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What a Great Heritage Day!

Thanks to an amazing team of volunteers, sponsors, vendors and displays, we had a wonderful time celebrating Ryde's Heritage. Thanks go out to the nine piece band Cruise n' Country who donated their wonderful music, Cliff Fitchett and his live steam engine, Twin Maples Farm horse and carriage rides, Moose FM, Olivia from KidZone, Vintage vehicles courtesy of Ron Nicholson, Gary Rose, Doug Black and others, Gravenhurst Library Tent featuring beautiful Snow Princess Jennifer Whipp, Riverside Rentals, Gravenhurst Fire Department, Haliburton Fire Management Head Quarters, OMNR, Cutthroat Shaving, Carmen's Woodworking, Little Miss Stitches (Amy Heighington), Muskoka Sea Fleas, Scales Nature Park, and Bark Barn Dog Obedience. Sponsors were Foodland Ontario, Sofa Communications, Teabeards, Terry Pilger, Blooming Muskoka, Cavill Turner, Gidley Insurance, Muskoka Carpet, Kubota North, Hammond's, Dap Thach Accountants and Associates and Home Building Centre. Please support and thank our sponsors!

The Volunteer Crew included Tracy Barkshire, Dave Pegg, Jill Barkshire, Larry Peck, Anne Myshok, Andrew and Stephanie Taylor, Janet Merkley, Jennie and Rick Nice, Ivan Speicher, Richard and Linda Hearne, Peggy Beattie, Barb and Bruce Hallett, Joan Clifford, Sue Ward, Iva and Carole Break, Bruce Stevenson, Willa, Myron and Sterling Cooper, Sharon and Gerrard Newman, John Havenaar, Janet Wilcox, Jim Sanderson, Shelagh Davis, Brenda Cooper, Brian Robertson, Doug, Louise and Blake Taverner, Ernest Merkley, Wayne Morris, Diane Duffy, Diane Bradley, Liza Bosmanova, Iouri Bosmanov, Doug Campbell, and the many others who so willingly chipped in. Thanks to Lynn at the Donkey Shack, Wayne's Tires and Home Building Centre for sharing tents, to Mark Tingey and Andy Speicher for the BBQ, and to Muskoka Springs for donating water. Thank you to the Town of Gravenhurst for help with promotion, picnic tables, garbage bins and barriers.

We are already thinking about next year. Will you help make Heritage Day 2017 bigger and better? Please call Judy at 705-687-2406.



Pasta Dinner

It will be worth it as Chefs Larry and Anne create a pleasing pasta dinner on Sept 24th. Get your tickets early at the Summerland General Store, or reserve ahead. Members \$10, non-members \$15. Will you help with this meal by donating baking for dessert, or by volunteering to clean up afterwards?

Don't forget your plates, cutlery and cups! Call Judy at 705-687-2406.

Culture Days Activities!

Ryde Co-op joins a national event by holding three Culture Days events. Please come out to all of them! On Friday, September 30th we'll be holding our regular knitting group at the Summerland Store from 9 until 1. All welcome! Saturday, October 1st we will be opening the Co-op as a snack bar for all the people who are doing the Barn Quilt Trail. Drop by for lunch between 11 and 2. On Sunday, October 2nd from 1 until 3, we will be having a free seed exchange at the Co-op. Bring your packages of seeds to share. Snacks will be available for purchase. To help with the weekend events please call Judy at 705-687-2406.



Ryde's Own Champion!

Congratulations to Bruce Stephenson, who won gold medals in Javelin and Shot Put (over 85 age group) at the Canada Seniors Games in Brampton last month. Bruce also took a silver medal in the 1km prediction walk at the Ontario Provincial Seniors Games in Midland on August 9th.

Fundraising!

Our fundraising efforts continue to help pay off our mortgage and loans, with events

and donations from friends and neighbors near and far. Some of our community members have taken it upon themselves to host a fundraising event on their own, as Janet Wilcox did. She hosted a wine tasting event on her back deck. Everyone had a fantastic time and \$2,685.00 was raised to donate to the Co-op's Ryde to the Future Fundraising. Thank you! We appreciate all the support, help and donations we have received to help pay for the Co-op. Every bit helps. Every bit counts.



