



The Johnson Chronicle

APRIL 2023

March Break Madness



With the kiddo's out of school, the Johnson Township Community Centre opened up with a host of activities to entertain "kids" of all ages all week long. Kicking things off on Monday, community members were invited to join in on a Cricut 101 to learn how to use the new Smart Printer machine. Printing and cutting over 300 different types of materials to make an endless number of projects. On Tuesday, classic board games were brought out to play a good old-fashioned game of Monopoly or Spoons. Then Wednesday was a craft day! Community members were invited to bring their own craft or work on a variety of provided projects. Council opened up free skate from 12pm-1pm Monday through to Thursday. For the kid in all of us, Pick-Up Family Broomball ran Monday through Wednesday night, and a Family Flag Football Game was held outside Thursday night. Thursday afternoon slowed down with a movie screening of DC League of Super Pets, and a bowl of popcorn. Closing out the week on Friday was the St. Paddy's Day Skate Party and the annual Curtis Ford Jocelyne Stevens Memorial Family Hockey Tournament.

Seven teams register to play in this recreational tournament that raises funds to support a volunteer scholarship for a graduating Gr. 8 and Gr. 12 student. The Orr's, Campbell's, and Bucks competed for the title of Competitive Champion with the Campbell's winning the final game 3-1 against the Orr's. The Chosen One's, Buck's, Campbell's, and Koivisto's battled it out for the Family Division. The Koivisto's swept their division taking the final win 6-5 against The Chosen Ones.

Two scholarships were raised from contributions to this tournament. A \$300 scholarship for a graduating CAES Gr. 8 student and a \$700 scholarship for a graduating CASS Gr. 12 student.

Save the date for the 2024 CU-JO Family Memorial Hockey Tournament on March 15th - 16th 2024.

IMPORTANT DATES:

**MONDAY APRIL 3, 10, 17, 24:
SENIOR 50+ YMCA SWIM AND
GYM 2ND SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 12
JOHNSON TOWNSHIP
FARMERS MARKET VENDOR
APPLICATIONS CLOSE**

**FRIDAY APRIL 14 CARD PARTY
AT GORDON LAKE HALL
7:30PM**

SATURDAY APRIL 22:

- EARTH DAY
- FUEL UP TO CLEAN UP
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
10AM-12PM

SUNDAY APRIL 30

- NORTH SHORE YOUTH
SLO-PITCH
REGISTRATION CLOSES
- SIGN NIGHT FUNDRAISER

**MAY 4-5TH STANDARD CPR
LEVEL C & AED TRAINING
9PM-5PM**

**SUNDAY MAY 7 OUTDOORS
& GUN SHOW 9AM-4PM**

MONTHLY:

**WEDNESDAY'S: 1PM-3PM
50+ CLUB MEETINGS - JTCC
HALL**

**WATER & SEWER METER
READINGS & BILLING**

Events & Recreation

#BetterPlant, Picture a Better Planet for Earth Day 2023



Johnson Township has joined the movement to mobilize our community and make our planet a work of art again. Join us as we kick off the 2023 community efforts with our second annual **Fuel up to Clean Up in celebration of Earth Day on April 22**. Start your morning at the Johnson Township Community Centre for a locally sourced Sausage & Pancake Breakfast from 10am-12pm, to get fueled up for an afternoon of cleaning up!

After finishing your breakfast head outside to join us in cleaning up the Community Centre or take a Clean-up kit home to help out a neighbour. Clean-up kits will be

available April 17 - 21 at the Municipal office and the Johnson Township Community Centre or at the Fuel Up Breakfast. Thank you to Kern's Maple Products for the generous donation of local Maple Syrup.



Volunteers are still needed for this event! If you are an expert Flap-Jack-Flipper, a Sausage-Sizzling-Superstar, or a Dishwashing-Diva we need your help! Contact Patti at ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca or 705-257-6827 this activity can count towards Volunteer Hour Requirements.

Spring Programming in Johnson Township

The Recreation Team is hard at work preparing an exciting collection of programming for April - June.

- There has been some interest in an **Adult Co-ed Slo-Pitch** League. If this is something you might be interested let Patti know!
- We are already deep into the Planning of **Community Days!** Want to help out or have a great idea for an activity? You are invited to attend a **Public Meeting on Tuesday May 16th at 7pm** to hear about our plans and show your interest.

Community Centre Bulletin



Thank you for an excellent 2022-2023 season, the ice is now almost gone from the rink floor. Construction will continue at the Community Centre throughout the summer. Please be aware of equipment and workers as we complete a few additional upgrades. With the ice melting away we are gearing up for some indoor summer fun! Stay tuned for:

Roller Rink Schedule | Floor Hockey | Lacrosse | Craft Shows | Outdoor Shows | Employer Resources Show | Auctions and more...

