



WASAUKSING FIRST NATION NEWSLETTER



JUNE 2025

Next Issue: July 1, 2025

Submissions Due: June 20, 2025

Please Visit Our Website: www.wasauksing.ca to see
Employment Opportunities, Special Events, And More...

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Community Council Meeting - Tuesday June 03, 2025

6:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

LARC Committee - Wednesday June 04, 2025

7:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Gathering Center Meeting Room

Citizenship Committee Meeting - Wednesday June 11, 2025

7:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Gathering Center Meeting Room

Health Committee Meeting - Wednesday June 11, 2025

5:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m. Health Spiritual Room

Education Committee Meeting - Monday June 16, 2025

6:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

Business Council Meeting - Tuesday June 17, 2025

5:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

Restorative Justice Committee Meeting - Tuesday June 24, 2025

5:30 p.m.— 7:30 p.m. Gathering Center Meeting Room

Housing Committee Meeting - Thursday June 26, 2025

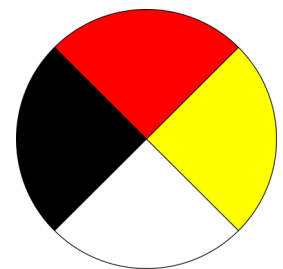
6:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

Social Committee Meeting - Monday June 30, 2025

6:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Gathering Center Hall

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COMMUNITY Announcements

Wasauksing Fire Department - For Fire Emergencies please **Call 911.**

Anishinabek Police Services - For All Emergencies **Call 1-888-310-1122 or 911.**

Water Treatment Plant - During Office Hours staff can be reached at **705-746-7799.** After Hour Emergencies and/or During the Weekends Please Contact **705-774-3110**



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Neil Swanson
David Rice
Pazhe Rice-Menominee

INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PROGRAM AREA: Education – Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik
POSITION TITLE: Education Program Assistant
DURATION: Temporary Contract- Ending June 26, 2025
CLOSING: June 3, 2025

Position Summary:

This position reports directly to School Principal but be under the direct supervision of the classroom teacher and the special education resource teacher. The Education Program Assistant offers additional staff support in classes where students with needs are present. These needs are in addition to or beyond academic needs and are demonstrated frequently and consistently. A priority is to support these students to develop self-advocacy and/or behavior management skills to complete successfully their own personal learning tasks and to foster independence. Under the supervision of the Classroom Teacher, the Education Program Assistant – Alternative/Home Instruction will be responsible for the direct supervision of and providing support for individual students. The Education Program Assistant – Alternative/Home Instruction also assists the Classroom and/or Special Education Teacher by providing general classroom support for all students. his facilitates the integration of students with special needs in the regular classroom, allows for informal support of other students' learning needs and enables the classroom and/or special education teacher to work more closely with individual special education students to address educational needs.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Personal Care/Behaviour Management Support/Support for Instructional Program
- Assist students to move about during the day as outlined in the Individualized Education Plan including physiotherapy, occupational therapy, etc.;
- Supervise the students to ensure a safe environment;
- Assist students in the operation of support equipment, as required;
- Assist in promoting students' emotional growth, well-being, self-control and independence;
- Encourage the development of student dignity and self-esteem;
- Facilitate positive interactions among all students;
- Help motivate students and encourage student participation;
- Assist in the implementation of the behaviour management plan and/or safety plan as developed by the planning team;
- Identify/create a welcoming/safe space for students who may require an alternative location for instruction, and/or emotional self-regulation, in order to foster an individual student's mental/physical/emotional wellbeing;
- Modify the physical learning environment to minimize distractions, safety hazards, etc. based on individual student needs;
- Engage in ongoing analysis that may contribute to student behaviours, challenges; and anticipate/circumvent potential issues, and encourage to cope more effectively with them;



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- Assist students in following the programs, strategies, exercises and materials/identified and developed by the Classroom and or Special Education Resource Teacher;
- Assist the classroom teacher in preparation of material;
- Provide feedback on his/her observations of students to the classroom teacher, and as designated by the classroom teacher, to the parent/guardian and/or agencies, paraprofessionals, etc;
- Modify students' programs, as necessary, in conjunction with the classroom and/or special education resource teacher;
- Accompany students to and from community based programs and provide support within this program, as necessary;
- Contribute to planning team meetings and other meetings as required.

Education & Experience:

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (Grade 12) or acceptable equivalent in education and experience;
- Ability to speak Ojibway is considered an asset
- Must have a High school Diploma or its equivalent;
- have a CPR/First Aid Certificate;
- Must have experience working with children and youth;
- Ability to speak Anishinaabemowin would be an asset;
- Must have physical abilities consistent with requirements of the job which may include personal and physical care;
- Successful candidate must provide a clean CPIC/vulnerable sectors check before being offered the position;
- Non-violent Crisis Intervention Training would be an asset;
- Additional courses and/or workshops in child/adolescent studies, special education and personal care would be an asset.

Other Requirements:

- Valid Ontario Drivers Class G Licence;
- Must have reliable transportation with insurance coverage
- Ability to provide a clear vulnerable sector check

Applications must be received no later than **June 26, 2025
@ 4:00 pm**

Please send your resume with a cover letter, contact information and two recent employment references to:

Email: hadmin@wasauksing.ca

We also accept online applications through:
<https://wasauksing.bamboohr.com/careers>

Or package may be dropped off at the following physical address:

**Administration Office
1508 Geewadin Road Lane G
Wasauksing First Nation**

Preference may be given to Indigenous candidates with relevant on reserve employment experience and/or those with knowledge and understanding of the Wasauksing First Nation History and Community.

"Only those selected for an interview will be contacted. We wish to thank everyone for their application."



