



# The Neebing News

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April 2024



*Pysanky Eggs  
Thank you  
to those that  
attended. It  
was a great  
afternoon at  
the Blake  
Hall.  
-Katherine Hill*

Beautiful photo (above) taken at sunrise at Little Trout Bay Conservation Area dock. Courtesy of Eugene, Seader and River



**Tickets will be available for purchase at the Easter Egg Hunt!**

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## Neebing Recreation Committee Events!

by Edith Tivendale

### EASTER EGG HUNT

Neebing Recreation Committee will again present the Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 0 to 10 on Good Friday, March 29, 2024 at Blake Hall.

The canteen will be open from 11 am to 1 pm offering a hot dog, chips and a choice of refreshment for the nominal fee of \$5.

Face painting will be provided from 11 am to 1 pm – first come first served.

The egg hunt will start at 1 pm SHARP. Age groups of 0-4, 5-7, and 8-10 will be called in order by a blast of a horn.

Neebing residents please come out and enjoy the day. Rain or shine. Doors open at 11 am.

### MOTHERS DAY TEA

Neebing Recreation Committee is again pleased to provide a Mothers Day Tea on May 12, 2024 from 1-3 pm. at Blake Hall - presenting dessert and a beverage.

Only 60 tickets will be offered for \$5. each – available at the Neebing Municipal Office on April 1, 2024. Children under 3 are free.

Door prizes supported by local businesses.

### CANADA DAY

Watch for details COMING SOON!!!

### BLAKE HALL 100th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Planning is under way for the 100th anniversary celebration of Blake Hall on September 13 and 14, 2024.

The Neebing Recreation Committee would greatly appreciate any volunteer help with this project.

If anyone has any memorabilia they are willing to share for a couple of days, please call Penny at 964-2270.

## Neebing Landfill News

### Summer Landfill Hours Start April 1st

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.

### What are Half-Load Restrictions?

Half-load restrictions are placed on roads during the spring thaw period because of the need to protect the road from being permanently damaged. When the ground thaws, the road-bed and surface becomes softer and weaker. Heavy loads can cause the road to sink and break apart, which can lead to permanent damage. To avoid rebuilding the roads after every spring thaw, which would cost a lot of taxpayer dollars, half-load restrictions give the roads time to properly shed the frost.

When half-load restrictions are active, larger vehicles such as dump trucks, delivery trucks, concrete trucks and heavy equipment floats or any vehicles over a certain weight class are either not permitted to use the roadway or must reduce their loads.

Due to variations in weather patterns, half-load restrictions are different every year and are not set for a specific length of time. This year half-loads began on March 9th. Half-loads are typically lifted sometime in June and you can check the Neebing website or phone the office for updated information.

## 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)}.

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### 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)







## Contact Us - Municipality of Neebing

**Complaints, Concerns, or Questions:** Want action on a problem? Want answers to your Municipal questions? Get accurate information right from the source: [www.neebing.org](http://www.neebing.org) or call the office at 807-474-5331. Report your concern, voice your complaint, or get answers to your Municipal questions with the click of a mouse or a phone call.

**Emergency Road Condition Reporting:** If you encounter an emergency road condition such as a washout, a sinkhole, etc., please call the Municipal Office direct 474-5331 even if you are calling outside of regular office hours (Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm). Leave us a detailed voice message as the municipal voicemail is monitored to help us act quickly when such emergency issues occur.

Municipal complaints or concerns posted on social media forums or website pages not maintained by the Municipality are not monitored or recorded. Please, contact the Municipal Office direct - we are here to help!

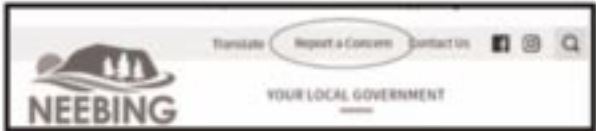


## Neebing Residents: Report A Concern

Do you have a concern about the condition of your road? What about dogs running at large in your neighbourhood or someone building without a permit? Reporting your issue is just a click away using the web or your phone.

