



# The Neebing News

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July 2024



## BLAKE HALL 1924-2024

*September 13th and 14th, 2024! Blake Hall is turning 100 and the Neebing Recreation Committee is thrilled to host a two-day festival in its honour!*

*Local vendors who wish to participate please call Katherine Hill to reserve a table 807-631-1869.*

**Friday September 13th** grounds open at 5:30pm and we start off with a bang! Come hungry as NFRA will be hosting a BBQ for a nominal fee. There will also be tea, coffee, and some light snacks. The evenings entertainment is **HEADRUSH from 6:30 – 9:30pm.**



Headrush is a local classic rock band that has been together for about 6 years and consists of four long standing members of the local music community. They have all been around for so long they are considered a Jurassic Rock Band! Headrush is fronted by powerhouse vocalist Chrissy Klaas on vocals, keys and guitar, laying down the beat is the extraordinary rhythm section of Brad Leishman and Chris Hartley and rounding out the melodic section is the fiery guitar playing of Kelly Ash.

Headrush can be found on the Eleven CD with their original song So Yesterday (co-written with and played on by Headrush Alumni, Rob Nickerson).

**Saturday September 14th will be our main event.**  
**Grounds open at 10:30am.**  
**Our exciting lineup of entertainment starts at: 11:30 – 12 Jessica Durand**



“Parker” aka Jessica Durand is a musician/singer/songwriter/actor with a great passion for all things creative. Her portfolio is a diverse one spanning over 2 decades dabbling in film, theatre, tv and most recent years on stage with Badanai Theatre’s production of “Dolly Parton’s 9-5 The Musical” with the Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra. When not acting, singing or making music, she is busy spending time with her family on their home-stead in Neebing raising animals, hiking, gardening, preserving & foraging for fungi in the forest. She holds a strong belief in the importance of community and is often found volunteering/organizing many events in the rural community. She is trilled to be part of the Blake Hall’s 100th Anniversary Celebration!



**12 – 12:45 Mayor Mark Thibert** is honoured to have **Jeordi Pierre** from School of Indigenous Learning (S.O.I.L.) alongside with him for a few words of welcome at our opening ceremony. Other prominent dignitaries will be present as well.



**12:45 – 1:45 Mink Mountain Review** is an Old Tyme Country and Blue Grass band, featuring “Ray Koenig” (fiddle, vocals), “Jim Pike” (mandolin, vocals), “Lou Herbert” (dobro, vocals), “Nancy Koenig” (bass), “Deacon Johnny Myers” (guitar, vocals) with special guest award winning banjo player from Southern Ontario “Dan Campbell”.

**2– 2:45 Richard Veurink**  
Richard Veurink was born and raised in Slate River and music has always been a passion of his since he was young. He mainly plays rock and country, with an acoustic twist, and has some original songs in his setlist. He enjoys playing live shows whenever he can, and he is looking forward to playing for Neebing in September.

**2:45 – 3 Blue Hubbard Squash** awards announced.



**3– 6 Strait Up**  
Strait Up is a classic rock band with high energy and great stage presence. Strait Up has been rocking together for 5 years and showing no sign of slowing down. Band members are Cindy Woodbeck - Vocals, Tyler Whistle – Vocals and Guitar, Steve Camus - Drums and Ed Vescio - Bass Guitar.

- \*\*INFLATABLES FOR ALL AGES, INCLUDING ADULTS\***
- \*NRFA will once again be hosting a BBQ** for a nominal fee. 
- \*Neebing memorabilia** will be on display for all to see inside Blake Hall. 
- \*Kids events** will be happening all day long with ribbons awarded.
- \*OPP, MNRE, LRCA, Neebing Fire/Rescue, Neebing Emergency Services and local vendors will be on hand for your perusing pleasure**

**REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR**



*The Neebing Recreation Committee needs you! We are looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you can help out please contact Penny Shott 807-964-2270 or email [neebing@neebing.org](mailto:neebing@neebing.org) with your contact information.*

**See Page 2 for info on TBAYTEL proposed tower site • See page 6 for forest fire reporting**



PUBLIC NOTICE AVIS PUBLIC	
<b>TBAYTEL: PROPOSED 60 METER SELF-SUPPORT TOWER SITE</b>	<b>TBAYTEL : PROPOSÉ UNE SITE DE TOUR AUTOPORTANTE DE 60 MÈTRES</b>
<p>Location: East Oliver Lake Road, Neebing, ON.  PIN #: 62283-0266 (LT)  Coordinates: 48.260618°, -89.573325°</p>	<p>Emplacement : Chemin Est d'Oliver Lake, Neebing, ON  Numéro d'identification de la propriété: 62283-0266 (LT)  Coordonnées : 48.260618°, -89.573325°</p>
<p>Objective: To improve Tbaytel wireless coverage in Neebing, specifically the Oliver Lake and surrounding area, and to meet rising demands for wireless services.</p> <p>Proposed: The site will be comprised of a 60m self-support tower with antenna equipment installed on the tower and an equipment shelter at tower base that will be enclosed within a 15m x 15m chain-link fenced compound.</p> <p>The public is invited to provide written comments or request additional information by end of business day on <b>Wednesday, July 31, 2024</b>, to the contact information shown below:</p> <p><b>Tbaytel Site Name/Nom de Site : OLIVER LAKE</b></p> <p><b>Forbes Bros. Ltd. on behalf of/au nom de Tbaytel</b>  Jay Lewis, Land Acquisition &amp; Gov. Relations  130, 482 South Service Road East  Oakville, Ontario. L6J 2X6  Tel/ Tél: (905) 928-9481  Email/Courriel: jlewis@forbesbrosLtd.ca</p>	<p>Objetif: Améliorer la couverture sans fil de Tbaytel à Neebing, en particulier à Oliver Lake et ses environs, et répondre à la demande croissante de services sans fil.</p> <p>Proposé : Le site comprendra une tour autoportante de 60 mètres avec des équipements d'antenne installés sur la tour et un abri pour l'équipement à la base de la tour qui sera enfermé dans un complexe clôturé en grillage de 15 mètres x 15 mètres.</p> <p>Le public est invité à soumettre des commentaires écrits ou à demander des informations supplémentaires avant la fin de la journée ouvrable, <b>mercredi 31 juillet 2024</b>, à l'adresse suivante :</p> <p><b>Municipalité de Neebing Municipality</b>  Erika Kromm, Clerk  4766 Highway 61  Neebing, ON P7L 0B5  Tel/Tél: (807) 474-5331  Email/Courriel: clerk@neebing.org</p>



2024 Neebing  
Burning Permits  
Fire Permits are required  
for all open air burning  
in Neebing from  
April 1st to October 31st.  
Permits are available 24  
hours  
a day on our website:  
[www.neebing.org  
/firepermits](http://www.neebing.org/firepermits)



Fire Permits are available  
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*We will be going to summer hours starting July 1st.  
We will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
from 10am to 3pm.*

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|-----------|---|
| Tuesday   | - Weaving 10 to 3<br>- Knitting 10 to 3<br>- Craft room open 10 to 3                      |
| Wednesday | - Quilting 10 to 3<br>- Carving 10 to 3<br>- Craft room open 10 to 3<br>- Cribbage 1 to 3 |
| Thursday  | - Weaving 10 to 3<br>- Knitting 10 to 3<br>- Craft room open 10 to 3                      |

Hope  
everyone  
has a great  
summer!

## CONTACTING THE OPP

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are contracted by the municipality to provide services to ensure the safety and security of our residents. You can help keep our community safe by keeping the police informed. The OPP respond to calls about speeding, traffic hazards, noise, public drinking, boating infractions and more.

For emergency events call 9-1-1. For non-emergency events you can either:

- Call the 24-hour toll-free number at 1-888-310-1122;
- Call the detachment at 807-683-4200; or
- File a report online at <https://www.opp.ca/index.php?id=132>

Council would like to encourage residents to contact the OPP as things are occurring. Some laws are difficult to enforce when reported days after the offence has occurred.