Upcoming Events

- Bid Euchre Every Wednesday at the RCC from 1 pm.
- VON SMART Exercise program -Every Mon & Wed starting at 9:30 am.
- Tai Chi and Qigong Thursdays -10:30 - 11:30 am - \$2
- WISE Seniors' Clubhouse Sept. 2nd from 12:30 – 2:30 pm. Free lunch will be provided.
- Ryde Knitters & Hookers -Fridays at Summerland - 10 am - noon - \$2
- Meet the Needs Day 4 -Thursday, Sept. 15th from 10 – 2
- Clean out Your Cottage Garage Sale – Saturday, Sep. 17th – 7 till noon
- Blood Donor Clinic -Tuesday, Sept 20th 3-7pm at the Gravenhurst YMCA
- Pasta Dinner-Sat. Sept. 24th 5:30 pm
- **Culture Days Events:**
 - Friday, Sept. 30th knitting at Summerland General
 - Saturday, Oct. 1st Barn Quilt Trail
 - Sunday, Oct. 2nd Seed Exchange at the Co-op
- Ryde's Homemade Jam & Sing-along - Oct 8th - 7-9 pm
- Y's Woman & Art Oct 17th & Nov 7th
- Christmas Bazaar Nov. 13th
- Progressive Dinner Nov. 26th



COMMUNITY NOTICES

• Holy Manger Anglican Church

• Services will be held on the first & third Sunday of each month at 1pm.

Ryde Centennial FM Church

• Sunday school will be starting Sept 11th. Following the service there will be a picnic lunch (weather permitting) Please dress appropriately and bring a salad, main dish or dessert. We supply drinks.

• Summerland General Store

• The September monthly \$20 food basket order is due in cash on Sept 6th at 9 am and picked up on Sept 15th. Bring boxes or bags.

August Fresh Food Baskets

Take advantage of the Fresh Food Basket program offered through the District of Muskoka with the support of Carrie and Ron at the Summerland Store. Please drop off your \$20 (cash only) to the Blue Store before 10 am on Tuesday, September 6th. Pick up will be on Thursday, September 15th. For a downloadable calendar please follow this link: http://bit.ly/1zYziH2

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Clean out your Cottage Garage and Bake Sale

SALE

We had so much fun and did so well at our last garage sale, that we thought we would do it again on September 17th! We will be calling on our fabulous bakers again, and asking everyone to look around for those top-quality

items to donate to a wonderful cause - the Co-op! You can drop off donations on Thursday, September 15th after 2 pm, or any time Friday before the sale. Volunteer staff will price and sell your items. Please show your support of the Co-op by baking, donating and shopping! *To volunteer to help with this project, please call Judy at 705-687-2406.*

Fourth Annual Meet the Needs Day

Thanks to support and funding from the OACAO and the Seniors Secretariat, we are once again offering a free day of services, food and great information on September $15^{\rm th}$. Ryde is your one-stop destination for expert advice with over



15 presenters. Chef Larry will prepare a free lunch, and there will be door prizes and free groceries! Plan to join us for this great event. There will be free transportation from Downtown Gravenhurst from the Womens' Centre.

Music Night in Ryde - Ryde's Homemade Jam & Sing-A-Long



Ryde members are invited to join us Saturday, October 8th from 7 to 9 pm for an evening of folk, gospel and great music. Bring your instrument or just come and enjoy. Families are welcome.

Admission by donation is for members only but new members are

always welcome. Memberships will be available for \$10 at the door. Light refreshments will be available and donations of refreshments will be greatly appreciated. Jams will be scheduled for the second Saturday of every month.

For more information, please call Brian Gowanlock at 705-329-4010.

Y's Women and Art

Ladies join us for a fun free lunch and painting program with Nancy Hunter-Monday, October 17th and Monday, November 7th, starting at 11am. This program is possible by a New Horizons for Seniors Grant.

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