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Outstanding Achievement

Sharron Graydon recognized for volunteerism

Darlene Wroe

Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES - New Liskeard resident Sharron Graydon was honoured in a special ceremony at Temiskaming Shores city council Tuesday, June 19.

Graydon is the recipient of the prestigious June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism.

Eleven other Ontario residents have been named as recipients of the award.

Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP John Vanthof attended the June 19 council meeting in Temiskaming Shores and Mayor Carman Kidd also extended the community's appreciation of her volunteer work.

Vanthof noted the work of Callwood who had founded or co-founded over 50 volunteer organizations.

"She cared about people, and that's why it's such an honour to have someone in our area who has been awarded the June Callwood award for volunteerism," he said.

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A PLACE TO PLAY

Kids were enjoying the playground equipment and sandpit during the Casey Mini Olympics games held in Belle Vallee June 22 to 24. Jase Lachapelle, 4, of Harris Township (left) and Max Baril, 3, of Coleman Township were among the many children who enjoyed the fun along with their families. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

SPEAKER THIS WEEK? Here are some of the stories in our JUNE 27 edition...

- A large-scale commercial aggregate extraction activity at Sharp Lake Park is not a permitted activity.
- There will be fireworks, face painting and flag-waving aplenty to mark Canada Day weekend.
- The City of Temiskaming Shores council has approved in-kind support for the construction of a new hall for the St. Paul and St. John Anglican Church in Haileybury.
- A small laneway in Haileybury is the subject of discussions and liability.
- Police say an incident involving a man barricaded inside an Evanturel Township residence ended peacefully when

 Latchford Mayor George Lefebvre commented that it seems strange to be talking about ice and snow on the highway when the town is basking in the first days of summer.

- It's World Cup time in Russia and, on a slightly smaller scale, soccer continues to have a hold on hundreds of area youth.
- Knock Cancer Out of the Park is ready to hit the big time on the long
- The third Get Active in Temiskaming run and walk was a dam hot one.
- Fishing without a license is ok-but just for one week.
- Our C-front this week features a story and photos on the Englehart 355 Polaris Squadron Cadet Review.

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Hands on learning

Multi-discipline health care exercise held at TDSS

Sue Nielsen Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES —A hands on learning activity involving health care professionals and students brought enhanced learning capabilities to a classroom at Timiskaming District Secondary School (TDSS) this school year.

As part of the Specialist High Skills Major Program (SHSM) at TDSS, a Reach Ahead Health Care Simulation Lab exercise took place involving 78 students and nine health care profession-

Students from TDSS invited their counterparts from Timmins High and Vocational School, Roland Michener Secondary School and Iroquois Falls Secondary School to attend a simulation lab scenario to enhance their knowledge and skills relating to the SHSM program will engage in active learning.

dents through health care skills Sue Nielsen) and assessments," said Timiskaming District Emergency Medi-



"The TDSS Health Care stu- A mock scene involving an opiate crisis (naloxone administration) took place at TDSS in the Specialist High Skills Major program dents were able to develop their simulation lab on May 28. Taking part in this exercise were students from the SHSM program along with Timiskaming District leadership skills by guiding Emergency Medical Services personnel. From the left administering emergency aid are SHSM students Ashley Blais, Tammi Yerlitz, Timmins and Iroquois Falls stu- paramedic Ron Quenneville, paramedic Michele Rivard, Paige Little, Morgan Dufresne and paramedic Kayla Wilson. (Staff photo by

> cal Services paramedic Thomas McLean in an email interview.

He is also the TDSS SHSM Program Lead for Health Care helping to develop the program and lab at the school.

Students were joined by multi-disciplinary health care professionals including paramedics, physicians, critical care nurses for skill stations

-Anniversa<u>r</u>y

and mock challenges covering multiple casualty incidents, naloxone administration and the opiate crisis, CPR and Public Access Defibrillator usage, airway management and oxygen administration, primary assessment and vital signs.

The benefits of having stu-

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dents working side by side with pros was a win-win according to McLean.

"All students were able to interact with health care professionals to gain a better understanding of careers in emergency medicine. Simulation based learning allows us to practice high acuity, low frequency calls. That is to say calls that thankfully don't occur very often but when they do are life threatening and require immediate intervention. I would like to thank nurses Kristen Bildfell and Courtney Black, Dr. Desilets and paramedics John Mc-Carthy, Kayla Wilson, Michele Rivard, Trevor Neddo and Ron Quenneville for sharing their knowledge with students," said McLean.



