



The Neebing News

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June 2024



NEEBING CANADA DAY CELEBRATION

The Neebing Recreation Committee would like you to join us at the Neebing Municipal Office grounds on Monday, July 1, 2024 to celebrate CANADA DAY.

Starting at noon will be introductions from Karen Coulson and greetings from Mayor Mark Thibert.

Cindy Crowe will perform a smudging ceremony.

There will be tattoos, a family scavenger hunt, a petting zoo, and children's games.

Please bring a lawn chair as seating is limited.

For the nominal fee of \$5 you may have lunch of a barbecued hamburger or hot dog, a bag of chips and a beverage. Canada Day cake will be provided.

At 3 p.m. NFRA will be conducting the draw for the firewood raffle.



James Boraski and Cale Wilson Coming Back to Neebing!

The Recreation Committee is thrilled to be hosting these entertainers for our July 1st celebration held at the Neebing Municipal office on Hwy 61 from 1 to 3 pm. James Boraski and Cale Wilson form an entertaining duo with Boraski's vocals, songwriting and rhythm guitar work combined with Wilson's creativity and captivating licks on lead guitar. Having performed several times for the Municipality of Neebing prior to Covid, they are extremely pleased to be returning in 2024 to bring you their renditions of original roots, blues and some modern country music.

See You and Your Family Then!

Save the Date

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.



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

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 will be gracing the stage with her incredible talent and singing voice.

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 with special guest and award-winning banjo player **Dan Campbell**.

2 – 2:45 Richard Veurink plays rock and country music with an acoustic twist.

2:45 – 3 Blue Hubbard Squash Awards announced.



3 – 6 Straight Up is a classic rock band with high energy to finish off this spectacular event!



*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 event will be happening all day long with ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place.

*OPP, MNRF, 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 with your contact information.



Not too late to Get Your Squash Seeds

Free Blue Hubbard Squash seeds and growing instructions are available at the Municipal Office for the Squash Competition that is being held at the Blake Community Hall 100th Anniversary Celebration on September 14th, 2024.

A trophy will be awarded for the Heaviest Blue Hubbard Squash, with other awards for the Longest Blue Hubbard Squash, the Oddest Blue Hubbard Squash, the Most Colourful Blue Hubbard Squash, and the Smallest Blue Hubbard Squash.

June is the perfect month to get your squash growing!

Let’s Talk Taxes

How do Neebing’s Property Tax Rates compare to nearby Municipalities?

In the table below, Neebing’s 2023 Property Tax Rates are listed along with nearby Municipalities. The highest property tax rates are Gillies, at 194% higher than Neebing’s rate, and the lowest taxes are paid in Shuniah with a rate that is 79% of Neebing’s rate.

Municipality	Residential Tax Rate	Percentage as compared to Neebing	Population (2021 Census)
Neebing	0.00827169	100%	2,241
Conmee	0.01401835	169%	798
Gillies	0.01606700	194%	441
O’Connor	0.01202181	145%	689
Oliver	0.01004201	121%	6,035
Paipoonge*			
Shuniah	0.00649975	79%	3,247
Thunder Bay*	0.01352547	164%	108,843

* Rates do not include water/sewer/other levies

Past Municipal Tax Rates for all Ontario Municipalities can be viewed on Schedule 22A of the annual Municipal Financial Information Return data available in Excel format on Ontario’s Provincial website.

Lakehead OPP Detachment Board Community Representative

The Lakehead OPP Detachment Board is recruiting three (3) Community Representatives to serve on the Board. The Lakehead OPP Detachment Board represents communities within the Thunder Bay OPP Detachment Area and will include one elected official from each of the following seven (7) communities, as well as three (3) Provincial representatives and three (3) community representatives;

- Conmee Township
- Gillies Township
- Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek First Nation (Gull Bay)
- Lac Des Mille Lacs First Nation
- Municipality of Neebing
- O’Connor Township
- Municipality of Shuniah

The Community Representative position is an opportunity for interested residents to participate in setting objectives and priorities for the Thunder Bay OPP Detachment to enhance the quality of life and ensure the safety and security of all persons and property in the detachment.

More details about the position at www.neebing.org/oppboard.

All interested applicants are encouraged to complete the online application form found at the website listed above. A paper copy of the application can be obtained by contacting the Board Secretary or from your municipal/band office. Please submit paper applications to the following:

Lakehead OPP Detachment Board Attention: Board Secretary 4766 Highway 61 Neebing, ON P7L 0B5 Email: clerk@neebling.org Fax: 807-474-5332

Applications will be accepted until **June 14, 2024 at 4:30 pm**.

Personal information submitted will be used for the purposes of determining suitability for the OPP Detachment Board only and in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Provincial Representatives

The Province is also recruiting three (3) individuals to sit as the Provincial Representatives on the Board. Interested applicants can apply for these positions through the Ontario Government website at <https://www.pas.gov.on.ca/Home/Agency/801>.



EMERGENCY TEXT ALERT SERVICE for Neebing Residents

Sign up for Neebing’s Emergency Text Alert Service. This text alert service is used to notify our residents **via text message** of immediate dangers or emergencies occurring in our community such as evacuations, road closures, forest fires and other hazards.

Sign up is free but you must have a smartphone equipped to receive text messages to use this service as it does not work on land lines. Sign up at neebling.org/textalerts or send us your name, Neebing address, and your text-enabled cell phone number including area code to neebling@neebling.org or call us at 807-474-5331. Your personal information is kept strictly confidential. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the office.

Highway 61 Project Updates

Road shoulder improvements, and guardrail and culvert replacements are continuing. Additional gravel is required to improve the shoulders before re-paving occurs. The additional gravel will come from the quarry near Jarvis Road. Additional blasting and rock crushing will occur in June and July. As you are driving, please stay aware and help keep the highway workers safe.



CANADA DAY

Watch for more 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.

New Landfill Punch Cards Arriving in June!

The new landfill punch cards will be distributed through the mail with your tax bill in June. If you do not receive your punch card by the end of June or your mailing address has changed, please contact the Municipal Office at 807-474-5331

How to Contact the Neebing Municipal Office

Office hours: Monday – Friday (9:00am – 5:00pm)
Phone: (807) 474 5331

Email: Neebing@neebling.org Website: www.neebing.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/neebling

Instagram: www.instagram.com/municipalityofneebling/



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 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 voice mailbox 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 **SMARTPHONE**, 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**.

What's Been Happening at Council Meetings?

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Since the May edition, there have been two regular meetings of Council on May 1 and 15, 2024. There were also three special meetings of Council on May 1, 8 and 15, 2024.
At the special Council meeting on May 1st, Council discussed matters related unopened road allowance beyond the end of Podres Road East with impacted property owners.

- At the regular Council meeting on May 1st, the following matters were considered:
- Council heard a deputation from Blue Sky Group relating to the use of Blake Hall.
 - Council authorized participation in another FoodCycler pilot if more funding is available.
 - Council approved a sponsorship for an artist to participate in an art show.
 - Council appointed a new acting Fire Chief.
 - Council passed a by-law to amend the trailer licensing by-law to strengthen enforcement provisions.

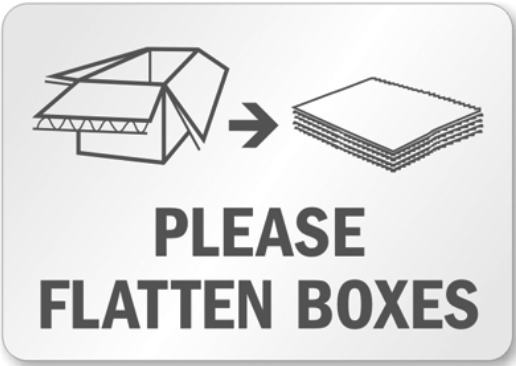
At the special Council meeting on May 8th, reviewed the results of the Citizen Satisfaction Survey.
At the special Council meeting on May 15th, the Committee of the Whole reviewed an application for severance of a property on Seed Road.

