

# News from the "Mouth" Spring 2025



The S/S Norisle, on her last voyage from Manitowaning to Port Colborne for recycling. With a short stop in Windsor, the uneventful towed voyage to the scrap yard was completed in October 2023 with nature seeming to acknowledge a final salute to the Norisle with the setting sun and calm seas. (Port Colborne, ON – October 12 – Brad Wood)

## SBCDA – Our Mandate and Purpose

With the ongoing support of our family and business members, the SBCDA remains committed to continue community support for South Baymouth and our Township. Carrying on the past community-minded traditions of our predecessors such as the South Baymouth Board of Trade and the South Baymouth Community Hall Board, our association constitution provides for the following:

- *Community Fundraising*
- *Community Web Site and Newsletter*
- *Promoting Community Awareness*
- *Supporting existing and new community projects*
- *Supporting events for community spirit*

Over the years, the South Baymouth Community Development Association (SBCDA) has initiated welcome banners/flowers, new picnic tables and park benches, a Welcome to South Baymouth sign, financially supported the Museum and Fire Department, movie nights in the park, BBQ's and Bake Sales, supported events, and most recently, initiated construction and fitting out of a kitchen/storage building for the park and led the "Manitoulin Salutes Chi-Cheemaun's 50<sup>th</sup>!" celebrations of last year.

## Executive Board

President	Charlene Hemstreet
Vice-President	Rick Crouch
Secretary	John Greenway
Treasurer	John Greenway
Director #1	Loretta Mucha
Director #2	Eric Stillwaugh
Director #3	Valerie Bailey

As elected at the SBCDA Annual General Meeting on August 25, 2024 held at John Budd Memorial Park.

## Message from the SBCDA

2025 summer event plans will be a busy and fulfilling year of activities and support for our village of South Baymouth and the Township of Tehkummah. After an "olde fashioned" winter with a cold January and February, and lots of snow, spring and summer is welcomed.

The village is displaying Veteran's Banners to salute those who served from South Bay Mouth (project by Barbara Flaherty supported by the SBCDA) and new Welcome to South Baymouth Banners are up to welcome our village visitors.

See our Event Page highlighting summer events including June 28<sup>th</sup> (July 1<sup>st</sup> weekend celebrations) and August 9<sup>th</sup> (return of Chi Cheemaun Day) along with many other activities. John Budd Memorial Park now boasts a fully functional kitchen to support pavilion events.

Welcome to several new residents to the village...see our Community News page of the newsletter.

Plans for the launch of a SBCDA Web Page and SBCDA Facebook Page are underway with goals of reaching out on social media for an improved awareness, membership increase, and the better ability to advertise our many events and news.

While there are still some "unknowns" on the future re-opening of the Bowerman/South Bay Mouth Trails, the SBCDA will continue to support initiatives to rehabilitate and re-open the past dedicated work of Dick and Eunice Bowerman as a township tourist attraction.

And finally, to all of our business, individual and family members, our new Executive of the SBCDA thanks you for the continuing support and donations which allows our association to function and to continue contributing to South Baymouth and the Township of Tehkummah.

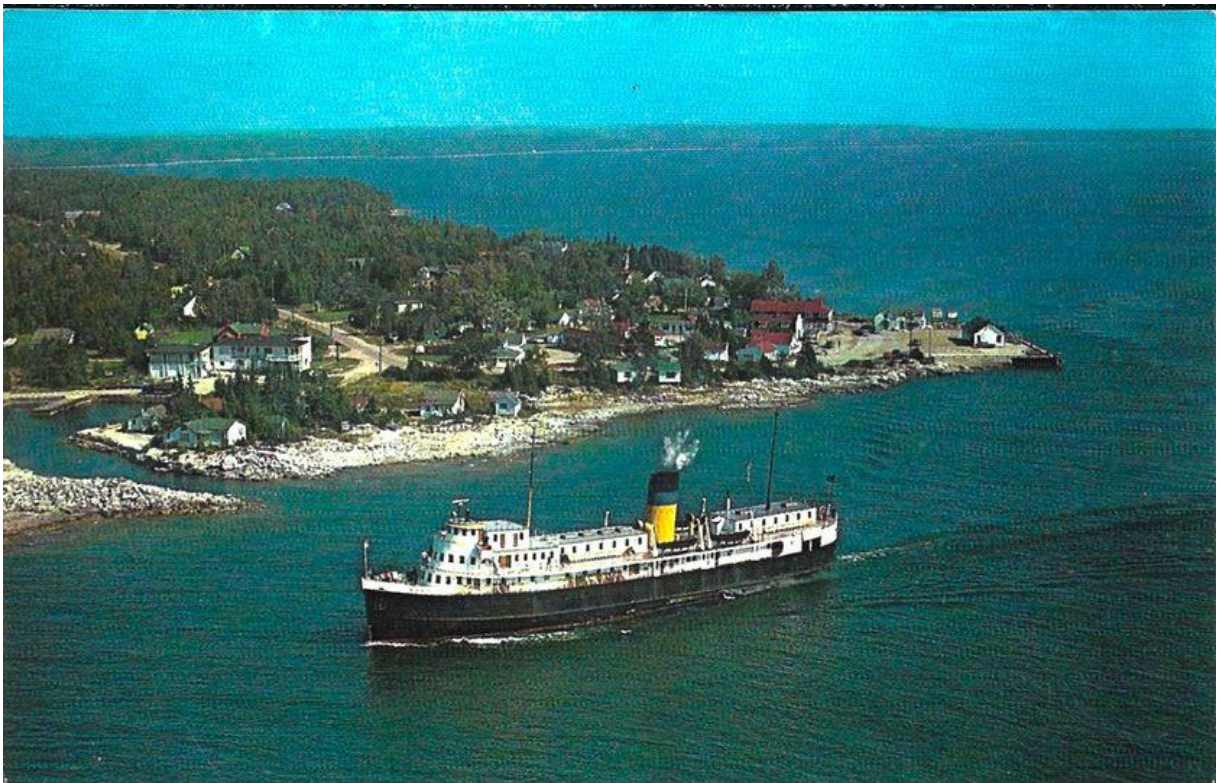
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## South Bay Mouth Remembers the S/S Norisle

From 1946 to 1973, the S/S Norisle served the ferry route from Tobermory on the Bruce Peninsula to South Baymouth on Manitoulin Island carrying passengers and vehicles in the ever-growing water transportation link to the North. It is fitting that the Norisle is best remembered in a news article completed by retired reported/editor Ann (Long) Kelly, daughter of Capt. Oz Long who was Master on the Norisle for most of its sailing days...excerpts from her news article written from the "heart" follows:

*"The spirit of the Norisle has never died...is it heredity or is it the environment? The question is asked of children over and over. Is a ship very different?"*

*Capt. O. S. Long, who brought the Norisle on her maiden voyage from Collingwood to Owen Sound was a tall, proud and immaculately groomed officer with a big heart. The Norisle was destined to become a tall, proud and stately ship who gave a little of her heart to all who came to know her and love her.*



**S.S. Norisle departing South Baymouth in early 1960's (postcard photo by Art Gleason)**

*The Norisle wasn't just a means of transportation. She was a ship that boasted brass and mahogany and burgundy leather padded seats and backs. Just as her first Captain was treated with respect, so was the Norisle. She was a "ship" in every sense of the word, and Dad didn't want that fact overlooked. My father would never permit his daughters to come on board in slacks or shorts. As the Norisle was a lady, we were expected to be lady-like as well, holding our skirts as*

*we climbed to the pilot house or the bridge, and retreating in the same manner, always coming down the stairs backwards as sailors did.*



**Capt. Oz Long (1904 – 1968), Master of the Norisle from 1946 to 1967 (left). S/S Norisle crossing Lake Huron on her South Baymouth to Tobermory run (5 trips/day in summer and 2/day in fall).** *If one did not experience moonlight on the water from the stern of the Norisle, one really hadn't tasted life or living at tis finest...or so we as her "family" believed. There was a quiet, romantic air to those tranquil voyages as the ship moved gently through the ribbon of moonlight. However, my father rarely left the gangway without a tourist approaching and saying, "Do you remember me Captain...I was onboard on the roughest crossing this ship ever took!" My Father would quietly reflect on the fact that if everyone who claimed to have made the roughest voyage on the Norisle ever took had actually done so, the ship would have been too overloaded to sail. Her fate would have been the watery depths. His gently smile conveyed acceptance of the off-told story spilling from the mouths of those who believed themselves to be brave survivors of that one treacherous journey.*

*During the war, my father was Skipper Lieutenant onboard the HMCS Granby, a minesweeper. It was his contention that the trip from Tobermory to Manitoulin Island, when the water was moody, could be as challenging as the Atlantic Ocean.*

*Being a seasoned Captain, he reassured boarding passengers, casting their eyes across the water, that there was only a "little roll" or "a bit of a sea!" Without question, there were times when the spray from the front of the ship could fill a water glass, or so I was told. Rough seas invariably found me seasick green at the stern of the ship! I always believed the sailing was more reassuring in the outdoors where you couldn't watch from the windows the water give way to the sky and then the sky give way to the water as the ship proved herself ruler of the waves that buffeted her about.*

