

Chippewas of Nawash Newsletter

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March 4, 2022

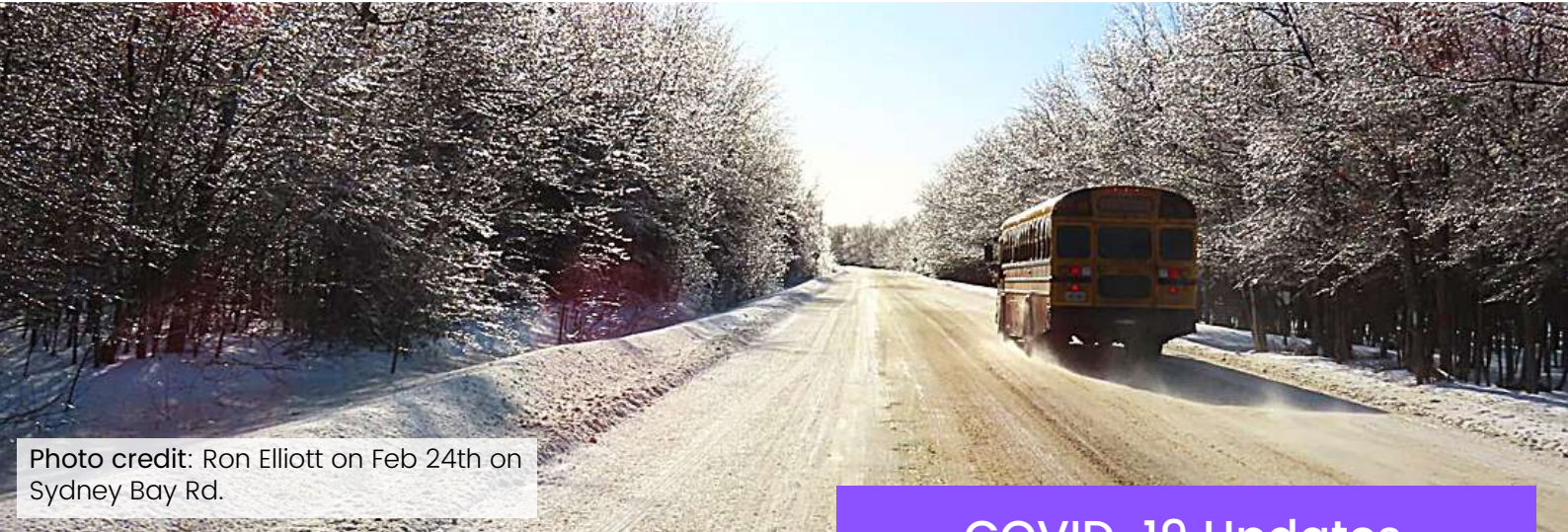


Photo credit: Ron Elliott on Feb 24th on Sydney Bay Rd.

Neyaashiinigiing

Community Alerts

- There continues to be an **active COVID-19 outbreak** in Neyaashiinigiing.
- The community remains closed to all except for residents, employees and essential services.
- Essential Services such as Health and Social Assistance are still available by appointment only.



COVID-19 Updates

In Neyaashiinigiing:

Thurs. Mar. 3, 2022

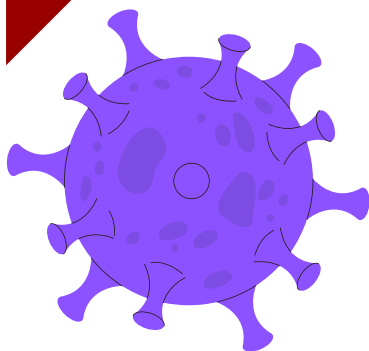
New confirmed cases:	3
Active cases:	3
Resolved cases since Jan 1, 2022:	60

Grey Bruce (GB) Hospitalization:

Wed. Mar. 2, 2022

Confirmed local active cases hospitalized IN GB:	5
Confirmed cases from GB that are hospitalized OUTSIDE of GB:	1

Public Health Measures Not Yet Lifted for Nawash



Although Ontario has lifted more public health measures as of March 1, 2022, Neyaashiinigiing will continue to err on the side of caution. We will keep with the Feb 10th public health measures we communicated with Nawash until further notice. Our community **still has an active outbreak**. An active outbreak will be considered ended when a period of 14 days has elapsed where there are no new or active cases confirmed among Neyaashiinigiing residents or staff. Social gatherings will remain limited to 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors for the time being.

Read more on our website or click on this link:

[Nawash's Public Health Measures - Feb 10.](#)

House Dedications Ceremony



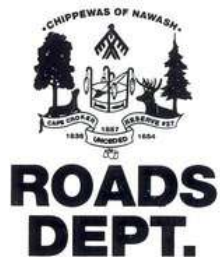
On March 2, 2022, Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce handed keys to four families in Neyaashiinigmiing.

Since 2016, a total of 16 energy efficient and affordable homes have been developed for our community members.

Gimaa Kwe was part of the ceremony and remarked, “A house is made of walls and beams; a home is built with love and dreams.” As she thanked Habitat and the people that invested energy, care and time into building these homes, she went on to say, “Shelter is one of our basic human needs. There is both pride and joy when one can say, ‘I own my own home.’”

It is recognized that these homes would not have been possible without the amazing partnership with Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce. This ongoing relationship with Habitat will continue to meet housing needs and shortages in our community.

To watch the full ceremony click [here](#).



Roads Dept. Announcement

On behalf of the Chippewas of Nawash Roads Department we would like to announce we are going into half load season starting March 7th- until further notice.

In the spring, as frost comes out of the ground and moisture comes out of the road bed, roads become softer and weaker. Heavy loads on roads can cause it to sink and break apart, which can lead to permanent damage. Half-load restrictions are put in place to protect our roads and road beds from being damaged. (This reduces the need of having to re-build a road after every spring thaw).



Notice to Households:

Upcoming Watermain Replacements (Water Treatment Plant Distribution System Project)



Starting this Spring 2022, we will be replacing the aging watermains and individual water services in Nawash. This endeavor is long overdue for our community.

As we prepare for construction, specific home owners who are determined to be close to construction activities will be asked to participate in a pre-construction site inspection to assess the water service connection to the households. This service will be undertaken as part of the Water Treatment Plant Distribution System project. Englobe has been contracted to assess the water. This service is voluntary and free.

More information will be coming in the near future, including point of contact.

Photographing Neyaashiinigiing!

We received two photo submissions last week. Thank you Ron and Angie.

Keep the photos coming, our community is simply beautiful!

Have you taken a photo that you'd like to share with the community?

Please submit to Nahleena Tye, Communications Manager for an opportunity to be included in Nawash's newsletter, Facebook page and website.

Email:

communications@nawash.ca



Photo credit: Angie Webber. Photographed on the afternoon of Feb 28th on Prairie Rd.

IFN Youth Conference

Registration Deadline: March 7

Attention all Youth **between the ages of 18-29**. Nawash Council is looking for a youth member to represent Neyaashiinigmiing at the IFN (Independent First Nations) Youth Conference taking place March 22-25, 2022 in Ottawa.

The 7th Annual IFN Youth Conference entitled "Using Media to Share Our Story".

All travel, accommodation, meals, flights etc. will be covered for registered delegates and will be coordinated by the IFN. (Please note, IFN will be selecting the delegates)

Members younger than the age specified can apply, however, they will not be able to attend the conferences.

For more information visit:

<https://www.independentfirstnations.ca/youth/>

Click here for the [Youth Registration Package](#)

If you do register with IFN for this conference, please email Nahleena Tye at communications@nawash.ca and she will keep Council informed.



IFN

* INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY * TUES. MARCH 8th



International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women.

In honor of this, the Maadookii Seniors Group will have flowers available for every female who visits the Centre on Tuesday, March 8, 2022



Sanitation Basket Feedback Request



A huge thank you to all the programs that participated in the sanitation basket initiative. A significant amount of coordination and time went into this endeavor. Social Services, Home and Community Care, Board of Education, Wellness Center, Kikendaasogamig Elementary School, Jordan's Principle, Nshiime Child and Family Center, Native Child Welfare, Healthy Living Program, Youth Mental Health Worker and the Health Center were the programs that made this happen.

We encountered several unforeseen circumstances along the way and are very grateful for the patience and understanding from the helpers, organizers, delivery staff and community. Upon learning that our programs and suppliers did not have the storage capacity for the items, the school graciously accommodated us, our supplies and the community! When we discovered that the delivery of supplies could not be guaranteed, all we could do was hope the contents would arrive in a timely manner. And what about that ice storm our community encountered? That too was another element of surprise! However, in the end it all came together and we hope you benefited from the items.

Help us make this initiative even better in the future. Please provide us with your feedback about the contents of the basket and drop it off to Social Services by March 18, 2022.



Sanitation Basket Feedback

1. Do you feel the content in the basket meet the sanitation needs of your family? Yes or No
2. If not what contents would like to see added or omitted: _____

3. Do you feel this was a good initiative? Yes or No

Comments: _____



Reminder: Tobacco Allocation

To all Nawash Retailers and/or Businesses on the Reserve:

Each year, Ontario Ministry of Finance calculates the total quantity of allocation cigarettes for each reserve. We have been informed that Neyaashiinigmiing's amount will be 32,960 cartons. Please submit your tobacco interest and request for the upcoming period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

Deadline has been extended to **Thursday, March 17th, 2022** to be considered.

Please fill out the form below and drop it off at the Band Office OR email the information to Michael Earl, Senior Administrative Officer: sao@nawash.ca

Decisions of tobacco allocation for the community will be made by Council and communicated to candidates at the end of March. Successful candidates will be required to provide their Band Member Number.



Tobacco Request Form

Extended Deadline: March 17, 2022

Attention: Michael Earl - Senior Administrative Officer

Name of Applicant	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Name of Business (if applicable)	
Address	
Description of Business (i.e., restaurant, personal, etc.)	
Tobacco Request (specify number of cartons)	

Fill in and drop off at the Band Office
OR email this information to Michael Earl: sao@nawash.ca

REMINDER:

COVID-19 Membership Benefit – GIFT CARD

COVID-19 MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT - GIFT CARD



PLEASE NOTE THIS IS FOR REGISTERED
CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH UNCEDED FIRST
NATION MEMBERS ONLY.

STARTS:
MARCH 1, 2022



ENDS:
JUNE 30, 2022

**CLICK HERE: FOR MORE INFORMATION & THE
ONLINE SUBMISSION FORM.**

This membership benefit is to support all registered Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Member households, both on and off reserve, and will attempt to acknowledge each Nawash member residing in the household.

Starting March 1, 2022 all registered Nawash members, including adults & minor children (17 & under) residing in Canada, will be eligible to receive one \$100 gift card upon completion and submission of the application. Each adult member must complete an individual application. Parents or guardians of minor children are encouraged to use a single application to list dependents. This membership benefit ends on June 30, 2022.

PLEASE NOTE:

**- THIS IS FOR REGISTERED CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH
UNCEDED FIRST NATION MEMBERS
RESIDING IN CANADA ONLY -**

Questions?

Call our toll-free number – Monday to Friday – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM EST: 1-833-602-0161
Please leave a message if phone is not answered. Phone calls and messages are being answered by the team at Nawash.

*If you are a registered Chippewas of Nawash Member residing in the U.S., you are eligible to receive \$100 CDN cheque. Please call the toll-free number above for more information.

Important Note:

Registered members living on the reserve picking up gift cards:

- Applications have been placed in every mailbox on the reserve as of Feb 25th. If you filled in the physical application, please bring it with you. If you submitted the application online – let the team know when you pick up the card.
- Pick up dates: Gift cards will be ready for pick up:
 - Starting on **Mon. March 7th & Tues. March 8th only** – **Maadookii Senior Centre**: 9am-4pm EST. No appointment required.
 - Starting on **Wed. March 9th & onwards** – **Band Office on weekdays** (Mon-Fri) from 9am-4pm EST. Call our toll-free number before picking up: 1-833-602-0161.
 - Reminder: COVID protocols must be followed for pick ups. Extra application forms will be available at these locations during the timeframes mentioned.

Registered members living off the reserve:

- For those filling out the application online, the distribution of the cards will commence on the week of March 14th.
- Please allow 1-2 weeks for the delivery of gift cards via mail once you submit the application.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.nawash.ca for more information and for the online submission form.

**MAADOOKII SENIORS GROUP:
EARTH DAY - AGES 50+**

Maadookii Seniors Group

**EARTH
DAY**



Spaghetti Lunch & BINGO

FRIDAY APRIL 22, 2022

12 PM - 2 PM

AGES 50 +

**AT THE MAADOOKII SENIORS
CENTRE**

**LOTS OF EARTH FRIENDLY PRIZES TO BE
WON!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP PLEASE CALL
519 534 4918 AS SPACES ARE LIMITED**

ALL COVID SAFETY MEASURES WILL BE ADHERED TO



Job Postings

Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation, Water Treatment Plant Project is looking for a:

- [Environmental Monitor](#) – Closes Mar 6

London Environment Network is looking for a:

- [Employment Specialists](#) – Closes Mar 13
- [Program Coordinator](#) – 12 mo. contract – Closes Mar 21



SOAHAC is looking for:

Grey Bruce:

- FT Transitional Case Manager
- FT Mental Health Counsellor Nawash
- FT/Contract Nurse Practitioner – Closes Mar 7
- PT Family Social Worker

Guelph

- FT Indigenous Outreach Worker – Closes Mar 16

London:

- Language Consultant – Anishinaabemowin

Click [here](#) to learn more

Job Fair

Formet Industries:

Sat. Mar. 12th, 2022 – 9am–5pm

Lamplighter Inn in London, ON

Recruiting for:

- Production Team Members
- Forklift Drivers
- Electricians
- Millwrights
- Tool & Die Makers



Click [here](#) to learn more

Learn more about these opportunities and many more on our website:

<https://www.nawash.ca/employment-opportunities/>



Newsletter

Hi! It's me again!

If you have any ideas, content to share, or questions about our newsletter, website or Facebook page, please reach out to me, Nahleena Tye, Communications Manager at:

communications@nawash.ca

Have a great weekend!