



Hike Haliburton Festival  
September 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2018

## PROGRAM GUIDE

Hike Haliburton Festival is offering over 100 guided & themed hikes and festival events for all ages, interests and abilities. Bring your friends and family for 4 days of adventure and fun. All hikes are free of charge. Donations are welcome. Please register online at [www.hikehaliburton.com](http://www.hikehaliburton.com), by calling 705-286-1777 or 1-800-461-7677 or emailing [tourism@myhaliburtonhighlands.com](mailto:tourism@myhaliburtonhighlands.com). Be sure to pick up a Festival Map at our HikeQuarters and in other locations around Haliburton County. Here are the details:

## SPECIAL FEATURES

### **Festival HikeQuarters**

Looking for more information or need to register for your hike? Visit one of six information and activity centres located in each municipality throughout the Haliburton Highlands during July, August and September. HikeQuarters for the 2018 Festival are Minden Hills Cultural Centre in Minden, Algonquin Outfitters in Haliburton, Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Office & Dorset Recreation Centre in Algonquin Highlands, Deep Roots Adventure Hub in Wilberforce, and Abbey Gardens near West Guilford.

### **Food Stops**

Tasty meals, picnic items, lunches, snacks and beverages can be found in restaurants and stores across the County. The Festival is a perfect time for a picnic. Please buy your items from local food providers. The Festival is a great opportunity to taste local food and visit local farms.

### **Featured Accommodations**

Stick around for awhile and stay at one of our featured resorts, lodges or B&B's. You will need a good night's sleep after an active day on the trails.

### **Featured Retailers**

There are some great shopping opportunities in the Haliburton Highlands. Be sure to drop by to see what treasures are in store.

### **Wild About Arts**

Hike Haliburton is a celebration of performing & visual arts. In addition to the concerts happening be sure to visit the many studios and galleries located throughout the Highlands and watch for special exhibits at Festival events.

### **Trail Tunes**

Canoe FM radio show host , Kris Kadwell, will feature songs related to hiking, trails and the great

outdoors on his “Paddling Beyond the Mainstream” radio show 7:00-9:00 pm on Thursday, September 13th and the 20th . Tune into 100.9 Canoe FM if you are in the area or by internet at <http://canoefm.com/>

### **Mystery Celebrity Hikers**

Several celebrities including artists, athletes, and media personalities have been invited to hike but we are not telling you what hike they will be on! Watch for the famous faces and the opportunity to rub shoulders with some very interesting people.

## **FESTIVAL EVENTS**

### **Lipbone Redding in Concert**

Start the Festival off on the right note with a concert featuring Lipbone Redding, who has been described as “One-Man Orchestra. Unplugged. Unexpected.” Join Lipbone for an evening of roots and blues music at 8:00 Thursday, September 20 at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Tickets are \$15/person plus HST/service and are available online at [www.dominionhotelpub.ca](http://www.dominionhotelpub.ca)

### **Fall Equinox Sacred Fire**

Celebrate the Fall Equinox with Karen Moon Beam of Gaia’s Den. You will sing, dance & drum at the Sacred Fire beside Turtle Waterfall. Rain or shine, bring warm, comfortable attire, a snack, water bottle & flashlight. This event will be held on Friday, September 21 at Gaia's Den, 5012 Elephant Lake Rd, Harcourt, ON. The fire will be lit at 6:30 and will go until the fire goes out.

### **Good Lovelies in Concert**

JUNO and four-time CFMA award winners, The Good Lovelies return once again to the Haliburton Highlands. Kerri Ough, Sue Passmore, and Caroline Brooks – immensely talented vocalists and songwriters in their own right; however, it’s their voices interwoven in harmony – powerful and pure, organic and inspiring – that elevates the Good Lovelies from impressive to peerless. This concert is presented by the Haliburton County Folk Society. It’s happening on Friday, September 21, 7:30 pm at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton. Tickets are \$30 for members and youth, \$35 for non-members, and \$40 at the door including HST. They are available online at [www.haliburtonfolk.com](http://www.haliburtonfolk.com) or at The Source/Halco Electronics in Haliburton or Organic Times in Minden.

### **Family Harvest Festival**

On Saturday, September 22 from 11:00 - 4:00 PM, head down to Irondale for a family fun day. There will be vendors, food, games, gardens, and a chance to explore history with various tours. Free admission. For more information see [www.irondaleontario.ca](http://www.irondaleontario.ca) or contact Carol at [historical@irondaleontario.ca](mailto:historical@irondaleontario.ca) or 705-457-8438.

### **Fall Harvest Pork Dinner**

Enjoy a home cooked pork dinner prepared by the volunteers of the Haliburton County Historical Society. Entertainment by Beth Johns, Norris Turner and friends. Proceeds will go to the Historical Society. Saturday, September 22, 5:30 pm at the Stanhope Firefighters’ Community Hall. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Call Larry J. Giles 705.754.0427 to save a spot.

### **Chris Smith Band in Concert**

Join us for an evening of smooth jazz with one of Canada's top talents, Chris Smith and his band. Chris Has been nominated for nine Canadian Smooth Jazz Awards including Best Album, Best Song and Best Male Vocalist. His shows are always high energy with a great mix of new tunes and old standards. You May even want to hit the dance floor! Saturday, Sept 22, 8:00 pm. Tickets available at [www.DominionHotelPub.ca](http://www.DominionHotelPub.ca)

### **Haliburton Highlands Biggest Picnic Ever**

Join us for the Haliburton Highlands community picnic and closing ceremonies of the 2018 Hike Haliburton Festival. It is a celebration of food, art, and outdoor living. There will be local food, demonstrations, exhibitors, entertainment, and a fashion show featuring outdoor clothing and gear. We are bringing back Circle 5 as our featured band. Fronted by two time Juno winner Sattalites lead singer Fergus Hambleton and featuring the searing vocals of Hermina George, Circle 5 pushes the boundaries of reggae into soul and jazz. With the sparkling rhythm section of Sun Ray Grennan on drums and Bruce Mack on bass, anchored by the keyboard magic of Sam Weller, reggae music has never sounded so sweet. Bring your picnic blanket and lunch or buy your picnic ingredients from local food vendors on-site. Picnicis Sunday, September 23, from 12:00 to 3:00 PM at Head Lake Park in Haliburton.

## **FESTIVAL HIKES**

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

#### **Star Trek**

Space, the final frontier ... for hikers. Walk with the stars along the I B&O Railway. Astronomer Brian Mould will introduce you to the night sky. You will meet a lot of famous stars. After the hike, you will stop by Artech Studios for a night time glass blowing demonstration, complete with ray guns and rocket ships! If the skies are not clear, there is a plan B. Suitable for adults, teens and children. Bring your flashlights! Hiking will be along the rail bed trail. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 43  
DATE: Wednesday, September 19  
START TIME: 8:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Parkette in Tory Hill at intersection of Highway 118 and County Road 503  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, portable toilet  
LEADER: Brian Mould  
LEADER BIO: Brian has been an amateur astronomer for many years and is currently resident astronomer at Haliburton Forest. Formerly a landscaper, he lives in Gooderham with his wife, Dana, and two children and enjoys the natural heritage of the area. Artech Studios is a traditional and funky glassblowing studio in Tory Hill owned and operated by Terry Craig and Jennifer Wanless-Craig. They produce great upcycled glass tableware and handmade barware.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 East. When you come to the "T" intersection of

of HWY 118 and County Rd 503, the parkette is on your right. The distance from Haliburton to Tory Hill is approximately 23 km. From Minden, driving on HWY 35 turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Turn right on Maple Street (same as HWY 118) at the lights in the centre of the village, you will see CIBC bank to your left. When you come to the "T" intersection of HWY 118 and County Rd 503, the parkette is on your right. The distance from Minden to Tory Hill is approximately 50 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9728, W78.2750

## **THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 20**

### **Walk in the Clouds**

Get high in the Highlands! Experience the majestic beauty of Haliburton Forest while strolling along 26 suspended bridges on this beautiful canopy tour. The guided tour also features some hiking and canoeing. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 10+ . No dogs please.

HIKE #: 25  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 9:00 AM (plan to arrive by 8:30)  
DURATION: 4 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve, 1095 Redkenn Rd.  
RATING: Easy although not recommended for those with an intense fear of heights.  
MAXIMUM#: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food and beverage services  
LEADER: Haliburton Forest staff  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11 km. to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and keep to your left. Follow to Redkenn Road, approximately 17 km. Keep left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32 km. From Minden take Highway 35 north to Carnarvon. Turn right (east) onto HWY 118 and follow to West Guilford. Turn left onto County Rd 7 and proceed as described above from West Guilford, to Redkenn Road. Keep left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. (The distance from Minden is approximately 47 km.) GPS coordinates: N45.2216, W78.5933

### **Hike the Hills**

Get in shape with this hike in the rugged hills and scenic ridges of the Frost Centre area. This hike will include the Lakeshore Trail, Vista Trail and High Crest Trail. There are several fabulous viewpoints so bring a camera to capture the autumn colours. Sturdy footwear with lugged soles is recommended. Bring snacks and beverage. Suitable for adults and youths 12+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 61  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 7 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Water Trails, 20130 Hwy #35 North (Frost Centre)  
RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADER: Susan Rivett  
LEADER BIO: Susan has been a cottager since 1984 and is now permanent resident of Haliburton County. She is an avid downhill & XC skier, snowshoer, hiker, paddler, dragon boater and cyclist. Board Member of Haliburton Trekkers and Haliburton Real Easy Ryders. She has completed 10 km runs, a half marathon and 100 km bikeathon. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario)  
DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approx. 23 km north of Carnarvon and 12 km south of Dorset. Meet at the office of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (705-766-9033). The distance from Haliburton is approximately. 47 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 38 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1591, W78.8448

### **Wild Woods Walk**

Join professional forester Thomas McCay for a tour of one of Haliburton Forest's most popular trails, with stops to discuss forest ecology, forest management, and the balance between recreation, wildlife, and logging. We'll even stop at a woodland art gallery! Be sure to grab lunch at the Cookhouse after the hike. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly - on a leash.

HIKE #: 24  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION: 1095 Redkenn Road. Meet at the Base Camp office of Haliburton Forest  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, beverages, food, shelter  
LEADER: Thomas McCay  
LEADER BIO: Thomas is a forester with Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, where he has been working since 2014. He believes deeply in the benefits that forest management can bring, and wants private land forestry in Haliburton County to be an ambassador for the possibilities of sustainable multi-use forest stewardship.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11 km. to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and stay to your left. Follow County Rd 7 to Redkenn Road, approximately 19 km. Turn left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32 km. From Minden take Highway 35 north to Carnarvon. Turn right onto Hwy 118 to West Guilford. Turn left onto County Rd 7 and proceed to route described above to Redkenn Road. The distance from Minden is approximately 47 km. GPS coordinates: N45.2216, W78.5933

### **In Search of Park Wildlife**

Join us as we trek through Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands Provincial Park in search of the wildlife that hops, swims, slithers, scurries, runs, and flies across this impressive landscape. It is not a long route but it is challenging footing and requires crossing wet spots and climbing. We will be stopping frequently to look for wildlife. Suitable for adults, teens, children over 5+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 81  
DATE: Thursday September 21  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 2.5 hrs, 6 km  
LOCATION: Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands Park. Access Point at Devil's Lake. 1115 Devil's Lake Rd  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Phil Careless  
LEADER BIO: As Park Biologist Phil had the good fortune to explore a great deal of this enormous wild space. He is always glad to show park users the often overlooked wildlife all around us..  
DIRECTIONS: Take Highway 35 to Minden, turn on Water Street and continue to the Bobcaygeon Road, approximately 1.5km. Turn right on Bobcaygeon Road over the bridge and continue to the first road on your left, Deep Bay Road (County Rd 2). Travel along Deep Bay Road for approximately 12 km to Devil's Lake Road. Turn right on Devil's Lake Road and travel .5 km to parking lot at the trailhead - 1115 Devil's Lake Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 13 km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 38 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8600, W78.8192

### **Salamander Saunter**

Join Irene Heaven for a salamander walk at Abbey Gardens and see what lies beneath the forest floor! This casual stroll will introduce you to some of Haliburton's salamanders and their habitats. We will visit coverboard monitoring stations located along Abbey Gardens' trail system in search of these secretive amphibians. Join us as we have fun searching for these elusive creatures! Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 17  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3.5 km  
LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service  
LEADER: Irene Heaven  
LEADER BIO: Irene is a wildlife biologist with extensive field experience nationally and internationally and has been involved in outdoor and environmental education for 18 years. Irene oversees the development and implementation of interpretive, educational programming for Abbey Gardens.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13 km, turn right (east) on Hwy 118 and follow it approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive. (If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far) Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 (west) past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

### **Wetlands and Climate Change**

Snowdon Park is part of a large wetland complex in Minden Hills. Join us for a walk through the park to observe a variety of wetland types; including marsh, fen and swamp. Learn about the importance of wetlands and how they help mitigate the negative effects of climate change. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 86  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 10:00 am  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Snowdon Park  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking and outhouse  
LEADERS: Sheila Ziman  
LEADERS BIO: Sheila is a nature enthusiast who loves to spend time outside in the forests and wetlands of Haliburton County. She is an active member of the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists and one of the founding members of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. Sheila is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Road (Cty Rd. 1) to Snowden Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Road (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approx. 12 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9190, W78.6453

### **Can-Aqua Maple Walk**

Camp Can-Aqua is a traditional, co-ed summer camp and outdoor education centre located on the eastern edge of the Haliburton Highlands. Come join us for a leisurely walk through camp, around our lake and through our maple sugar bush - we tap over 3000 trees! (Optional tour of our Sugar Shack after the hike) This hike is suitable for families, adults, teens, children. Dog friendly - on leash.

HIKE #: 45  
DATE Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION 503 Beaver Lake Drive, Cardiff K0L 1C0  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, shelter, water, beverages  
LEADER: Scott Graham  
LEADER BIO: Scott has been the Director of Education and Leadership at Camp Can-Aqua for five years. He is a teacher and outdoor enthusiast with a zest for life and a big smile. His passions are canoe expeditions, creative collaborations and he has a budding interest in Maple Syrup.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Cardiff. Once you arrive in Cardiff, turn right on

Inlet Bay Road and left onto McGillivray Road. Continue until a left turn onto Camp Can-Ski Road, from here drive up to the parking lot. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 50 km, and from Minden via Cty 21 and Hwy 118 is approximately 73 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9861, W 78.0092

### **Hike & Write: Inspiration Trail**

Take a hike with author Ruth E. Walker and look for inspiration offered by nature. Bring something to write notes on. Take away ideas and create new work found in a natural setting, This is a hike meant for anyone interested in finding inspiration in the landscape; there will be observations made that relate to the five senses and guided note-taking stops along the way. Hike Haliburton would be happy to share your work with your permission. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. No dogs please

HIKE #: 94  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Dahl Forest, 1307 Geeza Rd, Minden  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
RATING: Easy  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (outhouse)  
LEADER: Ruth E. Walker  
LEADER BIO: Award-winning author Ruth E. Walker enjoys easy to moderate hikes in the Highlands. Her poetry and fiction has often been inspired by nature and she looks forward to helping nudge writers and other artists to find their inspiration.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd. to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn right and follow to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529, W78.6167

### **Hal High Hike**

Students from the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School will take you on a hike around the forest at the school. Students will tell stories about the history of the property, complete a tree identification activity, and provide a small snack and tea break. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE # 1  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 11:00 am  
DURATION: 1 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, 5358 Haliburton County Road 21,  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Sam Little and the students on Haliburton Highlands Secondary School

**LEADER BIO:** Sam teaches Tourism and Hospitality and his students will create and lead this hike as a school project

**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. The distance is 25 km with approximately 25 minutes of travel time. In Haliburton, the school is located at the west end of Head Lake. Meet in the parking behind the school in front of the gym building. GPS coordinates: N 45.0430, W 78.5233

## **THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 20**

### **The Grand View**

Head on over to the far east boundary of Haliburton County to Algonquin Eco-Lodge. You will walk to the Lodge for a tour of this unique facility, then cross the boardwalk at Moffat Pond for a hike along forest trails to a beautiful lookout that stands high above High Falls in Algonquin Park. Be sure to wear sturdy footwear and bring your lunch and water. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 10+. Dog friendly - on leash.

**HIKE #:** 38  
**DATE:** Thursday, September 20  
**START TIME:** 1:00 PM  
**DURATION:** 4 hrs, 12.5 km  
**LOCATION:** Algonquin Eco-Lodge, 3594 Elephant Lake Rd  
**RATING:** Challenging  
**MAXIMUM #** 20  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms (at lodge 25 min walk from parking lots), water  
**LEADER:** Robin Banerjee  
**LEADER BIO:** Robin has been a hiking and canoe guide for 20 years. He has owned of the Eco-Lodge for the past decade. Robin is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left on County Rd 4 to Wilberforce, approximately 8 km. Turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt, approximately 8 km. 2 km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) Continue approximately 16.6 km (1.4 km past Benoir Lake Rd) Watch for the Algonquin Eco-lodge sign on the left side of the road past the lumber mill and Fire Route #3658. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 54 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.19425, W 78.1329

### **Head Lake Explorer**

The village of Haliburton is great destination for outdoor recreation and exploration. This adventure involves paddling by canoe or kayak across Head Lake to Glebe Park to hike the trails, visit the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and paddle back. Bring your own canoe or kayak or rent one from Algonquin Outfitters at Head Lake Park. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 8+.

**HIKE #:** 4  
**DATE:** Thursday, September 20  
**START TIME:** 1:00 PM  
**DURATION:** 4 hrs, 5 km  
**LOCATION:** Rotary Beach, Head Lake Park near tennis courts, Haliburton

RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Randy Pielsticker  
LEADER BIO: Randy is the Regional Manager for Algonquin Outfitters and is also an experienced guide. Randy was the volunteer mechanic, a cyclist and Tour Director for Tour d’Afrique, a 12,000 km cycling tour from Cairo to Cape Town.  
DIRECTIONS: In Haliburton take Maple Ave. (Hwy 118) north to Park St. Turn left on Park St. and follow to parking lot at the end of street. From Minden head North on Hwy 35. Turn right on Cty. Rd. 21 towards Haliburton. Continue approximately 24 km to the village of Haliburton to Maple Ave (second set of lights). Follow Maple to Park and follow directions as described above. GPS coordinates: N 45.0488, W 78.5123

### **E-bike and Hike**

Ride effortlessly on electric assisted bicycles along the Haliburton County Rail Trail, stopping for short hikes to explore historical ruins, the natural beauty of rivers, wetlands, wildflowers & native plants that grow along the trail. This tour takes you along the south end of the county, starting at the abandoned junction of the Irondale, Bancroft, Ottawa (IB&O) & Victoria rail. Suitable for adults and teens 16+. Everyone must wear a helmet. Bikes and helmets provided. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 95  
DATE: Thursday September 20  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 20 km (on bike) 1 km (hiking)  
LOCATION: 1225 Howland Junction Rd., Minden  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 6  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water  
LEADER: Don Schlosser  
LEADER BIO: Don and his partner, Nicole Manary, are owners of Peddle Creek Tours and e-bike enthusiasts and dealer. The two have a keen interest in local history.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden, head South on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto 121 towards Kinmount. Stay on Hwy 121 for 13 km. Turn left on Howland Junction Rd. Continue onto the last place on the left where the pavement ends. From Haliburton head West on County Rd 21 to Minden for approximately 24 km. Turn left on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto County Rd 121 towards kinmount (and proceed with instructions above) The distance from Haliburton is approximately 44 km. From Minden is approximately 20 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8128, W 78.6516

### **Beyond the Gardens**

Take a hike from the Food Hub at Abbey Gardens through the gardens, along the Transition Trail and into the forest to explore. This hike will involve diverse and some hilly terrain, and there may be even a few wet spots along the way. Before or after the hike, stick around for a local treat in the Food Hub or a tasty micro-brew at Haliburton Highlands Brewing. Suitable for adults, teens, and children+. Dogs friendly - on leash please .

HIKE #: 18  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 4 km  
LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service  
LEADER: Cara Steele  
LEADER BIO: Cara manages the volunteer program, workshops and memberships and is involved with marketing of Abbey Gardens programs and events. Her academic and professional background is in ecological restoration and she facilitates/co-facilitates many of the gardening and ecology-based workshops on site.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon (approx 13 km), turn right (east) on Hwy 118 Follow HWY 118 approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive. (If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far). Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168,

### **At the Water's Edge**

With the Rails End Gallery as the starting point, this art walk follows the Drag River and Head Lake. Artist Marguerite Easby will demonstrate sketching (dry media) and introduce hikers to the delights of painting outdoors (en plein air). Hikers will have the opportunity to create a series of field studies. Materials will be provided. Suitable for adults and teens. Wheelchair accessible. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 3  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Rails End Gallery, 23 York St., Haliburton  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, and shelter  
LEADERS: Marguerite Easby  
LEADER BIO: Marguerite Easby has taught fine art/design with the TCDSB and is currently engaged in drawing/painting in the Haliburton Highlands.  
DIRECTIONS: The Rails End Gallery sits just on the edge of Head Lake Park, on York Street. York St runs south parallel to main street (Highland St) in Haliburton. From Minden head north on Hwy 35. turn right on Hwy 21 towards Haliburton. Continue approximately 24 km to the village of Haliburton. Turn left onto York Drive, and you'll find the Gallery to your left. GPS coordinates N 45.0464, W 78.5110

### **Leave it to Beaver**

Explore the natural wonders of YMCA Wanakita's backcountry trails to discover the amazing work of a very industrious animal and its impact on the ecosystem within which it lives. Suitable for adults, teens and

children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 10  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1.5 km  
LOCATION: YMCA Wanakita, 1883 Koshlong Lake Rd, Haliburton (705) 457-2132  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter  
LEADER: YMCA Wanakita Staff  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take the Gelert Rd (County Rd 1) approximately 7 km to Donald. Turn left at Koshlong Lake Rd and follow it to the end. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 13 km. From Minden take Highway 35 to the South Lake Rd (County Rd. 16). Turn east and follow the South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1), approximately 7 km. Turn left and proceed 11km to Donald. Turn right at Koshlong Lake Rd and follow it to the end. The distance from Minden is approximately 18 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9808, W78.4894

### **A Taste of Minden**

Jack and a pair of Jeans will help you discover the many culinary and cultural flavours of Minden. We'll stroll along the picturesque Gull River into town and beyond, seeking out a variety of tasty food experiences and sharing stories along the way. No calorie loss on this walk. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 77  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 2:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Minden Hills Cultural Centre, 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden, ON  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, water/beverages, shelter, food  
LEADERS: Jeanne Anthon, Jean Neville, and Jack Brezina  
LEADERS BIO: Jean Neville and Jeanne Anthon are the 'pair of jeans' on Minden Hills Council. Councillor Neville was born in Haliburton County and has deep roots. She's had a lifelong interest in agriculture, environment as well as flora and fauna. Councillor Anthon moved permanently to Haliburton 16 yrs ago and (like Jean) has been involved in many community services and activities. She's especially interested in the arts, music and lake issues. They both love food, wine and telling stories of their community. Jack Brezina is the former editor and publisher of the Minden Times, current President of the Highlands Summer Festival, and occasional actor. He has been a resident of Minden since 1979. He is always hungry for new experiences.  
DIRECTIONS: Exit to Minden off Highway 35 at lights across from Valumart. Follow Water Street to the bridge. Turn right at bridge and follow Bobcaygeon Rd north to the Minden Hill Cultural Centre and Minden Library. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Hwy 35, turn south and follow to first lights at Water Street and turn right and follow route described above.

Distance from Haliburton is approximately 26 km. There is parking at the back or along Parkside Road. GPS coordinates: N44.9297, W78.7275

### **Earth Mysteries Walk**

A guided Shamanic Journey into the forest of Gaia's Den where you will gently open and deepen your connection with the Earth Mother, the Standing Ones, the Creature Teachers, the Elements of Earth, Water, Fire & Air, and ultimately, your Self. Suitable for adults and teens 13+. No dogs please. Join us at 6:30pm for Fall Equinox Sacred Fire Event.

HIKE #: 40  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 2:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Gaia's Den, 5012 Elephant Lake Rd, Harcourt  
RATING: Easy-moderate  
MAXIMUM: 25  
AMENITIES: Roadside parking, outhouse, shelter, water  
LEADER: Karen Warner  
LEADER BIO: Karen Moon Beam is an Energy Healer & Teacher trained in Indigenous & Celtic Shamanic traditions. Her practice, Bridging Dimensions, offers holistic, earth-based approaches to self-transformation. Karen is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left/east to Wilberforce, approximately 8km. Turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt, approximately 8km. 2 km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approximately 10km to Gaia's Den on the left (west) side of the County Road. Parking is along the road. From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. The distance is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow the directions above. Participants will be met at the entrance gate at 1:00 pm. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47.5km. The distance from Minden is approximately 71 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1583, W 78.1570

### **Hike & Write: Inspiration Trail**

Take a hike with author Ruth E. Walker and look for inspiration offered by nature. Bring something to write notes on. Take away ideas and create new work found in a natural setting, This is a hike meant for anyone interested in finding inspiration in the landscape; there will be observations made that relate to the five senses and guided note-taking stops along the way. Hike Haliburton would be happy to share your work with your permission. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. No dogs please.

DATE: Thursday, September 20  
START TIME: 2:30 PM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Dahl  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
RATING: Easy  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (outhouse)  
LEADER: Ruth E. Walker

**LEADER BIO:** Award-winning author Ruth E. Walker enjoys easy to moderate hikes in the Highlands. Her poetry and fiction has often been inspired by nature and she looks forward to helping nudge writers and other artists to find their inspiration.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd. to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn right and follow to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/east on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529, W78.6167

### **Can-Aqua Maple Walk**

Camp Can-Aqua is a traditional, co-ed summer camp and outdoor education centre located on the eastern edge of the Haliburton Highlands. Come join us for a leisurely walk through camp, around our lake and through our maple sugar bush - we tap over 3000 trees! (Optional tour of our Sugar Shack after the hike) This hike is suitable for families, adults, teens, children. Dog friendly - on leash.

**HIKE #:** 45

**DATE:** Thursday, September 20

**START TIME:** 2:30 PM

**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 2 km

**LOCATION** 503 Beaver Lake Drive, Cardiff K0L 1C0

**RATING:** Easy

**MAXIMUM #** 20

**AMENITIES:** Parking, washroom, shelter, water, beverages

**LEADER:** Scott Graham

**LEADERS BIO:** Scott has been the Director of Education and Leadership at Camp Can-Aqua for five years. He is a teacher and outdoor enthusiast with a zest for life and a big smile. His passions are canoe expeditions, creative collaborations and and he has a budding interest in Maple Syrup.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Cardiff. Once you arrive in Cardiff, turn right on Inlet Bay Road and left onto McGillivray Road. Then turn left onto Camp Can-Ski Road, from here drive up to the parking lot. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 50 km, and from Minden approximately 73 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9861, W78.0092

## **THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 21**

### **Fall Equinox Sacred Fire**

Celebrate the Fall Equinox with Karen Moon Beam of Gaia's Den. You will sing, dance & drum at the Sacred Fire beside Turtle Waterfall. Rain or shine, bring warm, comfortable attire, a snack, water bottle & flashlight. The fire will be lit at 6:30. Please arrive 15 minutes early to settle in. Suitable for adults. No dogs please.

**EVENT #:** A

**DATE:** Thursday , September 21

LOCATION: Gaia's Den, 5012 Elephant Lake Rd, Harcourt  
AMENITIES: Roadside parking, outhouse, shelter, water  
LEADER BIO: Karen Moon Beam is an Energy Healer & Teacher trained in Indigenous & Celtic Shamanic traditions. Her practice, Bridging Dimensions, offers holistic, earth-based approaches to self-transformation. Karen is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).

TIME: 6:30 PM - until the fire goes out

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left to Wilberforce, approximately 8 km. Turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt, approximately 8 km. 2 km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approx. 10 km to Gaia's Den on the left (west) side of the County Road. Parking is along the road. From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Distance is approx. 25km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Essonville Line (County Rd 4) to Wilberforce, turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt. Two km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approximately 10 km to Gaia's Den on the left (west) side of the County Road. Parking is along the road. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47.5 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 71 km. N 45.1583, W 78.1570

### **Lipbone Redding in Concert**

Start the Festival off on the right note with a concert featuring Lipbone Redding, who has been described as "One-Man Orchestra. Unplugged. Unexpected." Join Lipbone for an evening of roots and blues music at a live music hot spot.

EVENT #: F  
DATE: Thursday, September 20  
LOCATION: Dominion Hotel, 113 Main St, Minden  
TIME: 8:00 PM  
COST: \$15/person plus HST/service  
TICKETS: Available online at [www.dominionhotelpub.ca](http://www.dominionhotelpub.ca)  
DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 35 to Minden, turn west on Water Street to Bobcaygeon Rd. Turn left on Bobcaygeon Rd. (Main Street) and the Dominion Hotel is on your immediate right. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Hwy 35, turn left/south and follow to first lights at Water Street and turn right. Follow Water Street to Bobcaygeon Rd (Main Street). Turn left on Bobcaygeon Rd. and the Dominion Hotel is on your immediate right. Distance from Haliburton is approximately 26 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9253, W78.7249

### **FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 21**

#### **Forest Bathing and Sunrise in the Redstone River Valley**

For the lovers of silence, stillness and early morning sunshine. We will meet before dawn (bring a flashlight just in case!) and savour the silence and sounds of early morning as we take a short and quiet hike to our look-out destination on this private property shared with Hike Haliburton for the first time. We will watch the sunrise and morning arrive in the valley. To celebrate the start of the new day we will enjoy some deep morning breaths and gentle stretches, followed by fresh coffee and tea in our hilltop 'Lotus Belle Cafe'. Bring a notebook and pen in case you feel inspired to write a poem or sketch the scenery. After everyone is more fully awake we will have time to hike another 1.5 kms of trail through a mixed forest of pine, oaks and

maples, eventually making our way back to the meeting point. Suitable for adults and teens 12+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 22  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 6:15 AM  
DURATION: 2.5hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: 1473 Binscarth Trail.  
RATING: Moderate - steep climb and descent on uneven terrain  
MAXIMUM #: 12  
AMENITIES: none  
LEADER: Abby Hagerman and Greg Luck  
LEADER BIO: Abby is a Haliburton native, nature lover, yoga teacher and self-proclaimed 'Sunshine Devotee'. Greg spends most of his time playing music and building homes. He loves exploring this existence through travel, study and meditation. He still hasn't figured it all out, but he's getting closer all the time. Just married in June, Abby and Greg are happy lead this hike on their own private property to share their favourite spot to enjoy a sunrise. Abby and Greg are the Canadian dealers for the very cool Lotus Belle Tents.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take HWY 118 West to Stanhope Airport Rd (approximately 16 km) Turn Right on Stanhope Airport road and follow until you get to Barry Line. Turn right onto Barry's Line and follow to Binscarth Trail, turn left and follow Binscarth to a fork in the road. Keep right at fork and follows to 1473. (don't go straight up the hill to the bell tower). From Minden take Hwy 35 North until it intersects with Hwy 118. Turn right onto Hwy 118 for approximately 11 km. Turn left on Stanhope Airport Road onto to Barry Line and follow to Binscarth, turn left and follow directions above. Distance from Haliburton is 17 km. Distance from Minden is 30 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1358, W 78.6314

### **The Devil Made Me Do It**

This full-day trek with Rob takes place along the wilderness section of the Ganaraska Trail through the Queen Elizabeth Wildlands (Moore Falls to Devil's Lake). The terrain in this section is rugged and challenging. All hikers must have sturdy-soled, closed-toe, hiking shoes/boots. Hiking poles are recommended. Bring a day pack with at least one litre of water (more if it's a warm day), a light lunch, snacks and suitable clothing. Spare dry socks are recommended as we will cross at least one beaver dam. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 82  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 8:30 am  
DURATION: 7 hrs, 19 km  
LOCATION: Ganaraska Trailhead at 1115 Devil's Lake  
Rd RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Rob Halupka  
LEADER BIO: An avid hiker and nature enthusiast, Rob also enjoys canoeing, fly fishing, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Rob has been spending quality time in the

Minden area for some 17 years and is a big fan of the Haliburton Highlands.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take Highway 35 to Minden, turn on Water Street and continue to the Bobcaygeon Road, approximately 1.5km. Turn right on Bobcaygeon Road over the bridge and continue to the first road on your left, Deep Bay Road (County Rd 2). Travel along Deep Bay Road for approximately 12 km to Devil's Lake Road. Turn right on Devil's Lake Road and travel 5 km to parking lot at the trailhead. We will carpool from there to the trailhead at Moore Falls. The distance from Minden is approximately 13 km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 38 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8600, W78.8192

### **Viewpoints Galore**

Experienced leader Wally Ozog and his sweep Dave Northcote will get you high on this hike. Along the ridges of the Crest of Kennis and Circuit of 5 Viewpoints trails you will visit some amazing vistas to photograph the emerging fall colours. This hike is a good workout on rugged terrain. Bring water, snacks and lunch. Hiking poles are recommended. Suitable for adults and youth 12+. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 57  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
**DURATION:** 5 hrs, 9.5 km  
**LOCATION:** 2029 Little Hawk Lake Rd, Algonquin Highlands  
**RATING:** Challenging (with some steep climbs)  
**MAXIMUM #** 20  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms  
**LEADER:** Wally Ozog  
**LEADER BIO:** Wally is avid hiker, snowshoer, and a cross country skier . As a resident of Algonquin Highlands, he has hiked all the local trails including Algonquin Park. Since retirement he has enjoyed the trails of the Canadian Rockies, Newfoundland, Scotland, England, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, and Peru. Wally is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).

**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon; turn right on Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.1331, W 78.7232

### **Walk in the Clouds**

Get high in the Highlands! Experience the majestic beauty of Haliburton Forest while strolling along 26 suspended bridges on this beautiful canopy tour. The guided tour also features some hiking and canoeing. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 10+. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 25  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21

START TIME: 9:00 AM (plan to arrive by 8:30)  
DURATION: 4 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve, 1095 Redkenn Rd.  
RATING: Easy although not recommended for those with an intense fear of heights.  
MAXIMUM# 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food and beverage services  
LEADER: Haliburton Forest staff  
DIRECTION: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11 km to West Guilford. Turn right on Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and keep to your left. Follow Rd 7 to Redkenn Road, approximately 17 km. Turn right into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32 km and the distance from West Guilford is approximately 17 km. From Minden take Highway 35 north to Carnarvon. Turn right (east) on HWY 118 to West Guilford. Turn left onto Kennisis Lake Rd ( Rd 7) and proceed as described above to Redkenn Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 47 km. GPS coordinates: W78.5933, N45.2216

### **Trail Blazer's Treat**

The goal of this hike is to show you from scratch how to map out a route and follow it from start to finish with the help of a compass bearing. This adventure in navigation will be a bushwhacking good time with many lessons along the way. Hikers will meet at Deep Roots Adventure Hub and carpool to the start location. Sturdy hiking boots, and a backpack with water and emergency equipment is required. Insect protection recommended. If you have your own compass and pacing beads bring them along; if not we will provide some to borrow. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please

HIKE #: 36  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 9:00 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 3-4 km  
LOCATION: Deep Roots Adventure Hub, 2307 Loop Road, Wilberforce  
RATING: Challenging (off trail, rugged terrain)  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
AMENITIES: parking, washrooms, water, food and beverage  
LEADER: Corina Mansfield  
LEADERS BIO: Corina of Deep Roots Adventure has been exploring the Haliburton Highlands since her childhood and has based her business on outdoor experiential education featuring the amazing landscapes of this area. She loves instructing Navigation - is never lost, just misplaced. Corina is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton, take Hwy 118 east, approximately 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left. Follow 648 towards Harcourt; you will see Deep Root Adventure Hub on your left a short distance from the intersection. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24 km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the center of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also Highway 118. Follow Highway 118, approximately 19 km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left and follow instructions above GPS

coordinates: N45.0391 W78.2234

### Up and Around Green's Mountain

Green's Mountain has been a popular off-road vehicle destination. The Municipality of Highlands East has developed a recreation master plan for this scenic and historically significant area. You will hike Green's Mountain for a "heart stopping" view from the site of an old fire tower, and to gain insights into the challenges and opportunities involved with developing a multi-use recreation area. Be prepared for rough, rocky terrain with long steep inclines. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 28  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 9:00 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Km 3.5 on Green's Mountain Trail  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, food, and shelter  
LEADER: Mike Peters  
LEADER BIO: Mike is an electrical contractor based in Hamilton. He and his wife have been married 45 years, have 3 children and 9 grandchildren, all of whom enjoy the outdoors. Green's Mountain has been Mike's second home for 30 years. Mike is an avid hunter, angler, ATVer, snowmobiler, hiker and bird enthusiast.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east. Follow for approximately 5 km and turn right onto Glamorgan Rd (County Road 3). Follow to the "T" intersection (approximately 17 km) and turn left onto County Road 503 and follow to Gooderham (approximately 2 km) Turn right onto Buckhorn Rd (County Road 507) and proceed approximately 4 km to Green's Mountain Trail. Turn right onto Greens Mountain Trail and follow Green Mountain Trail approximately 3 KM to the "Up and Around Hiking" Trail sign. Greens Mountain is approximately 23 km from Haliburton. From Minden take Highway 35 South approximately 3.5 km, turn left onto County Rd 121 and follow to Kinmount, approximately 19.5km from Minden. Turn left onto County Road 503 and proceed to Gooderham, approximately 47 km from Minden. Turn right onto the Buckhorn Road (County Road 507) proceed approximately 4 km. to Greens Mountain Trail. Turn right and follow Green Mountain Trail approximately 3 km to the "Up and Around Hiking" Trail sign. GPS coordinates: N 44.8553, W 78.4200

### Ski Fit

Get ready for ski season! Join Joleen at Twin Lakes and Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trail system for some brisk Nordic walking. We will stretch and work on strengthening and waking up your ski muscles for winter! Bring along classic length ski poles, or hiking poles, running shoes and water. Suitable for fit adults and families that are able to keep up at a swift walk/run pace. Bring ski/walking sticks. Dog friendly - on a leash please.

HIKE #: 51  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 2 hrs, 4 km  
LOCATION: Twin Lakes Ski Trails, Twelve Mile Lake  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, nearby washrooms  
LEADER: Joleen Thomas  
LEADER BIO: Joleen is an avid outdoor enthusiast on the trails and the water. As a certified ski instructor she sure knows her ski muscles. This active super mom with the best smile ever will motivate you to get 'you know what' in gear. Joleen is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 to the Hwy 35 intersection at Carnarvon. Turn left (south) on Hwy 35 and follow 4-5 km to bridge/dam at Twelve Mile Lake. Just after bridge turn right onto 12 Mile Lake Rd. and follow past Taylor Rd (on your left) to the parking lot on you left. Distance from Haliburton is approx. 30 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to 12 Mile Lake Rd., turn left and follow past Taylor Rd (on your left) to the parking lot on you left. Distance from Minden is approx. 10 km. N45.0031, W78.7074

### **If a Tree Falls ...**

This hike will explore the state of our local forests and how they are managed in a sustainable way. Along the Forest Management Trail you will gain insights how forests provide us with important products and services while sustaining or improving the life processes on the landscape. Invasive diseases are affecting Haliburton County more than ever and this hike will focus on how managers are dealing with this. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly - on leash please.

HIKE #: 62  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 2.5 hrs, 4 km  
LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35 North  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby), water/ beverage and shelter  
LEADER: Ernie Demuth  
LEADER BIO: Ernie's love of nature experienced through canoeing, cross country skiing and hiking eventually led him to forest management and silviculture. Ernie is a Registered Professional Forester who has over 20 years of experience working on both private and public lands. He is the owner and operator of Demuth Forestry Service and is a Plan Approver for the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program.  
DIRECTIONS: Located at 20130 Highway 35, approximately 23 km north of Carnarvon and 12 km south of Dorset. Meet at the office of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (705-766- 9033). The distance from Minden is approximately 38 km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 48 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1591, W78.8448

### **Way Back in Wilberforce - Part 1**

Take a stroll along the shores of Wilbermere Lake (formerly known as Poverty Lake) and the original location of Wilberforce. Learn the history of some existing buildings and others that are long gone. Find out why the settlement moved 6 km up the road. Visit the locations of the old school house, blacksmith

shop, dairy, South Wilberforce Cemetery EST 1879, and the United Church. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 33  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 4 km  
LOCATION: 1537 South Wilberforce Rd (corner of South Wilberforce Rd & Loop Rd)  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking at swimming beach, washrooms (onsite)  
LEADER: Joan Barton  
LEADER BIO: Joan is a Highlands East Councilor who is a champion of trails and community events. Joan and her husband have lived on the route of this walk since 2001 and wouldn't want to live anywhere else in the world.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to County Rd 4, approximately 19 km. Turn left on County Rd. 4 and proceed to County Rd. 648 (Loop Road), approximately 8 km. The distance from Haliburton to the Loop Rd. is approx. 27 km. Turn right on County Rd 648 and proceed to the South Wilberforce Rd., approximately 3.5 km. The distance from Haliburton to the South Wilberforce Rd is approximately 30 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 North and turn right onto County Rd. 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km. Then follow the directions above from Haliburton. The distance from Minden is approximately 55km. GPS coordinates: N45.0082, W78.2152,

### **Spirit of the Waterfalls**

Experience the energy of mesmerizing waterfalls on this hike through the lush, enchanting forest near the South Entrance of Algonquin Park. You will be guided by Shaman, Karen Moon Beam. We'll spend time at the waterfalls to learn, meditate, sing & drum – to just Be. Disconnect to reconnect with the Heart of the Earth Mother and her realms in a way you may have never knowingly experienced before through Spirit! Bring a snack, bottle of water & your camera. Wear comfortable waterproof hiking boots, layered clothing, hat & pack rain gear just in case! Suitable for adults and teens aged 13+. No dogs please. Requires carpooling.

HIKE #: 41  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 11:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2-3 km  
LOCATION: Gaia's Den, 5012 Elephant Lake Rd, Harcourt, ON  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Roadside parking, outhouse, water, shelter  
LEADER: Karen Warner  
LEADERS BIO: Karen Moon Beam is an Energy Healer & Teacher trained in Indigenous & Celtic Shamanic traditions. Her practice, Bridging Dimensions, offers holistic, earth-based approaches to self-transformation. Karen is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left to Wilberforce, approximately 8km. Turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to

Harcourt, approximately 8km. 2 km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approx. 10 km to Gaia's Den on the left (west) side of the County Road. Parking is along the road. From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Distance is approx. 25km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Essonville Line (County Rd 4) to Wilberforce, turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt. Two km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approximately 10km to Gaia's Den on the left (west) side of the County Road. Parking is along the road. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47.5km. The distance from Minden is approximately 71 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1583, W 78.1570

### **Hoofin' it: Pony Time**

Join Lesley, certified Equine Assisted Learning facilitator, for an enjoyable introduction to the critically endangered Lac La Croix Indigenous Pony. You will meet Akoozi and Wawasum (aka Maple and Sammy), who are brothers, and their companion FlapJack, a miniature Appaloosa. Spend some time learning about these animals and how they are being trained as teachers in Abbey Gardens' Equine Assisted Learning program. Join them for a walk around the property and some hands-on 'pony time'.

HIKE #: 19  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 11:00 AM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service  
LEADER: Lesley English  
LEADER BIO: Lesley has loved horses for as long as she can remember! She started riding at the age of 9 when her military father was stationed in West Africa, taking lessons with the local cavalry squadron. Lesley took a year off after high school to study for, and receive her British Horse Society Instructors certification. In the many, many years since she has competed in 3 Day Eventing as well as coached teams and individuals to competition level in equine sports as diverse as the Prince Philip Cup mounted games and Canadian Pony Club Tetrathlon. Over the years Lesley's coaching and training style has evolved to include elements of Natural Horsemanship and traditional methods along with her own common sense approach. She was thrilled when she was able to add Equine Assisted Learning Facilitator certification, from the best-in-class Dreamwinds Centre, to her credentials. Lesley is excited about her partnership with Abbey Gardens, facilitating EAL programming and raising awareness of Abbey Garden's critically endangered Lac La Croix Indigenous Ponies.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13 km. Turn right (east) on Hwy 118 and follow it approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive.(If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far). Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

### **Hal High Hike**

Students from the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School will take you on a hike around the forest at the school. Students will tell stories about the history of the property, complete a tree identification activity, and provide a small snack and tea break. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 1  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 11:00 am  
DURATION: 1 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, 5358 Haliburton County Road 21,  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Sam Little and the students on Haliburton Highlands Secondary School,  
LEADER BIO: Sam Little teaches Tourism and Hospitality and his students will create and lead this hike as a school project  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. The distance is 25 km with approximately 25 minutes of travel time. In Haliburton, the school is located at the west end of Head Lake. Meet in the parking behind the school in front of the gym building. GPS coordinates: N 45.0430, W 78.5233

### **FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 21**

#### **Dibaajimowinan of Algonquin Park**

Walk 11,000 years of Algonquin Park's unique cultural and natural history along the current and ancient shorelines of Rock Lake. You will hike through several different ecosystems, taking moments to pause overlooking beautiful vistas and learning the special significance of the landscape to the Algonquin people. Bring water and a snack. Ontario Parks permit is required and can be purchased at either the West or East gates, or at the Rock Lake Permit Office. Sturdy shoes are required. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly - on a leash.

HIKE #: 71  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 1:00 pm  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 5.1 km  
LOCATION: Trailhead of Booth's Rock Trail, Algonquin Provincial Park  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM# 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADER: Christine Luckasavitch  
LEADER BIO: Christine is an Algonquin Anishinaabekwe from Whitney, Ontario. The founder of Waaseyaa Consulting, an Indigenous culture and heritage consulting company, she is an archaeologist, explorer, historian and researcher. She is writing her first book, a history of Madaoueskarini Algonquins.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton head west on Hwy 118. turn right onto Hwy 35 north for 48 km. Turn right turn onto Hwy 60 E, follow for 62 km. Turn right onto Rock Lake Rd, stay on for 7 km. The destination will be on your left. From Minden follow directions from Hwy 35 North. GPS coordinates: N 45.5185, W 78.3998

### **E-bike and Hike**

Ride effortlessly on electric assisted bicycles along the Haliburton County Rail Trail, stopping for short hikes to explore historical ruins, the natural beauty of rivers, wetlands, wildflowers & native plants that grow along the trail. This tour takes you along the south end of the county, starting at the abandoned junction of the IB&O & Victoria rail. Suitable for adults and teens 16+. Everyone must wear a helmet. Bikes and helmets provided. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 95  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21  
**START TIME:** 1:00 PM  
**DURATION:** 3 hrs, 1 km  
**LOCATION:** 1225 Howland Junction Rd., Minden  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #** 6  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, water  
**LEADER:** Don Schlosser  
**LEADER BIO:** Don and his partner, Nicole Manary, are owners of Peddle Creek Tours and e-bike enthusiasts and dealers. The two have a keen interest in local history.  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden, head south on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto 121 towards Kinmount. Stay on Hwy 121 for 13 km. Turn left on Howland Junction Rd. Continue onto the last place on the left where the pavement ends. From Haliburton head West on Hwy 21 to Minden for approximately 24 km. Turn left on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto Hwy 121 towards Kinmount (and proceed with instructions above) The distance from Haliburton is approximately 44 km. From Minden is approximately 20 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8128, W 78.6516

### **Wild Woods Walk**

Join professional forester Thomas McCay for a tour of one of Haliburton Forest's most popular trails with stops to discuss forest ecology, forest management, and the balance between recreation, wildlife, and logging. We'll even stop at a woodland art gallery! Be sure to grab lunch at the Cookhouse after the hike. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly - on a leash.

**HIKE #:** 24  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21  
**START TIME:** 1:30 PM  
**DURATION:** 3 hrs, 5 km  
**LOCATION:** 1095 Redkenn Road. Meet at the Base Camp office of Haliburton Forest  
**RATING:** Moderate  
**MAXIMUM #** 20  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, water, beverages, food, shelter  
**LEADER:** Thomas McCay

**LEADERS BIO:** Thomas is a forester with Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, where he has been working since 2014. He believes deeply in the benefits that forest management can bring, and wants private land forestry in Haliburton County to be an ambassador for the possibilities of sustainable multi-use forest stewardship.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11 km. to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and stay to your left. Follow County Rd 7 to Redkenn Road, approximately 19 km. Turn left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32 km. From Minden take Highway 35 north to Carnarvon. Turn right onto Hwy 118 to West Guilford. Turn left onto County Rd 7 and proceed to route described above to Redkenn Road. The distance from Minden is approximately 47 km. GPS coordinates: N45.2216, W78.5933

### **Salamander Saunter**

Join Irene Heaven for a salamander walk at Abbey Gardens and see what lies beneath the forest floor! This casual stroll will introduce you to some of Haliburton's salamanders and their habitats. We will visit coverboard monitoring stations located along Abbey Gardens' trail system in search of these secretive amphibians. Join us as we have fun searching for these elusive creatures! Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dog, please.

**HIKE #:** 17

**DATE:** Friday, September 21

**START TIME:** 1:00 PM

**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 3.5 km

**LOCATION:** Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive

**RATING:** Moderate

**MAXIMUM #:** 20

**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service

**LEADER:** Irene Heaven

**LEADER BIO:** Irene is a wildlife biologist with extensive field experience nationally and internationally and has been involved in outdoor and environmental education for 18 years. Irene oversees the development and implementation of interpretive, educational programming for Abbey Gardens.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13 km, turn right (east) on Hwy 118 and follow it approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive. (If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far) Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

### **Stouffer Mill Strut**

Bring along your four-legged friends for a hike on a 136-acre forest property to explore neat natural places including a very large and active beaver pond. After the hike you will be treated to some goodies, refreshments, and a tour of the remarkable Stouffer Mill B&B. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 8+years. Dog friendly - on a leash please

**HIKE #:** 59

**DATE:** Friday, September 21

**START TIME:** 1:30 PM  
**DURATION:** 2.5 hrs, 4.5 km  
**LOCATION:** Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast, 17359 Highway 35, Algonquin Highlands  
**RATING:** Moderate  
**MAXIMUM #** 14  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, snacks  
**LEADERS:** Don & Jessie Pflug  
**LEADER BIOS:** Don & Jessie moved permanently to the Highlands in 1986 after spending 6 years as cottagers. After purchasing "Stouffer Mill" from Elgin Stouffer in 1989 they decided that this beautiful property had to be shared. In 1994 Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast opened and has since received guests from all over the world.  
**DIRECTIONS:** Take Highway 35 north from Carnarvon for approximately 9 km. Turn left on Stouffer Mill Rd. (17359 Highway 35). Stouffer Mill B&B (705-489-3024) is located at the end of Stouffer Mill Rd. Distance from Carnarvon is approximately 10 km. From Haliburton take Highway 118 West to Carnarvon and turn right onto Hwy 35 North for approximately 9 km. Turn left on Stouffer Mill Rd. Stouffer Mill B&B (705-489-3024) is located at the end of Stouffer Mill Rd. The distance from Carnarvon is approximately 10 km. The distance from Haliburton to Carnarvon is approximately 23km. GPS coordinates: N45.1077, W78.7637

### **Hidden Gems**

Experience one of Haliburton Highlands' most rewarding public mineral collecting destinations to find beautiful crystal specimens and colourful gemstones in the rough. We will visit the Schickler Occurrence for gemmy purple fluorite. There will be a short hike into the site, and lots of time for collecting. This is a collecting trip, and you will get dirty. Please dress accordingly – no open toed shoes. Please also bring gardening or work gloves, safety glasses, a trowel or other small digging implement(s), some old newspaper to wrap your samples, and sturdy bag or bucket to carry them in. And if you have them, a rock pick or bricklayer's hammer (a regular carpenter's hammer is not suitable for breaking rock), cold chisel (intended for masonry work), an old screwdriver or wooden chopsticks to get into small crevices and pry bar. A limited selection of basic tools will be available, but please bring what you can (if you can) to ensure there is enough for everyone. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 35  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21  
**START TIME:** 1:30 - 4:30 PM  
**DURATION:** 3 hours, 2 km  
**LOCATION:** Deep Roots Adventure Hub, 2307 Loop Road, Wilberforce  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #** 12  
**AMENITIES:** Parking  
**LEADER:** Michael Bainbridge  
**LEADER BIO:** Michael is a professional photographer who specializes in mineral specimen photography for museums and private collectors, and a lifelong mineral collector. Michael was the Recreational Geology Project Coordinator for the Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization.  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton, take Hwy 118 east, approximately 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Road (County

Rd 648), turn left. Follow 648 towards Harcourt; you will see Deep Root Adventure Hub on your left a short distance from the intersection. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24 km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the center of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also Highway 118. Follow Highway 118, approximately 19 km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left and follow instructions above GPS coordinates: N45.0391, W78.2234

### **Decades of Dysart**

A special hike in celebration of the 50th birthday of the Haliburton Highlands Museum! We'll start near the site of the museum's original downtown location then explore the changes that Haliburton Village has seen throughout the 20th century and tour the museum's current site in Glebe Park before returning downtown. Suitable for adults, teens and children age 10+. Dog friendly - on leash please.

HIKE #: 6  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 2:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION: Park Lane Apartments 1 Victoria Street Haliburton  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby) shelter  
LEADERS: Kate Butler and Andrea Mueller  
LEADER BIOS: Kate Butler, Director of the Haliburton Highlands Museum, has been working in the heritage and education sectors for over ten years. She loves to bring local history and folklore to life in new and innovative ways. Andrea Mueller is an outdoor enthusiast with a passion for hiking, camping and canoeing. For years Andrea worked as an outdoor educator and facilitated many experiences and now works as the Recreation Program Coordinator for the Municipality of Dysart  
DIRECTIONS: In Haliburton take Hwy 118 (Maple Street) west out of the village. Turn left at Victoria Street. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24 km. Turn left onto Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left) and continue as above directions. Distance from Minden is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.5185, W 78.3998

### **Way Back in Wilberforce - Part 2**

Join us for a heritage hike in the hamlet of Wilberforce. Step back in time when cows wandered the main street and the I.B.&O. railroad whistled through 3 days a week! Visit original homes and boarding houses, drop by the school where students have studied for 100+ years, learn about St. Margaret's Anglican Church past life, visit a genuine general store, and tour the first Red Cross Outpost Hospital in Ontario (now a National Historic Site). Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 34  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 2:00 pm

**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 1.5 km  
**LOCATION:** Red Cross Outpost Historic House, 2314 Loop Rd.  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #:** 25  
**AMENITIES:** Parking at St Margaret's Anglican Church, washrooms (on site), water, food  
**LEADER:** Cathy Agnew  
**LEADER BIO:** Cathy has lived in Wilberforce most of her life and works at Agnew's General Store, 3<sup>rd</sup> generation. Cathy is Past President of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild and enjoys the outdoors, biking and hiking.  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton, take Hwy 118 east, approximately 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left. St Margaret's Anglican Church is 200 meters from the intersection. The Red Cross Outpost is adjacent. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24 km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the center of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also Highway 118. Follow Highway 118, approximately 19 km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left. St Margaret's Anglican Church is 200 meters from the intersection. The Red Cross Outpost is adjacent. GPS coordinates: N45.0391, W78.2234

### **Uranium Boom, Bust and Rebirth**

Discover the importance uranium mining had on Haliburton County. You will explore the community of Cardiff and the historical sites related to the boom of the mid 1950's. From Cardiff you will walk along an original colonization route, the historic Monk Road, to the ore processing sites. Other points of interest include local flora and fauna, the original village pump house and Ontario's largest dragonfly sculpture. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

**HIKE #:** 44  
**DATE:** Friday, September 21  
**START TIME:** 3:00 pm  
**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 5 km  
**LOCATION:** Cardiff Country Store, 23233 Hwy 118, Cardiff  
**RATING:** Moderate  
**MAXIMUM #:** 15  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washroom, water/beverages, shelter, food  
**LEADER:** Steve Kauffeldt  
**LEADERS BIO:** Born and raised in Bancroft, Steve is a hiker, kayaker, and camper. Always eager to talk about his home, he has lived in Cardiff with his wife and kids for 14 years.  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Cardiff. The Cardiff General Store is at corner of Hwy 118 and Monck Rd. You will meet Cardiff Country Store parking lot. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 49 km, and from Minden approximately 75 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9925, W78.0153

### **Community of Hiking**

Walk your way through a world of art. Your journey starts with a stroll in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest to discover the treasures and stories of dozens of sculptures hidden in the woods. Come and see the most

recent installations. You will then roam the hallways of the Haliburton School of Art and Design to explore the new Centre for Making and the surprises that live there. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 14  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 3:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hours, 1 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Sculpture Forest, Glebe Park, Village of Haliburton  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 10  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter  
LEADER: Emily Stonehouse and Jim Blake  
LEADER BIO: Emily is an artist, dog mom, and bagpiper in Haliburton who spends her days working with Yours Outdoors and the Haliburton School of Art + Design. She pulls much of her inspiration during her regular adventures from the sculpture forest. Jim is a storyteller, animator and manager of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest. He is a very active member of the arts community in the Haliburton Highlands, wearing many hats and contributing greatly to the vitality of the community.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highland Street (County Rd. 21) towards Minden. Turn right on Industrial Park Rd (the dump road) and follow it 400 meters to College Drive, turn right and follow it to the Fleming College parking lot. Meet at the kiosk at the corner of the parking lot on the left. From Minden take County Road 21 to Haliburton. After the first set of lights (at the "Independent" grocery store) turn left on Industrial Park Road and continue as described above. The travel distance from Minden is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: N45.05154, W78.52186

### **SAR Safari**

Take a walk with a Botanigal to learn more about our local Species at Risk and their habitats. By definition they are not found in abundance but who knows we might get lucky! If not a SAR we will surely see neat natural things! This experience includes a wild tea tasting. Bring your camera and binoculars. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 54  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 3:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Historic Log Chute, 1584 Big Hawk Road (County Road 13)  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, outhouse  
LEADER: Rebecca Krawczyk aka Botanigal Ethnobotanist  
LEADER BIO: Rebecca Krawczyk is a botanist, herbalist, and ecologist. She is also owner/operator of Bark Native Plant Nursery & Botanicals.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 West to Carnarvon (approximately 25 km). Turn right onto Highway 35 heading north. Travel for approximately 11 km and turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3 km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel

another 3 km to #1584. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 42 km. From Minden take Highway 35 North for approximately 25 km. Turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3 km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3 km to #1584. GPS: coordinates W 78.7422, N 45.1425

### **Dog Gone It**

This is a trail adventure for you and your dog! You will be introduced to the dog assisted sports of Canicross or Scooter. If your dog likes to pull on the lead and is in good health it should love this activity. You should also be in good health! Canicross is walking running with your dog pulling. Dog and you will each wear harness and be attached together by a line with a bungee. Similar idea with the Scooter (give it a short try with or without your dog). If you have your own equipment bring it, or you can take a turn with the equipment that will be available for sharing. You will exploring the trails at Killara Station. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 11

DATE: Friday , September 21

START TIME: 4:00 PM

DURATION: 2 hrs, up to 3 km

LOCATION Killara Station, 5205 Gelert Road (County Road 1)

RATING: Moderate to Challenging

MAXIMUM #: 10

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter

LEADERS: Karen Koehler

LEADERS BIO: World class competitor Karen Koehler will be your instructor. Koehler has been teaching people how to do activities in the outdoors since 1997. She is a director of the Canadian Association of Harness Dog Sports, and president of the Ontario Federation of Sleddog sports (OFSS). She has instructed adults and youth at OFSS and FQMECA club events, and taught private lessons for OFSS. She helped bring the 2017 International Federation of Sleddog Sports, Winter World Championship, to Haliburton Ontario, where she competed and placed as top North American female in two events. She competed at the IFSS 2015 Dryland World Championships in Bristol QC. She also competed in IFSS World Championships in Germany, Alaska and Norway

DIRECTION: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to 5205 Gelert Road. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 10 km.. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Road (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Road to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn left and follow to 5205 Gelert Road. The distance from Minden is approximately 16 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9568, W78.5616

### **Ghost Walk (Minden)**

A costumed narrator will tell spooky tales of ghosts at sites in Haliburton Village, interspersed with bits of local history, both real and imagined. This hike is suitable for reduced mobility including wheelchairs, strollers, and carts. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Dog friendly - on leash.

HIKE #: 76

DATE: Friday, September 21

START TIME: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1.5 km  
LOCATION: River Cone, 119 Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, food services  
LEADER: Amy Brohm  
LEADER BIO: Amy Brohm is a community animator helping to bring live theatre and dance to Haliburton Highlands audiences. She has been an enthusiast of ghost stories and the macabre for her whole life. She is excited to be sharing some of these stories for Hike Haliburton.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Road 21 to Hwy 35, turn left onto 35 to Water Street (Canadian Tire entrance). Turn right on Water Street onto Bobcaygeon Rd (Minden's main street). River Cone is on the left just over the bridge. Travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9256, W 78.7258,

## **FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 22**

### **Koshlong Creek Hike**

Follow Koshlong Creek as it leaves Koshlong Lake and makes its way down a varied and interesting water course - around a large swamp, across waterfalls and end with some breathing exercises and meditation on scenic cliffs. Take in the beauty, bushwhack through some new places, and relax and "smell the roses". Proper hiking shoes and clear glasses an asset. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 9  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 5:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2.5 km  
LOCATION: Holness Yoga & Guest Suites, 1160 Koshlong Lake Rd., Donald.  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADERS: Mike and Gail Holness  
LEADER BIOS: Gail has been teaching yoga in Haliburton County since 2003. Mike has been teaching school in the area since 1999. They created Holness Yoga B&B so they could share their love of nature and teach people how to enjoy the benefits of a yoga lifestyle.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take South Lake Rd, turn left onto Gelert Road. (County Rd. 1). At Donald turn right onto Koshlong Lake Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd. (County Road) to Donald and turn left on Koshlong Lake Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 13 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9817, W78.5246

### **The Good Lovelies in Concert**

JUNO and four-time CFMA award winners, The Good Lovelies return once again to the Haliburton Highlands. Kerri Ough, Sue Passmore, and Caroline Brooks – immensely talented vocalists and songwriters in their own right; however, it's their voices interwoven in harmony – powerful and pure, organic and inspiring – that elevates the Good Lovelies from impressive to peerless. This concert is presented by the Haliburton County Folk Society.

EVENT #: B  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
LOCATION: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion  
TIME: 8:00 PM  
COST: \$30 for members and youth, \$35 for non-members, and \$40 at the door including HST.  
TICKETS: Available online at [www.haliburtonfolk.com](http://www.haliburtonfolk.com) or at The Source/Halco Electronics in Haliburton or Organic Times in Minden.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. The distance is 25 km with approximately 25 minutes of travel time. In Haliburton, the theatre is located at the west end of Head Lake. GPS coordinates: N45.0430, W78.5233

### **A Wild Night**

Explore the darkness of night through a number of fun activities that highlight the ways that night creatures survive and thrive in a world without light. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 92  
DATE: Friday, September 21  
START TIME: 8:00 PM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Dahl Forest, 1307 Geeza Rd  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM#: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: John Etches  
LEADER BIO: John is a geologist and environmental educator with over 30 years' experience and brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to his programs.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd. to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn right and follow to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529, W78.6167

## **SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 22**

### **Forest Bathing and Sunrise in the Redstone River Valley**

For the lovers of silence, stillness and early morning sunshine. We will meet before dawn (bring a flashlight just in case!) and savour the silence and sounds of early morning as we take a short and quiet hike to our look-out destination on this private property shared with Hike Haliburton for the first time. We will watch the sunrise and morning arrive in the valley. To celebrate the start of the new day we will enjoy some deep morning breaths and gentle stretches, followed by fresh coffee and tea in our hilltop 'Lotus Belle Cafe'. Bring a notebook and pen in case you feel inspired to write a poem, or sketch the scenery. After everyone is more fully awake we will have time to hike another 1.5 kms of trail through a mixed forest of pine, oaks and maples, eventually making our way back to the meeting point. Suitable for adults and teens 12+. No dogs

please.

HIKE #: 22  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 6:15 AM  
DURATION: 2.5hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: 1473 Binscarth Trail.  
RATING: Moderate - steep climb and descent on uneven terrain  
MAXIMUM # 12  
AMENITIES: none  
LEADER: Abby Hagerman and Greg Luck  
LEADER BIO: Abby is a Haliburton native, nature lover, yoga teacher and self-proclaimed 'Sunshine Devotee'. Greg spends most of his time playing music and building homes. He loves exploring this existence through travel, study and meditation. He still hasn't figured it all out, but he's getting closer all the time. Just married in June Abby and Greg are happy lead this hike on their own private property to share their favourite spot to enjoy a sunrise. Abby and Greg are the Canadian dealers for the very cool Lotus Belle Tents.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take HWY 118 West to Stanhope Airport Rd (approximately 16 km) Turn Right on Stanhope Airport road and follow until you get to Barry Line. Turn right onto Barry's Line and follow to Binscarth Trail, turn left and follow Binscarth to a fork in the road. Keep right at fork and follows to 1473. (don't go straight up the hill to the bell tower). From Minden take Hwy 35 North until it intersects with Hwy 118. Turn right onto Hwy 118 for approximately 11 km. Turn left on Stanhope Airport Road onto to Barry Line and follow to Binscarth, turn left and follow directions above. Distance from Haliburton is 17 km. Distance from Minden is 30 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1358, W 78.6314

### **Uranium Boom, Bust and Rebirth**

Discover the importance uranium mining had on Haliburton County. You will explore the community of Cardiff and the historical sites related to the boom of the mid 1950's. From Cardiff you will walk along an original colonization route, the historic Monk Road, to the ore processing sites. Other points of interest include local flora and fauna, the original village pump house and Ontario's largest dragonfly sculpture. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 44  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 8:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION Cardiff Country Store, 23233 Hwy 118, Cardiff  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, water/beverages, shelter, food  
LEADER: Steve Kauffeldt  
LEADERS BIO: Born and raised in Bancroft, Steve is a hiker, kayaker, and camper. Always eager to talk about his home, he has lived in Cardiff with his wife and kids for 14 years.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Cardiff. The Cardiff General Store is at corner of Hwy 118 and Monck Rd. You will meet Cardiff Country Store parking lot. The

travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 49 km, and from Minden approximately 75 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9925, W78.0153

### **The Devil Made Me Do It**

This full-day trek with Rob takes place along the wilderness section of the Ganaraska Trail through the Queen Elizabeth Wildlands (Moore Falls to Devil's Lake). The terrain in this section is rugged and challenging. All hikers must have sturdy-soled, closed-toe, hiking shoes/boots. Hiking poles are recommended. Bring a day pack with at least one litre of water (more if it's a warm day), a light lunch, snacks and suitable clothing. Spare dry socks are recommended as we will cross at least one beaver dam. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 82  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 8:30 am  
DURATION: 7 hrs, 19 km  
LOCATION: Ganaraska Trailhead at 1115 Devil's Lake Rd  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Rob Halupka  
LEADER BIO: An avid hiker and nature enthusiast, Rob also enjoys canoeing, fly fishing, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Rob has been spending quality time in the Minden area for some 17 years and is a big fan of the Haliburton Highlands.  
DIRECTIONS: Take Highway 35 to Minden, turn on Water Street and continue to the Bobcaygeon Road, approximately 1.5km. Turn right on Bobcaygeon Road over the bridge and continue to the first road on your left, Deep Bay Road (County Rd 2). Travel along Deep Bay Road for approximately 12 km to Devil's Lake Road. Turn right on Devil's Lake Road and travel .5 km to parking lot at the trailhead. We will carpool from there to the Moore Falls. The distance from Minden is approximately 13 km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 38 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8600, W78.8192

### **Paddle & Hike**

Now this is an adventure! You will put your canoe into Margaret Lake and paddle a series of small lakes and the Black River. There are several portages (or short hikes with a canoe on your head!). You will hike to a scenic waterfall on the Black River. Bring your own canoe, lunch and water. Rental canoes are available at the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails office at 20130 Hwy #35 North. Call 705-766-9033 to reserve a canoe. No kayaks unless you are able to carry over several portages. No paddling experience necessary. Pre-Registration is required. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 63  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 9:00 AM  
DURATION: 6 hrs, 12 km  
LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Highway #35 North  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM # 12

**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms  
**LEADER:** Val Bishop and Steve Thompson  
**LEADER BIO:** Val has spent the last 20 years working and playing in the outdoors. She is currently a full time professor at Fleming College in Lindsay where she teaches Outdoor and Adventure Education. Val has worked at many outdoor education facilities and run many team building workshops and women's weekends in the outdoors. Steve Thompson has been an avid outdoor enthusiast as well as an environmental educator for many years. He has had an active career with many agencies including the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources as a Conservation Officer in the Niagara region, Environmental Officer with Environment Canada in the Northwest Territories and also with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment in Timmins. In addition, he spent 28 years as a Professor and Coordinator of the Environmental Technology Program at Fleming College in Lindsay and retired in June 2015. Steve is an active cyclist, canoeist, and kayaker and has paddled in many areas in Ontario. As well, Steve has a passion for bird watching which has afforded him opportunities both here at home but also internationally including trips to Peru, Costa Rica, Belize, Great Britain, Australia, Mexico and the Caribbean.

