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WEEKENDER

THE SPEAKER'S WEEKEND EDITION

Eyes in the sky

MNRF establish command base at airport

Sue Nielsen
Speaker Reporter

EARLTON — It takes a huge amount of coordinated resources to contain a forest fire in drought-like conditions in backcountry terrain with the occasional thunder and lightning storms happening across the South Temiskaming region.

As a result, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) has set up an incident command system (ICS) base at the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport in response to the North Bay 72 fire, burning



One of 11 MNRF helicopters can be seen lifting-off at the Earlton Timiskaming Regional Airport on July 15 to fight the North Bay 72 forest fire in the Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

in the Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park.

It is the largest forest fire in Northeastern Ontario at the present time.

"North Bay 72 is 11,296 hectares and is the largest fire in Northern Ontario. We are also observing North Bay 18, 19, 46, and 59," said MNRF Lady Evelyn

Park cluster information officer Lynn Daina in an email interview.

She is from Fort McMurray, Alberta, and has a wide range

of firefighting expertise including experience with the massive 2016 Fort McMurray fire.

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DID YOU GET THE SPEAKER THIS WEEK? Here are some of the stories in our JULY 18 edition...

- After eight days of battling a forest fire two kilometres from Temagami, the ministry said the fire - named North Bay 69 - is being held.
- Firefighters from across the country are working to contain a forest fire that has spread beyond the Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park.
- A sultry summer is about to get a little steamier as the 44th annual Rod Inglis Memorial Earlton Steam and Antique Show takes place this weekend.
- Canada Day was a fitting time to recognize the forces that have contributed to life in Cobalt.



- Adrienne Gullekson sees a lot of the area during the summer months as a public health inspector for the Temiskaming Health Unit.
- Temagami's canoe festival is off this weekend, but the show - on the musical side - will go on.
- Organizers of the second annual North On Tap Craft Beer Festival were pleased with this year's response.
- Junior golf lessons are in full swing at the Haileybury Golf Club and the New Liskeard Golf Club.
- Our C-front this week features a story and photos on the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry sprinkler system installation.



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Planning a steamy weekend

EARLTON (Staff) – For more than 40 years, the Earlton steam show has been putt-putting along.

The tradition continues this weekend with the 44th Rod Inglis Memorial Earlton Steam and Antique Show.

But there are a couple of new attractions at the two-day event.

A special exhibition of equipment, both vintage and modern, will mark the 100th anniversary of John Deere's entry into the tractor business.

A North Bay snowmobile buff will also bring his private collection of sleds to Earlton.

There are also some new activities for visitors, including quizzes on tractors and artifact identification as well as a photography contest.

Old favourites will also be back.

They include displays of vintage cars and antiques, live music, kids' activities, craft sales, and food and drink.

A highlight of the show is the parade of vehicles and equipment each day at 1 p.m.

The sounds of gas- and steam-fired engines and the equipment they power will provide the soundtrack all weekend long.

The event runs on Andre Boileau's property beside Brownlee Equipment on Highway 11.



THE NEXT CHIEF?

Coleman Township fire chief Don Laitinen helps "train" a possible future firefighter in four-year-old Logan Jacques of Coleman. The occasion was the Canada Day Kiddies Day activities at Bass Lake. (Staff photo by Steven Larocque)

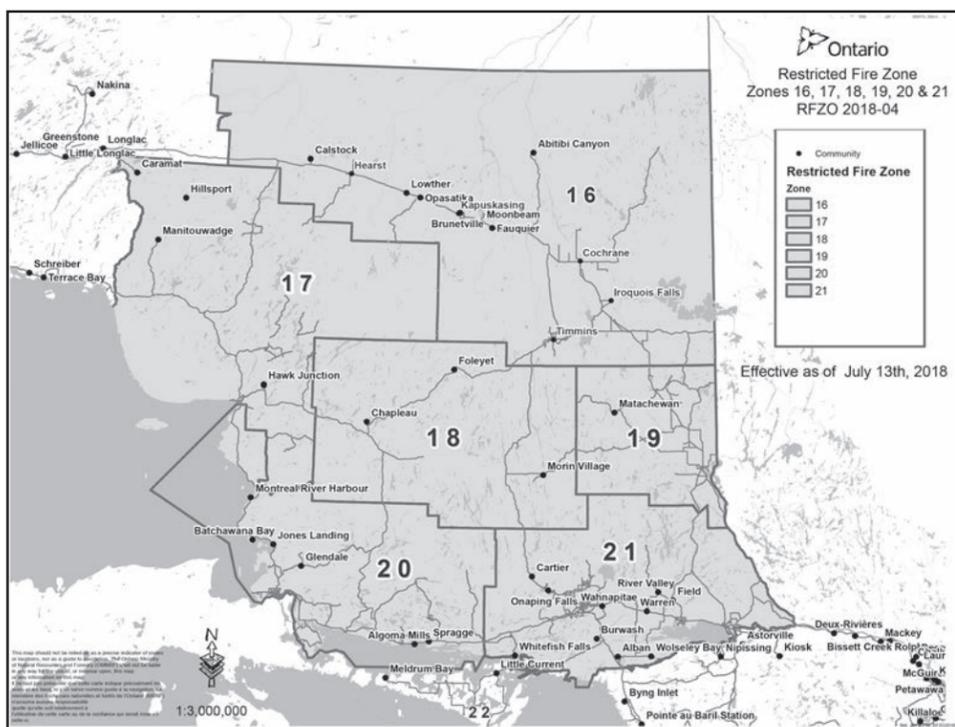
RESTRICTED FIRE ZONE IN EFFECT

For parts of Northeastern Ontario

Due to the extreme fire hazard, several recent periods of heavy lightning and the large number of wildfires burning, the **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry** has expanded the Restricted Fire Zone in effect to more areas of Northeastern Ontario (Restricted Fire Zones 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21) outlined in the map below.

