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Waste /Disposal News

Landfill Site Hours of Operation:

Starting April 1, 2015 until October 31, 2015 both Airy Landfill Site located at 462 Nipissing Rd. in Whitney and Lyell Landfill Site located at 6319 Hwy. 523 in Madawaska:

Wednesday 2:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Saturday 8:00 am – 12:00 noon.

*******NEW SUNDAY HOURS*******

FROM MAY 3-SEPTEMBER 27

Sunday 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm

Spring Cleanup Schedule

To accommodate residents with spring clean-up both sites will have extended hours on Saturdays for 8 consecutive Saturdays.

Landfill Sites will be open Saturdays **8:00 am to 3:30 pm** on April 18, April 25, May 2, May 9, May 16, May 23, May 30 and June 6.

WE RECYCLE

Electronics

Tires (tires on rims are not accepted)

Steel

Aluminum (i.e. beverage cans, pet food cans, foil, plates, siding) Note: Soup cans are made of tin, not aluminum.

Aluminum must be clean and sorted.

Please see the Landfill Site Attendant prior to disposing material to ensure proper location for disposal.

Household Waste Bins

The Household Waste Collection Bins will be removed from the Hay Lake Road location during the week of May 1st and returned the week of October 1st. The Hay Lake area will return to roadside pickup Tuesdays from May 5 to September 29. The Household Waste Collection Bins will be removed from the Aylen Lake Road location during the week of June 21 and returned September 20. The collection truck will return to a Wednesday pickup at the Aylen Lake Boat Launch from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm from July 1st to September 16th in addition to the Sunday pickup. The Household Waste Bins will not return to the (Cross) Lyell Lake location. Signs will be posted at the Hay Lake & Aylen Lake location to notify residents of their removal.

Waste Collection Calendar – Please refer to the Waste Collection Calendar for any changes in the waste collection schedule.

****The time of your roadside pick-up could be anytime between 7:00 am to 3:00 pm on your scheduled day.****

Household Hazardous Waste Day

August 8, 2015 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Public Works Yard 24808 Hwy. 60 Madawaska

Seniors Month

Council for the Township of South Algonquin proclaims “June as Seniors Month in the Township of South Algonquin in recognition of the important role our seniors play in our communities. The involvement of our seniors throughout the municipality is recognized as one of the many reasons South Algonquin is an involved and vibrant community.”

Unaddressed Ad Mail

Please be aware that if you have chosen not to receive Unaddressed Ad Mail at the Post Office, you will not receive Municipal Newsletters or Flyers.

Bear Wise

To report nuisance bears and for Non-emergency bear encounters Call the Bear Wise reporting line: 1-866-514-2327 (April 1-November 30).

Spring Flooding

For information about the Flood Forecasting and Warning Program for our area please refer to ontario.ca/flooding website (Bancroft District).

Emergency Management

The Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin proclaims May 3-9, 2015 as “Canadian Emergency Preparedness Week.”

Past and Present 1st Whitney Scouting Community

If you or a member of your family participated in Cubs or Scouts over the years in Whitney, Ken Begbie was a big part of making that happen. He has volunteered with Scouts Canada for almost 50 years and it is time for Scouts Canada to recognize his commitment to Scouting and to the 1st Whitney Group. Please sign a petition to nominate Ken Begbie for a Scouts Canada Outstanding Service Award. We hope that the signatures of all past and present cubs, scouts and their families will ensure Ken receives the Silver Acorn and Bar for continued and distinguished service to Scouting. Petitions can be found at Freshmart, Whitney Library, Chris’s Diner & Pizzeria, Algonquin Lunch Bar, Whitney Pharmacy, Township Office and Brown’s Auto.

Building/Septic

The Interim Deputy Chief Building Official Michael Anderson, is available on a limited schedule. Please contact Tracy Cannon, Administrative Assistant – Building/Works Department to schedule appointments, inspections and site visits at 613-637-2650 ext. 203 Monday- Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or email:

building@township.southalgonquin.on.ca

Please refer to the Township’s Official Plan for more information that is required to obtain a permit. The Official Plan is available on the township website.

