

spring & summer 2026

COMMUNITY GUIDE

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EXPEDITION

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— DYNAMIC BY NATURE —

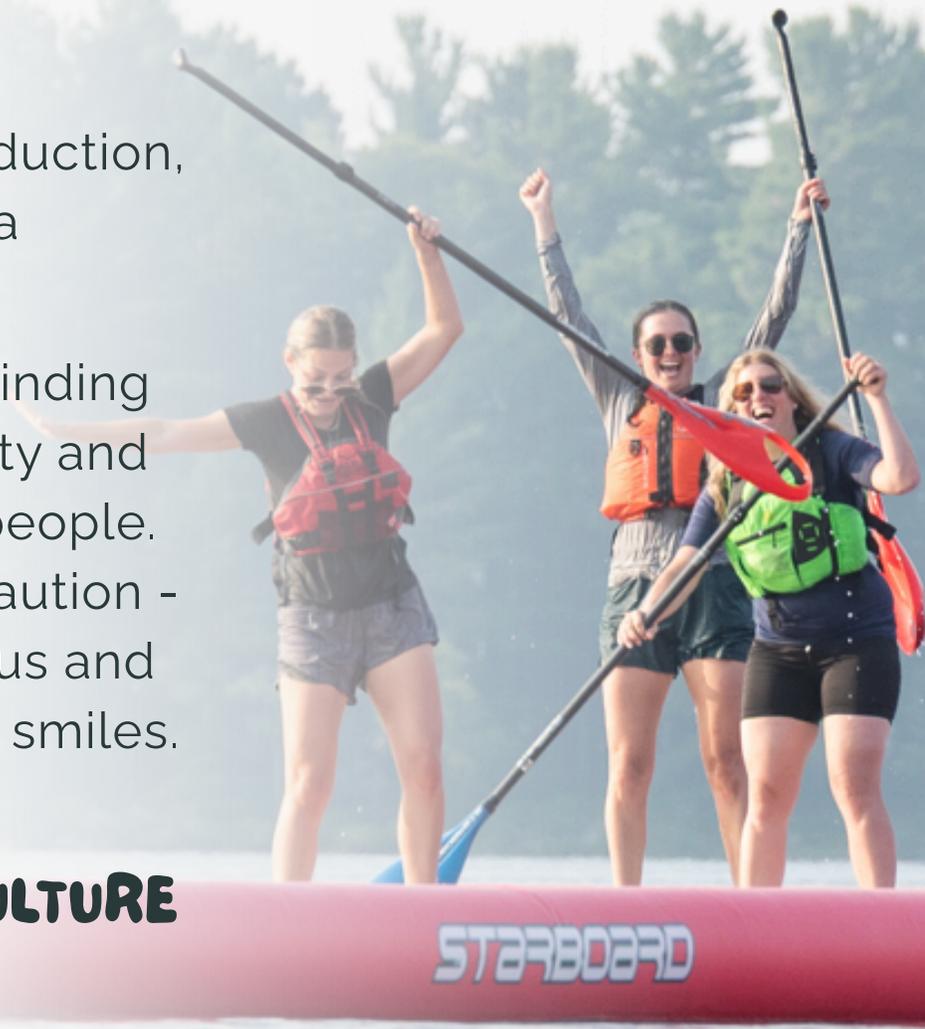
CAUTION: PEOPLE AT PLAY

Please be advised that joining one of our programs, events or visiting our recreation facilities may cause feelings of happiness and joy.

You may experience symptoms of stress reduction, a sense of purpose or a strong urge to laugh.

There is a high risk of finding a connected community and meeting like-minded people. Please proceed with caution - play is highly contagious and may lead to long-term smiles.

**PLAYFULLY YOURS,
THE RECREATION, CULTURE
AND TOURISM TEAM**



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MAYORS MESSAGE

Spring and summer invite us to step outside, take a deep breath, and remember something essential: **play isn't just for kids - it's for all of us.** As the days grow longer and our community comes alive with activity, this season's guide celebrates a simple but powerful idea: "Recess All the Time".

Recess is more than a break in the day. It's a mindset. It's laughter echoing across a playground, neighbors meeting for the first time at Petawawa's many community events, families riding bikes through familiar streets, and friends gathering for music, sports, art, and shared experiences. Play helps us reconnect - with ourselves, with one another, and with the places we call home.

In Petawawa, we believe play builds strong communities. When we make space for joy, creativity, and movement, we create a community that is healthier, more welcoming, and more connected. This Spring/Summer Community Guide is filled with opportunities to do just that - from children's camps and senior's activities to festivals like Civic Centre Days in June and Water and Dirt in August, sports such as soccer and baseball, open spaces like our fabulous beaches and parks, and programs designed for every age and ability. Whether you're five or ninety-five, there's something here for you.

"Recess All the Time" also reminds us that play doesn't have to be complicated. It can be a walk in the park or a hike on our many trails, a pickup game, a splash pad visit, a library program, or simply time spent outdoors with people you care about. These moments of play are where memories are made and where community truly happens.