The Restricted Fire Zone is in effect until further notice. Restricted Fire Zones help protect public safety. In a Restricted Fire Zone, outdoor fires are banned. Portable gas stoves may still be used BUT must be handled with extreme care. For more information contact your local Fire Management Headquarters.

For detailed information on the Restricted Fire Zone boundaries visit: Ontario.ca/forestfire.

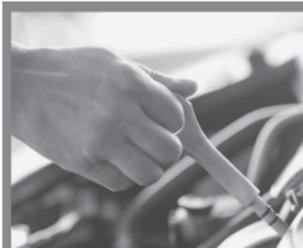


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Eyes in the sky

MNRF establish command base at airport

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She said there are 171 firefighters, 11 helicopters and support staff based out of the airport working on the North Bay 72 fire.

An ICS command base covers firefighters and controls practices for everyone to follow, so there's no confusion at a scene.

"(ICS is) a standardized on-site management system designed to enable effective, efficient incident management by integrating a combination of facilities, equipment, personnel, procedures, and communications operating within a common organizational structure. ICS helps to ensure the safety of responders and others, the efficient use of resources and the achievement of response objectives," explained Daina.

Ground crews brought in to battle the North Bay 72 blaze are from Ontario, British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and the Northwest Territories.

She and her crew were thrilled when they flew over the Temiskaming region to see so many lakes and rivers in the South Temiskaming region.

"We were in awe as we flew over this area at how many lakes you have. This many sources of water helps us to fight the fires and you don't see that in a lot of areas."

She said the feedback she is receiving from firefighters arriving in the region says they are challenged on several fronts by steep terrain, heat, thunder storms, hazardous trees, wildlife, mine-shafts and falling lit trees that land at the base of a ridge and



Overseeing communications at the MNRF Incident Command base at the Earleton airport is Lynn Daina, the Lady Evelyn cluster information coordinator. Daina is from Fort McMurray, Alberta. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

ignite the slope running uphill.

She emphasized that the North Bay 72 fire "has not crossed the Montreal River. The fire's edge is five kilometres southwest of the river."

She could not predict how long the ICS command base would be set up at the airport, but

she said the fire fighters have been warmly received in the region.

Daina says people wanting current information on the North Bay 72 fire and others across the Northeast should visit the website Ontario.ca/forestfire.

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The **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry** is advising the public that due to active forest fires in the Temagami area, travel restrictions are in effect for certain roads, parks and Crown lands.

Access to these areas is restricted and road blocks are set-up to notify the public of the closures. Within the area, Crown land camping, day trips, hiking, ATVs and access to private or commercial camps or cottages are NOT permitted.

Permits are required to travel through the restricted area.

Please visit Ontario.ca/forestfire to view the current restrictions and for more information on how to obtain a permit. You can also call the ministry at 705-475-5546 for more information.



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Temagami Canoe festival

“Everyone must believe in something. I believe I’ll go canoeing.”

Henry David Thoreau



Sue Nielsen

from those merchants.

Just imagine how the summer tourist season matters to a town like Temagami, it is everything.

Maybe for a day or two we can dance, sing and celebrate all that is wonderful about the canoe and our waterways during the music portion of the festival.

When I spoke to Alberta Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry people last week at the Earlton airport they said, when they flew over the region, they were in awe of how many lakes and rivers we have.

Despite the heat spell we’ve had this summer, fire rangers are saying Ontario is the wettest province in Canada at this time.

We are grateful for the abundant water supply they will need to fight the wildfires, especially the North Bay 72 in Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park.

Let us pray that the fire damage is limited and no one gets hurt.

Please remember these tenets of the current forest fire situation - backcountry access is off limits, no outdoor burning is allowed and no drones are permitted over forest fire areas.

And perhaps the most important reminder: give thanks to the fire fighting crews from across the country assembled in our region to help fight the fires and keep us safe.

See you in Temagami!

I was disappointed when I heard the Temagami Canoe Festival canoe events are not taking place this coming weekend.

However, the Deepwater Music Festival will go ahead inside the Bunny Miller Theatre.

I totally understand the extreme forest fire situation and the need for caution in the Temagami region.

The atmosphere around the canoe festival is festive because of the hospitality of Temagami people, all things canoe, music and food at the scenic Lake Temagami waterfront.

No matter what Google search you make or who you speak with, Temagami is synonymous with the canoe and its culture.

Carolyn Laronde and volunteers have done an amazing job of growing the canoe festival from its humble beginnings.

At the first couple of festivals renowned British canoeist, Ray Mears, was in attendance.

Certainly the merchants and camps of Temagami are hurting because of the fires and the fact backcountry access is being restricted.

I read on social media where an entire camp had to send its campers back home to the U.S. because of the fire situation.

Next time you drive through Temagami give a thought to stopping at a local shop to say hello and purchase something



EDITORIAL

Back to 1998

Shortly after Doug Ford was sworn in as Ontario’s newest premier, he and his caucus moved fast to repeal the previous Liberal government’s sex-education curriculum.