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Sharron Graydon was presented with the prestigious June Callwood award Tuesday, June 19. Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP John Vanthof (left) was present to congratulate Graydon. She also received congratulations from the city represented by Temiskaming Shores Mayor Carman Kidd. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

Sharron Graydon recognized for volunteerism

Continued from A Front **EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION**

The June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism recognizes individuals and groups who have made an exceptional contribution to voluntarism in Ontario whether by volunteering their time, efforts, knowledge or resources.

At the April 17 ceremony, then Minister of Citizenship and Immigration Laura Albanese stated, "The late June Callwood left a legacy of voluntarism and selflessness that touched every corner of Ontario. Honouring the efforts of volunteers reminds us of the importance of civic engagement and responsibility, and the role we all play in making the province a great place to

"A lot of things that Sharron has done in our area exemplify the values that June Callwood held so dear," said Vanthof.

"Things like the Harvest Queen where she built up the spirits of young women in our area, the CAT Scan, the Figure Skating Association - all these things she's done for people's spirits, for people's health."

"AN INTEGRAL PART OF **COMMUNITY**"

that Graydon "has been an integral part of our community network and has lent her never-ending supply of enthusiasm, dedication and hard work to many facets of the community and continues to do so today.

"She has touched every segment of the community - children, youth, families, adults and seniors and has played an integral part in the success of the business sector, sport, recreation, culture, health, agriculture and overall civic pride."

The Temiskaming Shores and Area Chamber of Commerce also supported the nomination, stating, "Sharron has long been the face and energy behind many successful community events. Without her vision, drive and dedication, major events in this relatively small community would not have been the success they are and many wouldn't have happened at all. She takes an idea and turns it into a reality while smiling and encouraging everyone around

Graydon thanked the gathering, which included many family members and friends.

"My belief is that if we all give a little, our country gains Kidd stated in a letter of a lot and our community gains

support for the nomination a lot. I work with many people in this community who expect nothing in return and have accomplished many things. Many of them are in this room tonight."

> She thanked family, friends, board members, media and businesses who support local events.

"We are so fortunate here because business supports our community as well," she said.

She stated she accepted the award on behalf of all those who also help with community fundraising and events.

"Part of this is yours," she said.

Kidd expressed hope that people would stop her on the street and thank her "for all your efforts and all your work over the last several years."

The award recognizes Graydon's involvement in the New Liskeard Figure Skating Club, the Canadian Figure Skating Association James Bay Region, the New Liskeard Fall Fair and Friends of Festivals New Liskeard Harvest Queen, the New Liskeard Fall Fair Children's Parade, the International Plowing Match, the CAT Scan Foundation fundraising committee, as well as her work on hundreds of special events and activities in the community.



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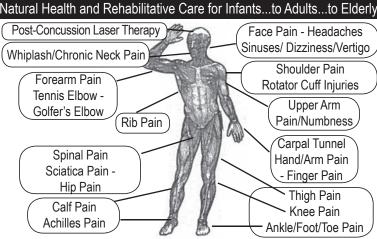
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Canadian pride

66 In Canada, whether or not we have much to do with canoes proper, the canoe is simply inside us. 55

Roger McGregor

I've been touting the benefits of self-propelled transportation for the month of June concerning cycling.

But there is another worthy means to get around by the power of our own bodies, it is by way of canoe.

And if you are Canadian, the canoe was the vessel that led to the discovery and opening up of this country long before the train arrived.

The rivers and lakes were the highways transporting fur traders and voyageurs into remote locations, which later led to settlements.

National Canoe Day marked Tuesday, June 26.

What kind of life did I have before I fell in love with the canoe? It must have been boring.

What's my most cherished canoe memory?

The eight-day canoe trip I took a few years back to the Chiniguchi Waterway Provincial Park northeast of Sudbury.

We were a party of 10 wild women and two guides who encountered moose, bugs, bears and in the stern of my canoe pointing every kind of weather pattern you my bow forward with gratitude can think of, except snow.

We did have hail the size of land we call home. golf balls, blistering heat, thunderstorms and high winds.

It was grueling because we paddled long distances, portaged over muddy marshes and around high cliffs and carried heavy packs on our backs.

However, the scenery was Day!



Sue Nielsen

spectacular, the company divine and the memories will last a life-

One of the main things I love about the canoe is the absence of technology or anything motor-

Do you know how to lower blood pressure in just minutes? Jump in a canoe - the health benefits are amazing.

Within ten minutes of my front door are seven lakes.

Do you know the health value of that?

