



Municipality of Wawa

MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2024

Department of Community Services and Tourism

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview of the Department of Community Services and Tourism's work completed during the month of October 2024, and activities planned for the following month.

BACKGROUND

Key activities in October:

- Closed parks and tourism resources post-thanksgiving
- Completed funding application for MMCC roof
- Completed curling ice installation

CAPITAL PROJECTS

- 2024 MMCC Modernization NOHFC Grant
 - Gym reopened, some equipment still outstanding
 - Change order for use of contingency funds approved
 - Scoreboard installed, outdoor sign frame delayed with expected completion in November
- 2024 MMCC HVAC NOHFC Grant
 - Substantial completion achieved
 - Final invoicing and claim being prepared
- Cenotaph
 - Completed installation on November 8
 - Received funding from Veterans Affairs Canada for the Monument
 - Completed final reporting and received final invoice

PARKS AND FACILITIES

MMCC Bookings and Special Events:

The MMCC was nearly in full swing in October with all programming except curling leagues starting. A sample schedule is attached.

We hosted:

- Various organization's meetings (Goose Nest, WMHA, USW, Ice Fishing Derby, Hamper Fund, Mustangs, Scouts, Marina, Heritage, etc)
- Drive Test
- Exhibition Games – Soo vs Timmins
- Maamwesying and Reseau du Nord social programs
- Birthday Parties
- Flu Clinics
- Evolugen training
- Curling club registration

Sample schedule for the season is included in the attachments

RECREATION AND EVENTS

Recreation report: October

- Reopened the Municipal gym with some small closures throughout the month for additional equipment installations
- Started all Municipal and partner fitness classes – schedule attached
- Started the public skate season with free skates from Canadian Tire. These are very well attended with the October average being 70 participants/session

TOURISM

Tourism report: October

- Scheduled all advertising for 2025. Includes advertising in AKTA publications, Circle tour guidebooks and magazine, and ASPA snowmobile maps. Also includes web ads for AKTA, Superior Country, Circle Tour.
- Gathered data from TIC loggers for the season. One was stolen from the Goose, so that counter has incomplete data for October. Charts are attached for information and a more complete report will be worked on throughout the winter.

FUNDING**Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund**

- Staff have completed a funding application for the MMCC roof. This application was quite substantial with the final wording (without attachments) coming in at over 20 pages.
- Staff applied as a “special consideration” candidate with our rural background, which may grant up to 70% of project costs. The roof budget was \$998,000 and project sup to 1M were considered.
- We expect to hear back from this fund in February – March.

MONTH AHEAD

Operations:

- Complete winterization of all facilities
- Complete installations of bollards and railings in front of MMCC
- Return facility to normal operations after construction is complete

Recreation:

- Schedule and advertise winter special events
- Start municipal curling programming – Pickup and Friday evening
- Complete scheduling for upcoming games, tournaments, and bonspiels

Tourism:

- Complete 2024 season reporting
- Participate in DNO Northern Ontario TIC Plan
- Prepare interactive kiosks for installation at the MMCC

Administration:

- Complete NOHFC capital projects at MMCC
- Continue work on WSIB HSEP program
- Finalize 2025 budgets

RECOMMENDATION

That Council acknowledges receipt of Community Services and Tourism Monthly Report AP 2024-17 submitted by Alex Patterson dated November 15, 2024 for information.

Respectfully submitted by:



Alex Patterson, Director of Community Services and Tourism

MMCC C-19 Schedule Oct 21 - 27, 2020

Time	Monday, October 21, 2024						Tuesday, October 22, 2024						Wednesday, October 23, 2024						Thursday, October 24, 2024						Friday, October 25, 2024						Saturday, October 26, 2024						Sunday, October 27, 2024					
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MMCC FALL FITNESS SCHEDULE



