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Dave Westaway and Mike Palmer say life on Koshlong Lake has changed because of increased gunfire emanating from nearby Crown land. Photo by Sam Gillett.

## Crown land use 'traumatizes' residents

By Sam Gillett

Summer weekends at Koshlong Lake are often punctuated by gunfire.

Residents said shots ring out near Ripple Rock Drive within shouting distance of walkers, canoers and swimmers.

Even when no one is using the Crown land, hundreds of shotgun shells, metal ammunition casings, clay targets, broken beer bottles and burnt debris remain.

Many who live at the Highlands East lake said it's an issue that's getting worse; directly affecting their day-to-day lives.

"It's the shooting, and the garbage that's left behind," said Mike Palmer, director of the Koshlong Lake Association and president of the Koshlong Lake South Shore Roads Association (KLSSRA).

Dave Westaway, who's director of the KLSSRA, added evidence of alcohol

consumption paired with target practice leads to worrying conclusions.

"That's the part that scares us," said Westaway. "We recognize it's Crown land, and we can't do anything about that part. But it's about being respectful of the land and the danger that it creates."

Margot McDonald, whose cottage is located less than 200 metres from the pit, said the gunfire triggers her husband's

post-traumatic stress disorder. Once while her sister was canoeing, a sudden gunshot spooked her dog, causing it to tip the canoe. "We are all traumatized by it," McDonald said.

YMCA Camp Wanakita, on the lake's north shore, has had to cancel overnight camping trips due to excessive gunfire, said general manager Andy Gruppe.

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## Complaints across highlands

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"The kids basically get scared - and they don't want to be here. They want to go home. One individual can have an impact, and take away experiences from dozens and dozens of others."

Palmer estimates people shoot at the sand pit every other weekend during the summer and, according to him, many nearby residents won't leave their homes when the shooting occurs. He said he and others have confronted visitors to the sand pit; asking them to clean up afterwards and reminding them of the residences and lake nearby.

All the residents *The Highlander* spoke with said they feel as though little has been done about their complaints.

An MNRF spokesperson said the ministry has responded to "a few complaints over the last several years related to various types of Crown land use."

While the MNRF has jurisdiction over improper use of the land, such as littering or illegal building, unsafe firearm use is a police matter - no matter where it occurs.

According to Palmer, the OPP have been called multiple times but that has not stopped excessive target practice or littering. If the people shooting have registered their firearm, and are not

caught littering, they are not breaking rules, he said.

Haliburton Highlands OPP said police last responded to a complaint in the area in 2017 and no charges were laid. Palmer maintains there have been several complaints.

An OPP spokesperson said "For future instances, I recommend that residents contact police right away (rather than after the fact) so that a thorough investigation can be conducted at that time. This gives officers the best opportunity to identify offenders. If this is an ongoing issue, I also suggest that residents install video surveillance in areas of concern on their property."

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott said she is aware of Crown land complaints in Haliburton and encourages people to submit complaints to the MNRF, with reports of firearm-related disturbances or criminal activity to the OPP.

### Moffat, Devolin to approach MNRF

Crown land stretches across Haliburton County, and in recent months, complaints over misuse have taken centre stage.

In a letter to County council,

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said, "these are serious and sharply-increasing concerns about public safety due to the amplified growth of incompatible uses of specific Crown land parcels in proximity to private property."

She included emails from people claiming shooters were using SKS rifles, making ATV trails and destroying trees.

Council decided to have Moffatt and Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin head up an effort to collaborate with the Bancroft and Parry Sound MNRF.

"Maybe effort from a bunch of municipalities across the province might find us the kind of action we need," Moffatt said.

Moffatt said she's received word that another sand pit, near Livingstone Lake in Algonquin Highlands, has seen tree planting and signage aimed at discouraging use of the pit.

Westaway and Gruppe said restricting firearm use or closing the pit during the summer months could allow people, and campers, to enjoy the lake without fear.

For now, there's no clear way forward but Palmer said the Koshlong Lake pit is just getting busier.

"At what point, if it's really being used a lot, does it become a shooting range?"



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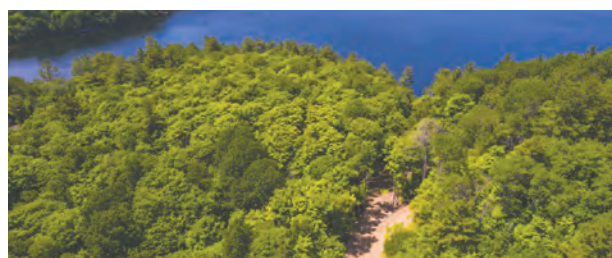
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Highlands Cinema owner Keith Stata said he won't be reopening in 2021. *File*

## Mixed bag for businesses heading into Step 3

By Lisa Gervais

While many local businesses are heading into Step 3 of the roadmap to reopen July 16, it remains exit stage left at Highlands Cinema in Kinmount.

Owner Keith Stata long ago made the decision to close for the summer of 2021 with the future of the iconic movie house in doubt.

He said the fine print revealed that patrons would have to have a reserved seat and people not in the same household remain two metres apart.

"We need to make hay while the sun shines in our short season. A rainy day can be 1,000 people. Those rules don't work for us," Stata told *The Highlander*.

He said a normal season would begin April 1 and take five weeks to get ready for a mid-May opening. Now, he said the theatre and its surrounds need a lot of work following last year's closure. Nor does he

have any trained staff.

Further challenges include movies being streamed on release; customer hesitation to be around other people; some people refusing to get vaccinated and some children not vaccinated.

"It sounds like a recipe for disaster," he said of the reopening.

As for the future of the business, Stata said, "With some help we can get through until next year, when hopefully this mess will be over. If we open now and don't recover our costs, we won't be here next year. Simple math."

Step 3 means there can be outdoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 100 people; and indoor ones with up to 25 people. People can meet indoors, or hold events, at half-capacity.

People can go to church, hold weddings and funerals.

Indoor dining can resume, with no limit on the number of people at tables as long as

physical distancing can be maintained.

More shoppers will be allowed in essential and non-essential stores as long as the two metre rule can be respected.

In addition, museums, galleries, historic sites, landmarks, fairs and rural exhibitions and festivals can go on, with capacity limited to not exceed 50 per cent indoors and 75 per cent outdoors. It also means a green light for concert venues, cinemas and theatres with some restrictions, largely 50 per cent capacity indoors and 75 per cent outdoors.

Local realtors can again have open houses with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance.

Premier Doug Ford credited the move to vaccination rates. Face masks in indoor public settings and physical distancing remain and the step will be in place for at least 21 days.

For Lynda Shadbolt of Blue Sky Yoga

Studio in Haliburton, the announcement came as good news and she intends to reopen.

Shadbolt said she's excited and researching the rules and regulations. The province has said indoor sports and recreational facilities can reopen subject to a maximum of 50 per cent capacity of the indoor space.

Shadbolt thinks it will be similar to last fall, when she was allowed four in the studio and everyone else online.

But after another extended lockdown, she said she is looking forward to having clients in-studio once again.

"My plan for the summer is to offer rainy day yoga, kind of spontaneously," she told *The Highlander*. "I will have people in the studio with me when I offer the classes."

She welcomes the change.

"I just love the vibe of everyone breathing together."

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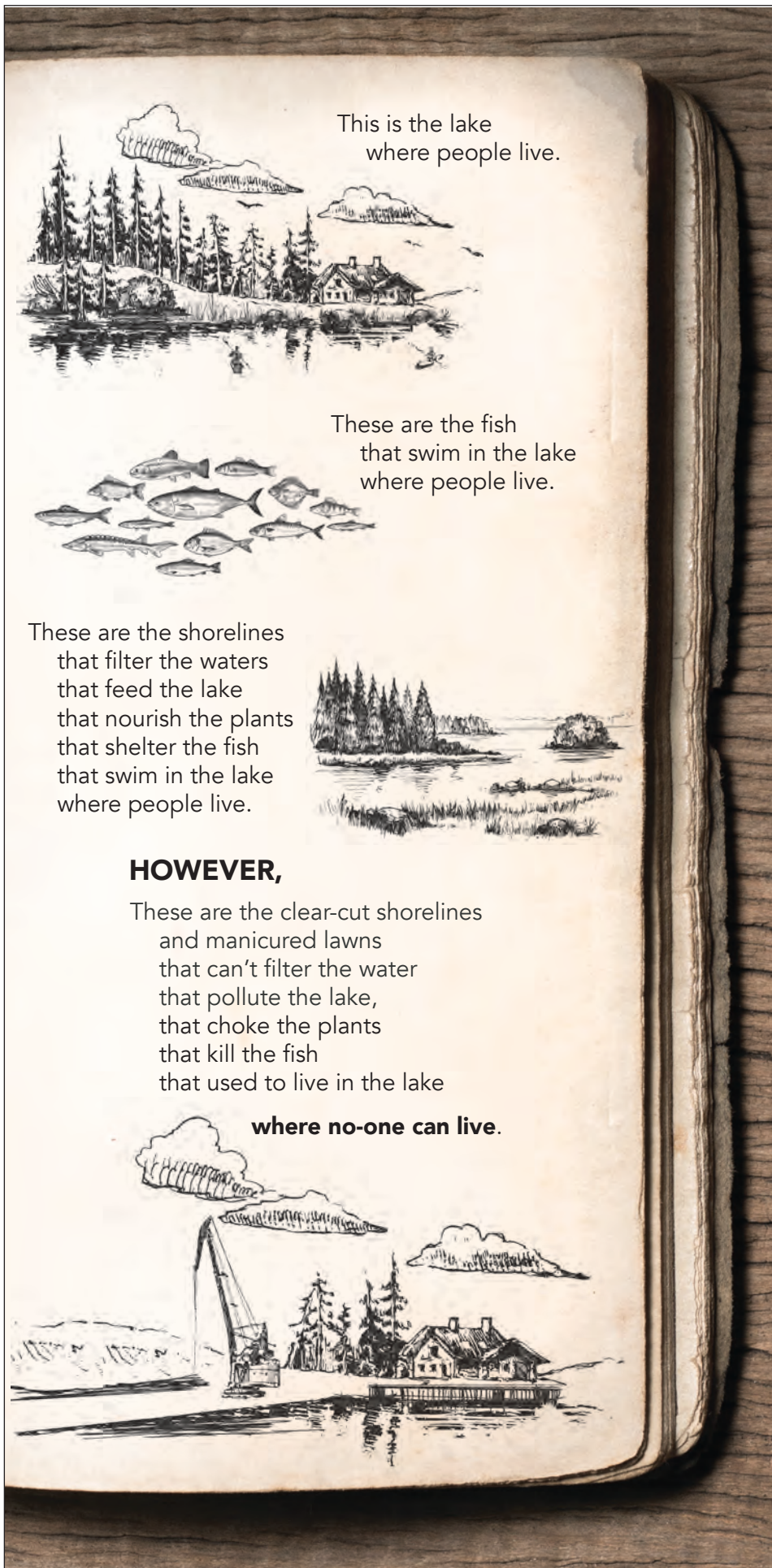


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## HIGHLANDS EAST NEWS

### Vehicle charging stations coming

Two electric vehicle (EV) charging stations are coming to Highlands East. They'll be installed outside the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena in Wilberforce.