The human spirit needs places where the hand of technology has not touched them.

I am grateful each and every day that I don't live in a concrete jungle battling traffic and people all day long.

A hundred or so years ago canoes were a common sight on our waterways much the same as cars are today.

I am grateful to live in a country where human rights are upheld and freedom is granted because our veterans fought long and hard

On Canada Day I will most and love for this beautiful, rugged

The canoe is like a Canadian, it travels with humility and peace in its wake.

In my humble opinion, the canoe is the most glorious symbol of Canada there is.

Paddles up and Happy Canada



EDITORIAL

Happy Canada Day!

The most patriotic day of the year will be celebrated on Sunday, July 1, when people living in South Temiskaming and around Canada celebrate the 151st year of confederation.

It will be a chance to dress in red and white and say Eh!

It may be hard to top last year's 150th birthday celebration but we will all try our best.

Despite the recent difference of opinion concerning trade with our southern neighbours, Canada is a much-respected country worldwide.

We are a country revered for its respect of individuals and human rights.

Perhaps we missed the equality boat when it comes to our Indigenous brothers and sisters who were subjected to various forms of racism. But we all have an opportunity to right the wrongs of the past in how we accept each other in the present and future.

And overall, we are fine people.

So why not take in a Canada Day celebration in your community this coming weekend?

Wave your red and white Canadian flags with pride, we are a strong, progressive nation from coast to coast.

It's what we do for each other that

The Temiskaming Speaker and The Weekender wish each and everyone a happy, safe Canada Day weekend.

End of school

likely wear red and white and be vear has come to an end.

The Temiskaming Speaker and The Weekender wish to thank all the school boards, the teachers, support staff and the students in our region for another wonderful school year.

We take great pride in featuring our schools and students achievements within the pages of this, your community newspaper.

For those going on to higher levels

In the blink of an eye, another school of post secondary education, remember you were born with the permission of the stars - you can do anything you wish in life.

> As parents and students, look back over the past academic year, whether it was good or not so good. Take heart, you made progress learning and growing as a person.

Remember to stay safe and enjoy your summer.

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Keeping Canada Letter to the Editor Day weekend safe Dental care and

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Special) – As people head into the first long weekend of summer, police are working to keep Canada Day safe.

"The Temiskaming OPP is also gearing up for a busy weekend on Ontario roads, trails and waterways," said Constable Jennifer Smith in a news release.

"We will be keeping a close eye out for people who display aggressive driving behaviour, whether in a motor vehicle, boat or all-terrain vehicle."

Police will be watching for more than speeding, she continued.

"Following vehicles too closely, distracted driving, improper lane changes, weaving in and out of lanes and a general disregard for traffic laws are all forms of aggressive and dangerous driving behaviour that put everyone at risk."

She urged motorists to remember that there will be additional people and traffic in the Temiskaming Shores area.

"Remember to share the road with motorcycles," she said.

Motorcycles will use a full lane, she said, and are to be treated as any other vehicle.

"Watch for motorcycles at intersections," she cautioned, noting that more than one-third of collisions involving motorcycles occur in the vicinity of intersections.

"Some motorcycle turning signals are hard to see. Watch for cues such as riders doing shoulder checks or leaning. This may indicate that they are going to turn or change lanes."

Riders also have less protection and are on smaller, open vehicles.

"Give them space as their speed and distance can be misjudged by other drivers."

All drivers should check their mirrors and blind spots to detect motorcycles.

And while enjoying the festivities, Smith reminded the public to drink responsibly and in designated areas.

Roadside RIDE stops will be set up in various locations "and there is absolutely no tolerance for drinking and driving," she said.

"Make plans ahead of time to assure you and your loved ones arrive home safely."

water warnings

The (local) dentist who (recently) helped folks pro bono is to be congratulated. However, why does Canada not have a comprehensive health insurance plan?

I asked then Premier Robarts about that, when our OHIP was introduced in the '60s and he had no good answer. Why does one of the richest countries have a deficient health care plan? All three parties in Ontario had the opportunity to introduce a comprehensive Medicare plan when they formed the government. None did.

On another matter: I see there are new signs up by Cobalt Lake, warning us not to swim, fish, play etc. in the "arsenic" water. It endangers our health!

I wrote a couple of critical letters on this subject several years ago. It is pointless to argue with the "experts." Instead, I want to give a personal testimony.

