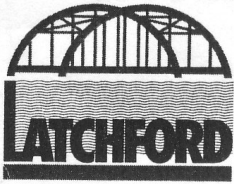


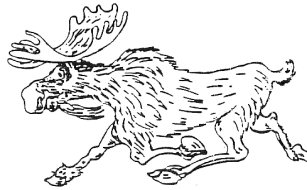
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**LEGION MEETINGS TO BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION IN LATCHFORD.**

# Mayors Report

Well June has been an interesting month for weather. Hopefully we will get to see some summer soon.

I did attend TemFund Annual Meeting. It was very well attended. They do great work and help local businesses and municipalities. I have learned that many people and municipalities did not know of TemFund and they are doing some revamping and we should be hearing more of them soon.

We were able to get funding to hire three students this summer which was great as i keep wondering from year to year if we will.

Was reached out by the Canada Day Biker Event in New Liskeard to participate in a little Mayor / Reeve's challenge at bell hammer. Well i can tell you i did not win but was happy to be able hit up to 7! I was figuring i would just be struggling to pick up the sledge hammer. We did some heavy hitters and could ding the bell.

We approached to attending the Mayor's Pancake breakfast in Cobalt on Canada Day and go in the parade.

Canada will be our Fireworks and have some activities in the evening at our waterfront. I will be going around and handing out blow necklaces and such to the kids that do attend. Our Chip stand staff will do our cupcake for our event. Really have to appreciate them as they do work very hard and will take the time to make this also.

Our council meetings for July and August will be once a month and then will go back to twice a month come September. The dates are July 23rd and Aug. 20th.

Things have a wee bit quieter this month as meetings seem to slow down during the summer as many are on vacation.

There is a group that are getting Pickleball going here in Latchford. If you are interested you can reach out to Kim McNaughton at email [kimmcnaughton@hotmail.com](mailto:kimmcnaughton@hotmail.com). I have heard that some are very interested and seems to be a very popular thing.

Well I do hope you all have a great Canada Day and get to enjoy it with friends and family.

**Mayor Sharon Gadoury-East**

**Latchford Volunteer Fire Dept's**



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# From the kitchen of Diana

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## Pineapple Bars

Super moist and flavorful Pineapple Bars are made with a shortbread base, pineapple pecan middle, and delicious pineapple icing. (Makes 24 bars)

### Bottom Layer

1/2 cup butter, melted (one stick)

1/4 cup sugar

1 - 1/4 cups flour (168 grams)

### Top Layer

2 large eggs, beaten

1/2 cup brown sugar, packed

1 cup drained crushed pineapple (save the juice)

1/2 cup pecans, chopped

2 tablespoons flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

### Icing

1-1/2 cups powdered icing sugar (170 grams)

1/2 cup butter, softened

2 tablespoons pineapple juice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 9 x 9 baking pan with cooking spray and line with parchment. Set aside.

For the bottom layer, in a bowl, combine the melted butter, sugar, and flour. Crumble together and press into the bottom of the pan. Bake for 10-15 minutes until light golden brown. Set aside and cool slightly.

For the top layer, combine the beaten eggs with the remaining top layer ingredients and stir well

to combine. Pour over the slightly cooled bottom layer and bake for 20-25 minutes or until bars are set. Let cool completely before adding the icing.

For the icing, beat together the powdered sugar, butter, and pineapple juice until desired consistency is reached, adding more powdered sugar and pineapple juice as necessary. Spread over cooled bars.

Refrigerate until set. Remove from pan to a cutting board and cut into 24 squares. Notes:

Line your baking pan with parchment paper so the bars lift out easy.

The shortbread layer will be crumbly. Just press it into the pan using a spatula or the palm of your hand.

Be sure to save the juice from the crushed pineapple so that it can be used for the icing.

Shredded coconut would be a delicious addition to the pineapple layer of these bars.

Be sure the bars are completely cooled before adding on the icing.

Refrigerate the Pineapple Bars for at least an hour or until the frosting is set. Then, remove the bars from the pan and cut into squares.

Leftovers can be stored in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to a week.

**Diana Pearman**

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July 13th, we are holding a Musical Jam Session with many artists playing all types of genres. Admission is free. Starts at 1 pm. Come out and enjoy an afternoon of music and company with friends and family!

To our Local Veterans, George Lefebvre is our Branch Service Officer. He would be more than happy to sit and talk with you, help you with any concerns you may have or answer any questions you may have. You can contact him at 705-676-2129.

Weather permitting, there will be horseshoes played every Saturday during the summer months. Starts at 1 pm. Everyone is welcome! You don't have to be a Pro player, come out and have some fun.

We are looking for bar tenders. You do not have to be a Legion member but must have a current Smart Serve Certificate. If anyone is interested, please contact Vicky or Sharon Gadoury.

