



February 2023

Gillies News

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Municipal Office

1092 Highway 595
Kakabeka Falls, ON P0T 1W0

Phone: (807) 475-3185

Fax: (807) 473 0767

Clerk/Treasurer:

NEW! gillies@gilliestownship.com

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer:

NEW! admin@gilliestownship.com

Hours:

Monday to Thursday:
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
(closed 12pm-12:30pm)

Friday: Closed

Roads Department

roads@gilliestownship.com
(807) 475-3165

Chief Building Official

gilliescbo@tbaytel.net

Emergency Numbers

Non-Emergency OPP

1-888-310-1122

Emergency (fire, medical, OPP)

911

Hydro Outages

1-800-434-1235



February Birth Flower
Violet

FROM THE DESK OF THE REEVE

Greetings Gillies residents! It has been a long time since our double issue newsletter for December and January. Hope everyone is enjoying winter in their favourite ways and staying warm in their favourite ways also! A scrumptious banana bread recipe is within to flavour the house with scent and tempt your tastebuds!

A furry friend will let us know on February 2nd about the timing for our Spring Dreams to come true and the Seed Swap is back live at the Community Centre at the beginning of March.

Have fun and be safe for the rest of the winter! Have a great time on holiday school breaks from Whitefish to Lakehead during February.

A special Thanks to our Roads Crew as I have had multiple complimentary messages on your behalf! Thanks for doing such a great job and keeping us safe!

Take Care of You and Yours

Reeve Wendy Wright

Please note that Township staff and Council emails have been updated

Please update your contact lists. New emails can be found on the front page, Council News page, and Fire Department page.

Landfill Hours

Sat: 10am to 5pm

Regular Council Meeting Dates:

February 13th & 27th

Meetings start at 6:30 pm (unless noted) and are open virtually to the public. Please see the Council News page for information on how to attend.

Copies of the agenda are available on the website www.gilliestownship.com

Council News

Council is getting back to regular meeting times being the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Meeting dates are listed in the newsletter and online.

Council is delving into the 2023 budget and public meetings will be held. In a few months we will list the dates when those will be held.

Council and Staff are all taking part in training that involves new regulations for the Fire Team and Council responsibilities.

Council has decided on the outside board positions they will be handling:

Councillor Buitenhuis: Lakehead Region Conservation Authority

Councillor Jones: Lakehead Rural Planning Board, TBDML-alternate

Councillor Vanlenthe: Community School Alliance, Veterinary Board-alternate

Councillor Groenheide: Veterinary Board

Reeve Wright: Thunder Bay District Municipal League (2nd Vice President), Lakehead Rural Municipal Coalition, Thunder Bay and Area Food Strategy

There are two boards Gillies shares a seat with: Thunder Bay Social Services Board and the Health Board. For this term of council, those seats are held by Shuniah and Neebing respectively and we will receive updates from those municipalities.

2023 Council Meetings

- February 13 & 27
- March 13 & 27
- April 11 & 24
- May 8 & 23
- June 12 & 26
- July 10
- August 14
- September 11 & 25
- October 10 & 23
- November 14 & 27
- December 11

*Council dates may change throughout the year, please visit the website for accuracy

Council Meetings	Emergency Council Meetings	Public Meetings
Join from your computer or tablet: meet.goto.com/410052917	Join from your computer or tablet: meet.goto.com/670111493	Join from your computer or tablet: meet.goto.com/956692509
Call in (toll free): 1 (888) 299-1889	Call in (toll free): 1 (888) 455-1389	Call in (toll free): 1 (888) 299-1889
Access Code: 410-052-917	Access Code: 670-111-493	Access Code: 956-692-509

The Township of Gillies respectfully acknowledges that the lands on which we live and work are the traditional lands of the Anishinabek Nation and the traditional territory of Fort William First Nation, signatory to the Robinson-Superior Treaty of 1850. As partners with First Nations communities, the Métis Nation of Ontario, and Inuit people, the Municipality is committed to the common vision of a healthy, safe and sustainable community.

For information about provincial highways such as road condition and visibility check out 511on.ca

For any concerns regarding provincial highways 588, 595 or 608 contact Emcon Services at 1-888-636-8704.



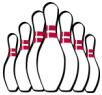
#ROMA2023 will focus on topics relevant to rural communities.



Activities at the Rosslyn Community Centre

- **Cribbage:** Tuesdays 1pm
- **‘Get Creative’ Craft Gathering:** Thursdays 1pm-4pm. Bring your current craft project to work and socialize with other ‘crafty-minded’ people
- **Exercise Class:** Tuesdays (bands & balls) and Thursdays (weights) 11:30am-noon.
- **Carpet Bowling:** Fridays, see ad below for more details

For more information call 939-2312



Seniors!

Help nurture your mind and body with a **fun** game of carpet bowling.

- Relaxed and gentle pace of exercise
- Socializing and fun times
- Free
- Coaching available
- Snacks and refreshments
- Air conditioned comfort

Beginners welcome!!

Where: Rosslyn Hall

Date: every Friday

Morning session 10 am - noon

Afternoon session 1 pm - 3 pm

Pre-booking takes priority over drop-ins

Please call the library at 939-2312 for more information or booking.

Please bring indoor shoes!

NEW ONTARIO SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION INC.
PRESENTS

2023 SPRING GUN SHOW

Saturday, March 11th • 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday, March, 12th • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SLOVAK LEGION
801 Atlantic Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario

\$5 Admission
Children 12 & under FREE with paid adult admission

DOOR PRIZES

BUY • SELL • TRADE • DISPLAY

Guns • Knives • Reloading Supplies • Optics
Ammunition • Cartridges • Club Displays • Accessories • Literature

This show is a fundraiser for the Junior Shooters Program
www.nosa-newontarioshooters.org | Facebook: New Ontario Shooters Association Inc. - NOSA
For more information call Samantha 807-626-4003

	Banana Bread (celebrate National Banana Bread Day Feb 23)	
	Ingredients:	
	- 2-3 very ripe bananas, mashed	- 3/4 C sugar
	- 1/3 C butter, melted	- 1 egg, beaten
	- 1/2 tsp baking soda	- 1 tsp vanilla extract
	- pinch salt	- 1 1/2 C flour
	Directions:	
	- Preheat oven to 350°F and butter a 8x4 loaf pan	
	- Mix together bananas and melted butter then add baking soda and salt	
	- Stir in sugar, egg, and vanilla. Then mix in the flour	
	- Pour into loaf pan and bake for 55-65 mins. Cool and serve	

Have a well-loved recipe that you'd like to share? Send your recipe to admin@gilliestownship.com for a chance to have your recipe featured in the newsletter!



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Tree Services Include:

* Tree Removal * Tree Pruning * Fruit Tree Pruning * Hydro Line Clearing (Private Lines) *Storm Cleanup

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Grant Miller (807)-630-5359
woodsmillertree@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook @ **WOODS MILLER TREE WORKS**

News from the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority—Feb. 2023 Edition

This is a reminder that the LRCA does not monitor ice conditions at any of our Conservation Areas. Make yourself aware of weather conditions before heading out to explore, and always ensure you are dressed appropriately and are wearing appropriate footwear while visiting. There is no winter maintenance on any of our trails. Please be safe when visiting.

The LRCA conducts snow surveys on a bimonthly basis on the 1st and 15th of the month between November and May of each year. There are three historical snow survey locations which are located at Hazelwood Lake Conservation Area (Current River), Madeline Street (McVicar Creek), and Vibert Road (Pennock Creek). Snow depth and weight (water content) are collected and forwarded to the MNRF’s Surface Water Monitoring Centre as part of the Flood Forecasting Program.

The January 16, 2023, snow surveys indicate that the snow survey locations are above average for snow depth and water content, when compared to the historical averages for January 15. The snow depth results were: McVicar Creek – 35.4 centimetres (cm) (16% above average), Pennock Creek – 41.8 cm (24% above average), and Current River – 48 cm (10% above average). The water content results were also above average for all three snow courses, with an equivalent water content ranging from 121 millimetres (mm) at McVicar Creek, 103.9 mm at Pennock Creek and 115.6 mm at Hazelwood (Current River). The next snow survey measurements will be taken on February 1, 2023.

Please be advised that a “pay and display” unit will be installed at Silver Harbour Conservation Area during 2023, which will replace the coin box at that location. Vehicles parked at Silver Harbour (including vehicles utilizing the boat launch facility) will be required to display a slip from the Pay and Display unit or have a valid Explore Card Parking Pass displayed. All revenue generated through day use parking fees and Explore Card sales is used for Conservation Area upkeep and maintenance (including boat launch facilities) and staff costs. Non-compliance is subject to fines under Regulation 113: Conservation Areas – Lakehead Region.

The 2023 Explore Card Parking Pass is available now, which provides parking at our Conservation Areas for one calendar year at a cost of only \$40.00 +HST instead of the \$5.00 per vehicle day use parking fee. Visit our webstore at www.store.lakeheadca.com or give us a call at (807) 344-5857 to purchase yours now!

Get out and Explore!



Rural Cupboard Food Bank:

Tax receipts for 2022 Donations will be issued first week of February. If you have not received it by March 1st, please call 285-0836 or email ruralcupboardfoodbank@gmail.com

Annual General Meeting: April 12 at 6 pm followed by General Meeting Conmee Council Chambers

Thank you to:

- Rapport Credit Union for the countless years they had a food drop-off bin. Since they have moved to their new location, adjacent to the Evergreen Pharmacy, all donations should be left at the Pharmacy location.
- O'Connor Fire Fighters and O'Connor Volunteers for the generous donations raised at their Christmas Parade.
- Gary and the Kakabeka Falls Legion for so generously raising funds throughout the year through the Musical Sundays, the Christmas Concert and the Christmas Dinner held for the Rural Cupboard Food Bank Clients and Volunteers

GILLIES COMMUNITY CENTRE

EVENTS

PLAYGROUPO TUESDAYS

9:30-12pm

Please follow the FB
group for updates &
schedule:)

WALDORF PARENT & CHILD GATHERING

2nd Friday of every month
from 10-12pm

Donations encouraged for
materials

Contact: melkaltenbach@gmail.com

BOOK SWAP FEBRUARY 25 & 26

1000's of books!

11-5pm daily

\$Donations\$

Encouraged

FREE EVENT!

All donations directly assist the GCC

THE GCC IS AVAILABLE TO RENT FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT!

Email:

gilliescommunitycentre@gmail.com

or message us on Facebook
for rental or any other inquires.

SEED SWAP RETURNS MARCH 4TH!

That's right!
Seedy Saturday
returns
March 4!!
More details to
come. Please
follow us on
Facebook for
more info.



#1835 HWY 595
SOUTH GILLES

Upcoming Kakabeka Legion Events

Feb 3 Teen Challenge 2-7pm

Feb 4 Teen Challenge 7am-6pm

Feb 11 Exec/Gen Mtg 2:30/3pm

Feb 12 Breakfast 8:30am-noon

Feb 17 Rural 60 Lunch noon-1pm

Feb 18 Dance with Quest 7-10pm

Feb 19 Jam Session 6:30-9:30pm

Feb 25 Dance with Quest 7-10pm

Feb 26 Music 2-4pm

Call the Legion hotline to confirm bookings:
807-473-9122



Kakabeka Falls
and
Rural District
Branch 225

RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Conmee Municipal Complex
19 Holland Rd, Kakabeka Falls P0T1W0
807-285-0836

We sincerely thank all those that continue
to support us during COVID-19.
Your donations enable the food bank
to remain open

Next Food Bank
Wednesday, February 15th, 2023

Registration 9 am to 11 am

Drive-Thru Pick-up

Full Snow Moon



February's full Moon will appear on Sunday, February 5 and is named the Snow Moon for the typically heavy snowfalls experienced in February. Other names for this full Moon include the Bald Eagle Moon (Cree), Bear Moon (Ojibwe), Raccoon Moon (Dakota) and Groundhog Moon (Algonquin). The Cherokee peoples named this Moon the Bony Moon and the Hungry Moon due to the fact that food was scarce during this time.

Barb's Sewing

Replace jean buttons, snaps and zippers
Hem stretch pants, jeans, dress pants

Email: bbbarbbelanger@hotmail.ca

Phone: 475-9687



Have a Great Family Day!

Please note the Township office
will be closed
Monday February 20



Business Directory

Aiken Electric

Electrical Services/Electrician
Phone: (807) 631-1304
Email: aikenelectric@outlook.ca

Barb's Sewing

Professional Seamstress
Zippers, hems and repairs
Phone: (807) 475-9687
Email: bbbarbbelanger@hotmail.ca

Daniel Vanlenthe Mechanical

Electrical water heater installation & repair
Oil and wood energy home installations and inspections
Phone: (807) 939-1013

Duotherapy

Registered Massage Therapists
Couples & solo massage, direct billing, online booking
1620 Hwy 588
Website: www.duotherapy.com

Graph-X by Deb Printing Design Promotions

Phone: (807) 935-2685
Email: graphxbydeb@gmail.com
Website: www.graphxbydeb.com

Green Acre Variety Store

Groceries, gas/diesel, propane, post office
1226 Hwy 595, Gillies, ON
Phone: (807) 475-5631

J's Funny Farm

Piglets, Barbecue pigs, pork
Phone: (807) 630-4428 or (807) 577-7193

Mitchell's Autobody

Phone: (807) 473-3573

Rebecca's Water Service

Self serve water fill up in trucks or 5 gallon jugs
Phone: (807) 628-6583 (text or call)

Rose Valley Lodge & Restaurant

5-course meals, log cabin rentals
56 Rose Valley Road, South Gillies, ON
Website: www.rosevalleylodge.com

Laila's Custom Sewing

Alterations & repairs on all clothing (incl. formal & semi-formal). Zippers, hems, and other tasks.
Phone: (807) 475-8884
Email: lkrievin@gmail.com

Wildflower Arts

Quilt Shop & Longarm Quilting
1899 Hwy 608 South Gillies
Hours: Tues, Thurs, Fri 10-5 or by appointment
Phone: (807) 626-3691
Tarrymore Farms
Local beef and eggs
Phone: (807) 620-6488 or (807) 620-6489
Walkabout Farms
Website: www.walkaboutfarm.ca

Disclaimer: Business Directory is only for businesses located in OR NEAR the Township of Gillies. Businesses located further outside the Township are welcome to advertise in the newsletter. To be added to the business directory, please email the Township office at admin@gilliestownship.com



Fire Department

Fire Chief: Scott Hole | Email: fire@gilliestownship.com

Burning permits are currently required and are valid for the entire fire season. Burn Permits can be obtained through the following steps below for open air burning, fireworks and burn barrels:

Step 1: Register online yearly. You must renew your burn permit every year

Step 2: Call 1 844 510 0332 each time your burn

Calling the number above before you burn is required to help your Fire Department keep track of all active burns in the Township while providing you with necessary risk level information. You will also receive fire ban notifications through an automated call, text or email.

Do not have access to an email, internet, or computer? No problem. The Township Office is happy to assist you in registering.

Please review 2018-007 Open Air Burning By-Law (found here: www.gilliestownship.com/en/living-here/burning-permits.aspx) prior to burning and also exercise caution when burning.

Please keep in mind that all permits become suspended if a Total Fire Ban or Restricted Fire Zone is declared by the Township of Gillies or the Province of Ontario. When the Fire Ban or Restricted Fire Zone is lifted, all permits are reinstated, and you do not need to reapply for the permit.

The link to register your permit can be found here:

www.gilliestownship.com/en/living-here/burning-permits.aspx



The **O'Connor Community Club** is holding a Mom's Pantry Fundraiser. Mom's Pantry Products are a Canadian fundraising company that is 100% family owned and operated with over 40 years of experience in the fundraising industry. They believe only in offering the best products with high quality ingredients and nutrients for that homemade goodness. They have over 200 products to choose from and also provide nut free and gluten free products. **Orders can be placed on-line at www.momspantry.ca and must be submitted by Friday, March 10th. The order number is 366353 and the passcode is 22726.** If you are unable to order online, please call Linda or Lorna at the O'Connor Township office at 476-1451. If you are unable to order online or if you would like a paper copy of the order form, please contact Lorna at 475-3537 in the evenings or at the Township office at 476-1451.

Save time, Online ordering easier than ever! Orders must be in by March 10th!

NO ACCOUNT IS REQUIRED AND SIGNING IN IS NOT NECESSARY.

1. Simply navigate to momspantry.ca
2. Click on «Shop Now» and start adding products to your cart.
3. When you're done adding items, click «Check Out» and enter the Order Number **366353** and Group Passcode **22726**. The Group Name is O'Connor Community Club. If you order online, DO NOT submit a paper order form.
4. Once you finish the checkout process, complete your payment to finalize your order. No further action is required.

Landfill

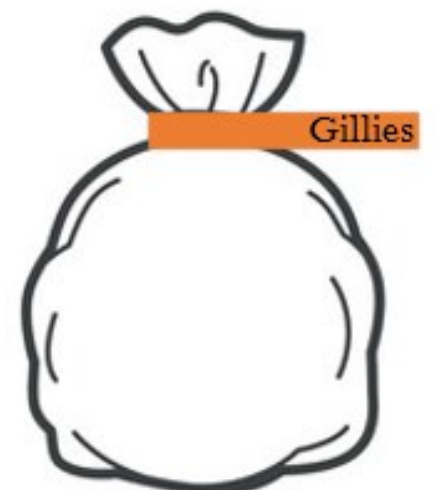
289 Neva Road

Saturday 10 am to 5 pm

Bag tags are required at the landfill site. Owners of household properties are eligible to receive bag tags at the beginning of each year. Bag tags may be picked up at the Township Office during business hours or mailed out by request. If you require additional bag tags the fee is \$2.00 per tag or \$10.00 per sheet.

You can request your bag tags by contacting the Township office or filling out the request form at:

www.gilliestownship.com/en/living-here/landfill.aspx





Ontario Park Pass lending continues in 2023!

Use your library card to borrow a week-long day use park pass this year. Oliver Paipoonge Public Library has 6 passes available, use this opportunity to enjoy the health benefits of being outdoors and experience the beautiful nature that our parks have to offer. Contact the Murillo or Rosslyn Library for more information.



Murillo Library

Monday 10 – 8:00 pm
Wednesday 10 – 8:00 pm
Saturday 9 am – 12:00 pm
935-2729



Shopping bags needed, plastic or fabric.

If you have an abundance of bags, the Library would love to have them to offer patrons for their book check outs.

Donations of puzzles wanted at the library. The winter is long and puzzles and puzzles are a popular activity. Both the Murillo and Rosslyn Library have puzzles available to borrow.

District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (TBDSSAB) is seeking applications from organizations for the 2023 Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) Food Security Fund.

The HPP is a provincially funded program that aims to prevent, reduce, and address homelessness. Through HPP, TBDSSAB funds multiple homelessness prevention initiatives, including emergency shelters, housing supports, food security initiatives, and homelessness outreach. The Food Security Fund aims to provide financial support to food security initiatives in the District of Thunder Bay that help address and prevent homelessness.

For application information, please visit: www.tbdssab.ca/housing/food-security-fund. Please note the deadline for submissions is March 1, 2023.

If you have any further questions, please contact Crystal Simeoni Manager, Housing Programs at 807-766-4611.

Email: oplibrary@tbaytel.net
Website: <http://oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca>

Rosslyn Library

Tuesday 10 – 8:00 pm
Thursday 10 to 8:00 pm
Friday 10 – 3:00
Saturday 1 – 4 pm



Thank you to the St. Marks Quilting and Craft group for their donation in memory of Marnie MacMillan and Gillian Hearn. We will be adding a number of new quilting and knitting books to our collection as a lasting legacy in honour of these ladies.



The Library will be hosting a free kids Valentine’s craft indoors at the **Rosslyn Winter Carnival** on Saturday, February 11th from 11:00 to 3:00. Drop in, registration is not required.

Let’s Go on a Nature Walk...

Featuring the Groundhog:

- Groundhogs are also known as woodchucks, whistle-pigs, and land-beavers
- Groundhogs weigh up to 4 kg and reach lengths of 65 cm including a 15 cm tail
- While normally shades of brown, colouration can be include completely black or white
- Groundhogs live in burrows under meadows and pastures during the summer. Winter burrows can be separate or attached to the main burrow and are located in woody or brushy areas below the frost level.
- Groundhogs eat fresh vegetation such as wild plants and garden veggies. On occasion they will also east snails, insects or young birds.
- **Fun Fact!** During hibernation groundhogs reduce their heart rate from 80 beats per minute to 5 and can lower their body temperature to 3 degrees Celsius



The History of Groundhog Day

Information from The Punxsutawney Groundhog Club
Groundhog Day evolved from the Christian holiday of Candlemas Day (February 2), when Christians would take their candles to the church to have them blessed. This would bring blessings to their household for the remaining winter. The weather on Candlemas Day would determine when spring would arrive:

*If Candlemas be fair and bright
Come, Winter, have another flight:
If Candlemas brings clouds and rain,
Go Winter, and come not again*

Germans expanded on this concept by selecting the hedgehog as a means of predicting weather; if the hedgehog saw his shadow then there would be 6 more weeks of winter. German settlers in Pennsylvania continued the tradition, though with the absence of hedgehogs in the United States a similar hibernating animal was chosen—the groundhog. The first Groundhog Day was celebrated February 2, 1887 in Gobblers Knob in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. Punxsutawney Phil has predicted the weather for over 130 years but he's only been accurate about 39% of the time.

The first Installment of Tax Bills are due February 28, 2023. For information on tax bills, including how to pay, please visit: www.gilliestownship.com/en/living-here/property-taxes.aspx

Municipal taxes supports items such as:

- Council and Administration
- By-law enforcement
- Road maintenance
- Pee Dee park
- Cemeteries
- Volunteer Fire Department, First Response and 911
- Land and air ambulance
- OPP Policing
- Thunder Bay District Health Board
- Thunder Bay District Social Services
- Landfill and recycling
- Lakehead Rural Planning Board

PLEASE NOTE

A fee of \$10 will be charged for a reprint of a Tax Bill. This applies to hard copies as well as emailed copies. **Please keep your bill in a safe place; you may need it for income tax purposes.**

February Calendar
From the Farmers' Almanac

February comes from the Latin word februa meaning "to cleanse". There was also a month-long Roman festival of purification and atonement that took place around what is now February.

- February 2 is Groundhog Day. The day we find out if winter will last six more weeks
February 14 is Valentine's Day. A day to show you're loved ones how much you love them
February 15 is National Flag of Canada Day. This marks the first day the Canadian flag was raised at Parliament Hill in 1965
February 21 is Mardi Gras . This is French for Fat Tuesday after the custom of using all the fats in the home before Lent to prepare for fasting

February 11th is National Inventor's Day.
Did you know these inventions are Canadian?

- Paint Roller, Garbage Bag, Pager, Peanut Butter, Road Lines, California Roll, IMAX, Pacemaker, Basketball, Insulin, Snowmobile, Electric Wheelchair, Wireless Radio Transmission, Instant Replay, Java (programming language), Snowshoes, Snowblower, Hawaiian Pizza, Telephone Handset, Electricity Transmission, Plexiglass, Canadarm (robotic arm on the International Space Station)

Fun Days in February

- Feb 2—National Tater Tot Day
Feb 4—Thank a Mail Carrier Day
Feb 7—National Send a Card to a Friend Day
Feb 11—National Inventor's Day
Feb 15—Canada's Agriculture Day
Feb 17—Random Acts of Kindness Day
Feb 20—National Love your Pet Day
Feb 21—National Sticky Bun Day
Feb 23—National Banana Bread Day



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The Hymers Agricultural Society (HAS) is pleased to introduce its 2023 Board of Directors:

Erin Laforest, President
Lawrence Prystanski, 1st Vice President
Wendy Wright, 2nd Vice President
Debbie Hoover, Exhibit Secretary
Oona Szyja, Treasurer

Randy Creighton, Director
Margaret Duncan, Director
Sara Fisher, Director
James Glavish, Director
Jeff Glavish, Director
Chris Lawrence, Director
Aury Murray, Director

Gerry Murray, Director
Nadia Myhal, Director
Rhonda Prystanski, Director
Victoria Prystanski, Director
Charlene Shuttleworth, Director
Don Shuttleworth, Director
Teri Treftlin, Director
Deb Wright, Director

Welcome back returning members and a very special welcome to our newest members
James Glavish and Deb Wright.

The Hymers Agricultural Society is seeking a Recording Secretary
for our monthly meetings and Volunteer Co-ordinator!

- It is a part-time position of no more than 5-10 hours a month maximum (not including Fair Weekend).
The qualified candidate should have knowledge of taking minutes and Microsoft Office.
Duties include but are not limited to: attending monthly board meetings to take minutes, preparation of all monthly agendas, minutes and action plans, volunteer recruitment and co-ordination.
An annual honorarium of \$1,500.00 is offered to the qualified candidate.
Training from previous Secretary will be provided. Please apply by Email at info@hymersfair.com, or Mail to Hymers Agricultural Society, c/o Debbie Hoover, 97 Cox Crescent, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 7K7
Spread the word!

Did you know...?

- The Township of Gillies partners with the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge to provide library services to our residents. As well as residents from Neebing, O'Connor, and Conmee
Gillies residents can visit Murillo or Rosslyn library locations to sign up for a library card
The library offers a variety of programs and services including rentals of books, movies, and puzzles. There are also computers, internet and printers (small fee) available for in library use
If the library does not have the book you are looking for, the book can be brought in from another public library in Ontario
Visit the library website to check out their collection of books or learn more about the services they provide: oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca



What would you like to see in the Gillies newsletter?
Send us your thoughts and ideas to admin@gilliestownship.com or call 475-3185.




Just For Fun




E	S	Y	F	O	U	M	I	C	G	C	H	T	F	A
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M	S	B	Y	E	X	W	T	I	X	C	B	K	D	Z
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- Cupid
- Chocolate
- Truelove
- Sweetheart
- Flowers
- Card
- Valentine
- Candy
- February
- Soulmate
- Be mine
- Friendship
- Romance
- Admirer

Why is it bad to be a visually impaired porcupine on Valentine’s Day?

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