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INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PROGRAM AREA: Public Works – Waste Transfer
POSITION TITLE: Waste Transfer Attendant & Driver
DURATION: Part Time- Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday
CLOSING: Monday, June 9, 2025

Position Summary:

The Transfer Station Attendant will monitor the disposal of household waste and recycling facility for the Wasauksing First Nation. This person will be expected to exercise independent judgment when informing community members of proper disposal of waste and recycling, and perform duties in a safe and professional manner. The Transfer Station Attendant shall always demonstrate our commitment to serving the community. Waste Transfer Station is looking for disposal pick up during the work week Monday to Friday, and opening and closing the station on weekends for members to drop off waste.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Open and close the transfer station in accordance with hours established with the First Nation;
- Assure that only members of Wasauksing First Nation use the transfer station facility.
- Monitor and assist users of proper household waste disposal and recycling procedures.
- Visually inspect trash and recycling containers to ensure that proper sorting of materials is adhered to;
- The attendant will be responsible in having the containers picked up and emptied in a timely manner.
- Required to work outdoors in varied weather conditions.
- Must demonstrate good interpersonal and oral skills when dealing with the members of Wasauksing First Nation.
- Maintain traffic control when required.
- Maintain the transfer station for safety and cleanliness purposes are kept neat and orderly.
- Practice workplace safety at all times.
- Performs other duties as assigned by the Director of Public Works.

Education & Experience:

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (Grade 12) or acceptable equivalent in education and experience;
- Ability to speak Ojibway is considered an asset



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Other Requirements:

- Valid Ontario Drivers Class G Licence;
- Must have reliable transportation with insurance coverage
- Ability to work with minimal supervision and as part of a team;

Applications must be received no later than **June 9, 2025
@ 4:00 pm**

Please send your resume with a cover letter, contact information and two recent employment references to:

Contact Collecting References:

Email: hadmin@wasauksing.ca

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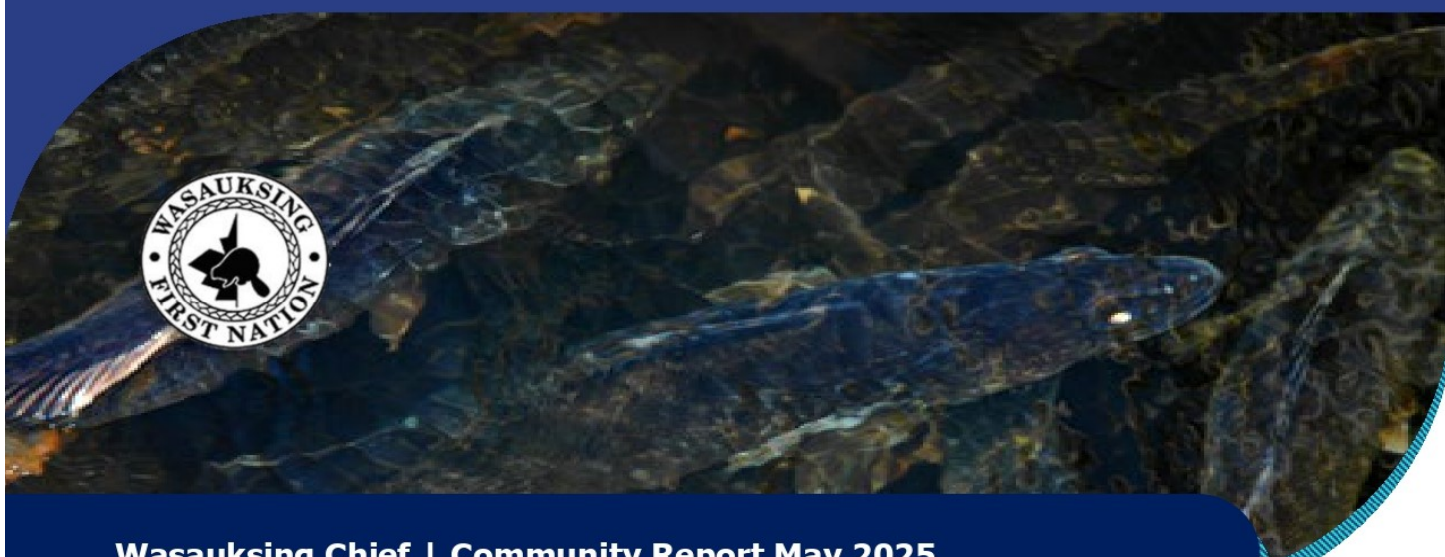
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CHIEF & COUNCIL

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Wasauksing Chief | Community Report May 2025

INTRO | ADMINISTRATION | GOVERNANCE | COMMUNITY

Aanii Kinaweya

Namebin Giizis is time of spawning fish, new life, planting seeds, and preparing our gardens. Chief and Council completed our orientation session and are excited to share our report and planning for the term. We been assigned our portfolios as Chief and Council. This month has also seen prioritizing and catching up on our Administration audits. 22/23 is in Draft Form, 23/24 is in the process of final accounting adjustments, and 24/25 should be on the verge of closing. Each of these outstanding audits require community meetings with an Organizational report as per our Financial Admin Law. We look forward to the opportunity for community engagement. Meaningful engagements are also in planning for RHT, OLG, and Trust updates.



Administration Briefing on the most pressing issues that impact the community:

The Swing Bridge: Work Completed! Limits are lifted. Replacement lobbying has commenced

Legal Issues: Legal Presentation completed

Finances: Audits 22/23(draft) and 23/24 planned

Strategic Plan: Will be on the term workplan, we will review and extend the current Strat Plan interim



AN Assembly attended by Chief Councillor Liz Taylor – ATR, Women, Men, 2SLGBTQIA+, Youth, Elders Council Appointments, FN Procurement Policy Gaps.

Met with OPP, APS, Community Liaison and concerned community members around safety May 4th was the MMIW Red Dress Community Walk and Ceremony. May 5th was a feast.

Elders – Chief Councillor Liz and I attend regularly and listen to guidance from our elders on Mondays – Recreation Committee, Culture, History and Language are top of the list

"The beautiful spring came; and when Nature resumes her loveliness, the human soul is apt to revive also." —Harriet Ann Jacobs



Wasauksing is paradise

The go forward with RHTLF is to negotiate future annuities. Council Fire of 21 Chiefs were presented with a workplan by our legal team led by Nawegahbow Corbiere. This will take some time and as per Treaty obligation the Crown will be distributing the current \$4 annuity. Please note this is a principal that will be adjusted and we will keep you informed at our next RHT community meeting this summer.

- Family Violence Shelter – Planned June Opening
- AN, COO, AFN Chiefs Assemblies are planned for the summer calendar and Chief and Council will be coordinating our attendance with the Chief approving Proxies. I hope to be home as much as possible continuing to support community needs, visiting homes, and accepting office meetings

I have been approached by Citizens who reside off territory and would like to extend an invitation to meet, call, or visit so please email or call the Admin office. I monitor both email and voicemail regularly and welcome visits from our community who live outside the confines of a Federal Reservation.



I attend monthly ISC updates and continue to stress the importance of voluntary vaccination of measles as outbreak numbers increase. Also to note we are entering Forest Fire season so please plan accordingly and pay attention to our fire protection team.



Land Claims and Land Back: Chief and Council just returned from a weekend of positive governance sessions and a productive meeting where each of us as elected leadership were able to share our perspectives on what we see as strengths of our community, what our hopes for the future is, and how we plan to get there. We had a deep dive into the needs and a realistic look at what we can accomplish in 14 months. We have been together for just 11 weeks and only have a short term left.

We shared our vision and recognized our biggest threats. Election Reform and Land Claims are big items as well as bringing our financial health back to a place of strength as the last 3 years have been a struggle. Minutes will be brought up to date as this is essential for good governance.

In closing I want to recall that it was in 1927 amendments to the Indian Act made it illegal to hire a lawyer or raise funds for legal action. It's almost 100 years and we are now at place of strength when it comes to addressing past injustice with stolen land, culture, and language. Your Chief and Council are unified in our commitment to fight for 7 generations in to the future.

"If we must die, we die defending our rights." – Sitting Bull



Website:
www.wasauksing.ca



Contact:
705-746-2531 x116



Email:
chief@wasauksing.ca



Notice

Please be advised that
the Administration,
Nursing Station, Day
Care, School, WACC, &
Gathering Center will be
Closed:

Friday June 6, 2025
for Anishinaabe Giizhigad &
Monday June 23, 2025
for Indigenous Peoples Day



ADMINISTRATION

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Wasauksing First Nation invites you to our...



ANISHINAABE GIIZHIGAD CELEBRATION

Join us at the Gathering Building as we collectively
celebrate Anishinaabe Day as a community!

Friday, June 6, 2025

Sunrise Ceremony: 7:00 AM
Gathering Building

Brunch: 10:00 AM
Gathering Building

Celebrate being Anishinaabe!



For more information, please contact the Admin
Office at: 705-746-2531





CALL OUT FOR TRUSTEES

* THE MTIGO MIN TRUST IS REQUESTING SUBMISSION OF RESUME'S FORM INTERESTED WASAUKSING FIRST NATION CITIZENS (ON/OFF RESERVE), TO APPLY FOR POTENTIAL TRUSTEE CANDIDACY.

* THE SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL HOLD INTERVIEWS AND SELECT NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN THE TRUST POOL.

* APPLICATION CLOSING DATE: TILL TRUST POOL IS FULL.



PLEASE SEND YOUR RESUME WITH A COVER LETTER, CONTACT INFORMATION TO:

ADAM GOOD, CHIEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
EMAIL: ced@wasauksing.ca

OR PACKAGE MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FOLLOWING PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
1508 GEEWADIN ROAD LANE G
WASAUKSING FIRST NATION

NOTE: THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE RHT TRUST



Bus License Training



The Wasauksing Education Department is encouraging community members to obtain their bus license! All fees would be covered and training can be arranged to be done in Parry Sound with Hammond.

What you need to begin?

- ✓ Criminal Background & Vulnerable Sector Check (Via APS)
- ✓ Medical Form (Completed by a Doctor or Nurse Practitioner)
- ✓ Once documents are obtained, submit forms to MTO

A blank medical form can be obtained by contacting Dave!

Next steps:

- ✓ Complete training (Online video training & 21 hours behind wheel/observation)
- ✓ Pass written & road test



For questions or if you're interested in applying, please contact Dave McDougall at: doe@wasauksing.ca



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Legend:

■ C and C Designated Holiday
 ■ Professional Development
 ■ Stat. Holiday
 ■ Early Closure



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LOOKING FOR

YOUTH 13-29 THAT ARE MEMBERS OF
WASAUKSING TO SIT ON OUR
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Are you passionate about
education?

**WE WANT A
YOUTH VOICE AT
OUR EDUCATION
COMMITTEE.**

**JOIN THE
COMMITTEE
TODAY!**

Email edadmin@wasauking.ca
to apply.





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Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik

SCHOOL POWWOW

JUNE 19, 2025

Grand Entry: 10:00 AM

SAVE THE DATE

Location:
Wasauksing Powwow Grounds

Closing: 2:00 PM

More info to follow...





WASAUKSING KINOMAUGEWGAMIK



You're cordially invited to celebrate the
students awards day ceremony on...

THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH
10:00 AM - SCHOOL GYM



Noon dismissal for students. Ice cream treats for all to enjoy!

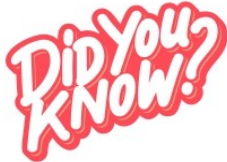


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Wasauksing Nursing Station June 2025



Health has a website!
wasauksing.health
another way to keep up to date!