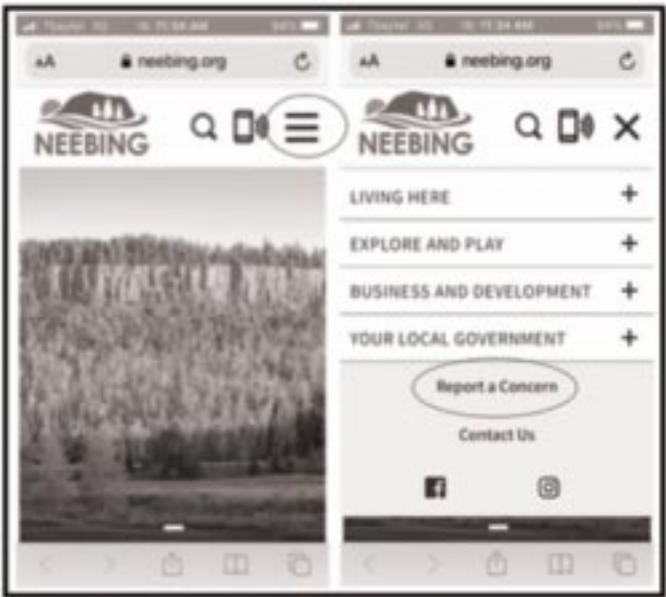
On our **WEBSITE**, click on the Report a Concern link in the upper right-hand corner.

-OR-



On your **SMART-PHONE**, touch the 3 horizontal bars in the upper right-hand corner then on the Report a Concern link.

Next, fill in the online form with the details of your concern and click **Submit**. Your submission is recorded and forwarded to the Municipal Office for review and action.



Use this form to report any type of municipal problem or concern you may have.

Of course, you are always welcome to call the office if you have any issues or concerns you think we should be aware of.  
Contact us at **807-474-5331**. Remember, if your concern is a medical, fire or police emergency, please call **9-1-1**.

# How to Contact the Neebing Municipal Office

Office hours: Monday – Friday (9:00am – 5:00pm)

Phone: (807) 474 5331

Email: [Neebing@neebing.org](mailto:Neebing@neebing.org)

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

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### ACCEPTING APPLICANTS VOLUNTEER FIRE CHIEF - EMERGENCY SERVICES

### VOLUNTEER FIRE CHIEF NEEBING EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing is accepting applicants for the position of Volunteer Fire Chief. This is a volunteer part-time position but does include a monthly honourarium.

The incumbent will liaise with the Municipal Clerk-Treasurer and report directly to Council. The position is responsible for managing and directing approximately 45 volunteers consisting of Emergency First Responders, Firefighters, Fire Prevention staff and Officers and includes 5 fire stations and 10 fire apparatus. The successful candidate must possess advanced fire management, administrative and team building skills, and have the ability to manage in stressful situations.

Time requirement includes evening sessions, 24-hour callout and weekend work. A successful candidate is required to be in possession of a valid Ontario driver's license, preferably DZ or ability to obtain DZ license. This position requires planning and managing budgets, scheduling maintenance, acting as incident commander, completing performance reviews, council presentations, liaising with other municipal departments and other municipality's emergency services.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Advanced skills/expertise in applying knowledge of firefighting skills and techniques (minimum 5 years of experience, 2 years as an officer)
- Complete knowledge of relevant legislation and regulations including but not limited to, The Fire Code, Fire Protection and Prevention Act, Municipal Act, Forest Fire Prevention Act, O.H.S.A., Highway Traffic Act etc.
- Administrative/organizational/planning skills associated with the position of Fire Chief
- Strong presentation and training skills
- Advance knowledge in fire prevention, inspections and public fire education
- Ability and knowledge to perform fire investigation and scene control
- General knowledge of the first response program
- Communicate tactfully and effectively with other emergency services, council, general public, and staff
- General computer skills required, oral and written communications in English
- Specialty ticket, college diploma or university degree in relevant field (preferred)
- History of NFPA level or equivalent Officer and Specialty Training, such as fire inspection, fire investigation, fire instruction, public education, and incident safety officer (preferred)
- Valid Ontario Class "DZ" drivers license or equivalent (preferred)

For a full job description, visit our website at [www.neebing.org/careers](http://www.neebing.org/careers).

Please submit your resume to [clerk@neebing.org](mailto:clerk@neebing.org) or to the Municipal Office at 4766 Highway 61 by 4:30 p.m. on May 3, 2024. In a separate covering letter relate how your training, experience, and education would assist you in the position of Fire Chief.



# What's Been Happening at Council Meetings?

Since the March edition, there have been two regular meetings of Council on March 6 and 20, 2024. There were also two special meetings of Council on March 6 and 20, 2024.

At the special Council meeting on March 6th, the Committee of the Whole reviewed an application for severance and for rezoning of a property at Mink Mountain Drive and Island Avenue.

At the regular Council meeting on March 6th, the following matters were considered:

- Council heard deputations regarding a proposed art show and the Food-Cycler pilot results.
- Council approved the recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to approve the severance application and defer the application for rezoning for the property at Mink Mountain Drive and Island Avenue.
- Council reviewed options regarding leases for two fire halls within Neebing.
- Council approved flying the Autism Awareness Flag for Autism Awareness Day on April 2nd.
- Council approved a quote for asbestos abatement in Fire Hall 5.

At the special Council meeting on March 20th, the Committee of the Whole reviewed an application for severance of a property on Sturgeon Bay Road.

At the regular Council meeting on March 20th, the following matters were considered:

- Council approved the recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to approve the severance application for the property on Sturgeon Bay Road.
- Council authorized annual reserve fund transfers.
- Council awarded the tender for the improvements at the Blake Hall and Alf Olsen Rinks.
- Council reviewed a first draft of an aggressive dog by-law.

The next Council meetings will be held on April 3 and 17, 2024. Regular Council meetings are normally scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.


This article contains only highlights from Council meetings – visit the website to see the approved minutes from each of the meetings. The minutes of each meeting are approved at the following meeting and are posted on the website once they have been approved and signed. If you don't have internet capabilities, you can always contact the office for copies of approved minutes.

Meeting agendas are always posted online on the Friday prior to the Wednesday meeting. Come out and see what your Council is doing on your behalf. Feel free to contact the Municipal Office for further information or with input into any of the items that Council is considering. **The meetings are now being held at the Municipal Office, but there is the option to attend virtually as well. The links to login to the meetings are posted on our website in the calendar details.**

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**The QUALITY-OF-LIFE SURVEY for the Municipality of Neebing ended April 1st. Thank you to everyone who has participated in the survey. The results of the survey will be presented to Council at a later date.**

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.

## Emergency Preparedness: Get Flood Ready!

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### FOLLOW THE LINKS FOR MORE INFO:

- [canada.ca](http://canada.ca)
- Know the Risks
- Prepare your Home
- Help your Community
- Stay Informed

### 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.

## OUR RECYCLING PROGRAM HAS GROWN!



## Emergency preparedness starts with you

# power outages



Stay away from and report downed power lines

Avoid water near electrical equipment

Stay informed

Don't use outdoor grills or bbqs indoors

Use glowsticks or flashlights

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# Business Highlight: The Bakeshop on Boundary

The Bakeshop on Boundary is a small, Artisan style bakery and kitchen nestled in the Nor'wester Mountains and overlooking the beautiful Slate River Valley. This family owned, local business is situated in the home of Parker and Emily Smith, who began the business in 2015. The vision for the bakery was borne out of a desire to make food that is passionately produced, with the care and attention that good, wholesome food deserves. The Bakeshop follows traditional methods of bread making and dough lamination that have been time tested in Boulangeries and Patisseries all over Europe for hundreds of years. This same style of food production touches everything they do, from their freshly made pasta dishes, yes the noodles are all made in house, to their flakey Danish pastries with all freshly, in-house made fillings. The only processed food you will find here is the carefully selected cured meats for the hand tossed pizzas and featured sandwiches. When even the bread is made on site, you can be sure you will easily be able to source where your meal originated. Although Emily and Parker love what they do, they know that it can't be done alone. It would be hard to make a trip to the bakery and not run into one of the lovely, hardworking staff that make this endeavor possible. Dur-

ing the developmental phase of the business, the Bakeshop on Boundary wanted to grow in three distinct areas. As a bakery. As a kitchen. And as a classroom. The classroom component is in fact unique. The Bakeshop is committed to gainfully employing hardworking and enthusiastic youth from the area who are interested in expanding their culinary knowledge. They believe that keeping our food systems sustainable and healthy will only be achieved by passing knowledge from one generation to the next. This summer make a trip to the Bakeshop on Boundary, check out the view of the Valley and even enjoy some of your delicious purchases at picnic tables provided for your comfort. You can follow the Bakeshop on Boundary on Facebook and Instagram for weekly features and other updates. *The Bakeshop on Boundary is at 920 Boundary Dr, Neebing, ON. Story by Eve Pettit.*



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- The RCMP Musical Ride will be visiting Murillo in July with performances on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The Murillo Fair will be held August 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>.

**We Need You!** Volunteers are the life blood of small communities and make these events possible. Need volunteer hours for high school? No snow left to rake? Retired and already cut your lawn twice this week? We've got the perfect solution for your woes! Lend us a hand. We will be having volunteer work parties leading up to each event to get the grounds ready. In addition, during the events more hands make lighter work! Send your expressions of interest to [info@murillofair.ca](mailto:info@murillofair.ca) with volunteer in the subject and we will add you to the email notification of volunteer opportunities!

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**Will you have the Biggest  
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A Blue Hubbard Squash Competition will take place at the Blake Community Hall 100th Anniversary Celebration on September 14th , 2024.  
A century ago, squash competitions happened at the Blake Hall Community Centre. A Prize will be awarded for the Largest Squash, but don't worry if you don't have a green thumb, there will be other fun classes where squashes can shine. Free seeds and growing instructions will be available at the Municipal Office beginning in April, or you can use your own seeds.

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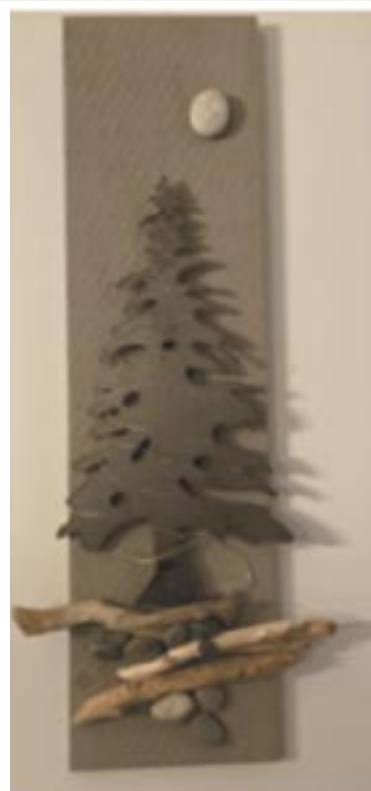
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All materials provided.  
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### Thunder Bay Community Pasture

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, April 8th, 2024, 8:00 p.m.  
Rural 60 Centre, 5 Pineview Road, Kakabeka Falls off Hwy. 11-17

For more information contact Diana Bockus  
Secretary/Treasurer  
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Everyone is welcome to attend

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Tuesday	- Weaving - 10 to 3 - Knitting - 10 to 3 - Good Company Choir - 1 to 3
Wednesday	- Beginners Carving - 10 to 3 - Quilting - 10 to 3 - Cribbage - 1 to 3
Thursday	- Weaving - 10 to 3 - Knitting - 10 to 3 - Yoga - 10 to 11 Last class-April 4th


**Craft Room open Monday through Friday- 10 to 3**

We have a luncheon coming up on **Friday April 19th** at the Kakabeka Legion from 12 to 1. Cost is \$5 for members and \$15 for guests. **Please sign up before Friday April 12th.**

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held **Friday May 24th** at the **Kakabeka Legion**.  
Dinner will be at 5:00pm and the meeting will follow. If any members are interested in running for a position on the board, please submit your name and phone number to the current board before the end of April.



<b>Murillo Library</b> Monday 10 – 8:00 pm Wednesday 10 – 8:00 pm Saturday 9 – 12 pm 935-2729	Email: opllibrary@tbaytel.net Website: http://oliverpaipoonce.olsn.ca	<b>Rosslyn Library</b> Tuesday 10 – 8:00 pm Thursday 10 to 8:00 pm Saturday 1 – 4:00 pm 939-2312
	<b>Murillo Library</b> Will be closed on Easter Monday April 1st.	
Thank you to the Rosslyn Women's Institute for their donation from the proceeds of their Valentine Dessert Tea. We will be purchasing new adult and children's books for Rosslyn Library with the donation!	Looking for used books? Both Rosslyn and Murillo Library have a large selection of used books for sale for 50 cents each. 	 Use your library card to 'check out' tennis and pickleball equipment at Rosslyn Library.



### 4-H NEWS

#### THE THUNDER BAY 4-H ASSOCIATION

held its Annual Meeting on January 17, 2024 and welcomed a new board of directors.