WINTER DUMP HOURS ARE IN EFFECT

SATURDAY 9AM-5PM | WEDNESDAY 12PM-5PM

SPRING HOURS WILL COME INTO EFFECT AFTER THE MAY LONG WEEKEND

HAZARDOUS WASTE IN SAULT STE. MARIE IS NOW CLOSED

Getting Social at Gordon Lake Hall

Card Parties: Only 2 Left Before the Summer Break! April 14th | May 5th

\$5.00 entry to play Crokinole or 500 Bid. You must be 16yrs or older to play, but everyone is invited to attend. Light refreshments are provided, games start at 7:30pm.

Unfortunately, the Mother's Day High Tea on May 14th has been postponed. Stay tuned for details on an Afternoon tea sometime in the fall.

Rent the Gordon Lake Hall for your next event at flat rate of \$75+hst. With a capacity of 50 people and a full kitchen hosting your next function is easy at this newly renovated hall. Contact Patti at 705-257-6827 | ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca to book your function today.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday July 15th is the return of the annual Gordon Lake Social Club Bake & Garage Sale 9am-1pm. Saturday August 12 is the return of the Gordon Lake Social Club annual Pie Social.

The Public Works Garage

The 2023 Roads Department Work Plan is now complete. Community Members can expect to see work completed on:

Colonization Road | Gordon Lake Road | Old Soo Road at Bell Pole 12 | Government Road Cora Drive

Along with 25 yards of maintenance gravel, 1500m of ditching, dust control, landscaping around the Community Centre, and preparation at the Municipal Office for the installation of the Sand Shed. Please visit the website for the complete Roads Work Plan.

Summer Employment

Johnson Township is now accepting resumes for youth seasonal positions aged 15-30.

Job Applications Close April 30 2023 5:00pm

Positions to be Filled:

- Sports Programming Lead (1)
- Recreation Assistant (1)
- Parks & Groundskeeper Assistant (2)
- Roads and Recreation Support (2)

Resumes and questions can be sent to Patti Trotter at ptrotter@johnsontownship.ca or dropped off at the Municipal Office. Positions are funding dependent.

Full Job Descriptions can be found on our website.

FROM THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

March 15 2023

The Steel Building and Portable located at the Municipal Office have been sold and tender is now closed. The winning parties will have the buildings removed from the site by April 20th. Allowing for the site preparation to begin for the construction of the council chambers expansion to the Municipal Building and Sand Shed.

The roads crew is continuing the brushing work along Gordon Lake Road and emptying the sacks at the lagoon into the dump for additional fill. The Public Works Crew provided council with 3 quotes for a used truck to add to the roads fleet. Council determined for the price of used, a new truck

would be a better funded option allowing of budget of \$60,000 to purchase a second truck. The Heart & Stroke foundation sent in a request for donation which was accepted to the tune of \$100. The current campaign will double the donation thanks to contributions from Canadian Pacific.

Council raised a few questions towards the proposal submitted by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in regards to floating accommodations and camping on water over public lands in Ontario. Feedback was provided to the Ministry to review the proposal.

Next Council Meeting: Thursday, April 20th, 2023 6pm
In-person at the Johnson Township Community Centre Hall

For the full council meetings proceedings please visit the website at www.johnsontownship.ca

Notes from the Fire Chief Risk to Rechargeable: Safe us of Lithium Batteries



The use of rechargeable lithium-ion batteries in consumer products is very common and they are generally considered safe to use. But as with any energy storage device they carry safety risks including overheating, fires and explosions. Lithium-ion batteries are found in many electronic devices, such as:

laptops | cell phones | power tools | hoverboards | vaping products (e-cigarettes)

Lithium-ion batteries can overheat, catch fire or explode if they are not charged in a safe manner. Follow these precautions to help minimize risks associated with charging your lithium-ion battery:

- **Do not exceed the recommended charging time**
- Do not charge your device on soft surfaces, such as a couch or bed. Soft surfaces can trap heat around the battery
- Use the charger that came with your device. If you need to buy or replace a charger, make sure the voltage and current are compatible with your device
- Make sure to use a charger that has one of the recognized Canadian certification marks, such as CSA, cUL or cETL. Do not use uncertified chargers.





CASS CELEBRATES 50 YEARS: June 30 - July 2nd CASS is celebrating 50 years with a variety of ways for everyone to get involved.