**DIRECTIONS:** Located on Hwy 35 approx. 23 km north of Carnarvon and 16 km south of Dorset. Meet at the office of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (705-766-9033). The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 38 km. Meet at the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails office. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591 W 78.8448

### **In Search of Old Growth**

This Festival favourite is a trek into the Clear Lake Conservation Reserve and offers a rare opportunity to explore one of the few remaining stands of old growth white pine and hemlock left in Ontario. Take in panoramic views of Black Cat and Clear Lakes along the way. You will also visit Larry's Hunt Camp. Bring your lunch and water! Suitable for adults and teens. Dog Friendly.

**HIKE #:** 23  
**DATE:** Saturday, September 22  
**START TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**DURATION:** 5 hrs, 8 km  
**LOCATION:** West Shore Road, Kennisis Lake  
**RATING:** Challenging  
**MAXIMUM #** 30  
**AMENITIES:** Parking  
**LEADERS:** Larry Hewitt, Jim Redner  
**LEADER BIOS:** Larry was born and raised in Haliburton County and is the owner/operator of Hawk River Construction. He is a lifelong outdoorsman, a founding member of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails, and now current president of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. Jim is retired and active in the outdoors with hiking, skiing, and fishing.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take Hwy 118 to West Guilford. From there take County Road 7 to West Shore Drive, approximately 17 km. Turn left on West Shore Drive and travel 11km to Royal Mile Drive. Turn left and park in the lot. The travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 36 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 47 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.20774, W 78.67775

### **Gems Beneath Your Boots**

Haliburton rocks! This hike offers a tour of rare and common minerals. Come see undisturbed quartz, orthoclase, tremolite, apatite, actinolite and fluorrichterite on this extraordinary site. Find out how rocks and minerals below can influence the plants and trees above. This is a non-collecting tour. Cameras welcome, hammers are not. Closed toed shoes mandatory. Remember your water bottle! Suitable for adults, teens and children 6+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 29  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 9:00 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 3km  
LOCATION: Greenmantle Farm, 1984 Essonville Line, Wilberforce  
RATING: Moderate with some significant hill climbing  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water  
LEADER: Mark Bramham  
LEADER BIO: Mark Bramham and his wife, Sandra are retired educators with a passion for the land. The minerals are located on their property. Mark is a certified hike Leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east approximately 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Road 4). Turn left and continue for approximately 5 km. to Greenmantle Farm. The Farm is located 3 km west of Wilberforce. Travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 24 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 48 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0104, W 78.2481

### **Koshlong Creek Hike**

Follow Koshlong Creek as it leaves Koshlong Lake and makes its way down a varied and interesting water course - around a large swamp, across waterfalls and end with some breathing exercises and meditation on scenic cliffs. Take in the beauty, bushwhack through some new places, and relax and "smell the roses". Proper hiking shoes and clear glasses an asset. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 9  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 9:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2.5 km  
LOCATION: Holness Yoga & Guest Suites, 1160 Koshlong Lake Rd., Donald.  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADERS: Mike and Gail Holness  
LEADER BIOS: Gail has been teaching yoga in Haliburton County since 2003. Mike has been teaching school in the area since 1999. They created Holness Yoga B&B so they could share their love of nature and teach people how to enjoy the benefits of a yoga lifestyle.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden take South Lake Rd, turn left onto Gelert Road. (County Rd. 1). At Donald turn right onto Koshlong Lake Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd. (County Road) to Donald and turn left on Koshlong Lake Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 13 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9817, W78.5246

### **On Bonnie's Pond**

Believe it or not, Silent Lake Provincial Park is in Haliburton County. You will explore this gem of a park by hiking Bonnie's Pond Trail. This trail is perfect for the nature lover or explorer and your family will love it as you wind your way past many unique and interesting features in the northern portion of the park. There is a fantastic picnic area and beach at the day use area so bring a bathing suit and lunch, if you like. A day park permit is required and can be purchased online or at the park office upon arrival. Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly - on a leash please

**HIKE #:** 47  
**DATE:** Saturday, September 22  
**START TIME:** 9:30 AM  
**DURATION:** 3 hrs, 3 km  
**LOCATION:** Silent Lake Provincial Park  
**MAXIMUM #** 25  
**RATING:** Moderate  
**AMENITIES:** parking, washrooms, water, beach, camping  
**LEADER:** Ruby Mansfield  
**LEADERS BIO:** Ruby Mansfield, The Littlest Hike Leader, is 5 years old, and LOVES taking people on hikes and teaching them all about the forest. Her hike assistant/mom, Corina of Deep Roots Adventure, has been exploring the Haliburton Highlands since her childhood and has based her business on outdoor experiential education featuring the amazing landscapes of this area. Corina is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Highway 28. Turn right (south) on Highway 28 and drive approximately 11 km to the Silent Lake Provincial Park. Turn left and proceed to the park office to meet your leaders. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 61 km. From Minden travel to Haliburton via County Rd 21 and follow direction from Haliburton and described above. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 61 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712

### **Mayor's Meander**

There are natural treasures to be found in Snowdon Park. Snowdon Park is wetland and forest preserve established through the cooperation of the Township of Minden Hills and the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. A great opportunity for exercise and conversation with the Mayor of Minden Hills. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Dog friendly.

**HIKE #:** 87  
**DATE:** Saturday, September 23  
**START TIME:** 9:30 AM  
**DURATION:** 2.5 hrs, 5 km

LOCATION: Snowden Park, 1111 Snowdon Park Rd  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Brent Devolin  
LEADER BIO: Brent Devolin is the Mayor of the Township of Minden Hills and past Warden of the County of Haliburton. With a deep knowledge of both the private and public sectors, as well as decades as a resident of Minden Hills, Brent will bring a unique perspective to the Mayor's Meander  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Road (Cty Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Road (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approx. 12 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9190, W78.6453

### **Fish Afoot**

Participants will be given a tour of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association's Resource Centre with interpretive displays and then tour the fish hatchery followed by a hike on trails through the wetlands. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Persons with mobility challenges can tour the hatchery but not the trails. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 7  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association ,  
6712 Gelert Road , Haliburton  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom shelter  
LEADER: Mike Mardus  
LEADER BIO: Mike moved up to Haliburton after retiring from teaching in Mississauga. He has been an active member of the HHOA hatchery program since 2015 and involved in rehabilitating the trails that run through the HHOA property. He is an artist who use photography as a medium ([mardusmusings.com](http://mardusmusings.com)). His other interests include birding, hiking, astronomy, fishing and volunteering at Abbey Gardens.  
DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 35 in Minden take South Lake Rd/County Rd 16 and follow for 7.5 km, turn left onto Gelert Rd/County Rd 1. Follow Cty. Rd. 1 for 14.5 km . The HHOA Fish Hatchery will be on your right. Distance from Minden is 23 km and travel time is 21 min. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd/County Rd 1 for 3.5 km; the hatchery is on your left. Travel time is 4 minutes. GPS coordinates: N45.0200 W78.5367

### **Finding Harburn Wells**

Somewhere off the Harburn Road there is a unique geological phenomenon called the Harburn Wells. Many people have asked about it; very few have been there. Join geologist and adventurer, John Etches in search of this neat natural place. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 15  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 9:30 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Across road from Camp Gan Israel on the Harburn Road  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: John Etches  
LEADER BIO: John is a geologist and environmental educator with 30 years of experience and brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to his programs.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Harburn Road, approximately 2km. Turn right and follow Harburn Rd. for approx. 13 km to the beginning of the Peterson Trail across from Camp Gan Israel. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 18km. From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Turn left at the lights at Highway 118/Maple Street in Haliburton (CIBC on your left), and follow to Harburn Road and continue as described above. The distance from Minden is approximately 44 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1166, W78.4660

### **Winding through Whip-Poor-Will**

Explore Whip-Poor-Will Farm and Forest with Cheryl Bathe for a brisk hike through mixed forest, meadows, wetlands and remnants of past pioneer activity. An opportunity for birding and wildlife sightings. Please bring packed lunch and water. Appropriate footwear for varied terrain. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 90  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 4 hours, 9 km  
LOCATION: 1425 Francis Rd. Minden  
RATING: Challenging  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter, water  
LEADER: Cheryl & Eleanor Bathe  
LEADER BIO: This mother and daughter team have lived in Haliburton County since May 1982. They have a keen interest in the natural and cultural heritage of the area. Eleanor is a professional photographer. Cheryl is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario)  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (Cty Rd. 1) to Gelert, turn left onto Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd and follow to the end. Distance from Haliburton is 22 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right to Gelert. In Gelert turn left on to Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd. Distance from Minden is 14 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8971, W78.5946

### **Sir Sam's Hill of History**

Hike on the property once owned by Sir Sam Hughes (Minister of Militia in WW1). This 6 km trail will

take you through hardwood forest and mature apple orchards to some of the most breathtaking views in the Highlands over Eagle Lake and Moose Lake. Along the way you will learn the history of the area and hear the stories of the Bishop family who purchased the property in 1965. Suitable for adults and youth. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 16  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 6 km  
LOCATION: Sir Sam's Ski & Ride, 1054 Liswood Road 705-754-2298  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM #: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter, food and beverage service  
LEADER: Chris Bishop  
LEADERS BIO: Chris Bishop is a lifetime resident of the Haliburton Highlands and owner of Sir Sam's Ski and Ride.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east approximately 5km. to County Road 14 Turn right and proceed to the village of Eagle Lake, approximately 9km. Turn right on Sir Sam's Road, and follow it to the hill. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 17 km. From Minden, follow Highway 35 north to Carnarvon, and turn right onto Highway 118. At West Guilford turn left onto County Road #7 and stay right on County Road #6. Follow #6 to the town of Eagle Lake. Go over County Road #14, past the beach on the left and up the hill to Sir Sam's Road and turn left. The distance from Minden is approximately 40 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1301, W78.4817

### **Walk with Peter**

Take a walk with Peter Dahl through the trails of Dahl Forest. In 2009 Peter and his family donated the Dahl Forest to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. Peter will reflect upon his reasons for doing so and histories of forest stewardship and the transformation of abandoned farmland into natural ecosystems over the last 60 years. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly

HIKE #: 93  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION: Dahl Forest  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADERS: Peter Dahl  
LEADER BIO: Peter grew up in Lindsay and as a child spent most weekends and holidays at 'Dahl Forest Farms' as it was then called. He helped his father, who was an engineer and businessman, to remove old fencing, build trails and plant over 100,000 trees. Throughout his life Peter has watched the land evolve from barren fields to a rich forest ecology.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn

left/west on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd. to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn right and follow to Geeza Rd just south of Gelert. Turn left/east on Geeza Road and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529 W78.6167

### **Beyond the Gardens**

Take a hike from the Food Hub at Abbey Gardens through the gardens, along the Transition Trail and into the forest to explore. This hike will involve diverse and some hilly terrain, and there may be even a few wet spots along the way. Before or after the hike, stick around for a local treat in the Food Hub or a tasty micro-brew at Haliburton Highlands Brewing. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 10+.

Dogs friendly - on leash please.

HIKE #: 18  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 4 km  
LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service  
LEADER: Heather Reid  
LEADER BIO: Heather is the Operations Director at Abbey Gardens. She is an outdoor enthusiast and an experienced hike leader.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon (approx 13 km), turn right (east) on Hwy 118 Follow HWY 118 approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive. (If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far). Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

### **Through the Eyes of A.J.**

Group of Seven member A.J. Casson painted many scenes of Oxtongue Lake while he vacationed at Blue Spruce Resort. It is known that A.J. Casson, Tom Thomson and other iconic Canadian artists also painted scenes in the area. This hike will explore easily accessible sites to view vistas painted by Casson and compare them to the painting. Suitable for adults, teens, children and individuals in wheelchairs. Dog friendly

HIKE #: 68  
DATE: Saturday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Oxtongue Lake Community Centre, 3979 Highway 60, Oxtongue Lake. Hike will end at Algonquin Outfitters in Oxtongue Lake, approx 2 km from start. A free shuttle will be provided for drivers to retrieve vehicles.  
RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 18  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby)  
LEADERS: Gordon Baker and Janine Marson  
LEADER BIOS: Gord is the assistant General Manager of Algonquin Outfitters and has been working at AO for 20 years. He is an avid hiker, mountain biker, skier, paddler and snowshoer. Janine is a well-known local artist who grew up in Oxtongue Lake and was inspired to become a painter after meeting AJ Casson when she was a child.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden travel north on Hwy 35 to the "T" intersection at Highway 60, approximately 68 km. Turn right onto Highway 60, and drive east approximately 7km. From Minden, the distance is approximately 77 km. From Haliburton take Highway 118 west to Carnarvon, approximately 24 kms and turn right onto Hwy 35 north to the "T" intersection at Highway 60, approximately 52km. Turn right onto Hwy 60 and continues as above. From Haliburton the distance is approximately 86 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.3654, W 78.9286

### **Fungophile Foray**

A leisurely hike with Nicholas Wowk along the Ganaraska Trail to learn about and discover edible wild mushrooms of the area. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 97  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: 4420 Monck Rd at Somerville Tract parking lot located between Norland and Kinmount, on the south side of the County Rd 45.  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
RATING: Moderate (with some rough and steep sections)  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (outhouse)  
LEADER: Nicholas Wowk  
LEADERS BIO: An avid outdoorsman, Nicholas moved to Algonquin Highlands a few years ago to embrace the wilderness he so dearly loves. Experienced in Hiking, Backcountry Camping, Fishing, and, yes, Wild Edible Mushrooms. Nick is not a professional mycologist but was taught from a young age what mushrooms can be eaten, and furthered that knowledge through the years to be able to accurately identify most common edible varieties... as well as what not to eat. The Golden Rule: if you are not 100% sure, don't eat it.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton turn left/west onto Gelert Rd/Haliburton County Rd 1 (signs for County Road 1/Donald/Lochlin). Follow for 31.7 km and then turn left onto Haliburton County Rd 121 S and follow 7.5 km and then turn right onto Monck Rd/Kawartha Lakes County Rd 45. Distance from Haliburton is 46 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 south to Haliburton County Rd 121 S (signs for County Road 121/Kinmount). Follow for 15.5 km to Monck Rd/Kawartha Lakes County Rd 45 and turn right and follow to 4420 Monck Rd (Norland) GPS Coordinates: N 44.7570,W 78.7005

### **Explore Fresh**

You will explore Killara Station starting with a tour through our organic gardens, meet our animals, hike the hills to our historic sugar shack, take in the view over Pocket Lake and then back to the farm to collect eggs and give the animals a treat. This is a working farm so please have your dog on a leash as the chickens don't like to be chased. If you would like to feed the animals feel free to bring apples or carrots.

Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly - on a leash.

HIKE #: 12  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3.5 km  
LOCATION: Fresh at Killara Station, 5205 Gelert Road (County Road 1)  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter  
LEADERS: Susan MacDonald  
LEADERS BIO: Susan grew up in Haliburton. She is a well known artist, dog trainer and lover of animals and nature. Sue's goal is to grow local produce and to share not only the produce but the farming experience with the wider community.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County Rd. 1) to 5205 Gelert Road. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 10 km, an 8-minute drive. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Road (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Road to the "T" intersection at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn left and follow to 5205 Gelert Road. The distance from Minden is approximately 16 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9568, W78.5616

### **Into Sucker Lake**

Check out this charming walking trail near Wilberforce. It is a short spur trail which connects to the Prospector Trail and traverses a portion of the forested I B & O rail trail, then branches off to follow a small ridge beside a stream, and ends at a pristine lake. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 7 years +. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 37  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 am  
DURATION: 1.5 hour, 2 km  
LOCATION: Loop Road on northern edge of Wilberforce, just north of the intersection of Loop Road and Tall Pine Road. Park on Loop Road between the orange cones.  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, and washrooms, shelter, food, water/beverage nearby  
LEADER: Joanne Vanier  
LEADER BIO: Joanne has lived in the area for 27 years and developed her love of the local trails through geocaching. She works for the Municipality of Highlands East as Community Economic Development and Committee Coordinator and volunteers with the Wilberforce Fair when she's not on the trails maintaining the many caches in the Geocaching Capital of Canada.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east approximately 19 km to Essonville Line (Cty Rd 4). Turn left and follow it to Loop Rd and turn left onto Loop Rd (Cty Rd 648) for 3 km, past Tall Pine Rd. on the right side. Park between the orange cones. The distance from Haliburton is approx. 30km. From Minden follow Hwy 35 North and turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also highway 118. Turn right onto highway 118 East approximately 19 km to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow it to

the “T” intersection and turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) for 3 km, past Tall Pine Rd. on the right side. Park between the orange cones. The distance from Minden is approximately 55km. GPS coordinates: N45.0585, W78.2069

### **A Story Walk - Over on the Farm**

“Over on the Farm” by Marianne Berkes, places this beloved children’s story along the path behind the Dysart Library at Head Lake Park. The walk encourages healthy activity for both adults and children while incorporating the love of books and interactive fun along the way. Come anytime between 10:00 am – 12:00 pm to participate. Family friendly. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 2  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 0.5 km  
LOCATION: Behind the Dysart Public Library (Head Lake Park)  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADER: Brenda Duncan  
LEADER BIO: Brenda, through the Early ON Child and Family Centre, has been offering a wide range of programming for children and adults for over 20 years. She looks forward to introducing a StoryWalk to all families with young children at the Hike Haliburton Festival. StoryWalk creator is Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT.  
DIRECTIONS: In Haliburton you will find the library at 78 Maple Ave, Haliburton From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Turn left onto Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left). Shortly after turn and past York Street you will find the library on your left. Distance from Minden is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0473, W 78.5093

### **Walking the Chute**

Take a short scenic walk along the selection of shore off the Kennisis River home to Ontario’s only historic full sized wooden log chute. Haliburton County’s heritage includes a robust logging industry. The Hawk Lake Log Chute is a man-made wooden trough, built in the late 1800’s, and used regularly until the 1930’s to transport logs over rough waterways. Though there were thousands of such chutes around Ontario, this is now the last of its kind. With the guidance of a volunteer from the Stanhope Museum, we’ll take a tour of the Chute, and hike the surrounding trails. Dress for the weather, bring your camera, and pack a picnic lunch if you like. There are tables available near the riverside. Suitable for adults, teens and children 12+. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 55  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 am  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 0.5 km  
LOCATION: Historic Log Chute, 1584 Big Hawk Road (County Road 13)  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 30

AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Bill Forbes, Stanhope Heritage Discovery Museum  
LEADER BIO: Bill is a former educator, a member of the Stanhope Museum Committee, and 2018 is his 20th year as a museum host.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 West to Carnarvon (approximately 25 km). Turn right onto Highway 35 heading north. Travel for approximately 11 km and turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3 km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3 km to #1584. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 42 km. From Minden take Highway 35 North for approximately 25 km. Turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3 km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3 km to #1584. GPS: coordinates N45.1425, W78.7422,

### **Bedrock Botanicals**

Walk with Rebecca to discover the lore and historical uses of the plants you will find along the forest trail. This adventure also includes a Wild Tea Taste Test. Bring your binoculars and we may get some birding in as well. Check out Rebecca's website at [www.botanigal.com](http://www.botanigal.com). No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 60  
DATE: Saturday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 am  
DURATION: 2.5 hrs. 2 km  
LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy #35 North  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 12  
AMENITIES: Parking, site washroom, water/beverage  
LEADER: Rebecca Krawczyk aka Botanigal Ethnobotanist  
LEADER BIO: Rebecca Krawczyk is a botanist, herbalist, and ecologist. She is also owner/operator of Bark Native Plant Nursery & Botanicals.  
DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approx. 23 km north of Carnarvon and 16 km south of Dorset. Meet at the office of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (705-766-9033). The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47km. The distance from Minden is approximately 38km. Meet at the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails office. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

### **Backpacking with the Happy Camper**

This mobile workshop will cover tips and tricks on skills needed for a multi-night backpacking trip. Kevin will show how to make a good meal on the trail, necessary gear needed to pack along, how to stay warm and dry, navigation, keeping your pack light, dealing with emergencies, and other tips and tricks on making your next backpacking trip a good one. You will be hiking the Byers Lake Mountain Bike trail and visiting the Gut Spur Rapids. Prior to the hike participants will have to purchase an Algonquin Park day use permit at Pine Grove Point. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 42

DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:30 am  
DURATION: 4 hours, 13 km  
LOCATION: High Falls Trail/Byers Lake Mountain Bike Trail  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Kevin Callan  
LEADER BIO: Kevin (aka The Happy Camper) is the author of 17 books; his latest being Top 60 Canoe Routes of Ontario. He is an award winning filmmaker and a keynote speaker at outdoor events across North America. Kevin is also a regular guest on several television morning shows and CBC Radio. He has won several writing awards, writes a column for Paddling Magazine and Explore Magazine. Check out his web site at [www.kevincallan.com](http://www.kevincallan.com) and YouTube channel KCHappyCamper.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Essonville Line (County Rd 4) and follow the Essonville Line to Wilberforce, turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and travel to Harcourt. Two km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approx. 12km. Pine Grove Point is on the right hand side, and access to the trailhead is just ahead on the left. Travel distance from Haliburton is 49 km. Travel distance from Minden is approximately 75 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.2063, W 78.1563

### **Irondale's Mine Tour**

Start your journey into the past at the historic and unique Irondale Church. Armed with photos and stories guide George will introduce you to the various snippets of Irondale's colourful history. Follow George through the bush – literally through the bush – to see and hear more of the area's history. You may wish to arm yourself with bug spray and/or bug jackets. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 26  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:30 AM  
DURATION: 2.5 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Irondale's Heritage Church, 1019 Elm Rd.  
RATING: Easy with a steep climb and walk through a wooded area  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (on site), bottled water, shelter  
LEADERS: George Simmons  
LEADERS BIO: George, a 4th generation of two original settler families is Irondale's historian. He has also served as municipal councillor and Warden of Haliburton County.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 East. Turn right onto Glamorgan Road (County Rd 3). Follow to the "T" intersection and turn right onto County Rd 503. Turn left onto Irondale Rd (the second entrance - approximately 6.5km). At the T intersection, turn right and then left onto Elm Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 35 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 South approximately 3.5km, turn left onto County Rd 121 and follow to Kinmount and turn left onto County Rd 503, approximately 19 km. Turn

right onto Irondale Rd. At the T intersection, turn right and then left onto Elm Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 37 km. GPS coordinates: W 78.5202, N 44.8706

### **A Walk with Wunker**

Many of us have driven by Miners' Bay Lodge with curiosity. Satisfy that sense of wonder with a walk with Russ Wunker, the very engaging and knowledgeable lifelong resident of the lodge. You will stroll along the Old Cameron Road (circa 1867), the forerunner of Highway 35, through a sugar bush and onto four unique views of Gull Lake. You will also see the impact of a recent storm. Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 83  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:30 AM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1.6km  
LOCATION: Miners' Bay Lodge, 9718 Hwy 35, Minden  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water  
LEADER: Russ Wunker  
LEADER BIO: Russ came to Miners' Bay Lodge when he was 5 days old in 1947. In 1912, his mother's family rented the farm that became the Bay View Inn. His father's family purchased the property in 1938 and renamed it Miners' Bay Lodge. Russ attended high school in Haliburton, went to college in New York and Florida, taught history and worked in government and politics until 1988 and has been an owner and a lifelong resident of the lodge  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 south to Miners' Bay Lodge which will be on your left. The distance from Minden is approximately 15 km. From Haliburton take County Road 21 to Minden. Turn south/left on Hwy 35 and follow for 15 km to Miners' Bay Lodge. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 39 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8197, W 78.7769

### **Family Harvest Festival**

Head down to Irondale for a fun and informative visit. There will be vendors, food, games for children, gardens and explore history with various tours.

EVENT #: C  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
TIME: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
LOCATION: 1019 Elm Rd, Irondale – historic Church property  
COST: Free  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 East. Turn right onto Glamorgan Road (County Rd 3). Follow to the "T" intersection and turn right onto County Rd 503. Turn left onto Irondale Rd (the second entrance - approximately 6.5km). At the T intersection, turn right and then left onto Elm Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approx. 35 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 South approximately 3.5km, turn left onto County Rd 121 and

follow to Kinmount and turn left onto County Rd 503, approximately 19 km. Turn right onto Irondale Rd. At the intersection, turn right and then left onto Elm Rd. The distance from Minden is approx. 37 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8706, W78.5202,

## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 22**

### **Gettin' Wild with Wayne**

Explore Wayne's wilderness..... 350 acres that he owns around Claypack Lake. Hike a series of trails to discover a variety of habitats, heron rookery, scenic lookouts, babbling brooks, pasture lands, and a maple syrup operation. You will also gain insights into how this property is managed under the Ontario Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program. Suitable for adults and youth. Dog friendly - on leash

HIKE #: 21  
DATE: Saturday, September 23  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION: 1067 Binscarth Trail off the Barry Line near West Guilford  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM#: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Wayne Krangle  
LEADERS BIO: Wayne has enjoyed recreational opportunities in the Haliburton Highlands for over 50 years, first as a camper and staff member at Camp Kandalore and later as cottager and landowner.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Highway 35 north approximately 13km. to Highway 118 and turn right to West Guilford, approximately 13km. From Haliburton take Highway 118 west approximately 11km. to West Guilford. Follow County Rd # 7 (Kennisis Lake Road) 2km. to the Barry Line Rd. Turn left and continue until you cross the bridge over the Redstone River. Immediately after the bridge turn right on Binscarth Trail to 1067. Turn left at gate and continue along this cottage road until you pass through another gate and see a garage on the right. The distance from Minden is approximately 29 km and 15 km from Haliburton. GPS coordinates: N 45.13113, W 78. 62725

### **E-bike and Hike**

Ride effortlessly on electric assisted bicycles along the Haliburton County Rail Trail, stopping for short hikes to explore historical ruins, the natural beauty of rivers, wetlands, wildflowers & native plants that grow along the trail. This tour takes you along the south end of the county, starting at the abandoned junction of the IB&O & Victoria rail. Everyone must wear a helmet. Bikes and helmets provided Suitable for adults and teens 16 and up. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 95  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: 1225 Howland Junction Rd., Minden

RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 6  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water  
LEADER: Don Schlosser  
LEADER BIO: Don and his partner, Nicole Manary, are owners of Peddle Creek Tours and e-bike enthusiasts and dealer. The two have a keen interest in local history.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden head South on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto 121 towards Kinmount. Stay on Hwy 121 for 13 km. Turn left on Howland Junction Rd. Continue onto the last place on the left where the pavement ends. From Haliburton head West on County Rd 21 to Minden for approximately 24 km. Turn left on Hwy 35 for approximately 6 km. Turn left onto County Rd 121 towards Kinmount (and proceed with instructions above) The distance from Haliburton is approximately 44 km. From Minden is approximately 20 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8128, W 78.6516

### **Chasing Waterfalls - Part 1**

Water, water everywhere! Haliburton Highlands is blessed to have 600 lakes, several rivers and countless ponds and streams and water that is on the move over the rugged landscapes. This road tour will take you to several waterfalls and rapids in the northwest part of the County. You will follow the hike leader to several locations to go for short hikes to view the glory of falling water. Possible stops include Ragged Falls, Marsh's Falls and the Hawk Lake Log Chute. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 70  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Ragged Falls Provincial Park between Oxtongue Lake and Algonquin Park  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby)  
LEADER: Joleen Thomas  
LEADER BIO: Joleen is an avid outdoor enthusiast on the trails and the water. This active super mom with the best smile ever will help you discover the waterfalls of the Haliburton Highlands. Joleen is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden travel north on Hwy 35 to the "T" intersection at Highway 60, approximately 68 km. Turn right onto Highway 60, and drive east approximately 12 km. The park is on your left. The distance is approximately 88 km and a 60 minute drive. From Haliburton take Highway 118 west to Carnarvon, approximately 24 km and turn right onto Hwy 35 north to the "T" intersection at Highway 60, approximately 52km. Turn right onto Hwy 60 and continues as above. From Haliburton the distance is approximately 84 km and a 70 min drive. GPS coordinates: N 45.3879, W 78.9065

### **Hiking the Marathon**

Someone has been busy developing trails. Join Jim for a jaunt on the network of interconnecting trails on his property that borders Marathon Drive. See evidence of century old lot lines and wonder about the hardships of homesteading on this land, hundreds of years ago. Suitable for adults, teens

and children. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 85  
DATE: Saturday, September 23  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hours, 5 km  
LOCATION: 1377 Ingoldsby Road  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 35  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water/ beverage  
LEADER: Jim Aston  
LEADER BIO: The Aston family has developed 7 km of interconnected trails as a means of introducing people to the wonderful and rugged beauty of the Haliburton Highlands . Jim is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow the Gelert Rd (County Rd 1) for approximately 4 km to Kashagawigamog Lake Rd (County Rd 18). Turn right and proceed until you reach the Ingoldsby Rd on your left, a further 11 km. Turn left and take the Ingoldsby Rd South, for 2 km to 1377 Ingoldsby Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 17km. From Minden take Hwy 35 North to County Rd 21. Turn right and proceed on County Rd 21 for approximately 7km. Turn right onto Kashagawigamog Lake Rd and proceed for 1.5km to the Ingoldsby Rd. Turn right (south) on the Ingoldsby Rd , for approximately 2 kms to 1377 Ingoldsby Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 13 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9450, W 78.6268

### **A Walk on the Farr Side**

Join us on an easy walking trail in Wilberforce along a former section of highway on a scenic forested path that ends at a beaver pond. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Dog friendly - on leash

HIKE #: 30  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 1:00 PM  
DURATION: 1 hour, 1.5 km  
LOCATION: Intersection of County Rd 4 and Farr Raid  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, and washrooms, shelter, food, water/beverage nearby  
LEADER: Joanne Vanier  
LEADER BIO: Joanne has lived in the area for 27 years and developed her love of the local trails through geocaching. She works for the Municipality of Highlands East as Community Economic Development and Committee Coordinator and volunteers with the Wilberforce Fair when she's not on the trails maintaining the many caches in the Geocaching Capital of Canada.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east approximately 19 km to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow it 5.5 km to Farr Rd and turn right approximately 2.4 km to the trailhead. From Gooderham take County Rd 503 to Tory Hill. Turn right onto Hwy 118 then keep straight onto Loop Rd for 7.3 km to Farr Rd. Turn left on Farr Rd. 400m. The distance from Haliburton is approx 21 km. From Minden follow Hwy 35 North and turn

right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 26 km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also highway 118. Turn right onto highway 118 East approximately 16 km to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow it to the "T" intersection and turn left onto Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and Tall Pine Rd is 1.5km on the right side. The distance from Minden is approximately 55km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0151, W 78.2181

### **Circuit of 5 Viewpoints**

This hike rolls along two ridges with several dips down into the valley. This hike is best appreciated in the autumn and provides fantastic photographic opportunities. We will take our time and provide lots chances to nurture the photographic muse! Suitable for adults , teens and older children. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 58  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
TIME: 2:00 PM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 6 km  
LOCATION: 2029 Little Hawk Rd.  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom on site  
LEADER: J Bruce Walton  
LEADER BIO: Bruce has been exploring the Algonquin highlands and surrounding area since he first attended the Haliburton Scout Reserve as a young boy. Returning many times, year round, to hike, paddle, xc ski and snowshoe with his own family he loves to just wander to see what there is to see. Now with a rustic cabin base along the Kennisis River, he can access this trail system right outside his back door. Bruce has been taking photos for many years and the highlands are one of his favourite places to explore with his camera. He hopes others will bring along their cameras to share in the opportunity to capture a piece of the highlands in image and memory.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon; turn right on Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden Take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

### **Highland Hill Walking**

Join Andrew the Pipe Major of the Haliburton Highlanders for a lovely hike along the Lakeshore Trail of Silent Lake Provincial Park. Travel along a scenic path with an occasional stops to learn about the flora, fauna, history of the area, and to hear the bagpipes! It is a rare treat to hear them over a lake! Wear your kilt if you have one! A day use park permit will need to be purchased at park office or gate. Suitable for adults , teens and children. Dog friendly - on leash.

HIKE #: 46  
DATE: Saturday, September 22

START TIME: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Silent Lake Provincial Park  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water  
LEADER: Andrew Mansfield  
LEADER BIO: Andrew is an engineer, Pipe Major of the Haliburton Highlanders and a great dad.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Highway 28. Turn right (south) on Highway 28 and drive approximately 11 km to the Silent Lake Provincial Park. Turn left and proceed to the park office to meet your leaders. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 61 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712

### **Fungi: Forest Friends or Foes?**

Hike the Brenda Ann Chambers Trail with naturalist Pat Burchell from the Mycological Society of Toronto. Learn about the role of mushrooms and other fungi in forest ecology. Discover which fungi are essential to the health of the forest and which are harmful to the trees. Pat will also identify common edible and poisonous mushrooms found. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. No dogs please

HIKE #: 88  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 2:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Snowdon Park, 1111 Snowdon Park Rd  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
RATING: Easy  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (outhouse)  
LEADER: Pat Burchell  
LEADERS BIO: Pat is an amateur naturalist with a special interest in mushrooms and other fungi. A retired teacher and librarian with a cottage on Canning, she is a Past President of the Mycological Society of Toronto and is currently Chair of the MST Education Committee.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Road (Cty Rd. 1) to Snowden Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Road (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approx. 12 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9190, W78.6453

### **Cow Paths and Deer Runs**

This hike invites the participants to enjoy the pathways of the farm animals on cow paths and the wild deer trails across the rolling hills of Waverley Brook Farm. The logging trails are the main road way with smaller trails that crisscross this more than century old farm. Various activities and impacts will be observed while traversing this operating four season dynamic landscape. This is a four seasons bio-dynamic working farm that practices sustainable logging, maple syrup, livestock and home garden productions. This hike is co sponsored by EH (Environment Haliburton) as we share the care of the land as well as learn from the healing of the land. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please

HIKE #: 8  
 DATE: Saturday, September 22  
 START TIME: 2:00 pm  
 DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
 LOCATION: Waverly Brook Farms, 1632 Old Donald Road  
 RATING: Easy  
 MAXIMUM #: 30  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food/water, shelter  
 LEADERS: Godfrey & Jean Tyler  
 LEADERS BIO: Godfrey Tyler is the fourth generation to live on Waverley Brook Farm. His agricultural and forestry experience as well as his story telling of local folklore is legendary (in the family). He can speak knowledgeably about local forestry and agricultural practices. Jean Tyler has 24 years of bio-dynamic community gardening experience and is a certified Hike Leader.  
 DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Road (County Rd. 1) to Old Donald Road. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 4 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Road (County. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Road to the "T" intersection at Gelert Road (County. Rd 1). Turn left and follow to Old Donald Road. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0048, W 78.5440

### The Fault Line

Landscapes affect us in many important ways, including how and where we live. This hike with a geologist will reveal the geomorphological features typical of the Haliburton Highlands and the forces that shaped them and the impacts on human activity. There are stories to be told. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 64  
 DATE: Saturday, September 22  
 START TIME: 2:00 PM  
 DURATION: 2.5 hrs, 3.5 km  
 LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy #35 North  
 RATING: Moderate  
 MAXIMUM #: 30  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, snacks and beverages available  
 LEADER: John Etches  
 LEADER BIO: John is a geologist and environmental educator with over 30 years experience, who brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to his programs.  
 DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approx. 23 km north of Carnarvon and 16 km south of Dorset. Meet at the office of the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (705-766-9033). The distance from Haliburton is approximately 47 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 38 km. Meet at the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails office. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591. W 78.8448

### **Good for What Ales You**

Hiking is thirsty business! Join us for a beer tasting after an invigorating hike. The hike starts at the Alven Ferguson Trailhead, where we will traverse along the granite cliffs through the forests, enjoying several energizing climbs and many interesting views. We will join the James Cooper Lookout Trail leading to the locally famed lookout which provides a sweeping panorama of several local lakes and an overview of the Stanhope area. After the hike, participants are invited to meet at the Boshkung Brewing Company, an award-winning local microbrewery, to sample their flagship brands and special seasonal selections. The brewery is located in the lower level of Rhubarb Restaurant, home to fine dining in Carnarvon. If you would like to stay for dinner, please make reservations well in advance. Bring snacks and beverage. Suitable for adults in good walking shoes. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 53  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 2:30 PM  
DURATION: 2.5 hrs, 4.5 km  
LOCATION: End of McPhail Road off North Shore Road at Trailhead and parking across from the Maple Lake landfill site.  
RATING: Moderate with some significant hill climbing  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby)  
MAXIMUM # 30  
LEADER: Susan Rivett  
LEADER BIO: Susan was a cottager since 1984 and is now permanent resident of Haliburton County. She is an avid downhill & XC skier, snowshoer, hiker, paddler, dragon boater and cyclist. Board Member of Haliburton Trekkers and Haliburton Real Easy Ryders. Completed 10 km runs, a half marathon and 100 km bikeathon. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario)  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 West, approximately 19 km, and turn right onto St. Peter's Road. Follow to the end, approximately 2 km and turn left onto North Shore Rd. Follow and turn right onto McPhail Rd. Meet at end of McPhail Rd across from the Maple Lake landfill site. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 22 km. From Minden, travel North on Highway 35 approximately 19 km and turn right onto the North Shore Road and follow. Turn left onto McPhail Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 23 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0949, W 78.7009

### **Three Lakes Trek**

Explore the environs of the venerable Miners' Bay Lodge. Your journey will reveal the history and natural features of the area. Along wetlands and through mature hardwood forests and stands of white pine you will have views of three lakes. You will also see the impact of a recent storm. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 10 +. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 84  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 2:30 PM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 2.5 km  
LOCATION: Miners' Bay Lodge, 9718 Hwy 35, Haliburton (705) 286-2978  
RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM # 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water.  
LEADER: Russ Wunker  
LEADER BIO: Russ came to Miners' Bay Lodge when he was 5 days old in 1947. In 1912, his mother's family rented the farm that became the Bay View Inn. His father's family purchased the property in 1938 and renamed it Miners' Bay Lodge. Russ attended high school in Haliburton, went to college in New York and Florida, taught history and worked government and politics until 1988 and has been an owner and a lifelong resident of the lodge  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 south to Miners' Bay Lodge which will be on your left. The distance from Minden is approximately 15 km. From Haliburton take County Road 21 to Minden. Turn south/left on Hwy 35 and follow for 15 km to Miners' Bay Lodge. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 39 km. GPS coordinates: N44.81972, W78.77692

### **Fish Afoot**

Participants will be given a tour of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association's Resource Centre with interpretive displays and then tour the fish hatchery followed by a hike on grounds through the wetlands and new trails. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Persons with mobility challenges can tour the hatchery but not the trails. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 7  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 2:30 pm  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, 6712 Gelert Road , Haliburton  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, shelter  
LEADER: Mike Mardus  
LEADER BIO: Mike moved up to Haliburton after retiring from teaching in Mississauga. He has been an active member of the HHOA hatchery program since 2015 and involved in rehabilitating the trails that run through the HHOA property. He is an artist who uses photography as a medium ([mardusmusings.com](http://mardusmusings.com)). His other interests include birding, hiking, astronomy, fishing and volunteering at Abbey Gardens  
DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 35 in Minden take South Lake Rd/County Rd 16 and follow for 7.5 km, turn left onto Gelert Rd/County Rd 1. Follow Cty. Rd. 1 for 14.5 km . The HHOA Fish Hatchery will be on your right. Distance from Minden is 23 km and travel time is 21 min. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd/County Rd 1 for 3.5 km; the hatchery is on your left. Travel time is 4 minutes. GPS coordinates - N45.0200, W78.5367

### **Ghost Walk (Haliburton)**

A costumed narrator will tell spooky tales of ghosts at sites in Haliburton Village, interspersed with bits of local history, real and imagined. This hike is suitable for reduced mobility including wheelchairs, strollers, and carts. Suitable for adults, teens, and children. Dog (on leash) friendly.

HIKE #: 5

DATE: Saturday, September 22  
 START TIME: 3:00 PM  
 DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1.5 km  
 LOCATION: Rails End Gallery, 23 York Street, Haliburton  
 RATING: Easy  
 MAXIMUM #: 30  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, food services  
 LEADERS: Amy Brohm  
 LEADER BIO: Amy has a fascination for ghosts, zombies and all things supernatural. She is an actor, a character, and Chair of the Highlands Little Theatre  
 DIRECTIONS: The Rails End Gallery sits just on the edge of Head Lake Park, on York Street. York St runs south parallel to main street (Highland St) in Haliburton. From Minden head north on Hwy 35. turn right on Hwy 21 towards Haliburton. Continue approximately 24 km to the village of Haliburton. Turn left onto York Drive, and you'll find the Gallery to your left. GPS coordinates : N 45.0464, W 78.5110

### **Hike into History**

Step back in time as you hike into the history of Minden, the town where the Bobcaygeon Road crosses the Gull River. A costumed interpreter will lead the group through the present to see heritage buildings and traces of our past where settlers carved farms out of the stony wilderness, and loggers worked their timber limits.

HIKE #: 78  
 DATE: Saturday, September 22  
 START TIME: 4:00 PM  
 DURATION: 2 hrs, 2.5 km  
 LOCATION: Minden Hills Cultural Centre 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden  
 RATING: Easy  
 MAXIMUM # 30  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, and shelter  
 LEADERS: Ruth O'Connell  
 LEADERS BIO: Ruth is Minden Hills Cultural Centre's Curatorial Programming Assistant. She has been in the museum field for almost 8 years and enjoy interpreting and connecting visitors to their history.  
 DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Rd 21. Follow until you come to stop sign at Highway 35 (approximately 25 km) Turn left onto Highway 35 south. Turn right onto Water Street (approximately 1 km)and follow until it ends at Main Street in Minden. Turn right (north) and cross the bridge. Follow Bobcaygeon Rd to your destination at 176 Bobcaygeon Rd on your right. GPS coordinates: N 44.9297, W 78.7275

### **Hike into History and Food**

Step back in time as you hike into the history of Minden, where the Bobcaygeon Road crosses the Gull River. A costumed interpreter will lead the group through the present to see heritage buildings and traces of our past where settlers carved farms out of the stony wilderness, and loggers worked their timber limits. Following the hike you will visit Bowron House to dine on a three course heritage meal. The menu oncludes

butternut squash soup, fresh baked rolls, German sausages, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, cooked vegetables, pickled beets and apple spice cake with a Victorian broiled top. Cost is \$35/person and payable upon arrival.

HIKE #: 78  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 4:00 PM  
DURATION: 3.5 hrs, 2.5 km  
LOCATION: Minden Hills Cultural Centre 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 8  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, and shelter  
LEADERS: Ruth O'Connell  
LEADERS BIO: Ruth is Minden Hills Cultural Centre's Curatorial Programming Assistant. She has been in the museum field for almost 8 years and enjoy interpreting and connecting visitors to their history  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Rd 21. Follow until you come to stop sign at Highway 35 (approximately 25 km). Turn left onto Highway 35 south. Turn right onto Water Street (approximately 1 km) and follow until it ends at Main Street in Minden. Turn right (north) and cross the bridge. Follow Bobcaygeon Rd to your destination at 176 Bobcaygeon Rd (on your right) GPS coordinates: N 44.9297, W 78.7275

### **A Hike for the Hungry**

AM/PM OutdoorGourmet is offering a easy breezy hike in and around the Moonlight Bay Tent & Trailer park followed by a gathering at the beach where scrumptious food and beverages will be provided. While in neighbourhood before the hike try to find some very cool geocaches on the Geocaching Capital of Canada. Donations to the local Food Bank are welcome. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 32  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
TIME: 5:00 PM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Moonlight Bay Tent & Trailer Park, 1071 Earles Rd Wilberforce  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 30  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, water, food  
LEADER: Amanda Mackenzie  
LEADER BIO: Amanda, owner/operator of AM/PM OutdoorGourmet is passionate about outdoor adventures and great food which have been a huge part of her life. She looks forward to sharing hike and a beachside feast.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east through Tory Hill to the intersection of Hwy 118 and County Rd 648 (Loop Rd) on Hwy 35. Continue straight on 648 to Earles Road. Turn right

and follow Earles Rd to 1071. Distance from Haliburton is 30 km; travel time is approximately 25 minutes. From Minden take County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 26 km. Turn right on Maple Street (Hwy 118) and follow directions described above. Distance from Minden is 56 km; travel time is approximately 47 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.0130, W 78.2090

## **SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 22**

### **Fall Harvest Pork Dinner**

Enjoy a home cooked pork dinner prepared by the volunteers of the Haliburton County Historical Society. Entertainment by Beth Johns, Norris Turner and friends. Proceeds will go to the Historical Society.

EVENT #: D  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
LOCATION: 1095 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands, Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall  
TIME: 5:30 PM  
COST: \$25.00 per person  
TICKETS: Call Larry J. Giles - 705-754-0427.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 West, approximately 19 km, and turn right onto St. Peter's Road. Follow to the end, approximately 2 km and turn left onto North Shore Rd. Follow North Shore to Stanhope Firefighters' Hall at #1095 The distance from Haliburton is approximately 24 km. From Minden, travel North on Highway 35 approximately 19 km and turn right onto the North Shore Road and continue to the Firefighters' Hall. The distance from Minden is approximately 21 km. GPS coordinates: N45.0748, W78.7147

### **Chris Smith Band in Concert**

Join us for an evening of smooth jazz with one of Canada's top talents, Chris Smith and his band. Chris has been nominated for nine Canadian Smooth Jazz Awards including Best Album, Best Song and Best Male Vocalist. His shows are always high energy with a great mix of new tunes and old standards. You may even want to hit the dance floor!

EVENT LETTER: E  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
LOCATION: Dominion Hotel, 113 Main St, Minden  
TIME: 8:00 PM  
COST: \$15/person plus HST/service  
TICKETS: Available online at [www.dominionhotelpub.ca](http://www.dominionhotelpub.ca)  
DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 35 to Minden, turn west on Water Street to Bobcaygeon Rd. Turn left on Bobcaygeon Rd. (Main Street) and the Dominion Hotel is on your immediate right. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Hwy 35, turn left/south and follow to first lights at Water Street and turn right. Follow Water Street to Bobcaygeon Rd (Main Street). Turn left on Bobcaygeon Rd. and the Dominion Hotel is on your immediate right. Distance from Haliburton is approximately 26 km. GPS

coordinates: N44.9253, W78.7249

### **Star Trek**

Space, the final frontier ... for hikers. Walk with the stars along the I B&O Railway. Astronomer Brian Mould will introduce you to the night sky. You will meet a lot of famous stars. If the skies are not clear, there is a plan B. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please. Bring your flashlights. Hiking will be along the rail bed trail.

HIKE #: 43  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 8:00 PM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 2 km  
LOCATION: Parkette in Tory Hill at intersection of Highway 118 and County Road 503  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, portable toilet  
LEADER: Brian Mould  
LEADER BIO: Brian has been an amateur astronomer for many years and is currently resident astronomer at Haliburton Forest. Formerly a landscaper, he lives in Gooderham with his wife, Dana, and two children and enjoys the natural heritage of the area.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 East. When you come to the "T" intersection of County Rd 503 the Tory Hill parkette will be on your right. The distance from Haliburton to Tory Hill is approximately 23 km. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24 km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the center of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also Highway 118. Turn right onto Hwy 118 heading east. When you come to the intersection of County Rd 503 the Tory Hill parkette will be on your right. The distance from Minden to Tory Hill is approximately 50 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9728, W78.2750

### **SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 24**

#### **Neature Walk**

Nature is neat. Let's take a Neature Walk. How neat is that? Pretty neat. Only time will tell what will happen on this hike. There is so much we don't know. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 67  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 7:30 AM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 1 km  
LOCATION: Dorset Tower Trail . Meet at Dorset Heritage Museum, 1040 Main Street  
RATING: It is uphill all the way.  
MAXIMUM #: We hope someone will show up  
AMENITIES: A walking trail and fire tower  
LEADER: We will let you know  
LEADER BIO: A bright light. We hope they will show up  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden follow Highway 35 approximately 49 km to Dorset. Continue over the bridge

and take the next left after the parkette onto Main Street. The Museum is on your right. The distance from Minden is approximately 52 km. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 60 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.25002, W 78.89349,

### **Chasing Waterfalls - Part 2**

Water, water everywhere! Haliburton Highlands is blessed to have 600 lakes, several rivers and countless ponds and streams and that water is on the move over the rugged landscapes. This road tour will take you to from Kinmount to Irondale. You will hike to rapids near Kinmount (6 km return), Three Brothers Falls (8 km return) and visit Furnace Falls. Suitable for adults, and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 96  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 8:30 AM  
DURATION: 3.5 hrs, 14 km  
LOCATION: Kinmount Railway Station & Museum  
RATING: Moderate (please note length)  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby)  
LEADER: Dave Wilfong  
LEADER BIO: David Wilfong is a seasoned outdoor tripper, with many years of portaging experience under his belt. Soloing has become a recent passion over the past decade, and David is always looking to push his limits and expand on his backcountry capabilities and knowledge. With creating Green Plaid Adventures, David is eager to share his experiences, learn more from others, and contribute as much as possible to the rapidly growing outdoor adventure community in Ontario.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton turn west onto Gelert Rd/Haliburton Cty Rd 1 and follow for 31.7 km to Haliburton Cty Rd 121 S. Turn left and travel for 7.7 km to Kinmount. In Kinmount turn right on Station Street and proceed to the Kinmount Railway Museum. Total distance from Haliburton is 40 km and travel time is 34 min. From Minden take Hwy 35 to Haliburton Cty Rd 121 S. Turn left and travel for 15.7 km to Kinmount. In Kinmount turn right on Station Street and proceed to the Kinmount Railway Museum. GPS coordinates: N 44.7817, W 78.6525

### **Steppin' Out in the Highlands**

Jazz up your day with an invigorating hike with Kris Kadwell, musician and Canoe FM radio host. This hike offers a good workout, great conversation, beautiful vistas and maybe a tune or two. We will hike the Crests of Kennisis Trail and the Circuit of Five Viewpoints. Since the trail is rugged and hilly, hiking boots and poles are recommended. Hikers will meet in the parking lot just before Oakview Lodge and shuttle cars other end of the hike. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 56  
 DATE: Sunday, September 23  
 START TIME: 8:30 AM - 11:30 PM  
 DURATION: 3 hrs, 10 km  
 LOCATION: 2029 Little Hawk Rd.  
 RATING: Challenging (with some steep climbs)  
 MAXIMUM # 25  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
 LEADER: Kris Kadwell  
 LEADER BIO: Kris Kadwell, recently retired from the local health unit, is keeping active outdoors. He is also a talented musician who plays in a jazz trio, Vice President of the Haliburton County Folk Society, and a radio host on Canoe FM. His radio show "Paddling Beyond the Mainstream" radio show on September 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 pm will feature songs related to hiking and the outdoors. Tune into 100.9 Canoe FM if you are in the area or by internet at <http://canoefm.com/>  
 DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon; turn right on Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden Take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Road (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32 km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

### **Voyageur Portage**

Salut Coureurs du Bois! Join the Voyageurs from Bark Lake for an interpretive hike and paddle around the lake and through history to the days of the Fur Trade. After a paddle from the main camp to the Voyageur Outpost, enjoy a campfire with Voyageur songs, stories and legends. After some fellowship, fun and food (delicious bannock) the adventure takes you into the woods for a hike along Bark Lake's Counn trail. As part of our crew, you will explore Bark Lake and learn more about the lives of the Voyageurs. Suitable for adults, teens and children, 8+ or younger with their own PFD.

HIKE #: 27  
 DATE: Sunday, September 23  
 START TIME: 9:00 AM  
 DURATION: 4 hrs, 1 km by canoe, 3 km on trail  
 LOCATION: Bark Lake Leadership Centre 1551 Bark Lake Drive, Irondale  
 RATING: Moderate  
 MAXIMUM # 20  
 AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, water/beverages, shelter  
 LEADERS: Bark Lake staff  
 LEADERS BIO: The Bark Lake team washed up on the shores of Bark Lake, lost in time since the days

of the Voyageurs. Since then they have been working at the Leadership Centre, facilitating programs and hoping to one day find their way back to Montreal to deliver their load of furs.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden take South Lake Road (County Rd 16) to the Gelert Road (County Road 1). Turn right and continue to the Milburn Rd, turn left and continue to Hwy 503. Turn left on 503 and continue past Irondale to Bark Lake Drive, turn left into Centre. The travel distance from Minden is 30 km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Glamorgan Road (County Road 3), then south to 503. Turn right and continue west to Bark Lake Drive, turn right to Centre. Travel distance from Haliburton is 32 km. Please drive to the Bark Lake office, and meet Hike leader there. GPS coordinates: N 44.92515, W 78.46659

### **Into Beetle Lake**

Catch the awesome colours on this challenging 5 km hike through scenic hardwood forest, across Oxbow Creek and up to a 100 ft. ridge overlooking Oxtongue Lake. Hike ends with a steep decline to Oxtongue Lake Community. Good hiking boots or shoes are recommended. It will be necessary to ford a stream so plan to remove your footwear to make a crossing. Before or after your hike plan a trip to Ragged Falls or do some shopping at Algonquin Outfitters. Suitable for adults and youth.

**HIKE #:** 69  
**DATE:** Sunday, September 23  
**START TIME:** 9:30 AM  
**DURATION:** 2. hours, 5 km  
**LOCATION:** Algonquin Outfitters, 1035 Algonquin Outfitters Road. Dwight - 705-635-2243  
**RATING:** Challenging  
**MAXIMUM #** 20  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms  
**LEADER:** Deborah MacLean  
**LEADER BIO:** Having cottaged in the Haliburton County area for 50 years, Deb MacLean has now retired to the area and is an avid hiker. She is a member of the local Haliburton Trekkers club and has paddled, snowshoed and hiked the many land and water trails in the Haliburton Highlands and Algonquin Park.  
**DIRECTIONS:** Follow Highway 35 north approximately 66 km to Highway 60. Turn right (east) on Highway 60 to the community of Oxtongue, approximately 10km. and follow the signs to Algonquin Outfitters. The distance from Minden is approximately 76 km and 100 km from Haliburton. GPS coordinates: N45.37999, W78.92536

### **Lakeshore Trek**

This invigorating hike explores the rugged Lakeshore Trail in Silent Lake Provincial Park. You will trek through different forest habitats, observe colourful rock formations, and enjoy scenic lookouts with an experienced hike leader. Please wear sturdy footwear, and bring a lunch and water. A park day permit is required at a cost per vehicle, and can be purchased at the park. Suitable for adults and older youth. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 48  
**DATE:** Sunday, September 23

START TIME: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
DURATION: 6 hrs, 15 km  
LOCATION: Silent Lake Provincial Park  
RATING: Challenging  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADER: Dave Naulls  
LEADER BIO: Dave and his family are from Coe Hill. He is an avid cyclist and loves hiking. He also chairs the Central East Sporting Coalition of Ontario. Dave is also a certified Hike Leader (Hike Ontario).  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Highway 118 east to Highway 28. Turn right (south) on Highway 28 and drive approximately 11 km to the Silent Lake Provincial Park. Turn left and proceed to the park office to meet your leaders. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 61 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712,

### **High Falls Hike & Ride**

Begin on horseback and ride to the entrance of the High Falls Hiking Trail then hike up to view the scenic High Falls. Bring your camera. Both the ride and hike are on the most southern trail in Algonquin Park. The trail is fairly sandy and tall pines surround you. Helmets provided. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 39  
DATE: Saturday, September 22  
START TIME: 10:00 am  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 6 km  
LOCATION: South Algonquin Trails, 4378 Elephant Lake Rd. Harcourt 705-448-1751  
RATING: Easy - 4 km on horseback, 2 km hiking  
MAXIMUM: 4  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms  
LEADER: Tammy Donaldson  
LEADER BIO: Tammy Donaldson owns and operates South Algonquin Trails at the south end of Algonquin Park, on the very eastern side of Haliburton County. She has been involved with horses for more than thirty years.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton, take Hwy 118 east, approximately 19 km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Road (County Rd 648), turn left and follow the Loop Rd (County Rd 648) approximately 8 km. to Harcourt. Two km past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10) and continue approximately 12 km to South Algonquin Trails. # 4378 Elephant Lake Rd. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 49 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 73 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1879, W 78.1680  
NOTE: This hike can accommodate more than four participants. Additional people can ride for \$70 and should register directly with South Algonquin Trails 705-448-1751

### **Nature Nuggets**

There are natural treasures to be found in Snowden Park. Join Rick Whitteker to hunt for the wonders of wild habitats. Rick will help you better understand and connect with our precious ecosystems. He will also share his knowledge of wild edibles and plants that can be used for medicinal purposes. Snowden Park is

wetland and forest preserve established through the cooperation of the Township of Minden Hills and the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+.

HIKE #: 89  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 5 km  
LOCATION: Snowden Park  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM #: 30  
AMENITIES: Parking  
LEADER: Rick Whitteker  
LEADER BIO: Rick is a busy guy who works as a faculty in the Outdoor and Adventure Education diploma program at Fleming College in Lindsay and as an experience leader for Yours Outdoors, a company that offers unique adventures in art, culture and nature.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Road (Cty Rd. 1) to Snowden Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Road (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approx. 12 km. GPS coordinates: N44.9219, W78.6436

### **Living Large in a Tiny House**

Heard of the tiny house movement? Learn how you can eat, sleep and work in 108 square feet. Visit a real life tiny house nestled on the edge of a wetland. There's only one way to reach this house and that's on foot along a well groomed trail through a pioneer homestead, a thick forest and chest high ferns. This house comes complete with its own backyard of super nutritious and delicious wild edible plants. It's easy groceries and a taste treat for everyone. Suitable for adults and teens.

HIKE #: 80  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 3 hrs, 4km  
LOCATION: 1043 MacIntosh Lane off Bobcaygeon Rd. across from the cemetery Minden  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 25  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, shelter  
LEADER: Carolyn Langdon  
LEADERS BIO: Carolyn Langdon will be your guide. She forages four seasons with a special interest in the culinary and medicinal value of wild plants. She believes the world is worth saving and th time is now. Don Kerr, the owner of the property designed the house and helped in its construction. He's a naturalist and avid observer of wildlife. He'll be on hand to talk about the tiny house and answer questions.  
DIRECTIONS: Exit to Minden off Highway 35 at lights across from Valu-Mart. Follow Water Street to the bridge. Turn right at bridge and follow Bobcaygeon Rd north to Macintosh Lane (across

from cemetery). Turn west/left on Macintosh Lane and park at the farmhouse at the end of road. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Hwy 35, turn south and follow to first lights at Water Street and turn right and follow route described above. GPS coordinates: N44.9371, W-78.7347

### **Two Homestead Hike**

Take a walk back in time at Whip-poor-will Farm. Join owners Dave and Cheryl Bathe on a journey to two pioneer homesteads - the home and farm of George Dummitt (1879), still standing and active, and the homestead of Lars Anderson that has been abandoned and reclaimed by the forest. The stone piles and fences reveal the hardships of early pioneers. You will also explore the natural heritage of three wetlands on the Anderson property in hopes of seeing waterfowl and other wildlife. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 91  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hours, 4.0 km  
LOCATION: 1425 Francis Rd. Minden  
RATING: Moderate  
MAXIMUM # 30  
AMENITIES: Suitable for families, parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Cheryl & David Bathe  
LEADER BIO: Cheryl and David Bathe have lived in Haliburton County since May 1982. They have a keen interest in the history of the area and in particular the homesteads that comprise their property. Their old farm was first purchased by the family in 1968 and used for recreation. After working in Calgary for five years they made their way back to the farm to make it their home and raise their family.  
DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (Cty Rd. 1) to Gelert, turn left on to Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd and follow to the end. Distance from Haliburton is 22 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (Cty. Rd. 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd (Cty. Rd 1). Turn right to Gelert. In Gelert turn left on to Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd. Distance from Minden is 14 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8971, W78.5946

### **Hey Honey, Let's go for a Walk!**

Join Ray and Juliette on a tour of both bee yards located on the Abbey Gardens property. Hear all about bees and their important role as pollinators and learn about the plants and flowers they enjoy. This is also an opportunity to hear about the basics of beekeeping in the Haliburton area and enjoy a sweet treat!

HIKE #: 20  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive

RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, food/ beverage service  
LEADERS: Ray Martin & Juliette Arsenault  
LEADER BIOS: Juliette Arsenault and Ray Martin are the owners of Eco-Choice Pest Control and Honey From The Hills, Minden's largest apiary. Ray earned an environmental biology degree from the University of Guelph. He spearheaded the beekeeping at Haliburton Forest as part of his duties as the biologist there, and has kept bees of his own for several years. Juliette has formal education in communications, ecology and urban forestry. She teaches at Fleming College on top of the pair's self-employed endeavors and has experience developing course material. They started working together in 2013 and currently offer consulting work for several local beekeepers.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13 km, turn right (east) on Hwy 118 and follow it approximately 11km to Garden Gate Drive. (If you come to Lakeside Golf Course on the right you have gone too far) Turn right on Garden Gate into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15 km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

### **Survival!**

Take an easy walk along the Minden Whitewater Preserve. You will find members of the 1129 Haliburton Army Cadets at stations along the trail demonstrating various outdoor survival techniques including improvised shelters, fire starting, signal fires and other survival skills. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. Dog friendly - on leash

HIKE #: 50  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 1.5 hrs, 3 km  
LOCATION: Minden Whitewater Preserve. Meet at AO Boatwerks Paddling School building  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM # 20  
AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter  
LEADER: Stuart Humphries and members of the 1129 Haliburton Army Cadet Corp.  
LEADER BIO: Stuart Humphries is a youth leader with Cadets Canada and a local resident of Haliburton County. Stuart has a keen interest in outdoor adventure skills, youth development & youth leadership, joining these as part of the Cadets Canada mission and curriculum. Haliburton Army Cadets consist of youth from the Haliburton and Bancroft area. The 1129 Army Cadets is part of Cadets Canada, a national program for young Canadians aged 12 to 18 who are interested in participating in a variety of fun, challenging and rewarding activities while learning about the Sea, Army and Air activities of the Canadian Armed Forces.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Highway 35 to the north end of town, past the County Rd 21 turn off until Highway 35 crosses a bridge. Immediately afterwards turn right onto County Rd 20 (Horseshoe Lake Road). Follow County Rd 20 to Minden Whitewater Preserve. Drive further to Bethel Road; turn right and cross bridge to the entrance of the AO Boatwerks

Paddling School. Turn right and follow to parking area. From Haliburton, take County Rd 21 to Minden, turn right at Highway 35, proceed over the bridge, and turn right onto County Rd 20 to the Preserve. Drive further to Bethel Road; turn right and cross bridge to the entrance of the AO Boatwerks Paddling School. Turn right and follow to parking area. GPS coordinates: N44.9420, W78.7098

### **Families on Foot**

Don't put your hiking on hold until the kids are older. Children are capable of becoming hikers as soon as they can walk around the block. Given the opportunity and the encouragement, most children will quickly discover the wonders of time on the trail. Join Julia for a fun family-oriented "Learn to Hike" adventure. This will be an exploration hike with plenty of time to investigate things along the way. We will cover aspects of the Safe Hiker, Adventure Smart, Bear Wise, and Hug-a-Tree to Survive programs. By the time we reach trail end, your kids will have the tools and knowledge to enjoy hiking safely. There couldn't be a better time than now to introduce your family to adventures on the trail. \*Please dress your child in layers that they can take off if they become hot. All hikers must wear sturdy-soled, closed toe shoes such as running shoes or hiking boots. Kids should carry a small pack with a healthy snack, a kid-sized water bottle and a lightweight jacket or fleece coat. All young hikers must be accompanied by a responsible guardian for the duration of our trek. Suitable for families. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 52  
DATE: Sunday, September 23  
START TIME: 10:00 AM  
DURATION: 2 hrs, 2km  
LOCATION: Kinark Outdoor Centre, 1766 Queens Line Road Minden  
RATING: Easy  
MAXIMUM #: 15  
AMENITIES: Parking, washroom, water/beverages, shelter  
LEADER: Julia Wolst Belleghem  
LEADERS BIO: Julia is an environmental educator with a passion for connecting families to the outdoors. Julia holds multiple Hike Leadership certifications, and is an instructor with the Adventure Smart program. She is an Early Literacy Specialist with a local Public Library (Orillia) and leads Storytime programs and runs a weekly Family Mad Science program.  
DIRECTIONS: From Minden travel north on Hwy 35 to Carnarvon for 15 km. Turn west onto Hwy 118 and proceed 7 km to the Queens Line. Turn south on the Queens Line and proceed 1.5 km to the entrance for the Centre (first road on your left). From Haliburton travel Hwy 118 to Queen's Line as described above. Travel distance from Haliburton is 32 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0224, W 78.7551

### **Geocaching - Treasure hunting with a GPS**

Geocaching is a family oriented outdoor game. On this hike learn the basics of operating a GPS unit, discover how the game is played and experience the thrill of finding caches hidden along the Echo Ridge Trail. Learn about the Geocaching Capital of Canada GeoTour and enjoy a mid-way break at Sticky Moose's hideaway. GPS units are provided. All ages welcome! Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly - on leash

HIKE #: 31  
DATE: Sunday, September 23

**START TIME:** 10:00 AM  
**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 2 km  
**LOCATION:** South Field at end of Earle's Road near Wilberforce  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #** 25  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, shelter, snacks  
**LEADER:** Mary Barker aka "Sticky Moose"  
**LEADER BIO:** With over 35 years of Girl Guide leadership behind her, Mary Barker has found a whole new outlet for her creative imagination, outdoors skills and sense of adventure. When not Geocaching she can be found at Agnew's General Store  
**DIRECTIONS:** From Haliburton take Highway 118 to Tory Hill, approximately 23 km. Turn left and continue approximately 4 km on Highway 118 to the Amber Light. Continue straight onto County Rd. 648 (Loop Rd). At Wilbermere Lake turn right onto Earle's Rd., approximately 3km. Stay to the left at the Y in the road. Go up the hill, down the other side and turn into the field on the right. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 56km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0193, W 78.2026

### **Smiles Afoot**

Join Dominion Hotel owners, Shawn and Elli Chamberlin, for a fun & humorous stroll along the lovely Riverwalk in Minden. No doubt you will chat about the weather, water levels, some local history and maybe even a little story or two. This walk will put a smile on your face and fresh dew on your shoes. No high heels or orange coloured wigs will be allowed. Bring your camera. After your walk, stop by the Dominion for a cold drink. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 75  
**DATE:** Sunday, September 23  
**START TIME:** 10:00 AM  
**DURATION:** 1.25 hr, 2 km  
**LOCATION:** Meet in front of the Dominion Hotel, downtown Minden, 113 Main (Bobcaygeon) Street  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #** 20  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms  
**LEADERS:** Shawn and Elli Chamberlin  
**LEADER BIOS:** Elli and Shawn have been owner/operators of the Dominion Hotel since 2004 and have guided it through a complete renovation and revitalization. Their average day usually includes cooking meals, making beds, waiting tables, washing dishes, light construction duties, interior decorating, entertaining guests, beverage sampling and piano playing. Never a 'faint at heart' Elli, who started life in the high tech world, is a much envied host who is adept at making sure all the little details are looked after. Shawn is adept... well ... let's just say his speciality is in sharing stories in word or song for which he is totally credible and believable (you'll have to judge for yourself on this one). Together they are masterminds of making the Dominion Hotel the entertainment centre of the county with a very full schedule of live music, theatre and arts.

**DIRECTIONS:** Exit to Minden off Highway 35 at lights across from Valu-Mart. Follow Water Street to the corner of Water and Bobcaygeon. The Dominion is on the west side of Bobcaygeon Rd. Meet at the benches in front. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Hwy 35, turn south and follow to first lights at Water Street and turn right and follow route described above. Distance from Haliburton is approximately 26 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9253, W 78.7249

### **Into the Past**

Take a walk in the beautiful hamlet of Dorset to discover its colourful history. Your stroll will reveal fascinating facts about Tom Salmon, Thomas Ridout, "Pill Hill", The Dollar House, Gilmour Lumber Company, the "humpback" bridge and much more. Take some time before or after this walk to climb the Dorset Lookout Tower. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

**HIKE #:** 66  
**DATE:** Sunday, September 23  
**START TIME:** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
**DURATION:** 2 hrs, 1.5 km  
**LOCATION:** Dorset Heritage Museum, 1040 Main Street, Dorset 705-766-0323  
**RATING:** Easy  
**MAXIMUM #** 30  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, water, shelter, restaurants

**LEADER:** Brad Robinson

**LEADERS BIO:** Brad is the owner of the famous Robinson's General Store which has been voted "Canada's Best Country Store" and a champion of all things Dorset. He has some very interesting stories to tell.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Minden follow Highway 35 approximately 49km to Dorset. Continue over the bridge and take the next left after the parkette onto Main Street. The Museum is on your right. The distance from Minden is approximately 52 km. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 60 km. GPS coordinates: W 78.89349, N 45.25002

### **Haliburton Highlands Biggest Picnic Ever**

Join us for the Haliburton Highlands community picnic and closing ceremonies of the 2017 Hike Haliburton, a celebration of food and outdoor living. There will be local food, demonstrations exhibitors, live entertainment, a fashion show featuring outdoor clothing and gear, and a "best picnic blanket" contest. We are pleased to present the Sattalites, a reggae band to help wrap up this years Festival. Bring your picnic blanket and lunch or buy your picnic ingredients from local food vendors.

**EVENT #:** G  
**DATE:** Sunday, September 23  
**LOCATION:** Head Lake Park, 23 York Street, Haliburton  
**TIME:** 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
**AMENITIES:** Parking, washrooms, shelter, food and beverage  
**DIRECTIONS:** Head Lake Park is located in Haliburton at 23 York Street. From Minden take County Rd. 21 to Haliburton and turn left onto York Street or into Head Lake Parking lot. Distance from Minden is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0464, W 78.5110