The ports will cost the municipality \$3,480 in annual fees, however user fees will recover a portion of those costs. It's a service which County environmental coordinator Korey McKay said aligns with the municipality's efforts to reduce emissions.

"Both the supply and demand for electric vehicles is growing," McKay said.

She said an EV charging station can bring in tourism dollars: electric vehicle owners are likely to visit areas with charging ports. Currently, the closest electric vehicle charging stations are in Bancroft.

Councillors were enthusiastic but Deputy Mayor Cecil Ryall said the stations might not be busy for awhile.

"Electric vehicles are not going to be very popular up here in the short-term," Ryall said.

McKay also outlined how Highlands East is doing in its effort to reduce corporate greenhouse gas emissions. That includes emissions as a result of municipal vehicles, landfills and corporate buildings. Population growth has made it hard to meet previous goals.

Greenhouse gas emissions increased by 27 per cent from 2018 to 2020. McKay explained how COVID-19 restrictions meant staff couldn't carpool, resulting in higher emissions from municipal vehicles.

Emissions from waste management also rose by 32 per cent. McKay said increased traffic at landfills is primarily to blame, due to COVID-19-related tourism and residential growth.

### Centre Lake developer presents cottage plan

Centre Lake's west side could be populated with 35-40 cottage lots if a developer's request to buy Crown land is approved by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Kent Randall, principal of EcoVue Consulting Services Inc, presented Highland Views Properties' (HVP) vision for condominium-style cottage development on the lake's west shore.

"It's simply just development of single detached cottages along the shoreline," Randall said.

The development would be similar to a subdivision. Each cottage would be part of a condominium-style management structure, with lots that border the lakefront.

HVP currently owns 160 hectares next to a 60-metre Crown land reserve. The entire development, including Crown land, would be 183 hectares.

Randall said if geotechnical, hydrogeological and other environmental studies suggest changes to the development, HVP could revise their plan.

While the municipality can vote to

support or deny the disposition, the MNRF will make the final call on whether the land sale will go ahead. Before then, Randall explained that HVP will continue discussions with the municipality and various other stakeholders.

Many Haliburton County residents and local conservation groups have raised concerns over the proposed developments surrounding Centre Lake, which is currently a protected area.

Recently, Highlands East council voted not to support a planning proposal from Granite Shores, which seeks to build a resort on the lake's eastern shore.

### 'Flat-out crazy' building activity

Highlands East's planning department reported triple the amount of building permits issued so far in 2021 compared to the previous year.

"It's been an exceptionally busy year in the building department," said Arlene Quinn, the municipality's septic inspector.

Thirty-three building permits have been issued to date, as opposed to eight last year.

That contributed to construction values which exceed \$21 million, compared to \$3.9 million this time last year.

"This is totally scary," Ryall said, speaking about the drastic rise in building activity.

Quinn estimated the total building value in 2021 could potentially exceed \$30 million.

"It's flat-out crazy over here," she said.

### Flag protocol to be formalized

Highlands East will soon set in stone how it honours the lives of those who've passed with its flags.

CAO Shannon Hunter explained how recent resident feedback sparked the review of when Highlands East will lower its flags to half-mast.

"Without a protocol in place, it's been a continual guessing game," Hunter said. "We're just trying to alleviate any future concerns."

According to a draft report, the lowering of the flags outside municipal buildings will be a "sign of mourning or to commemorate a solemn occasion where a sense of loss is shared by all citizens."

The flags would be lowered for the deaths of notable members of the federal government and royal family, as well as emergency services personnel and municipal government representatives and workers.

The final report will outline a process for honouring community members or other instances of mourning.

Coun. Cam McKenzie said his part-time military career meant he was especially pleased to see the municipality take on flag protocol.

"If there's anything out of the ordinary, on the flag outside our office, I get a phone call," he said. (*Highlands East news compiled by Sam Gillett*)



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## At 100, Robinson's plans to keep on growing

By Lisa Gervais

As Robinson's General Store in Dorset turns 100, new owners Mike and Katie Hinbest are continuing a tradition of additions and expansions that have seen the once tiny 75 by 25-square foot original floor plan continue to grow over the last century.

Brad Robinson and the Robinson family sold the store to the Hinbests earlier this year and they have hit the ground running with a new Robinsons Marina and Powersports outlet just over the bridge, a Lake of Bays brewery outlet and a planned Affogato Café.

All the while, they are continuing to operate the iconic general store that the Robinson family established back in July 1921.

The Hinbests marked the occasion on July 10. They presented Brad with a painting of the store done by local artist, Mary An Blythe. They also had some limited-edition clothing made up for staff and family with some for retail, as well as some locally-made wood magnets and balloons at the store.

Mike Hinbest said when he and Katie first took over, they were "nervous" about ensuring they could continue the Robinsons' legacy. They wanted cottagers and full-time residents to continue coming not just for groceries, but to make family memories.

However, hailing from Huntsville, they

believe they share the values of the historic Dorset family.

"It's everything for us," Mike said while seated at a picnic table at the new marina. "How do we keep this iconic store so that it's about making family memories for another 100 years?"

Mike said another key to their marketing platform and for the future of Dorset is to make it a year-long destination, not just a summer one. For example, he said the new marina will do small engine repairs, but not just on motorized watercraft. They hope to service snowmobiles and all manner of all terrain and off-road vehicles.

Mike said he got to know Dorset when he was a snowmobiler and there's no reason it can't be a hub to access water and land trails, offering fuel and food all year round.

It's been a very busy spring and early summer but Mike said they are loving it.

He said they were taking their lifelong passion and pouring it into the Dorset business community.

Unlike some people who drag themselves to work on a Monday morning, Mike said he can't wait to start each and every work day.

"I'm just so happy. I enjoy doing it."

Mike is a lot like Brad. They both love people and like to talk. Robinson told *The Highlander* back in January 2020, at the time he put the property on the market, "You do in life what you want to do. If I'd



Mike Hinbest at the new Robinsons Marina and Powersports. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

wanted to go, I would have gone."

Brad took over the family store at the age of 20 more than 65 years ago. He oversaw 14 additions and they now sell groceries,

hardware and clothing.

It appears the Hinbests are on the same page as they continue to expand the Robinsons brand throughout the town.

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## HEALTH NEWS

### Walk-ins can get COVID vaccinations

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR) is inviting anyone 12 years of age and older to visit its mass immunization clinic in Minden for a first or second dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

The health unit said no appointments are necessary and walk-ins are welcome.

"We are receiving a lot more vaccine which means we can offer more appointments and opportunities for people to get vaccinated," said Dr. Natalie Bocking, Medical Officer of Health for the HKPR District Health Unit. "Our goal is to vaccinate as many residents as possible so we can all be protected from COVID and not have to see any further shutdowns, illness or deaths."

While there are still thousands of appointments available at Health Unit clinics until the end of July, Dr. Bocking said residents can also now visit a clinic as a walk-in for their first or second dose. Anyone coming to a clinic is asked to bring their Ontario Health Card.

There is a clinic at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena – 55 Parkside St., Minden – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Clinic dates are listed on the Health Unit's website at [hkpr.on.ca](http://hkpr.on.ca)

Dr. Bocking said some people may still prefer an appointment, and there are many spots still available through the provincial booking system for Health Unit

clinics throughout the region. As well, area residents can get vaccinated at local pharmacies, or through pop-up clinics being hosted by local hospitals, family health teams and community health teams. Walk-ins are also welcome at many of these clinics.

With so many opportunities to get vaccinated, Dr. Bocking is urging everyone who has a second dose appointment currently booked for August, September or October to get their second dose sooner. She said two doses offer better protection from the Delta variant, which is now prevalent throughout the province.

"We know the Delta variant is more transmissible and can cause more severe illness so it's important people get their second dose as soon as they can to ensure they are protected," Dr. Bocking said.

The other group Dr. Bocking hopes to see take advantage of the increased access to vaccine right now is local youth. With in-person learning expected to resume in the fall, Dr. Bocking said it's crucial that youth aged 12 to 17 years get both doses before schools start back in the fall.

"While most young people who got COVID did not suffer severe symptoms, we don't know if that will be the case with the variants of concern we are seeing now," Dr. Bocking said. "For their protection, and the protection of their family and community members, it's important that our youth get vaccinated."



The health unit is encouraging vaccines. *File.*

### Positivity rates

The Haliburton County Community COVID-19 Assessment Centre Positivity Rate Report shows declining COVID-19 cases in the area.

At the time of the latest report, there were no unresolved cases in the County.

