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## Goals and priorities

### Timmins-James Bay candidates showcased in Englehart

**Sue Nielsen**  
Speaker Reporter

ENGLEHART — While a hockey game was going on downstairs, Timmins-James Bay candidates assembled upstairs at the Englehart and Area Community Arena Complex stick handling around each other in an effort to score points with voters.

The October 8 all candidate's night was organized by the Retired Teacher's of Ontario (RTO) and included New Democratic Party incumbent MP Charlie Angus, Liberal Michelle Boileau, Conservative Kraymr Grenke, the Green Party's Max Kennedy and People's Party of Canada's Renaud Roy.

Englehart councillor Jerry Mikovitch was the moderator for the event, tasked with asking the candidates questions chosen from an

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**PUMPKIN PATCH**

It's Thanksgiving weekend and pumpkins are sprouting up all over the place. Thirteen-year-old Cadence Black sat among them as she and her family enjoyed touring the Craig Haven Farm and Gardens pumpkin trail on October 6. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

# DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

Here are some of the stories in our October 9 edition...

- A new 68-unit senior's apartment complex project is moving forward, says the City of Temiskaming Shores.
- The Bucke Park issue has been resolved to the satisfaction of the City and the Bucke Park residents. It will continue as a park in 2020 and until a master recreation plan is completed.
- Orange Shirt Day at Temiskaming District Secondary School was a way for staff and students to recognize the lasting legacy of Canada's residential school experience.
- The Northeastern Catholic District School Board has named Colleen Landers as chair and Fred Salvador vice-chair.
- The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has seen the light and will be installing a set of LED traffic lights at the intersection of Highway 11 and 562 in Thornloe.
- The Pavilion Women's Centre is spearheading a campaign to provide feminine hygiene products to women.
- Fifty-three participants, four kilometres, 14 obstacles and plenty of mud defined the Great Northern Obstacle Course Challenge last weekend at the Charlton Fair Grounds.
- The New Liskeard Cubs head into the weekend hoping to find the win column against the Timmins Majors.
- Our C-front this week features a story and photos on a public owl banding session at the Hilliardton Marsh Research and Education Centre.



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# Connecting with language and land

by Xavier Kataquapit

TEMISKAMING SHORES - The Temiskaming Native Women's Support Group (TNWSG) hosted a Language Gathering overlooking the panoramic view of Lake Temiskaming in North Cobalt September 27 to 29.

Over 100 participants took part in the gathering where Native language speakers were encouraged to share their knowledge. The event brought together First Nation elders and language speakers from the First Nations of Beaverhouse, Matachewan, Temiskaming and members of the Metis Nation.

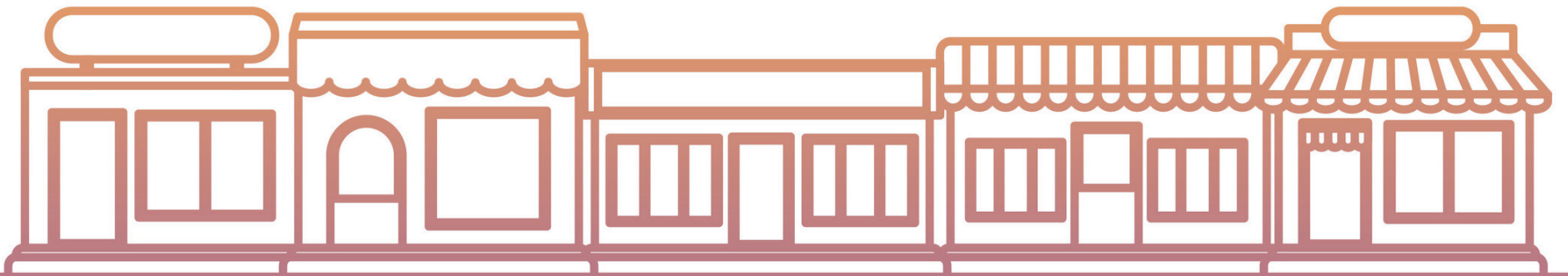
They came together with community members and their children to learn the Ojibway language dialects of North-eastern Ontario driven by great