The creation of the sex-ed curriculum was a controversial topic and the repeal of it continues to anger and please different sides of the debate, to educate or not educate children on sexuality and their bodies.

Perhaps the loudest outcry concerning the repeal of the sex-ed curriculum is coming from the LGBTQ community who feel discussions about same-sex relationships have taken a step backwards.

And people are saying the issue of consent between two people is of the

utmost importance to educate children at a young age about acceptable limits concerning consent and cyber safety.

If children are not taught how to arm themselves with information to help protect them from predators, cyber bullying, sexting and Internet privacy, are we then leaving kids hanging out there to be victims?

The Progressive Conservative government said teachers would use the 1998 version of the sex-ed curriculum this fall. This is a curriculum that is now 30 years old. A lot has changed in the world since then concerning the LGBTQ community and the MeToo movement.

Thank you MNRF

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) has mobilized hundreds of fire fighters in the South Temiskaming region as they battle several forest fires, the largest being the North Bay 72 Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park blaze.

A sizeable contingent of fire fighters has set up shop at the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport with fire fighters from across Canada on location.

Some of these fire fighters are from Fort McMurray, having battled that city’s 2016 mega blaze and other large-scale fires across the country.

They are experienced and knowledgeable about fire fighting efforts and they come with the latest techniques to suppress and stay one step ahead of wild fires.

People in this part of Northern Ontario can be extremely grateful for the fire fighters’ help and expertise.

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Cobalt to consider budget a third time July 24

Diane Johnston
Speaker Reporter

COBALT – After twice turning down a draft 2018 budget, Cobalt is now one step closer to approving a spending plan for the year.

At a meeting July 17, Cobalt councillors turned down motions to reconsider two budget points that had been controversial.

That means that the original decisions – to hire a public works director and to include in the general tax levy what had been a separate per-household charge for waste management – still stand.

After the meeting, Mayor Tina Sartoretto said council had been given the opportunity to reconsider.

She said council had “acted very seriously this evening and we’re going to move along, so next week we’ll have a discussion on the budget.”

Cobalt first rejected the draft budget June 27 by a three-two vote. (Two councillors were ab-

sent.)

On July 4, council again defeated bylaws that would have approved a budget.

Earlier this week, council attempted to resolve the impasse.

Under the municipality’s procedural bylaw, the approval of two-thirds of council members is needed to reconsider a previous motion and re-open discussion.

The motion to hire a public works director was originally approved June 13 by a four-two vote.

This week, only three councillors voted to reconsider that motion – councillors George Othmer, Rochelle Schwartz and Perry Wuest.

Four voted against reconsideration – councillors Gary Bigelow, Mike Harrison and Sue Nielsen and Mayor Sartoretto.

The original motion therefore stood.

In late May, council had approved the removal of waste management fees as a special charge and instead rolled them into the general tax levy.

A proposal to reconsider that motion was defeated four-three.

Councillors Bigelow, Othmer and Schwartz were in favour, while councillors Harrison, Nielsen, Wuest and the mayor were opposed.

So it too stands.

Council will now consider the budget July 24.

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Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Summer Safe Food Handling Tips

Picnic and BBQ season bring lots of opportunities for outdoor fun with family and friends, but with the warm weather also comes opportunities for foodborne bacteria to thrive. As food heats up in the summer temperatures, bacteria can quickly multiply.

Pack and Transport Food Safely

- **Keep cold food cold** – place it in a cooler with ice or frozen gel packs.
- **Organize cooler contents.** Pack drinks separately, that way as you open and reopen the drink cooler, the perishable foods won't be exposed to warm temperatures.
- **Keep coolers closed.** Limit the number of times the cooler is opened. This helps to keep the contents cold longer.
- **Don't cross contaminate.** Be sure to keep raw meat, poultry, and seafood securely wrapped. This keeps their juices from contaminating prepared/cooked foods or foods that will be eaten raw, such as fruits and vegetables.
- **Clean produce.** Rinse fresh fruits and vegetables under running tap water before packing them in the cooler. Dry them with a clean cloth towel or paper towel.

Safe Grilling Tips

- **Marinate safely** in the refrigerator – *never* on the kitchen counter or outdoors. **Don't reuse marinade.**
- **Cook food thoroughly.** Have your food thermometer ready. Always use it to be sure your food is cooked thoroughly.
- **Don't reuse platters or utensils.** Using the same platter or utensils that you previously used for raw meat, poultry or seafood allows bacteria to spread to the cooked food. Instead, have a clean platter and utensils ready to serve your food.
- **Check for foreign objects in food.** If you clean your grill with a bristle brush, check to make sure that no detached bristles have made their way into your food.

Outdoor Hand Cleaning
 If you don't have access to running water, use a water jug, some soap, and paper towels or consider using moist disposable towelettes for cleaning your hands.

Protect yourself and your family and practice safe food handling!

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COMMUNITY NEWS

By-law No. 16-35 outlines that during the summer months of June, July and August, there will be one (1) regular monthly meeting only. During the 2018 summer season, the regular council meeting schedule is as follows:

- Monday, August 13, 2018

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Bear Encounters (Bear Wise) – Who to Contact
Emergencies - Call 911 or your local police, if you feel a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety and:

- enters a school yard when school is in session
- enters or tries to enter a residence
- wanders into a public gathering
- kills livestock/pets and lingers at the site
- stalks people and lingers at the site

Generally, bears want to avoid humans. Most encounters are not aggressive and attacks are rare.

