



## Municipality of Wawa

### MONTHLY REPORT – JUNE 2023

#### Department of Community Services and Tourism

<b>Prepared By: Alex Patterson</b>	<b>Report No: AP 2023-07</b>
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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 June 2023, and activities planned for the following month.

### **BACKGROUND**

Key activities in June:

- Reopened the Tourist Information Centre for the season
- Completed high-risk maintenance activities in parks
- Implemented summer programs in recreation and tourism
- Prepared for summer student intake and training
- Planned Canada Day celebrations
- Installed docks at Marina and in Wawa Lake

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

MMCC Sports field Track

- Completed final scheduling work
- Ensured delivery of all materials for timely implementation of project

MMCC HVAC Replacement

- Pre-start meeting with CANOE to explore better pricing through group purchasing agreement
- Met with NOHFC to confirm CANOE suitability as a purchasing entity

Marina Playground

- Finalized playground order and awaiting delivery

MMCC Revitalization Project

- Awaiting receipt of funding agreement from NOHFC
- Held stakeholder meetings for MMCC Gym renovation

## PARKS AND FACILITIES

### Parkland Summer Openings

- Opened lions beach washrooms, completed repairs and painting
  - These washrooms will only be open during the day on weekdays to prevent further vandalism issues
- Completed additional tree work at Scenic High Falls
- Waterfront Boardwalk:
  - Awaiting replacement parts for playground issue
  - Awaiting replacement boards for Rose's beach
  - Completed sweeping and beach raking
- Marina
  - Completed installs of ramps
  - Safety inspection and seasonal repairs to docks
  - Installed portable washrooms
- Tourist Information Centre
  - Completed interior installs and changes to Turcott room
  - Completed flower planting and outdoor beautification
  - Began trimming work to improve views from back deck

## RECREATION AND EVENTS

### MMCC – Special Events and Activities hosted in June:

- Weekly Activities
  - Active Fit
  - Pilates
  - Yoga
  - Pickleball
  - Minds in Motion
  - Participaction Fitness Classes
  - Ball Hockey
  - Ice Floor Rentals x3
  - Various Meetings – CHADWIC Girl Talk, Cemetery Committee, Heritage Committee, etc.
  - Drive Test (monthly)
- Special Events
  - Highschool Prom
  - WMHA AGM
  - Dance Exams
  - Alamos Executive Dinner
  - Municipal Health and Safety Training
  - Pride March and Dance

- Sports field
  - Elementary Regionals – Track and Field
  - Monday Youth T-Ball / Softball
  - Tuesday Adult Softball
  - Wednesday Youth Soccer

#### Recreation Programs:

- Participation
  - Staff received a \$5,000 grant
  - Activities implemented by the Department include:
    - Replacement of bases and ball field maintenance
    - Running an adult softball league
    - Advertising for community participation events
    - Weekly Poker Walks
    - Hosting of some Pride events
  - Participation events were held in July (see advertising)
  - Wawa placed 8<sup>th</sup> provincially and 35<sup>th</sup> Nationally
- Summer Youth Programming
  - 2 programs ongoing: T-Ball/Softball and Soccer
  - T-Ball has 63 youth registered
  - Soccer has 104 youth registered

## TOURISM

### Tourist Information Centre Reopening

- The facility reopened the first week of June
- Prints of the new Wawa Visitor Guide were received
- New merchandise was received at the TIC
- Hosting 20 local vendors' products that showcase the community

### Tourism Marketing

- Received prints for the new Wawa Visitor Guide
- Completed brochures for local tourism information:
  - Accommodation guide
  - Restaurant guide
- Started on marketing materials to support MAT implementation

**MONTH AHEAD**

## Operations:

- Onboard and train summer students
- Complete beautification items around the community
  - Hanging basket program
  - Painting of benches and railings
  - Arena soffit/fascia work
- Complete regular grounds maintenance of parklands

## Recreation:

- Complete summer youth and adult sports programs
- Prepare and implement youth day programming
- Source funding for fall Seniors programming

## Tourism:

- Onboard and train summer students
- Begin key marketing projects as outlined in the 5 year tourism plan
- Being marketing MAT and prepare for implementation

## Administration:

- Complete student training
- Complete 2023 capital projects
- Prepare and plan for MMCC Revitalization project
- Prepare 2024 Capital Budget

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council acknowledges receipt of Community Services and Tourism Monthly Report AP 2023-07 submitted by Alex Patterson dated July 11, 2023, for information.

*Respectfully submitted by:*



Alex Patterson, Director of Community Services and Tourism

**ATT: June Program Advertisements**



# ADULT MIXED SOFTBALL JUNE 27

6 PM START

7:30 PM START



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# CALL FOR VENDORS

**MAKERS, BAKERS, GROWERS & MORE**




**CANADA DAY**  
**GOOSE NEST MARKET**  
**AND STREET FAIR**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 1**

## CONTACT

goosenestmarketwawa@gmail.com

 GOOSE NEST MARKET

 @goosenestmarket

REGISTRATION LINK IN COMMENTS

**REGISTER APRIL 28-MAY 16**





# LAST DAY OF PARTICIPACTION!



YOU'RE TRACKING FOR:  
**WAWA**

**#8** PROVINCIAL    **#35** NATIONAL

Track your active minutes by midnight!

## HOW TO TRACK ACTIVE MINUTES:



ParticipACTION App



ParticipACTION Website

# PARTICIPACTION

# EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

JUNE 2023



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MONDAY

19

6 PM: YOUTH SOFTBALL

TUESDAY

20

11 AM: YOGA (MMCC)

1:30 PM: ACTIVE MIND AND BODY (MMCC)

7 PM: 20/20/20 (MMCC)

6 & 7:30 PM: ADULT MIXED SOFTBALL LEAGUE



POKER RUN WEEK 3 ENDS



WEDNESDAY

21

6 PM: YOUTH SOCCER

THURSDAY

22

1:30 PM: ACTIVE MIND AND BODY (MMCC)

12:30 PM: GRADE 8 BASEBALL GAME (SJD)

7 PM: ADULT DANCE



POKER RUN WEEK 4 STARTS



FRIDAY

23

SATURDAY

24

9:30 AM: FAMILY FUN CLASS -  
MMCC CURLING RINK



**Wawa** 

**POKER**

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Help us collect the poker cards from around town! The person who drops off the most poker cards wins a prize. The cards can be from last year or this year!

Deadline is Friday, July 7th

Drop off cards at the Pro-Shop between 10am-4pm



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# ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE

# STANDINGS

PLACE TEAM

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1

BEAVER LUMBER

2

BASE INVADERS

3

DA HAWK BEARS

4

BALL SMASHERS

5

CANADIAN TIRE

6

SONS OF PITCHES

7

DIRT DOGS

8

PITCHES BE CRAZY





**CANADA DAY**

**MIXED VOLLEYBALL**

**TOURNAMENT**

**JULY 1, 2023**

**Dr. Rose's Beach**

**REGISTER BY  
JUNE 23**

**MAX. 6 TEAMS  
MIN. 2 FEMALES PER TEAM**

**REGISTRATION  
\$30/TEAM**

**START  
10:00 AM**

**Email: [recstaff@wawa.cc](mailto:recstaff@wawa.cc) to register**



**MAX. 6 TEAMS**

**CANADA DAY**

**16+**

**MIXED VOLLEYBALL  
TOURNAMENT**



**Dr. Rose's Beach**

**July 01, 2023**

**PRIZES**



**TO BE  
WON**



**MIN. 2 FEMALES PER  
TEAM**

**\$30 per team**

**Register by June 23**

**TEAMS OF 6**



**EMAIL RECSTAFF@WAWA.CC TO SIGN UP**






## WAWA TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

26 Mission Road  
Wawa, ON  
(705) 856 - 2244 ext 260  
[ticstaff@wawa.cc](mailto:ticstaff@wawa.cc)

## WAWA ACCOMODATIONS

Enjoy your stay!

2023 GUIDE



Sandy Beach, Lake Superior



**WAWA**  
Mission Road/Broadway Ave

**Algoma Motel**  
164 Mission Rd  
(705) 856 7010

**Alpha Inn**  
170 Mission Rd  
(647) 917 1799

**Beaver Motel**  
148 Mission Rd  
(705) 856 2294

**Outdoorsman Motel**  
171 Mission Rd  
(705) 856 4000

**The Big Bird**  
191 Mission Rd  
(705) 856 2424

**Lakeview Hotel**  
28 Broadway Ave  
(705) 856 2625

**Wawa Motor Inn**  
118 Mission Rd  
(705) 856 2278

**WAWA**  
Hwy 17 and beyond

**Best Northern Motel**  
150 Hwy 17 S  
(705) 856 7302

**Highway 17 Motel**  
46 Pinewood Drive  
(705) 856 0888

**High Falls Motel & Cabins**  
280 Hwy 17 S  
(705) 856 4496

**Mystic Isle Motel**  
153 Hwy 17 S  
(705) 856 1737

**Parkway Motel**  
232 Hwy 17 S  
(705) 856 7020

**Rock Island Lodge**  
10 Government Dock Rd.  
(705) 856 2939

**White Fang Motel**  
133 Hwy 17 S  
(705) 856 0344





**WHAT TO DO**

**IN WAWAWA**





**Wawa** 

Information and  
interpretive centre



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ticstaff@wawa.cc

# WAWA RESTAURANTS

Bon Appetit!

2023 GUIDE

## FAST-CASUAL

### **Subway**

179 Mission Rd

### **Tim Hortons**

92 Mission Rd

### **Philly Wawa Hoagie**

208 Mission Rd

## CHIP STAND

### **Bangin' Burger N Chicken Shack**

**(seasonal)**

92 Broadway Ave

### **Krazy Fries**

**(seasonal)**

135 Mission Rd

## TAKE-OUT

### **AJ's Pizza**

64 Broadway Ave

705 856 0288

### **Lai's Chinese Restaurant**

27 Broadway Ave

705 856 4592

### **All Homemade Catering**

305 Brock Ave, Michipicoten Village

705 975 5799

## SOMETHING SWEET

### **Young's Ice Cream and Fudge Counter**

105 Mission Rd

### **Judy's Pop-up Bakery**

**( Saturdays)**

59 Broadway

## DINE-IN

### **Wawa Goose Bar & Grill**

118 Mission Rd

(705) 856 2278

### **The Viking Restaurant (Seasonal)**

177 Mission Rd

(705) 856 4441

### **North of 17 Restaurant**

68 Broadway Ave

(705) 856 0180

### **Hwy 17 & Hawk Junction**

### **Best Northern Restaurant**

150 Hwy 17 S

(705) 856 7302

### **Kinniwabi Pines Restaurant**

136 Hwy 17 S

(705) 856 7226

### **The Big Bear**

109 Front St, Hawk Junction

(705) 889 2000





# Wawa's Geological Story



The land beneath your feet has an ancient and constantly changing story to tell. The townsite of Wawa sits in the centre of an ancient volcano, the source of gold as well as iron for Wawa's Helen/MacLeod iron ore mine from 1899 to 1998. The massive mountain ranges have been miniaturized by mile thick sheets of ice that scoured the land over 3 separate Glacial periods, the last of which melted away 10,000 years ago. The samples in this cabinet are just a small sample of local rocks and ore bodies. This cabinet also includes fossilized rock and stones pushed by glaciers from places like Hudson Bay.



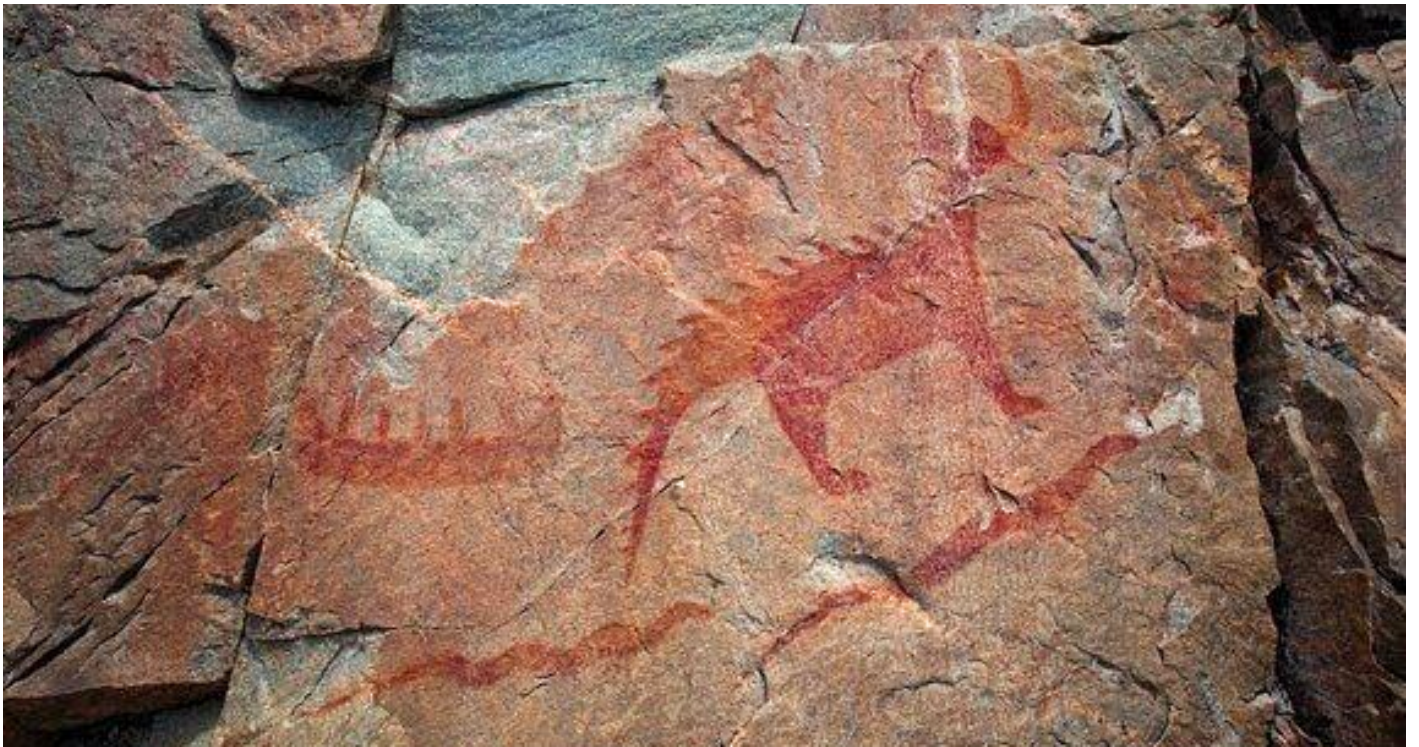
# Wawa's Boreal Story



The Wawa landscape is at the transition point between the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Lowland and the vast Boreal Forest. As the Boreal Gateway we are home to rich flora and fauna that play important roles in the lifestyle, culture and economy of our diverse residents. Fish, fowl and mammals have nourished and clothed local communities for centuries. The plants and timber resources have been instrumental in providing food, shelter and commerce. The Boreal forest is our home and it is important for us to acknowledge the role it plays.



# Wawa's Pre-Contact Story



The First Nations story on the Wawa landscape goes back through the ages. Copper artifacts found along ancient Lake Superior beaches around Wawa have been dated back 5000 years. These ancestors developed important trade routes, travel corridors and seasonal settlement sites throughout the land. The sample of artifacts in this cabinet, original place names, stories and the current members of Michipicoten First Nation remind us of the important place they continue to have in our community.

# Wawa's Fur Trade Story



Wawa is home to a long and colourful fur trade history centred around the Michipicoten Post on the Michipicoten River near Michipicoten River Village. The Michipicoten First Nation community welcomed the first European explorer's to the area in the late 1600's. The First Nation excelled in trapping and survival skills. They seasonally occupied Michipicoten which is a strategic location on the East Shore of Superior where traditional canoe routes take you East, West and North to James/Hudson Bay along the Michipicoten/Missinaibi/Moose River route. French traders established the first post in 1725. The Northwest Company post took over, then was amalgamated with the Hudson Bay Company post in 1821. Michipicoten became headquarters for the Lake Superior District of the HBC until 1885 and closed in 1904.

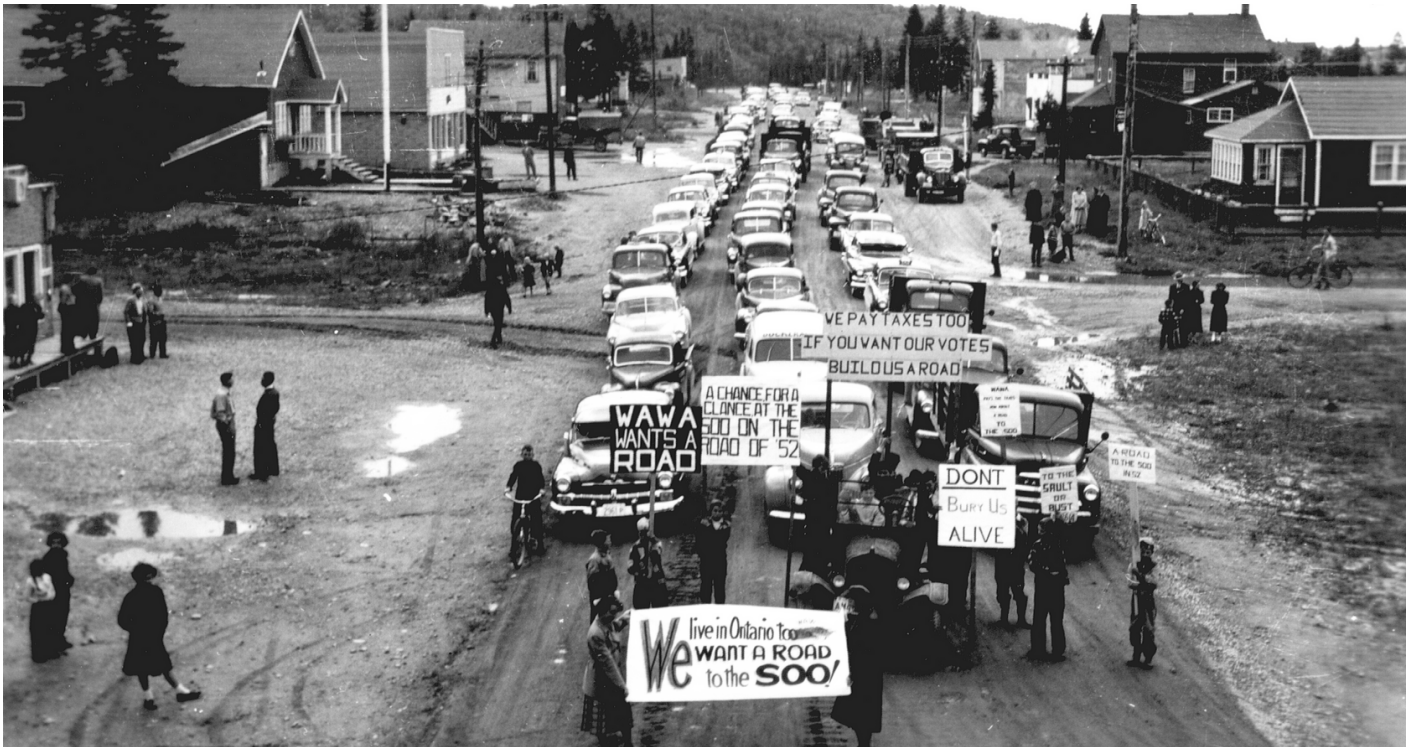


# Wawa's Mining Story



The ancient hills in the Wawa landscape have provided metals and resources for centuries. Copper was mined and fashioned into tools and ceremonial pieces during Wawa's earliest settlement period 5000 plus years ago. Superior copper is found throughout North America, traded with various communities across the continent. Wawa's first Gold Boom transformed the countryside in 1897 when William Teddy and Louise Towab discovered a rich vein on Wawa Lake. Iron ore was the heart and soul of Wawa during the entire 20th century when Algoma Ore Division operated the Helen, Magpie and MacLeod Mines. Wawa's gold and iron products are found worldwide and the rich mineral resources beneath your feet continue to be a part of our story.

# Wawa's Transportation Story

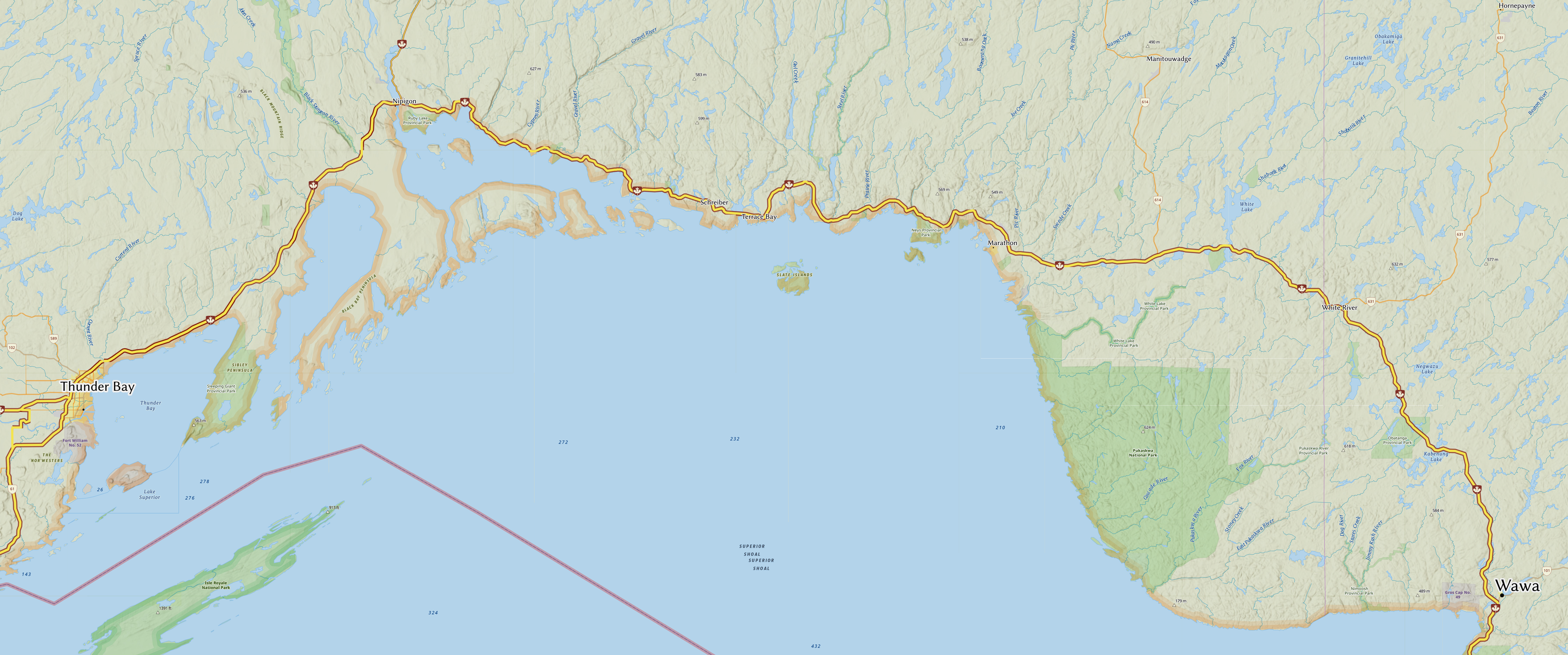


How did you get here today? Did you paddle a canoe, hike a trail, take a boat, train or bush-plane? Before the Trans-Canada Highway was completed in 1960, all of these methods of travel transported residents, tourists, goods and supplies through the Wawa area. The canoe routes and portages followed rivers and waterways allowing travel, trade and communication. Wawa is home to a lighthouse and Michipicoten Harbour on Lake Superior where the Algoma Central Railway and Steamship Line operated for over 100 years. Wagon tote roads, shipwrecks, railway construction camps and ancient portages continue to be a part of Wawa's transportation history.











# Parks & Playgrounds

1

## CENTENNIAL PARK

📍 Mission Road & Klondike Street



2

## QUEEN'S PARK

📍 Magpie Road & George Street

2



3

## WATERFRONT PLAYGROUND

📍 Water Road & Wawa Street at Dr. Rose's Beach

3





# Outdoor Recreation

1

## MICHIPICOTEN GOLF CLUB

📍 Golf Course Road

☎ 705-856-7409

🌐 [wawagolf.com](http://wawagolf.com)

2

## BEACH VOLLEYBALL

📍 Dr Rose's Beach,  
Wawa lake

3

## SPORT FIELDS & TENNIS COURTS

📍 Michipicoten Memorial  
Community Centre

☎ 705-856-2244

🌐 [wawa.cc](http://wawa.cc)



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