Whole Life Counselling

Evi: June 17
Aislinn: June 9, 11, 16, 25
Alex: June 13, 27

Call Melissa to book an
appointment 705-746-2033

Zach- Tread Orthopaedics:

June 25
July 23

Call Terri to book an
appointment: 705-746-2033

Doctor Visit Dates:

Dr. K. Knight: June 11, 18, 25
Dr. J. Hamby: June 2, 3, 24

Call Terri to book an
appointment 705-746-2033

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Youth Soccer	4 T-Ball Night	5 Craft Night	6 Office Closed	7
8	9	10 Youth Soccer	11 T-Ball Night Full Moon Ceremony	12 Craft Night	13 Anishinaa- bemowin Slo Pitch	14
15	16	17 Youth Soccer	18 T-Ball Night	19 Craft Night	20 Anishinaa- bemowin Slo Pitch	21
22	23 Office Closed	24 Youth Soccer	25 T-Ball Night	26 Craft Night	27 Anishinaa- bemowin Slo Pitch	28
29	30				June	



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CARA Programming:

Contact Liz Tabobondung for additional
information:

cra@wasauksing.ca

705-746-2033 ext. 305

**JAYS CARE
FOUNDATION**

**JULY 21ST TO JULY 25TH
2025**

**9AM TO 1PM
AGES 8-12**

**CONTACT LIZ TABOBONDUNG
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR
TO REGISTER**

**705-746-2033 EXT 305
CRA@WASAUKSING.CA**

REMINDER

Co-Ed Slo-Pitch

Friday Nights
Starts June 6th
Ages 16+



UPCOMING

EVENTS

Youth Soccer:

Tuesday Evenings

Starts June 3rd

Ages 3-5: 5pm-6pm

Ages 6-9: 6pm-7pm

Ages 10-13: 7pm-8pm

T-Ball:

Wednesday Evenings

Starts June 4th

Ages 3-5: 5pm-6pm

Ages 6-9: 6pm-7pm

Youth Slo-Pitch

Friday Evenings

Starts June 6th

Ages 10-13: 4pm-5pm

Ages 14-16: 5pm-6pm



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Traditional Wellness Programming:

Contact Faith: twkk@wasauksing.ca
705-746-2033 ext. 312



COMMUNITY MEMBERS
PLEASE JOIN US TO

GET CREATIVE CRAFT NIGHTS

JUNE 5, 12, 19 & 26
4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

COME SOCIALIZE! BRING A CRAFTING PROJECT TO WORK ON, OR START SOMETHING NEW WITH THE SUPPLIES WE HAVE!

HEALTH STATION - SPIRIT ROOM



For more information,
please call 705-746-2033



Full Moon Ceremony

Wednesday, June 11th
9:00pm - 11:00pm
Health Station Spirit Room

For more info call
705-746-2033

Community Members
Please Join Us



AMBE-NISHNAABEMDAA

Anishinaabemowin

FRIDAYS
June 13, 20 and 27
10:00AM - 12:00PM

Health Station-Spirit Room
Light lunch provided

For more info call
705-746-2033





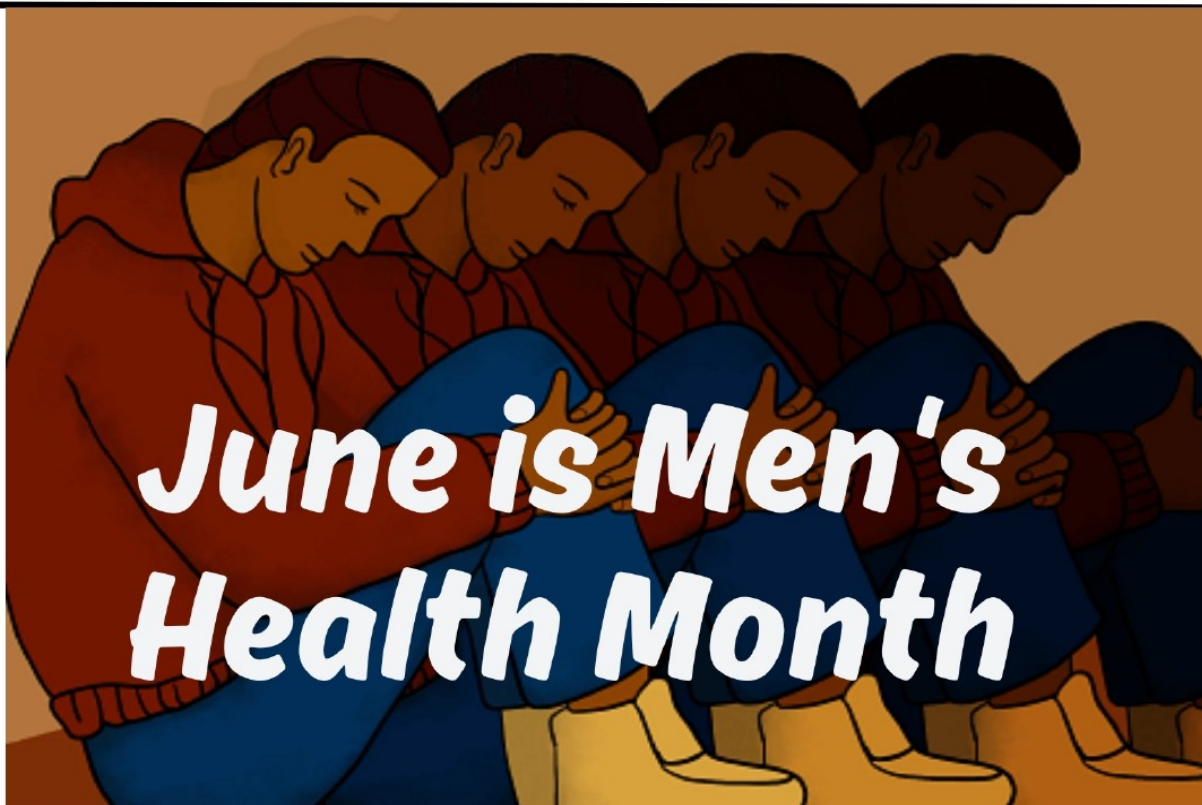
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Nursing Updates

Contact Emma: iipctrn2@wasauksing.ca
705-746-8022



**Want to
see these
stats
change?**

- On average, men live about 5 years less than their female counterparts
- Men have a higher death rate for most of the leading causes of death, including cancer, heart disease, diabetes and suicide
- 1 in 2 men will develop cancer in their lifetime
- Men make ½ as many physician visits for prevention as women

Schedule a checkup today!

Do it for yourself and for those who count on you.



Learn more at:
www.menshealthmonth.com
or call 1-866-543-6461 ext. 101



menshealthmonth.com



facebook.com/Mens-HealthMonth





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Dietitian & Diabetes Programming

Contact Natalie: rd1@wasauksing.ca
705-746-2033 ext. 325

Contact Danette: cdern@wasauksing.ca
705-746-2033 ext. 309



Book an appointment

Do you want to book an appointment with Natalie or Danette to learn more?

Please call
705-746-2033

Wellness Lunch and Learn Bingo

Wednesday, June 18, 2025
12 - 2 PM

Please contact
WFN Health Station to
Register
705-746-2033

OUTDOOR WALKING PROGRAM

DATE:
THURSDAY'S
(JUNE 5-
SEPTEMBER 25,
2025)

TIME:

12:30-1:30PM

LOCATION:
MEET AT THE
WACC



- RAIN OR SHINE
- Pedometers & Walking Poles Available
- Beverages Available

JOIN US AND GET
SOME STEPS IN!

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED
CONTACT THE HEALTH STATION
FOR MORE INFORMATION
@ 705-746-2033

WFN JUNE WALKING Challenge

WHO CAN GET THE MOST
STEPS THIS JUNE?!

Open to all community members
& WFN staff

Chance to win a \$50 gift card

Sign up at the Health Station &
pick up a step log sheet

Pedometers and walking poles
available upon request



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Mental Health & Addictions

Contact Steve: mwtmsw@wasauksing.ca |
705-746-2033 ext. 314

Contact Melissa: nnadap@wasauksing.ca
705-746-2033 ext. 315

JOIN US FOR OUR

BARBECUE

MEN'S GATHERING

JUNE 12, 5 PM - 7 PM

WASAUKSING HEALTH STATION

BBQ ~ FIRE ~ PRIZES

705-774-2033 | WASAUKSING HEALTH

Community safety.
That's the point!
SAFE SHARPS DISPOSAL

Found sharps can be placed in a hard-sided, puncture-resistant container such as a pop bottle, if a biohazard container is not available.

Dispose of sharps at a:

- Community sharps bin
- Participating pharmacy
- Hazardous waste depot
- Local health unit

myhackhunt.ca/sharps

CANADA HEALTHY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

The Canada Healthy Communities Initiative
Canada

Health Services Based on
Health Unit
Bureau de santé
Unité de santé

ONTARIO REGION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

IN PERSON / VIRTUAL MEETING INFO

MONDAY | 6:30 PM-7:30 PM
Parry Sound Friendship Centre
25 Church St, Parry Sound, ON

FRIDAY | 6:30 PM - 7:30PM
Parry Sound Friendship Centre
25 Church St, Parry Sound, ON

VIRTUAL MEETINGS | VISIT LINK BELOW FOR TIMES
<https://virtual-na.org/>

Information obtained from <https://www.orscna.org/home>

FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT WITH YOUR JOURNEY TO HEALTHIER LIVING CONTACT
MELISSA AT 705-746-2033 OR, EMAIL nnadap@wasauksing.ca



HUNTSVILLE-PARRY SOUND
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - DISTRICT 17 / AREA B6

Time	Meeting	Location / Group	Address
Monday 7:30 pm	Easy Does It Group	Royal Canadian Legion	30 Mary St
Tuesday 7:30 pm	Steps To Serenity Group	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church	58 Seguin St
Wednesday 7:30 pm	Wednesday Night Meeting	St James United Church	24 Mary St
Thursday 7:30 pm	Thursday Night Meeting	St James United Church	24 Mary St
Friday 7:00 pm	Friday Night Meeting	St James United Church	24 Mary St
Saturday 7:00 pm	There is a Solution	St James United Church	24 Mary St
Sunday 10:30 am	Menno Group	Parry Sound Friendship Centre	25 Church St
Sunday 7:30 pm	Sunday Night Group	Royal Canadian Legion	30 Mary St



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705-746-2033 ext. 314

Contact Melissa: nnadap@wasauksing.ca
705-746-2033 ext. 315


Time to Talk

Thinking of talking to someone about how you're feeling? Here's what to keep in mind before reaching out:

- Talk to someone you trust—like a friend, family member, teacher, or counselor.
- Choose a quiet, private time to talk.
- Know what you want from the conversation—support, advice, or just to be heard.
- Practice self-care before and after, and be proud of yourself for speaking up and sharing!

Starting the Conversation

Here are two message templates to help you reach out:




"Hey [friend's name], I've been feeling really down lately and I think I need to talk to someone about it. Can we talk?"

"Hey [friend's name], I've been feeling anxious and overwhelmed with [school/work/family/life, etc.]. I think I need some help. Can you help me figure out what to do next?"

When to Consider Professional Help

- Losing interest in things you used to enjoy, avoiding people, or big changes in sleep or eating.
- Big mood swings or feeling very angry or irritable, especially if it's hurting your relationships.
- Thoughts of self-harm, suicide, or risky behavior.
- Struggling with school, work, daily tasks, or having trouble focusing or remembering.
- Feeling sad, anxious, worried, stressed, or hopeless most of the time for weeks.



Time to Talk: Life sometimes passes quickly and we must remind ourselves of the benefit of shared wisdom, kindness and support from Family, Friends and Neighbours.

When faced with **Uncertainty** and **Upheaval**, finding the courage to reach out for those who can remind us of our **Dependable Strengths** used to manage life's challenges in the past, can be so important.

Please connect if seeking "the whys of something happened," and "wise practices," needed to overcome set backs. I have flexible hours and am available individually, for small groups, couples and family sharing, as are others at the Wasauksing Health Station to assist with maintaining Good Minds and Good Hearts and Well-Being within our community.

Steve Koptie - Social Worker, Mental Wellness Team



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Summary of Health Data-IPHCO for this past fiscal: April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025

General appointments: # visits/# of differing clients/# of No shows; summaries by position:

C	Position	Funder	# visits	# individuals	# no shows	Recent start date; Events-#days; General Notes
1	Community Health Rep	FNIHB/IPHCO	344	15	0	
2	Discharge Planner-RN	IPHCO	925	628	8	
3	CARA Worker	Min.Sport/Cul	115	0	0	
4	Doctors (3 pt)	IPHCO	603	249	22	
5	Clinical Coordinator R.N.	IPHCO	1917	1078	76	
6	Nurse Practitioner	IPHCO	2076	1726	80	
7	Traditional Coordinator/Practitioner	IPHCO	53	17	0	
8	Medical Transportation	NIHB/FNIHB	2538	1796	30	Local travel only; Prior App-LD
9	NNADAP/Wholelife	FNIHB/IPHCO/NIHB	692	151	19	
10	Registered Dietitian	IPHCO/ANISHNAWBEK	593	179	24	
11	Nursing Student	IPHCO	271	177	2	
12	Diabetes_SmokeCess_Hrt_RN	IPHCO/ANISHINABEK	976	639	34	
13	Footcare/Nursing-RPN/Tech	FNIHB/IPHCO/ANISHINABEK	1951	1068	106	
14	MSW-MWT	IPHCO/FNIHB/MOH	191	73	5	Mntal Wellness Team_IPHCO
15	HCC-RPN	FNIHB/MOH-LTC	966	536	9	Food Security Prg-incl.
16	HCC-PSWs (2)	FNIHB/MOH-LTC	1721	1056	5	Food Security Prg-ind; Well t/c
17	WL-Counselling-1	NIHB/1	140	87	15	
18	WL-Counselling-2	NIHB/2	212	142	10	
19	WL-Counselling-3	NIHB/3	125	65	13	
20	Alter. Therapies-RMT	FNIHB/1	106	61	8	
Totals:			16,515	9,743	466	

IPHCO and Federally funded programs/services-Mental Health/Addictions/Groups April 1 to March 31, 2025:

Program Name	When does the group occur? Which program delivers?	# sessions to date
Anishnawbemowin	Traditional Wellness; every Friday	42
Diabetes-Lunch and Learn	Nursing/Dietetics	6
Full Moon Ceremony	Traditional Wellness; at the full moon	4
Sports Support-Men's Ball Team-Youth	CARA	6
Christine Island-Elders' Trip 2024	HCC; nursing; Summer Programming	1
Health Fair-July 12, 2024	CHR; All staff; community and external programs; services and visitors	1
Youth Naloxone Training-Killbear	NNADAP; Mental Health and Addictions	1
Youth Babysitting Course	CHR; Community Safety	1
Youth ATV Certification	CHR; NNADAP	1
Bemishkaajig: Youth Canoe Trip	CHR; Youth Group; Georgian Biosphere	1
Safe Food Handlers Course	CHR	2
Healthy Cooking Class	RD	4
Youth <16 years ATV-Safety	CHR; NNADAP	1
Youth Field Trip-Relationships	CHR; NNADAP	1
Staff Training-Naloxone Training	CHR; NNADAP;	2
Crafting Night	Traditional Wellness	12
Hand drumming Teachings	Traditional Wellness	3
TRC-Wellness and Support Meeting	September 27, 2024-All Staff	1
PSHS-Luncheon Support	April to September 2024	9
		99



OW Newsletter

JUNE 2025

OPEN HOUSE

Join us for our Monthly Open House on **Friday, June 13th** from **10am to 2pm** at the **Gathering Centre**.

Drop off your Income Statement and Employment Participation Forms.

We will be serving lunch!

ODSP

ODSP will be available during the Open House for applications and questions.

Safe Food Handling Course

Contact Patricia to sign up for the Safe Food Handlers Course this month!

Mark your calendars!

Wasauksing's Annual Employment Fair will be happening on July 15, 2025. Looking for volunteers

**Income Statements are due
June 13, 2025**

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

What kinds of activities or events would you like to see at our Monthly Open Houses?

Send us your ideas for a chance to win a gift card!

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

C.S. LEWIS

CONTACT US

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705-996-6910 ext 206
owinc@wasauksing.ca

Patricia Rice
OW Employment Assistance
705-996-6910 ext 204
owemp@wasauksing.ca



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WASAUKSING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT FAIR

Tuesday, July 15, 2025
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wasauksing Gathering Centre
1126 Geewadin Road

For more information or to book a table,
please contact Patricia Rice OW Employment
Assistance Worker at 705-996-6910 ext 204
or by email at owemp@wasauksing.ca



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WASAUKSING ONTARIO WORKS

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WHAT TYPES OF ACTIVITIES OR EVENTS
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SEND US YOUR IDEAS FOR A CHANCE TO WIN
A GIFT CARD!

