

Red Lake Touring Region

May Newsletter

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Heritage Centre Opens Doors on New Permanent Exhibit

The Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre will be keeping busy this week, putting the finishing touches on a brand new exhibit featuring another facet of the Red Lake area's vast and colourful history; *Three Centuries of Fur Trading*.

Exploring Canada and the Red Lake area's fur trade history, the 1,000 square foot exhibit was developed by the Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre, with support from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration.

It is the culmination of information from a number of resources, including the museum archives, the Hudson's Bay Archives, articles from the Beaver Magazine, personal diaries as well as a wide range of history books.

Drawing on three centuries of post Manager's journals, personal diaries, books, maps and other archival material from the local museum's collection, *Three Centuries of Fur Trading* is rooted by the Red Lake area's first trading post, which was established by the Hudson's Bay Company (HBC) in 1790.

It is sure to provide local visitors with a broad range of information, including the role of women in the fur trading business, the impact of the fur trade on Canada and its Aboriginal population, the competition between the HBC and the North West Company, local stories from men and women who worked in the fur trade industry for years, as well as a biography of James Sutherland, the HBC man who founded the first HBC post in Red Lake.

In addition to the swarms of information available through the new exhibit, the Heritage Centre has also taken the time to recreate an HBC trading post reminiscent of the 1850s that features artifacts, discovered in the Red Lake area by amateur and professional archeologists, as well as pelts and replicas of 19th century trade goods.

The Grand Opening of the new, permanent exhibit will take place at the Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre on Tuesday, May 1, 2007, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. For more information about this and other Museum events, visit their web page at www.redlakemuseum.com.



Not every visitor is a welcome one!!

Black bears are not normally dangerous animals. They are, however, opportunistic omnivores. In other words, they will eat practically anything that is easy to get at. Admire them. Respect them. But please, don't feed them!



Here are some tips to keeping your property bear-free!

- ◆ Put garbage out on the morning of garbage day, and not the night before
- ◆ Do not leave pet food outdoors
- ◆ Thoroughly clean outdoor grills after use
- ◆ Fill bird feeders only through the winter months
- ◆ Do not put meat, fish or sweet food (including fruit) in your composter
- ◆ Keep meat scraps in the freezer until garbage pick-up day

Red Lake Touring Region being highlighted

The Red Lake and Ear Falls areas are getting some added visibility thanks to the Red Lake Touring Region and the creation of a local episode for the Adventures North television series.

Hoping to entice some new visitors to Ontario's north, Adventures North has created a promotional DVD, commercial and two television episodes – one of which is set to air this week.

The Red Lake Touring Region and its partners are very pleased with the results and are excited about being able to show off our area to a wide audience.

Filmed over the course of last summer, the Adventures North episode featuring the Red Lake and Ear Falls areas was shot during a total of 5 visits to the region and includes footage from the Angler Young Angler Fishing Tournament in May, the annual Norseman Festival, the Trout Forest Music Festival and the Fall Classic Fishing Tournament.

Check out one of these air times ...

Broadcaster	Date	Air Times
Men-TV	Sun. May 6	6:30 am EST
	Sun. May 6	2:30 pm EST
	Sun. May 6	10:30 pm EST
CJTV (NW Ont Inc, Red Lake)	Sun. May 6	11:30 am CST (local time)
Sportsman Channel	Sun. May 6	11:30 am EST
	Mon. May 7	11:00 pm EST
	Wed. May 9	10:00 am EST
	Fri. May 11	3:30 pm EST
Global- Stations:		
CHAN (BC)	Sat. May 19	6:00 am PST (local time)
CHEK (BC)	Sat. May 19	6:00 am PST (local time)
CICT-Alberta	Sat. May 12	6:30 am MtT (local time)
CFRE-Regina	Sat. May 12	6:00 am CST (local time)
CFSK-Saskatoon	Sat. May 12	6:00 am CST (local time)
CKND-Manitoba	Sat. May 12	6:00 am CST (local time)
CIII (Ontario)	Sat. May 19	6:00 am EST (local time)
CKMI-Quebec	Sat. May 12	6:00 am EST (local time)
CIHF-AtlanticRegion	Sat. May 12	6:00 am (local time)
Wild-TV-National	TBA	3 times/week



Finally ...

WALLEYE SEASON STARTS MAY 19, 2007!

Let's all do our part to make sure that Ontario's excellent recreational fishery stays vibrant! By following the regulations, you help make sure that future generations can discover the joy of fishing!

WELCOME TOURISTS!



Tourists and residents alike are drawn to Norseman Park, where they can meet “under the Norseman”. The park is easy to find (because of the bright yellow plane suspended in mid-air), but the plane is more than just a landmark. Noorduyn Norseman CF-DRD also reflects our rich aviation heritage. Each summer, the community celebrates Norseman Days, and boasts the largest gathering of airworthy Norseman aircraft in the world. In fact, this sturdy Canadian bushplane has come to symbolize our community. It is why we are known as the “Norseman Capital of the World!”



While you're here ...

Take in some golf at The Red Lake Area Golf and Country Club, which offers some of the best golfing in Northwestern Ontario.

18 challenging holes offer an excellent mix of long holes, open and wooded fairways, elevation changes and water. All of this set in the beauty of Ontario's Sunset Country.

Other features include:

- Restaurant
- Licensed Lounge
- Pro Shop
- Power Cart Rentals
- Club and Pull Cart Rentals
- Weekly Specialty Nights
- Membership Packages

... Or visit the Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre. The Centre is a regional cultural facility that interprets all aspects of the culture and heritage of the area.

Learn about the aboriginal people who live here and their ancestors, learn about how the Red Lake gold industry began as well as the aviation history of the area. More information on exhibits and services and hours of operation can be found by visiting their website at: www.redlakemuseum.com

... Or perhaps you find rocks and minerals more interesting – then visit the Crull Rock & Mineral Collection. Erle and Germain Crull arrived in the Red Lake District in 1945.

Over the years, Erle, a geologist at Dickerson Mine, acquired more than 2,400 rock and mineral specimens from Canadian mines and rock shops.

When Erle passed away in 1992, the municipality acquired the collection and displayed it in the lobby of the municipal office in Balmertown, for everyone to enjoy.

There are close to 2,000 samples exhibited, including spectacular gold specimens from the local mines, as well as photographs and other memorabilia

The display can be seen all year round, Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Admission is free.

Once the ice disappears from the our district's many lakes, visitors and residents can enjoy the familiar sounds of the float planes taking off and landing on the local waterways.

There are walking trails in the area for those who enjoy the calm serenity of a nature walk.

Red Lake is the home base or many Fly-In and Boat in resorts and outposts. If your taste is to remain a little closer to civilization there are lodges located in the town of Red Lake

Whether you're driving to Red Lake, fishing, having a game of golf, or just lounging outdoors keep your eyes open for the variety of wildlife in the area.

Woodland Caribou Provincial Park is a northern wilderness "where nature still rules". It's so remote that canoe trippers and sport fishing enthusiasts can penetrate its interior and reach the backcountry campsites and outpost lodges only by water or by air.

Home to one of the largest herds of woodland caribou south of Hudson Bay, this weathered Arctic watershed, once travelled by fur traders, promises ancient pictographs, howling wolves under starry skies, soaring eagles, solitude and adventure.

For more information, go to www.ontarioparks.com and follow the links.

Or check out one of the many local community events ...

“THREE CENTURIES OF FUR TRADING”

GRAND OPENING – TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2007, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Red Lake Heritage Centre. Discover the history of the Canadian fur trade in a unique and colourful way and Red Lake’s connection to it ... and don’t miss the Travelling Exhibit: David Thompson, North America’s Greatest Geographer, produced by the Archives Association of Ontario. For more information, contact the Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre at 807-727-3006, rhc@goredlake.com or visit their site at www.redlakemuseum.com.

YOGA CLASSES

Every Tuesday and Thursday, starting at 6:30 p.m., at the Red Lake Community Centre. Classes started April 17th and run for 10 weeks. Cost is \$35.00 per person (15 people minimum). Instruction: Larissa Andersen. Call 727-2089 for more details.

SPORTSMAN’S DINNER

The 28th Annual Sportsman’s Dinner and Dance is on May 5th at the Royal Canadian Legion. Cocktails are at 6 p.m. and dinner will be at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 each and include the dinner, dance, entertainment and prizes! Contact any Publicity Board Member or call Gini at 727-3275 for more information!

MOTHER’S DAY SPAGHETTI DINNER will be hosted at the St. John’s Church on Sunday, May 13. Tickets are available at the door for \$8.00 per person.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Three Centuries of Fur Trading ** YOGA	2	3 “Catch a Rising Star” ** YOGA	4	5 GARBATHON CHALLENGE ** SPORTSMAN’S DINNER
6	7	8 YOGA	9	10 YOGA	11	12
13 Mother’s Day SPAGHETTI DINNER 	14	15 YOGA	16	17 YOGA	18	19
20	21 VICTORIA DAY 	22 YOGA	23	24 YOGA	25	26
27	28	29 YOGA	30	31 YOGA		

For more information on these or any other events happening in the Red Lake Touring Region, please visit www.VisitRedLakeRegion.com