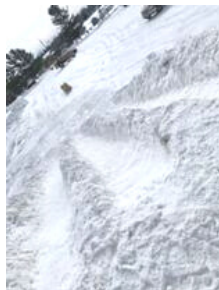
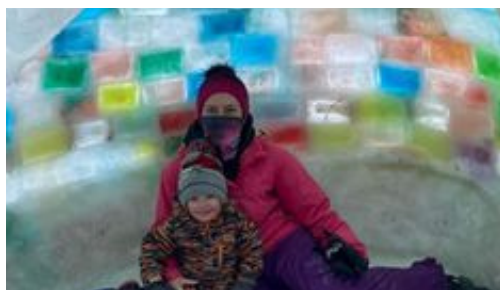




## Family Fun for Everyone at the Johnson Township Community Centre



**IMPORTANT DATES**  
**MONDAY NIGHTS ADULT**  
**PICK-UP HOCKEY 8PM-9PM**

**TUESDAY NIGHTS**  
**SNOWSHOE WALK 5PM**

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS**  
**50+ CLUB MEETINGS 1PM-3PM**

**FRIDAY NIGHTS PUBLIC**  
**SKATING 6:30PM - 8PM**

**MARCH BREAK 13-20**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 18 PICK UP**  
**BROOMBALL 8PM-9PM**

**MARCH 19-20 CU-JO**  
**MEMORIAL FAMILY HOCKEY**  
**TOURNAMENT**

**MARCH 31 FIRST TAX**  
**INSTALLMENT DUE**

**LANDFILL HOURS**

**WEDNESDAYS 12PM-5PM**  
**SATURDAYS 9AM-5PM**

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS**  
**WASTE IS NOW CLOSED**  
**FOR THE SEASON. OPENING**  
**EARLY APRIL 2022**

**THE SHARE SHED IS OPEN**  
**WITH SOME LIMITATIONS**

Hoots and hollers could be heard outside the Johnson Township Community Centre around 3pm on Monday, February 21, 2022.

Family's and friends from all around the area joined in on the Family Day, Fun Day activities. Travelling up and down the snow stairs to reach the top of the 3 lane bum slide and racing down against friends and neighbours. Then running back up to do it all over again.

While other groups and family members could be seen heading out on the 1.5km of snowshoe trail thanks to the many sizes and styles of snowshoes borrowed from the Central Algoma Secondary School, Outdoor Education program.

As the day went on families started to huddle around the three large campfires to warm up or you could find them inside at the Do It Yourself Hot Chocolate station. Topping steaming cups of hot chocolate with whipped cream, marshmallows, sprinkles, chocolate drops, and more.

Once everyone had a chance to warm up it was time to hit the ice for a 2hr free skate or go explore the finished Community Igloo. Made from 300+ colourful blocks and room for almost the whole family to cram inside for a photo before packing everyone back into the car and heading home for a good night's rest.

**We want to thank everyone who came out and supported this fun-filled day. We were able to raise \$150 for the Natural Playground fund through all your donations. Thank You**



## WE ARE HIRING...SOON

Stay tuned for details about upcoming summer employment positions with the Township. We could be hiring up to 7 positions to work in:

• Events & Recreation • Arena & Grounds Maintenance • Public Works & Roads



### Local Artwork

We are looking to purchase some local artwork to decorate the newly renovated office. Call Patti at 705-257-6827 if you have a piece of art inspired by Johnson Township

### Community Improvement Plan (CIP)

The CIP survey will be distributed later this month to help Council gather community-based feedback. The survey will be delivered to your mailbox, on the website, or in print form at the Township Office and the Community Centre.



### The Public Works Garage

Crews are out on Gordon Lake Road doing Brush clearing. Please watch for signs of workers present and drive with caution around machinery.

As the weather starts to warm up you may notice new bumps appearing in our roadways as the roads start to heave and thaw. The roads crews are out putting up "Bump" signs on particularly bad bumps, but be aware of changing road conditions.

Half-Load restrictions will come into effect soon with the warmer weather. Check out our website for up-to-date details.

### Interim Tax Bills

The first installment of your tax bill is due March, 31, 2022. You can pay your tax bill online with your bank by making Johnson Township a Payee and using your 19 digit roll number located at the top right-hand corner of your tax bill. If you have more than one property please enter each roll number separately. Payment can also be made by cheque made payable to Johnson Township or by cash at the Township Office. Payments can always be left in the Dropbox if the office is closed.

## FROM THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

February 16 2022

The February Council meeting was jammed packed with information. Starting with the introduction of the new recycling program at the Johnson Tarbutt Joint Landfill. Although thrilled to have the new bins in place council issued some concern for the care and treatment of the Landfill and Landfill staff. If community members cannot learn to follow the rules (such as Clear Garbage Bags and placing your recycling at the back of the bins) and treat landfill staff with respect then action will be taken. Which will incur costs that will be covered by taxpayer dollars.

In speaking about road work to be completed on Diamond Lake Road, council raised concerns about the condition of the Diamond Lake Boat Launch. With other area boat launches closing down or no longer being accessible. The Diamond Lake Boat Launch becomes the only launch for Diamond Lake, Cloudy Lake, and McCarrel Lake. Creating a huge increase in public use.

A plan was put in place to start exploring how improvements can be made to the launch and the green space around the launch, with a report to go back to council in the coming months.

### Next Council Meeting:

Wednesday, March 16th 2022 5:30pm

Via Zoom: reach out if you need the link to attend

For the full council meetings proceedings please visit our website at [www.johnsontownship.ca](http://www.johnsontownship.ca)



# Arena Bulletin

Great news! As of March, 1st, 2022 all capacity limits and Covid-19 Proof of Vaccination requirements have been lifted. Masks are still required at indoor and outdoor events and are strongly suggested on the ice, however not mandatory. Ice rentals will be available until April 1st and hall bookings will continue to be available throughout the year. Call today to book : 705-782-6723

Time to sharpen your skates...

# ICE BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

For the 2021/2022 Season

## CU-JO Memorial Family Hockey Tournament

The "Good Old Hockey Game" returns to the Johnson Township Community Centre March 19th and 20th for the CU-JO Memorial Family Hockey Tournament. Started over 10 years ago this memorial tournament helps to build funds towards the Johnson Township Volunteer Scholarship for Central Algoma Secondary School students. Registration is \$425/team and teams can sign up for one of two divisions: Family or Competitive. The tournament will run for 2 full days with Bar Services and Food specials on Saturday March 19, 2022. If you would like to register a team please contact Patti by Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at [ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca](mailto:ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca) or 705-257-6827



JOHNSON TOWNSHIP/CU-JO MEMORIAL FAMILY HOCKEY TOURNAMENT MARCH 19-20 2022



Divisions :  
Competitive :14 or older,  
Family recreational :6 or older

3 games guaranteed :  
Round Robin structure

JTCC hall will be open during and after the tournament (activities after)

Bar service : Saturday 11-6  
Cheryl's Café : Open with Specials

Baseball and Soccer Registration Forms will be mailed out later this month and available online at [www.johnsontownship.ca](http://www.johnsontownship.ca)

## Events & Recreation

Time is flying by, March is the last month for ice time so come out and join us at the rink. Monday nights are Pick-Up Adult Hockey from 8pm-9pm \$5/player. Tuesday nights we are doing a group snowshoe walk at 5pm beside the Tennis Court. You will need to bring your own snowshoes and dress in layers (no need to impress we will accept all layers that are required to keep you comfortable!). Then wrap up the week on Friday nights with the Public Skate from 6:30pm-8pm. We have four more fun-filled skate nights for you with a collection of awesome games and fun music, \$2/person or \$5/group of 4. Stay Tuned as we start planning for a Community Yard Sale and some Earth Day Clean-Up Events. Visit our Facebook Page @JohnsonTownshipRecreation for more details.



JOHNSON PRESENTS  
FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2022  
50'S NIGHT PUBLIC SKATE  
6:30PM-8PM  
\$2/PERSON  
\$5/GROUP OF 4  
At The Johnson Township Community Center



JOHNSON PRESENTS  
FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022  
70'S/80'S NIGHT PUBLIC SKATE  
\$2/Person or \$5/Group of 4  
At the Johnson Township Community Center



JOHNSON PRESENTS  
On this day, we celebrate like the Irish do!  
St. Paddy's Night Public Skate  
Friday, March 18th, 2022  
\$2/person or \$5/group of 4  
At the Johnson Township Community Center



JOHNSON PRESENTS  
PICK-UP BROOMBALL  
JOHNSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTRE  
FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH  
8PM-9PM  
\$2/PLAYER  
All Players must wear a helmet and gloves bring their own indoor running shoes. All other equipment will be provided. Proof of vaccination will be required for anyone 12yrs and older. Masks must be worn in the Community Centre but can be removed when on the ice.



JOHNSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTRE  
PUBLIC SKATE NIGHT  
FREE SKATE  
6:30PM-8PM | FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2022  
THANK YOU FOR A GREAT SEASON

Have a burning idea? Want to volunteer? Just want to say hi? Get in touch with Patti at [ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca](mailto:ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca)

# Notes from the Fire Chief

## If Your Smoke Alarms Went off Would Everyone Know Where to go?

March Break is a great time with the whole family around to run through a Home Fire Drill. Check out the sheet attached in this newsletter on how to make a Home Fire Escape Plan and then run through it together as a family. Daylight savings time starts on March 13, this is a great time to test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and change all the batteries while you run around the house changing all your clocks.

**There are 10 Little Leprechauns Hidden in the Newsletter - Can You Find Them All?**

## Around the Community Kensington Conservancy



March 26 2022, 10am: Join in on a Guided Snowshoe at the Foster Parkland and Walking Trails in Desbarats. Registration is required so make sure to visit their website at [www.kensingtonconservancy.org](http://www.kensingtonconservancy.org)



March 30, 2022, 7pm: Join TKC for a webinar all about Bats! This webinar will also talk about the new Citizen Science Bat Monitoring Program. Visit their website to register and get more information. [www.kensingtonconservancy.org](http://www.kensingtonconservancy.org)

## Desbarats Women's Institute

Join the Desbarats Women's Institute usually meets on the second Tuesday of every month. Follow them on Facebook @desbaratswomensinstitute to see what they are up to.

## 50+ Club

Meet the 50+ Club Wednesdays at 1:30pm upstairs in the Hall at the Johnson Township Community Centre for cards, coffee and good company.



## Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition

AGM March 16, 2022 7:30pm-8pm. Email [cafreshwatercoalition@gmail.com](mailto:cafreshwatercoalition@gmail.com) with your Name, your wish to attend, and address to receive the Zoom Link info.



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