Linsey Ingram - President  
Carolyn Huber - Vice President  
Ashley Cadeau - Secretary/Treasurer  
Janice Groeinheide – Membership/Awards

If you are wishing information regarding the 4-H program  
You can contact the directors through the Thunder Bay 4-H Beef Club Face book page.  
Linsey @ 807-738-0741 or Janice @ 807-708-1952

*I would like to thank all the volunteers, members and families who made the 4-H Program active in our community during the past years.. It is time for me to retire.  
Thank You - Jean Wilson*

## APRIL 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 Chair Yoga @ O'Connor C.C. & CHW drop in appts	2 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Diabetes Educator	3 Chair Yoga @ KB Legion	4 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-4:30pm	5
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22 Chair Yoga @ O'Connor C.C. & CHW drop in appts Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 3pm-6pm	23 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Diabetes Educator Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 8:30am-1:30pm	24 Chair Yoga @ KB Legion	25 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-4:30pm	26
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NorWest Community Health Centres  
Centres de santé communautaire NorWest

#### Kakabeka Site

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

#### PROGRAM INFO.

Call Shaun at (807) 473-5528 ext. 3 to register for all programs

**Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group**  
Meet at Kakabeka Falls Legion Hall 10am-11am

**CHW Drop in Appointments**  
Available until 3pm

**Chair Yoga**  
Hosted at O'Connor Community Centre OR Kakabeka Falls Legion Hall at 10:30am  
Chair Yoga is also hosted virtually at 10:30am

**Follow us!**  
NorWest Community Health Centres - Kakabeka Falls Clinic  
www.norwestchc.org



Please come out and join us at Pinegrove United Church  
100 - Hwy 130  
Admission is free and all are welcome!

**April 4 - Coffee and conversation (and some sweet treats) 10 AM**  
**April 18 - Lunch, featuring quiche 11:30 AM**

*Hope to see you there!*  
Volunteers are also welcome (and needed)  
For more information about Cafe del Soul, please visit [www.pinegroveuc.org/cafe-del-soul/](http://www.pinegroveuc.org/cafe-del-soul/)

### Vickers Heights Community Centre

## INDOOR YARD SALE

Sat. Apr 27th, 9 - 1  
Tables \$10  
807-577-9067

## MUSIC JAM

\$3 enjoyment  
Every Wed 7 - 9



### Story Time with Kelsea

Every Thursday at 11:00 am  
at Rosslyn Library



### Seniors Carpet Bowling


Rosslyn Community Centre  
Sponsored by Rosslyn Library

every Thursday  
1:30 - 4:00 pm

Call the library at 939-2312 for more information.  
Please bring indoor shoes!

**Seniors!**  
Enjoy a fun game of carpet bowling!  
Relaxed & gentle pace of exercise  
Free Socializing & fun times  
Refreshments  
Special days with prizes and snacks  
**Beginners welcome!!**





# VOLLEYBALL DROP-IN CO-ED 18+ FUN LEAGUE

Start date: Thursday October 5, 2023 –  
May 30, 2024

When: Thursday nights from 7–9pm  
(except during school holidays)

Where: Valley Central School gym

Please send email to Joel at  
vman814@gmail.com  
to be added to the reminder list

There is no cost.

## Kakabeka Legion Events



### April 2024

Friday April 12th	Dance with Quest 7-10
Sunday April 14th	Buffet Breakfast 8:30-11
Sunday April 21st	Jam Session 7-9:30
Saturday April 27th	Craft Sale 9-5
Sunday April 29th	Music 2-4


## CRIBBAGE

BEGINNERS WELCOME!

EVERY TUESDAY 1 P.M.

ROSSLYN COMMUNITY CENTER

3405 ROSSLYN ROAD



Come and join the fun and friendship!

## SUPPORT LOCAL – BE A VOLUNTEER

“Supporting Local” has many different meanings. But what does it mean to you? To me, supporting local isn’t just about buying someone’s goods and wares. It’s also about supporting our local volunteer organizations, social groups, and charities. This includes our volunteer fire departments and first response teams, our volunteer food banks and soup kitchens, and of course, our volunteer fair associations and exhibitions. I am sure many of you have made efforts to support these local organizations such as donating food or money, buying tickets to support their fundraisers or attending their functions. All these charitable efforts are amazing ways to support local, but they’re not the only way to show your support. So many of these organizations are crying out for volunteers, because without volunteers, we would have no local fire departments to put out your burning fires, no first responders to attend to your family members before the paramedics arrive, no soup kitchens or food banks to help feed and care for those in need, and no fairs or exhibitions to explore and celebrate different cultures and heritage. We rely on these volunteer services so much for care and entertainment. So, what we need to think about is ... what would we do without them? Volunteering one’s time and efforts is one of the most rewarding past times a person can commit to. All the while, giving back to the community, helping a neighbour in need, or celebrating life’s diversity. I would like to ask what you think you could do to contribute to your community? What is it that excites you and gets your blood pumping, heart beating and thoughts soaring, because somewhere out there, there’s an organization that needs your ideas, your energy, and your help. And don’t just stop there. Encourage your friends and family to be part of that excitement.

Submitted by Erin Laforest

### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY



TOPS can help you reach your weight-loss goals by providing you the support, tools, and accountability needed to be successful.

**First meeting is FREE.**

<b>TUESDAY 5 10:00 AM</b> Baptist Community Church Corner Mudlake & Oliver Rds. Mudlake CONTACT 807-577-5924	<b>TUESDAY 5 5:30 PM</b> Blake Community Hall 71 Blake Hall Road Needing CONTACT 807-577-5924
<b>WEDNESDAY 5 6:30 PM</b> O'Connor Community Center 344 Hwy 595 330 Hwy 595 CONTACT 807-577-5924	<b>TUESDAY 5 10:15 AM</b> Hope Christian Reform Church 1315 Crawford Ave. Thunder Bay CONTACT 807-577-5924



Oliver Paipoonge Library  
2024

## ONTARIO PARK PASSES



Planning a day trip to one of our local provincial parks? Use your library card to borrow a free day pass!

Happy  
Spring!

### DESTINATION ONTARIO

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### Canasta- Hand and Foot Version

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Beginners welcome.



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With every meld and discard, players engage their cognitive faculties, sharpening their minds like a wizard's wand. Canasta becomes a mental puzzle, challenging players to analyze, plan, and adapt their strategies to outwit their opponents.





# Chix in the Stix For the Love of Cars

I spend so much time in my car it's almost a second home. I end up eating a lot of meals and snacks there. I have lots of personal supplies handy. And on a cold snowy winter day (or spring day as the case may be) when I still have to be out and about, I appreciate the warmth and comfort of my car. Music, coffee, essential oil diffuser. I make it work! Not that I have a fancy car or anything. Or a clean car for that matter. Somehow my impeccable housekeeping skills in no way transfer to my car. Now, I'm married to a mechanic which means that many things in my life, including my car, are often held together with duct tape or other contraptions. There is usually at least one light on, on my dash. In fact I sometimes get worried when there are no lights on. It is the norm for me to hear things like 'don't worry about it' or 'just keep driving' or 'it's nothing important' when I bring potential mechanical issues to his attention. I have driven around for weeks with unidentified noises or waiting for something to fall off that apparently I 'don't really need anyway'. Most days I just turn up the radio and embrace the adventure. I don't want to stereotype but I know for sure that my car looks nothing like the 'city' cars I see. For one thing it's hard to identify the actual colour of my car. That comes with the territory when you live at the end of a long dirt road. There is no use in washing my car or heaven forbid spending money on a car wash in town. One drive back up the hill and it's back to being dirty again. I get a kick out of it when I see other 'country' cars on the road. You know the ones. Cars (or often trucks) that you know have a history. That have seen better days but probably have so many stories to tell if they could talk. I don't judge. Maybe there's a tail light missing. They probably never even had hubcaps. The antenna might be broken. A window might be stuck up or down or covered with plastic or even cardboard. They might have to open the door at the drive-thru. Forget about bluetooth or back-up cameras or other fancy features. There's probably a dog in the back. These are the people with the 'beater' cars that have been brought back to life and simply get you from point A to point B. Because the truth is not all of us can afford a brand new fresh off the lot vehicle, and I know I never will. And that's okay. Some of my best car memories involve old beaten up cars. From childhood outings to stock car races, to some of our own backcountry stock car adventures. I grew up a city kid but we had aunts and cousins in the country. Including older 'boy' cousins who were always taking us on adventures. They always had cars and always started to drive at a young age. We were mesmerized and always 'went along for the ride'. Nothing they had was really road-worthy but they were definitely 'field' worthy. There is nothing quite like racing around a back road or farmer's field in a hot-wired car with no windows, getting wacked with the occasional tree branch, inhaling various bugs, sitting on the bench seat in the back and hanging on for dear life to that 'rope' that hung across the seat in front of you (never was quite sure what that was for) while an older and probably too young to drive legally cousin showed his city slicker guests what real fun was and scared the pants off us at the same time. Based on the number of giant boulders we swerved and missed and sometimes didn't, and the general insanity of it all, I'm not sure how we all survived. But we did. And we dared not show that we were afraid or tell our parents how totally hairy the rides were or they might not let us come back. Winter months we switched to snow machines and it was just as dangerous and exciting, nothing like we had ever experienced 'back in town' - which was only a half hour away but seemed like a whole different world! Not sure if it made me love or hate driving but the memories are forever. I didn't get my driver's license till I was in my 20's (living in Toronto it's just not necessary) and didn't have my first car till I moved to the country myself in my 30's. I can't help but think it's all connected somehow. Country driving continues to be one of my favourite things (though I stick to the roads now!) Whether it's driving from Slate River to town once or twice a day, or country drives to Murillo or Hymers or other destinations to run errands. When the weather cooperates and you have the right snacks and the right co-pilot these mini road trips can be simply the best and I never say no when the opportunity arises! Stay safe on the roads everyone, and no matter how fancy or not fancy your car is, make memories and embrace the ride!

**NEEBING NEWS DELIVERED TO YOUR MAILBOX**  
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**Deadline for the MAY issue of  
The Neebing News is April 20!**  
**Get your info off your desk and  
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*(Early submissions are always very welcome!)*  
Submissions and photos of community events and  
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at Pinegrove United Church  
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Admission is free  
and all are welcome!  
**April 4 - Coffee and conversa-  
tion (and some sweet treats) 10 AM**  
**April 18 - Lunch, featuring quiche 11:30 AM**  
**Hope to see you there!**  
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(Pre-registration on KeyON is required)

For more info. please:  
Email: [ruralfrcc@tbaytel.net](mailto:ruralfrcc@tbaytel.net) or  
Private FB message us or  
Call: 935-3009

**Play, sing, laugh and we will  
SEE YOU SOON!**

**An EarlyON Storytime  
Adventure**



Tuesday, April 16  
1:00pm-2:00pm

The Rural Family Centre is taking storytime on  
the road to the Rosklyn Library! We will be  
meeting at the library to enjoy some engaging  
tales, free play and crafts!

All ages welcome, no pre-registration necessary!  
Call the Rural Family Centre at 935-3009 or ask  
a staff member at the library for more  
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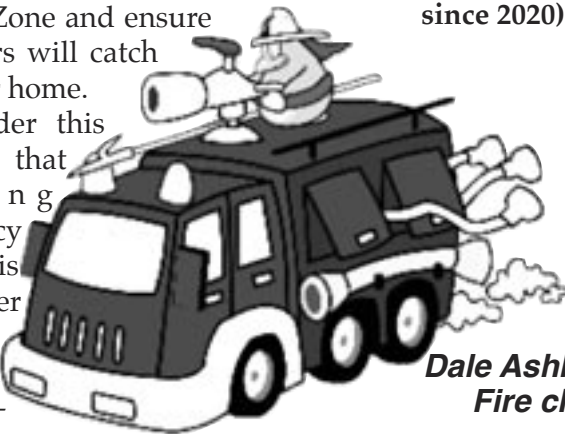


APRIL – LET’S SPRING INTO FIRE SAFETY!

As the little snow we have begins to melt, it is a reminder that spring is just around the corner, and warmer days are not far from us. The start of spring marks the start of *fire season*, beginning *April 1, 2024*. As of April 1, *fire permits are now required until October 31, 2024*, and *restricted burning hours are effective immediately*. **NO DAY TIME BURNING** is now in effect, and the **ignition** of fires can take place no sooner than **two hours before sunset** and must be **extinguished two hours after sunrise**. Burn permits are available **24/7 online** at neebing@neebing.org or at the **Neebing Municipal office** during regular **9-5** business hours. If you are experiencing difficulty obtaining a permit contact the office at 807 474-5331 for assistance. With our lack of precipitation this winter, the ground and foliage remain significantly more dry than previous years. It is important to keep in mind the risk this presents in regard to forest fires. As presented by FireSmart Canada, you can protect your home using the Home Ignition Zone guidelines. This guideline consists of four zones to help protect your home from a potential wildfire. **Starting with Zone 3** (30-100 meters away from your home), look for opportunities to create a gap in foliage which creates a fire break and can help stop the spread of fire. This is done by clearing brush to create spaces between trees.

**In Zone 2** (10-30 meters away from your home), thin evergreen trees by selecting and removing to create spaces of 3 meters apart. Remove any branches within 2 meters of the ground of the remaining evergreen trees. **In Zone 1** (1.5-10 meters away from the home), manage your landscape to ensure it is fire resistant. Plant fire-resistant plants and ensure they are spread out. Although mulch provides a finished look to shrubs and gardens, it is a significant fire hazard and can lead a wildfire right to your home. With Neebing being a remote community, it is common to have outdoor woodstoves and indoor fireplaces. Any stacked wood should be moved into Zone 2 and kept away from any outdoor woodstoves. The **Non-Combustible Zone** (0-1.5 meters away from your home), should be cleared of any vegetation down to the soil. Placing things like lock stone, bricks, gravel or concrete can help add to the Non-Combustible Zone and ensure no embers will catch near your home. A reminder this month that Neebing Emergency Services is a volunteer service. Although we do re-

spond in our marked Neebing emergency vehicles, many of us respond in personal vehicles which are marked with **GREEN FLASHING LIGHTS**. If you see a vehicle with green flashing lights and/or hazards, please slow down and pull over to allow us to respond as quickly as possible. This simple step could save a life. Every second counts. (This month’s Neebing Fire/Rescue article is written by Skye Dusolt - team member since 2020)



Dale Ashbee  
Fire chief

# Fire Wood Raffle

In support of Neebing Fire/Rescue Association



Neebing Fire/Rescue Association - 4766 Hwy. 61, Neebing, ON P7L 0B5

## 1st PRIZE

6 full cords of birch firewood that will be cut, split and delivered to within 30 km radius of 36 Barrie Dr., Slate River, ON  
Wood and Services donated 100% by Chaschuk Enterprises Ltd. - Value \$2,324.00 plus HST

## 2nd PRIZE

4 full cords of birch firewood that will be cut, split and delivered to within 30 km radius of 36 Barrie Dr., Slate River, ON  
Wood and Services donated 100% by Chaschuk Enterprises Ltd. - Value \$1,666.00 plus HST

Draw Date: Monday, July 1 - 3:00 p.m.  
Draw Location: Neebing Municipal Complex - 4766 Hwy 61, Neebing, ON  
Ticket price: \$10.00 each or 3/\$25.00 Licence #: 690546  
Tickets cannot be purchased by/for or on behalf of persons under the age of 18  
Prize awarded as stated. No cash value. 2,000 tickets printed.

Tickets are always available at Neebing Municipal Office 4766 Hwy 61 and Chaschuk Enterprises 36 Barrie Dr.

**Neebing has a local weather station that reports the current temperature, wind speed and direction, humidity, rainfall amounts and barometric pressure. Click on the station name to access information.**  
**Station Name: East Oliver Lake**  
**Station location: 125 East Oliver Lake Road**

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Lakehead Region  
Conservation Authority

Warmer weather means more people will be out visiting our Conservation Areas and exploring nature. Please be mindful of trail conditions and the weather. Trails may be slippery due to wet, muddy, icy, and snowy conditions, so be prepared for your visit and wear appropriate footwear. Additionally, LRCA staff do not monitor ice conditions, so proceed with caution and at your own risk. The LRCA is glad to be hosting several public events during 2024, including our 70th Anniversary Celebration Day on Thursday, July 18, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. right here at our Administrative Office at 130 Conservation Road in Thunder Bay. Keep an eye on our website for more information about upcoming events and registration openings. The Tree Seedling Program returns in 2024, in partnership with Hill’s Greenhouses! Orders will open on

submitted by LRCA Staff  
Friday, April 5 at 4:30 p.m. and will be accepted online only. Bundles of 25 one-year-old seedlings are available at a cost of \$12 per bundle. Species for 2024 include Jack Pine, White Spruce and Black Spruce. Visit www.store.lakeheadca.com on April 5th to place your order! All proceeds from the sale of tree seedlings are in support of the LRCA’s environmental education program. The 2024 Explore Card Parking Pass is now on-sale! 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! For the low price of \$40.00 +HST, it’s convenient for frequent users. All Explore Card revenue goes directly towards the upkeep and maintenance of our Conservation Areas.



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