EMAIL BOBBI AT OWINC@WASAUKSING.CA OR
CALL US AT 705-996-6910



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OW EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SAFE FOOD HANDLING COURSE

THURSDAY, JUNE 5
TUESDAY, JUNE 10
THURSDAY, JUNE 12
MONDAY, JUNE 16

12PM TO 2PM

**AT THE WASUKSING GATHERING
PLACE**

For more information, contact
Patricia Rice at 705-996-6910 or
by email at
owemp@wasauksing.ca



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Niubin Solstice!

JUNE 21ST STARTING AT 11AM

Nursing Station Spirit Room

Please bring a small feast dish to share, your bundle and your feast bundle (plate, cup, cutlery).



Contact: Waab/Christine for more information
wiidookdahwinewasauksing.ca or 705-996-6910 ext. 205



CALL FOR VENDORS

**NATIONAL
INDIGENOUS DAY**

**Wasauksing is seeking vendors for
National Indigenous Day.
A day filled with lots of activities
starting at 12pm to dusk.**

SATURDAY | JUNE 21

**CONTACT WAAB/CHRISTINE TO REGISTER
wiidookdahwin@wasauksing.ca**



Indigenous Day Volunteer Sign-Up



June 21, 2025

WACC, Gathering Place, WFN Ball Field

All Ages! Get your High School
Volunteer Hours!

SIGN UP WITH PATRICIA RICE

OWEMP@WASUKSING.CA

705-996-6910 X 204



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GOLF TOURNAMENT

JULY 31, 2025

**SEGUIN VALLEY
GOLF CLUB**

144 Badger Road
Parry Sound, ON
P2A 2W8

AGENDA

8:00 - 8:45 AM	Golf Registration
9:00 AM	Shotgun Start
2:00 PM (approx.)	Trophy Presentation
2:30 PM (approx.)	Meal Provided

WIN PRIZES

1st Prize	\$5000
2nd Prize	\$1500
3rd Prize	\$500

Additional Prizes:

Best Hole; Closest to Pin; Longest Drive;
Best Dressed Golfer

**\$180/PERSON INCLUDES CART
TEAMS OF 4***

Do you want to win
a set of
Callaway golf clubs?

**REGISTER with Matt by
JUNE 20th for a chance to
WIN!**



*If you register as an individual,
you may be placed in a group to have 4
golfers on each team

REGISTER NOW
EMAIL MATT PECAR, FIRE CHIEF | FIRECHIEF@WASAUKSING.CA



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GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

JULY 31, 2025

**SEGUIN VALLEY
GOLF CLUB**

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P2A 2W8

\$180/PERSON

Cost includes 18 holes of golf, cart, and dinner reception.

Register as an individual or as a team. Singles may be assigned to a team.

PLAYER 1

Name:

Email:

Phone:

PLAYER 3 (LEAVE BLANK IF SINGLE PLAYER)

Name:

Email:

Phone:

PLAYER 2 (LEAVE BLANK IF SINGLE PLAYER)

Name:

Email:

Phone:

PLAYER 4 (LEAVE BLANK IF SINGLE PLAYER)

Name:

Email:

Phone:

REGISTER NOW
EMAIL MATT PECAR, FIRE CHIEF | FIRECHIEF@WASAUKSING.CA



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LANDS & RESOURCES OFFICE

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

For more information please contact
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☎ (705) 746-2531 Ext. 121

🌐 wasauksingakiin.ca

WASAUKSING REPTILE SPECIES AT RISK

The arrival of warm weather means that our snakes and turtles are emerging from hibernation and are more active on roads! **Please help reptiles cross the road in the direction they're heading, if it's safe. If unsure of a snake's species, gently shoo it by walking behind it.**

Please submit any Blanding's Turtle, Hog-nosed snake, Foxsnake, and Massasauga Rattlesnake sightings to Aidan at (647) 880-8697.



Blanding's Turtle



Hog-Nosed Snake

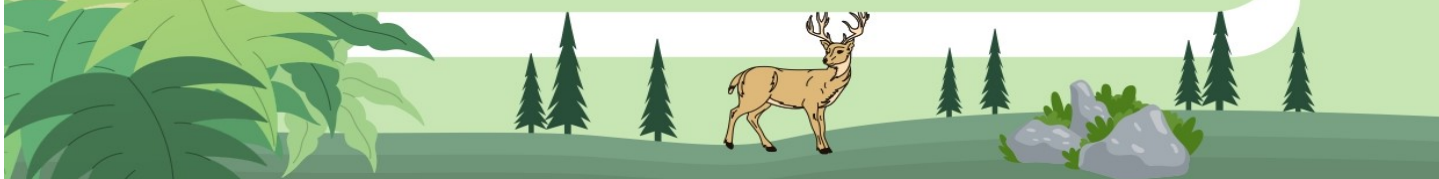


Foxsnake



Massasauga
Rattlesnake

Turtles will start nesting along roadways from late May to June. **Please report any nesting turtles so we can excavate and incubate the eggs or install a nest protector.** Miigwetch!





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The following land application was reviewed during the April 2, 2025, meeting of the Lands and Resources Committee (L.A.R.C.). If no valid concerns are brought forward by the community during the 30-day review period, this land application will be recommended to Council for approval.

- Land Application LA2024-16DK – Deborah L. King
Rural Residential (Deemeenguk Road)

Pursuant to section 8(b)3 of the *Wasauksing First Nation Community Development Plan (a.k.a. Land Use Plan)*, the above-listed Land Application is being posted for no less than 30 days, beginning June 1, 2025. If you have any concerns regarding the above land application, please email Melissa Baker, Enrolment and Administrative Support at landsadmin@wasauksing.ca. Concerns must be submitted prior to the end of the 30-day review period.

After the 30-day review period, Council may, at their discretion, approve this Land Application.