- At the regular Council meeting on May 15th, the following matters were considered:
- Council approved the recommendations from the Committee of the Whole to approve the application for severance of a property on Seed Road.
 - Council scheduled the summer Council meetings for July 10, 2024 and August 7, 2024.
 - Council directed Administration to schedule a proposed Indigenous craft event.
 - Council directed Administration to submit delegation requests to various provincial Ministers for the AMO Conference.
 - Council approved participation in joint discussions with area municipalities to search for opportunities to share services and resources related to fire and emergency response services.
 - Council appointed a new Chief Building Official.

The next Council meetings will be held on May 5 and 19, 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.



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.

Municipal Projects Summer 2024

Summer is a busy time. This year Neebing staff, volunteers and contractors are working on the following Municipal projects:

- A concrete rink surface and rink boards at Alf Olsen Park
- A permanent washroom facility at Oliver Lake
- New gravel on Cloud Lake Road and Larson Road
- A concrete rink surface and covered roof at Blake Hall
- Cloud Lake Boat Launch Improvements

Please be patient and careful around construction projects and keep yourself and workers safe.

- Other Municipal Projects
- Asset Management Plan Data Update
 - Scoble and Sandhill Landfill Expansion Application Projects
 - Finalizing Official Plan
 - Planning for Blake Hall 100th Anniversary Celebration
 - New Strategic Plan

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Wednesday July 10th

1:00 - 4:00

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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.

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



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Facebook: facebook.com/Neebing
Website: www.neebing.org
Instagram: [@municipalityofneebing](https://www.instagram.com/municipalityofneebing)

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.neebling.org}, Facebook {www.facebook.com/Neebing}, the LRCA's website {<https://lakeheadca.com>}, and Facebook {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 for more details.

Emergency preparedness starts with you
be prepared



make a plan



build a kit



stay informed

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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 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

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ROSSLYN COMMUNITY CENTER
3405 ROSSLYN ROAD



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RURAL 60 PLUS!

5 Pineview Road, Kakabeka Falls 475-5779,
email rural60@tbaytel.net Website: www.rural60plus.ca

Monday	- open
Tuesday	- Weaving - 10 to 3 - Knitting- 10 to 3
Wednesday	- Quilting - 10 to 3 - Beginner Carving- 10 to 3 - Cribbage- 1 to 3
Thursday	- Weaving - 10 to 3 - Knitting - 10 to 3
Friday	- open

Craft room open Monday to Friday- 10 to 3

**Next luncheon at Kakabeka Legion
Friday June 14th from 12 noon to 1 pm.**
Cost is \$5 for members and \$15 for guests. Must register by Friday June 7th.





OPEN
SUNRISE TO SUNSET
DAILY!!!

- 9 - Hole
- Par 36
- Practice Green
- Golf Carts available

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GREEN FEES
IN THUNDER BAY**

Restaurant available. Hours vary. Call for details.
25 minutes from Twin City Crossroads.

A big thank you from Pickled Pike Crafts to everyone that attended our DIY metal tree art class that was held at the Blake Hall. We had a wonderful afternoon of laughs, crafting, charcuterie and beverages. - Katherine Hill

Neebing Recreation Committee Events!
by Edith Tivendale
Neebing Recreation Committee hosted a wonderful MOTHERS DAY TEA! Delicious desserts, camaraderie and numerous door prizes were enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who participated, donated and volunteered.





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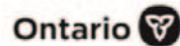
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Fire Safety – Morning, JUNE, and Night

June brings us into the full height of summer – early sunrises and late sunsets, all the more time to enjoy the warm summer weather and all those summer activities. The pool covers are coming off and the lakes are finally warm enough to dip into on those hot summer days.



June is national safety month, and although we like to remind people year-round of important safety practices, it is a good time to do all of those routine checks if you haven't already done so. Check to ensure you have working CO and smoke alarms, fire extinguishers and are keeping your home fire smart. Practice your fire escape plan and ensure everyone in your home knows how to exit in case of a fire. Make sure all of your doors and windows are unobstructed for easy exit in case of a fire.

With the forest fire season in full effect, there are a few simple tips to make sure your home isn't at risk of catching fire. Clean your roof and gutters of any material that may catch fire such as leaves and other debris, and keep your porch and deck swept clean as this may easily catch fire and lead right to your home. Ensure to have fire preventative material expanding 5 feet surrounding your home and avoid things such as mulch or piling wood next to your house.

Summer is a popular time for new construction of buildings or renovations. While not common as yet residential sprinkler systems can bring exceptional levels of fire safety in your home and might be a sound safety consideration whether building your new home, or renovating your existing one. Sprinkler systems in your home are low profile, operate off your household water system, average as little as 2% of total construction cost and can help contain a fire to its area of origin and prevent fire spread to other parts of the home. If you would like to learn more about Residential fire sprinklers at : <https://homefiresprinkler.org/> .

Neebing Emergency Services would like to remind everyone this month that safety goes outside the realm of fire. The focus this month is water safety. Drowning can occur in seconds, is often silent and can happen to anyone. Keep these drowning prevention tips in mind and enjoy a safe summer:

It is a good safety measure to enclose your in-ground pool with a fence to prevent anyone from unintentionally falling in, especially if you have small children. If your children are swimming in your pool or the lake, ensure to supervise closely even in shallow water. It is good practice to make sure everyone knows the basics of swimming and water safety skills to prevent drowning. If unable to swim, make sure to wear a life jacket. Remember – life jackets are essential if boating regardless of swimming abilities. Everyone should wear a life jacket while on a watercraft. Try and avoid alcohol around open water as it can impair your ability to swim. Lastly, if possible, it is important for everyone to know how to perform CPR as it can save someone's life in the time it takes emergency services to arrive.

(This month's Neebing news article was written by Skye Dusolt, member since 2020)

To Report a Fire in Neebing
CALL 911

Important Tips To Prevent Drowning

- Learn the basics of swimming and water safety.
- Supervise children closely while in water.
- Enclose pools with a fence to avoid children from falling in.
- Wear a life jacket, especially while on a watercraft regardless of swimming abilities.
- Avoid alcohol.
- Always swim with a buddy.

Helpful Fire Season Websites

The websites below can help you monitor and mitigate wildfire dangers in your area:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/forest-fires> - displays information on current wildfire Danger Levels and locations of known wildfires in Ontario.

<https://firesmoke.ca> – displays information on movement of smoke from wildfires across North America.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/firesmart-landscaping> - provides information on identifying and mitigating actions to reduce the risk of wildfire threats on your property.

Three 30's 'Rule of Thumb' for Assessing Wildfire Danger Levels

In addition to available fuel and an ignition source being necessary to start a fire, wildfire danger levels are directly impacted by three weather factors: **Wind, Humidity and Temperature**. While it is important to take care and stay safe with all burning during the fire season a check of the weather forecast for your area can provide a quick reference of local fire danger levels:

If either the **wind** or **temperature** has a number greater > **30** or the humidity level is less than < 30 % no burning should take place.

- **WIND** - > 30 kph
- **TEMPERATURE** - > 30 C
- **HUMIDITY** - < 30 %

If 2 or more readings are in the danger level restrict outdoor activities that may produce a spark or become a potential ignition source.

And remember:

Fire Permits are required in Neebing for all open and incinerator fires from April 1 – October 31, 2024. And,

NO Daytime Burning is allowed
in Neebing during the Fire Season.

Rural Family Centre

Early ON

Child and Family Centre

"Learning Through Play, Exploration & Inquiry"
Connect with other Families!
(for children 0-6 years)

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TUESDAY S
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Blake Community Hall
71 Blake Hall Road
Neebing
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WEDNESDAY S
6:30 PM

O'Connor Community Center
344 Hwy 595
330 Hwy 595
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TUESDAY S
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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:
 - oenters a school yard when school is in session
 - ostalks people and lingers at the site
 - oenters or tries to enter a residence
 - owanders into a public gathering
 - okills 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>