CASS Drama presents: The Bachelor King: May 3rd & 4th. Tickets are only \$10 each. The show will be in the cafeteria. Snacks will be available for purchase. Come and see this comedy with hilarious characters and timely one-liners! Get tickets from cast members or by calling the office.

CASS is having its own



Where: CASS Track
 When: Friday, June 2nd
 How: Sign up in April for \$10



CASS 50TH REUNION GOLF TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2023
SILVER CREEK GOLF COURSE



Four Person 18 Hole Scramble

Pre-registration Only – 9AM Shotgun Start

Entry Fee – \$75 per person
 (due by June 1, 2023 7PM)
 1 Cart Per Pair



Eligibility – CASS Grads/Teachers & Significant Others

Prizes for: Longest Drive, Longest Putt, Closest to the Hole – Men & Women

ARTISANS

WANTED!

Come and meet former classmates and staff while admiring/buying some of the amazing creative art!

Looking for CASS alumni & staff who are ARTISTS and ARTISANS to display and/or sell their art in the courtyard at CASS.

CASS 50TH ARTISAN SHOW
JULY 1, 2023

Email name and address to Carol Neave by April 30
 Subject line: CASS 50th Art Display
 gcnave@live.ca

Follow the Facebook Group @CASS 50th Anniversary Reunion! For all details and registrations for the 50th Celebrations

HOCKEY STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

6 Weeks- \$399
 Spring Session begins May 8th
 Summer Session begins June 19

U11- Monday and Wednesday
 4:30-5:30

U15- Monday and Wednesday
 5:30-6:30
 Coach Piper Post

U18- Tuesday and Thursdays
 4:30-5:30
 Coach Ray Gowlett

At Catalyst Fitness

Email: hayley@catalystgym.com
 Call: 705 256-1344



CASS 50TH REUNION COED NIGHT

DATE: FRI. JUNE 30, 2023

LOCATION: CASS GYMNASIUM & COURTYARD

SIGN UP NOW!
 CAROLHUN@GMAIL.COM



Around the Community

Desbarats 50+ Club

Wednesday's 1pm-3pm at the Johnson

Township Community Centre Hall. Cards & Shuffle Board, Coffee, Tea, and Light Snacks.

\$5.00 annual membership fee. All 50+ members of the community and surrounding communities are welcome to join in.



Desbarats Women's Institute Celebrates 100 Years

Join the Desbarats Women's Institute **Tuesday April 18th at the Desbarats United Church from 2pm-4pm.** Former members are encouraged to attend to celebrate the clubs history.

SAVE THE DATE

EMPLOYER SUPPORTS & FUNDERS FORUM

When: May 10th

Time: 3:00-6:00

Where: Johnson Township Community Hall (Desbrats)



HURON NORTH Community Economic Alliance

For more info & rsvp amanda.harten@hncea.ca or info@hncea.ca

Volunteering Weaves Us Together

VOLUNTEER BENEVOLES CANADA
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK
 APRIL 16 - 22, 2023
 #NVW2023 #WEAVINGUSTOGETHER

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who help bring our community together.

Saturday July 22nd

Summertime CHRISTMAS MARKET
 JOHNSON • DESBRATS FARMERS MARKET

SAVE THE DATE

Artists Workshops
 Crafters Live Music
 Artisans Direct Sales

Artists, Crafters, Artisans – Are you interested in participating in this show?
 E-mail 3sinc.solutions@gmail.com for an information package.

ALGOMATRAD FAMILY CAMP 20TH ANNIVERSARY

August 14-20, 2023
 St. Joseph Island, ON

More Info & Registration:
ALGOMATRAD.CA

CELEBRATING THE MUSIC OF BRIAN PICKELL

TreyFry Centre: Don't forget to check out the What's Up Doc April Edition found on our Website.

Seniors 65+ or persons with a disability
 all income levels are eligible for

Meals on Wheels

Hot meals, cooked fresh & delivered to your door every Mon, Wed & Fri at noon.

\$10.70/DAY FOR SOUP, MEAL AND DESSERT
 (AS LOW AS \$7.50 WITH SLIDING SCALE BASED ON HOUSEHOLD INCOME)

4 week rotating menu with diabetic dessert option

CALL 705-246-0036 OR VISIT TREFRYCENTRE.CA FOR DETAILS

Dr HS Treffy Memorial Centre
 1001 C Line Richards Landing ON P0R 1L0

Ontario OCSA
 Ontario Community Support Association

ALGOMATRAD first ever and maybe first annual
Crokinole Tournament!