Non-emergencies
 Call the Bear Wise reporting line at **1-866-514-2327** (*between April 1-November 30) if a bear is:

- roaming around, checking garbage cans
- breaking into a shed where garbage or food is stored
- in a tree
- pulling down a bird feeder or knocking over a barbecue
- moving through a backyard or field but is not lingering

* From Dec 1-March 31, please contact your local MNRF District office. Prevent bear encounters (Bear Wise). Ministry of Natural Resources. Updated May 12, 2017 – Web: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear-wise>.

No fire permits for open air burning will be issued during the months of July and August. Coleman Fire Department: In Case of Fire Emergency - Please Call 911

“Meet the Docs”

This week we are introducing

Dr. Michael Angel

Dr. Angel is a neurologist from Toronto who splits his time between William Osler Health System in Brampton, the Toronto Western Hospital and the Elkie Adler MS Clinic at Baycrest Hospital.



In addition to seeing patients in Toronto and the GTA, Dr. Angel has held a Locum tenens position at the Specialty Clinics at Temiskaming Hospital and has been making trips to Temiskaming Hospital almost monthly since finishing his fellowship in 2006. Dr. Angel converted the neurology clinic from a “consult only” clinic, to a longitudinal clinic where he provides ongoing neurological care for residents in the area with complex neurological problems.

What is your full name

Michael Joshua Angel

Where did you go to school

Undergrad McGill

MSc and PhD University of Manitoba, Spinal cord physiology

Medicine University of Toronto

Residency, Neurology, University of Toronto

How long have you been practicing medicine

12 years

What do you like the most about being a doctor

Always being challenged by the nervous system; having the privilege to hear personal stories of interesting people and helping them through very difficult experiences

Why did you choose to come to our area to practice

I came for one clinic as a neurology resident in 2005 with Dr. Warren Mason. It was June and somehow we were able to rent a convertible from North Bay. The drive was gorgeous. It reminded me of trips to our family cottage in the 1970’s before Highway 69 became over-developed. The next year, I got a call from the clinic informing me they needed a locum neurologist. I jumped at the chance. For years I’d stay a night or two at Viv and Roger’s B&B and be spoiled by their warm hospitality; breakfasts and dinners fit for royalty and terrific fishing off their dock. I was hooked!

I love the relaxed atmosphere, the interesting and appreciative patients and the highly skilled support staff at Temiskaming Hospital.

What would your second career choice be if you had not become a doctor.

Marine Biologist

Where is your dream vacation?

A month in Israel with my family and a bottomless expense account.

What is your favorite food?

That’s an impossible question. I love too many foods.

What do you do for your own personal wellness.

I’m an avid endurance runner. I’m up at 5AM most days and try to put in about 60-70km each week. I try to make really healthy food choices but I’m not obsessive.

How many hours do you work in a typical week?

40hr.

What do you like to do in your down time...besides sleep.

I have no down time, but I spend every opportunity to: be with my three kids; read the New Yorker; listen to my favourite podcasts (Freakonomics Radio; Radiolab; Stay Tuned); play tennis; go down a “Youtube rabbit hole” that includes Roger Federer highlights; the Daily Show; Late Night with Stephen Colbert; Seth Myers; Vintage interviews and concerts of Frank Zappa and the Mothers of Invention... that rabbit hole is deep!



MPP says North not a government priority

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff/Special) – Northern and rural communities were left out of last week’s Throne Speech, says Temiskaming’s New Democrat MPP.

“While Northern and rural families were left with sky high hydro bills, overcrowded hospitals, dangerous roads, and fewer opportunities year after year, Doug Ford left out Northern Ontario and rural communities from his government’s priorities,” said Temiskaming-Cochrane MPP John Vanthof in a news release.

The Speech from the Throne, read by Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell July 12, sets out the Progressive Conservative government’s plans for the upcoming parliamentary session.

Reacting to the speech, Vanthof said:

“Doug Ford’s Throne Speech made no mention of helping Northern hospitals, or creating jobs in Northern Ontario by investing in the Ring of Fire.

“There was nothing about keeping Northern and rural schools open, or bringing back the Northlander and keeping our northern rail lines operating and supporting the steel industry.

“It looks like Doug Ford is moving backwards when it comes to Northern Ontario and rural communities.”

New Democrats, he said, “will fight for a reduction in hydro bills, for the public services families need in health care and education, and for investment in job creation for our communities for a better future.”

SPEECH

In the speech, the government said the province can send a message to the world “that Ontario is open for business.

“We can once again put Ontario on a healthy financial footing — and ensure that we can afford to maintain and strengthen our hospitals, schools and other vital public services.”

It said it’s also possible to “rebuild trust between the people and their government.”

Among specifics, the government pledged to scrap the cap-and-trade system and oppose other carbon tax schemes “in all of their forms.”

It said it will act swiftly to restore public confidence in Ontario’s electricity system, starting with Hydro One.

It pledged to work with the federal government “to stand up to tariffs” and ensure that Ontario’s interests are reflected in North American Free Trade Agreement negotiations.

It said it would call a commission of inquiry into the financial practices of government “to identify ways to restore accountability and trust in Ontario’s public finances.”

The health care system, it said, could count on long-term stable funding, including the addition of 15,000 new long-term beds over the next five years and \$3.8 billion for mental health and addictions services.