## PLEASE FLATTEN CARDBOARD BOXES

Help us recycle even more by flattening your cardboard.  
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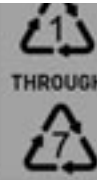
3 Flatten the box completely



4 Place in recycling bin



## OUR RECYCLING PROGRAM HAS GROWN!



## Neebing Landfill News

### Summer Landfill Hours

Saturdays: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Sundays & Wednesdays:  
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**Garbage** Every bag of regular household garbage requires a Municipal Garbage Bag Tag. We issue a set amount of tags to residents on an annual basis. You can collect your tags at the municipal landfill sites during regular hours of operation. You MUST present photo ID to the attendant in order to receive your tags.

**Recycling** Yes we have a recycling program! We accept #1 through #7 plastics as well as cardboard. View our recycling sorting guide to determine if your items are acceptable recycling materials. Please remember to BAG your cans and plastics and FLATTEN your cardboard. We do not accept plastic grocery bags.

## CONTACT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Facebook: [facebook.com/Neebing](https://facebook.com/Neebing)

Website: [www.neebing.org](http://www.neebing.org)

Instagram: [@municipalityofneebing](https://www.instagram.com/municipalityofneebing)  
807 474 5331



# Neebing Fishing Derby

will be held at Little Trout Bay Conservation on August 24th. More details {Registration and Rules} will be posted soon on Neebing's website {[www.neebing.org](http://www.neebing.org)}, Facebook {[www.facebook.com/Neebing](http://www.facebook.com/Neebing)}, the LRCA's website {<https://lakeheadca.com>}, and Facebook {[www.facebook.com/lakeheadregion](http://www.facebook.com/lakeheadregion)}. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



### Volunteers needed!

Neebing is hosting its very first fish derby at Little Trout Bay on August 24th, 2024! Volunteers are wanted to help with the event. Hey students this is a great way to make volunteer hours! Contact the Municipal Office at 807 474 5331 or Email [Neebing@Neebing.org](mailto:Neebing@Neebing.org) for more details.

Emergency preparedness starts with you  
**be prepared**

 **make a plan**  **build a kit**  **stay informed**

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**OTHER DIMENSIONS AVAILABLE**

The Municipality of Neebing would like to provide support and opportunities to the Indigenous people of the community. It has been suggested that perhaps the Anishinaabe (and all the Indigenous) people may be interested in gathering, discussing options, planning events and other important matters. If you are interested in participating, would you kindly send a note to [Development@Neebing.org](mailto:Development@Neebing.org) or call 807 474 5331.

### What goes in the Good Neighbour Shed?



- \* Items in good usable condition
- \* No broken or damaged items
- \* No upholstered furniture
- \* No electrical items
- \* No baby furniture or car seats

If you have upholstered furniture that is in good condition, please take it to a donation center at one of the area thrift stores.

Emergency preparedness starts with you  
**power outages**

Stay away from and report downed power lines

Avoid water near electrical equipment

Stay informed

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**Murillo Hall**  
Free drop-in event for children and their caregivers.

**Wednesday July 10th**  
**1:00 - 4:00**  
**Science Show at 2:00**

Hosted by Oliver Palpoonge Library - Generously sponsored by Sue and Jake deBoer



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Aug 7, 2024

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FOR DETAILS AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

[neebingfirerescueassociation.com/events/draw](http://neebingfirerescueassociation.com/events/draw)

Lottery License RAF1361809

Neebing Fire/Rescue Association  
NFRA News  
*Respectfully submitted: Joy Harris NFRA President*

Ah, July, the true ♥ of a Northwestern Ontario summer. I'm so happy it's here. Winter, though the last one was mild, is a distant memory. This month we will have the chance to enjoy some hot days, swimming in a lake, ice cream that tries to melt before you finish it and barbeques! Yes, I am definitely a summer person.

NRFA is also enjoying the summer!  
We will have just drawn our **6<sup>th</sup> winner of the 50/50 Draw**. Congratulations. I hope it's you who gets to hold the **Big Check!**

If not, don't worry, **Draw #7** has just begun. For this draw, and the next, we have a **\$500 Early Bird Prize!** It could pay to get your tickets early this time!