For the period June 14-25, the positivity rate was 0.714 per cent. That was down from 2.49 per cent from the May 31-June 11 period. The assessment centre averaged

70 tests a week for the time period with zero cases of COVID variants.

There have been 122 confirmed cases since the pandemic began.

"Although the overall number of COVID-19 positive cases are declining, it is critical that public health measures continue to be followed in order to help prevent further spread of the virus and the VOCs, particularly as the province moves ahead with its Roadmap to Reopen plan," the partners said in a media release. (*Health news compiled by Lisa Gervais*)

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## Wizard waves magic wand for waste management

By Sam Gillett

A new app is giving Haliburton County residents and visitors digital tools to sort garbage, recycling and compost.

The Haliburton County Waste Wizard is available in all four municipalities on iOS and Android devices, as well as web browsers.

After selecting a municipality, users can search the app's database of common household waste items to find out what goes where.

According to Melissa Murray, environmental coordinator for Algonquin Highlands and project lead, the app could play a key part in the fight to effectively manage garbage and recycling.

"It's another important tool in our toolbox - we're trying to bring together as many resources that we can," Murray said.

While the app's main function is garbage sorting, users can also find landfill hours and be alerted to household hazardous waste days, landfill closures and more.

The app was developed by Recollect, a company that specializes in customized recycling and waste management tools.

Murray said that while Recollect produced the nuts and bolts of the app, several municipal staff were involved in the project.

"Collaborating on anything is always a big task so it's great to see a collaborative project like this come together," she said.

Murray and environmental workers across Haliburton County can also track the



The new Haliburton County Waste Wizard is available on mobile devices and web browsers. Photo by Sam Gillett

common items people search for, as well as receive feedback from users through the app.

"We want to hear from people - what's

working and what's not working for them as well," she said.

The free app is available on the Apple App Store for iPhones and iPads, and the

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## Action needed on Crown land

In today's *Highlander*, we write about another land use issue that is proving challenging for our County.

In this case, it is the use of Crown land within the Highlands. While it is the province, and specifically the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, that governs the use of Crown land within our borders, municipalities are becoming increasingly worried about usage.

Specifically, we are hearing that people are bringing trailers on weekends and camping out in sand and gravel pits. In addition to enjoying adult beverages, we are hearing about instances of target shooting. In some cases, people have claimed SKS (semi-automatic) rifles are being used.

We are hearing this is happening in Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East with other land use issues in Minden Hills, and presumably Dysart et al.

In today's story, we hear from municipal politicians and residents who are opposed to shooting on Crown land near their cottages and homes.

We do not hear from the people using the pits on weekends. So, I wanted to try to get their perspective.

In Ontario, you are allowed to discharge firearms on Crown land.

However, in order to make sure you are allowed to shoot a firearm on the Crown land in question, you must use Crown

land classified as 'general.' These areas are shown in yellow on the MNRF's CLUPA maps. If you happen to see diagonal lines overlaid on the map, it indicates areas with potentially different rules.

I went on the site and have to say it is not user-friendly. It was difficult to find some of the Crown land referenced in Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East. After about a half hour of trying to figure out if the sites being mentioned are okay to shoot on, I gave up.

I applaud Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt for bringing the issue to County council. Her township has been somewhat stymied in trying to curb shooting on Crown land at the Livingstone pit. There have been reports of people walking down the road only to hear the crack of gunfire overhead.

A pit down Ripple Rock Drive on Koshlong Lake in Highlands East is seeing similar activity.

The fact the County is authorizing Moffatt and Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin to approach the MNRF on the topic is a positive response. Both are passionate about the ever-conflicting land use issues in the Highlands and will voice their concerns vociferously.

We are disappointed in the MNRF. They claim there's been a few complaints over the last several years related to various

types of Crown land use. When it comes to people shooting off guns close to residential areas, they should be taking this much more seriously.

In the same vein, local MPP Laurie Scott should be championing the cause.

It is a growing problem. More people are coming to the area to camp and shoot on Crown land. People have been cooped up during the pandemic. They want to get out into rural and regional Ontario. They find out about these pits on various gun owners' websites. They don't necessarily know what is around them and how close they are to cottages and residents.

It's the MNRF's job to educate them. We've heard they have visited shooters at the Livingstone pit but they must ensure regular weekend checks at others we know are being used for these purposes.

And, needless to say, if OPP get a report from someone walking down a cottage road hearing a gunshot crack over their heads, they better get over there. We would hate for someone to be accidentally shot to finally spark action on the issue.



By Lisa Gervais

## COVID CORNER

### Vaccines and real-world data

There is the measurement of vaccine effectiveness gathered during safety testing while vaccines are being studied. And then there is the real-world measure of their effectiveness, outside a controlled test environment.

Factors such as the treatments and medications a person takes, age, health of immune system, and co-existing medical conditions, can all influence vaccine response. A compilation of data recently pulled from numerous countries has been analyzed to evaluate the real-world evidence for COVID-19 vaccines.

Similar to the clinical trials, real world cohort and case-control studies find COVID-19 infections are reduced by greater than 90 per cent with two doses of mRNA vaccines. Single doses of either mRNA or AstraZeneca vaccine decreases infections by approximately 60 per cent, and hospitalizations by 70-80 per cent.

Vaccine effectiveness appears similar for variants of concern and are safe for pregnant women.

There is data from countries including Israel, the UK, the US and Canada. Of note is a four-month Ontario case-control study of adults 16 years and older. Single dose Pfizer or Moderna reduced symptomatic infection by 60 per cent and hospitalization or death by 70 per cent. Two doses reduced symptomatic infection by 91 per cent and hospitalization or death by 98 per cent.

Included in the real-world data are stats for safety in pregnancy. Of 35,691 pregnant women who received Pfizer or

Moderna, there were no additional negative effects of the vaccines to the pregnancies over and above normal baseline risk of average pregnancy. Data do reveal higher risk of preterm delivery, C-section, and admission to ICU in woman with COVID, however. Increased risk of maternal or fetal severe illness and death from COVID is documented.

Researchers conclude pregnant women should be offered the COVID-19 vaccine.

We are gathering new data daily as we globally move through the experience of SARS-CoV-2, meaning what we knew yesterday can evolve and change. The data are stored in "Living Repositories," a term referring to their changing nature. One such repository is called COVID-END. It brings together more than 50 of the world's leading evidence-synthesis, technology-assessments and guideline-development groups. This avoids duplication, coordinates researchers, and ensures the best new evidence and its analysis is guiding the pandemic response. It captures the insights and conclusions from the global panel of leading researchers.

The Living Evidence Synthesis from June 2021 examined the efficacy and effectiveness of at least six available COVID-19 vaccines for variants of concern (VOC). Of 77 studies analyzed, 41 had adequate quality to be used to draw conclusions, although new studies are being added regularly with weekly updates available on the COVID-END website.

Regarding the four current variants of

concern (VOC) - alpha, beta, gamma and delta - Pfizer and Moderna effectively reduce symptomatic infection or hospitalizations similar to non-VOC infections. Two doses of Pfizer or AstraZeneca are better than one.

It is well known that individuals with reduced immune systems (because of immune suppressant medication or medical illness) have a weaker and shorter immune response to immunization. For this reason, there has always been the thought that these individuals will benefit from a sooner booster. In fact, Israel announced it plans to offer third doses of the Pfizer vaccine to adults with weak immune systems. While they decide if a third dose is beneficial to the general public, for now they are administering a third shot to people suffering from immunodeficiency.

Pfizer is suggesting a third shot (that can increase antibodies in anyone but would benefit most the elderly and immunocompromised) at the same time they are developing a vaccine targeted at the Delta variant. But for now, the FDA and CDC have not recommended a third vaccine. The numbers continue to show that more than 90 per cent of new COVID hospitalizations are in unvaccinated patients.



By Dr. Nell Thomas



# Editorial opinion

## LETTERS

### Does County council represent all?

Dear editor,

I listened to the discussion about the 'shoreline protection' presented by the consultants. [At the County council meeting June 23].

You [Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt] correctly made a few comments about stakeholders that did require some discussion.

I am the president of our lake association and our members are approximately 40 per cent of lake property owners. You are correct we do not necessarily represent the views of the non-members (or even all of the members) even though they get the benefits of the work we do with the fees from the members.

You stated that council, unlike lake associations, represent all the property owners. Let's consider that. I am sure that you and the other councillors were not elected by 100 per cent of the voters. In fact, there may not have been even 50 per cent of the eligible voters that voted at all. However, we give the decision-making for the whole to the elected council who were elected by the few.

Those who voted for others, or who did not vote at all, have to live with your decisions. If they want to oppose, they can do so individually or organize a group to represent their opposing views.

The argument you make about the lake associations can be made about the business groups and commerce groups as well.

I am currently quite involved in responding to the MNRF request for input on their potential amendment to allow them to dispose of the Crown land on Centre Lake. Without a shoreline bylaw in Haliburton, this situation on Centre Lake encompasses all that can go wrong if environmental and economic interests are allowed to operate unhindered.

I appreciate the work you and council are doing in order to bring an appropriate 'shoreline preservation bylaw' to Haliburton County.

**Mike Thomas**  
President  
Paudash Lake Conservation Association

### Open letter to HCSA

Dear editor,

I read with interest the article in the June 30 edition of *The Highlander* about "The Stellar Snowmobile Season in Haliburton County".

My wife and I did not share your enthusiasm when we arrived home to find that a snowmobiler had ripped up over 40 feet of the walkway we had built beside our house.

The walkway was constructed of three to four inches of half-inch granite gravel laid over landscape fabric. The snowmobile dug through the granite gravel, shredded the ground cloth, and then dug farther into the

## PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Henry J. Stronks captured this image of a blue heron very focused and "on the hunt" on the shores of East Moore Lake in Minden Hills early in the morning on July 1.

base material.

One cannot believe that the snowmobiler, with gravel and cloth shreds flying around, did not realize what he/she was doing. To continue such behaviour for over 40 feet distance can only be described as wanton destruction.