On education, it said it would shelve what it described as “the failed experimental ‘Discovery Math’ curriculum” as well as the latest sex education curriculum.

The latter, it said would be replaced with a new age-appropriate curriculum “that is based on real consultations with parents.”

It will expand the sale of beer and wine to convenience stores, grocery stores and big-box stores.

Among other plans was a new monument paying tribute to Canadians who served in Afghanistan as well as a dedicated hotline to provide assistance to military families.



SENIOR OF THE YEAR

Marguerite Hooey, a founding member of Temiskaming Shores' age-friendly committee, is the city's Senior of the Year. Hooey, centre, said she volunteered to sit on the proposed committee in 2015 when its work was outlined at Northdale Manor, where she now lives. Mayor Carman Kidd said seniors are among the most active volunteers in the community. The mayor, right, and Age-Friendly/Get Active coordinator Danielle Covello, left, presented the award to Hooey. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)



SLIDING INTO SUMMER

Owen Dorrell of Englehart, 3, was recently enjoying the slides at Woollings Park in Englehart. He was making new friends among the many other people also out enjoying the park. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

INSPECTION

Inspection of Approved Aerial Herbicide Project Temagami Management Unit

The Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)** invites you to inspect the MNRF-approved aerial herbicide project. As part of our ongoing efforts to regenerate and protect Ontario's forests, selected stands on the **Temagami Management Unit** (see map) will be sprayed with herbicide to control competing vegetation, starting on or about: **August 19, 2018**.

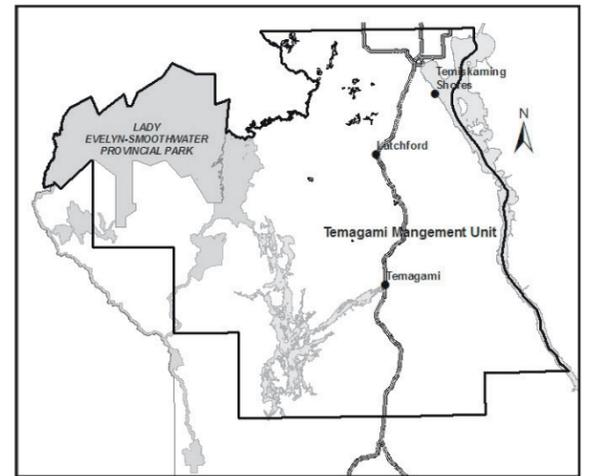
The approved project description and project plan for the aerial herbicide project is available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours at the First Resource Management Group (FRMG) office (address below) and on the Ontario Government website at www.ontario.ca/forestplans beginning **July 19, 2018 until March 31, 2019** when the Annual Work Schedule expires.

The aerial spraying will take place in parts of the following townships: Askin, Auld, Barr, Best, Brigstocke, Canton, Coleman, Firstbrook, Gillies Limit, Kittson, Lorrain and Lundy.

Interested and affected persons and organizations can arrange an appointment with MNRF staff to discuss the aerial herbicide project. For more information, please contact:

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INSPECTION

Inspection d'un projet de vaporisation aérienne d'herbicide approuvé – L'unité de gestion de Temagami

Le **ministère des Richesses naturelles et des Forêts (MRNF)** de l'Ontario vous invite à inspecter un ou plusieurs projets de vaporisation aérienne d'herbicide approuvés par le MRNF. Dans le cadre des efforts que nous déployons continuellement en vue de régénérer et de protéger les forêts de l'Ontario, certains peuplements dans l'unité de gestion de Temagami (voir la carte) recevront de l'herbicide dans le but de contrôler les espèces végétales concurrentes. La vaporisation commencera dans les environs du **19 août 2018**.

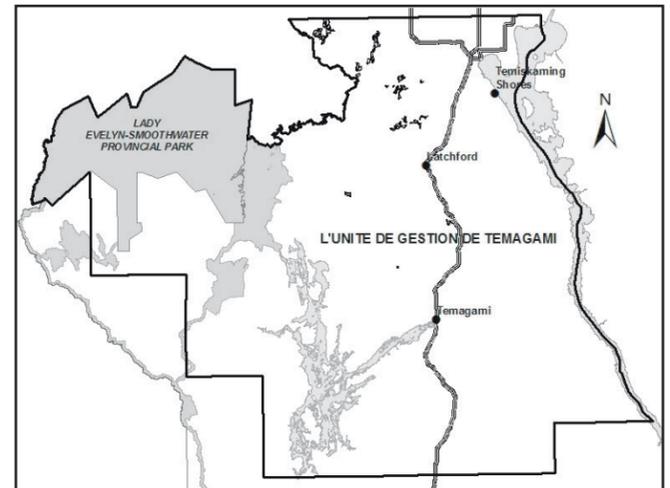
Le grand public aura la possibilité d'inspecter la description du projet approuvé et le plan du projet de vaporisation aérienne d'herbicide en prenant rendez-vous pendant les heures ouvrables au bureau de First Resource Management Group Inc. (l'adresse au-bas), ainsi qu'en allant sur le site Web du gouvernement de l'Ontario à l'adresse www.ontario.ca/plansforestiers à compter du **19 juillet, 2018, et 31 mars, 2019**, à l'expiration du calendrier de travail annuel.