I have been swimming in this lake (usually alone) every summer day for some 35 years, weather permitting. I'm pushing 90 years and am in excellent health for my age. The COPD I do have is not due to my swimming in the lake but due to my having smoked for about 40 years, beginning when I was about 20. That is what my physician told me and it has nothing to do with swimming in Cobalt Lake.

On a hot day I swim in that beautiful lake alone! Incredible, but true. Folks believe those signs! I read that a little bit of arsenic is actually beneficial. It keeps me fit!

Too bad! Cobalt could have a real asset if a beach could be made and those signs taken down! Cobalt Lake is in the middle of our town, Bass Lake is miles away!

> H.L. Wipprecht Cobalt







A hot time in Cuba for TDSS band



Timiskaming District Secondary's music program recognized its best at its annual spring concert and awards night. Teacher Gail Menard, far left, presented awards to, from left, Callista Laffrenier, Senior Concert Band president; Justin Mackewn, Stage Band Award; Rowan Bradford (Gladys Dodge Award for the top Grade 12 student) and Jarod Hillman (J.F. Hamilton Award for the top Grade 11 student), co-winners of the R.J. McCall Award for most outstanding musician; Rebecca Carlson, Band Director's Award for outstanding loyalty and dedication to the band. (Supplied Photo)

By Callista Laffrenier, TDSS Senior Concert Band president

TEMISKAMING SHORES -On May 12, we began our day bright and early for our departure from TDSS at 6 a.m.

We travelled first to the To-

ronto Pearson airport and then flew to Varadero, Cuba, where we were immediately shocked by the heat and humidity.

We drove to the hotel and enjoyed our first experience with Cuban food before heading to

The next day, we enjoyed a

much needed dip in the pool and then lunch, followed by a walking tour of Old Havana.

As we walked through the streets of Havana while being told the history behind the architecture, we were astonished by the ancient culture that surrounded us.

Once back at the hotel, we had dinner and prepared for our first performance – for the guests of our hotel. They loved our music, giving us a standing ovation and asking for an encore!

We then experienced Cuban culture up close while watching the talented dancers and singers two amazing international jazz perform for us.

On Monday morning we headed out to a Latin rhythm interactive workshop where we were taught the proper techniques to play some percussion instruments.

We then took in a performance by the Cuban a cappella vocal jazz group Novel Voz. We ate lunch with the musicians and headed to a local arts school for our second performance.

After exchanging performances, we had the chance to improvise with the Cuban band.

Our band director, Gail Menard, presented assorted band items to their principal for their music program.

Following our dinner at the hotel we put on our dancing shoes and got ready for salsa lessons.

Tuesday morning saw us visiting a Cuban art installation.

We toured a street that was covered completely in colourful painted murals and sculpted

treasures. We then met the artist himself, who invited us into his home and gallery to discuss his work.

That evening, we got dressed up for dinner at a jazz club in downtown Havana, where we were treated to performances by

On Wednesday, we visited another arts high school for our third performance.

After watching their outstanding performances, we played and then gave gifts to the school for their music program.

In the afternoon, we took a group photo on an ocean beach and visited a market where we bartered for souvenirs.

Our fourth and final performance took place at a community centre called Casa de la Cultura.

After our program, they entertained us with dances by the talented youth in the community. We were pleased to be able to donate some "goodie bags" to these children.

On Thursday, we visited Pinar

During the long bus ride, we learned some of the cultural history of Cuba and how the country has developed over the

More on 7a





At Timiskaming District Secondary's spring concert and awards night, Senior Concert Band president Callista Laffrenier, left, and vice-president Jarod Hillman, right, were recognized for their hard work during the year. It was also the final awards night for music teacher and band director Gail Menard, centre. As she prepared to retire, she thanked everyone for their heart-felt tributes and described the concert as "an exciting culmination to a fantastic year and a wonderful career." (Supplied Photo)

A hot time in Cuba for TDSS band

Continued from 6a years.

with a walk which culminatspooky cave!

After enjoying lunch at a beautiful lookout, we proceeded spectacular! to the most adventurous part of

the trip - our hike!While some band members opted to head In Pinar Del Rio we began straight to the waterfall to cool off, others hiked up a mountain ed with a boat ride through a more than 380 metres above sea level.

The view from the top was

On Friday, we visited a local



Medallions were presented to the top students studying music in grades 9 and 10 at the Timiskaming District Secondary's annual spring concert. Pictured above with music teacher Gail Menard, fourth from left, are: from left, Grade 10's Rebecca Carlson and Grade 9's Jennifer Reid-Girard, Jessica *Groulx-Walsh*, *Aman Kahlon and Jack Quick*. (Supplied Photo)

community project that helps low income families.

At the centre we were treated to a wonderful display of amazing songs and dances from children in the community! Mrs. Menard presented the project leaders with gift bags that we had brought.

At our farewell dinner we were joined by children from the first community centre we visited. Verbal communication was challenging, but they were all able to communicate through singing and dancing to both English and Spanish music!

Our final morning in Cuba

was spent relaxing at the hotel, swimming and enjoying the sunshine, before beginning our adventure home.

We were very sad to be leaving but will forever remember the wonderful memories we made!

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Should You Get the Pneumonia Vaccine?

What is the Pneumonia Vaccine (Pneumovax)?

Pneumococcal Disease (PD) is an infection caused by a type of bacteria (streptococcus pneumonia). When this bug invades the body, it can lead to serious illness, such as pneumonia. But the bacteria can also cause blood poisoning and meningitis, which is inflammation of the tissues around the brain and spinal cord

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BIKING TO WORK

Temiskaming Shores councillors hit the road for a short ride prior to the June 5 meeting to celebrate Bike Month. Pictured above are, clockwise from lower left, councillors Patricia Hewitt, Doug Jelly and Jesse Foley and Mayor Carman Kidd. "It's good to be active," said the mayor. He said planning continues to fill a couple of short gaps in the city-wide STATO trail, and extensions linking other areas to the trail are also under consideration. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

Art in the Park returning to Haileybury waterfront

Darlene Wroe

Speaker Reporter

HAILEYBURY - The Temiskaming Art Gallery is excited about its summer plans, says interim curator Kirsten Hill.

What has become an annual summer activity will continue this

The weekly Art in the Park at the Haileybury waterfront in and around the pavilion will start up Wednesday, July 4, from 6 to 8

Hill says there will be musical entertainment every week. On most of the evenings there will be arts, art crafts and art treasures, she related. There will also be a charity barbecue and kids activ-

But the evening of July 25 will have something different in store. "We will not be having our regular arts and crafts market," said Hill, "but there will be a treasure sale."

She added that organizers are also excited to have Steve Benoit performing July 25 after having recently returned from Nashville.

The art treasure sale is being put on by the Temiskaming Art Gallery.

Anyone with an art treasure they would like to donate for the sale is asked to contact the gallery at 705-672-3706.

The sale is being coordinated by Louise DeJoseph who recently joined the gallery board, said Hill.

Summer students have now been hired and will be assisting with the Art in the Park events through the summer.

"We have some very enthusiastic summer students who I am sure will bring lots of life to it," Hill said of the summer's plans.



LOCAL COLOUR AT ENGLEHART MUSEUM

Englehart Area Artists are now showing an exhibition of members' artworks at the Englehart and Area Historical Museum. The exhibition is titled Local Colour and features artworks depicting the area's local colour and beauty. The exhibition will continue until July 8. Pictured here are club members Linda Mustard and Eileen Fisher with one of Mustard's paintings. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)









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Pathfinders, Rangers show spirit at Rendez Vous

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Special/Staff) – The Tri-Town Pathfinders and Rangers got back to basics at a recent Rendez Vous.

The 57th annual gathering was held in Powassan on Victoria Day weekend. It drew 140 young people as well as another 80 adults from 23 units across the Northeast.

They included eight girls and four leaders from the Temiskaming Shores area.

"The theme this year was Retro-Rendez Vous and it was all about getting back to the basics of the movement," said Tri-Town leader Karen Holtz in an email.

Participants gained experience in archery, axe throwing, knot tying, shelter building, boot chucking and camp cooking. They also took in STEM – science, technology, engineering and math – activities.

At an Amazing Race through Powassan, Holtz said the Tri-

Town group completed all the challenges, "managing to sing the entire time and ended up taking first place."

Individuals who exhibited helpfulness, kindness, enthusiasm and excellence were awarded Ghost Crests.

"I watched with pride as these eight young ladies extended their hands in friendship, in gratitude and in respect.

"There were a limited number of Ghost Crests to be handed out and our unit managed to earn 13 in total showing that their Guiding spirit is not just a thing they do, it's who they are."

She said the Temiskaming group chose the 1940s as their retro era "and channeled their inner Rosie the Riveter for the costume parade and barn dance.

"With her motto of 'We Can do it' on their shirts, the Pathfinders and Rangers certainly showed that they could.

"To round out a hugely successful weekend, the Tri-Town

girls were awarded the Spirit Award and have been tasked with the care of Rendez Moose – the mascot of Rendez Vous for the next year."