A Language Gathering that brought together Indigenous speakers was held near North Cobalt September 27 to 29. From the left are Dani Grenier-Ducharme, DTSSAB; Elder George Ethier, Temiskaming Metis Council; Elder Freda Wabie (in front), Beaverhouse FN; Elder Marie Liliane Ethier, Temiskaming Metis Council; Bertha Cormier, Matachewan FN; Elder Tom Wabie, Beaverhouse FN; Melissa Gill, TNWSG; Elder Vina Hendrix, Matachewan FN; Elder Roberta Oshkabewisens, TNWSG and Nancy Wabie, Beaverhouse FN. Seated in front is past Beaverhouse FN Chief, Elder Sally Susan Mathias Martel (Marcia Brown-Martel). (Photo by Xavier Kataquapit)

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# Goals and priorities

## Timmins-James Bay candidates showcased in Englehart

Continued from A Front audience of approximately 70 interested citizens.

Englehart resident Tom Henderson kept the candidates on track within the allotted time frames given on the night.

Mikovitch explained the candidates had two minutes to introduce themselves, one minutes to respond to a question and one minute for final summations.

The Northlander passenger train, the federal deficit, the economy, pipelines, food security, gun laws, health care, education and tax fairness were some of the topics posed to the candidates.

### PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE

With a high interest point for Englehart, a railroad town, a question drawing much interest was: If elected, would the successful candidate restore the Northlander train?

Green Party candidate Kennedy said, "Yes we will and we will make it better by promoting green technology such as electric power and cut down on carbon emissions."

Conservative Grenke was cautious about supporting passenger rail service, saying it was undetermined if his party would support the return of the passenger train as he felt the infrastructure has deteriorated and it would be costly to rebuild the tracks.

"We would promote the bus options and invest in safe roads."

Boileau said she would support

port bringing back passenger rail service.

"I have travelled a great deal and I know what it is like to drive our highways. It would be an economic boost and we would continue to invest in public transportation across the north."

Angus said he hasn't stopped working with northern communities to try and revive the Northlander train service since it was cancelled in 2012.

"We are the only party that has costed it out. It is a provincial and federal concern. I remember when the (provincial) Liberals cancelled the train service right before Thanksgiving weekend stranding hundreds of students coming home for the long weekend. I find it rich that the Liberals say they support the train when they cancelled it in the first place."



The candidates running in the Timmins-James Bay riding met at the all candidates night held on October 8 at the Englehart community hall. From the left is Max Kennedy of the Green Party, Liberal Michelle Boileau, Retired Teachers of Ontario policy advisor/event organizer Sharon Jones, Conservative Party's Kraymr Grenke, Charlie Angus of the NDP and Renaud Roy from the People's Party of Canada. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

Roy said his People's Party would have to take a look at the costs of passenger rail service and can it be sustained over the long haul.

### GUN LAWS

Most of the candidates came out firing on the issue of gun control.

Grenke said when he has

gone door-to-door in the riding the subject has come up.

He said he supports local lawful gun owners and feels

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Submitted by Ellen Ibey

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#### Fast Facts:

- Osteoporosis can strike at any age and affects both men and women
- Building strong bones during childhood and adolescence can be the best defence against developing osteoporosis later in life
- Both men and women begin to lose bone in their mid 30s. As they approach menopause, women lose bone at a greater rate, from 2-3% per year
- At least 1 in 3 women and 1 in 5 men will suffer from an osteoporotic fracture during their lifetime
- Over 80% of all fractures in people 50+ are caused by osteoporosis

#### Testing

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  - rheumatoid arthritis
- younger men or women (under 50) with a disease or condition associated with low bone mass or bone loss:
  - high risk medication (steroid use, aromatase inhibitors, androgen deprivation therapy)
  - uncontrolled hyperthyroidism
  - early menopause (younger than 45)

For more information about osteoporosis, go to the Osteoporosis Canada website at [www.osteoporosis.ca](http://www.osteoporosis.ca). If you fall into any of the groups listed above, please schedule an appointment with your primary care provider to discuss BMD testing.

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# Rise up

The seas, lakes and rivers are rising, crops wither, fires ravage forests and humankind seeks to understand it all.

Yet some have done more to understand, they are taking action.

Students mobilized to protect their future during the Climate Strike walks.

I was on the scene reporting on the New Liskeard event and I was proud of those youth.

After all, a young person's place is in the resistance. Our youth are taking action themselves in the face of all the fake news and gaslighting promises from our politicians and even us as adults about the real dangers of climate change.

And what did they get for their actions? A barrage of criticism from adults.

I was extremely disappointed to see adults mocking children.

We saw it online via social media and we even heard Maxime Bernier, the leader of the People's Party of Canada, take a shot at climate change activist Greta Thunberg.

Many of the world's youth have been inspired to take action on climate change because of Thunberg's leadership.

I doubt whether anything in Bernier's political platform or his leadership style will have the same effect on our youth.

Thunberg said, "You can't deal with a crisis unless you treat it as a crisis."

I will tell you what I believe is a continuing crisis. It's the fact that young people are leaving the Temiskaming region in droves for school and job



Sue Nielsen

opportunities and they are not coming back.

I will tell you about a real crisis we have on our hands when we see young people not getting involved in volunteering and entire volunteer-driven organizations folding as a result.

How many young people are entering politics or even running for seats on local councils or school boards?

What's the age demographic of local municipal councils?

It was wonderful to see Emma Livingston elected to Latchford council as she certainly has revived recreation and injected much needed energy into that community.

And there's Jillian Plaunt in Englehart on that council also.

If the north is to survive and prosper, it needs youth.

If we are to sustain a work force, we need youth.

How will our communities survive without new blood and energy?

What kind of world are we living in when we complain about youth not getting involved and mock them when they do?

Kids are our future and in my view, the future looks so bright I might have to wear shades.

Perhaps this is the generation that can change the world - if we let them?



## NO KIDDING

A unique factor about Kerns Public School is its annual Fall Fair, but also the farm animals that the children bring to school to show off, including this goat named Ernie. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

# EDITORIAL

## Mental Illness Awareness Week

This week was Mental Illness Awareness Week (October 6-12) across Canada and included in that designation was World Mental Health Day on Thursday, October 10.

It is safe to say there is no health without mental health.

As this is a federal election year, we should be asking candidates in the Timmins-James Bay riding and the Nipissing-Timiskaming riding what they propose to do to raise the profile of mental health and to direct more resources to mental health in Northern communities.

Here in the north we are in need of increased access to mental health services.

We know there are stark differences in the way mental health services are delivered to urban versus rural communities, and that disparity must change.

According to the Canadian Mental Health Association Canadian Community Health Survey (2002), geography is thus a determinant of mental health.

The survey found people living in rural re-

gions of Northern Ontario reported high levels of major rates of depression and other mental health issues versus their provincial counterparts.

There is a great need for psychotherapy counselling in our region and we hope the candidates are aware of this and willing to take a serious look at the problem.

Certainly family physicians are leaned upon heavily to deliver mental health services, when it should be psychiatrists and trained counsellors.

Northerners often have to travel great distances to access mental health and addiction services.

The use of hospital emergency rooms for psychiatric reasons was more than double the provincial average in Northern communities.

The bottom line is we need and deserve more mental health services in our region and governments must pay attention to our needs.

## Gratitude

The Temiskaming Speaker and Weekend-er newspapers wish each and everyone a happy, safe, Thanksgiving weekend.

This might be the perfect weekend to consider what you are thankful for in your life.

Certainly we live in one of the most beau-

tiful regions in the province, with pristine forests and waterways, virtually in our backyards.

Take a few moments this weekend to think about what makes you smile and fulfills your life.