Le traitement herbicide aura lieu à certains endroits dans les cantons suivants: Askin, Auld, Barr, Best, Brigstocke, Canton, Coleman, Firstbrook, Gillies Limit, Kittson, Lorrain, et Lundy.

Les personnes et les organismes intéressés et touchés peuvent prendre rendez-vous avec l'équipe du MRNF afin de discuter du projet de vaporisation aérienne d'herbicide. Pour en savoir plus, veuillez communiquer avec:

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Temagami music fest on stage

TEMAGAMI (Staff) – While the canoe festival has been shelved for this weekend, the Deepwater Music Showcase is still a go in Temagami.

Organizers made the tough decision July 16 to postpone the outdoor canoe festival in light of the forest fires in the Temagami area.

At the time, Temagami was still on standby evacuation alert and Finlayson Point Provincial Park, the area's biggest campground, remained closed.

It was the responsible move, said project coordinator Carolyn Laronde.

But the line-up of live music scheduled for Saturday and Sunday will run as planned.

It's just been moved from the outdoor stage inside to the Bunny Miller Theatre in the Welcome Centre.

The music begins at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Performers include Wayne Potts, John Shymko, the Eight Thunderbird Singers, Strings Across the Sky, Foxglove and the Mimi O'Bonsawin Band.

At 6:30 p.m. there will be a screening of *United by Water*, with filmmaker and director

Derrick Lamere on hand.

The music resumes Sunday at 11 a.m., with performances by

Esther Pennell, the Australian Mission Songs Project and the David Laronde Band.

The Barbara Laronde Award will be presented at noon to an Indigenous female artist from

Northern Ontario.

Adult admission is by \$5 wristband.



BRUNCH BUNCH

The hungry were fed at a Canada Day weekend brunch at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 629 in Latchford. Among the workers were, from left, Linda Gauvreau, Christine Connelly, Laurie Damiani, Avery Cleave and Alexis Cleave. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

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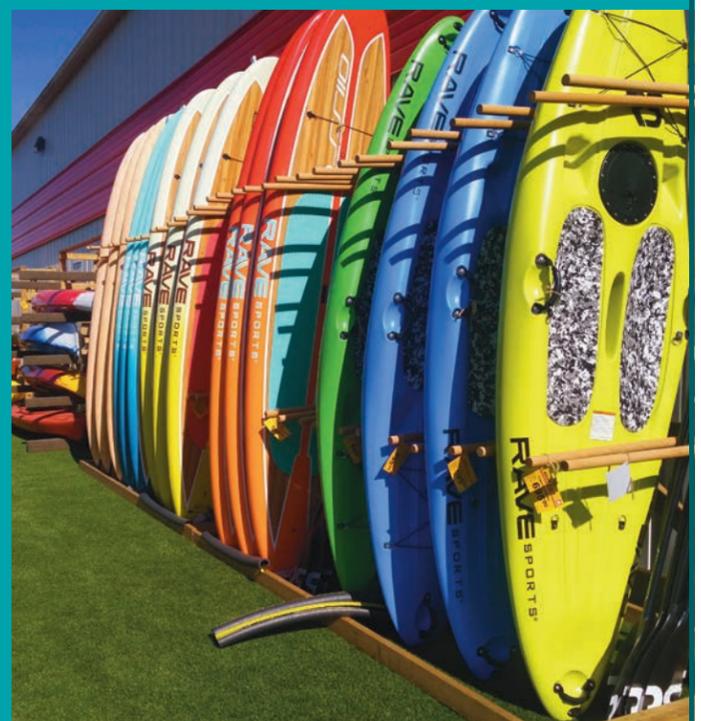
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NEW LISKEARD



Arts council outlines plans for year ahead

Darlene Wroe
Speaker Reporter

HAILEYBURY – An information meeting was recently held to update community partners on the progress of a local arts council.

The Conseil des Arts Temiskaming Arts Council (CATAC) staff person Felicity Buckell outlined the plans of the arts council June 12 to a gathering of about 15 people at the Meteor Café in Haileybury.

Envisioning itself as an umbrella organization for area creative groups, CATAC's goal is to provide services and support whenever possible, and to build ties and understandings through the arts.

She outlined that the group's main purposes are to: facilitate communication and collaborative relationships among artists, organizations, businesses and municipalities; advocate for and



The Conseil des Arts Temiskaming Arts Council recently outlined its plans for helping area cultural groups. From the left are board members Drew Gauley, Courtney Tresidder, Dominic Lafontaine, Rebecca Hunt, staff person Felicity Buckell, and board members Rejeanne Bélisle-Massie, and Lynne Cormier. Absent are board members Stéphanie Lamothe and Anne Thibodeau. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

BOATING with Bill



Bill Ramsay
Tri-Town Power & Sail Squadron's Training Officer

Another great weekend for boating. Warm weather and relatively calm waters. As long as you weren't in the forest fire area it was great because the smoke wasn't even that heavy anywhere but north of the big fire. We aren't allowed to head up to the cottage at Lady Evelyn until NB 72 is more under control. Looks like there might be some rain this weekend - hopefully its lots and comes at night. I might even get to do some boating this weekend.

As I mentioned last week the kids and I were off to compete at the Ontario Water Ski championships in Cambridge on the weekend. All 3 of us are now Ontario Jump Water Ski champs

for our age class. Little Lady Skier also won the slalom championship. I'm going to have to do more training for next year because I



didn't make the standard to move on to the next tournament. It was still good fun - the driver who pulled my run was a former student at the ski school - I actually taught him how to get up on skis when he was about 5.

I was all excited when someone told me about his friend's boat that had joystick steering and could be docked that way - expensive 2 or more engine boats have had this for some time where the engines can turn the boat in any direction or stay perfectly in place using varying thrusts from two motors. What I understood was his friend's boat was using the electric trolling motor as the second engine. I spoke to two knowledgeable boat dealers and neither of them knew of this feature, but - they did say that many of the better trolling motors can be used to do most of this without using the main engine and a good trolling motor can keep the boat in the same position using GPS - it is like a virtual anchor. I'm hoping he was right and we'll see this feature on more boats in the future - great for the average boater to dock like a pro.

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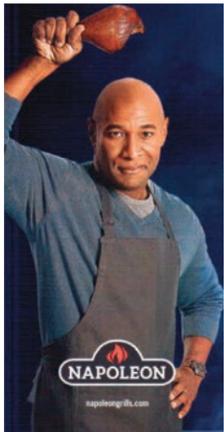
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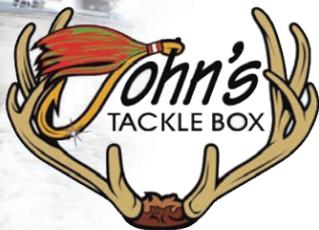
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Arts council outlines plans for year ahead

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support artists and the arts in general and promote the value of the arts as a catalyst for community economic development and an enhanced quality of life in Temiskaming.

Studies of the area's cultural communities have shown that increased communication and collaboration among the cultural groups is needed, Buckell told the group.

OBJECTIVES

The arts council's objectives for the upcoming year are to re-establish the cultural newsletter, to launch, promote and further develop the arts council's website and to research and build resource listings.

The website - catac.org - is designed to include a page for each of the founding organizations, and a list of people, places and things of interest.

Buckell said a strategic planning session will be held in the fall with the board members to determine an annual membership structure and fee, and to determine the best approach to support members, and to plan the arts council's first annual general meeting.

A funding application has been made to the Ontario Arts Council to increase staff hours starting in the fall. Federal and provincial funding are also being sought.

The arts council is currently funded through the remaining funds of the South Temiskaming Regional Cultural Sustainability Plan, and financial support from founding members.

The arts council currently has a board of eight directors.

Its founding members are the Cobalt Mining Museum, the Elk Lake Eco Centre, le Centre culturel ARTEM, the Haileybury Heritage Museum, Pied Piper Kidshows, the Temagami Artistic Collective, the Temiskaming Art Gallery, and the Temiskaming Native Women's Support Group.



WORDSMITHS

Students from English Catholic Central demonstrated their winning word ways at the recent Jim Sargent Poetry Awards, a contest for elementary school students held in conjunction with the Spring Pulse Poetry Festival. Pictured above are, from left, second, Dante Comeau, Grade 8; honourable mention, Zulu Okonkwo, Grade 8, and first, Gabriel Neill, Grade 7. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

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9. Felon's flight
12. "Knock _____ Times"
13. Gone by
14. Busy activity
15. Teams of oxen
16. Commandment word
17. Nevertheless
18. Truth
20. Waist cincher
21. Trouser parts
24. Stashed
26. Voice part
27. Lode's load
28. Prudently
30. Tropical trees
32. Curiously
36. Type of card
38. Strive (for)
39. Wallace of "Reader's Digest"
42. Salonga of "Miss Saigon"
43. High schooler
44. Bloodhound's trail
45. Uninteresting
47. Recently made
48. Through
50. Olympian Owens
54. "Me and My _____"
55. Painting or music, e.g.
56. Neighborhoods
57. Sneaky
58. Golf accessory
59. Gains

DOWN

1. Messy home
2. Reporter's question
3. Bible craft
4. Coral structures
5. South-western land formation
6. Praying _____
7. _____ trip
8. Small child
9. Brand name
10. Grownup
11. Slogan
19. Sculptor's device
20. Howls
21. Soft toss
22. Noteworthy time
23. Thicken
25. Refusal
28. "Love and _____"
29. Piece of real estate
31. Battle wound
33. "_____ Got Sixpence"
34. Recline
35. Urge
37. Organized argument
39. Aches
40. Flawless
41. Humble
43. Neither here nor _____
46. Partly open
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49. Great wrath
51. Ocean
52. Plant fluid
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Horoscopes

Answers For Crossword on 5b

CAPRICORN

Your week will be somewhat hectic. You'll feel more like partying than working. The possibility of a promotion in your near future will put you back on track and focusing on your career.



December 22 - January 19

AQUARIUS

You'll have lots of things to do, and confusion will be in the air. It would be wise to take a few minutes to reflect before throwing yourself into the heart of the action. Your imagination will know no limits, and you might even create a masterpiece.



January 20 - February 18

PISCES

You'll be constantly surrounded by people, and you'll have to speak up to have your voice heard. You'll feel somewhat fatigued all week. Try to get some rest before your health starts to suffer.



February 19 - March 20

ARIES

You'll have a ton on your plate at work, and time will be scarce. If you're currently taking some time off, try to balance your schedule so that you'll be able to do everything you'd like.



March 21 - April 19

TAURUS

You'll take a spontaneous trip and have a blast while you do. The thought of going back to school may cross your mind, especially if you're at a professional crossroads.