Holtz commended the group.

"As a Guider who has reached 25 years of service, I can honestly say that I have never had a prouder moment in Guiding.

"The girls represented our unit with pride and enthusiasm never missing an opportunity to break into song or to lend a helping hand.

"But beyond representing our unit, these eight young women, with Temiskaming Shores emblazoned on our bright blue sweaters, represented our community.

"They are eight young women to be proud of, to watch for and if the weekend's singing is any indication, to listen for."



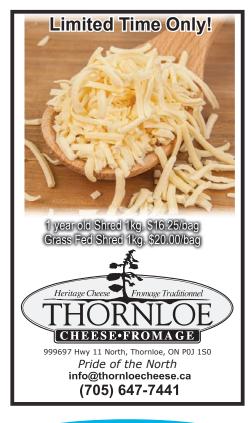
COBALT POET LAUREATE

Ann Margetson was once again inducted as poet laureate of Cobalt. The ceremony took place during the Drummond Hour at the Paul Penna Public Library in Cobalt during the 2018 Spring Pulse Poetry Festival. She is pictured here with Festival cultural entrepreneur David Brydges. Margetson was first inducted in 2008 and Brydges said she was Northern Ontario's first poet laureate. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)



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KNOCK CANCER

The 13th annual Knock Cancer Out of the Park mixed slo-pitch tourney runs June 29 to July 1 at the Algonquin Regiment Memorial Beach Park in New Liskeard as well as Rotary Farr Park in Haileybury.

This is the 13th annual fundraiser for Team Shan, founded in memory of Shanna Larsen, a former Haileybury woman who died as the result of breast cancer in 2005 at the age of 24.

The Team Shan program drives home the message, through awareness campaigns and educational materials, that breast cancer is "not just a disease of older women."

Well over \$50,000 has been raised over the years for the cause.

There will be a barbecue on site, run by the Haileybury Figure Skating Club, and open to all visitors.

CANADA D'EH

On Saturday, June 30, the Tri-Town Ski and Snowboard Village is hosting an outdoor concert in the parking lot at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena and the Pool and Fitness Centre called Canada D'Eh.

It's a fundraiser for the ski club and features The Almost Hip (a Tragically Hip cover band), Hells Bells (an AC/DC cover band) and Canadian Exports which covers Canadian tunes.

It runs from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. and is an age of majority event.

A free shuttle starts at 1 a.m.

SMALLMOUTH BASS

The Temiskaming Smallmouth Bass Series 2018 touches down on Cassels Lake in Temagami Saturday, July 7.

On July 8 the scene moves over to Lake Temagami.

The series 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.

HILLIARD FISH DERBY

The Hilliardton Recreation Committee celebrates the annual free fishing week in Ontario with their annual fishing tournament July 7.

It is open to all ages and takes place on the Blanche River.

It's based at the Hilliardton Municipal Campground Park on Highway 569.

Registration is from 7 to 10 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded based on the length of fish caught in each age category: children under 18, adults 18 to 64 and another for seniors 65 and up.

All participants are reminded that all Ontario fishing conservation rules are still in place. Consult the Ontario Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary for details.

Registration fees are \$5 for children and seniors, \$10 for adults and a family of four can register for \$25.

Check-in time for measurements is 3 p.m. after which the prizes will be awarded.

CHARLTON MUD BOG

The 25th annual Stan Martin Memorial Mud Bog, billed as "A Dirty Good Time," is slated for July 28-29.

Hosted by the Swamp Rats 4x4 Club at

the Charlton Fair Grounds, it's the biggest mud bog in Northeastern Ontario.

Thousands of dollars in cash and trophies are up for grabs in numerous wheelsize categories.

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 Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport are slated for August 10-12.

Hosted by the Temiskaming Rod and Custom Club, it features a total weekend prize purse worth over \$22,000.

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.

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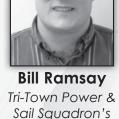
MG \(\) Bill

Happy long weekend fellow boaters. The weather forecast is looking warm (okay hotter than heck) which should make life on the water very enjoyable. Normally I speak the virtues of PFD's (which are always important) but this weekend I think sunscreen is of paramount importance. On the water the sun is almost double because of the reflection off the water. Aloe lotion after a bad burn is no substitute for good sunscreen applied regularly.

We finally got the parts for our 20 year old Lady Evelyn Lake boat and got up there on Saturday. Water levels are normal and the bugs weren't overwhelming. It was pretty calm so Mrs. Boating and I went for a nice ride down toward Sucker Gut Lake and took some pictures of Maple Mountain - I have a lovely winter painting of it in my office and I need one for summer. We had to check out a cottage for someone and I gotta tell you that their docks were a little scary - makes me feel a lot better about ours which got hit by the ice about 4 years ago and has been a little bouncy ever since. The ice this year must have bumped it back a bit since it wasn't as bouncy.

I sure have noticed an increase in the number of Sea-Doos and other PWC's on Twin Lakes this year. Thank goodness they are not nearly as noisy as the old days. Everybody even seems to be riding them responsibly. I had a great plan worked out to get one for myself but Mrs. Boating thought that we needed to save money for the kid's tuition. Sometimes responsibility is no fun, but I'm still having fun on my new to me pontoon boat. Little Miss Boating was working on her water ski

jump on Sunday when she dropped her wax scraper into the water. We had to get out the scuba gear and use the pontoon as a dive platform. Really, we had to. I actu-



Training Officer

ally even retrieved the scraper. Poor Mrs. Boating was mowing the grass on the septic tank when all of this was going on.

All of this trade war talk between Canada and the US has me a little nervous. The price of boats could go up 25% - probably not until next year since the boats are already here for the most part. But, just in case the prices are affected on July 1, 2018 you should maybe rush out and buy several boats before Sunday. Your discussion with your significant other should go something like this, "Yes dear, I know that Saturday is a short time to make a decision but we need a new boat this year and we don't want to pay 25% more." Same might hold true for a new vehicle but I can't help









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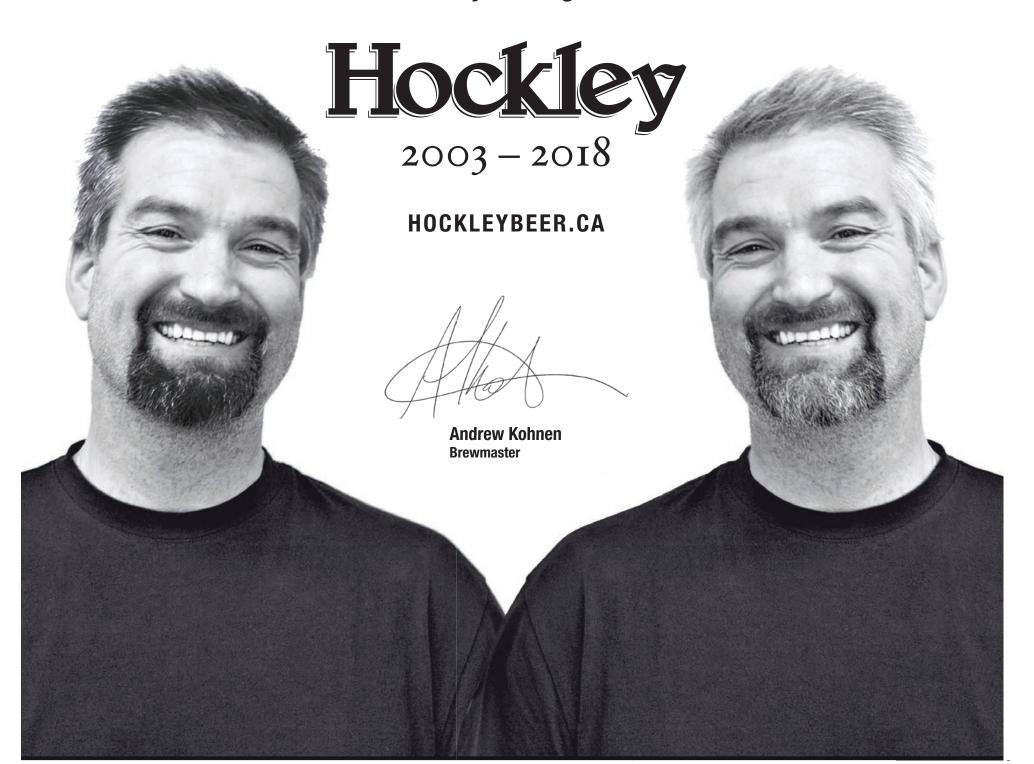








Cheers to 15 years of great beer!



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Coming up at the Haileybury Golf Club: 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: Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Ladies Morning; Thursday Wing Night; Sunday Men's Morning 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; Super Ladies' Night Tuesday, July 10, 5:30 shotgun start, four-lady scramble; McKnight's Men's and Ladies' Wear Mixed Social Friday, July 20. Call the pro shop at 705-647-6651 for further details, and also to book your tee time.