*Pride stood in the way of the Long kids ever letting Dad know the sea got the better of them. I clearly remember boys from Queen's University coming up one year to serve as porters and waiters. When they had to return for some exams I believe, the chance to wait tables came my way. As luck would have it, some of those trips were "the roughest the Norisle ever made," or so I believed. I was no different than the tourists in that regards. I'd take an order, and while it was*

*being filled, have to commiserate with the seagulls at the stern of the ship, and return in time to serve the ordered meals. Dad always asked if I was OK,,I think my colour belied my answer!*

*Many a wheelsman or Mate was entertained on a crossing by the Long kids singing in the pilot house. Dad wasn't a singer, but he sure loved to hear his kids break into song. We like to think that tourists relished the sounds as much as my father, and with five Long kids to the Captain "Dad," there was certainly no end of music.*

*As I again walked her decks on a nostalgic visit to reacquaint myself with the Norisle, I saw her not as she is, but as she was. Age and neglect have not diminished in my memory what she once was. The whispered voices of people like Dick Tackaberry, George Fisk, Bill Morrow, Del Chatwell, Ernie Gilroy, Clara Tekhummah, Rosie, and most of all "Dad" were calling out to me remembering, reflecting, recalling, bygone days and rejoicing in the fact that her memory will live on. In true nautical fashion, if I could once again return to the pilot house of the Norisle, I would blow three longs and two shorts...a sailor's salute to the S/S/ Norisle. **Written by Ann (Long) Kelly***



**Photo (left) unloading vehicles from the side doors and across the wooden gangplanks that connected the Norisle's car deck to the raised dock ramp in Tobermory...1958; photo (right) unloading cars with waiting vehicles in South Bay Mouth during the dock reconstruction (1973)**



**S/S Norisle docked in South Baymouth in early 1950's (photo from Facebook)**

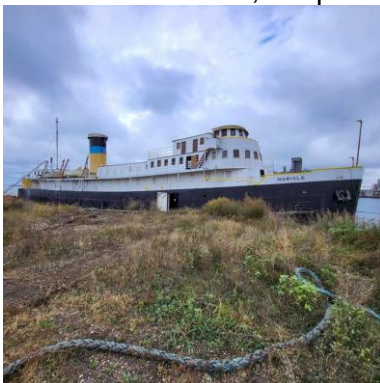


**Maiden voyage photo of S/S Norisle (1946)**

Capt. O. S. Long was born in Owen Sound, Ontario in 1904 and served for 46 years with the Owen Sound Transportation Company. Having obtained both his “Inland” and “Coastal” Masters certificate, in 1933 he took command of his first ship the M/S Normac, with previous Mate service on the S/S Michipicoten, and on the S/S Manasoo when she sank during a fall storm in 1928 off Griffith Island in Georgian Bay as one of only five survivors. Capt. Long served in the Royal Canadian Navy and was Chief Skipper, and later Skipper Lieutenant onboard the HMCS Granby, a minesweeper class vessel.

Capt. Long and his wife Aggie (Agnes) lived in South Bay Mouth during the S.S. Norisle’s sailing seasons, and in Owen Sound during lay up and winter. They had five children...Stan, Clyde, Ann, Agnes and Norman. Capt. Long brought the S. S. Norisle out on her maiden voyage from Collingwood Shipyard in 1946 to Owen Sound. He remained her Master until 1967 when ill health forced an early retirement. Capt. Long passed away in 1968 at the age of 64.

The S.S. Norisle served the South Bay Mouth to Tobermory passenger and vehicle trade from 1947 to 1973. At 214’ in length and 36’ beam, she could carry 300 passengers and 45 to 50 automobiles. Her new build cost was \$547,000, and during her first season of operation, she transported 12,744 automobiles and 40,518 passengers.



**Norisle - Port Colborne (Nov. 2023) awaiting recycling; propellor removed; wheelhouse on shore.**

In a partnership approach, the SBCDA and Little Schoolhouse Museum were able to secure some artifacts from the S/S Norisle which will be refurbished and displayed at the museum. With grateful appreciation to Marine Recycling of Port Colborne, Manitoulin Transport, Potters Services, and Owen Sound Transportation Company, the artifacts and their transportation were donated to South Bay Mouth and the Township of Tehkummah's museum to assist in preserving our village's marine heritage.



**Manitoulin Transport unloads in South Bay Mouth via the Chi Cheemaun...ironic that artifacts from the Norisle arrived via ferry to return to her Manitoulin home port which she served from 1946 through 1973 when she was replaced by the Chi Cheemaun (photo left). Loretta Mucha, museum curator, acknowledges receipt of the marine artifacts from the Manitoulin Transport driver who safely delivered them to South Bay Mouth (photo right).**



**Lifeboat (left) and bow anchor and chain (right) were unloaded on the museum grounds for refurbishment and future mounting. Other artifacts included the bow windlass, 3 port holes, engine room cowl vent, and two spare propellor blades. While we also had availability of the wheelhouse, size and financial costs prevented us from preserving them.**

## Christmas 2024 Celebrations in South Baymouth



**Photo (left) of Christmas tree lighting with organizers Chris Lanktree, Tammy Bennett, Sammy Bennett, Angie Wingrave, and Peyton Wingrave (with some help from the “men” folk!) Photo (right) a packed museum hosted attendees with food and deserts and carol sing-along organized by Loretta Much, curator of the Little Schoolhouse Museum. Small community comradeship at its finest!!!**

Despite the frigid cold night on Christmas Eve 2024, lights and candy cane decorations were strung on a large pine tree opposite the museum with a “lighting” taking place on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 1700 hrs and the attendance of locals and visitors did not disappoint!. The lighting was followed by a gathering of 60+ attendees at the museum for sandwiches, deserts and hot drinks to celebrate the Christmas season and our community. Guests attended from Tehkummah and South Baymouth. Food donations from Loretta Mucha, Tammy Bennett, Chris Lanktree, Audette Otto, Anna Lewis, Lori Leeson, Chris Brown, Jeanette Gervais and Barb Flaherty filled any hunger voids, and with hot chocolate, coffee and Anna’s “special” drink, the “innards” were filled and warmed. An impromptu singing of carols completed the museum social evening. Many attendees rounded out the evening attending St. Andrew’s by the Sea United Church for a Christmas Eve service. Seem’s like a great “winter” event for the future to bring the community together at a time when peace and love is the focus of the season!

## Brown's Trading Post and Gas Station Upgrades

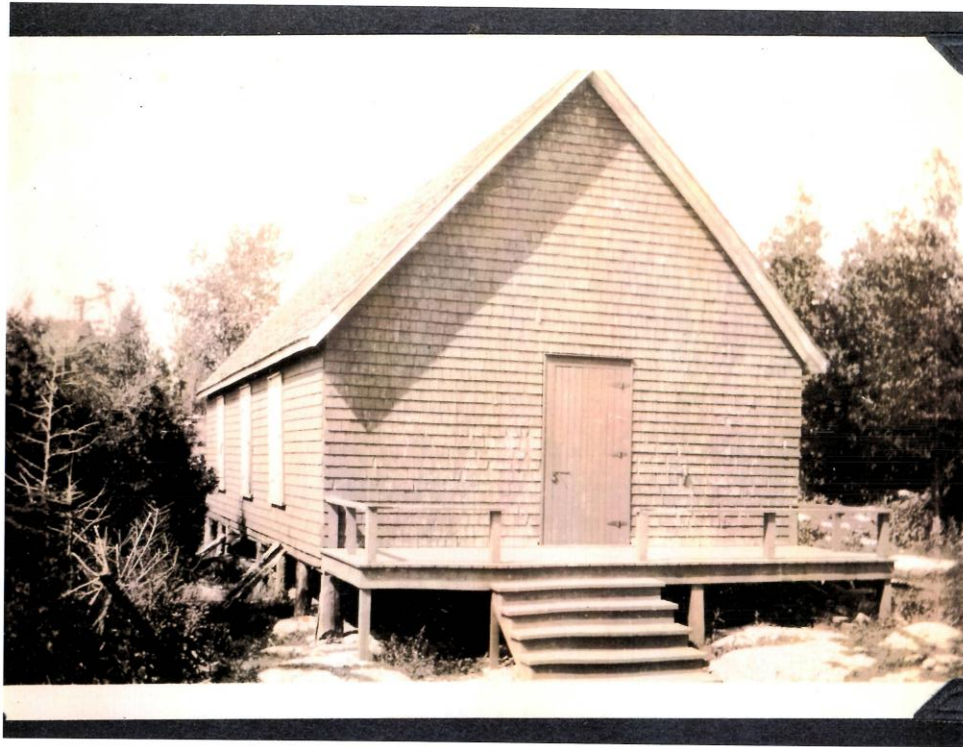
After Carl Brown Bus Lines (75 years) and Carl's Trading Post (60 years) anniversary celebrations of 2024, major renovations were undertaken to replace underground petroleum storage tanks and renew gas and diesel pump stations. Environmental testing revealed no ground pollutants and they were given an environmental green light for the reconstruction. The fuel tank containing compartmentalized sections for regular, premium and diesel fuels is now located above ground and protected by barriers. Modern pumps with digital read outs will mean no more "x 2" calculations to determine the final price! Some landscaping and paving are still planned as the ferry season starts for another busy tourist season. **Congratulations!**