***Map not to scale, for reference only**



WASAUKSING LAND USE 2025



DEBORAH KING
RURAL RESIDENTIAL USE
LAND APPLICATION #LA2024-16DK

- Civic Address
- Traditional Land Allotments
- Water Service Connections
- Raw Water Intake
- Water Main
- Poles
- Transformers
- Centerlines



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Scale: 1:3,758

Data Sources: Wasauksing First Nation, Land Information Ontario, Natural Resources Canada, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

Spatial Reference
Name: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 17N
Datum: North American 1983
Projection: Transverse Mercator

Date: April 2, 2025
Author: D.Baker





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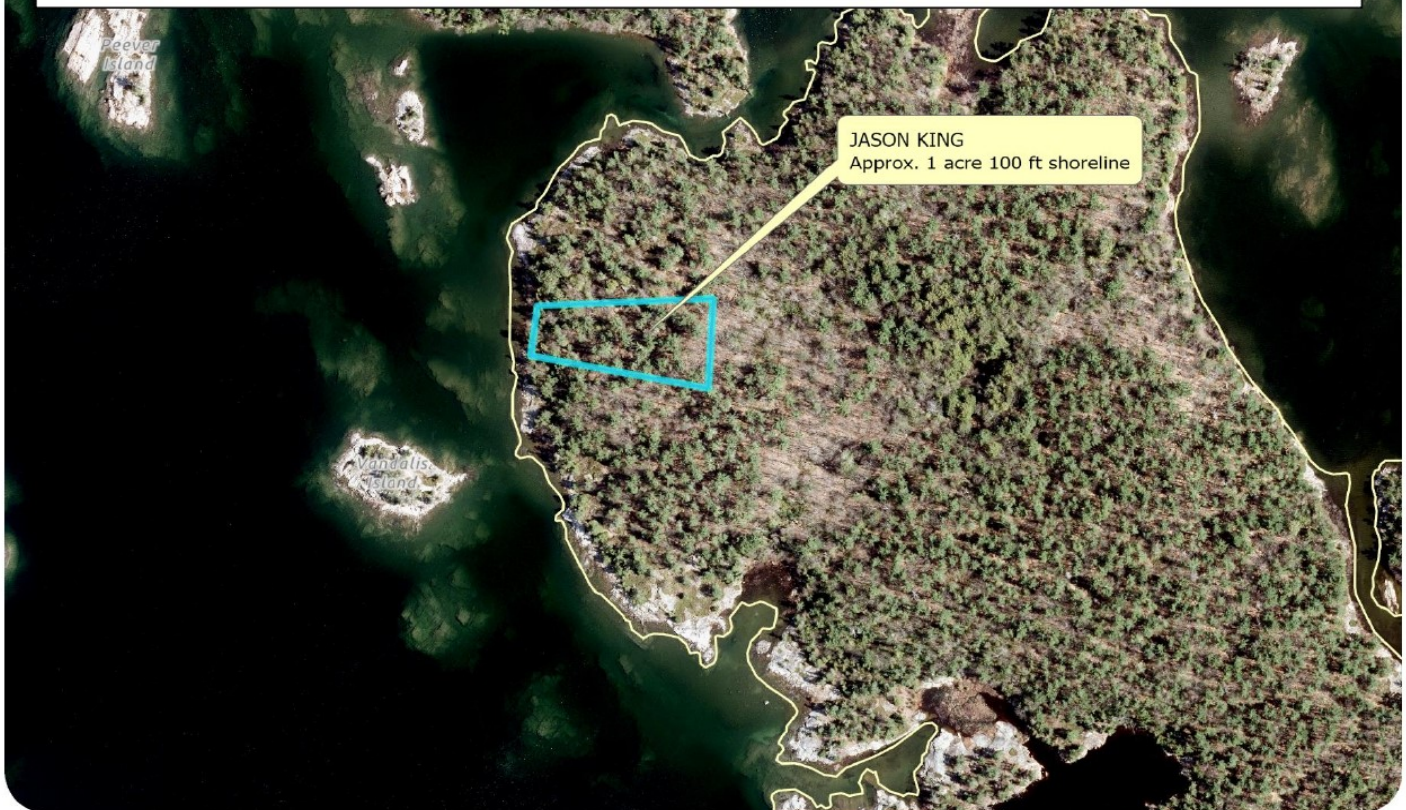
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- Land Application LA2025-01JK – Jason A. C. King
Recreational (Across Vandalis Island, Waubuno Channel)

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JASON KING
RECREATIONAL USE
LAND APPLICATION #LA2025-01JK

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Were you or a family member admitted to one of Canada's Federal Indian Hospitals?

Individuals who were admitted to Federal Indian Hospitals may be eligible for compensation as part of a proposed Canada-wide Settlement.

Compensation is not yet available.

To learn more and sign up for updates:
visit www.IHClassAction.ca or call **1-888-592-9101**

Free mental health and wellness support is available
24 hours a day at www.HopeForWellness.ca or
by calling **1-855-242-3310**





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Georgian Bay Islands
National Park
Beausoleil Island
National Historic Site

Parc national des
Îles-de-la-Baie-Georgienne
Lieu historique national de
l'Île-Beausoleil

Bimadinaagogi - Beausoleil Island

INDIGENOUS CABIN PROGRAM



2 Cabins will be available from **May 16 - October 13, 2025** for local Indigenous families and groups on Bimadinaagogi - Beausoleil Island. Registration will begin on **May 6th, 2025** on a first come first serve basis.

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Registration:

[Google Form Link - click here](#)



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[NIIJCFS.COM/VOLUNTEER](https://niijcfs.com/volunteer)

Volunteers strengthen the layers of support that ensure children, youth and families are surrounded by family, extended family, community, clan, and Nation to support healthy lifestyles and positive outcomes.



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Child and Family Services



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URGENT: Indigenous families needed to provide in-home care for indigenous children and youth.

Keep Our Children in Our Communities!



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Child and Family Services

Become an Alternative Caregiver Today.

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