Kakabeka Legion Events

June 2024

- Saturday June 1st Dance with Quest 7-10
 - Saturday June 8th Exec/Gen meeting. 2:30/3:00
 - Sunday June 9th Buffet Breakfast 8:30-11:00
 - Friday June 14th Rural 60 Plus lunch 12-1
 - Saturday June 15th Dance with Quest 7-10
 - Sunday June 16th Jam Session 7:00-9:30
 - Friday June 21st Dance with Quest 7-10
 - Saturday June 22nd Ceili 7-9
 - Sunday June 23rd Music in the Afternoon 1-3
 - Saturday June 29th Dance with Quest 7-10
 - Sunday June 23rd Music in the Afternoon 1-3
- For Hall bookings call Dianne Harrison 807-577-6549**



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Deadline for the JULY issue of

The Neebing News is June 20!

Get your info off your desk and onto MINE! :)

(Early submissions are always very welcome!)

Submissions and photos of community events and articles of interest are welcome! Send to Chris Vaclav at designhouse@tbaytel.net 628-7271

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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Murillo Library Monday 10 – 8:00 pm Wednesday 10 – 8:00 pm Saturday 9 – 12 pm 935-2729	Email: oplibrary@tbaytel.net Website: http://oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca	Rosslyn Library Tuesday 10 – 8:00 pm Thursday 10 to 8:00 pm Saturday 1 – 4:00 pm 939-2312
	Spring cleaning? <i>The library accepts donations of used books and DVD's in good condition.</i>	
Thanks to LH North for their generous gift of \$2000 to be used to purchase new children's books for our library!	Our indoor bowling program is now on hiatus until September. Exercise class and cribbage will continue all summer!	Use your library card to 'check out' tennis and pickleball equipment at Rosslyn Library.

HOPPERS VARIETY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. LICENCED MECHANIC

- Must be a skilled mechanic responsible for diagnosing, troubleshooting, repairs and maintenance, performing vehicle inspections and able to work independently.

2. EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

- Knowledge of and ability to operate a variety of pieces of heavy equipment in a safe manner. Knowledge of road construction and maintenance techniques.

3. AZ OR DZ LICENCED TRUCK DRIVER

- Must have an AZ or DZ licence with a clean abstract, perform pre-trip inspections and maintenance as required, adapt to unforeseen circumstances such as weather or traffic.

EXPERIENCE IS A DEFINITE MUST

For more information or to submit resume,
please email Pauline at hoppers@tbaytel.net
or drop off in person at

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Free exercise class for all ages and abilities.



Every Tuesday: Bands and Balls } At Rosslyn Hall from
Every Thursday Weights } 11:30 to 12:00

No Registration necessary.

We still have room for anyone wishing to keep active and join others in fun, laughter and conversation.

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Wednesday June 19

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Chix in the Stix

Decisions, Decisions

Remember when we couldn't wait to be adults. We thought grown-ups had it all. They stayed up late. Ate what they wanted. Drove. We dreamed of the day we could 'adult' too. What were we thinking? Turns out adulting is hard. I'd give anything now for an early bedtime and afternoon naps. I would love it if someone told me to go to my room RIGHT NOW for a time out. Seriously, go ahead and ground me! And I would love to be chauffeured around the way my parents did when I was a kid while I played or napped in the back seat. You can even decide what I'm gonna eat if you're gonna cook it for me. Maybe it's about the decisions. As adults we have a bunch of decisions to make. Not all of them are significant. But they add up. If you have a spouse and family the number increases exponentially. Every single day. So many. Take food for instance. Multiple times a day I have to decide what we're going to eat. AND then I have to make it. And clean up afterwards. I love my life but the thought of having the means to hire someone to shop for me and prepare my meals from time to time is very appealing. And just think, when we were young we had just that. Our parents did the shopping, paid for it, and prepared the meals and all the decisions in between. Most of us never gave it a second thought. Then one day you find yourself all grown up and life suddenly throws you some extra speedy curve balls, and the decisions that need to be made seem to pile up and the weight of them feels crushing some days. And on those days the smaller more trivial decisions suddenly become particularly annoying. I have made deliberate attempts in my life to simplify the things I can. But I still have decisions to make throughout the day. So I've started to push back. Now when the Starbucks barista wants to know what brand of sweetener I want in

my latte I say 'you decide'. Though I should probably warn you that if you want to avoid choices you might want to avoid Starbucks all together as you will need to

make multiple decisions in the first 20 seconds at the drive thru speaker. When the Timmies take-out lady wants to know if the donut and muffin should go in separate bags I say 'you decide'. And when the waitress wants to know if I want my eggs scrambled or over-easy I say 'surprise me'. Paper or plastic? You decide. A seat by the window? You decide. And I mean there are still decisions that only I can make and are important enough that I'm not leaving it up to strangers, but this new strategy has easily reduced my 'decision' load by 5-10 decisions a day sometimes. Instead I'm now putting them on someone else's plate. Usually someone getting paid for it. I am happy to give up some adulting in exchange for someone else taking the wheel from time to time - literally and figuratively. Gives my brain a chance to rest and recharge for the bigger more important decisions of life. Not that being a grown up is all that bad. There are things which I totally missed the boat on when I was a kid, but now as an adult I cherish more and more each day. Did anyone really care about the colour of the sky at night when they were a kid? Did anyone jump for joy when the geese came back in the spring or the cranes landed in the fields. Or when they spotted new calves! Or were moved to tears the first evening they heard the spring peepers. Or got excited every time a new bird came to the feeder. Or simply relished peace and quiet. No kids does. These are delights reserved for adulthood. I was oblivious to all these things as a child and now they fill my heart to the brim. I'm still gonna pass the decision making buck to others when it really doesn't matter but I'm mostly happy to be a grown up. Because these other delights, especially the ones that wrap around us here in the country, are pleasures I don't want to take for granted and if the trade off is having to be at least a little bit adult-ish some days, I'll oblige. I guess.



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- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Introducing: Lynda Randle, Randle's Candles Co.
Lynda Randle talks about how Randle's Candles Co. started...

“My name is Lynda Randle and I’m the owner of Randle’s Candles Co. located in beautiful Neebing, Ontario. This is where I create and make my candles. I’m a wife, mother and nana, I work full time as a bookkeeper, but candle making is my passion.

In November of 2014, I purchased the equipment and supplies from a candle company that had been closed for a few years.

My daughter-in-law Sharon and myself had two days of training on how to make candles. We completed our training and with the help of my husband and son we brought the equipment and supplies home. Sharon and I thought we could make candles as we had all the training, so we made 36 cinnamon tealights and 3 turned out.

It was back to researching on the phone with suppliers looking for help and advice. We did a lot of testing and burning and many failures, but I think we had a lot of laughs doing this. In early 2015, we did our first craft show and continued to do craft/vendor shows whenever we could. Then in 2016, I moved to a permanent location at the Thunder Bay Country Market still doing craft/vendor shows.

I continue to grow Randle’s Candles Co. and many of the wonderful customers that I have met are more than just a customer. My candles are made with 100% all natural soy wax along with fragrance oils. I make tealights, melters, and 4oz, 6oz, and 9oz jar candles. I also make concrete candle containers and pour a candle into it. I have a large stock of fragrances available also and I make no fragrance candles for customers that request it. Randle’s Candles Co. has a website – Randlescandles.com

Randle’s Candles Co. reduces, reuses and recycles by offering refills not only in my jar but if a customer has a favourite container I will pour a candle for them. I have made candles that have gone all over the world. I have poured candles along with a personalized label for a wedding, shower, gifts for someone special etc. Just ask and I’m sure I can do it.



In 2024 Randle’s Candles Co. partnered with Amanda from the Red Door Metalworks and opened up a store front location at 21 Cumberland Street South, Thunder Bay, Ontario. The new store is called Bromley’s. I continue to create my candles in Neebing, Ontario, but I sell my product in my store (Bromley’s) Visit Randles Candles Co. on the web at Candle – Randle’s Candles Co



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1st PRIZE

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2nd PRIZE

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