We will be drawing (or have just drawn depending on the publishing date) our two Firewood Raffle winners on Canada Day at the Municipal Office celebrations! We hope to see you there. Tickets will be on sale prior to the draw.

Many thanks to these ticket selling locations for supporting our community:

- AJ's Trading Post, Hwy 61
- Canadian Tire, 1221 Arthur St
- Chaschuk Enterprises Ltd, 36 Barrie Drive
- Floyd's Glass 316 Euclid Ave.
- Green Acre Variety, Hwy 595
- Neebing Municipal Office, Hwy 61
- Pines Hardware, Kakabeka Falls

- Rosslyn Service, 3404 Rosslyn Rd
- Santorelli Car/Truck Stop, Hwy 130
- South Neebing Variety, Hwy 61
- Thunder Bay Co-op and Farm Supplies, 560 Boundary Drive
- Thunder Oak Cheese Farm, 661 Boundary Drive

All contributions go toward the betterment of our Emergency Services' ability to help us when we need them. You make this happen. Thank you.

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Over the last 3 can Sorts, we've been able to clear out the storage shed! Its been wonderful to see so many new faces and also hear the 'I haven't seen you in ages' conversations. The social aspect of this vital fundraising job is growing with each sort. Come join us!  
If you'd like to know when & where our next 'Can Sort' will be, just drop us an email at [NFRAevents@gmail.com](mailto:NFRAevents@gmail.com). Come out and Join Us!

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One last note;  
August will find us at Little Trout Day By The Bay sponsored by the LRCA and Neebing's Fish Derby. NFRA will be hosting a fund-raising BBQ to keep hungry participants fed. Make sure to stop by our booth!

Be safe, be well and be kind.

Joy Harris  
NFRA – President

**Where does the \$\$ go, you ask?**

It is thanks to your ongoing support we will be able to purchase some **core items** for NES's newly acquired Rescue truck, **Rescue 151**:

**Municipal Decals:** Neebing identifying decals for the vehicle (3.5K)

**New Vehicle Lighting:** Driving, emergency light bar and all scene lighting including portable tripod scene lightning will be updated to LED standards. (6K)

**Radio:** Communications radio (2K)

**e-Draulic Spreader Tool:** A battery powered unit that has more spreading force and takes up less on-board storage space providing faster, wide range deployment on scene. (20-25K)

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REPORT FOREST FIRES



Fire Safety – You Can’t JULY It!

by Dale Ashbee, Neebing Fire Chief



July is finally here – the height of summer and summer activities. July is a month where we celebrate our country with family and friends, games, and of course, fireworks!

A long-lasting tradition for the celebration of Canada Day is fireworks. Neebing Emergency Services would like to remind you to practice firework safety while having fun this Canada Day. Make sure when purchasing fireworks, to buy from a reliable source that sells products which meet safety standards. NEVER improvise or make fireworks on your own. Fireworks should only be handled by those over 18 years of age, and make sure to read all instructions and safety warnings prior to use. Fireworks should always be set up outside and on a hard, flat and level surface, away from any buildings and anything that could catch fire. Supervise all children during any events involving fireworks and make sure all spectators are a safe distance away. It is important to never re-light a dud or defective firework or hold any lit firework in your hand. Anytime fireworks are in use, make sure to have a bucket of sand, water, and a fire extinguisher on hand. As per municipal bylaw, the site must be inspected, and a permit must be issued by the NES Fire Chief prior to use of fireworks.

Our Emergency First Response team would like to highlight the importance of staying hydrated during your summer activities. Keeping a high enough water intake is essential for preventing dehydration. Dehydration has severe and sometimes fatal consequences if not treated. Some signs of dehydration include thirst, dry mouth, not urinating or dark coloured urine, dry and cool skin, headache, and muscle cramps.

Heat illness is another common risk during the summer months. This can include heat rash, heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heatstroke. It is important to stay hydrated and seek shade when possible. Wear long and light clothing and apply sunscreen to prevent sunburns, which can contribute to heat illness. Signs of heatstroke include confusion or dizziness, nausea or vomiting, rapid and strong pulse, and ceasing sweating. If any signs of heatstroke present, call 911.