GET ACTIVE IN TEMISKAMING

The next Get Active in Temiskaming 2018 series of fun runs and walks is Saturday, September 29 with the Colour Run/ Walk at Temiskaming Nordic Ski Club. Event details and registration can be found at www.getactiveintemiskaming.ca. Each Get Active event features a five- or 10-kilometre (km) walk starting at



CLOSE RACE

Bryden Talbot of English Catholic Central School (left) was fighting to overtake Jake Roy of Ecole catholique Assomption Earlton. The two were among the many participants in the boys' 60-metre race at the Royal Canadian Legion Zone K-1 track meet at the Mary Vandervliet Graydon Track at Timiskaming District Secondary School. Older athletes have since moved through the Legion track meet system and several in the U15 age division will compete at the Provincial meet July 13-14 in St. Catharines. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

those under five at 9:15; 1km and 2km distances at 9:30 a.m. and 5km and 10km runs starting at 10 o'clock. This year's beneficiaries are the Tri-Town Ski and Snowboard Village, the Temiskaming Nordic Ski Club and the Temiska-

RURAL YOUTH MIXED **SLO-PITCH LEAGUE**

ming Northern Loons swim club. 9 a.m.; 100-metre toddler dash for Canada The Town of Cobalt and the Township of Coleman invite everyone to attend the annual Canada Day celebrations on Sunday, July 1st. The list of **Canada Day** events are as follows: Start the day off with a FREE MAYOR'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST at the Golden Age Club - 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - Please come and enjoy pancakes, sausages, fresh fruit, orange juice, tea and coffee with your family and friends. **PARADE** The Canada Day Parade takes place at 11:00 a.m. - Please plan on being at the snow dump at the south end of Cobalt for 10:30 if participating in the parade. All are welcome to take part. The parade winds its way through the streets of Cobalt ending at the Golden Age Club. **KIDDIES DAY** A Kiddies Day event takes place at the Bass Lake Beach Park from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free barbecue, kids games and inflatables A free bus will leave Cobalt at 12 noon and return at 4:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for Best Floats, Best Dressed Child and Pet and Best Decorated Home. Please dress in red and white and join in the fun! For more information contact Sue at 705-679-8930 or Logan at 705-679-8833.

Standings as of June 27:						
8-10 AGE GROUP	W	T	L	PTS.	RF	RA
Gilli's Truck Stop	6	0	0	12	84	45
OK Tire	5	0	1	10	99	45
Wendy's Restaurant	5	0	1	10	84	50
Krieger's Auto Care	4	1	1	9	85	59
Gate's Appliance Service	3	1	2	7	59	52
Englehart Lions	3	0	2	6	63	44
Marshall's Auto	3	0	3	6	68	57
New Liskeard Lions Club	3	0	3	6	78	74
Mid North Recycling	2	1	3	5	54	67
Earlton Lions	2	0	4	4	63	75
TFN Jr. Braves	1	1	2	3	37	35
Earlton Recreation	1	0	5	2	43	73
Broderie Cerik Embroidery	0	0	6	0	55	102
Kerns Lost Lake Lodge	0	0	5	0	17	111
11-13 AGE GROUP						
Dr. Tarp	5	0	0	10	73	43
Earlton Construction Sol.	4	0	1	8	76	47
LV Vickery	4	0	1	8	71	43
Casey #2	3	1	1	7	65	46
Kerns Aitchison Consulting	3	0	2	6	80	53
TFN Jr. Braves	2	1	2	5	65	61
New Liskeard Lions Club	2	0	2	4	59	54
Caisse Pop. Desjardins	2	0	2	4	54	51
Gosselin Pools and Spas	2	0	2	4	50	51
Rivet Financial Group	1	0	1	2	30	23
Marshall's Pharmasave	1	0	4	2	40	51
Canadian Tire	1	0	3	2	52	64
Garlin's Gift Gallery	1	0	3	2	24	41
B & G Industrial Services	0	0	3	0	20	43
TBK Construction	0	0	4	0	10	98
14-17 AGE GROUP						
Gate's Appliance Service	4	0	1	8	92	52
Dr. Tarp	3	1	1	6	91	76
Roger's Auto Tech	3	0	1	6	75	55
New Liskeard Lions	3	0	2	6	67	53
Custom Glass Works	2	1	2	4	80	89
B & G Industrial Service	2	0	2	4	61	48
Temiskaming First Nation	1	0	3	2	53	68
Kerns	1	0	3	2	66	85
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