As mayor, I am proud of the dedicated staff, volunteers, and partners who work year-round to make these opportunities possible. Their commitment ensures that our parks are vibrant, our programs are inclusive, and our public spaces invite everyone to participate. Together, we are creating a town where play is not an afterthought, but a priority.

This season, I encourage you to try something new. Visit a park you've never been to. Sign up for a class. Attend a community event. Invite a neighbor to join you. Let this guide be your invitation to explore, engage, and enjoy all that Petawawa has to offer.

Thank you for being part of our community and for bringing your energy, curiosity, and spirit of play into our shared spaces. Here's to a spring and summer filled with connection, movement, and joy - because in Petawawa, we are "Dynamic by Nature" and, we believe in "Recess All the Time".

MAYOR GARY SERVISS
gserviss@petawawa.ca

ONLINE PROGRAM REGISTRATION

1 To get started, create an account online or through the DaySmart Recreation app. If your email is already in use, select "Forgot your password" to reset it.

2

In the app, search for "The Corporation of the Town of Petawawa" to log in or create an account. Enter your information and add family members now or later under the Profile tab.



3

To register, select Register from the menu, choose a participant, browse available programs, follow the prompts, and confirm your selection to add it to your cart.

4

Complete your registration by checking out and paying with a credit card. An email confirmation will be sent once your payment is processed.



REGISTER IN PERSON

Visit the Recreation, Culture, and Tourism Department at 16 Civic Centre Road to register and pay in person by debit, cash, or cheque (payable to the Town of Petawawa).

*Credit cards only accepted online.

VIRTUAL GUIDE

Visit the online guide for links, video instructions, and more!



SCAN TO SEE





TODDLER PROGRAMS

Easter Egg Extravaganza

Hop into the fun! Join us for our Easter Egg Extravaganza – a morning filled with colorful egg hunt and Easter craft.

Date **Apr 2** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$15**

Mini Mixers

Join us for a joyful, hands-on baking class designed for toddlers! Together, you will have a blast creating simple treats.

Date **Apr 8** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$10**

Spring Sensory Bin

Dig, scoop, and play! This bin is full of soft grass, colorful flowers, and fun spring surprises for little hands to explore.

Date **Apr 14** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$10**

Tot Sports

Learn the basic movements of different sports through activities that encourage children to learn new motor skills.

Date **Mondays May 11-25** Time **5:30 pm** Cost **\$30**

Paddle Pals

Enjoy quality time on the water with our Paddle Pals Program, where caregivers and toddlers ride together on one board in a fun, supportive setting.

Date **Jun 16** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$15**

Little Explorers

Toddler-friendly outdoor walks led by a guide, designed to help young children and their caregivers explore nature together in a safe, engaging, and age-appropriate way.

Date **Wednesdays Jul 8-22** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$30**

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

Cooking It Forward (ages 6-12)

Learn measurements, chopping, mixing, kitchen safety and more, while giving back to your community. Prepared food will be donated to the Petawawa Pantry Food Bank.

Date **Thursdays Apr 2 - May 7** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$40**

Non-Competitive Basketball (ages 6-12)

An inclusive environment where players of all skill levels can enjoy the sport without the pressure of intense competition. Participants join to have fun and stay active.

Date **Mondays Apr 13 - May 4** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$40**

Try It Sports (ages 5-8)

Each week your child will learn and play a new sport as our instructor will teach them the basic skills you need to play.

Date **Thursdays May 14-28** Time **5:30 pm** Cost **\$30**

Happy Hikers (ages 6-12)

Our hiking program helps kids explore nature, build confidence, and stay active while discovering local trails in a fun, safe environment.

Date **Thursdays Jun 4-18** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$30**

Parent & Child SUP

Learn the basics of stand-up paddle boarding with your child. In this session, you will learn safety, equipment, paddling strokes and technique.

Date **Jun 24** Time **5:00 pm** Cost **\$20**

Snack It Up (ages 7-12)

Kids will mix up a healthy snack to enjoy together with new friends. Afterwards, they will get active with activities to enhance gross motor skills.

Date **Jul 29** Time **5:00 pm** Cost **\$20**

Fundamental Movement Skills (ages 8-14)

The 3-Week Fundamental Movement Skills Workshop for Individuals with Cognitive Disabilities is a tailored program designed to assist participants in building key physical abilities within a supportive, organized, and inclusive setting.

Date **Wednesday Jul 8-22** Time **5:00 pm** Cost **\$25**

Non-Competitive Volleyball (ages 6-12)

A recreational and inclusive environment where players of all skill levels can enjoy the sport without the pressure of intense competition. Participants join to have fun, stay active and improve their volleyball skills in a supportive setting.

Date **Mondays Jul 6-27** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$40**

Sr. STEM (ages 8-10)

Hands-on activities to enhance your child's understanding of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Date **Aug 4** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$10**

Jr. STEM (ages 4-7)

Hands-on activities to enhance your child's understanding of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Date **Aug 5** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$10**

Programs for ages 0-3 require a parent/guardian to participate. Programs for ages 4+ are child-only, and parents are not permitted in the program area unless the program is specifically labeled as parent/child.



TEEN PROGRAMS

Cooking for One

This is an engaging and educational program designed to teach culinary skills and inspire food creativity in young adults.

Date **Jun 22** Time **5:30 pm** Cost **\$10**

Evening Hike

Hiking for teens offers an exciting opportunity for young adults to explore the great outdoors while fostering a sense of adventure and meet other outdoor enthusiasts.

Date **Aug 17** Time **5:00 pm** Cost **\$5**

Youth Paddle

Learn the skills for stand-up paddle boarding (SUP) and kayaking all in one morning. This is a fun session to get you comfortable on the water through drills and activities.

Date **Aug 19** Time **10:00 am** Cost **FREE**



ADULT PROGRAMS

Afternoon Hikes

Go on different hikes throughout Petawawa and get some vitamin D. Enjoy conversation while inhaling fresh air.

Date **Thursdays Apr 2-30** Time **1:00 pm** Cost **\$25**

Sip & Stitch : Embroidery for Beginners

Enjoy a cup of tea and socialize in this beginner friendly workshop. Participants will first learn the basics of embroidery by practicing various stitches before completing a spring-themed design to take home.

Date **Apr 9** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$20**

Below Average Joes

Join Below Average Joes, where we try a new sport or game every week! Whether you're a pro or a newbie, our fun, relaxed vibe is all about laughter and friendship. Come have a great time and embrace being delightfully "below average"!

Date **Mondays Jun 8-22** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$30**

Paddle Clinic - SUP

This is a fun introduction to stand up paddle boarding from paddling strokes to fun activities to test your skills.

Date **Jul 16** Time **6:30 pm** Cost **\$15**

Paddle Clinic - Kayak

This is a fun introduction to kayaking from paddling strokes to fun activities to test your skills.

Date **Jul 23** Time **6:30 pm** Cost **\$15**

Scenic Route

Explore the picturesque islands of the Ottawa River and see a historic shipwreck. Vessels can be provided. Must have paddling experience. For a one-on-one lesson, please email sdament@petawawa.ca

Date **Aug 5** Time **9:00 am** Cost **\$20**



50+ PROGRAMS

Fused Glass - Night Light

Create a unique candle holder using vibrant spring colors and glass fusion techniques. This hands-on workshop guides you through designing and assembling your piece. All materials provided. Instructed by The Stain in the Glass.

Date **Apr 16** Time **1:30 pm** Cost **\$45 / light**

DIY Melt & Pour Soap Making

Learn the basics of melt and pour soap making in this hands-on class. Create your own with colours, scents and natural additives. Take home your handmade creations!

Date **May 7** Time **1:30 pm** Cost **\$15**

Prediction Walking / Running

How accurate is your pace? Predict your time and walk or run as we progress in distance each week. No watches, no racing. Accuracy wins! Open to all fitness levels.

Date **Fridays May 1-29** Time **1:30 pm** Cost **\$10**

Outdoor Photography Club

Join us for 4 relaxed morning sessions exploring nature through photography! Each week features a new theme, simple tips, and the chance to share your favourite shots. No experience needed. Just bring your phone or camera!

Date **Thursdays June 4-25** Time **10:30 am** Cost **\$10**

1920s Murder Mystery Lunch

The party is roaring... until it isn't. Step into 1923 for a night of jazz, glamour, and intrigue when a guest is found dead at a lavish mansion party. Can you crack the case? Characters will be assigned - no acting experience required!

Date **June 12** Time **11:00 am** Cost **\$25**

Walk and Ice Cream Social

Take part in a recreational-paced group walk and be treated to ice cream as a reward for getting active. The walk includes approximately 4 km to the ice cream stop and a 1.5 km return to the meeting location.

Date **June 30** Time **11:30 am** Cost **\$5**

Bike & Ice Cream Social

Enjoy a social group bike ride with a sweet stop for ice cream at the end. This 12 km recreational-paced ride includes one uphill and one downhill, making it best suited for intermediate riders who are comfortable with longer distances and hills. Participants must bring their own bike and helmet.

Date **July 7** Time **11:00 am** Cost **\$5**

Brain Fitness for Active Aging

Sharpen your mind and have a laugh! Enjoy lively brain games, group challenges, and social connection in this 4-week program. Led by a certified CanFitPro Brain Fitness Instructor.

Date **Fridays July 3-24** Time **1:30 pm** Cost **\$20**

Nature Journaling for Wellbeing

Slow down and connect with nature through simple observation, writing, and sketching. This outdoor session focuses on noticing, not artistic skill. Participants receive a take-home sketchbook to continue in their wellness journey.

Date **Aug 4** Time **10:00 am** Cost **\$10**

Wine Tasting: Taste, Guess & Reveal

Think you know your wines? Whether you're a casual sipper or a wine enthusiast, this blind tasting challenges you to trust your taste buds. Participants will sample mystery wines, score each one, and make their best guesses before the final reveal. A relaxed, social experience with no right or wrong answers. Charcuterie included!

Date **Aug 20** Time **6:00 pm** Cost **\$30**

STAY IN THE LOOP



Sign up for the Recreation, Culture, & Tourism Department e-newsletter



scan or [click here](#) to register

SILVER THREADS COMMUNITY CENTRE

1163 Victoria Street

613-687-6574

salc@petawawa.ca

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

StrongerU Seniors Fitness \$5

StrongerU offers fun, engaging classes tailored for seniors to boost physical and mental well-being.

Floor Curling / Cornhole \$2

Join the group for fun, friendly competition for all skill levels.

Essentrics \$2

This workout considers the changing needs of your body as you age - from strength and posture, to mobility and flexibility.

Scottish Dancing \$5

No prior dance experience or partner needed, this is group dancing. Enjoy great music and laughs.

Sew Sisters \$2

Bring your sewing machine, supplies, and creativity with you for a day of quilting with like minded people!

Dominoes \$2

Join us every Thursday for friendly competition and laughter!

Artists Club \$2

This program offers painters a place to gather while enjoying the company of others.

Tech Help \$2

Having trouble with your tablet, phone, laptop, or PC? Get help at 'Tech Help'! Call ahead to let us know which device you need assistance with.

Book Club \$2

Join us every month for lively discussions and a welcoming community of fellow readers!

Bid Euchre \$5

A variant of the popular Euchre game, with the added complexity of a bidding system.

Euchre \$5

Join in the fun for friendly competition.

Ukulele Group \$2

For seasoned strummer and curious beginners, come share the joy of music. Ukuleles available at main office for sign out.

Jigsaw Social \$2

Socialize as you work together to complete jigsaw puzzles.

Line Dancing \$2

Try this fun and social dance activity that involves coordinated movements of the entire body.

Advanced Yoga \$5

Join Mike Young as he guides you through a series of yoga poses intended for our 'active agers' who are looking for an added challenge.

Yoga / Chair Yoga \$5

Enhance flexibility, strength, and mindfulness through our guided yoga and chair yoga sessions suitable for all levels.

Mindfulness Meditation \$2

Join Anna Marie for a group practice. Explore various techniques and practices.

FITNESS ROOM SCHEDULE

Monday 8:15 am - 1:00 pm

Tuesday 8:15 am - 9:15 am & 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Wednesday 8:15 am - 10:30 am & 11:30 am - 3:15 pm

Thursday 8:15 am - 9:15 am & 11:30 am - 3:15 pm

Friday-Sunday Closed

Daily Fee\$1

Punch Card25 uses for \$20

Yearly membership\$50

*schedule subject to change



SUMMER CAMPS

KINDER CAMPS

Ages 4-5 years

Location: 11 Norman St

June 29 - July 3 Creation Station

July 6 - 10 Water Play

July 13 - 17 Exploration

July 20 - 24 Dig & Build

July 27- 31 Enchanted Forest

August 4 - 7 Curiosity

August 10 - 14 Adventureland

August 17 - 21 Mythical Master

JUNIOR CAMPS

Ages: 6-8 years

Location: 16 Civic Centre Rd

Or Petawawa Point for beach days

June 29 - July 3 Expressive

July 6 - 10 Kinetic

July 13 - 17 Naturalist

July 20 - 24 Splash-tastic

July 27- 31 Quest Camp

August 4 - 7 Jr Bike

August 10 - 14 Splish, Splash

August 17 - 21 STEM Adventures



SENIOR CAMPS

Ages: 8-12 years

Location: 16 Civic Centre Rd
Or Petawawa Point for beach days

June 29 - July 3 LEGO® STEM

July 6 - 10 Adventure

July 6 - 10 CNL Science

July 13 - 17 Kayak & SUP

July 20 - 24 Fantasy Builders

July 27- 31 Paddle Adventure

August 4 - 7 Sr Bike

August 10 - 14 Entrepreneur

August 17 - 21 Athletic Pursuers

There are no camps July 1st

Registration opens
9:00 am March 26, 2026
Spaces go quick!

LEARN MORE



For questions about camp
contact Shellan at
sdament@petawawa.ca or
613-687-5678 ext 2103

PETAWAWA POINT BEACH



BEACH HUT

Rentals & Canteen
1073 Island View Drive
11 am–7 pm

June:

Saturdays & Sundays

July & August:

Monday–Sunday

613-687-5678

toursim@petawawa.ca



RENTALS

Kayak, Paddleboard,
or Canoe with all
safety equipment

\$10 / hour

Volleyball or
Bocce ball set

\$5 / hour

Accessible equipment

Free



SOCIAL PADDLES

Join this fun, free, group
paddle. Basic paddling
experience required;
limited equipment
available.

Departs at 6 pm on July
7 & 21 and August 4 & 18
Pre-registration required.



PADDLE LESSONS

Want to learn to paddle
or level up your skills?
Book a private or family
lesson from just \$25/hr.

All equipment is
provided - just show up
and enjoy!



A BEACH FOR EVERY-BODY

Play is *The Point* at the Petawawa Point Beach - and everyone's invited! The Town of Petawawa offers free accessible features that make sunshine, splashing, and sandy good times easy for every-body.

Mobi-Mats Smooth, wheelchair-friendly pathways that take you from pavement to the water's edge.

Floating Beach Wheelchair Make a carefree splash with a comfy floating chair that lets you enjoy the water your way. Available at the Beach Hut.

Accessible Dock A stable, easy-to-use dock designed for smooth kayak transfers.

Accessible Paddleboard A super-stable board with extra buoyancy - perfect for paddling solo or with a caregiver*.

Grab your sunscreen, gather your people, and come experience a beach that's meant for every-body!

*Accessible paddleboard is available by advance booking by email tourism@petawawa.ca or phone 613-687-5678



SPECIAL EVENTS



HELL OR HIGH WATER

Experience the natural beauty and excitement of the Petawawa River! Join the action by racing - or cheering - at Centennial Park for a great day of heart-pumping fun.

MAY 9



CIVIC CENTRE DAYS

Kick off summer in style! Our beloved community event is back, featuring the Midway, Craft Beer Fest, and plenty of new ways to celebrate the summer season.

JUNE 12-14



CANADA DAY

Free family fun for everyone! Join us on the main soccer field at the Civic Centre for an afternoon packed with music, face painting, inflatables, free hot dogs, and plenty more surprises!

JULY 1



WATER & DIRT FESTIVAL

Celebrate outdoor adventure with exciting land and water challenges across the Ottawa Valley. Head to the next page to learn more about the festival!



WATER & DIRT FESTIVAL

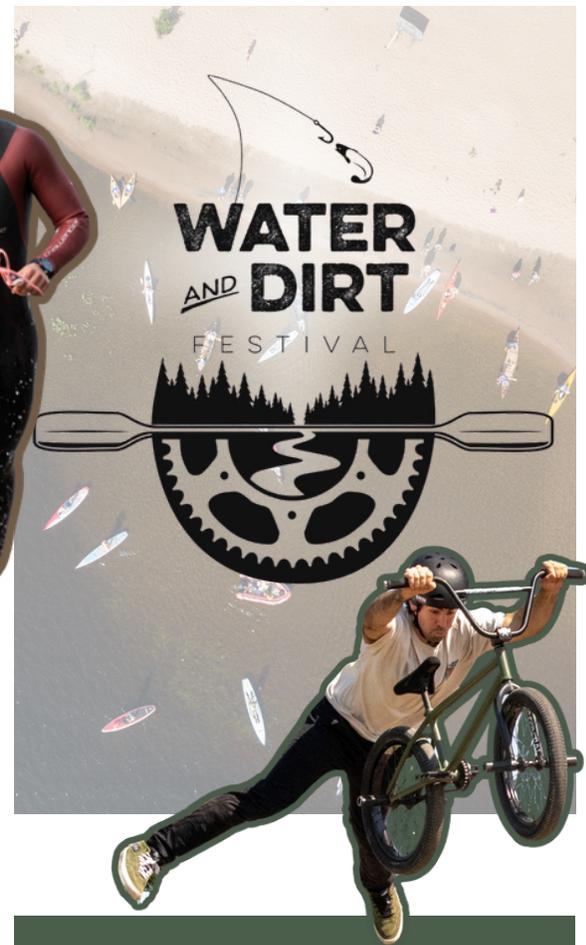
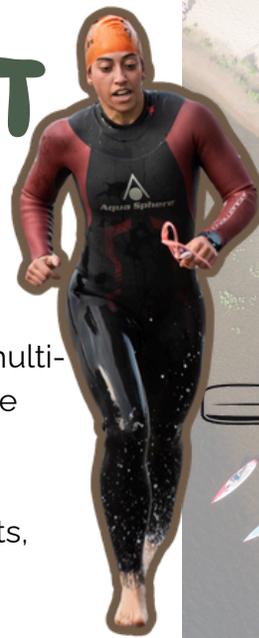
Get ready to dive into the ultimate celebration of outdoor adventure at the **Water & Dirt Festival** - a multi-week experience that unites thrill-seekers and nature lovers, across the Ottawa Valley.

The festival features 14+ land and water-based events, showcasing the region's rugged landscapes and stunning waterways, with events taking place in Petawawa, Laurentian Valley, Deep River, and Whitewater Region.

It's not all competition - there's plenty of time to unwind. Enjoy free live music and activities throughout the week, and for participants, catered meals offer a taste of local hospitality. It's an immersive experience that celebrates both adventure and community.

Whether you're pushing your limits, trying something new, cheering from the sidelines, or simply soaking in the natural beauty around you, the **Water & Dirt Festival** has something for everyone.

Discover the full schedule of events and plan your adventure at wateranddirt.ca



Events include:

- BMX Clinic
- Fly Fishing Clinic
- River Race
- Kayak Fishing Tournament
- Gravel Race
- Whitewater Courses
- 4WD Trail Ride
- Doggy Paddle
- Trail Run
- Kids Adventure Dash
- Mountain Biking
- Yoga
- ATV Ride
- Triathlon
- Whitewater Slalom Races
- live music
- and more!



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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee



The Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee (PAAC) helps make Petawawa a more welcoming, inclusive community - so everyone can take part in Town programs, services, and events.

This spring, join us in celebrating National AccessAbility Week (end of May) with a small community event at the Petawawa Container Market. Details will be shared closer to the date on the Town's website and social media.

We're also excited about the Town's new municipal website, which includes the AllAccessible tool (look for the button in the bottom right corner of every page). It lets you personalize your experience - adjust text size, contrast, layout, enable text-to-speech, and more - so you can use the site in a way that works best for you.

We'd love for you to check it out and tell us what you think! Your feedback helps us keep improving accessibility for everyone.

Check out petawawa.ca today!



Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee

The Town of Petawawa's Community Flag Program is an opportunity to celebrate diversity, inclusion, and community pride. The program includes scheduled annual flags flown by the Town each year, such as the Survivor's flag and a Rainbow of Pride Flags. Residents and eligible groups are invited to participate by submitting a written request form to the Town of Petawawa's Legislative Services Department, at least 30 business days in advance, in accordance with the Community Flag Raising policy. Details and the application form are available at <https://petawawa.ca/town-hall/legislative-services/community-flag-program/>.



SAVE THE DATE
June 12, 2026
Petawawa Pride



Petawawa Business Advisory Network (PBAN)

The PBAN is a Council-endorsed committee of local business representatives that provides strategic input and industry perspective to advance economic and business development in the Town of Petawawa. Working in collaboration with the Economic Development Department, PBAN supports the implementation of municipal priorities and contributes to initiatives that strengthen the Town's economic resilience and long-term growth.

PBAN actively supports and contributes to priority economic and placemaking initiatives, including the Petawawa Container Market Program, the Petawawa Ramble, the Holiday Tailgate Market, and the Veteran Business Vendor Expo. Through these efforts, PBAN members provide a business-focused lens to the review of municipal policies, programs, and processes, while also promoting and celebrating local business investment and success.

In 2025, PBAN members supported the delivery of the Business Retention and Expansion (BR&E) program, providing industry insight and feedback that directly informed the development of the 2026–2029 Economic Action Strategy.



Looking ahead to 2026, PBAN anticipates the realization of key advocacy outcomes through the redevelopment of the Norman Street area, including improved vehicle access from Petawawa Boulevard and the installation of the long-anticipated Petawawa letter sign project. These investments support community identity, improve connectivity, and advance the creation of a vibrant mixed-use community hub.

PBAN members will continue to play a strategic advisory role through participation in the review and refinement of the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) program and by supporting the implementation of signage initiatives under the endorsed Branding and Wayfinding portfolio.



Grand openings of Dog House Brewing Co and Flightline Petawawa

Petawawa OPP Detachment Board

The Petawawa OPP Detachment Board serves as an important connection between the community and the OPP, helping ensure local policing priorities reflect the safety needs of residents. Working closely with the Detachment Commander, the Board helps develop the OPP Action Plan, guiding policing efforts in a way that aligns with community values and expectations.

Through collaboration with other local service providers, the Board supports community safety, awareness, and overall well-being in Petawawa. For updates on local initiatives, events, and public safety information, follow the Petawawa OPP Detachment Board on Facebook or visit: petawawa.ca/living-here/police/



Senior's Advisory Committee

The Senior's Advisory Committee, a committee of Council, is a dynamic group of community representatives who provide advice and advocacy on a broad range of issues specific to our aging community with a focus on programs and services to assist our 50+ community members to maintain a healthy mind, body and spirit.

For 2026 we have established the following goals:

1. Enhancing opportunities for seniors through the development of a SERIES of offerings
 - Try It: Giving participants a chance to try something new
 - Lunch & Learn: Addressing a specific topic, allowing for discussion, questions and answers while enjoying good local food
 - Active: Expanding upon group activities both locally and out-of-area
 - Support: Providing group opportunities for psychoeducational and/or emotional support
2. Developing a Senior's Parkette
 - Facilitate community and stakeholder engagement to generate ideas/broad concepts/support
 - Develop a plan which includes resources, budget over a multi-year period for Council consideration
 - Include physical and mind-sport activities, passive and active opportunities, social and cultural context
 - Explore partnerships and collaborations
3. Conducting Outreach: By Increasing the participation of our seniors in decision-making, steps include:
 - Connecting seniors to resources, services and programming
 - Reducing isolation
 - Addressing barriers to engagement
 - Improving participation in programs and services
 - Building intergenerational connections

4. Promoting Volunteerism

- By addressing the benefits of volunteering (improved physical & mental health, social connection and reduced isolation, sense of purpose and meaning and cognitive stimulation), we plan to research and develop a resource of volunteer opportunities for seniors in our community.

5. Celebrating National Senior's Day on 01 October 2026 – save this date!

- Building on the momentum of our first event in 2025, we have taken the feedback of our participants and plan to make our 2nd annual event one that addresses more of the realities of our aging population through education, interaction, fun and food!

Our next step is to develop action plans for each of our goals. Petawawa strives to be a place where all skills, abilities and interests are respected and where our 50+ community are valued, supported and appreciated.



Petawawa Public Library



This summer, enjoy a season of reading at the library! Children can take part in themed activities, story times, and incentives, while teens are invited to participate in reading challenges designed just for them. Adults are also encouraged to join in through a summer reading challenge that promotes lifelong learning and enjoyment of reading. The library offers more than just books.