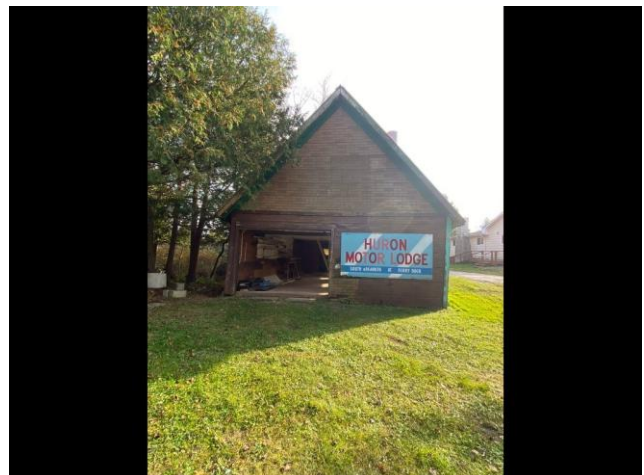
Photo (above left) shows arrival of new above ground tank and (right) now in position. New electronic pump station (photo below) .



## South Bay Mouth's First Town Hall



The original town hall of South Bay Mouth was built by the local village residents in the 1920's and was the village gathering place for social events, plays and concerts, and dances. It was built on the property of Henry Bennett (where the current Huron Lodge motel across from the museum is now located). When the newer town hall was built in 1950, again by the residents of South Bay Mouth, the old town hall was given to the Bennett's in appreciation of their property use over the years. It remained at the back of the Huron Lodge property and was used as a garage, work shop and storage for many years...many of Ross Stillwaugh's "signs" were built and painted in the "old hall." The passing years saw its wear and tear take a toll on the building with even a characteristic roof sag as shown in the picture below left. It has been recently torn down with the new owners of the former Bennett/Stillwaugh residence. The photo above, courtesy of Eric Stillwaugh, will ensure that it continues to live on in memory and pictures as the "first" town hall in the village of South Bay Mouth.



## Veteran's Remembrance



The banners were mounted on Hydro Ontario “approved” hydro poles above our Welcome to South Baymouth banners. The banner mounting poles will remain in place with the banners being displayed in line with remembrance events.



**Photo (left) with project leader Barbara Flaherty supervising the mounting of South Bay Mouth's Veterans' Banners in the village.**

Last year, Tehkummah resident Barbara Flaherty spearheaded a project to commemorate our veterans with banners to be displayed in Tehkummah and South Bay Mouth. After approaching descendant families of local veterans who provided donations to “buy” a banner, they are now better remembered for their service and sacrifices with Canada's Armed Forces and Merchant Marine. Other organizational work including approval from the Township and Ontario Hydro, and now, our two villages are displaying these remembrance banners for VE (Victory Europe) Day in May, and Canada's Remembrance Day in November. With volunteer support from Dave Bowerman (D&L Contracting) who provided services to mount the banners, and the SBCDA who donated the mounting brackets for South Bay Mouth, our communities proudly display and recognize our veterans who served our country and the free world in time of war and conflict.

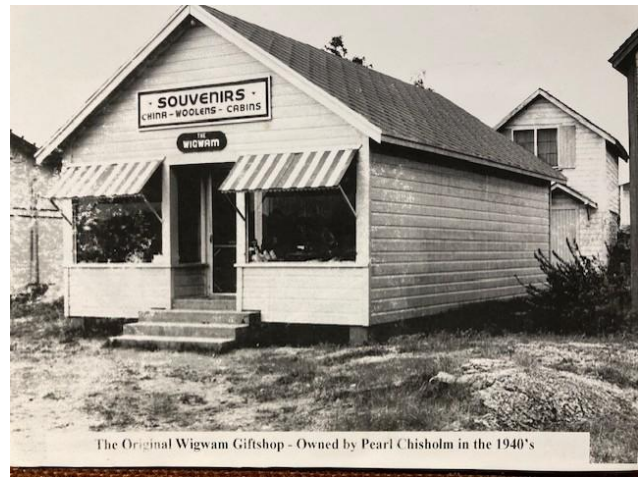
The Veterans' Banners are displayed in May to commemorate VE (Victory in Europe) Day which occurred on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1945 and marked the end of World War II in Europe. On this day, Germany unconditionally surrendered to the Allied Forces. More than 1,000,000 Canadians and Newfoundlanders served in the Second World War—and more than 45,000 gave their lives. The banners will return to Highway 6 again in November to commemorate Remembrance Day on November 11<sup>th</sup>...the day the First World War ended. As a small community, we can be extremely proud of the many who volunteered and served...many with the ultimate sacrifice.

# We Salute and Remember the Veterans of South Bay Mouth



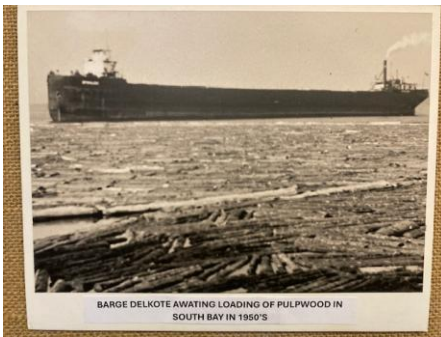
# Revised and Updated “FISHING, TOURISM AND MARINE” Displays at the Museum

Curator Loretta Mucha oversaw the updating of some of the displays covering South Bay Mouth’s early fishing industry, tourism from the 1930’s to 1970’s, and the maritime history of the village including the ferries of Dominion and Owen Sound Transportation Companies and the pulpwood trade by Hindman Transportation. Photos below reflect some of the new displays. **Visit the museum to explore the village and township’s heritage and history!**

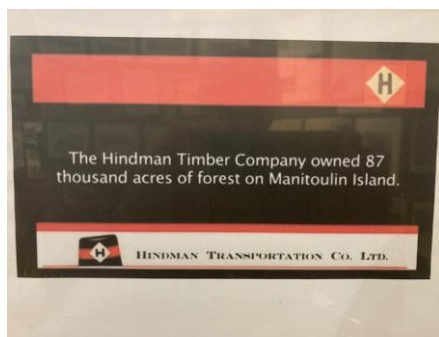


The Original Wigwam Giftshop - Owned by Pearl Chisholm in the 1940's

Photos above (left) Mariners of South Bay Mouth display, and (right) 1940's The Wigwam. Photo below of Delkote (left) loading pulpwood in South Bay, Hindman Transportation display, and early fish tug Sea King.



BARGE DELKOTE AWAITING LOADING OF PULPWOOD IN SOUTH BAY IN 1950'S

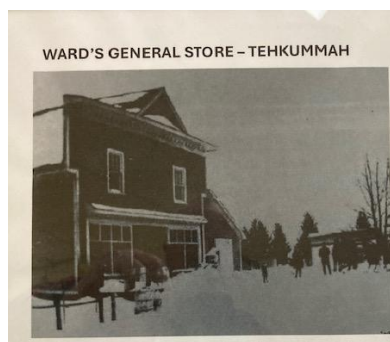


Scale Model of Fish Tug SEA KING  
Owned by South Fisheries  
Captained by Capt. Angus Morrison  
Built and operated by Capt. Cliff Morrison

Photos below (left) of M.S. Chi Cheemaun making South Bay Mouth dock, Wards' General Store (centre) in Tehkummah, and 1929 nautical chart of south shore of Manitoulin (right) used in fish tug Dart.



"New" dock built in 1973 to accommodate the M.V. Chi Cheemaun. The "dolphin" side dock structure has concrete piers along one side tubular piling driven into the lake bottom back with steel walkways joining the piers for the length of the new pier. The "old dock" remains at the rear of the visitor parking lot and is incorporated into the new dock landscape.



WARD'S GENERAL STORE - TEHKUMMAH



Chart based on Survey conducted by South Bay Mouth - Chart No. 100 - August 1929 Edition  
HARVEY WIGWAM, 100 Dundas Street East  
Toronto, Canada

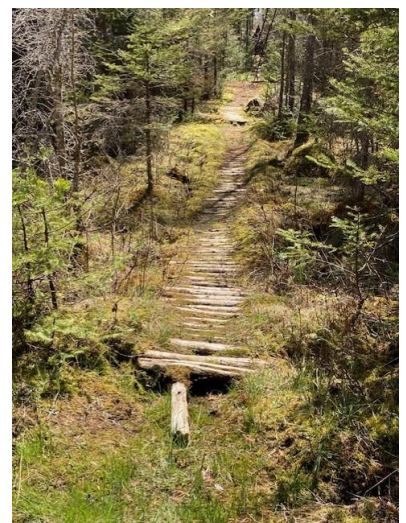
# South Bay Mouth/Bowerman Trails Status Unknown

In 2007, after countless volunteer hours of making a trail system following the original street grid of the village of South Bay Mouth, Dick and Eunice Bowerman opened their efforts of boardwalks, stairs and signage, complete with complementary “walking sticks” for the enjoyment of residents and tourists. Over the years, the well-established trail system was a tourism highlight for the village and Township of Tehkummah. However, the lack of an ongoing maintenance plan and management oversight have resulted in the trails now being closed due to their unsafe conditions as shown in the pictures below.



At the time of writing our Spring 2025 newsletter, other than a “TRAILS CLOSED” status, the future re-opening of the Bowerman Trails in South Bay Mouth remains an unknown. The SBCDA’s previous offers of volunteer assistance in October 2024 (for undertaking a trail survey and report, providing a specification for repairs, and overseeing funding and contractor assignment), and a follow up March 2025 request to Tehkummah Council (for information related to status, remaining funds available, and repair plans and timelines..again in a co-operative effort with the SBCDA)...have received No Response!

After a requested meeting with the Mayor of Tehkummah and promised information, we note that work has re-commenced on the trails in mid-May (dismantling of stairs and cutting of fallen trees) and the SBCDA awaits a response.



## Welcome to The Ospreys



**A pair of Ospreys have taken up residence outside of South Bay Mouth with a backyard view of Duck's Bay on South Bay with their "home" in photo left; photo right of an adult Osprey – Wikipedia).**

Construction of their nest started last season, and the couple have returned again this year...hopefully with a "family" in mind! The osprey, also known as fish hawk, is a diurnal (daylight), fish-eating bird of prey reaching more than 60 cm (24 in) in length and 180 cm (71 in) across the wings. It is brown on the upperparts and predominantly greyish on the head and underparts. The osprey nests are built of sticks in any location near a body of water providing an adequate food supply...in our case, on a suitable hydro pole!

The osprey's diet consists almost exclusively of fish for its well-suited ability to hunt it's fish prey...their vision is adapted to detecting underwater objects from the air. Prey is first sighted when the osprey is 10–40 m above the water, after which the bird hovers momentarily, and then plunges feet first into the water, catching the fish by diving into the water sometimes completely submerged. It's opposite and opposed claws of equal length with sharp talons are adapted to holding onto slippery fish. Occasionally, the osprey may prey on rodents, rabbits, hares, other mammals, snakes, turtles, frogs, birds, salamanders, conchs, and crustaceans. The osprey breeds near freshwater lakes and rivers, and their nest is made of a large heap of sticks, driftwood, turf, or seaweed, and renovated annually with records of repeated use up to 70 years by different families...they can be as wide as 2 meters and weighing about 135 kg (298 lb),

Ospreys mate for life and are migratory raptors with our Canadian ospreys enjoying the winter climate of South America. **While they enjoy visitors from a distance, we ask that you respect their privacy to ensure breeding and chick rearing goes unheeded and they return each year!**



# Coming Events



## June 28 (Canada Day/Weekend Celebrations)

**Tehkummah Fire Department Annual Yard Sale**

**BBQ Breakfast (0800 – 1030)**

**Bake Sale and Silent Auction at Museum (1000 – 1300)**

**Lunch BBQ at Museum (1130 – 1330) Parade (1300)**

**Annual Fish Dinner at the Park (1700 – 1900)**

**Fireworks at the Marina (after dusk)**



## August 9 (Chi Cheemaun Salute)

**Street Vendors (0900 – 1500) Breakfast BBQ (0830 – 1030)**

**Bake Sale at Museum (1000 to 1300) Lunch BBQ at Museum (1130 to 1330 hrs)**

**DEDICATION OF S.S. NORISLE ARTIFACTS AT MUSEUM at 1400 hrs.**

**Music – throughout the day**



## August 16 – Music in the Park and BBQ (1700 – 1900 hrs)



## August 23 All You Can Eat Spaghetti Supper in the Park

(1700 – 1900 hrs)

## August 23 (SBCDA AGM with guest speakers and presentations) 1400 hrs.



## Free Movie Nights in the Park (twice per month July and August) To Be Announced



***To Be Announced – Strawberry Social, Meet the New Neighbours Social, Pancake Breakfast and More!!!***



## Membership and Community

### Sympathy to:

Michael Harwood and family in the loss of Dr. Ivan “Pooch” Harwood. Ivan was part of the founding members of the SBCDA and a longtime summer resident at the Harwood property in South Bay Mouth.

Blair (Mae) Leeson and Nancy (Grant) Moggy on the loss of Reg Leeson, long time resident of Tehkummah and South Bay Mouth who farmed and put his carpenter skills to many homes and projects in the community.

Arno Hyytianinen and family in loss of Helena. Helena always persevered in spite of a long illness, and her smiling face and good nature will be missed in the village.

**In appreciation of donations to the SBCDA in memory of Welland Hembruff, Susan and Kemp Morton, Dr. Ivan Harwood, and Jerry McMullen**

### Congratulations:

Great granddaughter, Melanie Krista for Anna Lewis and cousin to Aurora and Freya.

Sarah (Schleiderer) and Matty Ferguson on the birth of their son, Sloan Wilder...great grandson for Loretta Mucha.

### Welcome:

Sandy and Wayne Rowe who purchased the Fry (Lynn) home on Duck’s Bay Road.

Lisa and Brian Gum who purchased the Stillwaugh home in South Bay Mouth.

Sabrina Manitowabi and Derek Nashaawa and family who purchased the Ketter (formerly Morrison’s) home in South Bay Mouth.

Special Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Osprey who have taken up residence on Highway 6/Ducks Bay Road...hope the fishing is good for the raising of their family!

### Thinking of You

Gary Hembruff

Bill & Eileen Sloan

Loretta Mucha

Ann (Long) Kelly

Paul Crepeau

Val Lee

Dawn Wilkerson

Gary Brown

Nancy Leeson who has moved to Gore Bay Lodge in Gore Bay.

“Bon Voyage” to Lynn Fry who has moved closer to family in Barrie, Ontario.

## Financial Update - SBCDA

It is important that we keep our membership up to date on the financial status of the SBCDA, which remains in a “healthy” status.

With the construction project for the John Budd Memorial Park’s kitchen (approx. \$29,000 in direct financial support and volunteer labour), and our special “Manitoulin Salutes Chi-Cheemaun’s 50<sup>th</sup>!” now behind us, our next major project is to support the Township on the required repairs and refurbishment of the South Bay Mouth Bowerman Trails. We are also purchasing new Welcome to South Baymouth banners and continuing to undertake equipment purchases (dishes) for John Budd Memorial Park kitchen..

In summary, we remain sound financially, and with your membership renewals and donations, we will continue to support and enhance South Baymouth and the Township of Tehkummah.

**Thank you to all!**

### 2025 Financial Statement to April 30, 2025

<b>Closing Balance December 31, 2024</b>	<b>\$ 8,827.48</b>
<b>Deposits</b>	
Donations (In Memoriam of Deceased Members)	<b>\$ 300.00</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Closing Balance as of April 30, 2025</b>	<b>\$ 9,127.48</b>

Note: Our November 2024 Year End has been submitted to Accountant for year-end financials and Revenue Canada Tax Reporting.

## Ferries of South Baymouth Remembered!



The Dominion Transportation Company began service on Georgian Bay and the North Channel including Manitoulin Island in 1902 with the S. S. Caribou commencing operations in 1904. As a wholly owned subsidiary of the Booth Fisheries Company of Chicago, Illinois, its prime purpose was to gather the catch of the commercial fishermen at various ports of call and then ship the fish to wholesale branches in Canada and the United States. Their ships, the Manitou and the Caribou, were small wooden vessels which had been built in Goderich, Ontario especially for the lake freight trade. Both vessels provided ferry service (passengers, freight, vehicles) into South Baymouth including the S. S. Caribou operating the dedicated Tobermory to South Baymouth ferry route from 1941 – 1946.

Capt. A. A Batten was her long-serving Master. She was 144.66' in length, 26.5' beam, and 10.42 depth with a gross tonnage of 597. Her hull was wood and powered by a steam engine burning coal. She carried a crew of 24. Many of the later "Captains" of South Bay Mouth (Oz Long, Rob Morrison, Angus Morrison, John Greenway) served on her as deckhands/wheelmen and advanced their positions up to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> Mates prior to their eventual command of their own ships.

## 2025 Membership Renewal

For those who have renewed your 2025 membership and provided any additional donations for our causes, we thank you for your continued support. If you have not renewed, we encourage you to do so to support our community and contribute to the little "extras" provided by the SBCDA that makes South Baymouth a great place to live and visit. If you know of any others in your circle of family and friends who would be interested in membership or supporting our community, please pass the information along to them and encourage their membership.

The goals of the SBCDA include community fundraising for village improvement projects, events support, promoting community awareness and spirit, supporting our community's business interests and various other community activities. Remember...the future of the SBCDA will be determined by the active participation of our membership.



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Business: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Single	Family	Business
\$ 10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00

Any Additional Donation:\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Amount) (In memoriam or Other Donation Cause)

**In addition to the return of your completed form for updating our membership records with accompanying membership dues, we are now also accepting payments via e-transfer to [greenway@greenwaymarine.ca](mailto:greenway@greenwaymarine.ca) password SBCDA Please indicate details for any donations in excess of membership renewals (receipt can be provided upon request).**

Mail To: South Baymouth Community Development Association  
P.O. Box 5  
South Baymouth  
Ontario, Canada P0P 1Z0