No attempt was made to acknowledge their action and offer to help repair the damage.

As you might expect, we will be posting and barricading our property for future winters, and encouraging our neighbours to do the same.

**Ross Gladwell**  
Bob Lake

### Without MacDonald there is no Canada

Dear editor,

Your editorial of June 30 suggests that Canada has been a pretty despicable country.

Two letters in the July 8 edition agreed. My view differs, and I hope the discussion may continue a bit longer.

You mention that we should abandon the notion that Canada is superior to

other countries. I agree but if we want to improve, where do we look?

The curse of 'racism' must be avoided, so virtually every country in Asia, Africa and South America is off the list. Again, I agree we're no better than the U.S. - unless we accept the orthodoxy that slavery represents the ultimate in human villainy.

However, the States has had a history of slavery, and Canada (ie. British North America) did not. The British Empire was the first global force to try to end slavery and it succeeded in much of the world.

Your editorial ignores this, but suggests that our forebears are guilty anyway for profiting from the slave trade. That thought raises many additional thoughts. The Royal Navy was not able to totally eradicate slavery, which has always existed and probably always will. Slave labour in China and other parts of Asia still exist and underpin the prosperity of Canada. We don't hear much about this 21st century brand of slavery, but we should reflect on it when we shop at Walmart (or anywhere).

Our smug, pampered, virtuous fellow Canadians are profiting from slavery more than our ancestors ever did. Our residential school story calls for honest reporting, but that's the last thing the government wants. It prefers Show Trials, and it's much more fun to demonize Sir John A.

Of course, without Macdonald there would be no Canada. He was the natives' friend, and wanted them to be full participants in the country - gave them the right to vote like other citizens (until the Laurier Liberals cancelled it). Macdonald should be celebrated every July 1, along with the memory of the wonderful country he founded.

**John Bateman**  
Minden

### Good in the world

Dear editor,

I had a wonderful thing happen.

When good happens, I like to think acknowledge those in Haliburton.

Friday past [July 2], I was at the Post Office. I picked up a parcel and left. I dropped my wallet on the road between the Post Office and Jug City. Some wonderful person returned it to the Post Office all intact.

I cannot thank whoever this was enough. Thank you for reinforcing there is more good in this world than bad.

**Gord Kidd**  
Haliburton



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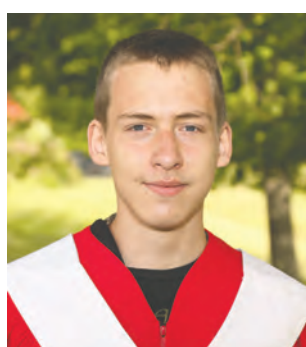
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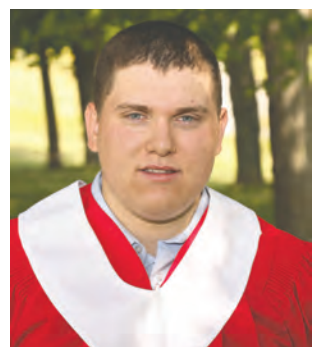
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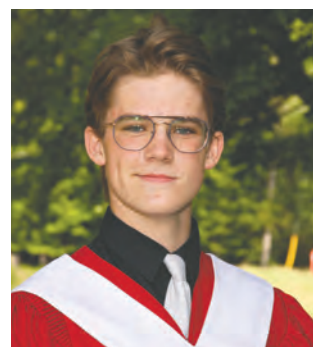
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# Highlander business

## A new era for vinyl and vintage shops

By Sam Gillett

When Russell Red Records and Mixtape Vintage opened in 2019, neither owner thought their shops would be a permanent fixture on Haliburton's main street.

Two years later, with a new location and renovated retail space, the businesses appear to be here to stay.

Heidi Hudspith of Mixtape Vintage and Dan Manley of Russell Red Records joined forces in 2019 while hosting a pop-up shop. After lots of interest, they moved into a retail space across from Highland Street's Rexall. But that store didn't feel like a permanent home.

"It always kind of felt temporary," Hudspith said. "Now, we have room to grow."

Their new shop is at 173a Highland St. Manley's records are spread along each wall: classic rock, pop vinyls are placed alongside brand-new albums from artists such as Taylor Swift.

Mixtape Vintage takes up the back of the shop. Hudspith sources retro clothes and accessories which hang artfully on either side of a picture window overlooking Head Lake Park.

Manley explained how the pair had far more creative freedom when they designed the new store's layout.

"Coming in here, we were able to start from scratch," he said. After opening their doors in late June, business has taken off.

"Sales here have increased so much

compared to last year," Hudspith said. "I didn't think it would start until Canada Day, but every day last week there was a huge wave of people coming through."

She and Manley think that's because their new spot is close to the park and a busier section of Highland Street.

"Essentially, it's a difference in the location in town, there's a psychological barrier in the location of the lights," said Manley, referring to the intersection of Highland Street and Maple Avenue. "This [location] is just more conducive to people going by, coming up from the park."

Besides busy foot traffic, the fresh start gave both business owners a chance to expand their selections.

"It's turning a bit into a sustainable lifestyle store," Hudspith said, gesturing to the cups, lamps and more which are recycled and given new lives with each purchase.

Hudspith said that picking out cool vintage products and connecting them with the perfect customer is a highlight of the job.

"The retail part of it is the fun part of it for me," Hudspith said. "Seeing [customers] find something they love and take it home - that part is what makes it for me."

That meant the last year, for both Hudspith and Manley, was especially tough.

COVID-19 forced the shops to close their doors to foot traffic multiple times. That, along with renovating and moving, made for a tiring year.



Heidi Hudspith and Dan Manley own Mixtape Vintage and Russell Red Records. The businesses have moved into a new home on Highland Street. Photo by Sam Gillett.

But the renovated space is now open; bustling with more customers, records and handpicked vintage goods than ever.

"When we found this location, that was kind of a big incentive to keep going," Hudspith said.

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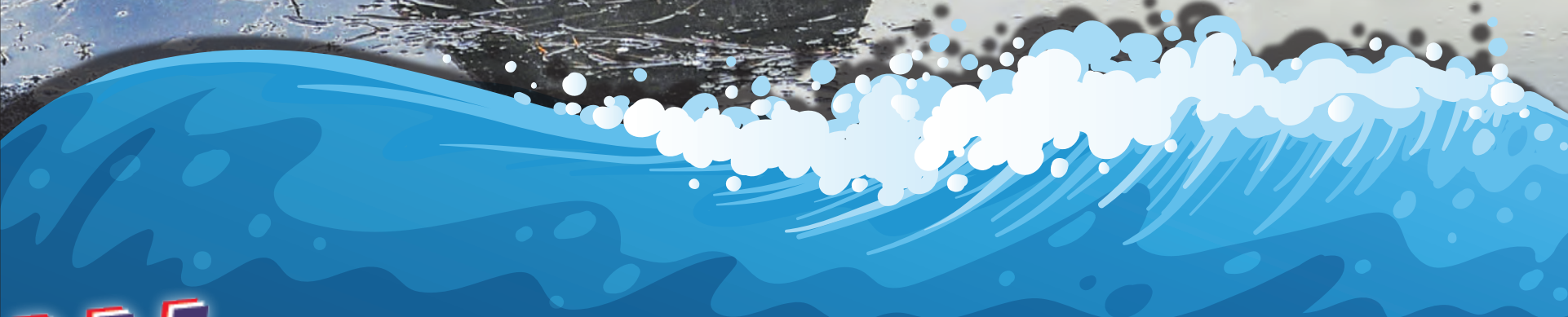
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# Highlander arts



Art on the Dock organizer Janis Parker and artist Marleen Campbell at last year's event. *File.*

## Art from dock to dock returns to Kennisis

By Sam Gillett

An annual dockside art show will see artists and artisans set up shop on docks around Kennisis Lake again this year.

On July 17, the Art on the Dock event features 30 artists who will exhibit paintings, pottery, jewelry and more at their lakeside properties.

Event organizer, Janis Parker, said it's a unique opportunity to celebrate Haliburton County's vibrant arts sector.

"I think people are just in awe of how many wonderful artisans we have within

our community and Haliburton County as a whole," Parker said.

Besides purchasing art directly from the artists, the event raises money for the Artists in the Schools & Community program.

Since it began seven years ago, donations at each art venue and sales of limited edition prints by artist Wilf McOstrich have raised over \$20,000.

Since many of the artists have learned or taught at Fleming's Haliburton School of Art and Design, Parker said art education is a worthy cause to donate to.

"As you get to talking with more and

more people, a lot of them had a basic gift but did an awful lot of their training at the Fleming school for the arts," Parker said.

Artists such as Barbara Larcina and Lynda Henry wrote in the tour's brochure that they've been inspired by the school's classes and arts community. It's Parker's hope that the event can help continue investments in arts education.

"We wanted to make sure the arts continued to flourish in Haliburton," she said.

Savannah Tomev is an artist who creates colourful, intricate paintings of animals and

landscapes on canoe paddles. This will be her third year showcasing art at her family's cottage.

For Tomev, the focus of Art on the Dock isn't about making money: it's a way to connect with the wider arts community of Kennisis Lake and Haliburton.

"It's a great way for people to make connections with other artists but also make new friends at the lake," Tomev said.

Art on the Dock is July 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and July 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information on the artists and exhibit locations, go to [haliburtonarts.ca](http://haliburtonarts.ca)

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# Highlander arts

## Raising money for the arts one foot at a time

By Sam Gillett

A pop-up fundraiser will be selling donated art -- by the square foot - all summer long in Haliburton.

For the annual Art Squared event, Haliburton County artists have donated 12-inch by 12-inch paintings. Each one costs \$100 with all the money going to local arts organizations.

The fundraiser will run as a pop-up booth outside the Rails End Gallery at most Haliburton farmers markets. This year, each sale will funnel money to the Rails End Gallery.

Dagmar Boettcher, an Art Squared board member, said local artists have been eager to support the fundraiser.