A quick reminder that Neebing Emergency Services is a volunteer department which mean many of our fire fighters and emergency first response personnel respond using flashing green lights. It is imperative that that you make room so we can reach the emergency as soon as possible. We thank you again for your support.

(this months Neebing news article was written by Skye Dusolt, member since 2020)

- Inserts
- Firework Safety Tips**
- ✓ Ensure you are in possession of a firework permit, issued by the NES Fire Chief.
  - ✓ Purchase from a reliable source that sells fireworks meeting safety standards.
  - ✓ NEVER make your own fireworks.
  - ✓ Read the instructions before use,
  - ✓ Set up outside on a hard, flat and level surface.
  - ✓ Ensure all spectators are a safe distance from any fireworks.
  - ✓ Check the wind direction before use and make sure any spectators are upwind of fireworks.
  - ✓ Have a bucket of sand, water, and a fire extinguisher on hand.

### JULY 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 Closed for Canada Day	2 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group	3	4 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs	5
8 Chair Yoga @ O'Connor C.C @ 10:30 am	9 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group  Diabetes Educator	10	11 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs Mobile Clinic - Upsala 10am-3:30pm	12
15 Chair Yoga @ O'Connor C.C at 10:30 am  Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 1pm-6pm	16 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Guest Today  Hearing Clinic Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 8:30am-1:30pm	17  Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-11:30am	18 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs	19
22 Chair Yoga @ O'Connor C.C @ 10:30 am	23 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Guest Today  Diabetes Educator	24	25 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-11:30am	26
29	30	31		

**Kakabeka Site**  
4785 ON-11 Unit B, Kakabeka Falls, ON P0T 1W0  
(807) 473-5528

**PROGRAM INFO.**  
Call Shaun at (807) 473-5528 ext.1 to register for all programs

**Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group**  
Meet at Mountain Portage Trail at KFalls Park @ 10:15 or a ride is provided at Evergreen Parking Lot at 10 am

**Chair Yoga**  
Hosted at O'Connor Community Centre at 10:30am.  
  
Chair Yoga is also hosted virtually at 10:30am

**Hearing Services Clinic**  
By Appointment at KBF Clinic from 1-4pm on July 16th

**Follow us!**  
NorWest Community Health Centres - Kakabeka Falls Clinic  
[www.norwestchc.org](http://www.norwestchc.org)

Signs of Heat Illness

HEAT EXHAUSTION	HEAT STROKE
Cold, pale and clammy skin	Body temp over 103 degrees Fahrenheit
Excessive sweating	No sweating
Feeling Faint	Confusion or dizziness
Nausea or vomiting	Nausea or vomiting
Rapid, WEAK pulse	Rapid, STRONG pulse

And a reminder to all that when in Neebing **CALL 9-1-1** to **report a FIRE** or **request assistance** with an Emergency.

**2024 SUMMER EVENT DATES FOR OPHP**

**JULY 6 (Saturday)—Classic Day**, Displays of Radio Controlled model cars, aeromodellers, model trains, antique tractors, Strait Up Classic Rock Band and a visit from the classic car clubs, Slate Cold Creamery ice cream truck on site.

**JULY 20 (Saturday)—Family Day**, a day of fun, games, crafts, facepainting by Polly the Clown from 2-3 p.m. and music at 3 pm by Rodney Brown

**JULY 24-26 (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)—Day Camp**, accepting applications now

**AUG 17 (Saturday, rain date Sunday)—Jane Austin Country Dance**. Come out to watch the Jane Austin group do their dancing routines from the 1800’s

**SEPTEMBER 15 (Sunday)—Racer’s Memorial Celebration**, a day to meet and greet car racers and remember those who have passed on, held at Russ’s Garage

**SEPTEMBER 20--\*NEW\* deadline for Barn Quilt entries**

**SEPTEMBER 22 (Sunday)—Heritage Craft Days**, vendor registration now open

**SEPTEMBER 22 (Sunday)—Barn Quilt Competition Judging**

**SEPTEMBER 29 (Sunday)—Volunteer Appreciation Day**, Open to the Public, a chance to thank our devoted volunteers and view the OPHP site for the last time this season.

**For more information, please contact Jean or Victoria at OPHP 807 475 7424. [Ophp.ca](http://Ophp.ca) or on ophp Facebook.**

## It's Fencing Season!

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Lakehead Region Conservation Authority is turning 70!

submitted by LRCA Staff

Come and help us celebrate 70 years of conservation excellence at our 70th Anniversary Celebration! The event is being held on Thursday, July 18 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at our Administrative Office located at 130 Conservation Road (corner of Golf Links and Oliver Road in Thunder Bay). There will be tons of exciting activities and attractions planned, including Science North science demonstrations, a falconry demonstration from ThunderBird Wildlife Rescue, the Beefcakes Burger Factory food truck (cash and cards accepted), Epic Cones (cash only), displays and activities from the Thunder Bay Field Naturalists, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Fort William Historical Park, EcoSuperior, and the RFDA! We will also have fun and exciting art-making activities with CAHEP, maple sugar candies with Canada West Maple, and cupcakes from Carol’s Cakes (while supplies last). The LRCA will also be hosting some fun outdoor education activities as well as an open house to talk about our programs and services, including an opportunity to provide feedback on our Conservation Lands Strategy and Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy, so be sure to join us! Look for more information in the coming weeks on social media and our website.

Are you a paddler? We are excited to announce that we have installed a third accessible kayak/canoe launch! Be sure to visit Hazelwood Lake Conservation Area, Hurkett Cove Conservation Area and now Little Trout Bay Conservation Area to check out our floating docks which feature accessible kayak launches! These launches make getting in and out of your kayak or canoe super easy and stable. The LRCA is proud to offer access to Hazelwood Lake and Lake Superior, so get out and explore! Sales of our Explore Card Parking Pass directly funds these types of amenities and upgrades to our Conservation Areas, as well as help to fund their upkeep and maintenance. Explore Cards can be purchased online at [www.store.lakeheadca.com](http://www.store.lakeheadca.com), at our Administrative Office, and over the phone by calling (807) 344-5857.

Registration for our Watershed Explorers Programs are up and running on our webstore. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. A non-refundable, \$5.00 registration fee is required to book your spot. Visit our webstore at [www.store.lakeheadca.com](http://www.store.lakeheadca.com) to pre-register. Funding for these programs is generously provided by the TD Friends of the Environment

Fund. The 2024 Explore Card Parking Pass is a great way to show your support for the LRCA! Explore Card Parking Passes permit day-use/parking at our ten Conservation Areas for one calendar year. Visit as often as you like. Enjoy one calendar year of recreation activities, such as boating, fishing, hiking and more at our seasonal and year-round Conservation Areas for the low price of \$40.00 +HST. It’s convenient for frequent users, and a great gift idea! All Explore Card revenue goes directly towards the upkeep and maintenance of our Conservation Areas.

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# Be ‘Bear Wise’ and Prevent Bear Encounters

### Who to contact

Not every bear sighting is an emergency situation. Here is who to call if you encounter a bear.

### Emergency situations

- Call 911 or your local police if a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety and exhibits threatening or aggressive behavior, such as:
  - o enters a school yard when school is in session
  - o stalks people and lingers at the site
  - o enters or tries to enter a residence
  - o wanders into a public gathering
  - o kills livestock/pets and lingers at the site
- Police will respond first to an emergency situation, but may request assistance from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry during daylight hours.

### Non-emergency encounters

- Call the toll-free Bear Wise reporting line at 1-866-514-2327 (TTY 705-945-7641) if a bear:
  - o roams around or checks garbage cans
  - o breaks into a shed where garbage or food is stored
  - o is in a tree
  - o pulls down a bird feeder or knocks over a barbecue
  - o moves through a backyard or field but does not linger
- This line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, from April 1 to November 30.

### If you encounter a black bear

When bears are caught off guard, they are stressed, and usually just want to flee. Stop. Do not panic. Remain calm. Generally, the noisier the bear is, the less dangerous it is, provided you do not approach. The noise is meant to “scare” you off and acts as a warning signal.