RICHARDS LANDING LEGION HALL **April 22**

PRIZES FOR WINNERS
LIVE MUSIC
SILENT AUCTION
 SNACKS, COFFEE, TEA AND CASH BAR
DOOR PRIZES

Admission: \$20
 \$10 student

Generously sponsored by
 McClelland's Hardware & Feed

More info and register
 @AlgoTrad.ca

OUTDOORS AND GUN SHOW SUNDAY MAY 7, 2023, 9am-4pm

Desbarats Arena - Johnson Twp Community Centre

The St. Joseph Island Hunters and Anglers club is hosting the annual Outdoors and Gun Show at the Desbarats Arena. Previous shows have been great events and the Club is excited to do it again. The Desbarats Arena provides a great venue for the show and there will be vendors both inside and outside.

There will be something for everyone who loves hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, boating and more! Many vendors are offering sales prices that you won't find elsewhere. Free hunting and fishing presentations.

Interested vendor? Contact Jane at 705-206-6454.

Hosted by:



OVER 80 VENDOR TABLES
INSIDE INCLUDING
NUMEROUS GUN VENDORS

OUTSIDE EXHIBITS -
MARINE, CAMPING,
OFFROAD

FREE DRAWS AND PRIZES -
RAFFLES AVAILABLE TOO!

FAMILY ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING FREE ARCHERY
FOR KIDS

HUNTING AND FISHING
PRESENTATIONS

ADMISSION IS BY
DONATION



\$112

2 Day WSIB
Certified Course

*Pre-Registration
is Required by
May 2nd 2023.*

*Space is limited
to 15 people.
Register today!
Drop-ins will not
be accepted.*

Thursday May 4th -
Friday May 5th

at Johnson Township Community
Centre, 1 Cameron Dr. Desbarats ON

9am-5pm

- Emergency Scene Management
- Shock, Unconsciousness and Fainting
- Head/Spinal and Pelvic Injuries
- Breathing Emergencies
- Choking
- Cardiovascular Emergencies
- CPR and AED
- Severe Bleeding
- Minor Wounds
- Burns
- Medical Conditions



REGISTER WITH PATTI AT
PTROTTER@JOHNSONTOWNSHIP.CA | 705-257-6827
OR IN PERSON AT THE JOHNSON TOWNSHIP
COMMUNITY CENTRE

hydro one **Operation Actively Aging** Seniors PRIZE BINGO

When: Wednesday, April 19th

11am-2:30pm

Where: Echo Bay Hall

Doors will open at 11am

Bingo will start at 12pm

FREE to Participate

Join us for a fun afternoon of



Winners will choose from a wide assortment of prizes!!
If you have your own dabbers please bring them but we
will have dabbers available!

There will be a canteen to
purchase drinks, lunch & snacks

North Channel Lightening

Congratulations to North Channel Lightening U9 for being the 2022-2023 Champions and U18 for bringing home the gold!



YOGA CLASSES: \$90+hst for a 6 week session

Johnson Township Community Centre Hall

Tuesday May 16 - June 20 6pm-7:15pm or 7:45pm-9pm

Register with Terri at terri@meadowviewalpacaafarm.com | 705-785-3389

This is Yoga for all levels, no experience necessary. Please bring a mat, blanket, block, and anything you need to feel comfortable. Space is limited



Spring Fling April 29th

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Now at three locations in Bruce Mines!

VENDOR SHOWS
Lighthouse Community Church Hall
29 Prout Street
Bruce Mines Community Centre
9180 Highway 17 East

INDOOR GARAGE SALE
17 Hoatson Street (former Bible Chapel)

AREA BUSINESSES
Also participating with special promotions.

Organized By
Bruce Mines & District Chamber of Commerce
Garage Sale
Contact Shane 705-255-8657

Lighthouse Community Church
Craft/Vendor Sales
Contact Clara 705-992-9100

Are you Interested in becoming a vendor?



Contact:
itfarmersmarket@gmail.com
705-541-1886

Save the Date Spring Central Dance Mini Session!

6 Week Session
Tuesday Evenings
Beginning May 2nd, 2023
Classes for all ages!
Schedule will be released ASAP



VENDORS AND EXHIBITORS WANTED!

JUNE 17, 2023

at the Johnson Township Community Centre in Desbarats, Ontario



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 FAIR FINANCE FUND

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April 19, 2023



12 pm



Elliot Lake Council Chambers



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Apply by
April 30, 2023

APPLY TODAY




COPPER TOWN TRIATHLON

REGISTER

www.coppertowntri.com

Want to get in touch with us?

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www.johnsontownship.ca | @JohnsonTownshipRecreation on Facebook
 people@johnsontownship.ca | Mon-Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm