delivered about one hundred meals.

At noon we met with the Wiarton and District Lions Club to be part of the dedication of the Lending Library we were commissioned to build. It is

officially called the Cyndi (Hepburn) Walker Memorial "Book Nook". We heard emotional stories about how Cyndi was a very special person and a large part of the Lions Club. Her son Tommy Walker gave a touching speech about how the library is an invitation to anyone in the community to immerse themselves in stories that play in your mind.

After his speech I asked for his permission to quote the statement he'd written which said "At the end of life what really matters is not what we bought... but what we built: not what we got but what we shared: not our competence, but our character; and not our success, but our significance."

Drop in for coffee Monday every week 9am-11am at Canadian Legion Branch 202, 6 Hellyer Road on Highway 6, 4 km north of Ferndale. Doors open at 8:45.

Our next monthly meeting is Saturday September 19 from 9am-11am where we talk about past and upcoming projects so please come out.

In Wiarton, Bruce Men's Shed coffee gathering is every Wednesday, 10 am 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.

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



Photo courtesy of Bruce Men's Shed

Photo: Tommy Walker at the dedication of the Lending Library in his mother Cyndi (Hepburn) Walker's name.

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Lion’s Head Summer Music Celebrates Five Years of Classical Performances

Joanne Rodgers,
Bruce Peninsula Press

The week of live music, performed on the beautiful Harbourside stage, with a stunning backdrop of the Lion’s Head beach, marina and bluffs has garnered a dedicated following of music lovers and performers alike.

Northern Bruce resident Dominik Franken’s vision to bring classical music to a larger audience in a casual setting, has morphed into a first class music concert series, with music offerings ranging from classical to contemporary works. For the patrons and performers, *Lion’s Head Summer Music* has become a highly anticipated summer tradition.

For its fifth season, Lion’s Head Summer Music ran for five evenings from 27 July to 31 July, 2026. The Georgian Bay Woodwind Quintet, Southampton Concert Band, Ladies of Note, The Spirit Singers and Rosin Dust have frequented the Harbourside stage year after year.

The Director of Southampton Band openly solicited an invite for next year, which shows how much the musicians enjoy performing at the summer music festival.

Mid week, there was a special performance of music through the ages, taking the audience on a musical journey from ancient times, to medieval, baroque, classical to contemporary music ending with Leonard Cohen’s Hallelujah.

The committed fanbase is treated to music from well-known classical composers such as Beethoven, Bach, Tchaikovsky, but also music from Frank Sinatra and Andrew Lloyd Webber, along with popular movie theme songs and much more. If you are a little intimidated with the idea of a week of high-brow classical music, come out to the next summer music and be pleasantly surprised on how much of the music you recognize and the variety of genres being offered.



Photo Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press
Photo: Rosin Dust, a community band from Owen Sound, with special guest flutist Joachim Ostertag performs at Lion’s Head Summer Music.



Photo Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press
Photo: 26 plus members of Southampton Concert Band of brass, woodwind and percussion players and led by musical director John Wills perform at Lion’s Head Summer Music.

Franken says a lesson learnt from year one was that he should not offer too many restrictions to the musicians, but to allow them to choose their music selection for their nightly performance.

Jokingly he says he starts planning for the following year, on the morning after the final performance of the season. Along with co-organizer Chris Robinson, Franken has been able to line up five days of performances of high calibre professional and amateur musicians.

Judith Friend and Gerry Gregory lend the use of their garden to host a catered meal (funded by Lion’s Head Summer Music) for the musicians. Franken says it is the sumptuous meal that is the enticement to ensure the musicians return year after year.

Franken is proud that he runs a frugal operation, with donations from the audience and sponsorships (this year’s sponsors are the Municipality of Northern Bruce, Barbara Dirckx RE/



Photo Joanne Rodgers, Bruce Peninsula Press
Photo: On Wednesday night, there was a special performance of music through the ages. Betty performed a song dating from 1400 BC originating in Iran, while Neda performed a traditional dance.

MAX, and Scott’s Home Hardware. He pays each performance \$500 to cover mileage and towards purchasing sheet music.

He is grateful for the numerous volunteers that assist in making the weeklong event unfold smoothly. He is pleased to see so many committed music lovers that came out nightly for a week in the middle of summer to support the music festival.

Reflecting on the 5th anniversary of Lion’s Head Summer Music – on what works well and what could be improved – Franken plans to continue to bring exceptional music to the community. However, he says he is looking for feedback from the community about what they like, any suggestions for improvements or format. Please send your comments to dominikfranken59@gmail.com


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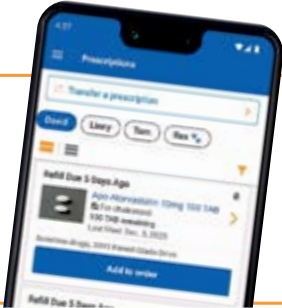
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