### DO

- Slowly back away while keeping the bear in sight and wait for it to leave.
- If the bear does not leave, throw objects, wave your arms and make noise with a whistle or air horn.
- Prepare to use bear spray.
- If you are near a building or vehicle get inside as a precaution.
- Drop any food you may be carrying and slowly move away.
- If a bear is in a tree, leave it alone. Leave the area. The bear will come down when it feels safe.

### DO NOT

- Run, climb a tree or swim.
- Kneel down.
- Make direct eye contact.
- Approach the bear to get a better look.
- Attempt to feed a bear.

### Bear warning signs

Black bear attacks are extremely rare. A threatened or predatory black bear will give off warning signs to let you know you are too close. A black bear standing on its hind legs is not a sign of aggressive behavior. The bear is trying to get a better look at you or catch your scent.

### A defensive bear

A bear that feels threatened will:

- salivate excessively and exhale loudly
- make huffing, moaning, clacking and popping sounds with its mouth, teeth and jaws
- lower its head with its ears drawn back while facing you
- charge forward, and/or swat the ground with its paws (known as a ‘bluff’ charge)

### A predatory bear

The bear will approach silently, usually in rural or remote areas, and may continue to approach regardless of your attempts to deter them by yelling or throwing rocks. If the bear attacks:

- use bear spray
- fight back with everything you have
- do not play dead unless you are sure a mother bear is attacking in defense of her cubs

For more information on what to do about encountering bears, visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear-wise>

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# Chix in the Stix

## Trigger Warning - Snakes

Hello! Sending good thoughts and best wishes to all my fellow rurals. Interestingly I have no embarrassing moments to share this month about me or my significant other. Maybe I'm maturing after all. I am mostly just trying to embrace the blessings of every day. Because not only will I blink and summer will be over, but we are already half way through 2024. There are so many natural things to be thankful for and most days my cup is overflowing with gratitude for all of them. The arrival of the warm weather in June was absolutely delightful and every new leaf sprouting and every new patch of green on the mountains made my heart sing. It happens so fast but if you take the time each day you can literally see the new season emerge. It's like witnessing a birth. When the dandelions arrived in my yard and the wild flowers along the sides of the road came to life I was ecstatic. And now we are well into summer and the glory of country living still has hold of my heart. I'm getting back into bird watching a bit this year. My favorite blue jays are back. And we continue to try and thwart the efforts of the squirrels at the bird feeder - great low budget entertainment! I love the porcupine that greets me at the top of the hill in the evenings. We share a short discourse before he waddles on his way. And while I'm not thrilled that a bear keeps pooping in my driveway I can even embrace that as well knowing that mother nature and all her creatures are alive and well and other than the not pooping in the bush part, seem to be doing what they are supposed to be doing. Sigh. And then one day you're just goin' about your business and the next day you have a 'Snake-Stick' by the door. It seems we have a larger than average garter snake population on

our property. There's a big pile of rocks forming a small wall near our main door and the theory is that snakes like rocks because they retain heat so the snakes can find little cracks and crevices to hide in at night to keep warm. Basically I have to be cautious when I go out the door, checking first to make sure there isn't a snake RIGHT THERE. So we now have a designated stick that I have in my hand when I open the door so I can shoo the snake or snakes away. But they don't always seem to want to shoo. In fact they don't seem to care much about my presence at all actually. Which is a little disconcerting. We make eye contact and it's like they're just waiting to see who makes the first move. I have had to give a poke or little push sometimes to get them to move along their way. And there isn't much of a barrier between the outside and the inside and it wouldn't take much for them to choose a different direction and come inside instead. Heaven help me I guarantee you'll hear my screams from miles away. Now I'm told they eat mice and I'm trying to focus on that. I suppose that's the silver lining but I doubt it will be enough to lower my blood pressure. I am quite proud of my daughter though who used to scream every time she came face to face with them but now, with snake-stick in hand she just takes it all in stride. Good for her! So, yes country life is the best and I wouldn't change my place of residence but there are some less than charming neighbours I could definitely live without. But for now I will embrace this new challenge and wield that snake-stick like a woman on a mission and like everything else life throws our way I'll smile and take it all in stride the way we country folks are inclined to do. But I'm not gonna like it. Wish me luck.

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