With a library card, patrons can access a wide range of free resources, both in person and online, including books, digital collections, and other learning and entertainment tools. Library cards may also provide access to additional community resources. Those without a library card are encouraged to sign up and explore everything the library has to offer.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Valley Trail Riders: Club for Dirt Bikes, Dual-Sports, and Adventure Bikes

The Ottawa Valley is a premier destination for off-road exploration, and the Valley Trail Riders (VTR) is the heart of that community. Our club caters to the full spectrum of off-road enthusiasts, from those carving narrow paths on dirt bikes to riders exploring long-distance routes on dual-sport and adventure bikes. By bringing together such a diverse group of riders, VTR fosters a unique culture of mentorship and adventure, ensuring that whether you're on a hard enduro weapon or a big bore adventure bike, you'll find a group of like-minded people ready to hit the dirt.

As a member of the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders (OFTR), VTR provides the essential infrastructure that makes off-road riding possible and sustainable. This partnership is vital, as it provides members with the necessary liability insurance to ride confidently and legally. Furthermore, VTR and the OFTR work tirelessly to maintain the provincial trail network, ensuring that the land we love is protected and that our sport has a permanent home in Ontario's backyard for generations to come.

Joining VTR is the best way to unlock the full potential of the Ottawa Valley. Your membership grants you legal riding access to the iconic Algonquin Trail, a centerpiece of local riding that offers miles of scenic beauty. To help keep you on the move, VTR members also enjoy exclusive discounts at Petes Sales & Service for parts. Whether you are looking for new trails to conquer or a community to ride with, VTR provides the access, the savings, and the support you need to make every ride an adventure.

Ready to Ride? Join the Club!

Visit oftr.ca to purchase membership and choose VTR as your club.

Questions? Valleytrailriders@OFTR.ca.



Lynn Davenport - Community Champion

If Petawawa truly is a place where it's recess all the time, Lynn is one of the people making sure everyone feels welcome on the playground.

For decades, she has shared her energy, creativity, and quick smile with the community, bringing warmth, humour, and a playful spirit to everything she does. Whether volunteering, teaching, or leading initiatives, Lynn has a gift for making people feel seen, appreciated, and at ease.



“A LITTLE BIT SASSY, A LOT OF FUN, AND ALWAYS SMILING”

Lynn described by friends

A talented quilter and enthusiastic teacher, Lynn inspires confidence and connection through her work at the Algonquin Sewing Centre and as Secretary of the Pembroke Log Cabin Quilters, supporting projects that bring comfort and care to others.

Lynn is also a passionate advocate for accessibility and inclusion. As Chair of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee and a member of the Seniors Advisory Committee, she helps turn thoughtful ideas into meaningful action, supporting programs like Sensory Santa and Treat Accessibility.

Whether volunteering at community events or spending time with the Sew Sisters at Silver Threads Community Centre, Lynn brings laughter, kindness, and heart wherever she goes - reminding us that play, creativity, and connection are for everyone, at every age.

COMMUNITY CONTACT LIST

Hockey

C.A.T.s Hockey

jocelyn.roussil@catextiles.ca 613-292-4749

Greater Petawawa Minor Hockey Association

petawawaminorhockey.ca

Ottawa Valley District Girls Hockey Association

girlshockey.ca 613-553-6959

Petawawa Chiefs Oldtimers Hockey Club

sean.craig@live.ca 613-281-1248

Petawawa Dynos Hockey Club

dynosoldtimehockey@gmail.com

Silver Kings Hockey Club

silverkings.ca

Upper Ottawa Valley Aces

upperottawavalleyaces.com

Soccer

Petawawa Minor Soccer Club

petawawaminorsoccer.sportngin.com

Upper Ottawa Valley Adult S.C.

uovasc.teamopolis.com

Ball

Mixed Slo-Pitch

chrisyj44@hotmail.com 613-639-5498

Upper Ottawa Valley Little League

registrar@uovll.ca uovll.ca

Slo-Pitch Umpires Association

eoua.ca

Other Sports

Ottawa Valley Vikings Volleyball Club

ottawavalleyvikings.ca 613-639-5233

Pembroke Mixed Volleyball League

facebook.com/groups/238779686184978

Pembroke Woman's Volleyball League

pwwball@gmail.com facebook.com/PembrokeWVL

Petawawa Tennis / Pickleball Club

petawawatennispickleball.com

Petawawa-Pembroke & Valley Rugby Football Club

predsrugbyclub@gmail.com

Upper Ottawa Valley Ringette Association

convenor@uovringette.ca uovringette.ca

Petawawa Skating Club

petawawaskatingclub.com 613-639-6462

Petawawa Predators Swim Club

predatorspetawawa@gmail.com

Other Sports Continued

Les Coureurs de Bois Running Club

coureursdeboispetawawa@gmail.com

Special Olympics Pembroke & Area

pembroke@specialolympicsontario.ca 613-639-9547

Pembroke and Area Cross-Country Ski Club

skipaxc@gmail.com paxc.blogspot.com

Forest Lea Trails Association

forestleatrails.com forestleatrailassociation@gmail.com

Petawawa River Rats

facebook.com/groups/petawawariverrats/about

Renfrew County ATV Club

renfrewcountyatv.ca 613-585-9236

Keetna Snowmobile and Recreation Club

snowcountry@nrtco.net 613-735-8882

Pembroke Outdoor Sports Club

pembrokesportsman@gmail.com 613-735-6969

Upper Ottawa Valley Tai Chi Club

info@upperottawavalleytaichiclub.ca 613-735-2441

Pembroke Karate Club

pembrokekarate.com 613-587-4603

Roanoke Golf Club

Roanokegolf.ca 613-735-4444

Clubs

Canadian Military Wives Choir

canadianmilitarywiveschoirs.com

Canadian Cancer Society

cancer.ca/pembroke 1-888-939-3333

Petawawa Military Family Resource Centre

cfmws.ca/petawawa/petawawa-military-family-resource-centre-(pmfrc)

PMFRC Children's Services

(Kiddie Kollege Nursery School, Before and After School Program, Lil' Troopers Day Care)

Waitlist@PetawawaMFRC.com

Kinder Connection Nursery School

pardy@nrtco.net 613-717-4975

Petawawa Horticultural Society

petawawahorticultural.ca

Petawawa Heritage Village

petawawaheritagevillage.com 204-901-1332

Petawawa Pantry Food Bank

petawawapantryfoodbank.com 613-687-1676

Renfrew County Community Poverty Action Network

renfrewcountycpan.ca 613-735-9573

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COMMUNITY CONTACT LIST

Service Clubs

42nd Field Artillery Regiment Army Cadet Corps
2677cadets.ca 613-732-4470

638 Royal Canadian Air Cadets
638aircadets.ca 1-343-369-8257

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Renfrew County
enrol@bbbso.ca bbbso.ca

BGC Renfrew County
bgcrenfrewcounty.ca 613-735-1933

Family & Children's Services of Renfrew
inquiries@fcsrenfrew.on.ca fcsrenfrew.on.ca
613-735-6866 1-800-267-5878

The Phoenix Centre for Children & Families
mail@phoenixctr.com phoenixctr.com
613-735-2374 1-800-465-1870

Greater Petawawa Civitan Club
bsminer@hotmail.com 613-585-8218

Knights of Columbus Council 11932
pembrokeknights.com 613-732-4531

Ottawa Valley Community Foundation
foundation@givingthatgrows.com 613-633-0059

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foundation@givingthatgrows.com 613-633-0059

Pembroke Petawawa Lions Club
pempetlions@on.aibn.com 613-687-5020

Rotary Club of Petawawa
lorne.rotary@gmail.com 613-687-6955

Kiwanis Club of Pembroke
info@pembrokekiwanis.org pembrokekiwanis.org

Pembroke Pride
pembrokepride.com 1-888-530-6777 ext. 572

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 517
petawawalegion.ca 613-687-2504

Girl Guides of Canada
girlguides.ca 1-833-433-0996

4th Petawawa Scouting Group
petawawascouting@gmail.com scouts.ca

Don't see your club or group listed?

Email recreation@petawawa.ca to inquire about being added to the list



MINI PUTT

May, June, & September Hours

Thursday - Friday 4:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

July & August Hours

Monday to Sunday 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

*subject to weather

Located at the Kinhut - canteen and public washrooms available.

Birthday packages available!

For more details or to book a party, call [613-687-5678](tel:613-687-5678)
or email bookings@petawawa.ca

PADDLE THROUGH TIME

Distance: 6 km

Location: Ottawa River

Route Type: There and back

Estimated time: 2-3 hours

Launch your adventure from The Point Beach **(1)**, where you can easily put in your own boat or rent one on site, then cross the boat channel into a stretch of river rich with stories. As you paddle toward Randolph Island, keep your eyes to the sky and shoreline - bald eagles are often spotted nesting in this area **(2)**.

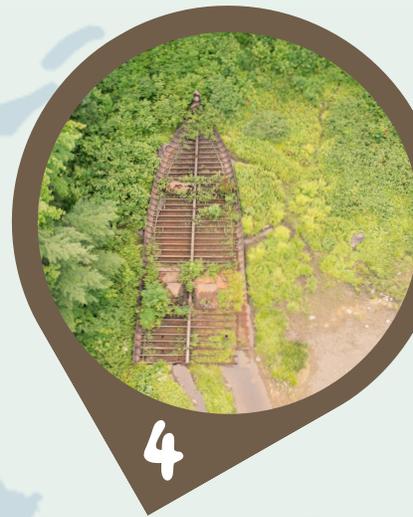
Drift onward and soak in the changing scenery as you quietly cross into Quebec **(3)**. Along the way, you'll pass a sandy beach that's perfect for pulling over, stretching your legs, and enjoying a riverside picnic.

Your first historic stop comes in the form of the remains of a shipwreck **(4)**. Local lore suggests these are the remains of the S.S. Pontiac, a steamboat abandoned in the 1930s, with much of its steel later salvaged for use during the war.

On the paddle back, just before crossing the border into Ontario, watch the water closely - beneath the surface lies a mostly submerged barge dating back to the river's logging era **(5)**, a quiet reminder of the industry that once shaped this waterway.

History, wildlife, and summer freedom - this paddle has it all!

Want a guided tour? Join the 'Scenic Route' program (find it on page 9). Rental equipment included!





PETAWAWA, ON WHERE IT'S RECESS ALL THE TIME

