



Hike Haliburton Festival September 18 - 22, 2019

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, by calling 705-286-1777 or 1-800-461-7677 or by emailing tourism@myhaliburtonhighlands.com. Be sure to pick up a Festival Map at our HikeQuarters and in other locations around Haliburton County.

SPECIAL FEATURES

Festival HikeQuarters

Looking for more information or need to register for your hike? Visit one of six information and activity centres located throughout the Haliburton Highlands during July, August and September. HikeQuarters for the 2019 Festival are Minden Hills Cultural Centre in Minden, Algonquin Outfitters in Haliburton, Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Office and the Dorset Recreation Centre, both in Algonquin Highlands, Tourist Information Centre 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 throughout 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

The Hike Haliburton Festival is a celebration of performing & visual arts. In addition to the concert 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 12th and again on the 19th . 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

Safe Hikers Workshop

Wednesday, September 18, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Whether you are brand-new to trail walking/hiking and want to start off 'best foot forward', are ready to step up to become a hiking leader, or want to 'upgrade' your family walks, the Safe Hiker full-day foundation course will get you there. We will introduce you to the skills and benefits of hiking and walking, and build awareness of hiking opportunities in Ontario with special focus on safety, planning, sustainability and enjoyment. Free admission. [Register here.](#)

Once Around Algonquin

Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 am, in the showroom of Minden Subaru. Kevin Callan's book, *Once Around Algonquin*, is an exciting tale of misadventure on the toughest route in Ontario's most well-loved wilderness. Kevin will share his love of this paddling paradise and tell the tales behind the blisters and bruises in this bromance adventure. Kevin will be happy to sign your copy of his book. This presentation is sponsored by Algonquin Outfitters and Minden Subaru. Free admission. Limited seating. [Register here.](#)

Sean Chambers Band in Concert

Thursday, September 19, 8:00 pm, at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Get in the Festival mood with a concert featuring the *Sean Chambers Band*. This band "achieves the distinctly american blues/soul/country/rock sound that the Stones used to aspire to long ago." - Jerry Shriver, USA TODAY. Sean will just be returning from his 2nd European tour and fresh off the stage of the Wasaga Beach Blues Festival. Sean and his band have performed at the Dominion Hotel in previous years and always have a high-energy show that pleases all fans of the genre. Tickets at <https://dominionhotelpub.ca/>

Danny Michel in Concert

Friday, September 20, 8:00 pm, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. The Haliburton County Folk Society is presenting Danny Michel, one of Canada's most admired singer/songwriters. His music is diverse – rock, pop, folk, world or (recently) even classical. Music is an adventure for Danny. Tickets at <https://www.haliburtonfolk.com>

Minden Market Day

Saturday, September 21, 10 am – 2 pm, in between your hikes come to downtown Minden and enjoy shopping at the Artisan Market and the Haliburton County Farmers' Market. Check out a variety of handcrafted items from the local Artisan vendors and finish with tasting & shopping the local breads, wines, herbs, honey, meat and more at the Farmers' Market. As well, say hi to us at the Hike Haliburton Information Tent and check out some new vehicles from the Festival's Presenting Sponsor (Minden Subaru).

Family Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 21, 11:00 am - 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, or contact Carol at historical@irondaleontario.ca or 705-457-8438.

Fall Harvest Pork Dinner

Saturday, September 21, 5:30 pm, at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall. 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. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Call Larry J. Giles 705-754-0427 to purchase tickets.

Coffee House Music and Mingle

Saturday, September 21, 8:00 pm, at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Featuring an array of musical talent and genres this will be an evening of music and mingling. Join us and see how we locals spend a Saturday night. A small cover charge will apply and can be paid online at <https://dominionhotelpub.ca/>

Haliburton Highlands Biggest Picnic Ever

Sunday, September 22, 12:00 – 3:00 pm at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. Join us for the Haliburton Highlands community picnic and closing ceremonies of the 2019 Hike Haliburton Festival. It is a celebration of food, art, and outdoor living. There will be local food, demonstrations, activities, exhibitors and entertainment. We are bringing back the *Sattalites*, the best of Canadian reggae. The best picnic blanket contest is on again this year. You could win great prizes.

Fallis & Tiefenbach in Concert

Sunday, September 22, 2:30 pm, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, 5358 County Rd 21. This is not going to be a conventional classical music concert. John Terrauds of the Toronto Star says Mary Lou is the "fabulouset, Canadianest diva of them all" and her "co-conspirator, pianist Peter Tiefenbach, has a wit as dry as a vodka martini". Musical high jinx in Haliburton! From opera and recital to cabaret and BRd.way, not even William Shakespeare is safe! For over 22 years, Mary Lou and Peter have given thousands of performances across Canada, the United States, Japan, England, and Iceland. A lot of laughter – and wonderful music! Be here for this one. For tickets, contact 705-455-9060 or fred.ann.shuttleworth@gmail.com

FESTIVAL PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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EVENT #: 1

DATE: Wednesday, September 18

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 7 hours

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Museum , 66 Museum Rd, Haliburton

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 20

AMENITIES: Parking, shelter, water

LEADER: Tom Friesen

LEADER BIO: Tom is the past president of Hike Ontario. A retired teacher of the Deaf, he has been able to hike on all continents in the world and is passionate about the hiking opportunities here in Ontario. When not on trails in Canada, he can often be found in Spain walking or volunteering in pilgrim shelters.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 118 west out of Haliburton Village, heading toward West Guilford. On the outskirts of Haliburton, make a left hand turn onto Bayshore Rd. Continue noting that Bayshore turns into Museum Rd. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km. Turn left onto Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left). Take Hwy 118 west out of Haliburton Village, heading toward West Guilford. On the outskirts of Haliburton, make a left hand turn onto Bayshore Rd. Continue noting that Bayshore turns into Museum Rd. Distance from Minden is approximately 25km. GPS coordinates: W 78.5224, N 45.0546

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EVENT #: 2

DATE: Wednesday, September 18

START TIME: 7:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours

LOCATION: Minden Subaru, 13061, Hwy 35, Minden

PRESENTER: Kevin Callan

PRESENTER BIO: Kevin (aka The Happy Camper) is the author of 18 books; his latest being Once

Around Algonquin: An Epic Canoe Journey. He is an award winning writer 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 film awards, writes a column for *Paddling Magazine* and *Explore Magazine*. Kevin was listed one of the top 100 modern day explorers by the Canadian Geographical Society. He was also made Patron Paddler for Paddle Canada. Check out his web site at www.kevincallan.com and YouTube channel KCHappyCamper.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 118 west out of Haliburton Village, heading toward West Guilford. On the outskirts of Haliburton, make a left hand turn onto Bayshore Rd. Continue noting that Bayshore turns into Museum Rd. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km. Turn left onto Maple Street at the lights in the centre of the village (CIBC on the left). Take Hwy 118 west out of Haliburton Village, heading toward West Guilford. On the outskirts of Haliburton, make a left hand turn onto Bayshore Rd. Continue noting that Bayshore turns into Museum Rd. Distance from Minden is approximately 25km. GPS coordinates: W78.5224, N45.0546

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 19

Falling in Love with Nature

"We will only value and fight to protect what we know and love." -David Suzuki

This full day adventure will allow you to connect (fall in love) with nature in a way that you have never experienced before. Get ready for a personal paradigm shift! Solitudes and solo opportunities, reflection moments, journal writing with nature surrounding you, connecting with Earth mystics who will help you to truly value the importance of nature.... Its treasures are waiting to be discovered by you! Please bring a litterless lunch, healthy snacks and water. Suitable for adults and kids 10+. No dogs please.

HIKE # 26

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 7 hours, 1km

LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM# 12

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter, food and beverage services

LEADER: Rob Taylor

LEADER BIO: Rob Taylor is a retired science and environmental/experiential outdoor educator who is passionate about writing, relationships, eating to live and ~living more lightly'. He continues trying to make differences by teaching people of all ages that we are part of NATURE; dependent on air, soil, water, photosynthesis and biodiversity for our health and well-being. NATURE is our life support system.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon (approximately 13km), 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 Drive into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. Please park in the lot beside Haliburton Highlands Brewing. Directly across from the lot is the

entrance to the gardens where you will meet your guide. GPS coordinates: N 45.1080, W 78.6184.

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 #: 35

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 9:00 am (plan to arrive by 8:30)

DURATION: 4 hours, 1km

LOCATION: Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve, 1095 Redkenn Rd.

RATING: Easy although not recommended for those with an intense fear of heights. There is also a steep climb to get to the canopy structure.

MAXIMUM# 12

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food and beverage services

LEADER: Haliburton Forest staff

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11km. to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and keep to your left. Follow to Redkenn Rd, approximately 17km. Keep left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32km. From Minden take Hwy 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. (The distance from Minden is approximately 47km.) GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

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 #: 34

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 5km

LOCATION: 1095 Redkenn Rd.. Meet at the Base Camp office of Haliburton Forest

RATING: Moderate. Hike will be a mixture of moderate on trail hiking and flat, but off-trail walking through the forest. Participants must be sufficiently mobile to walk off-trail to participate in this hike.

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 11km to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and keep to your left. Follow to Redkenn Rd., approximately 17km. Turn left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon. Turn right onto Hwy 118 to West Guilford. Turn left onto County Rd 7 and proceed as described above. The distance from Minden is approximately 47km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

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 beverages. Suitable for adults and youths 12+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 10

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 7km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Water Trails, 20130 Hwy #35 (Frost Centre)

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM #: 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter, food

LEADER: Susan Rivett

LEADER BIO: Susan has been a cottager since 1984 and is now a permanent resident of Haliburton County. She is an avid downhill and cross country skier, snowshoer, hiker, paddler, dragon boater and cyclist. Member of Haliburton Trekkers and Haliburton Real Easy Ryders. She has completed 10km runs, a half marathon and 100km bikeathon. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario)

DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approximately 23 km north of Carnarvon and 12km 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

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 5+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 118

DATE: Thursday September 19

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 3.0 hours, 6km

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 Hwy 35 to Minden, turn on Water Street and continue to the Bobcaygeon Rd., approximately 1.5km. Turn right on Bobcaygeon Rd. over the bridge and continue to the first Rd. on your left, Deep Bay Rd. (County Rd 2). Travel along Deep Bay Rd. for approximately 12km to Devil's Lake Rd.. Turn right on Devil's Lake Rd. and travel 0.5km to parking lot at the trailhead - 1115 Devil's Lake Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 13km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 38km. GPS coordinates: N44.8600, W78.8192

Into the Domain

This hike will showcase the 4,000-acre Domain Nature Preserve, tour the Harburn Wells and hike the

historic Peterson Rd.. You will meet at the Domain Lodge, where an introductory Powerpoint presentation will explain the features of the hike before departing. Refreshments will be served. From the Lodge, you will drive to the property entrance, hike through the 1986 tornado path to Ritchie Lake and make the climb up to the Harburn Wells. From the Wells, the hike will continue to the Peterson Rd., where a description of the area's settlement history will be provided. The hike will end with a loop up to Carroll Rd. and back to the vehicles. Back at the vehicles, handouts will be provided on the Harburn Wells, the colonization Rd.s of the 1800s, and the Domain. Hikers who wish to return to the Lodge for a guided tour of the accommodations will be invited to do so. Suitable for adults, and teens . No dogs please.

HIKE #: 33

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 3km

LOCATION: The Domain Nature Preserve, 1282 Carroll Rd., Haliburton

RATING: Challenging . Most of this hike is easy going, on existing trails and level ground but 0.5km is through the woods with no trail at all. It is classed as "challenging" because of the steep, 200-foot climb from Ritchie Lake up to the Harburn Wells, and because of the need to ford the Little Drag River twice on foot, over boulders and rubble. Waterproof footwear is required and a walking stick is advised when crossing the creek.