April 20 - May 20

GEMINI

You'll be particularly emotional this week, and the time is right to make some changes. With a bit of effort and some serious housekeeping, you'll be back to your usual happy self before you know it. You'll also rediscover your natural curiosity.



May 21 - June 21

CANCER

You'll display a knack for negotiation, both in your personal and professional affairs. Don't be afraid to shop around; you might find a true treasure that'll end up costing you next to nothing.



June 22 - July 22

LEO

This week will be incredibly busy, both at home and at work. Whether or not you're on vacation, you'll have a lot of details to consider and deal with in order to keep everyone around you happy.



July 23 - August 22

VIRGO

You'll be the focus of everyone's attention this week, and you'll be proud of your accomplishments. When you talk, people will listen carefully so they don't miss a single word.



August 23 - September 22

LIBRA

You may spend part of the week at home. You'll carry out a few tasks around the house to improve your quality of life. You'll feel the urge to make your living space impeccable.



September 23 - October 22

SCORPIO

Much to your delight, you may travel a considerable distance to meet members of your family. You'll find the means to treat yourself to your dream vacation this year.



October 23 - November 21

SAGITTARIUS

You'll have to be patient in your quest to find the answers you're looking for. Your friends will take their time getting back to you about an activity you've been planning.



November 22 - December 21

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The weekend features food and music and free on-site camping.

DRAG 'N FLY

The 15th annual Drag 'N Fly Summer Classic drag races at the Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport are slated for August 10-12.

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Classes include Super Pro (7.49 seconds or faster) and Semi Pro (7.49 to 5.60) over one-eighth mile. All other classes will stay one-quarter mile.

The weekend features Junior dragsters, snowmobiles and motorcycles.

There will be food and live music, test and tune and show and shine and much more.

SMALLMOUTH BASS

The Temiskaming Smallmouth Bass Series 2018 is back August 11 and 12 when anglers try their luck on Lake Temiskaming and Bay Lake (Latchford), respectively.

The public is invited to the weigh-ins starting at 3 p.m. each day.

SUMMER SKATING SCHOOL

The New Liskeard Skating Club's Temiskaming Summer Skating School continues for another four weeks.

The school runs every day from 7 a.m. to noon at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena in New Liskeard.

Power Skating and all StarSkate sessions will be offered, along with Advanced Power Skating on Mondays and Thursdays, Juniors on Tuesdays and Fridays and all begin at 7 a.m.

Mondays at 7 p.m. is the Midget Power Session.

Registration forms are available at McDonald's Restaurant in the magazine rack or call Sharron Graydon at 705-647-8005 for more information.

FALL/WINTER SKATING

Fall and winter registration for the New Liskeard Skating Club will be held at The Shep August 13 to 16 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and August 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. There's also a session Aug. 29 from 6 to 8 p.m. Call Sharron Graydon at 705-647-8005 for more information.

HAILEYBURY GOLF

Coming up at the Haileybury Golf Club: Junior Golf Program runs Tuesdays starting at 9 a.m.; Ladies' Night Tuesday, July 17, with a scramble format at 5:30 p.m.; Men's Nights are Thursday evenings with a 5:30 p.m. shotgun start.

NEW LISKEARD GOLF

Coming up at the New Liskeard Golf Club: McKnight's Men's and Ladies' Wear Mixed Social Friday, July 20; Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Ladies Morning; Thursday Wing Night; Sunday Men's Mornings 9 a.m. to 9:30 tee times; Junior mentoring every Tuesday from July 3 to August 28, from 9 to 11 a.m. Members no fee, non-members \$5 per lesson; Junior lessons every Wednesday from July 4 to August 29 from 10 to 11 a.m. Members no fee, non-members \$5 per lesson; Call the pro shop at 705-647-6651 for further details, and also to book your tee time.

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Teamwork was the name of the game, and enjoying renewed friendships was the grand prize during volleyball and other games at the 2018 Casey Mini Olympics. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

Casey Mini Olympics draws people home

Darlene Wroe
Speaker Reporter

CASEY TOWNSHIP - The 19th annual Casey Mini Olympics was a hit with approximately 200 people who came from across Ontario to enjoy the event.

“The weather was perfect,” said Casey recreation committee treasurer Michel Lachapelle who noted the event is considered a homecoming for many participants who were raised in Belle Vallee and the surrounding area.

They came from Ottawa, Timmins, Sudbury and locations in between for the three-day event.

It was organized by the Casey Township recreation committee and chaired by Gisèle Lachapelle.

The Mini-Olympics consisted of floorball, Texas horseshoes, baseball, volleyball, and free-throw games concluded with a special event Sunday afternoon, June 24, in which participants had to putt a golf ball around a maze on the baseball diamond to reach the final hole.

The winners were The Disturbed who came out with 104 points and claimed the grand prize worth \$600 in gift certificates from Carpet One.

Second place was achieved by Atomas with 101 points, The Young Bucks had 100.

A highlight of the weekend

was a fireworks display, sponsored by Lisand Electrical Services, and set off by the Casey Township Volunteer Fire Department.

The event included activities for children like baseball, crafts and a playground area.

Food and refreshments were also available on site.

Next year marks the 20th annual Casey Mini Olympics.

“We’re going to try to do something special next year,” said Lachapelle.



Young Mini-Olympians were practicing for the future at Casey Township’s annual get-together June 22 to 24. Braden Forget, 12, was taking aim as pitcher for Caisse Populaire Desjardins Casey during the kids’ baseball game Friday evening. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

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