"People have been really great about donating," Boettcher said. "Big shout out to all the artists in our town that have given us a 12-inch by 12-inch painting that they could have sold for \$350."

On large wooden racks, the Art Squared paintings tackle diverse themes: vibrant chickens, inquisitive turtles, rustic homesteads and tranquil river scenes.

Art Squared board member and artist Deborah Reed said she enjoys donating art to the event because of how the arts community in Haliburton has impacted her life. Each summer, she took art classes at the Haliburton School of Art and Design. Now, along with her partner Boettcher, she lives in the area full-time.

"I'm fairly new to Haliburton, and



Laurie Jones of the Rails End Gallery holds a donated Art Squared painting next to board members Pat Currie, Deborah Reed and Dagmar Boettcher. Photo by Sam Gillett.

"I'm grateful to it. It's such a strong and welcoming community," she said.

Art Squared sprouted to life after board members met while taking art classes from Carole Finn, an artist and printmaker formerly based in Minden.

One of the people taking lessons came up with the bite-sized painting fundraiser, and after a meeting, Art Squared took off.

The first year it ran, the group raised \$3,500 for an HSAD student bursary in painting and drawing; the second year also raised \$3,500 for the Rails End Gallery.

Since then, they've developed relationships with local long-term care homes, and paintings which don't sell are donated to add colour and vibrancy to their walls.

For Boettcher, Art Squared is a celebration of arts, community, and the importance of creativity.

"I think without art and music and all the cultural things a lot of people don't think we should be spending money on, our lives are so less rich," she said.

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/ TENDERS

Please see below and visit our website at [www.mindenhills.ca/tenders/](http://www.mindenhills.ca/tenders/) for more information and submission deadlines.

### RFP #CSD 21-01 Fitness Equipment (Supply & Installation)

The Township is seeking proposals from interested and qualified Respondents for the provision and installation of exercise equipment in the new Minden Hills Community Centre and SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena. The deadline for submissions is July 28, 2021 by 12:00 noon.

### A Message from the Fire Department

#### Learn How to Avoid Heat-related Illnesses

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- Take time to rest and cool down

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### Community Centre Fundraising Initiative

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### Waste Reduction Tip

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### (Virtual) Council Meetings

Council and Closed Session meetings are currently being conducted virtually via web conference meetings, until further notice. Meetings begin at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted.

The schedule of upcoming meetings are:

**July 29**

Regular Council Meeting

**August 26**

Regular Council Meeting

Please note Council Meetings are reduced to one (1) meeting a month in July, August and December.

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by joining a live-stream link available on the township website at [www.mindenhills.ca/council/](http://www.mindenhills.ca/council/) or by using the direct link provided in the notice. We encourage those wishing to view the meeting to also download the agenda, as it will not be displayed during the streaming process. Meeting agendas can be downloaded by visiting our website at [www.mindenhills.ca/council/](http://www.mindenhills.ca/council/).

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# Highlander community



## 100 Women give to Volunteer Dental Outreach

The 100 Women Who Care Haliburton executive members, Pat Bradley, Tina Palmer and Sandra Slauenwhite-Box present a cheque to Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County representatives, directors, Betty Mills, Kathy Purc and Lisa Kerr. The members voted to allocate their cumulative individual donations, amounting to \$6,400 to VDO at their Zoom meeting June 23. The local chapter of 100 Women Who Care meets three times per year and vote to donate \$100 each to one of three charities selected after an individual from the chosen charities has given a five-minute description of the role the charity plays in the County of Haliburton. Local charities are nominated by members prior to the meeting and drawn two weeks before the meeting. The next meeting will take place in October 2021 and new members and charity nominations are always welcome. (Submitted)



## Highlands East residents filled 'em up

The Central Food Network held a July 3 donation drive to stock up on much-needed items for their food banks, specifically personal care items, menstrual products and pet food and supplies. The fill 'em up fundraiser generated more than 350 items and \$500. The items will be distributed to Highlands East residents in need of assistance while the money will go towards kid-friendly lunch kits during the summer. See [centralfoodnetwork.org](http://centralfoodnetwork.org) for more. Pictured, left to right: Gail Gotter, Ken Mott, Lisa Ayles and Barry Gotter. Submitted.



### COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE

THIS MEETING WILL BE HEARD AS AN ELECTRONIC HEARING BY WAY OF A VIRTUAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

**DATE:** MONDAY, July 26, 2021  
**TIME:** 10:30 AM  
**LOCATION:** Due to the physical distancing requirements imposed as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be held as an electronic hearing by way of a virtual meeting.

**To participate:**  
**Join the meeting by telephone by dialing either:** 1-647-374-4685 OR 1-647-558-0588  
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**Join the meeting using a computer or smart phone at:**  
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**Members of the public are welcome to watch the Committee of Adjustment meeting by joining YouTube at:**  
<https://youtu.be/Ck888WHkous>

Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the Public Hearing must pre-register by emailing [dsisson@mindenhills.ca](mailto:dsisson@mindenhills.ca) by Sunday, June 27th before 4:00 PM or by attending and registering the morning of the meeting before 10:00 AM. Participants registering after 10:00 AM will not be permitted into the public hearing.

Once registered, participants will automatically be placed into a holding room and brought into the hearing as permitted by the Chair.

Please note the live-stream link provided for each hearing will only be activated while Committee of Adjustment is in session.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2021042** and **PLMV2021045** and the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

**PLMV2021042** – Part Lot 11, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1224 McCrackens Lane; and located on Horseshoe Lake (see Key Map).  
**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** To permit the construction of an 11.15 square metre addition to an existing dwelling. The variance sought would allow for construction of the addition having a setback of 5.94 metres to the High Water Mark (HWM) setback; whereas otherwise in accordance with Section 4.8.4 (iv) an increase in size for a building or structure located within 15 metres of the HWM is not permitted. The addition as proposed would maintain the current setback of the existing dwelling.



**PLMV2021045** – Part Lot 7, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1018 Pottery Drive; and located on Mountain Lake (see Key Map).  
**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** To permit the construction of a detached garage as well as an addition to an existing dwelling. The variance sought for the garage would allow for an interior side lot line setback of 0.9 metres, whereas 2 metres is otherwise required. The variance sought for the addition would allow for a setback of 9.6 metres to the High Water Mark (HWM), whereas otherwise in accordance with Section 4.8.4 (iv) an increase in size for a building or structure located within 15 metres of the HWM is not permitted. The addition as proposed would maintain the current setback of the existing dwelling.



**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** regarding these applications are available online at [www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom](http://www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom). Copies of the complete applications will be available for public inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department by appointment only.

**HAVE YOUR SAY:** Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

**WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS:** To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail [adougherty@mindenhills.ca](mailto:adougherty@mindenhills.ca).

**ANY PERSON OR AGENCY WHO IS OF THE OPINION THAT HOLDING THE HEARING AS AN ELECTRONIC HEARING IS LIKELY TO CAUSE THEM SIGNIFICANT PREJUDICE,** may make a submission to the undersigned, and if the Committee is satisfied that holding the hearing as an electronic hearing is likely to cause the party significant prejudice then the hearing will be re-scheduled as an oral hearing.

**ACCESSIBILITY:** The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. **If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.**

**PRIVACY DISCLOSURE:** As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

For more information about this matter contact [adougherty@mindenhills.ca](mailto:adougherty@mindenhills.ca).

Amanda Dougherty  
Township Planning Consultant  
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment  
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0

**Please note: paper submitted to the Township is being held for three (3) days before opening.** If providing comment, please consider making an electronic submission to the e-mail address above, or, make specific reference to the Application Number on the outside of the envelope.



# Highlander health

## Striding for new doctors in Kinmount

By Sam Gillett

An annual fundraiser is joining the effort to bring a new doctor - or two - to Kinmount.

Participants in the Kinmount District Health Services Foundation's 23rd annual Journey for Health will gather community pledges before completing a walk of their own choosing on or before August 8.

In the past two years, the event has raised more than \$15,000, which helps fund new technology, patient services, landscaping and more at the Kinmount Health Centre.

This year, organizer and board member Barb Millington said the goal is to fund travel costs or any fees which may deter doctors who might come to the area.

"So many people don't have doctors -

it's hard to get on the waiting list even in Haliburton and Minden," Millington said. "If we ever do find a new doctor you really do feel good about what you've done."

*So many people don't have doctors*

**Barb Millington**

Organizer

Millington said she's planning on hiking a portion of the rail trail - but participants can walk wherever and for however long they like.

Sponsor sheets are available for download at [kdhc.ca](http://kdhc.ca) or can be picked up at the Kinmount Pharmacy, Kinmount Downtown Pharmacy or the Kinmount Health Centre.



People play at a previous Journey for Health walk. Photo submitted.



### Haliburton County Council NOTICE OF VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

The County of Haliburton has many lakes that serve important environmental, economic and social roles. The health of our lakes is important for residents and businesses.

The County of Haliburton has retained Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd (HESL) and J.L. Richards & Associates Ltd. (JLR) to provide independent professional recommendations on a new Shoreline Preservation By-law for the County. This includes a review of the scientific literature related to shoreline preservation, an environmental scan of other municipalities and consultation to gauge residents and stakeholders opinion and feedback.

As part of the public consultation process, HESL and JLR are hosting a Virtual Open House to introduce the project and understand the issues and concerns regarding shoreline preservation in the County of Haliburton. Due to the present COVID-19 pandemic, a traditional "Open House" cannot be hosted at the Town Hall. The "Virtual" Open House will offer the same sort of viewing and commenting experience remotely.

**DATE:** Thursday, July 29, 2021

**PLACE:** via Zoom

**TIME:** 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

#### HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. If you wish to speak at the open house, please register by contacting Stephen Stone, Director of Planning, County of Haliburton at [ssstone@haliburtoncounty.ca](mailto:ssstone@haliburtoncounty.ca)
2. If you do not wish to speak at the open house, you can still view the live stream on the County of Haliburton YouTube Channel: <https://youtu.be/9L797DHe6TW>
3. If you are not able to attend the meeting, you can watch a recording of the meeting on the County's YouTube Channel and submit your comments to the contacts listed below.

#### For more information on the matter, please contact:

Jason Ferrigan, RPP, MCIP, MSc.Pl., Senior Planner, J.L. Richards and Associates Ltd. 705-806-4422. [jferrigan@jlrichards.ca](mailto:jferrigan@jlrichards.ca)

Gaurang Khandelwal, Planner, J.L. Richards and Associates Ltd. 226-770-3317 [gkhandelwal@jlrichards.ca](mailto:gkhandelwal@jlrichards.ca)

Additional information can be found at <https://www.haliburtoncounty.ca/en/living-here/shoreline-preservation.aspx>

It is advised that this Open House will be video recorded and posted on the County's YouTube Channel. Personal information from those that make either an oral or written submission is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M. 56, and will become part of the public record.

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# Highlander people



Heather Phillips has been appointed president of the Rotary Club of Haliburton. Photo By Sam Gillett.

## Rotary Clubs welcome new leaders

By Sam Gillett

As the County emerges from COVID-19, the Rotary clubs of Minden and Haliburton will continue their fundraising and community improvement efforts under new leadership.

Heather Phillips has been appointed president of the Rotary Club of Haliburton, while Lynda Litwin returns as president of the Minden branch.

A central part of being a Rotarian, said Litwin, is “being part of the Rotary family. It’s so many people with big, big hearts.”

Litwin, who previously served as president in 2016, joined the club eight years ago, partly because of the impact she saw Rotary have on small communities and in her family’s life: her daughter benefitted from Rotary bursaries and sponsored trips.

“It was a pretty simple fit to join a club that provided so many opportunities for my daughter and my family,” Litwin said.

Once she hosted the first meeting with the Minden executive July 12, they’ll begin to chart a new year of fundraisers and initiatives.

“It’s a very, very supportive club. Hosting a meeting, as the president, is an honour and it’s something that you look forward to doing: taking your turn and being part of the process.”

She said that growing the group with new volunteers is a major focus: their work throughout the pandemic has shown the need for community care.

“There are so many that need various forms of support and compassion to get through the trials that the COVID pandemic has brought on individuals, businesses, and support groups that make up the community,” Litwin said.

### Haliburton's new president

Phillips is a new Rotarian; joining the club in 2019.

Her first few weeks in the role have been spent learning the ropes.

“It’s a lot of familiarizing myself with the processes of Rotary - being a member, you don’t see the administrative side,” Phillips said.

She said she’s thankful for the guidance of outgoing president Ted Brandon, who has been helping her adjust.

“I’m the president, but the club is behind me,” Phillips said. “We don’t really make any decisions without the club’s approval.”

For Phillips, engaging new members - especially younger people through the

local Interact and Rotaract clubs - is a key priority.

“I’m just hoping to let people know what Rotary is all about - so they can get more information on the things we do and maybe come and join us,” Phillips said.

The clubs have been instrumental in volunteering for the health unit’s COVID clinics in Haliburton and Minden.



Lynda Litwin is returning as president of the Rotary Club of Minden. Photo submitted.

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# Highlander outdoors

## Outdoors association surveying fish health

By Lisa Gervais

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) wants to hear from anglers on the Kashagawigamog (Kash) chain of lakes.

They have released a survey that will run all summer.

Spokesman Tim Bahr said the lakes, which include Kash, Head, Grass, Soyers and Canning, are a vital part of the Highlands' outdoors community.

"The HHOA is dedicated to maintaining and enhancing local fisheries and fish environments," Bahr said. "This survey is designed to gather information on the fishing experiences of lake residents and other people who fish the chain. The results will be used to support efforts to improve fishing and fish habitat on the Kash chain."

Bahr, who has had a cottage on Canning Lake for 25 years, said it was only this past April that the HHOA began tracking Walleye spawning for the first time in 10 years on two sections of the Drag River under a Walleye Watch program.

He said the HHOA has anecdotally heard about a drop in both quantity and quality of Walleye, sometimes referred to as pickerel, since around 2010, which is why they reinstated the watch.

Retired Fleming College Fisheries and Limnology professor Dennis McGee helped the HHOA with the survey and they have been working with the MNRF. Bahr said data will help them all better manage



A freshly caught Walleye. Flickr.

Walleye throughout the chain.

The HHOA is also awaiting permits in hopes of cleaning up the rocks that run under the bridge at Highway 118 over the Drag River. Cleaning the rocks would allow fish eggs to attach better. Bahr said one theory for why the Walleye population has dropped off is it hasn't been cleaned in 10 years and rehabilitation could have a significant impact. He said winter road sand

could also be having an effect.

He said the Drag River is one of most important Walleye spawning areas in the entire Highlands area so it's very important that it be in good shape. But he said "something's happening. Anglers are catching Walleye periodically but most are very big. There's not a lot of young fish."

He encouraged people to take a few minutes to fill out the survey.

"We're going to learn a lot from this and use results to work with the MNRF to start a rehabilitation process to try to improve the fishing. The Kash chain is important to Minden and Haliburton. Walleye is a really sought-after fish."

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# Sports hall of fame

## Commitment from the rink to the track

By Sam Gillett

Multi-sport athlete and long-time coach Marla MacNaull said she is “humbled” to be recognized in the first group of Haliburton Highlands Sports Hall of Fame inductees.

MacNaull excelled at whatever sport she played. Through her long career, she’s shown how determination, enthusiasm and hard work bring success on the track, cross-country trails and ice rinks across Canada.

The Hall of Fame committee nominated MacNaull, writing that her stamina, toughness and perseverance “paved the way for equity and inclusion in sport” in Haliburton.

MacNaull laced up her skates and hit the rink with the Haliburton boys PeeWee team in 1977. There was no girls team – but that didn’t stop her.

“I really wanted to play hockey, so my dad made it happen,” said MacNaull. “Some parents on the Haliburton team and the teams we played against weren’t overly excited to have a girl on the ice.”

She quickly became a star on the team – a right winger with a knack for scoring goals and leading the team to wins.

“I did score a lot of goals – because I was good, I was definitely accepted a little bit more,” she said. She still often sees former teammates in Haliburton.

“I have fond memories of that time,” she said.

During high school, she dove into track and field – helping her 1,600-metre relay team reach the OFFSA championship.

In university, she joined the track team and advanced to the national university sports championship

But after realizing McMaster had a women’s hockey team, she decided to hit the Ice again. She found a pair of skates and borrowed some equipment. She tried out for the varsity women’s team – and made it.

That meant balancing three varsity sports alongside her academics: “I liked keeping my days busy,” MacNaull said with a laugh. Later, she narrowed her sporting focus.

“In my third year, I just focused on hockey,” said MacNaull. She became the team’s leading goal scorer in 1987-88 and was named MVP. While studying for her Bachelor of Education at Queens University, she helped the women’s hockey team capture a silver medal at the Ontario university championship.

After university, she played for both the Toronto Aeros and the Surrey Flyers in B.C. With both teams, she won provincial championships.

Despite leaving competitive sports to focus on her teaching career, she never left the gym, field or training pitch; she’s coached everything from basketball to curling.

“It just seemed natural to spend all that time at the gym and coach, so I did,” MacNaull said. “I kind of modelled myself



Marla MacNaull excelled at several sports during her 25-year career. Photo submitted.

after the teachers I had at the high school.”

Throughout her adult life, she spent summers and holidays in Haliburton. “Even in Toronto, I would always say, the Highlands is home,” MacNaull said. After retiring from her 32-year teaching career, she now lives in the County full-time.

She said she encourages athletes in Haliburton to take advantage of the positive

community around them – a community that was so supportive of her growth as a hockey player.

“I think it’s really important that people realize, that even though Haliburton is a small community, that there are a lot of opportunities,” MacNaull said. “Particularly, the community coaches, the high school coaches; they formed who I am.”

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# Highlander events

## Brotherhood anniversary screening

An upcoming prime time broadcast of the movie *Brotherhood* is scheduled to coincide with the 95th anniversary of the true events that claimed the lives of 11 teenaged boys.

Director Richard Bell said the movie will be on the Super Channel Entertainment Network, at 7:15 p.m. on July 20.

Haliburton audiences might remember the movie screened during the Haliburton International Film Festival in 2019.

The movie is based on the true story of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew leadership camp which, in 1926, encountered a freak summer storm on Ontario's Balsam Lake.

After a wave overturned their 30-foot war canoe, the young men struggled through the night, clamouring to keep each other above water and alive.

Bell said the broadcast is poignantly timed to begin at the same time as the boys were gathering on the dock to prepare for their adventure across the lake.

*Brotherhood* is the 2020 winner of the Canadian Screen Award for Achievement in Visual Effects. (Lisa Gervais)



Brotherhood director, Richard Bell. Photo submitted.



Inside Biljana Banchotova's studio, Whirling Wisdom @ Divine Play. Her hand-painted floor murals complement vibrant paintings depicting spiritual scenes. Photo by Sam Gillett.

## Hopping in to explore the arts at Frog Hollow

By Sam Gillett

The Frog Hollow Integrated Art Tour combines art, spirituality and the wonder of Haliburton County's natural landscape.

On Friday, July 2, Tory Hill artist Biljana Banchotova hosted a grand opening of the art tour at her new Whirling Wisdom studio.

On the first weekend of the month from May to October, guests will be invited inside Banchotova's studio space and forested property for a night of art experiences including live music, dancing, and art exhibitions.

"This is the nice thing about our tour – we're a little innovative from the traditional viewing tours. We're participatory," Banchotova said.

Currently, The Frog Hollow tour will include Banchotova's space and the nearby Earthdance Studio.

Liz Feyerabrand, an artist whose work is filled with bright, flowing colours and natural designs, is the first guest artist, displaying her work in a tent on Banchotova's property.