MAXIMUM# 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food, shelter

LEADER: Peter Hynard

LEADER BIO: Peter Hynard is a registered professional forester with a degree in forest science from the University of Toronto and a licence to practise forestry in Ontario from the Ontario Professional Foresters Association. He has nearly 50 years of practical experience in the field, most of it in this area. Today, Peter is semi-retired, lives near Minden and continues to practise forestry part-time on large properties in Haliburton, Hastings and Muskoka. His specialties are air-photo interpretation, silviculture and commercial timber sales. The Domain Nature Preserve is one of Peter's forestry clients. Peter also has an interest in local history. He is a member of the Forest History Society of Ontario and has given talks on local forest history at the Minden Cultural Centre and the Haliburton Fish Hatchery. The use of "witness trees" and dendro-chronology to date events is a method he often uses in his forestry work.

DIRECTIONS: To reach the property from Haliburton, go northwest out of town on Hwy 118 for 2km. Turn right onto Harburn Rd. and go 10.1km to Carroll Rd.. Turn right on Carroll Rd. and go 1.4km to the lodge entrance. Turn into the entrance driveway and go 0.2km to the Lodge. Park in the designated area and walk to the main lodge building. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

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, 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! Suitable for adults, teens, and children . Dog friendly (on leash please)

HIKE #: 23

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 1km

LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive

RATING: Easy. We will be visiting the apiaries so bee stings are possible

MAXIMUM #: 20

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

LEADER: Ray Martin & Juliette Arsenault

LEADER BIO: 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 studied communications, ecology and urban forestry. She teaches at Fleming College on top of the pair's self-employed endeavors. They started working together in 2013 and currently offer consulting services for several local beekeepers.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13km, 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 Drive into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

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 Festival would be happy to share your work with your permission. **Extend Your Pen:** following the hike, interested writers can come to Ruth's Drag River cottage (5 min drive) to continue writing until 3 am. Brown bag your lunch. Coffee, tea, water supplied.

Suitable for adults and teens . No dogs please.

HIKE #: 109

DATE: Thursday, September 19
START TIME: 10:00 am
DURATION: 1.5 hours, 2km
LOCATION: Dahl Forest , 1307 Geeza Rd, Minden Hills
MAXIMUM #: 10
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 have 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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28km. 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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529, W78.6167

Hidden Minden

Hidden Minden will take the path less travelled. Your hosts Brigitte Gall and Michael Bainbridge will take you on a visual, historical, and geologically rich journey through the village of Minden along unfamiliar Rds and trails. This hike promises interesting photographic opportunities and lesser-known historical facts, and will reveal the quirks hidden under our rugged landscape - all the while exploring the hidden Minden. Your journey will begin at Boshkung Social, where we will kick off our hike with a brewery tour. Suitable for adults, youth and children 7 yrs +. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 92

DATE: Thursday, September 19
START TIME: 10:30 am
DURATION: 2 hours, 3km
LOCATION: Boshkung Social, 20 Water Street
RATING: Moderate. Some steep hills
MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby), water/ beverage, food, and shelter

LEADER: Brigitte Gall and Michael Bainbridge

LEADER BIO: Brigitte Gall is an award winning actor, performer, and recent owner/operator of TheOccurrence jigsaw puzzle company. Michael Bainbridge is an award winning mineral photographer, geological tourism consultant, and the other half of TheOccurrence jigsaw puzzle company.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to the "T" intersection at Hwy 35. Turn left onto Hwy 35 South and then right onto Water Street and follow to Boshkung Social located on your left. Haliburton to Minden is approximately 25 km. GPS coordinates: W78.7307, 44.9183

Along Hopkins Trail

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, conduct a tree identification activity, and provide a small snack and tea break. Suitable for adults, teens and

children. No dogs please.

HIKE # 40

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 11:00 am

DURATION: 1 hour, 2km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, 5358 County Rd . 21, Haliburton

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 15

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter

LEADER: Sam Little and the students of 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 19

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 and 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 trail. Suitable for adults and teens 16+. Everyone must wear a helmet. Bikes and helmets provided. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 112

DATE: Thursday September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 20km (on bike) 1km (hiking)

LOCATION: 1225 Howland Junction Rd., Minden

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 6

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water

LEADER: Don Schlosser and Nicole Manary

LEADER BIO: Don and Nicole are owners of Peddle Creek Tours and e-bike enthusiasts. The two have a keen interest in local history.

DIRECTION: DIRECTION: From Minden head south on Hwy 35 for approximately 2km. Turn left onto County Rd 121 towards Kinmount. Stay on County Rd 121 for 13km. Turn left on Howland Junction Rd. Continue onto the last place on the left where the pavement ends. The distance from Minden is approximately 20km. From Haliburton head west on County Rd 21 to Minden for approximately 24km. Turn left onto Hwy 35 for approximately 6km. Turn left onto County Rd 121 towards Kinmount, and proceed as described above. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 44km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8971, W 78.5946

Of Ferns and Fire Ecology: Bedrock Botanicals and Forest Succession in Algonquin Park

We'll be observing the variety of forest ecosystems and the bedrock botanicals of Algonquin Park with a focus on ferns. Hike through several different forest systems, taking moments to pause overlooking beautiful vistas—where past fires have burned—and discover the area's flora and fauna. Botanigal will be your 'fernetic' host, who will try her hardest to focus on ferns, but bring binoculars and a camera because she tends to get distracted by birds and other wildlife. This hike has some significant staircases and inclines and descents, so bring water and a snack. An 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. No dogs please .

HIKE #: 55

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 5.2km

LOCATION: Trailhead of Booth's Rock Trail, Algonquin Provincial Park

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM# 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms

LEADER: Ethnobotanist Rebecca Krawczyk

LEADER BIO: Rebecca Krawczyk is a botanist, herbalist, and ecologist. Check out her family business BarK Native Plant Nursery & Botanicals @botanigals

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

Hike for Art's Sake

Historic West Guilford is the ideal place to wander along quiet roads and sketch abandoned buildings from bygone days. Join local artist Janet Trull for a hike along Pine Lake. Field journals and drawing materials provided. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please

HIKE #: 30

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

LOCATION: 1291 Eagle Lake Rd. West Guilford

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM#: 12

AMENITIES: Parking

LEADER: Janet Trull

LEADER BIO: Janet Trull is a local artist. Her acrylic paintings are available for viewing and for sale at Rails End Gallery. Janet carries a sketch pad whenever she heads out on a hike.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton head west on Hwy 118 to West Guilford. Turn right and then another Immediate right onto Eagle Lake Rd. (County Rd 6). Travel 1km to 1291 Eagle Lake Rd.. Distance from Haliburton is approximately 13km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Hwy 118.

Turn right and follow to West Guilford. Turn left and then an Immediate right onto Eagle Lake Rd. (County Rd 6). Travel 1km to 1291 Eagle Lake Rd.. Distance from Minden is approximately 29km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1114, W 78.5838

Lichen: A Closer Look at Nature's Pioneers

Join ecologist and nature enthusiast Barb Elliot for a journey into the wonderful world of some of nature's most interesting organisms - lichens. Learn about the structure and function of these small but important members of the forest community. No experience needed, just keen eyes and an open mind! Check in to administration office upon arrival. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please .

HIKE #: 75

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 5km

LOCATION: Bark Lake Leadership Centre, Irondale

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM #: 15

AMENITIES:

LEADER: Barb Elliot

BIO: Barb is a full-time professor in the Ecosystem Management Program at the School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences at Fleming College in Lindsay. She has travelled to Costa Rica, South Africa, and Moose Factory with Fleming students. Prior to her work at the College, she worked at the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre and at Bark Lake Leadership Centre.

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

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 #: 22

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3.5km

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 she 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 13km, 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 Drive into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 west past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

Discover Stothart Creek Trails

The Stothart Creek Trails includes approximately 3km of creekside beauty. The gentle slopes on both sides of this natural brook-trout creek offer a relaxing hiking experience rather than a strenuous one. Enjoy the wood-plank cross bridges and natural habitats, home to some of Haliburton's favourite furry friends!

HIKE #: 44

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hr., 2km

LOCATION: 1035 Brooktrout Run Rd. Haliburton

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking, food, beverages, water, shelter

LEADER: Benton Brown

LEADER BIO: AMENITIES: Parking, food/beverages, water, shelter

LEADER: Benton Brown

LEADER BIO: Benton is 30 years old and he and wife were raised in the beautiful Highlands of Haliburton. He enjoys promoting Haliburton as a great place for young people to thrive both professionally and personally. He believes that the quality of life found in cottage country-Canada is amongst the best in the world! He is an enthusiastic guy who loves people and loves being active!

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west, turn right on Harburn Rd to Illman Rd. Turn left on Illman Hike starts at the intersection of Illman Rd and Brooktrout Run. Travel distance from Haliburton is approx. 3.5 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to County Rd 21. turn right and follow to Haliburton. In Haliburton take Hwy 118 west (Maple Ave) and follow to Harburn Rd, turn right and follow to Illman and turn left and follow to Brooktrout Run. Travel distance from Minden is approx. 29 km.. GPS coordinates: N 45.0666, W 78.5190

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 #: 111

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 1:30 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 5km

LOCATION: Dahl Forest, 1307 Geeza Rd

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM #: 15

AMENITIES: Parking

LEADER : 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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28km.

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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529 W78.6167

History along Ten Mile Creek

This hike will explore the ecological and human history of environs of Ten Mile Creek which flows into Lake of Bays near Dorset. This drainage is a significant glacial meltwater system which at one time provided access for saw milling operations on Lake of Bays. The creek retains evidence of a logging dam, sluiceway, logging camp site and a fox farm. The surrounding environment provides white-tailed deer wintering range and red oak stands which contribute an important fall food source for numerous wildlife species. Also located on the site is the reconstructed "Crooked House", once located off Hwy 118 near Carnarvon on the road of the same name. This hewn square log building has served as a settler's homestead, summer home and for the last 28 years, as a deer hunting camp. Natural resources use and management are key to this Ten Mile Creek woods walk. Good footwear is necessary, as much of the walk will not be over a trail or prepared surface. and may involve a shallow water crossing. Bring something to drink and a camera. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+ . Dogs on leash allowed.

HIKE #: 12

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hr., 5km

LOCATION: 24529 Hwy #35

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 12

AMENITIES: Parking, washroom (outhouse), shelter

LEADER: Mike Buss

LEADER BIO: Mike Buss is a 28-year veteran of the Ministry of Natural Resources where he worked

as a wildlife biologist. He and his wife have owned this property for nearly 35 years. Through their roaming's on the property they have gained considerable knowledge about its former uses and their impact on the landscape. Mike has a keen interest in both natural history and human history, hunting and trapping in particular.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 follow for approximately. 67km. From Haliburton take Hwy118 west to Carnarvon; turn right onto Hwy 35 and drive north. Distance from Haliburton is approximately. 72km. GPS coordinates: N 45.2867, W 78.9421

THURSDAY EVENING , SEPTEMBER 19

Sean Chambers in Concert

Florida born Sean Chambers began his career in the blues back in 1998 when he toured with the legendary Hubert Sumlin as his guitarist and band leader until 2003. During Sean's tenure with Mr. Sumlin, Britain's own Guitarist magazine named Chambers as "One of the top 50 blues guitarists of the last century." In 2009, Chambers went into the studio to record his critically-acclaimed album, *Ten Til Midnight*. When *Ten Til Midnight* was released in October, 2009, it garnered rave reviews and also appeared on the Living Blues Chart for the first three months after its release. It received steady airplay in 45 states around the U.S, as well as many markets overseas. The title cut was featured on "The House of Blues Radio Hour" as a "Blues Breaker;" and the album also generated significant airplay on Sirius/XM Radio's blues channel as a "Pick to Click". For more information about Sean Chambers - <http://www.seanchambers.com/>

EVENT #: 3

DATE: Thursday, September 19

START TIME: 8:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours

LOCATION: Dominion Hotel , 113 Main Street, Minden

TICKETS - DominionHotelPub.ca

FRIDAY MORNING , SEPTEMBER 20

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. 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 1.5kms 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 #: 27

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 6:15 am

DURATION: 2.5hours, 2km

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. 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 16km). Turn right on Stanhope Airport Rd and follow until you get to Barry Line Rd. Turn right onto Barry Line Rd and follow to Binscarth Trail. Turn left and follow Binscarth to a fork in the road. Keep right at the fork and follow to # 1473. (Don't go left up the hill to the bell tower.) Distance from Haliburton is 17km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north until it intersects with Hwy 118. Turn right onto Hwy 118 for approximately 11km. Turn left onto Stanhope Airport Rd. Continue to Barry Line Rd, and turn right. Follow to Binscarth Trail, turn left and proceed as described above. Distance from Minden is 30km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1358, W 78.6314

Bear Mountain Adventure

This canoe trip and hike takes you to the far corners of the County. We will paddle the length of remote Livingstone Lake past a 110-metre-high rock face to the portage at the south end of the lake. This 90-metre portage takes us around the rapids and chute that lead into Bear Lake. We will take time to explore the river as it cascades through this narrow gorge. After a short paddle to the base of Bear Mountain we will cache the canoes and hike up a wooded ridge to the top of a 200-metre rock face. We will savour the spectacular panoramic views of the Algonquin Dome from several lookouts while enjoying our trail lunch. And then it is back to the canoes and a short paddle across Bear Lake. Once again we will cache the canoes and hike up the magnificent waterfall/chute to Hinterland Marsh. After exploring the fragile and beautiful landscape of a true northern bog/fen we will return via paddle and portage to Livingstone Lake. This will be a trip to remember. Moderate canoeing skills and good level of fitness are required. Must pack your own lunch and drinking water. Must provide own canoe/kayak, paddles, PFD and all required safety gear. Sturdy footwear is required for climbing/hiking and comfortable footwear for paddling. If we get some warm Indian Summer weather, you might want to consider a bathing suit under outdoor clothing as the hike ends in a lovely pool at the base of the falls that is nice for swimming. This hike/paddle is suitable for adults, teens, and families with children 10+.

HIKE #: 15

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 6-7 hours, 4km hiking, 2 hours paddling

LOCATION: Livingstone Lake Access Point

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM # 12

AMENITIES: Parking, shelter, launch

LEADERS: Wayne and Vina Parker

LEADER BIO: Full time residents on Livingstone Lake. 64 years old. 48 years of wilderness canoeing experiences together. Experienced woodsman; arborist and forester by trade. Avid love and good knowledge of local history. They enjoy entertaining and educating willing participants. This trip is a favorite to share with friends.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 35 north to Dorset. Exit Hwy 35 onto Kawagama Lake Rd. After 1km go straight through the first intersection onto Livingstone Lake Rd (County Rd #12). Proceed for approximately 21km until you come to Laurel Rd. Turn right and follow 1km to parking area and boat launch. Park and unload canoe. Distance from Minden is approximately 75km. Distance from Haliburton is 84km. GPS coordinates: N45.370117°, W78.722191

Viewpoints Galore

Experienced leader Wally Ozog and his sweep Larry will get you high on this hike. Along the ridges of the Crest of Kennisis 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 #: 2

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 5 hours, 9.5km

LOCATION: 2029 Little Hawk Lake Rd

RATING: Challenging (with some steep climbs)

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms

LEADER: Wally Ozog

LEADER BIO: Wally is an 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 onto Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Road 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Lake Rd and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Road 13) and proceed as described above. Distance from Minden is 23km; travel time is approximately 24 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 #: 35

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:00 am (plan to arrive by 8:30)

DURATION: 4 hours, 1km

LOCATION: Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve, 1095 Redkenn Rd.

RATING: Easy although not recommended for those with an intense fear of heights. There is also a steep climb to get to the canopy structure.

MAXIMUM# 12

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, food and beverage services

LEADER: Haliburton Forest staff

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west 11km to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and keep to your left. Follow to Redkenn Rd, approximately 17km. Keep left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32km. From Minden take Hwy 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. The distance from Minden is approximately 47km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

Up and Around Green's Mountain

Green's Mountain has been a popular off-road vehicle destination.. You will hike Green's Mountain for a "heart-stopping" view from the site of an old fire tower. You will hike to the top and around 3 sides of the mountain to experience many different types of terrain and a wide variety of ecosystems. You will see many varied rock formations and forests that have never been logged. Be prepared for rough, rocky terrain with long, steep inclines. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 73

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 3km

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 47 years, have 3 children and 11 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 5km and turn right onto Glamorgan Rd (County Rd 3). Follow to the "T" intersection (approximately 17km) and turn left onto County Rd 503 and follow to Gooderham (approximately 2km). Turn right onto Buckhorn Rd (County Rd 507) and proceed approximately 4 km to Green's Mountain Trail. Turn right onto Green's Mountain Trail and follow Green's Mountain Trail approximately 3km to the "Up and

Around Hiking” Trail sign. Green’s Mountain is approximately 23 km from Haliburton. From Minden take Hwy 35 south approximately 3.5 km, turn left onto County Rd 121 and follow to Kinmount, approximately 19.5 km from Minden. Turn left onto County Rd 503 and proceed to Gooderham, approximately 47 km from Minden. Turn right onto the Buckhorn Rd (County Rd 507) and proceed as described above. 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. Dog friendly - on a leash please.

HIKE #: 96

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 4km

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 in 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 the bridge turn right onto Twelve Mile Lake Rd. and follow past Taylor Rd (on your left) to the parking lot on you left. Distance from Haliburton is approximately. 30km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Twelve Mile Lake Rd., turn left and follow past Taylor Rd (on your left) to the parking lot on you left. Distance from Minden is approximately. 10 km. N45.0031, W78.7074Camp

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 into 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 #: 9

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 4km

LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35

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 Hwy 35, approximately 23 km north of Carnarvon and 12km 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 48km. GPS coordinates: N45.1591, W78.8448

Milburn to Miserable Lake

Destination: Miserable Lake. No one seems to know why it's called Miserable Lake; it is a very scenic and beautiful place. This challenging hike is a combination of wide ATV trails, narrow beaver dam crossings, bald rock outcroppings, and barely visible single track. It passes through some of the most unique habitat in the Haliburton Highlands, and is home to many species at risk. We will have lunch on a rocky outcrop looking over Miserable Lake. Hiking boots and a hiking pole/stick are recommended. Don't forget your lunch. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please

HIKE #: 108

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 5 hours, 13km

LOCATION: Halfway point on Milburn Rd (4.0km south of the Gelert Rd. or 4.0km north of 503)

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM #: 16

AMENITIES: Limited parking

LEADER: Chris Whittmore

LEADERS BIO: Chris is an avid hiker and outdoor enthusiast. She also enjoys cycling, canoeing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and Dragon Boating. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take the Gelert Rd. (County Rd . 1) to the Milburn Rd.. Turn left and follow Milburn Rd. to where the ATV trail crosses the road (4.0km south of the Gelert Rd. or 4.0km north of County Rd . 503). The travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 30km. From Minden take South Lake Rd. to County Rd . 1, turn right and continue to Milburn Rd.. The travel distance from Minden is approximately 16km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8813, W 78.5792

Camp Capers

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 fun 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, and children. Dog friendly - on leash.

HIKE #: 78

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

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 Hwy 118 east to Cardiff. Once you arrive in Cardiff, turn right on Inlet Bay Rd. and left onto McGillivray Rd.. Continue until a left turn onto Camp Can- Ski Rd., from here drive up to the parking lot. The travel distance from Haliburton to the park is approximately 50km, and from Minden via County Rd 21 and Hwy 118 is approximately 73km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9860, W 78.0092

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 6km up the Rd.. 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 #: 71

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 4km

LOCATION: 1537 South Wilberforce Rd (corner of South Wilberforce Rd & Loop Rd)

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 20

AMENITIES: Parking at swimming beach, washrooms (onsite)

LEADER: Jim Deterling

LEADER BIO:

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to County Rd 4, approximately 19km. Turn left onto County Rd . 4 and proceed to County Rd . 648 (Loop Rd.), approximately 8km. The distance from Haliburton to the Loop Rd. is approximately. 27km. Turn right on County Rd 648 and proceed to the South Wilberforce Rd, approximately 3.5km. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 30km. From Minden take Hwy 35 North and turn right onto County Rd . 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km, then proceed as described above. The distance from Minden is approximately 55km. GPS coordinates: N45.0082, W78.2152

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 (if capable of distance). No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 106

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 9 km

LOCATION: 1425 Francis Rd. Minden

RATING: Challenging primarily due to length

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 (County 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 22km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd (County Rd 1). Turn right to Gelert. In Gelert turn left onto Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd.

Distance from Minden is 14km. GPS coordinates: N44.8971, W78.5946

High Falls Paddle and Hike

Explore Benoir Lake, the York River and High Falls on this excursion. We will watch for wildlife along the York River and 'park' at the base of the falls, where we will get out and hike some rugged terrain to the top of the falls for a lunch break. Bring sturdy hiking shoes and canoe/kayak/paddle board. Algonquin Rental canoes are available at Pine Grove Point at a discounted price of \$22.50 per day. Continental breakfast is available at 9:00 am for \$6.00 per person. A box lunch is available for \$10 per person (made fresh at Pine Grove Point, will accommodate food allergies, restrictions) - advance notice is required. You will need to purchase a day use fee for Algonquin Park. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 8 + (with paddling experience). No dogs please.

HIKE #: 60

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 10:30 am – 2:30 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 4km hiking, 4km paddling

LOCATION: Pine Grove Point Campground, 4445 Elephant Lake Rd., Harcourt

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM #20

AMENITIES: Parking, shelter, washrooms, launch, food

LEADER: Andrea Mueller

LEADER BIO: 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. Now as the Recreation Program Coordinator for the Municipality of Dysart et al she is excited to be working on the Explore Our Lakes project.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton travel east on Hwy 118 (approximately 18.6km). Turn left (north) on Essonville Line Rd (County Rd 4). At stop sign in Wilberforce, turn left on Loop Rd (County Rd 648). Turn left on Elephant Lake Rd (County Rd 10). Travel approximately 12.1km to Pine Grove Point, 4445 Elephant Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 50km. Distance from Minden is approximately 75km. GPS coordinates: W78.1563, N45.2063

Hoofin' it: Pony Time

Join Lesley, certified Equine Assisted Learning facilitator, for an enjoyable introduction to the critically endangered Ojibwe Horse. 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'. Suitable for families. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 21

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 11:00 am

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 1km

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 Three Day Eventing as well as coached teams and individuals to competition level in equine sports as diverse as the Prince Philip Cup 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 Ojibwe Horse.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, approximately 13km. 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 Drive into Abbey Gardens. The distance from Minden is approximately 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

Along Hopkins Trail

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 #: 40

DATE: Friday, September 21

START TIME: 11:00 am

DURATION: 1 hr, 2km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, 5358 Haliburton County Rd . 21,

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 15

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, shelter

LEADER: Sam Little and the students of 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 25km with approximately 25 minutes of travel time. In Haliburton, the school is located at the west end of Head Lake. Meet in the parking area behind the school in front of the gym building. GPS coordinates: N 45.0430, W 78.5233

FRIDAY AFTERNOON , SEPTEMBER 20

Bonnie's Bike and Hike

For the cyclist in you here is a 30 km loop bike ride along the meandering shores of Lake Kashagawigamog and the fast rolling Gelert Rd. followed by a short 2 km gentle hike on the trails at Bonnie View Inn. After this excursion enjoy some refreshments at Bonnie View (not included). For the biking portion of the Bike 'n Hike, participants must have a bicycle suitable for road riding, in good working condition. All participants must have a helmet, closed-toe shoes, and a full water bottle. The bike ride is 30 kilometres and is expected to last 90-120 minutes. Please ensure you have the physical fitness level to ride this distance on a route that includes some moderate hills. This will be a "no drop" ride, which means that we will have periodic meet up points to allow the group to get back together. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 48

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 30km by bike, 2km hike

LOCATION: Bonnie View Inn, 2713 Kashagawigamog Lake Rd, Haliburton

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM # 12

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (on site), food and beverage, shelter, water

LEADER: Sara McEwen, Humdinger Bicycle Tours

LEADER BIO: Sara trained and worked as a physiotherapist for many years before returning to school, completing a PhD, and becoming a research scientist. She is slowly but surely extracting herself from that wonderful career, and has been operating Humdinger Bicycle Tours since 2017. She has been fortunate to have had the opportunity to explore many beautiful places in the world, and loves Ontario's cottage country best of all. Sara is passionate about connecting people with culture, history, and local food through active travel experiences

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 35 north to Minden. In Minden watch for County Rd 21 towards Haliburton Village. It is past the Tim Horton's, Valu Mart and Kawartha Dairy. Turn right onto 21 and follow for 7 km, watch your right for County Rd 18, Kashagawigamog Lake Rd. Turn right onto it and follow for 10 km and we are on the left hand side. From Hwy 118 in Haliburton Village, turn at the main lights by the CIBC onto County Rd 21. Follow to the next set of lights and turn left onto Gelert Rd (County Rd 1) and follow it 2 km to County Rd 18, Kashagawigamog Lake Rd. Turn right and follow for 5 km until you see Bonnie View's stone gates and wooden sign. GPS coordinates: N 45.0020, W 78.5669

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 #: 67

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Tourist Information Centre (Curling Club) 2249 Loop Rd.

RATING: Easy (with a couple of steep climbs)

MAXIMUM # 12

AMENITIES: Parking

LEADER: Mark Bramham

LEADER BIO: Mark Bramham and his wife, Sandra are owners of Greenmantle Farm and offer guided mineral tours. They also have a maple syrup operation called Esson Creek Maple. They 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 19km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Rd. (County Rd 648). Just before the intersection you will see the curling club and Fire Hall. Meet in the parking lot between these two buildings. 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 Hwy 118. Follow Hwy 118, approximately 19 km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Rd (County Rd 648) and follow the directions above. GPS coordinates: N 45.0365, W 78.2228

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. Dog friendly - on leash please .

HIKE #: 25

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 4km

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. Heather's role involves oversight of the entire operation and strategic planning for the development of the Abbey Gardens project. She has a background in Recreation Management, Outdoor Education, and Community-Based Research. She is an outdoor enthusiast and an experienced hike leader.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon (approximately 13km), 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 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N45.1053, W78.6168

History Behind the Scenes

This hike will highlight the architectural history of Haliburton Village with a special "behind the scenes" look at some of the village's most interesting buildings. The hike will feature special guests who have inside knowledge of these buildings and the stories contained within. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 42

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours., 2km

LOCATION: Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 10

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (on site), shelter, water

LEADER: Kate Butler

LEADER BIO: 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.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden Follow Haliburton County Rd 21 to Haliburton. Continue on Highland St (Rd 21 turns into Highland St, or Main St Haliburton). Turn right onto Maple Avenue (Hwy 118), destination will be on the left.

Fungophile Foray

An easy walk along the trails at Medeba, in search of edible fungi. Nicholas will do his best to help identify as many fungi as he can, focusing on safe edible wild mushrooms. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 28

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

LOCATION: Medeba, 1270 Kennisis Lake Rd, West Guilford

MAXIMUM #: 16

RATING: Moderate (with some rough and steep sections)

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (on-site)

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, head west on Maple Ave/Hwy 118 W. Follow Hwy. 118 approximately 13 km. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd/ County Rd 7 (signs for County Rd 7/Kennisis Lake Rd). Destination will be on your right, Camp Medeba.

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 #: 93

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:30 pm

DURATION: 3.0 hours, 2 km

LOCATION Minden Hills Cultural Centre, 176 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden

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 were 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. Recently retired Councillor Anthon moved permanently to Haliburton 29 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, former President of the Highlands Summer Festival, and occasional actor and director. He has been a resident of Minden since 1979. He is always hungry for new experiences.

DIRECTIONS: Exit to Minden off Hwy 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 26km. There is parking at the back or along Parkside Rd.. GPS coordinates: N44.9297, W78.7275

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 yr +. Dog friendly - on a leash please

HIKE #: 1

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 1:30 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 4.5km

LOCATION: Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast, 17359 Hwy 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 Hwy 35 north from Carnarvon for approximately 9km. Turn left on Stouffer Mill Rd. (17359 Hwy 35). Stouffer Mill B&B (705-489-3024) is located at the end of Stouffer Mill Rd. Distance from Carnarvon is approximately 10km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 West to Carnarvon and turn right onto Hwy 35 North for approximately 9km. 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 10km. The distance from Haliburton to Carnarvon is approximately 23km. GPS coordinates: N45.1077, W78.7637

Trail Blazers 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 #: 68

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 3-4km

LOCATION:

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 19km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Rd. (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 28km. From Minden turn right onto County Rd 21 to Haliburton, approximately 24km. Turn right on Maple Street at the lights in the center of the village (CIBC on the left). Maple Street is also Hwy 118. Follow Hwy 118, approximately 19km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Rd. (County Rd 648), turn left and follow instructions above GPS coordinates: N 45.0365, W 78.2228

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 #: 34

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 5km

LOCATION: 1095 Redkenn Rd.. Meet at the Base Camp office of Haliburton Forest

RATING: Moderate. Hike will be a mixture of moderate on trail hiking and flat, but off-trail walking through the forest. Participants must be sufficiently mobile to walk off-trail to participate in this hike.

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 11km. to West Guilford. Turn right onto Kennisis Lake Rd (County Rd 7) and stay to your left. Follow County Rd 7 to Redkenn Rd., approximately 19km. Turn left into Haliburton Forest and proceed to base camp and office. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32km. From Minden take Hwy 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 Rd.. The distance from Minden is approximately 47km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

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 #: 111

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 5km

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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28km. 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 Rd. and drive to # 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529 W78.6167

Biodiversity Safari

Take a walk with Botanigal, aka Rebecca, to learn more about the forested and wetland ecosystems that can be found in Haliburton County. We will focus on the plant offerings along the trail and will discuss the wildlife species that depend on them. Why are these ecosystems and their species the way they are? Why is Citizen Science so important? Pack your camera and binoculars to improve the hike's species count, which we will submit to the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 6

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3kms

LOCATION: Historic Log Chute, 1584 Big Hawk Rd. (County Rd . 13)

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 12

AMENITIES: Parking, outhouse

LEADER: Ethnobotanist Rebecca Krawczyk

LEADER BIO: Rebecca Krawczyk is a botanist, herbalist, and ecologist. Check out her family business BarK Native Plant Nursery & Botanicals @botanigals

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 West to Carnarvon (approximately 25 km). Turn right onto Hwy 35 heading north. Travel for approximately 11km and turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3km to #1584. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 42km. From Minden take Hwy 35 North for approximately 25km. Turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3km to #1584. GPS:

coordinates W 78.7422, N 45.1425

Wayback 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. railRd. 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 #: 80

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 1.5km

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, 3rd 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 19km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Rd. (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 Hwy 118. Follow Hwy 118, approximately 19 km, to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the intersection of Loop Rd. (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

"Hike for Hospice" Reflection Walk

Join members of the HHHS Foundation and Community Support Services team to "hike" around the hospital grounds, along the tranquility trail, and serenity garden. Experience reflection time at the gazebo located adjacent to the garden, and learn about the work being done in hospice and palliative care in your community. All donations made for this hike will be donated to the Hike for Hospice. Suitable for families. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 45

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 2:30 pm

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Health Services - Haliburton Site. 7199 Gelert Rd.

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 30

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby), shelter, water

LEADER: Lisa Tompkins

LEADER BIO

DIRECTIONS: Please gather at the hospital entrance. From Haliburton, head southwest on Highland St. Turn left onto Gelert Rd/ County Rd 1 (signs for County Rd 1/Donald/Lochlin) Hospital will be on the right. From Minden you will come on County Rd 21, and turn right onto Gelert Rd shortly after you see the train on your right side GPS coordinates: N 45.0384, W 78.5286

Dog On

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 or running with your dog pulling. Both your dog and you will each wear harness and be attached together by a line with a bungee. Similar idea with a 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 explore the trails at Killara Station. Don't forget to bring your dog. Make sure your dog is comfortable wearing stuff. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 50

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 3:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hr, up to 3km

LOCATION Killara Station, 5205 Gelert Rd. (County Rd . 1)

RATING: Moderate to Challenging. Terrain is gently rolling, but if you and your dog like to run you can go fast which requires fitness. You can also walk.

MAXIMUM #: 8

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, shelter

LEADER: 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 Rd.. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 10km.. 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 left and follow to 5205 Gelert Rd.. The distance from Minden is approximately 16km. GPS coordinates: N44.9568, W78.5616

Tiny Trekkers

Bring the whole family for a "curiosity-paced" discovery hike through the woods! We will follow the kids' interests, questions and discoveries as we explore all the forest has to offer. Using our eyes, ears, nose, and sense of touch, we will no doubt discover plants, trees, birds and signs of animals all

around us. And play games too! Adults will gain confidence in exploring nature, and learn that you needn't be a nature "expert" to explore and teach kids about the world around them. All ages welcome.

HIKE #: 104

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 3:30 pm

DURATION: 1 hr., 0.5km

LOCATION: Snowdon Park

AMENITIES: Parking, Outhouse

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #:15

LEADER: Sarah Bell

LEADER BIO: Sarah Bell is an outdoor educator and nature enthusiast living and working in Haliburton for the past 10 years. She loves teaching people about the natural world, and exploring the woods in the Haliburton Highlands as much as possible with her family and friends. She excited to start sharing this passion with her one-year old daughter.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd. (County Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than akm past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd. (County Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately. 12km. GPS coordinates: N44.9190, W78.6453

Discover Stothart Creek Trails

The Stothart Creek Trails includes approximately. 3km of creekside beauty. The gentle slopes on both sides of this natural brook-trout creek offer a relaxing hiking experience rather than a strenuous one. Enjoy the wood-plank cross bridges and natural habitats, home to some Haliburton's favourite furry friends! Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 44

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 4:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hr., 2km

LOCATION: 1035 Brooktrout Run Rd. Haliburton

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking, food/beverages, water, shelter

LEADER: Benton Brown

LEADER BIO: Benton is 30 years old and he and wife were raised in the beautiful Highlands of Haliburton. He enjoys promoting Haliburton as a great place for young people to thrive both professionally and personally. He believes that the quality of life found in cottage country-Canada is amongst the best in the world! He is an enthusiastic guy who loves people and loves being active!

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west, turn right on Harburn Rd to Illman Rd. Turn left on Illman Hike starts at the intersection of Illman Rd and Brooktrout Run. Travel distance from Haliburton is approx. 3.5 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 north to County Rd 21. turn right and follow to Haliburton. In Haliburton take Hwy 118 west (Maple Ave) and follow to Harburn Rd, turn

right and follow to Illman and turn left and follow to Brooktrout Run. Travel distance from Minden is approx. 29 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0666, W 78.5190

FRIDAY EVENING , SEPTEMBER 20

Katie's Sugar Bush

The whole family can enjoy a hike through the hardwoods of Minden Hills. Bring the kids and dogs to explore the beautiful landscape with a stop at The Sugar Shack and maybe even a taste of nature's candy. Please ensure proper footwear is worn. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 115

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 5:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hr, 1.5km

LOCATION: 1040 Nye Lane, Minden Hills

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 10

AMENITIES: Parking, water

LEADER: Katie Cox

LEADER BIO: : Katie was born and raised in the Minden area, she loves spending time in the outdoors with her family and dogs. She is an avid angler and hunter and enjoys cross country/ downhill skiing and snowshoeing in the colder months.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden head south on Hwy 35 to Nye Lane. Turn left onto Nye Rd. and follow cottage Rd. to top of hill where there will be off Rd. parking in the grass. (watch for signs). distance from Minden is about 7km . From Haliburton travel County Rd 21 to Hwy 35 , turn left and head south to Nye Rd. and follow as above . GPS coordinates:

Danny Michel in Concert

Danny Michel is one of Canada's most admired singer/songwriters. His music is diverse - rock, pop, folk, world or (recently) even classical. Music is an adventure for Danny. This concert is presented by the Haliburton County Folk Society.

EVENT #: D

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 8:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours

LOCATION: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

TICKETS: www.haliburtonfolk.com

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 demonstrations, 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 #: 72

DATE: Friday, September 20

START TIME: 8:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Parkette in Tory Hill at the intersection of Hwy 118 and County Rd . 503

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, portable toilet

LEADERS: Brian Mould, Terry Craig and Jennifer Wanless-Craig

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 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

SATURDAY 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 . 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 1.5kms 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 #: 27

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 6:15 am

DURATION: 2.5hours, 2km

LOCATION: 1473 Binscarth Trail.

RATING: Challenging - steep climb and descent on uneven terrain om poor light

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. 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 16km) Turn Right on Stanhope Airport Rd. 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 Rd.. Keep right at the 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 11km. Turn left on Stanhope Airport Rd onto to Barry Line and follow to Binscarth, turn left and follow the directions above. Distance from Haliburton is 17 km. Distance from Minden is 30 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1358, W 78.6314

Capture Ragged Falls

Capture the power of Ragged Falls with Rob Stimpson, internationally published, award-winning photographer best known for capturing the fury and tenderness of the Canadian outdoors. You will spend a few hours at Ragged Falls Provincial Park with your camera creating imagery that showcases on the special landscapes of the region. You will learn to "see" photographically, how to recognize a composition and how to capture it. Rob Stimpson loves to teach. As wonderful as he is at photography, he excels at sharing that knowledge. It never really matters where you are in your photo level, he will ensure that you come away with something new after his workshop. A day park permit is required and can be purchased online or at the park office upon arrival. Suitable for teenagers and adults. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 57

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 8:00 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Ragged Falls Provincial Park between Oxtongue Lake and Algonquin Park . 1050 Oxtongue Lake Rd

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 10

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms

LEADER: Rob Stimpson

LEADER BIO: Rob Stimpson works in the tourism world; he is an internationally published, award-winning photographer. He teaches photography part time at Fleming College as well as runs workshops throughout Ontario. Rob has photographed for Ontario Tourism, Ontario Parks and Parks Canada for many years. His work has appeared on the covers of Ontario Parks Guides, calendars, magazines and national ads for the province and Canada. He has garnered numerous awards, including a Northern Lights Award from the Canadian Tourism Commission and Best Travel Photography Award from the Ontario Tourism Summit. In October 2012 he was nominated and accepted into the College of Fellows in the Royal Canadian Geographical Society.

DIRECTIONS:From Minden travel north on Hwy 35 to the "T" intersection at Hwy 60,approximately 68km. Turn right onto Hwy 60, and drive east approximately 12km. The park is on your left. The distance is approximately 88km and a 60 minute drive. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon,approximately 24km and turn right onto Hwy 35 north to the "T" intersection at Hwy 60,approximately 52km. Turn right onto Hwy 60 and continues as above. From Haliburton the distance is approximately 84km and a 70 min drive. GPS coordinates: N 45.3879, W 78.9065

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 Provincial Park (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 #: 119

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 8:30 am

DURATION: 7 hours, 19km

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 20 years and is a big fan of the Haliburton Highlands.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 35 to Minden, turn on Water Street and continue to the Bobcaygeon Rd.,approximately 1.5km. Turn right on Bobcaygeon Rd. over the bridge and continue to the first Rd. on your left, Deep Bay Rd. (County Rd 2). Travel along Deep Bay Rd. for approximately 12km to Devil's Lake Rd.. Turn right on Devil's Lake Rd. and travel 0.5km to parking lot at the trailhead. We will carpool from there to the trailhead at Moore Falls. The distance from Minden is approximately 13km and distance from Haliburton is approximately 38km. 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 your own over several portages. No paddling experience necessary. Pre-Registration is required. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 8

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 6 hours, 12km

LOCATION Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35

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 and also internationally including trips to Peru, Costa Rica, Belize, Great Britain, Australia, Mexico and the Caribbean.

DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approximately. 23km north of Carnarvon and 16km 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

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 #: 36

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 5 hours, 8km

LOCATION: West Shore Rd., Kennisis Lake

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking

LEADER: Britney Rock, Larry Hewitt, Jim Redner

LEADER BIO: 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 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 Rd . 7 to West Shore Drive, approximately 17km. 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 36km. The distance

from Minden is approximately 47km. 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 fluororichterite 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 toe shoes mandatory. Remember your water bottle! Suitable for adults, teens and children 6+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 65

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 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 19km to the Essonville Line (County Rd . 4). Turn left and continue for approximately 5km. to Greenmantle Farm. The Farm is located 3km west of Wilberforce. Travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 24km. The distance from Minden is approximately 48km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9297, W 78.2481

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 #: 103

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 5km

LOCATION: Snowdon Park, 1111 Snowdon Park Rd

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, outhouse

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 Rd. (County Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than akm past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it

ends at Gelert Rd. (County Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately 12km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9219, W 78.6436

Finding Harburn Wells

Somewhere off the Harburn Rd. 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 #: 32

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Across the Rd. from Camp Gan Israel on the Harburn Rd.

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 Rd., approximately 2km. Turn right and follow Harburn Rd. for approximately 13km 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 Hwy 118/Maple Street in Haliburton (CIBC on your left), and follow to Harburn Rd. and continue as described above. The distance from Minden is approximately 44km. GPS coordinates: N45.1166, W78.4660

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 #: 46

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, 6712 Gelert Rd. , 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). His other interests include birding, hiking, astronomy, fishing and volunteering at Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary.

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 35 in Minden take South Lake Rd/County Rd 16 and follow for 7.5km, turn

left onto Gelert Rd/County Rd 1. Follow County Rd 1 for 14.5km . The HHOA Fish Hatchery will be on your right. Distance from Minden is 23km and travel time is 21 min. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd/County Rd 1 for 3.5km; the hatchery is on your left. Travel time is 4 minutes. GPS coordinates - N45.0200, W78.5367

Milburn Backpacking Adventure

This hike overnight experience is for anyone who would like to try backpacking. Chris Whittemore isn't Kevin Callan but she has a fair amount of backpacking experience. The terrain off of Milburn Rd. is rocky and rugged but not difficult to navigate. There are many ponds and rocky outcroppings. The total distance you will travel with packs will be 8km. Saturday we will hike in 4km where we will set up camp by a babbling brook. Sunday morning we will again hike 4km completing a circular loop. On Saturday we may hike to Miserable Lake. Prior to the hike Chris will communicate with all participants to discuss gear. Suitable for adults and teens.. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 107

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 15 hours, 8km

LOCATION: Milburn Rd 4km from County Rd . 1 and 4km from County Rd 503.

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM #: 8

AMENITIES: Parking

LEADER: Chris Whittemore

LEADER BIO: Chris is an avid hiker and outdoor enthusiast. She also enjoys cycling, canoeing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and Dragon Boating. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario).

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take the Gelert Rd. (County Rd 1) to the Milburn Rd.. Turn left and follow Milburn Rd. to where the ATV trail crosses the road (4 km south of the Gelert Rd. or 4 km north of 503). The travel distance from Haliburton is approximately 30km. From Minden take South Lake Rd. to County Rd . 1, turn right and continue to Milburn Rd.. The travel distance from Minden is approximately 16km. GPS coordinates: N 44.8813, W 78.5792

The Happy Camper's Tips and Tricks on Wilderness Wandering

Hiking in the woods with Kevin is like flipping through the pages of a nature encyclopedia. Take a hike with him and he'll show you how to identify the fauna and flora, how to deal with bears and bugs, watch nature's weather forecasts, track, pack light, travel safe, navigate, and generally thrive instead of survive out in the wilderness. You will need to purchase a day use fee for Algonquin Park from Pine Grove Point Campground. Suitable for adults, teens, and children 8 yrs +. No dogs please. Be sure to wear sturdy footwear and bring a lunch and beverages.

HIKE #: 58

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 8km

LOCATION: High Falls Hiking Trail. Pine Grove Point Campground 4445 Elephant Lake Rd., Harcourt

MAXIMUM # 20

RATING: Challenging

AMENITIES: parking, washrooms, water, beach, camping

LEADER: Kevin Callan

LEADERS BIO: Kevin (aka The Happy Camper) is the author of 18 books; his latest being *Once Around Algonquin: An Epic Canoe Journey*. He is an award winning writer 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 film awards, writes a column for *Paddling Magazine* and *Explore Magazine*. Kevin was listed one of the top 100 modern day explorers by the Canadian Geographical Society. He was also made Patron Paddler for Paddle Canada. Check out his web site at www.kevincallan.com and YouTube channel KCHappyCamper.

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 Rd. (County Rd 648), turn left and follow the Loop Rd (County Rd 648) approximately 8 km to Harcourt. Two kilometres past Harcourt turn left on the Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd 10) and continue approximately 13 km to High Falls trailhead. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 49 km. The distance from Minden is approximately 73 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1879, W 78.1680

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 #: 76

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 3km

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 6 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 Hwy 118 east to Hwy 28. Turn right (south) on Hwy 28 and drive approximately 11km 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 61km. From Minden travel to Haliburton via County Rd 21 and follow direction from Haliburton and described above. The travel distance from Minden is 85 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712

Big, Beautiful Barnum Creek Nature Reserve

Join Margaret Dobrzensky, who along with her mother Leopoldina, generously donated Barnum

Creek Nature Reserve to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. Discover more about the natural and cultural heritage of this unique 500-acre property where you will find a variety of ecosystems, including mature forests, open fields and wetlands. Barnum Creek bisects the property and serves as an important habitat for moose, deer, wolf, beaver and a wide variety of bird species. We will start on an easy, wide trail through the forest but will soon leave that trail and climb to a ridge where we will have lovely views of the valley below. Suitable for teens and adults, no dogs please.

HIKE #: 43

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 4.5km

LOCATION: **23 York St. Meet at Rails End Gallery to carpool to the trail head**

RATING: Challenging (some steep climbs and descents on a rough trail)

MAXIMUM #: 25

AMENITIES: Washrooms (outhouse)

LEADER: Sheila Ziman

LEADER 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: The Rails End Gallery sits just on the edge of Head Lake Park, on York St. York St runs parallel to main street (Highland St) in Haliburton. From Minden head north on Hwy 35. turn right on County Rd 21 towards Haliburton. Continue approximately 24 km to the village of Haliburton. Turn left onto York St, and you'll find the Gallery to your left. GPS coordinates N 45.0464, W 78.5110

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 #: 25

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 4km

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 (approximately 13km), 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 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. 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 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 #: 13

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

LOCATION: Oxtongue Lake Community Centre, 3979 Hwy 60, Oxtongue Lake. Hike will end at Algonquin Outfitters in Oxtongue Lake, approximately 2 km from the 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 a senior manager at Algonquin Outfitters and has been helping visitors plan their canoe trips for over 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. Both Gord and Janine are founding members of OLAC (Oxtongue Lake for Arts and Culture), a local group focused on researching and celebrating arts heritage in the Oxtongue Lake area.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden travel north on Hwy 35 to the "T" intersection at Hwy 60, approximately 68 km. Turn right onto Hwy 60, and drive east approximately 7km. From Minden, the distance is approximately 77 km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon, approximately 24km and turn right onto Hwy 35 north to the "T" intersection at Hwy 60, approximately 52 km. Turn right onto Hwy 60 and continues as above. From Haliburton the distance is approximately 86 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.3813, W 78.9249

Sir Sam's Hill of History

Hike on the property once owned by Sir Sam Hughes (Minister of Militia in WWI). 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 #: 31

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 6km

LOCATION: Sir Sam's Ski & Ride, 1054 Liswood Rd. 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 Hwy 118 east approximately 5km. to County Rd . 14 Turn right and proceed to the village of Eagle Lake, approximately 9km. Turn right on Sir Sam's Rd., and follow it to the hill. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 17km. From Minden, follow Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon, and turn right onto Hwy 118. At West Guilford turn left onto County Rd 7 and stay right on County Rd 6. Follow 6 to the town of Eagle Lake. Go over County Rd .14, past the beach on the left and up the hill to Sir Sam's Rd. and turn left. The distance from Minden is approximately 40km. GPS coordinates: N45.1301, W78.4817

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, give the animals a treat and meet Edward the Emu. 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 #: 49

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 3.5km

LOCATION Fresh at Killara Station, 5205 Gelert Rd. (County Rd . 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 Rd.. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 10km, an 8-minute drive. 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 left and follow to 5205 Gelert Rd.. The distance from Minden is approximately 16km. GPS coordinates: N44.9568, W78.5616

Walking the Chute

Take a short scenic walk along the section of shore of 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. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 5

DATE: Saturday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 0.5km

LOCATION: Historic Log Chute, 1584 Big Hawk Rd. (County Rd . 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 2019 is his 21st year as a museum host.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 West to Carnarvon (approximately 25 km). Turn right onto Hwy 35 heading north. Travel for approximately 11km and turn right onto Little Hawk Lake Rd (County Rd 13). Travel for 3km to Big Hawk Lake Rd and turn left. Travel another 3 km to #1584. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 42km. From Minden take Hwy 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 3km to #1584. GPS: coordinates N45.1425, W78.7422

Bedrock Botanicals

Walk with Rebecca, aka Botanigal, to discover the lore and historical uses of the plants you can find along the forest trails of Algonquin Highlands. | We'll conclude our adventure with a Wild Tea Taste Test. Bring your binoculars so the hike crew can maximize our mission contribution to citizen science. Check out the Botanigals website at www.botanigals.ca . Suitable for adults, teens and children 10+. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 11

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2.5 hours. 2km

LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35 North

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM #: 12

AMENITIES: Parking, site washroom, water/beverage

LEADER: Ethnobotanist Rebecca Krawczyk

LEADER BIO: Rebecca Krawczyk is a botanist, herbalist, and ecologist. Follow her family business BarK Native Plant Nursery & Botanicals @botanigals

DIRECTIONS: Located on Hwy 35 approximately. 23km 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 38 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

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 yr +. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 69

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 1.5 hour, 2km

LOCATION: Loop Rd. on the northern edge of Wilberforce, just north of the intersection of Loop Rd. and Tall Pine Rd.. Park on Loop Rd. 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 since 1990 and developed her love of the local trails through geocaching. She works for the Municipality of Highlands East as Community Economic Development 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 19km to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow for it 9km to Loop Rd (County Rd 648). Turn left on Loop Rd. In 3.1km the trail head is on the right. The distance from Haliburton is approximately. 31km. From Gooderham take County Rd . 503 12.1km to Tory Hill, keep right onto Hwy 118 for 3.8km. Continue straight onto Loop Rd for 9.4km. Trail head is on the right, just past Tall Pine Rd.. Distance from Gooderham is approximately. 25.2km. Limited parking is available on the trail head. GPS coordinates: N 45.0585, W 78.2069

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 #: 98

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:30 am

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 3km

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

LEADER: George Simmons

LEADERS BIO: George, a 4th generation of two original settler families is Irondale's historian. He has

also served as a municipal councillor and Warden of Haliburton County.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 East. Turn right onto Glamorgan Rd. (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 3.5 km, 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: N 44.9450, W 78.6268

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 Rd. (circa 1867), the forerunner of Hwy 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 #: 117

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 10:30 am

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 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. He recently retired and sold 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 15km. From Haliburton take County Rd . 21 to Minden. Turn south/left on Hwy 35 and follow for 15km to Miners' Bay Lodge. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 39km. GPS coordinates: N44.8197, W 78.7769

Tiny Trekkers

Bring the whole family for a "curiosity-paced" discovery hike through the woods! We will follow the kids' interests, questions and discoveries as we explore all the forest has to offer. Using our eyes, ears, nose, and sense of touch, we will no doubt discover plants, trees, birds and signs of animals all around us. And play games too! Adults will gain confidence in exploring nature, and learn that you needn't be a nature "expert" to explore and teach kids about the world around them. Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly.

HIKE # : 104

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 11:00 am

DURATION: 1 hr., 0.5km

LOCATION: Snowdon Park

AMENITIES: Parking, Outhouse

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #:15

LEADER: Sarah Bell

LEADER BIO: Sarah Bell is an outdoor educator and nature enthusiast living and working in Haliburton for the past 10 years. She loves teaching people about the natural world, and exploring the woods in the Haliburton Highlands as much as possible with her family and friends. She excited to start sharing this passion with her one-year old daughter.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd. (County Rd 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than akm past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd. (County Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately. 12km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9219, W 78.6436

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 displays.

EVENT #: E

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 Rd. (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 3.5 km, 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 approximately. 37 km. GPS coordinates: N44.8706, W78.5202

SATURDAY AFTERNOON , SEPTEMBER 21

Walk with Pride

Leisurely walk with members of Minden Pride. Come meet the committee and get to enjoy the natural beauty of Haliburton. Suitable for adults, teens and children. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 100

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 12:30 pm

DURATION: 2 hr., 5km

LOCATION: Snowden Park

AMENITIES: Parking, Outhouse

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 25

LEADER: David Rankin

LEADER BIO: David Rankin is the chair of Minden Pride and a recently retired educator. David has been a cottager in Haliburton County for over 50 years. He will be joined on the hike by enthusiastic members of the board of Minden Pride

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd. (County Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than akm past the South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd. (County. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately. 12km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9219, W 78.6436

Into the Domain

This hike will showcase the 4,000-acre Domain Nature Preserve, tour the Harburn Wells and hike the

historic Peterson Rd.. You will meet at the Domain lodge, where an introductory Powerpoint presentation will explain the features of the hike before departing. Refreshments will be served. From the Lodge, you will drive to the property entrance, hike through the 1986 tornado path to Ritchie Lake and make the climb up to the Harburn Wells. From the wells, the hike will continue to the Peterson Rd., where a description of the area's settlement history will be provided. The hike will end with a loop up to Carroll Rd. and back to the vehicles. Back at the vehicles, handouts will be provided on the Harburn Wells, the colonization Rd.s of the 1800s, and the Domain. Hikers who wish to return to the lodge for guided tour of the accommodations will be invited to do so. Suitable for adults, and teens . No dogs please.

HIKE #: 33

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 4 hours, 3km

LOCATION: The Domain Nature Preserve, 1282 Carroll Rd., Haliburton

RATING: Challenging . Most of this hike is easy going, on existing trails and level ground but 0.5km is through the woods with no trail at all. It is classed as "challenging" because of the steep, 200-foot climb from Ritchie Lake up to the Harburn Wells, and because of the need to ford the Little Drag River twice on foot, over boulders and rubble. Waterproof footwear is required and a walking stick is advised when crossing the creek.

MAXIMUM# 20

AMENITIES: parking, washrooms, food, shelter

LEADER: Peter Hynard

LEADER BIO: Peter Hynard is a registered professional forester with a degree in forest science from the University of Toronto and a licence to practice forestry in Ontario from the Ontario Professional Foresters Association. He has nearly 50 years of practical experience in the field, most of it this area. Today, Peter is semi-retired, lives near Minden and continues to practice forestry part-time on large

properties in Haliburton, Hastings and Muskoka. His specialties are air-photo interpretation, silviculture and commercial timber sales. The Domain Nature Preserve is one of Peter's forestry clients. Peter also has an interest in local history. He is a member of the Forest History Society of Ontario and has given talks on local forest history at the Minden Cultural Centre and the Haliburton fish hatchery. The use of "witness trees" and dendro-chronology to date events is a method he often uses in his forestry work.

DIRECTIONS: To reach the property from Haliburton, go northwest out of town on Hwy 118 for 2km. Turn right onto Harburn Rd. and go 10.1km to Carroll Rd.. Turn right on Carroll Rd. and go 1.4km to the lodge entrance. Turn into the entrance driveway and go 0.2km to the lodge. Park in the designated area and walk to the main lodge building. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1067, W 78.4054

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 trail. Suitable for adults and teens 16+. Everyone must wear a helmet. Bikes and helmets provided. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 112

DATE: Saturday September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 20km (on bike) 1km (hiking)

LOCATION: 1225 Howland Junction Rd., Minden

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 6

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water

LEADER: Don Schlosser

LEADER: Don Schlosser and Nicole Manary

LEADER BIO: Don and Nicole are owners of Peddle Creek Tours and e-bike enthusiasts. The two have a keen interest in local history.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden, head South on Hwy 35 for approximately 6km. 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 onto 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 44.8971, W 78.5946

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 insight into how this property is managed under the Ontario Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program. Suitable for adults and teens. Dog friendly - on leash

HIKE #: 28

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 5km

LOCATION: 1067 Binscarth Trail off the Barry Line near West Guilford

RATING: Moderate with some steep climbs

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 a staff member at Camp Kandalore and later as cottager and landowner.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north approximately 13km. to Hwy 118 and turn right to West Guilford, approximately 13km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west approximately 11km. to West Guilford. Follow County Rd 7 (Kennis Lake Rd.) 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 the gate and continue along this cottage Rd. until you pass through another gate and see a garage on the right. The distance from Minden is approximately 29km and 15km from Haliburton. GPS coordinates: N 45.1311, W 78.6272

Furnace Falls: Ghost Villages, Abandoned Railways and Lost Mines

A backcountry ramble through the mining sites of southern Snowdon Township active between 1870-1887. The tour will explore 4 mine sites, 2 railway lines, a colonization Rd. and the lost village of Furnace Falls: complete with smelter and marble quarry! All these sites were abandoned by 1887. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please

HIKE #: 114

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hour, 5km

LOCATION: Victoria Iron Mine

RATING: Moderate/Challenging

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking, shelter

LEADER: Guy Scott

LEADER BIO: Guy Scott is a local historian who enjoys "re-discovering" lost parts of our past. He has led numerous historical bus tours and Ghost Walks. While writing a series about the Snowdon Iron Mines for the Kinmount Gazette, he discovered some long lost sites of the Great Iron Rush of the 1870s. Using clues dredged from old newspapers and documents, this hike will retrace many of these sites, abandoned over 125 years ago, but still visible. Bring your camera!

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 to Tory Hill . Turn right on County Rd 503 to White Boundary Rd just south of Furnace Falls park. Turn left/east on White Boundary Rd and follow signs to Victoria Iron Mine on Lot 20, Concession 1 Snowdon (turn left/north). Distance from Haliburton is approximately 45 km. From Minden take Hwy 35 south to County Rd 121. Turn left and follow 121 to Kinmount. In Kinmount turn left/east and follow to White Boundary Rd. Turn right and follow the directions above. Distance from Minden is approximately 30 om. GPS coordinates: N

44.8197, W 78.5482

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 Rd. 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 #: 56

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Ragged Falls Provincial Park between Oxtongue Lake and Algonquin Park. 1050 Oxtongue Lake Rd, Dwight

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 Hwy 60, approximately 68km. Turn right onto Hwy 60, and drive east approximately 12km. The park is on your left. The distance is approximately 88km and a 60 minute drive. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon, approximately 24km and turn right onto Hwy 35 north to the "T" intersection at Hwy 60, approximately 52km. Turn right onto Hwy 60 and continues as above. From Haliburton the distance is approximately 84km and a 70 min drive. GPS coordinates: N 45.3879, W 78.9065

Nature Therapy Walk

Forest Therapy is a research based framework for supporting healing and wellness through immersion in nature. Forest Therapy is inspired by the Japanese practice of "Shinrin-Yoku" - literally translated as "taking in the forest atmosphere". Scientific studies have shown that time spent in nature supports the immune and cardiovascular systems as well as increasing creativity and boosting one's sense of well-being and awe. In addition, Forest Therapy also helps us to remember we are a part of nature, not separate from it; that we are connected to all beings and the earth. Join Fran Mills for this unique experience on the Abbey Gardens property. Suitable for families. No dogs, please.

HIKE #: 24

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hour, 1.5km

LOCATION: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Dr.

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, and washrooms, shelter, food, water/beverage nearby

LEADER: Fran Mills

LEADER BIO: Born in the city but drawn to the wild places, Fran Mills has made being in nature her destination of choice. She spent her early days playing along the creeks that ran near her childhood home and afterward, sought out wooded areas wherever she went. A few years of working in the city and fate brought her north to cottage country and eventually to the farm. What was initially a possible change in life direction from many years as a baker, has become her passion. She is a Certified Forest Therapy Guide with the Association of Nature and Forest Therapy and a member of the Global Institute of Forest Therapy. She lives on the edge of the Canadian Shield, tending her 50 acre property, running an Airbnb and inviting willing participants to wander the forest with her. For more information about Forest Therapy contact Fran on facebook at Simcoe Muskoka Forest Therapy

DIRECTIONS: From Minden take Hwy 35 north to Carnarvon (approximately 13km), 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 24km. From Haliburton follow Hwy 118 past Lakeside Golf Course to Garden Gate Drive. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 15km.

Please park beside Haliburton Highlands Brewing and meet the facilitator across the lot at the side entrance to our gardens. GPS coordinates: N 45.1053, W 78.6168

Hiking the Marathon

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 #: 99

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 5km

LOCATION: 1377 Ingoldsby Rd.

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM #: 30

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water/ beverage

LEADER: Jim Aston

LEADER BIO: The Aston family has developed 7km 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 4km to Kashagawigamog Lake Rd (County Rd 18). Turn right and proceed until you reach Ingoldsby Rd on your left, a further 11km. Turn left and take the Ingoldsby Rd south, for 2km 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 Ingoldsby Rd. Turn right on Ingoldsby Rd , for approximately 2 kms to 1377 Ingoldsby Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 13km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9450, W 78.6268

Hike into History

A tour of the town of Minden by Minden Hills Museum staff, dressed in time period costume, informing hikers about the specific history of buildings with anecdotes and trivia about the area. Join the staff after the hike for a traditional English tea in the Bowron Log Home (1866). There are 10 places available for tea. If you would like to attend tea call (705) 286-3763. Suitable for adults, and teens. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 94

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 2.5km

LOCATION: Minden Hills Cultural Centre 176 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 10

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms, water, and shelter

LEADER: Laurie Carmount

LEADER'S BIO:

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Rd 21. Follow until you come to stop sign at Hwy 35 (approximately 25km) Turn left onto Hwy 35 south. Turn right onto Water Street (approximately 1km) and follow until it ends at Main/Bobcaygeon 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 Walk on the Farr Side

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

HIKE #: 66

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 1:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hour, 1.5km

LOCATION: Near intersection of Farr Rd. and Loop Rd.

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 28 years and developed her love of the local trails through geocaching. She works for the Municipality of Highlands East as Community Economic Development 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 19km to Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow it 5.5km to Farr Rd. Turn right on Farr Rd. The trailhead is approximately 2.4km on the left. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 26.6km. From Gooderham take County Rd . 503 12.1km to Tory Hill, keep right onto Hwy 118 for 3.8km. Continue straight onto Loop Rd for 3.6km. Turn left onto Farr Rd.. Trailhead is approximately 400 m on the right. Distance from Gooderham is approximately 19.8km. GPS coordinates: W -78.2181 N 45.0149

Circle of Five 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 of chances to nurture the photographic muse! Suitable for adults , teens and older children. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 4

DATE: Saturday, September 22

TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 3 hours, 6km

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, cross-country 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 onto Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Rd. (County Rd . 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Lake Rd. and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden Take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Lake Rd. (County Rd 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Lake Rd and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Minden is 23km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

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 Rd. way with smaller trails that crisscross this more than a 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 practises sustainable logging, maple syrup, livestock and home garden productions. This hike is co-sponsored by 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 #: 47

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

LOCATION: Waverly Brook Farms, 1632 Old Donald Rd.

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 Rd. (County Rd . 1) to Old Donald Rd.. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 4 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 left and follow to Old Donald Rd.. The distance from Minden is approximately 24 km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0048, W 78.5440

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 the park office or gate. Suitable for adults , teens and children. Dog friendly - on leash.

HIKE #: 77

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

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 Hwy 118 east to Hwy 28. Turn right (south) on Hwy 28 and drive approximately 11km 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 61km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712

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 #: 7

DATE: Saturday, September 2

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 3.5km

LOCATION: Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35

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 approximately. 23km north of Carnarvon and 16km 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. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591. W 78.8448

Camp Capers

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 fun 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 #: 78

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: 503 Beaver Lake Drive, Cardiff

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 Hwy 118 east to Cardiff. Once you arrive in Cardiff, turn right on Inlet Bay Rd. and left onto McGillivray Rd. Continue until a left turn onto Camp Can- Ski Rd., from here drive up to the parking lot. The travel distance from Haliburton to the camp is approximately 50km, and from Minden via County 21 and Hwy 118 is approximately 73km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9860, W 78.0092

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 #: 102

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 3km

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 Lake 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 Rd. (County Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd. (County. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately. 12km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9219, W 78.6436

Katie's Sugar Bush

The whole family can enjoy a hike through the hardwoods of Minden Hills. Bring the kids and dogs to explore the beautiful landscape with a stop at The Sugar Shack and maybe even a taste of nature's candy. Please ensure proper footwear is worn. Suitable for adults, teens and children 8+. Dog friendly.

HIKE #: 115

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:00 pm

DURATION: 1 hr, 1.5km

LOCATION: 1040 Nye Lane

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM #: 10

AMENITIES: Parking, water

LEADER: Katie Cox

LEADER BIO: : Katie was born and raised in the Minden area, she loves spending time in the outdoors with her family and dogs. She is an avid angler and hunter and enjoys cross country/ downhill skiing and snowshoeing in the colder months.

DIRECTIONS: From Minden head south on Hwy 35 to Nye Lane. Turn left onto Nye Rd. and follow cottage Rd. to top of hill where there will be off Rd. parking in the grass. (watch for signs). Distance from Minden is about 7km . From Haliburton travel County Rd 21 to Hwy 35 , turn left and head south to Nye Rd and follow as above . Distance from Haliburton is 33km. **GPS coordinates:**

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 beverages. Suitable for adults in good walking shoes. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 20

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:30 pm

DURATION: 2.5 hours, 4.5km

LOCATION: As this hike is a linear hike, we will need to do a car shuttle prior to heading out. Although our hike starts at the end of McPhail Rd., I would ask that everyone please meet at the parking spaces at the end of the hike, directly opposite 1272 North Shore Rd.. Please arrive at 2:15 to give us time to organize the car shuttle. From there we will carpool down to the end of McPhail Rd.. If you arrive late and the parking spaces on North Shore Rd. are full, then just head east on North Shore Rd., turn left onto McPhail Rd. and follow to the end of McPhail Rd.. The hike will end at the James Cooper Trailhead near the parking spaces on North Shore Rd.. At the end of the hike, we will again carpool back to McPhail Rd. for those parked there.

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 a permanent resident of Haliburton County. She is an avid downhill and cross-country skier, snowshoer, hiker, paddler, dragon boater and cyclist. Member of Haliburton Trekkers and Haliburton Real Easy Ryders. Completed 10km runs, a half marathon and 100km bikeathon. She is a certified hike leader (Hike Ontario)

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west, approximately 19km, and turn right onto St. Peter's Rd.. Follow to the end, approximately 2km 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 22km. From Minden, travel North on Hwy 35 approximately 19km and turn right onto North Shore Rd. and follow. Turn left onto McPhail Rd. The distance from Minden is approximately 23km. 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 #: 116

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 2:30 pm

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 2.5km

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 in government and politics until 1988 and has been an owner and a lifelong resident of the Lodge. He recently retired and sold 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 15km. From Haliburton take County Rd 21 to Minden. Turn south/left on Hwy 35 and follow for 15km to Miners' Bay Lodge. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 39km. 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 #: 46

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 3:00 pm

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, 6712 Gelert Rd.

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). His other interests include birding, hiking, astronomy, fishing and volunteering at Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary.

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 35 in Minden take South Lake Rd/County Rd 16 and follow for 7.5km, turn left onto Gelert Rd/County Rd 1. Follow County Rd 1 for 14.5km. The HHOA Fish Hatchery will be on your right. Distance from Minden is 23km and travel time is 21 min. From Haliburton take Gelert Rd/County Rd 1 for 3.5km; the hatchery is on your left. Travel time is 4 minutes. GPS coordinates - N45.0200, W78.5367

SATURDAY EVENING SEPTEMBER 21

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 #: F

DATE: Saturday, September 21

LOCATION: Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Rd.

TIME: 5:30 am

COST: \$25.00 per person

TICKETS: Call Larry J. Giles - 705-754-0427.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west, approximately 19km, and turn right onto St. Peter's Rd.. Follow to the end, approximately 2km and turn left onto North Shore Rd. Follow North Shore to Stanhope Firefighters' Hall at 1095 The distance from Haliburton is approximately 24km. From Minden, travel north on Hwy 35 approximately 19km and turn right onto the North Shore Rd. and continue to the Firefighters' Hall. The distance from Minden is approximately 21km. GPS coordinates: N45.0748, W78.7147

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 #: 110

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 8:00 am

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 1km

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 of 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 Rd. and drive to 1307. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 28km. 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 Rd. and drive to 1307. The distance from Minden is approximately 18km. GPS coordinates: N44.8529, W78.6167

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 demonstrations, complete with ray guns and rocket ships! If the skies are not clear, there is a plan B. Bring your flashlights! Hiking will be along the rail bed trail. Suitable for adults, teens and children. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 72

DATE: Saturday, September 21

START TIME: 8:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: Parkette in Tory Hill at the intersection of Hwy 118 and County Rd . 503

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, portable toilet

LEADERS: Brian Mould, Terry Craig and Jennifer Wanless-Craig

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 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

Coffee House - Music and Mingle

Featuring an array of musical talent and genres this will be an evening of music and mingling. Join us and see how we locals spend a Saturday night. A small cover charge will apply and can be paid online at DominionHotelPub.ca

EVENT #: G

DATE: Saturday, September 21

LOCATION: Dominion Hotel , 113 Main St. Minden

TIME: 8:00 am

TICKETS: online at DominionHotelPub.ca

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take County Rd 21. Turn Left onto Hwy 35 S. Turn Right onto Water St. Turn Left onto Bobcaygeon Rd. (or Main St. Minden). Destination will be on your right.

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 22

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 Rd. tour will take you to from Kinmount to Irondale. You will hike to rapids near Kinmount (6km return), Three Brothers Falls (8km return) and visit Furnace Falls. Suitable for adults, and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 113

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 8:30 am

DURATION: 3.5 hours, 14km

LOCATION: Kinmount Railway Station & Museum

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms (nearby)

LEADER: Guy Scott

LEADER BIO: Guy Scott is a local historian who lives in Kinmount and has "chased" waterfalls all his life. He has led historical bus tours of our area and does a yearly ghost walk in the village of Kinmount. A history teacher, he has an appreciation for both the past and current beauty of the area.

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

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 #: 74

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 4 hours, 1km by canoe, 3km on trail

LOCATION Bark Lake Leadership Centre 1551 Bark Lake Drive

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 Rd. (County Rd 16) to the Gelert Rd. (County Rd . 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 30km. From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Glamorgan Rd. (County Rd . 3), then south to 503. Turn right and continue west to Bark Lake Drive, turn right to Centre. Travel distance from Haliburton is 32km. Please drive to the Bark Lake office, and meet Hike leader there. GPS coordinates: N 44.92515, W 78.46659

Steppin' Out in the Highlands

Jazz up your day with an invigorating hike with Judy and Dave. This hike offers a good workout, great conversation, and beautiful vistas. 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 to other end of the hike. Suitable for adults and teens. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 3

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 8:30 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 10 km

LOCATION: 2029 Little Hawk Lake Rd.

RATING: Challenging (with some steep climbs)

MAXIMUM #: 25

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms

LEADER: Judy Paul and Dave Paddock

LEADER BIO: Dave and Judy are avid outdoors people, participating in cross-country skiing, hiking, biking, kayaking and canoeing. In addition to a physical challenge, they enjoy sharing the beauty of nature with others.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 west to Carnarvon; turn right onto Hwy 35 and continue north to Little Hawk Rd. (County Rd . 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Lake Rd. and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Haliburton is 32km; travel time is approximately 33 minutes. From Minden. Take Hwy 35 north to Little Hawk Rd. (County Rd . 13). Turn right and follow east on Little Hawk Rd. and proceed to the trailhead located on left before you get to Oakview Lodge. Distance from Minden is 23 km; travel time is approximately 24 minutes. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

Nature Nuggets

There are natural treasures to be found in Snowdon 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. Snowdon 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+. No dogs please.

HIKE #: 101

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 3 hours, 5km

LOCATION: Snowdon Park, 1111 Snowdon Park Road

RATING: Moderate

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking , washroom (outhouse)

LEADER: Rick Whitteker

LEADER BIO: Rick 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 Rd. (County Rd. 1) to Snowdon Park. The Park is located on the right less than a km past South Lake Rd. Distance from Haliburton is 20km.

From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd. (County. Rd 1). Turn right towards Gelert; Park is on the right. Distance from Minden is approximately. 12km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9219, W 78.6436

Wetlands and Woodlands

Description needed

Suitable for adults, teens, and children. No dogs please

HIKE #: 105

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 9:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2.5 km

LOCATION: Whip-Poor-Will Farm, 1423 Francis Rd,

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking , washroom, water, shelter

LEADER: Isla Dobbins Zebedee Jones

LEADER BIO:

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton follow Gelert Rd (County 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 22km. From Minden take Hwy 35 to South Lake Rd (County Rd 16). Turn east and follow South Lake Rd until it ends at Gelert Rd (County. Rd 1). Turn right to Gelert. In Gelert turn left onto Sedgwick Rd. Continue down the hill and across the bridge. Turn right on Francis Rd. Distance from Minden is 14km. GPS coordinates: N44.8971, W78.5946

Into Beetle Lake

Catch the awesome colours on this challenging 5km 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 #: 14

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 9:30 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 5km

LOCATION: Algonquin Outfitters, 1035 Algonquin Outfitters Rd. 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 Hwy 35 north approximately 66km to Hwy 60. Turn right (east) on Hwy 60 to the community of Oxtongue, approximately 10km. and follow the signs to Algonquin Outfitters. The distance from Minden is approximately 76km 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 #: 79

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 6 hours, 15km

LOCATION: Silent Lake Provincial Park

RATING: Challenging

MAXIMUM # 20

AMENITIES: Parking, washrooms

LEADER: Bev Naulls

LEADER BIO:

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton take Hwy 118 east to Hwy 28. Turn right (south) on Hwy 28 and drive approximately 11km to 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 61km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9232, W 78.0712,

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 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 #: 95

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION Kinark Outdoor Centre, 1766 Queens Line Rd.

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 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 15km. Turn west onto Hwy 118 and proceed 7km to the Queens Line. Turn south on the Queens Line and proceed 1.5km to the entrance for the Centre (first Rd. on your left). From Haliburton travel Hwy 118 to Queen's Line as described above. Travel distance from Haliburton is 32km. GPS coordinates: N 45.1591, W 78.8448

Introduction to Geocaching

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 #: 70

DATE: Sunday, September 23

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 2km

LOCATION: South Field at the end of Earle's Rd. 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 Hwy 118 to Tory Hill, approximately 23km. Turn left and continue approximately 4km on Hwy 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 Rd.. Go up the hill, down the other side and turn into the field on the right. The distance from Haliburton is approximately 32km. The distance from Minden is approximately 56km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0193, W 78.2026

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 #: 59

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 2 hours, 6km

LOCATION: South Algonquin Trails, 4378 Elephant Lake Rd. Harcourt 705-448-1751

RATING: Easy - 4km on horseback, 2km hiking

MAXIMUM: 4. 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

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. She is also a municipal councillor with Municipality of Dysart et al.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton, take Hwy 118 east, approximately 19km to the Essonville Line (County Rd 4). Turn left and follow the Essonville Line to the "T" intersection of Loop Rd. (County Rd 648), turn left and follow the Loop Rd (County Rd 648) approximately 8 km. to Harcourt. 2 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 45.1874, W 78.1675

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

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 #: 97

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 1.5 hours, 3km

LOCATION: Minden Whitewater Preserve. 1020 Bethel Rd. Meet at AO Boatwerks Paddling School

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 and youth leadership, joining these as part of the Cadets Canada mission and curriculum. Haliburton Army Cadets consists 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 Hwy 35 to the north end of town, past the County Rd 21 turn off until Hwy 35 crosses a bridge. Immediately afterwards turn right onto County Rd 20 (Horseshoe Lake Rd.). Follow County Rd 20 to Minden Whitewater Preserve. Drive further to Bethel Rd.; turn right and cross bridge to the entrance of the AO Boatwerks. GPS coordinates: N 44.9420, W 78.7098

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 #: 91

DATE: Sunday, September 23

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 1.25 hr, 2km

LOCATION: Meet in front of the Dominion Hotel, downtown Minden, 113 Main 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 Hwy 35 at lights across from Valu-Mart. Follow Water Street to the corner of Water and Main Street/ Bobcaygeon Rd. 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 26km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9252, W 78.7249

Tasty Tomato Tour

Come stroll through Graham's Farm Market along the Gull River in the heart of Minden. Find the hidden treasure amongst the town limits. Try some tasty tomatoes in their 5200 square foot greenhouse, visit with the laying hens, and harvest some fresh greens. Hear about how the farm is leading by example using regenerative soil practices while sequestering carbon, which enables them to grow nutrient dense organic food. Suitable for families.

HIKE #: 90

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:00 am

DURATION: 1 hr., 1 km

LOCATION: Graham's Farm Market, 13 Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden,

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 30

AMENITIES: Parking, washroom

LEADER: Shannon Blanchard and Andrew Graham

LEADER BIO: Andrew Graham and Shannon Blanchard are young farmers who are outdoor

enthusiasts that own and operate Graham's Farm Market. They have been farming together for 6 years now, growing nutrient dense food for the Haliburton Highlands. Their farm serves as a model of sustainable, organic agriculture and appropriate land stewardship. They provide opportunities to participate in responsible environmental leadership, growing organic food, and fostering a sense of community, while working together & enjoying the outdoors.

DIRECTIONS: From Haliburton, take County Rd 21 towards Minden. Turn left onto Hwy 35 and head south. At the third set of traffic lights turn right onto Bobcaygeon Rd and follow to # 13. The destination will be on your Left. Parking lot near road is a great space to meet for the start of the hike. Distance from Haliburton is 26 km. GPS coordinates: N 44.9186, W 78.7245

Art, Artefacts & Artifice of Haliburton Village

A guided walk of discovery of the public art, heritage artifacts and local lore in the Village of Haliburton. Suitable for adults, teens and children 10 yrs + . No dogs please

HIKE #: 41

DATE: Sunday, September 22

START TIME: 10:30 am

DURATION: 1.5 hr., 3km

LOCATION: Rails End Gallery, 23 York Street, Haliburton Village.

RATING: Easy

MAXIMUM # 25

AMENITIES: Parking, washroom

LEADER: Jim Blake

LEADER BIO: Long time Haliburton resident Jim Blake is the Curator of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and the Downtown Haliburton Sculpture Exhibit, co-creator of the inventory of heritage objects in the village and storyteller.

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 24km 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

Haliburton Highlands Biggest Picnic Ever

Join us for the Haliburton Highlands community picnic and closing ceremonies of the 2019 Hike Haliburton Festival. It is a celebration of food, art, and outdoor living. There will be local food, demonstrations, activities, exhibitors, and entertainment. We are bringing back the Sattalites, the best of Canadian reggae. The best picnic blanket contest is on again this year . You could win great prizes. .

EVENT #: H

DATE: Sunday, September 22

LOCATION: Head Lake Park, 23 York Street, Haliburton

TIME: 12:00 am to 3:00 am

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 25km. GPS coordinates: N 45.0464, W 78.5110

Fallis & Tiefenbach in Concert

This is not going to be a conventional classical music concert. John Terrauds of the Toronto Star says Mary Lou Fallis is the "fabulousest, Canadianest diva of them all" and her "co-conspirator, pianist Peter Tiefenbach has a wit as dry as a vodka martini". Musical high jinx in Haliburton! From opera and recital to cabaret and BRd.way, not even William Shakespeare is safe! For over 22 years, Mary Lou and Peter have given thousands of performances across Canada, United States, Japan, England, and Iceland. A lot of laughter—and wonderful music! Be here for this one.

EVENT #: I

DATE: Sunday, September 22

LOCATION: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, 5358 County Rd 21.

TIME: 2:30

TICKETS: contact 705-455-9060 or fred.ann.shuttleworth@gmail.com

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 in the High School, which is located on County Rd 21 at the west end of Head Lake. Patrons can enter at the front of the building or from the parking lot at the back of the building).