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

**11:30AM-
12:00PM**

Chair Yoga

**Wawa Goose
Seniors Centre**

**9:30 -
10:30 AM
Dynamic Yoga**

Intensity:
Intermediate

**9:30 - 10 AM
CHOREO
CARDIO
10-11 AM
YOGA**

**9:30-10:30
AM**

ACTIVE FIT

Intensity:
Intermediate

**9:30 -
10:30 AM
Dynamic Yoga**

Intensity:
Intermediate

**6-7 PM
YOGA**

Intensity:
Intermediate



**11:30 AM -
12:00 PM
Strengthening
Wawa Goose
Seniors Centre**



**7-8 PM
Strength
Training
Intensity:
Intermediate**



**6-7 PM
YOGA
Intensity:
Intermediate**

**7-8 PM
Strength
Training
Intensity:
Advanced**



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COMMUNITY CENTRE**

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2024/2025

PUBLIC

SKATE

SEASON

Public Skate
for the
2024/2025
season is

Sponsored by:

Canadian Tire

Wawa

FREE

Starting on October 18th

Fridays: 6-7 pm

Sundays: 3-4 pm



PRESS RELEASE: November 12, 2024

New War Memorial – Unveiled at Wawa, Ontario Remembrance Day Service

On November 11, 2024, the new Wawa War Memorial was unveiled at the beginning of the Remembrance Ceremony. The local Clergy placed a blessing on the Monument and Lorna Chuipka provided a Royal Canadian Legion dedication. Local members of Michipicoten First Nation attended and participated in the dedication at the ceremony as well.

Members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 429 and Municipal Council would like to thank Veterans Affairs Canada for their financial



contribution to the Wawa War Memorial Project, as well as a huge thank you to the incredible team that came together to make the new memorial a reality. “It is a great honour to celebrate and recognize the significance of the new memorial,” said Mayor Pilon. “Thank you to the memorial team which includes the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 429, Municipal Staff, Tulluch Engineering, Traders Steel Warehouse, HGH Granite, Monty McIntyre, Tom Terris and Michael Moore, of Mike Moore Construction Ltd., whose dedication, perseverance and donation made the new memorial possible.” Mike Moore donated the foundation work, he secured a donation of engineering designs from Tulloch Engineering, the donation of re-bar from Traders Steel Warehouse and personally found the granite stone and commissioned HGH Granite to engrave it. Mike kept the project on track and without his efforts, the new Wawa War Memorial would not have been complete in time for Remembrance Day.”

The current cenotaph located in Queen’s Park was dedicated on May 11, 1949, has significantly deteriorated and will be demolished. The dedication plaque will be kept and placed on the Wall of Honour located inside the Michipicoten Memorial Community Centre. The cenotaph was built and donated in 1949 by the home building company of Langdon and Samson for the Royal Canadian Legion, Wawa Branch 429. The new monument was placed at 3 Chris Simon Drive on the front island of the Michipicoten Memorial Community Centre, so it can be better monitored against vandalism. The Remembrance Day ceremony also occurs at the Michipicoten Memorial Community Centre annually, making it an ideal location. The memorial commemorates all those who served in Canada’s efforts during war, military conflict and peace by highlighting a famous quote used in Remembrance celebrations. The memorial also includes the inscription of “Lest We Forget” in both official languages, and our local Indigenous language of Ojibway.

“The Wawa Legion Branch Executive and membership are thankful for the efforts of the team who worked to make sure that Wawa has a monument to commemorate those who dedicate themselves to our country.” said Wawa Legion President Mary Anne Pearson. “We would also like to thank Cindy Jozin for the creation of ceramic poppies that were on display at the ceremony, the teachers and students from St Augustine, Sir James Dunn, and Ecole St Joseph who painted the poppies, Erik Mitikas for making the stands and John Chiupka who assembled the poppies on the stands. The community came together to create a beautiful tribute.”

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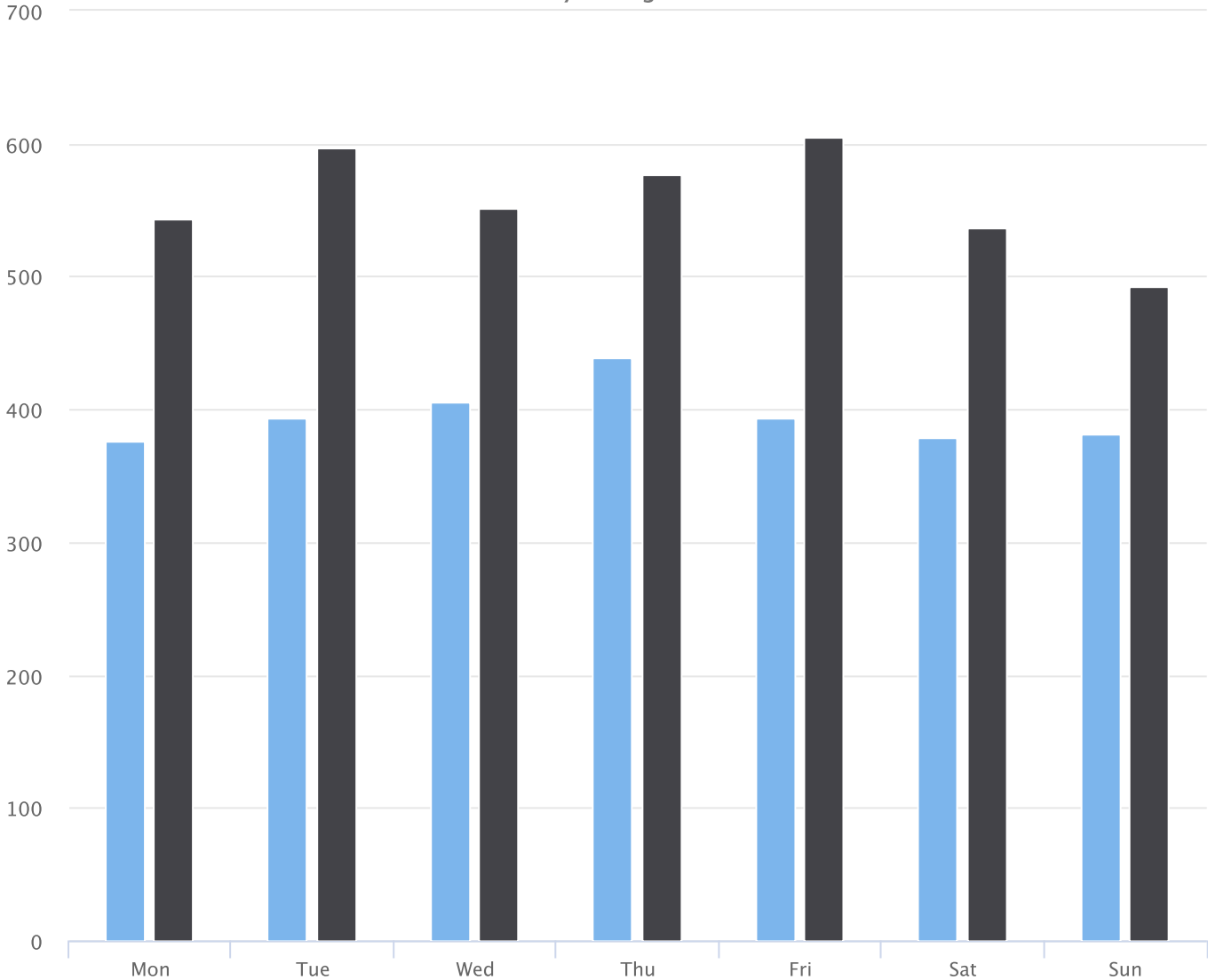
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Days of the week

2024-07-24 to 2024-11-08

Daily averages



Site Name	Average	Median	STDV	Min	Max
Parking Lot Front	395.4	392.9	20.2	376.2	438.8
Parking Lot Rear	557.3	551.3	36.1	491.9	604.7

Monthly* totals

2024-07-01 to 2024-11-30 (5 months)

30k

25k

20k

15k

10k

5k

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2024-07-01

2024-08-01

2024-09-01

2024-10-01

2024-11-01

Parking Lot Front

Parking Lot Rear