Banchotova said she hopes the tour will expand across Ontario to other artist spaces which celebrate the integration of an artistic lifestyle.

"It celebrates a new era for Frog Hollow," Banchotova said.

At Friday's events, guests toured the new vibrant red studio which features Banchotova's murals on the walls; the floors painted with cosmic designs.

Darlene Dove and Shawn Arscott of Earthdance studio, co-founders of the Frog Hollow Art Tour, said they're excited to welcome people into their studio space as well.

"Our idea is to show people how [they] can integrate art into their lives," Dove said. Through the arts, she said she believes people can lead rich fulfilling lives, more attuned to their natural settings. Earthdance Studio is on a 45-acre property which Dove and Arscott have filled with paths and ponds that wind around mineral pathways.

On Friday, as the sun began to dip below the thick forest ringing Banchotova's studio, the crowd listened to local musician Albert Saxby strum original songs on guitar, watched Joanna Lordess Camillery perform twirling aerial dances on outdoor gymnastic hoops and participated in a smudging, led by Karen Warner.

"Biljana is a special talent - a lot of people don't understand what it takes to

create art," Warner said as she drummed a song about collective power.

That act of creation, Banchotova said, is meant to be shared with others. That's what the Frog Hollow Integrated Art tour seeks to do.

"It's the way of coming together with the people – I feel that's what's most needed at this time, channeling this art," Banchotova said.

While no artistic experience is necessary to attend the event, Dove said she hopes more artists hop on board to show art: whether at Banchotova's studio, Earthdance's wooded property or around Ontario.

"It's a perfect opportunity for artists to gather together and show their work: it's like a full range experience," Dove said.

Banchotova said the grand opening of her studio, and the beginning of the tour, is an invitation; come enjoy art, and see how experiencing it together can change lives.

"This is our call – that's the idea. The call is being sent out," she said.

For more information on upcoming Frog Hollow Integrated Art Tour events, or to register as a guest artist, visit [froghollowarttour.com](http://froghollowarttour.com)

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# HARP ON THE TRAIL

*Editor's note: This is the third instalment of a fictional series entitled Harp on the Trail. It's written by Hope Thompson, who lives in Algonquin Highlands.*

## Chapter 3: Finding things

Detective Harry Harp and Constable Terry Becker drove into a small parking area at the Crawford entrance to the trail. An officer in a cruiser blocked the trailhead and they waved to her, then slipped under a line of police tape and set off along the wide-open path. Unlike the Spruce trailhead, which was a gravel bed, the Crawford end was lined with wood chips like a nature trail. An overgrown field dotted with flowering mulleins lay on one side and on the other, the backs of several residential houses. In one, a dog was tied up and when it saw the two men and picked-up their scent, the animal barked and tugged at its rope. The two men picked up their pace.

The sun broke through some of the cloud cover and Harp felt a warm breeze on his face as he walked past the field and the dog's yapping finally died down. The trail curved and as the two men rounded the corner, pine trees loomed up around them and the distant sounds of the village of Crawford were replaced by the forest's twitching silence. Harp walked on a few paces then stopped and turned around.

"Good place to kill someone," the detective said.

"It's a nature trail—but yeah," Becker said, looking around and frowning. A hundred feet in front of them, the trail disappeared in a curtain of trees. Behind them was a similar view. The bed of woodchips was gone, too. The path under their feet had narrowed to a single file track and the men gingerly stepped over caked mud and rocks while inhaling the smells of rot and vegetation—the life and death of the forest.

After only a few steps, and despite traversing a clearly marked trail, Harp felt uneasy—as if he were being watched. And then he saw it.

"Look," he said, pushing aside branches to reveal a small clearing, and in the middle of it stood a battered picnic table. The surface was carved up and a couple of empty beer cans and cigarette butts lay underneath.

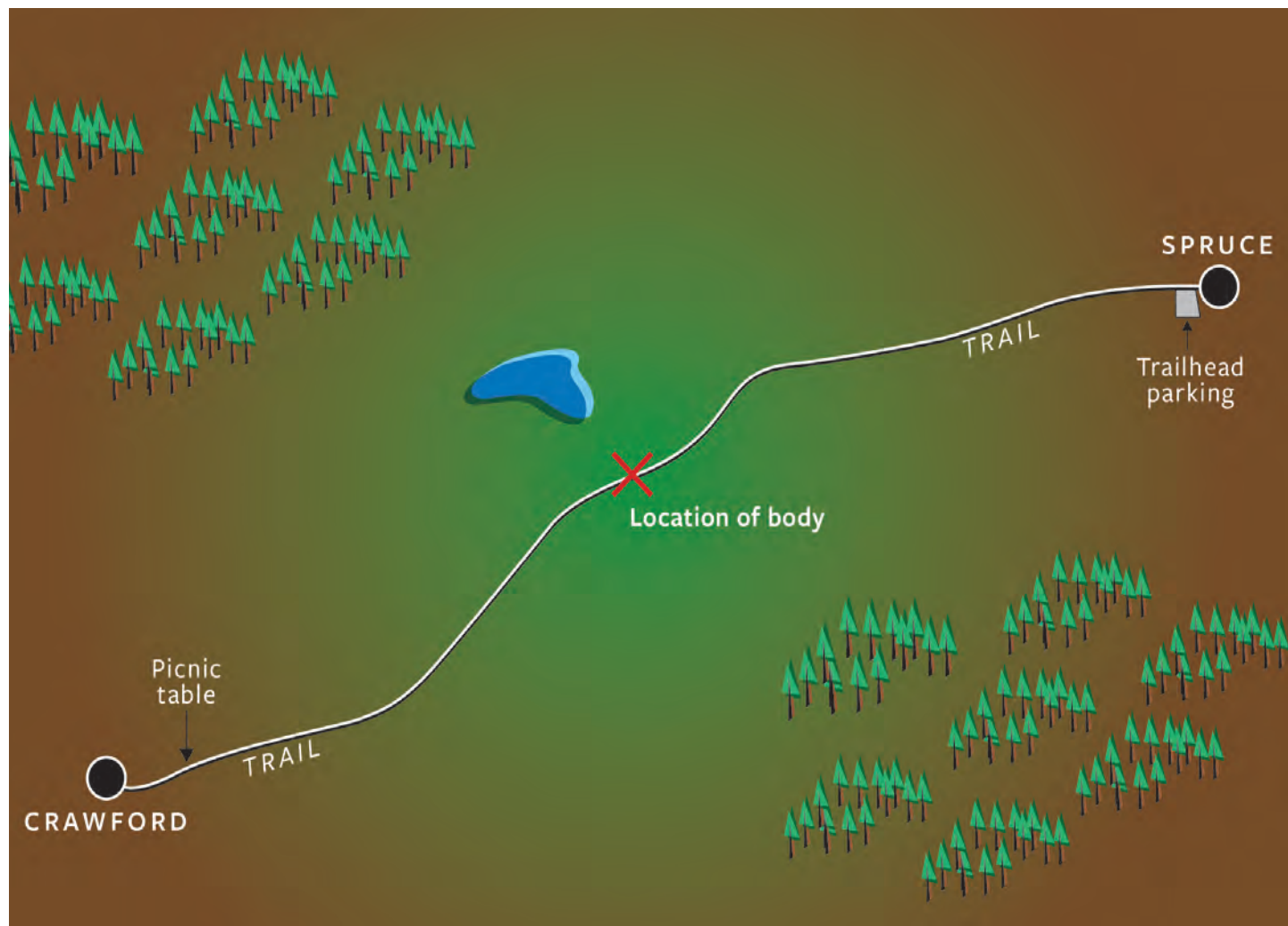
Becker tilted his head, reading the carved letters. "Looks like the word skunk," he said.

Harp's phone buzzed and he started at the sound, then placed the device against his ear.

"Right," he said. "We're on our way."

Harp hurried back to the trail. "There's a woman at the station. Her son's missing."

After a 25-minute drive, Harp and Becker pulled into the Spruce County Police Station parking lot. During the trip from Crawford to the village of Spruce, Harp had spoken to Spruce County Coroner Anna Lau over the phone. She had told him that the woman had brought a photo of her son—and that it was a match. Harp advised Lau to proceed with the formal identification. When the two men finally entered the interview room, they found the woman holding a Styrofoam cup of coffee in both hands, and a box of tissues lay on



the table in front of her.

Harp and Becker introduced themselves and the woman said her name was Chelsey Gall. After they expressed their condolences, Chelsey looked up at them and wiped tears from her mascara-streaked eyes. She was in her late 30s, had dyed blonde short hair, a ruddy complexion and was wearing black tights and a glittery tank top under a hoodie.

Her eyes widened. "What happened to my Holden?" She said, pushing away the box of tissues.

The two men sat down at the table, then Harp said, "We're following every lead, Ms. Gall. Now, I have a few questions."

She set down her coffee.

"When did you last see Holden?"

Chelsey blinked back tears. "Yesterday morning, I think. See, I work nights and I got in as he was heading off to school."

Becker said, "Where do you work?"

"Crozier's," she said.

Harp remembered seeing the meat packing plant on the outskirts of Crawford.

"Were you working there last night?"

She looked at the floor, then shook her head. "No," she said. "I was out with some girlfriends." Then she looked up at him defiantly. "I'm a single mom and I work hard. I have a right to party if I want to."

Harp nodded. And waited.

Chelsey blew her nose, then said, quietly.

"When I got home this morning, Holden was gone. His bed wasn't even slept in."

Her face crumpled into tears. "And then I

heard the rumours about a body ..."

Harp said, "What was Holden doing on the trail?"

Chelsey's forehead creased in anger. "I have no idea! That's your job."

Harp took a moment, then tried, "What kind of boy was Holden?"

She picked at a cuticle. "A good kid. Good marks—I think. Quiet." She looked up at Harp and Becker. "He's no trouble. He's never been trouble. Not like Ben."

Becker cut in, "Ben? Wait, is he older or younger than Holden? Do you have any other children?"