Our Legion has a pool table , dart boards, cards and a shuffleboard table for your enjoyment. We also have Texas Horseshoe game and the Corn Hole Bean Bag Toss game.

The Legion is open Friday nights, 7 pm until ??? Open Saturdays 2 pm until ???.

If anyone has any suggestions, ideas, comments of what they would like to see or do in the Legion, such as dart nights, bingo nights, shuffleboard tournament, pool tournaments etc.... Please let me know.

If anyone would like to become a Branch member, please contact me or stop at the Legion for an application form.

Here is the Legion contact information:

sgtaubrey-

cosensv.c.629@hotmail.com

**705-679-4062**

**Have a great day!**

**Lest we forget.**

**Vicky Gray-Wilks**

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**What do you call a sad cup of coffee?**  
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**How did the telephone propose to his girlfriend?**  
He gave her a ring.

**Why did the cookie go to the hospital?**  
Because he felt crumbly.

**How did the barber win the race?**  
He knew a shortcut!

**Why do hummingbirds hum?**  
Because they don't know the words!

**How do you make a water bed bouncer?**  
Add spring water.

**What job did the frog have at the hotel?**  
Bellhop.

**Why wouldn't the shrimp share his treasure?**  
He was a little shellfish!

**Why was the bee's hair always sticky?**  
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# Rhonda's Garden Tip

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## Common Bugs and Diseases on Vegetable Plants

When growing vegetable plants, it's important to be vigilant about common bugs and diseases that can affect your crops. Here are some of the most common pests and diseases to watch for:

### Common Bugs

**Aphids Symptoms:** Small, soft-bodied insects on the undersides of leaves, sticky honeydew on leaves.

**Solution:** introduce beneficial insects like ladybugs, use insecticidal soap, or spray with a strong jet of water.

**Cabbage Worms Symptoms:** Holes in leaves, will see green larvae.

**Solution:** Handpick larvae, use *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt), or apply neem oil.

**Tomato Hornworms Symptoms:** Large caterpillars with a horn-like tail, chewed leaves and fruits.

**Solution:** Handpick caterpillars, introduce parasitic wasps, or use *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt).

**Spider Mites Symptoms:** Tiny webs on plants, stippled and yellowing leaves.

**Solution:** Increase humidity, use miticides, or spray with insecticidal soap.

**Whiteflies Symptoms:** Small white insects that fly up when the plant is disturbed, sticky honeydew.

**Solution:** Introduce natural predators, use yellow sticky traps, or apply insecticidal soap.

**Cutworm Symptoms:** Seedlings cut off at the base, usually overnight.

**Solution:** Use collars around seedlings, handpick cutworms, or apply diatomaceous earth around plants.

### Common Diseases

**Powdery Mildew Symptoms:** White, powdery fungal growth on leaves, stems, and fruits.

**Solution:** Increase air circulation, avoid overhead watering, and apply fungicides.

**Blight (Early or Late) Symptoms:** Dark spots on leaves and stems, fruit rot.

**Solution:** Use disease-resistant plants, rotate crops, and apply fungicides.

**Downy Mildew Symptoms:** Yellow or white patches on the upper leaf, purple or gray mold on the underside.

**Solution:** Improve air circulation, avoid wetting leaves, and use fungicides.

**Verticillium and Fusarium Wilt Symptoms:** Yellowing and wilting of leaves, brown streaks in the stem.

**Solution:** Rotate crops, use resistant plants, avoid planting in infected soil.

**Bacterial Leaf Spot Symptoms:** Water-soaked spots on leaves, which turn dark and may have a yellow halo.

**Solution:** Use disease-free seeds, rotate crops, and apply copper-based fungicides.

Bye for now

Rhonda

rhonda's Cards

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# Latchford and area MooseCall Page 7

## Subscribers News,

June has been a month (another, actually) of extremes and last night I heard one of the most intense rainfalls to ever descend on us here in Latchford. We have a metal roof which amplifies the sound but I have never heard a rainfall that noisy before. It really frightened poor Jaime Lee, a golden retriever that lives with us. Prior to that during the month we had some extreme periods of heat where the temperature soared above 30 degrees Celsius for a few days in a row then our furnace was kicking in at night! Go figure? Climate change can't figure what direction it wants to head in here in Latchford it would appear and I am confident that we are not unique in that regard. They even experienced some very intense windstorms in the Mowat landing area, in particular, that were of the "mini hurricane" variety resulting in considerable blow down of trees and other damage. Not sure where this all is headed?

On the subscriber front, first and foremost is a two year subscription from Helen Larose, newly minted resident of room 202 in the Northdale manor in New Liskeard! Helen continues to show that she is quite contented at the Manor during my visits to see her. Next in was one from longtime subscriber, Glenn Neary of Bell Island, Newfoundland who qualifies as our most easterly subscriber. Wrapping up the month was a renewal for another year of the 'Call from a lad who was born and raised here in Latchford, Lindsay Wellar of New Liskeard. A special thank you to so many who insist on adding a little extra to help with expenses.

I am confident that other readers join me in wishing Carolyn (Mitchell) Bigras a Happy 80th birthday who was feted with a surprise party up at Matawapika Falls on June 30th that was organized by her daughter, Laurie. Carolyn is rather unique in that she is the fourth generation of the Mitchell family to reside here in Latchford with her father, Fred, being born here in 1907 which is our year of creation as a Town.

On the health and fitness front, I (as usual) might not be up to date but I can report that my brother Basil is hospitalized and requiring a lot of attention from the medical staff. It is safe to say that he is struggling as I write this. I did run into Leda Larente, a former resident who now lives in Haileybury and can report that she is still mobile, at least. I was called upon this month to eulogize my cousin Fred Field of Englehart who passed on the 13th. A number of readers will recall his mother, my aunt Edie Field who lived here in the 1970's. My generation continues to take quite the beating!

George L.



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## Northlander update

**Northlander will operate one southbound and one northbound service a day  
There will be 16 two-minute stops in both directions.**

The Northlander passenger rail service between Toronto and Timmins will operate one southbound and one northbound service seven days a week when it restarts in 2026. “What we heard from community members when we were starting to look at the potential of the Northlander service, was that people wanted to arrive in the city in the morning, and so we’re accommodating that,” said Kate Bondett, communications and issues management specialist with Ontario Northland.

“They also wanted to have the option to leave the city the same day. Of course, if you decide to stay overnight, that’s at your discretion, but people travelling into the city for a medical appointment or for shopping or leisure can return the same day,” she said Thursday.

The northbound service will depart Union Station at 6 p.m. and get into Timmins at 5 a.m.

The southbound service will leave Timmins around midnight, and arrive in Union Station just before 11 a.m.

There will be 16 two-minute stops in both direc-

tions.

Ticket cost is still being determined, and will be finalized closer to service being launched in 2026.

“Affordability and being on schedule are crucial to the success of the service,” Bondett said. “It’s still a major focus. What we’ve heard from people is that you eliminate paying for parking when you take the train right into the station, connecting to other municipal transit.

“What we’ve heard is other people aren’t just stopping at Toronto, they’re looking at going further as well.”

The Timmins-Porcupine station is set to begin construction in the summer of 2025 and be open for service by 2026. Passengers continuing to Cochrane can stay on the Northlander.

“We’ll expect the new train sets in 2026, and of course we won’t operate until we are confident they are safe. We’ll do our own testing along the corridor but once you see the trains starting to move up along the route, you know service is imminent,” Bondett said.

Ontario Northland has invited the public to vote on the exterior design of the train and asked for ideas for the on-board menu.

Those decisions are still in progress, and the company will release the final train design soon, Bondett said. **Continued on page 11.....**

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## **My view from OVER THE HILL HOW OUR TOWNS WERE NAMED**

**By Diane Armstrong**

The summer travelling season is upon us and as we pass through the towns, many with strange names, have you ever thought where those names originated? Here is the interesting, sometimes quirky history behind a few of them:

**VAL GAGNE** – This is the town that was once called Nushka. After the great fire of 1911, the town was renamed Val Gagne to honour a local priest, Father Gagne, who lost his life while saving others.

**CHAPUT-HUGHES** – This village, now a part of Kirkland Lake, was named for two prospectors, Ed Chaput and Jim Hughes. Hughes later partnered with Alex McIntyre (Sandy) and discovered the famous Tech-Hughes gold mine. The village's name is pronounced "Shappy-Hews".

**TEMAGAMI** – Although there was a Hudson Bay Post nearby in 1834, Temagami was first settled when the T&NO railway came through in 1904. The name is Ojibwa and means "deep water".

**CONNAUGHT** – This former lumbering community was named for the Duke of Connaught.

**ELK LAKE** – This town on the Montreal River probably had more names than any other in the north, having been called, Bear Creek Village, Jamestown, Smythe, Elk City, Elk Lake City and finally Elk Lake. It's in James Township which too, is often added to its name.

**POTTSVILLE** – The village known as Pottsville

was never a legal name, but was the area near Porcupine Lake where Henry J. Potts and his wife, known as "Ma Potts" had a hotel called the Shunia, which means gold. Pottsville dates to the early days of the Porcupine.

**MONTROCK** – Company housing was available for Abitibi Pulp & Paper employees to rent, but not everyone wanted to, or could live in a company town, so a settlement was established across the tracks from Iroquois Falls. Montrock was formerly known as Little Canada.

**FOLEYET** – is a small lumber village on the CN rail line that began with the Foley Brothers in the early 1900s. Because there was already a post office near Parry Sound named Foley, the residents were told they could not use that name. Angry that they had been turned down, it was said, "We'll name it Foley – yet!" and the name stuck.

**SHILLINGTON** – First settled in 1911, the village was named for the MPP for Temiskaming, Robert Taylor Shillington.

**NEW LISKEARD** – This farming town was settled in 1893 at the north end of Lake Temiskaming and was first known as Liskeard, after a town in England. Postal officials ordered a name change so the town would not be confused with Leskard, in Durham County. The word "New" was added to make everyone happy.

**HEARST** – Was once called Grant, but was changed to Hearst in 1911 to honour Wm. Howard Hearst, then the Minister of Forests & Mines, and later the Premier of Ontario.

**Continued on page 11.....**

## **NOTICE**

**The Latchford Recreation Committee would invite residents to consider joining their group, as several members have resigned and some are moving away, so very few members will remain. Should they not be able to recruit more people, this organization could very easily fold and this would be very detrimental to the children and adults of Latchford as they provide many activities for all ages throughout the year. Town Office @705-676-2416 to join up!**

## HOW OUR TOWNS WERE NAMED

### Continued.....

**MONTEITH** – Once known as Driftwood City, Monteith was named for Samuel Nelson Monteith, an Ontario farmer and politician from Perth, Ontario. He established a forestry practice of tree planting – for every tree cut, one tree was planted.

**KENABEEK** – This village began in 1912 when the railway ran a line between Earleton and Elk Lake. It was named for a character in Longfellow's "Hiawatha" and it's pronounced "Kenabeck".

Travel with me next week as I discover the sometimes-quirky origins and history of other Northern Ontario community names.

**That's my view from Over the Hill.**

### Northlander continued.....

She confirmed there will be food cart services and no dining car.

The trains will be using hybrid diesel-electric engines.

"It runs electric motors powered by diesel. These are the cleanest diesel locomotives you can run in North America," said John Corley, vice president of rail operation.

The Northlander will not impact Ontario Northland's Sunday-Tuesday-Thursday freight schedule. Though it is a shared freight route, Corley said they're working on minimizing disruptions to the passenger service by freight.

"This time we've been negotiating with CN to ensure that our schedule aligns with their service schedule so we'll have less traffic during the times when we're operating up and down the road. So any meets with freight trains will be built into the schedule."



**Latchford Volunteer Fire Department****SUMMER FIRE PREVENTION TIPS**

When the weather gets warmer, friends and families start to gather outdoors more. Summer is a time when the risk of wildfires and house fires increases due to dry conditions and increased outdoor activities. Here are some fire prevention tips to keep in mind during the summer:

**Practice Safe Outdoor Cooking:**

Use grills, barbecues, and outdoor cooking appliances in a safe and designated area away from flammable materials.

Keep a close eye on the grill or cooking area and never leave it unattended.

Ensure proper disposal of charcoal and ashes in a metal container, allowing them to cool completely before disposal.

**Be Cautious with Campfires:**

Follow local regulations and guidelines for campfire safety.

Choose a safe location for the campfire away from overhanging branches, dry grass, or other flammable materials.

Keep the campfire small and manageable, and never leave it unattended.

Completely extinguish the campfire before leaving the area or going to sleep.

**Properly Maintain and Store Flammable Materials:**

Clear dead leaves, debris, and flammable vegetation from around your property.

Trim tree branches that are close to buildings and remove dead vegetation.

Store flammable materials, such as gasoline and propane, in approved containers and in a well-ventilated area away from heat sources.

**Practice Safe Smoking Habits: (Most effective way is to stop smoking)**

Avoid smoking in dry and grassy areas, as cigarette butts can easily ignite a fire.

Use designated smoking areas and properly extinguish cigarette butts in a metal container filled with sand or water.

**Be Cautious with Fireworks:**

Check local laws and regulations regarding fireworks and follow them strictly.

Attend public firework displays conducted by professionals rather than setting off your own fireworks.

If using legal fireworks, follow the instructions carefully, light them in an open area away from buildings, and keep a bucket of water or a hose nearby for emergencies.

**Be Mindful of Electrical Hazards:**

Inspect electrical cords, plugs, and appliances for any signs of damage before use.

Avoid overloading electrical outlets and extension cords.

Turn off and unplug electrical devices when not in use.

**Create and Maintain Defensible Space:**

Create a defensible space around your property by clearing vegetation, leaves, and debris.

Maintain a distance between flammable materials and structures to reduce the risk of fire spread.