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# Gomm running Green in Nipissing-Timiskaming

**Sue Nielsen**  
Speaker Reporter

DISTRICT — North Bay resident Alexander Gomm is running as the Green Party candidate in the Nipissing-Timiskaming riding in the federal election set to take place Monday, October 21.

He was born and raised in North Bay and says, "My parents were immigrants from Europe. My father was a high school teacher in North Bay and my mother opened a day-care in the high school where he taught," he told The Speaker.

He has lived most of his life in the north but recently moved back to Canada from Asia where he taught English as a Second Language (ESL) for the past nine years.

He is not married and has no children.

He developed an interest in politics at a young age and has canvassed door-to-door in previous elections for the New Democratic Party.

What sets him apart from other candidates, he says, is coming to the election as an outsider.

"I will approach things differently. Although some may view a lack of experience as a negative trait, a fresh look at some of the persistent problems in the district may uncover opportunities and solutions that others have missed," he said in an email interview.

He says he has no ties to the business world and feels he can act impartially when addressing the best solutions to meet the needs of the Nipissing-Timiskaming constituents.

Gomm feels the Green Party is the best choice for residents of his riding because, if elect-



**ALEXANDER GOMM**

ed, he would strengthen bonds between First Nation peoples and work with them to solve the issues of the health of the land and waterways.

"We will continue the work that is already underway in providing innovative and culturally relevant treatment programs and mental health services. Although this is a provincial domain, I will fight in parliament to strengthen and expand the Canada Health Act to include pharmacare for all the dental coverage for low income Canadians."

Gomm promises to promote green technology start-ups and feels the riding would benefit from diversification of industry so there is no reliance on just one sector.

He is concerned about health care in the north and the issue of seniors housing.

"I would like to access federal funding to provide new opportunities for seniors to live in their own homes longer through the use of newly developed cohabitation models. This could ease the burden on long term care facilities which would translate into a higher level of care in presently overburdened facilities."

He feels the Green Party would make investments in public transportation and the electrical grid to invigorate the region and address carbon emissions.

He says it is time for change in the riding and sees his platform of helping everyone in the district in terms of reaching their potential as different from the incumbent's.

## MAIN ISSUES

Gomm says the main issues in the riding hover around addiction, mental health and affordable housing.

"The opioid epidemic is severely affecting communities in the riding and putting high pressure on first responders and police services. Given the low availability of high paying jobs, the cost of housing is disproportionately high compared to the average income. Access to health care services and quality of long term care for the elderly is also very important," noted Gomm.

He is also concerned with education and believes that is the domain of the province.

"I feel the cost of post secondary education is a major issue affecting youth."

If elected, his first priority is to address the mental health and addiction crisis in the riding. As per his party's platform on the environment, he will bring the voice of the riding to Ottawa with solutions that recognize the party's responsibility to its citizens and the rest of the world.

"The climate crisis is very real and the threat of the collapse of life systems in our planet is real. My conscience would not allow me to represent any other party."



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- It is safest to use a flashlight or battery-operated candles in a jack-o-lantern. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Tea lights are a safer option and should be outdoors only. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.

## Ensure you extinguish the flame - do not leave it burning.

- Avoid decorating with candles or torch lights.
- Ensure that combustible Halloween decorations such as crepe paper, cornstalks, and dried flowers are kept well away from sources of heat, including light bulbs and heaters.
- Keep all exits clear of decorating materials.
- If using decorative lights indoors or outdoors, use lights certified by a recognized organization such as the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) or the Underwriters' Laboratory of Canada (ULC or C-UL). Check lights for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Discard damaged sets. Do not overload extension cords.

Information Collected From: Halloween Fire Safety. Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs. Web – 25 October 2019.

<http://www.oafc.on.ca/halloween-safety-tips>.

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# Connecting with language and land

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interest of the First Nations of Matachewan and Beaverhouse. Other Native dialects were spoken during the event.

The gathering was held close to the old settlement of Mill Creek, which has historic ties to First Nations. This is the second language event hosted by the TNWSG with the first held in July near Kirkland Lake.

"Our goal with these language events is to invite language speakers to spend time with others on the land, surrounded by nature and to speak and share stories around a campfire. This is how our ancestors learned to speak their language and shared their knowledge. We were very pleased that a long time supporter of our efforts, Dani Grenier-Ducharme, joined us to share our time devoted to language, tradition and culture," commented Anne Batisse, executive director of the support group.

Batisse, together with Arlene Hache, Keepers Of The Circle program developer, led the proposal effort to access funding through health and wellness programs by the Ontario provincial government. The planning process was also led by an Elders Circle.

The TNWSG works closely with the District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB) to develop programs and projects that promote culture and language for communities in Northeastern Ontario. Grenier-Ducharme (children's services manager of the District of Timiskaming Social Services Board) explained that his board has been working with the support group under the provincial government's program *Journey Together: Ontario's Commitment to Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples* which was announced in 2016.

**ONGOING PROCESS**

The program was created in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada which provided their final report in June 2015 as an ongoing process aimed at addressing the historic legacy of

the Indian residential school system in Canada.

"The work that has been done by everyone involved to make projects like this happen has been amazing. I am thrilled at the level of commitment that everyone has provided to make these projects in culture and language so successful," said Grenier-Ducharme.

"It has been a long journey and I am proud of what we have all accomplished so far. I am proud to say that I am from Temiskaming because projects such as this show who we are and what we represent as peoples and our capacity to organize such beneficial traditional and cultural events," he said.

The energy, efforts and skills of staff and volunteers from Beaverhouse and Matachewan First Nations and the TNWSG combined to provide a venue where Indigenous language was front and centre. The gathering's lead organizer was Melissa Gill, TNWSG.

"This is a very emotional and powerful event for many of us here. Our communities have so much trauma and difficult history to deal with and many of our elders share those stories here as a form a healing for everyone," said Gill.

Guidance and leadership was provided by First Nation elders as well as traditional drummers and teachers including Elder Roberta Oshkabewisens, TNWSG; Elder Marilyn Chevrier-Wills, Temiskaming FN and Elder Marie Liliane Ethier of the Temiskaming Metis Council.

Elder Oshkabewisens, TNWSG Wisdom Keepers, who is originally from Wikwemikong First Nation on Manitoulin Island, shared her traditional knowledge and cultural teachings during the gathering. She is a fluent Indigenous speaker of the Wikwemikong FN dialect and led various ceremonies using her original language.

"I feel like I am walking on air to be here among our elders and community members. I feel fulfilled and proud to see everyone here wanting to learn more

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## Connecting

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about their language and their culture. Language is only part of our culture. We also share stories, teachings and lessons among one another," said Elder Oshkabewisens.

### STORYTELLING

The event included storytelling by elders, traditional teachings for adults and children, daily traditional ceremonies, teepee raising and teachings, trapper tent setup and teachings, tea boiling, children's painting, nature walks and scavenger hunts. A language bingo that used traditional language and teachings drew many participants and the making of traditional crafts including shakers and dream catchers provided hands-on knowledge. The event also featured many opportunities for sharing circles, storytelling and fireside gatherings, as well as traditional drumming and singing and modern singing and guitar performances by David Batisse of Matachewan FN and Sally Susan Mathias Martel (Marcia Brown-Martel) of Beaverhouse FN.

Elder Vina Hendrix of Matachewan FN made a great effort to attend the event on a fast flight from a cultural and language gathering in Fort Albany FN on the James Bay Coast. She is renowned for her knowledge of the Ojibway language, traditions and culture.

"Life is so different up north compared to what we have here in the south. Hearing the Cree speak and use the language while on the land reminded me of what life was like when I was a child and it felt good. They are more connected to language and the land up there and that is what I would like to see our people move towards here. The gathering we have here is making that happen and I hope it keeps going on. Meegwetch to all the organizers and funders for making this possible," commented Hendrix.

The organizers are hopeful that they can turn this into a regular gathering with events that take place during the four seasons and give elders an opportunity to share stories and activities that go with every part of the year.



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# Timmins-James Bay candidates showcased in Englehart

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the problem is with criminals getting their hands on illegal guns. Angus believes Canada has "good gun laws. There is such a thing as good gun ownership. Let's get the AR-15s off the streets and let's look to the police to find out how they feel. Northerners are reasonable people. Let's get the military style weapons off the streets."

Kennedy referred to the 1989 Ecole Polytechnique shooting and said it was done with illegal firearms. He proposes restrictions on automatic weapons and favours greater restrictions on gun ownership.

Roy said it was important to protect the public from criminals and he would replace the firearms act with new legislation aimed at improved public safety. He feels parliament should be the only place to change gun laws.

### UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE

The issue of universal health care drew a positive discussion from the candidates.

As for incumbent Angus, he said a poor example of health care was when Doug Ford cut funding for autistic children in the province and he said the Liberals have been promising universal health care since 1993.

Kennedy said he felt adults were not being responsible enough and they were destroying the future for children.

He proposed his party would protect the environment thus ensuring better health outcomes for northerners.

Roy said he has seen better health care in Europe when he lived there and says the provinces and the federal government must work together on the issue.

"We must not give the provinces full responsibility for health care."

Boileau said, "The Liberal party believes everyone should have access to health care" and her party invested \$6 billion in health-care.

She wants to see seniors having more access to doctors and that it is important they stay in their own homes.

Kennedy said it's not right that people, "give up food because they have to pay the rent and hydro bills. We have a poverty reduction strategy. Poverty is the single biggest determinant of health care in Canada."

Grenke said he felt the Liberals had dropped the ball on universal health care and made too many promises with no concrete action.

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# PPKS offers new season of children's entertainment

COBALT (Staff) — It's back better than ever.

The Pied Piper Kidshows (PPKS) 2019-20 lineup of children's entertainment kicks off in a big way with the show called *Ripopée*, a theatrical fable involving a story of friendship and adaptation on Thursday, October 17, at the Classic Theatre in Cobalt.

Show times are 6:45 p.m.

PPKS is a not-for-profit volunteer run group presenting children's entertainment since 1979.

The aim of Pied Piper is to present the performing arts to area communities at a reasonable cost through low ticket prices.

This is one performance the entire



family will want to take in.

According to the group's website, the performance is a clownish fable on the theme of travel.

Like a box of surprises, *Ripopée* stands as a tribute to the unknown, which can forge new paths from light-hearted, out-of-the-ordinary experiences.

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### Verner IPM welcomes 81,000-plus

VERNER (Special) — Good weather and good crowds marked the 2019 International Plowing Match in Verner.

On October 9, organizers of the mammoth rural showcase announced that the event drew more than 81,000 visitors.

"The community of West Nipissing pulled out all the stops to ensure our visitors felt welcome and enjoyed their stay in our community," said Neil Fox, chair of International Plowing Match (IPM) 2019, in a news release.

Among the 81,517 attendees were some 7,400 school students.

The IPM featured the BMO Plowing Competition.

But it also offered live music, West Coast lumberjack shows, the Dodge RAM Rodeo Tour, Canadian Cowgirls precision riding drill team, chainsaw carving demos, and performances by the Canadian Skyhawks parachute team.

There were hundreds of exhibitors and vendors and three stages featuring live music.

"The IPM was jam-packed

with great entertainment and non-stop things to do for people of all ages," said Sheila Marshall, president of the Ontario Plowmen's Association which oversees the IPM.

"There's a reason we say you can do it all in one day," she continued.

"It was great to see so many people come out for IPM 2019 and have a blast while learning about the importance of agriculture and Northern Ontario's many contributions to it."

Organizers thanked the 1,200 local and provincial volunteers for their work.

They said the IPM would also not have been possible without support from the business community.

At the top of their list were presenting partners BMO Bank of Montreal, Hydro One and the Ontario Mutual Insurance Association.

The 2020 IPM, meanwhile, will head back south.

It'll be hosted in Lindsay in Kawartha Lakes a little later than usual — October 14 through

17.