"Older. And I just have the two boys." Chelsey slouched back in her chair and her head drooped forward. "And now I have none ..."

Harp and Becker shared a quick glance.

"What happened to Ben?" Harp said.

Chelsey looked up. "He ran away." There was hint of ice in her voice. "And to tell you the truth, I was glad."

Harp arranged for an officer to drive Chelsey Gall, and her car, back to Crawford, and Harp and Becker followed in their vehicle.

Half an hour later, they pulled up in front of a gray-painted wooden house. A couple of women stood in front and greeted Chelsey with tearful hugs.

Upstairs, the detectives entered Holden's room. It was small and a single, neatly made bed stood against one wall. Posters of a soccer player mid-kick and a tricked-out motorcycle were taped above it. A cork

board hung over a desk and was pinned with assignment due dates, team schedules and pennants.

Chelsey appeared in the doorway. "You guys done?"

Harp ignored the comment. "Where's Holden's father?"

"Who knows?" Chelsey shrugged. "He took off after the boys were born and I have not received one red cent from him."

Becker said, "The system is broken." For the first time that day, Chelsey smiled.

Harp asked to see Ben's room and Chelsey directed them to the TV room. She crossed her arms. "He's not coming back, so."

"Did you report his disappearance?"

She shook her head. "Drugs, fighting, lying, stealing—I've been through the ringer with that kid. And he was eighteen when he took off. When I was eighteen, I was already a mom. I figured it out. He can, too."

As Harp and Becker drove away from Chelsey Gall's house, Harp watched her sit down, alone, on the porch. She gave them a small, dismissive wave—and Harp felt the same sadness he'd experienced when he saw Holden Gall's dead body.

Just then, his phone buzzed. The voice of one of his officers came down the line. "Sir? I've found the victim's knapsack," she said. "But it's strange ..."

"What's strange?" Harp said, eyes alert.

"I already searched that section of the trail ... There was nothing there."



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Tom was an avid hunter and fisherman and could drive a bulldozer like nobody's business. Being in the logging industry for many years, Tom knew forestry like the back of his hand and it's where he loved to spend his time.

Tom was always happy and had a joke to tell. He loved being with his family and celebrating life. Tom was a well-respected and loved member of his community. Whether it be the arena or the ball diamond, you could always find Tom cheering on and coaching the players from the sidelines. He was an umpire that no one contested the call. Tom was adored and respected by his family, many friends, and church family and will be missed terribly.

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Growing up, his favorite times included summers spent with his sister in Poolsville, Maryland visiting their Granny Hall, who he adored. There was no place he would rather be than in the outdoors. He made it his priority to lead an active life playing tennis, fishing and hunting while enjoying the peace of nature at Percy Lake. Harry worked for IBM for 28 years as Director of Marketing and was most proud of his role in bringing the original ATM, the Green Machine to mainstream banking.

His heart was giving and generous which came through in his welcoming way, beaming smile and contagious laugh. He believed there was nothing more important than helping others which he did at every opportunity. His wry sense of humour was present right until the end, bringing laughter and smiles to everyone in the room. Having retired early at the age of 50 to live out his dream of spending time at his cottage with his adored wife Sylvia and their many friends, he always said he had lived his perfect life to the fullest.

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*In Loving Memory of*  
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Norma worked at the Wawanesa Insurance Company in the automobile department. She will be remembered as one of the original treasures at the Rails End Gallery and Art Centre and was a life time member, she was a member of the Haliburton Highlands Weavers and Spinners Guild, she also belonged to the Precious Pearls Knitting Group and the Loose Ladies of Lochlin.

A Graveside Interment Service to Celebrate for Norma's Life will be held at the Gelert Cemetery, Gelert on Friday, July 16, 2021 at 1:00 pm.

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**NOTE:** As a result of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak, as well as the requirements for social distancing, Council Meetings will be conducted electronically via web conference until further notice.

**TAKE NOTICE** that there will be a Special Meeting of Council on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. conducted electronically via web conference.

The purpose of the Special Meeting will be for Council to discuss updates to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law.

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by joining a live-stream link. The live-stream link can be found in the Special Meeting Notice posted on the Township's website under the News and Notices at [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca)

Dated this 14th day of July, 2021.

Dawn Newhook  
Municipal Clerk  
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Visit our website at: [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca) for the full job description.

Please submit your resume and cover letter by **3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021** to:

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Shannon Hunter, CAO/Treasurer  
Municipality of Highlands East  
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Wilberforce, ON K0L 3C0  
Fax: 705-448-2532 E-Mail: [shunter@highlandseast.ca](mailto:shunter@highlandseast.ca)

We thank all applicants for their interest but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. The Municipality of Highlands East is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants requiring accommodation are asked to contact the CAO/Treasurer. Applicant information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used to determine qualifications for employment with the Municipality



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### Across

- 1 Anagram of 25-Across
- 7 Failing letter grades
- 10 Succumb to itchy feet
- 14 Hearty steak cut
- 15 Alexander Keith's product
- 16 Fencer's sword
- 17 Came into bloom, as a rose
- 18 Worker's punched paper
- 20 Creature to find in a Richard Scarry book
- 22 Home of some email scam "princes"
- 23 Prefix relating to a pelvic bone
- 25 Anagram of 31-Across
- 26 \_\_\_-mo
- 29 Acrobat's attire
- 31 Anagram of 43-Across
- 33 What every story has, so it's said
- 37 Thumbs-downer
- 38 Furry foot
- 39 "Godfather" Corleone
- 40 Saskatchewan home to the Snowbirds
- 43 Anagram of 48-Across
- 45 Praiseworthy
- 47 Sign after Cancer
- 48 Anagram of 67-Across
- 51 With \_\_\_ in sight (forever)
- 53 Car buyer's option, with "own"
- 55 Grocery store giant
- 59 Vessels that carry blood from the heart
- 61 Subway slice
- 62 "\_\_\_ creature was stirring, ..."
- 63 Left-leaning voting grp.
- 64 Set up, as an undercover cop
- 65 Play \_\_\_ (perform, band-style)
- 66 Buyer's 5% levy
- 67 Anagram of 1-Across

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- 4 Looks after, as a garden
- 5 Size up
- 6 Lures with money or charm
- 7 "Dig in!"
- 8 \_\_\_ Flon, Manitoba
- 9 Between amateur and major league
- 10 Not dominant, genetically
- 11 Visually confusing genre
- 12 Penthouse in a pine tree
- 13 Podium prize
- 19 "Oh God!", softened
- 21 Miracle-\_\_\_ (plant food)
- 24 Canadian capitalist?
- 26 Canned meat that once came with a key
- 27 Jay seen at night
- 28 Palindromic pooch in "Beetle Bailey"
- 30 "How adorable!"
- 32 Choice for a flier not keen on the view
- 34 Soap with "round-the-clock" protection
- 35 Room add-on?
- 36 Like a two-star hotel
- 38 Dwelling, slangily
- 41 Reliever, as of pain or anxiety
- 42 Protruding
- 43 "Magic words"
- 44 The child, to the French
- 46 Peep with sheep, and others
- 48 First line of attack
- 49 Bubbly chocolate bars
- 50 Frothy morning brew
- 52 Aptly-named city at the mouth of the Fraser River
- 54 Certain Brit. lexicons
- 56 Cause of a wobble on an LP
- 57 \_\_\_ Clooney, human rights lawyer
- 58 19-Down alternative
- 60 Harbour city: Abbr.

### Down

- 1 The P of the P.C. Party: Abbr.
- 2 Surgical slimming, briefly
- 3 Geographic

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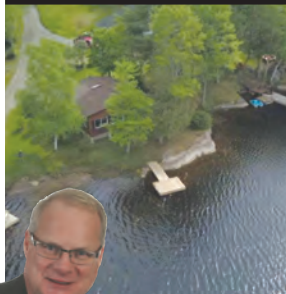
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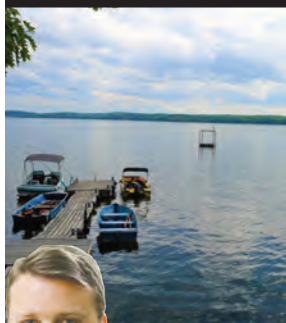


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- 2 separately deeded lots with exposed Canadian Shield
- Existing cottage with guest cabin, sunset views, hammock area
- Cathedral ceilings, stone fireplace, walkout to lakeside deck/gazebo
- 272.72 Combined feet of clean rock frontage

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### \$999,900 DRAG LAKE

- 3 bdrm, 3 season 1112 sq ft cottage on 0.81 acres
- 160 ft frontage with hard golden rippled sand beach
- Natural rock retaining wall, stone walkways, ample parking
- 26' x 24' garage with loft, Haliburton room, stone waterfall/pond



### \$624,900 BOB LAKE

- Build your dream home – ideal for walkout basement
- Close to Minden Village and all amenities
- Natural stone waterfront retaining wall
- Ample parking, great privacy, panoramic views
- Existing derelict cottage being sold "as is"

## VACANT LOTS

- \$299,900 Industrial Park Rd, 2.49 ac., 275 ft fr., drilled well in place
- \$274,900 Redstone River, 437.9 fr., 98.28 Ac., Forest managed tax program **SOLD!**
- \$174,900 Ridgeview Rd, 10.1 ac., 658 ft fr., hydro & phone along lot **SOLD!**
- \$149,900 Drag Court, 0.66 ac., 150.9 ft fr., Close to amenities
- \$84,900 Norley Rd, 187 ft fr., 1.2 ac level building lot
- \$64,900 East Rd, 0.939 ac., 199 ft fr., hydro & Bell along lot line



### \$300,000 TAMARACK LAKE

- 2 bdrm cozy cottage with waterfront road between
- On a quiet motor restricted lake
- Large deck, privacy, firepit area
- Pine floors, new roof, drilled well, septic
- Comes turn key ready for your enjoyment

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