



Haliburton Forest & WILD LIFE RESERVE LTD

LEASEHOLDER NEWSLETTER SPRING 2023



HELLO, HALIBURTON FOREST LEASEHOLDER'S!

We are wishing you all a very pleasant spring and look forward to welcoming you back to Haliburton Forest this summer. As we look forward to warmer weather, please take a moment to read through the Haliburton Forest operational updates below.



TIMELINES FOR ROADS AND PROPERTY ACCESS

We plan on opening our roads for normal vehicle traffic as of 8:00 am on Friday May 12, 2023, weather and road conditions permitting. As we have in the past, we will issue any changes to conditions and road openings through email and through the Lessee Facebook Group.

Please remember to stop at the Main Office to return/exchange your gate keys and pick up your vehicle passes by the end of the May Long Weekend. Locks will be changed on all gates by 5:00 pm on Tuesday May 23, 2023.



UPDATES ON FEE STRUCTURES & DEADLINES

All Hunt Clubs are reminded that their first payment is due on Monday May 1, 2023, and the final payment is due on Friday September 1, 2023.

All Lessees are reminded that the balance of their site payment is due by the end of the day on Monday May 23, 2023.

For clarity, the fees for lessees are provided below.

<u>Rate #</u>	Leased Rates 2023 Including HST	2023
1	Hemlock Point	\$3,687.96
2	All Other Sites	\$4,037.63
3	Kelly, Johnson, L'Azure, Pelaw, Loon, Baby Loon	\$4,682.34
X	Annex	\$350.00

Please be prompt in making payments to avoid penalties. A \$100 per month late fee is applied to all late payments.

ANNUAL CAMPER MEETING & ANNUAL HUNTERS MEETING

The Annual Lessee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday July 8, 2023, at 9:00 am.

However, over the last five years we have seen a significant decline in attendance at our Annual Lessee meeting. We recognize that availability to attend the meeting presents a challenge for some and we would like your input on how these meetings are held in the future (including this year).

Please complete this quick survey by Friday May 5, 2023.

The Annual Hunters meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday November 5, 2023, at 2:00 pm.

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MOOSE & DEER HUNTING DATES

Moose: Monday October 16, 2023 – Sunday October 22, 2023.

Deer: Monday November 6, 2023 – Sunday November 19, 2023.

The dates for 2023 reflect two weeks of property use availability between the hunts. We will provide a more descriptive update, as we normally do, in the fall newsletter.

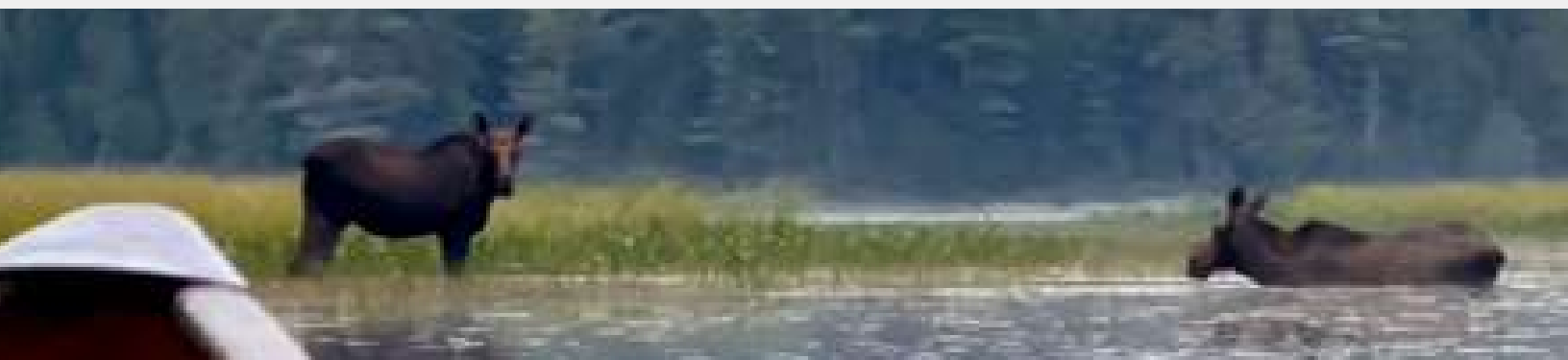
SPRING CLEANING, DUMPSTERS, & BEARS

In preparation for the opening of the roads and spring cleaning at Base Camp, we require all ATVs, snowmobiles, and trailers to be removed from Base Camp (including the top and bottom field areas) by 5:00pm on Sunday May 14, 2023.