Gerry Dunn, Chief Building Official passed away on March 30, 2015. He recently received a long standing award from Ontario Good Roads Association after his retirement for his work as superintendent for 33 years. The following tribute was included with his award: “For 33 yrs. Gerry was the “Go to Guy” at the Township of South Algonquin- busily switching hats between Works Superintendent and Chief Building Official. As a master of one liners, hard work and perfect printing, he is well deserving of the respect and admiration of his peers, his community, and his pride and joy-his family. Like a “good chocolate, Gerry has a tough exterior, but inside he has a very soft heart!” Thank you for a job well done Gerry-we will miss you dearly!

Community Profile

ATTENTION LOCAL SERVICE GROUPS, COMMUNITY GROUPS AND BUSINESSES.

The Community Profile presents statistical information on various aspects of the municipality. It focuses on promoting local service groups, community groups and businesses. It is a useful way of developing and understanding the people in a geographical area and highlights the diversity of the community. The township will be using this document to promote our area and local businesses and service and community groups. Those groups who wish to be included in the Community Profile please send contact information to the Township Office by May 15, 2015. This will be posted on our website and will become part of the Official Plan.

Madawaska Public School Parent Council

ARTICLE PRIZE BINGO -May 3 at 1:00 pm. at the Madawaska Complex.

MOTHER’S DAY BASKET – Raffle tickets are \$2.00. Call the school at 613-637-2939 or Diana at 613-637-2766 for tickets or more information.

Algonquin Forestry Authority Bursary

Attention High School Students Graduating in 2015: The Algonquin Forestry Authority is offering a Forest Industry Bursary to graduating students with direct links to the Algonquin Park Forest Industry who are pursuing post-secondary studies. Please email huntsville.office@algonquinforestry.on.ca for additional information.

Council

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Emergency Contacts

Hospitals:

- St. Francis Memorial Hospital (Barry's Bay)..... (613) 756-3044
- North Hastings District Hospital (Bancroft).....(613) 332-2825
- Whitney Medical Centre.....613) 637-2170

Ambulance:

- Ambulance Service (Barry's Bay).....(613) 756-3090

Police:

- OPP Emergency Call.....1-888-310-1122
- OPP Whitney Station..... (613) 637-2622
- OPP Killaloe Station.....(613) 757-2600

Fire Departments:

Township of South Algonquin Fire Dept. - Whitney Station for residents in Airy and Sabine Wards and the West side of Lyell Ward, Hwy.#127

Non-Emergency Calls Contact

- Chief, Brian August.....(613) 637-5555 or cell (613) 334-2629.

Emergency Calls Only..... (613) 637-2002

Township of South Algonquin Fire Dept. – Madawaska Station for residents in Dickens and Murchison Wards and the east side of Lyell Ward, Hwy. #523

Non-Emergency Calls Contact

- Chief Aurel Thom.....(613) 637-5533 or cell (613) 334-5018.

Emergency Calls Only..... (613) 637-5556

Community Emergency Management Coordinator:

- Brian Ackney.(613) 334-2072

Canine Control:

- Township of South Algonquin Animal Control..... (613) 637-2650 ext. 203 or 205

Road Conditions:-Township of South Algonquin

- Roads Dept..... (613) 637-2650 ext. 203 or 205 or (613) 334-5447

Recreation News

Murchison & Lyell Recreation

SOFTBALL - This Spring and Summer there will be no softball unless some volunteers come forward to organize and supervise. Thanks Neil and Chrissy for the time you have given to "Softball" over the past number of years. The same applies to our Rink and Rink Activities, attendance is down and it is difficult to organize any kind of activities with so few participants. It could be that "if we don't use it, we lose it." It is something to think about before the nice weather is upon us.

BALL HOCKEY - We are hoping to organize some recreational Ball Hockey this summer, we will keep you posted.

WEEKLY YOGA - at the Madawaska Complex, will be starting May 7th at 7pm. Bring your own water, mat or thick towel and wear loose clothing. No instructor- we will be following a DVD.

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS - Not yet finalized.

ADULT POT LUCK DINNERS - at the Madawaska Complex at 6:00 pm. on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Come and join us, meet others from your Township and perhaps renew some old acquaintances. It's a relaxing social evening with good food and good company.

RECREATION MEETINGS are open to the Public, and are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Madawaska Complex. If you have ideas that you would like to share, or if you want to be included on the Agenda, please call Jo (637-2008) or Terry (637-5341) at least **one week** in advance in order to be included on the Agenda. The Agenda is posted one week prior to the meeting. May's meeting is on May 5th to accommodate the May Council Meeting. Volunteers are required, there is no cost for the Police Check if you are a volunteer. Forms may be picked up at the Twp. Office. **We welcome community input and would like to provide recreational activities that you want.**

Whitney Recreation

BALL HOCKEY - Every Monday evening 6:30, Lester B. Smith Community Rink, until weather no longer permits in the autumn.

KIDS DANCE AND PIZZA SUPPER - Friday, May 1. Pizza supper after school. Dance 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. ALL FREE!

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS - June 27 and 28: Ball tournament, beer gardens, live music, kid's activities, bouncy castles.

Canada Day Dance will be on Saturday, June 27.

Fireworks will be on July 1.

For more information, and if anyone is interested in volunteering for any of the above listed events, please contact Joe Avery 613-334-6200 or Tania Jermol 613-318-9037.

Contact Carla at the Municipal Office To Have Your Community Events Added to the Municipal Newsletter.

Civic Addressing/911

As of March 24, 2015 Bell Canada notified staff that the Township is authorized to proceed with the next phase. Once agreements are complete and no issues arise it is anticipated that 9-1-1 will be up and running in approximately six months. Stay tuned for updates this summer as to the date 9-1-1 will be implemented; until such time please continue to use the current emergency service phone numbers.

Whitney Seniors New Outlook

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Annual Trivia and to all businesses and individuals who donated prizes. Special thanks go to John Sorensen of Couples Resort who generously donated to each team, a voucher for lunch at Couples Resort, for each team member; also Whitney Pharmacy which donated \$15.00 vouchers to each participant on the second place team. A total of \$1620.50 was raised to be donated equally to Madawaska Valley Hospice and Canadian Cancer Society Relay For Life in Bancroft.

Weekly Schedule of Events:

Euchre: Tuesday 7:00p.m.

Shuffleboard: Monday and Wednesday 1:15 p.m.

Aerobic Exercise: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

MOTHER'S DAY POTLUCK - May 7 - Social 5:30 pm Dinner 6:00 pm. Everyone welcome.

YARD SALE - May 16 - Barbecued Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for Sale, Table Rentals Available \$10.00 per table. Call Elaine to reserve your table to sell your wares. 613-637-2193. Watch for posters for more information.

Medical Centre

27 Medical Centre Road

613-637-2170 Whitney, ON KOJ 2M0

Regular Office Hours for the Medical Centre are:

Monday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Tuesday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Please remember that we continue to accept new patients. Please call our administrator Jim Etmanski if you need assistance to enroll with our Family Health Team.

We continue to offer free nicotine replacement therapy (patches, gum, lozenges and inhalers) for any of our rostered patients under the STOP smoking program provided by CAMH (Centre for Addictions and Mental Health). Call anytime for details.

Fire Department

FIRE SEASON -is from April 1st - October 31st. No burning without a permit, as per By-Law #12-420.

CALL BEFORE YOU BURN - The Fire Dept. would like to be advised of upcoming fire events, i.e. burning of brush. Please contact Madawaska Fire Chief Aurel Thom (613-334-5018) or Deputy Fire Chief Andrew Aleck 9613-334-1266) or Whitney Fire Chief Brian August (613-334-2629) so they are aware of these events so fire fighters aren't sent out to investigate.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday, May 10 at St. Martin's Hall 7:30 am – 11:00 am.

CAMPFIRES - be courteous to neighbours when considering burning campfires, etc.

CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS - As of April 15, 2015, you must install a carbon monoxide alarm adjacent to all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, a fireplace or an attached garage.

CO Alarm Tips

Testing and Replacing:

- Landlords are responsible for installing and maintaining CO alarms in their rental units.
- Landlords are required to test CO alarms in rental units annually and when the battery is replaced, changes are made to the electric circuit or a change of tenancy occurs.
- It is against the law for tenants to remove the batteries or tamper with CO alarms in any way.
- Test CO alarms every month by pressing the test button.
- Replace batteries every year.
- Replace CO alarms according to manufacturer's instructions.

Know the Sound of the CO Alarm:

- Your CO alarm sounds different than your smoke alarm. --Test both alarms monthly and make sure everyone in your home knows the difference between the two alarm sounds.
- Know the difference between the CO alarms' low-battery warning, end of life warning and an emergency alarm – consult the CO alarm manufacturer's instructions.

What to do if the CO Alarm Sounds:

- Exposure to CO can cause flu-like symptoms such as headaches, nausea and dizziness, as well as confusion, drowsiness, loss of consciousness and death.
- If your CO alarm sounds, and you or other occupants suffer from symptoms of CO poisoning, get everyone out of the home immediately. Then call your local emergency services number from outside the building.
- If your CO alarm sounds, and no one is suffering from symptoms of CO poisoning, check to see if the battery needs replacing, or the alarm has reached its "end-of-life" before calling emergency number.

Budget

Council proposes to pass the 2015 Operating Budget on May 14th at the regular council meeting. The budget challenges for this year include a reduction in transfer payments from the province and increases in annual policing costs and levies paid to the province. Several accessibility projects are slated for this year to the Municipal Office, the Madawaska Multi-Purpose Building and the Madawaska Rink. Some capital projects were budgeted for the Medical Centre/Library, the Municipal Office. The budget includes renovations and repairs to the Lester Smith Building and work to the public beaches in Whitney and Madawaska. Strategic and long-term planning required that reserve funds be put aside for future projects such as equipment for the Roads and Fire Departments and upcoming road reconstruction projects.

Library

Whitney Public Library **613-637-5471**

Tuesday 5:00pm to 7:30pm

Wednesday 11:00am to 6:00pm

Thursday 5:00pm to 7:30pm

At Your Library we have access to many different e-resources free of charge. We have access to Ancestry.com, Career Cruising, Kids Infobits, Teen Health and Wellness and many more.

Do you or someone you know have difficulties using regular print books? Print disabilities can be a learning, physical or visual disability that can prevent someone from reading conventional print. Thanks to CELA (previously CNIB) your library has daisy readers and 100's of books on CD titles. We also can access descriptive videos and e books through the Book Share program for people that qualify.

We are seeking new board members from South Algonquin, if you are interested in literacy and making a difference in your community please contact Charlene at the Whitney branch 613-637-5471. Please visit our website: <http://www.olsn.ca/southalgonquin/>

Madawaska Public Library **613-637-1099**

Monday 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Tuesday 10:00am to 12:00pm 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Thursday 12:30pm to 3:00pm 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Reminder: anyone under the age of 10 must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

Thank you VOLUNTEERS

National Volunteer Week April 12-18/15

"Volunteers don't necessarily have the time but they have the heart and make the time"

On Behalf of Council, Staff, Residents and Visitors
THANK YOU to **ALL our VOLUNTEERS** throughout the community. Our community thrives because of the involvement of volunteers and community groups. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication.