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Township of McNab/Braeside Celebrating Canada's Milestone Anniversary with a Relay Like None Other

(Township of McNab/Braeside): To mark Canada's 150th anniversary, the Township of McNab/Braeside is holding a cross-township relay on June 24, 2017.

The relay will draw on participation from residents of all ages and abilities. Starting at the lighthouse in Sand Point and ending at the Waba Cottage Museum, young and old (and all ages in between) will walk, run, cycle, horse ride, kayak, canoe, row, paddle a dragon boat, skateboard, drive a tractor, push a wheelbarrow, hop onto a golf cart or scooter, even snowshoe — yes, snowshoe — all while passing the baton.

This focus on as many modes of transportation is designed to:

- showcase the township's three main communities (Braeside, Burnstown and White Lake) from many different perspectives, on water and land
- showcase the township's natural assets
- bring residents together, in a fun way, to celebrate the country's milestone anniversary

An application has been made to the Guinness Book of Records organization on whether the transport concept (non-motorized and motorized) has merit from a record-setting perspective.

The route will be captured in real time, thanks to a GPS feature attached to the baton, which is being carved by Dub Juby. A video using drone technology will also be produced showing highlights from the day.

Rounding out the day will be a finale on the grounds of the Waba Cottage Museum, with entertainment, face painting, bouncy castle and food — you can't get any more Canadian than hot dogs, sausage in a bun, and freezies! A time capsule is also in the works to mark the occasion and highlight the Township history.

It all starts at 8 a.m. with the official launch at Sand Point and ends about 4 p.m. in White Lake (map of the route below).

The relay committee is looking for participants, volunteers, donations of water (for water stations) and food (for the finale), as well as contributions to the time capsule. Contact one of the route captains to sign up (and indicate your mode of transportation) or volunteer:

- John Brady (Sand Point to Braeside): john.brady3@bell.net
- Roger Robertson (Braeside to Pine Grove): rdrobertson@gozoom.ca
- Andy Kalnins (Pine Grove to Russett Dr/Farmer's Market): flatrapids@gmail.com
- Nicci Murray (Farmer's Market to McNab Ball Park to Burnstown beach): murraynicci@hotmail.com
- Georgia Quinn (Burnstown beach to Burnstown): georgiaquinn48@hotmail.com
- Jason Marshall (Burnstown to White Lake): jason@valleyheritageradio.ca
- For the finale, contact Heather Lang, relay chair: hlrpublishing@bell.net / 622-5649
- General information: Geoff Patterson or Karla Belton: recreation@mcnabbraeside.com

"What better way to engage residents and show off parts of our township, for Canada's 150th, than to hold an out-of-the-ordinary relay event. We want people to put their thinking caps on — the more modes of transportation for carrying the baton, the better. No idea is too whacky!" says relay chair and municipal councillor Heather Lang.

So mark your calendars for what will be a terrific once-in-a-lifetime event!

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