We would like to provide yet another friendly reminder that garbage should be disposed of properly. Household waste and recycling bins are provided at Base Camp adjacent the main north road gate.

Please remember that large items should be taken to the Kennisis Lake dump or West Guilford dump. You may sign out a dump card from the Main Office during business hours.

With the mild spring, the bear population is very active. Please follow the link to the provincial bear wise program website: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear-wise>



FIREWOOD AVAILABILITY

Please ensure a Firewood Cutting Indemnification Agreement has been signed prior to operating a chainsaw on Haliburton Forest property. PPE must be worn, being boots, chaps, helmet, ear protection, eye protection, and gloves.

Firewood is also being sold at the Main Office in bags for \$10/bag. If you are looking for larger quantities, we recommend calling:
Nesbitt Firewood Sales (705 935 0950).

Please Note: No firewood from outside of Haliburton County is permitted within the property in order to prevent the spread of invasive pests. Also, lessees are not permitted to have tractor-trailer deliveries of firewood logs to campsites.

OUTHOUSES & PICNIC TABLES

Please send your requests for outhouse repair/replacement to leases@haliburtonforest.com. We anticipate repairs/replacement to start mid-May.

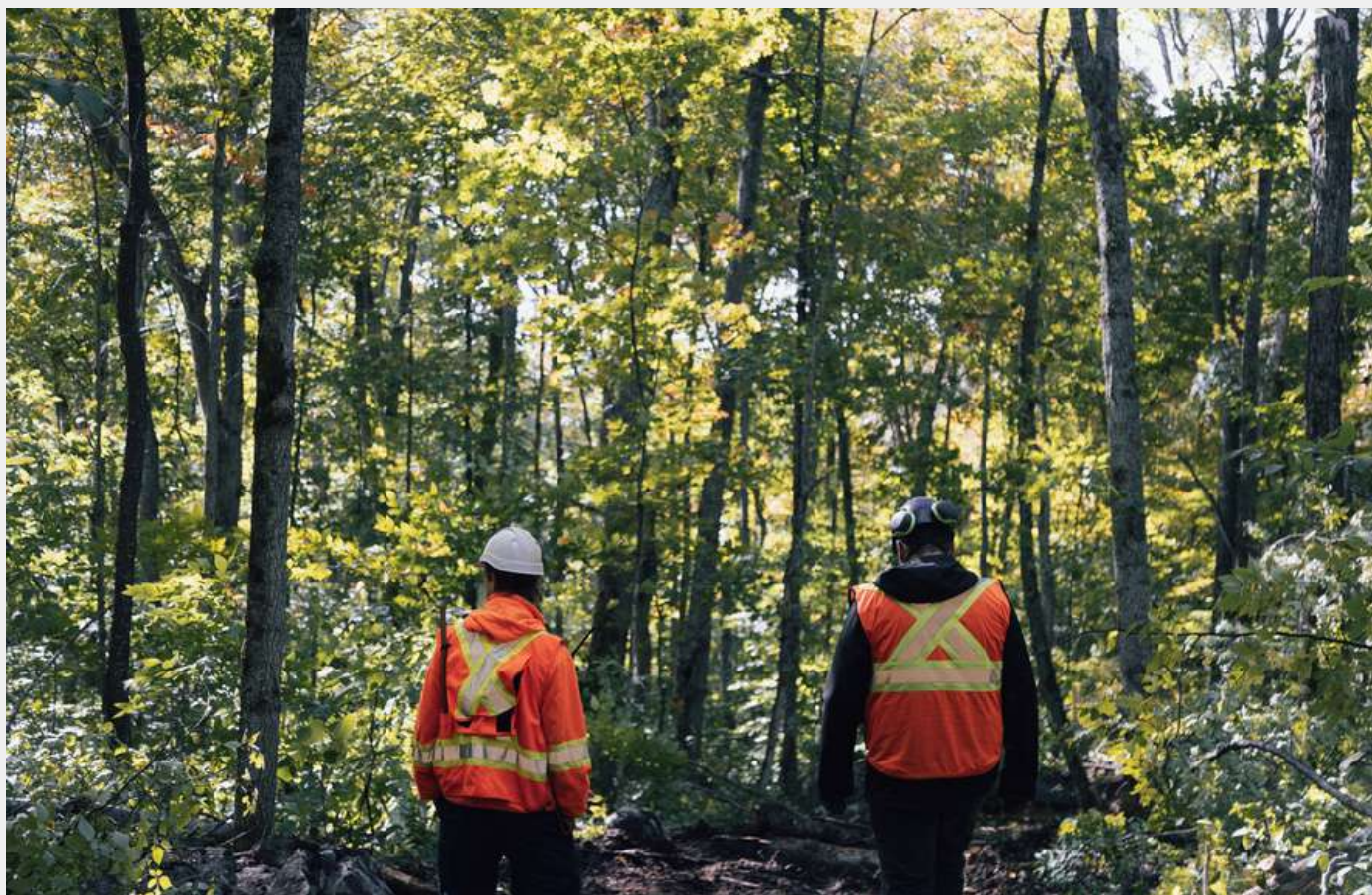
Effective May 1, 2023, Haliburton Forest will no longer be providing replacement picnic tables to leased campsites. Of course, lessees may continue using the picnic tables on their sites. We will be happy to explain this decision at the Annual Camper Meeting. By no longer providing picnic tables, Haliburton Forest will be able to place more emphasis and effort on road and trail infrastructure and other property features (such as the Fishing Society) that add meaningful value to the lessee experience.



FORESTRY OPERATIONS

In August 2023, we will be hosting our five-year recertification audit to the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Canada National Standard. We are audited to the FSC standard every year to a rotating selection of the FSC sustainability principles, but the five-year mark is a more detailed examination of our operations, when we are audited to the entire FSC standard. We look forward to hosting our auditors for a full week in which we will review our forest management plans and our practices in the woods.

Our forest management operations this year will be focused on (1) North Road around kilometer 15, Duck Lake, and Owl Trail, (2) Sunday Trail, and particularly the north end accessed from Nugget Road, (3) the west side of Little Kennisis Lake, mostly on Watt's Road, and (4) the Hydro Line Road. Our priority continues to be the salvaging of beech trees in response to Beech Bark Disease, but we will also be implementing normal partial thinnings to improve health and growth of our Sugar maple stands.



When you are driving within Haliburton Forest, please drive very carefully by assuming that you may experience oncoming logging traffic, including loaded log trucks, at any time. Even if you are not on a road with active logging operations, this is a good practice as it will keep you safe from all kinds of other traffic.

Logging Activity & Road Work

- Summer & Fall 2023 -





TRUSS FOODWORKS SMOKEHOUSE: HOURS & MENU

To view the current menu, hours of operations, and to order take out, please visit:

www.trussfoodworks.ca

Follow them on social media for the most up to date information!

Instagram @truss_foodworks and Facebook @TrussFoodworks.

Current hours of operation are:

- Wednesday – Sunday 11:00am-8:00pm
- Last Call & Bar Menu After 7:00pm

These hours of operation will likely change as we get into the busy summer season. Please give us a call or check the website to confirm the hours of operation this summer.



We are excited to announce that after four years of planning, preparation, getting approvals, etc. as of July 1, 2023, we will be running our very first guided Sporting Clays experiences! Check out the [webpage](#) for more details and to book!



YOURS OUTDOORS: EXPERIENCE THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS

Yours Outdoors has been a part of the Haliburton Forest family for three years. If you haven't heard about it yet – you are missing out!

Yours Outdoors partners with local businesses, entrepreneurs, and all kinds of outdoorsy, artsy and fascinating leaders to offer exciting, exceptional and unique experiences throughout the Haliburton Highlands. With an increasing number of amazing experiences available to you right on site at Haliburton Forest, such as guided fishing/ice fishing, ice climbing, skijoring, bikejoring, kick sledding, igloo building, and painting with wolves!

Have you ever wanted to check out the natural rock wall at Stocking Lake? We will be running rock climbing experiences Tuesdays and Saturdays throughout the summer.

How about a hike with an expert falconer flying a bird of prey overhead? Hawk walks will be offered on weekends through the summer. Or for an indoor birds of prey experience, head to the Wolf Centre for our Predator Prowl program to learn more about the wolves and birds all in one.

If you are looking to get out of Haliburton Forest to explore the Highlands, some of our most popular experiences include: rockhounding, glass fusion/blowing, plein air painting and much more – all of which are guided by Yours Outdoors and its partners.

Have a special occasion coming up? Give the gift of a special experience they'll never forget.

Let us work with you to create a custom adventure! Check us out at www.yoursoutdoors.ca.

HALIBURTON FOREST FISHING SOCIETY

The Haliburton Forest Fishing Society continues into its seventh year as one of the premier landowner/stakeholder stewardship program for managing sustainable fisheries in Ontario - if not in Canada!

Since the inception of the Fishing Society, the fishing experience at Haliburton Forest has improved dramatically with more stocked lakes proving to be great opportunities for the lease holder community and day users of Haliburton Forest. To date, we have stocked over 30,000 Brook Trout and Rainbow Trout into our lakes, in six put, grow & take lakes and six Brook Trout Reserve Lakes.

With your continued support for this program our goal is to continue to stock the lake within the program to provide those wonderful opportunities for today, while ensuring future generations can also enjoy those experiences tomorrow.

To support this stakeholder led initiative, you can contribute to the Fishing Society [online](#) or through our Main Office at Base Camp, where the staff will be happy to provide more information about the Haliburton Forest Fishing Society upon request.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We have many events coming up and we hope to see you and maybe some of your guests at a few of them! You can book through our [website](#) or by calling the Main Office.

RETURN OF THE FOREST FESTIVAL

This summer will see the return of The Forest Festival as a series of concerts happening monthly from May to August. In 2023, we will be celebrating women in music!

Tickets are on sale now [online](#) or by contacting the Main Office 800-631-2198.



FOREST FESTIVAL

**WOMEN OF
THE FOREST 2023**

HALIBURTON FOREST & WILD LIFE RESERVE



**MAY
20**

BOREAL



**THE SALT
CELLARS**

**JUNE
24**



**JULY
21**

**JANE BUNNETT
& MAQUEQUE**



**JENIE
THAI**

**AUG
25**



**\$35 PER TICKET
\$120 SERIES TICKET**

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

1095 REDKENN ROAD, HALIBURTON ON - THE LOGGING MUSEUM



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WOODLANDS
& WATERWAYS
EcoWatch



WATER QUALITY RESEARCH – U-LINKS

As a branch of the U-Links Centre for Community Based Research, Woodlands and Waterways EcoWatch (WWEW) works with various volunteer and not-for-profit organizations in the Haliburton region focusing on community based environmental monitoring programs; through these connections we had a great opportunity to meet with Youth Leadership in Sustainability students hosted at Stocking Lake in the fall of 2022, where we engaged and educated students on different lake health monitoring protocols including water quality and benthic macroinvertebrate biomonitoring.

As of 2023 WWEW has successfully completed year one of its Water Quality Monitoring pilot sampling water quality parameters from 35 sites across 24 lakes in Haliburton County. The goals of this pilot are to develop water monitoring protocols and practices that specifically address concerns associated with aquatic health in the region as well as to develop and grow a database of these measurements for long-term monitoring efforts. Information collected in this monitoring program will be provided to decision-makers to understand key ecological uncertainties related to water quality to aid in efforts protecting Haliburton County's freshwater resources.

Stocking Lake was used as a reference lake for this program; its selection was based on the reduced presence of developed land and seasonal/permanent dwellings, absence of motorized watercraft and state of natural shorelines. As such Stocking Lake provides reliable data pertaining to a natural freshwater lake system undisturbed by external influences.

LESSEE PERKS!

Canopy Tours - Run daily throughout the summer. Book in advance through the office. Lessees get 10% off when they book for family and friends.

Wolf Centre - Open daily throughout the summer. Lessees and their children 17 and under get in for free.

Wolf Howl – Thursday evenings in July and August. Free to the public, but donations are accepted at the door.

Astronomy - Every Friday through July and August.

Clay Target Shooting – Runs daily through the summer. Book in advance through the office. Lessees get 10% off when they book for family and friends.

To receive the 10% discount bookings must be done through the Main Office.

You can book online, but then be sure to contact us so that we may apply the discount.

KEEP UP TO DATE

As always be sure to follow us on our various social media platforms to stay informed.

Haliburton Forest in General - #HaliburtonForest



- Facebook: @HaliburtonForest
- Instagram: @haliburton_forest

Wolf Centre

- Facebook: @hfwolfcentre
- Instagram: @haliburtonforestwolfcentre

Paddleshop

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Yours Outdoors

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