

Marg's Event Picks for the Kawarthas

Country Blessings B&B Retreat

Near Bridgenorth, Ontario, 20 minutes north of Peterborough



A Surprising number of events!

When we first moved to this area 2 years ago, we were amazed at all the many events that were happening in this part of the country.

Within an easy drive of Country Blessings, you can find an abundance of :

- Arts
- Golf
- Shopping
- Farmer's markets
- Boating
- Fishing
- Swimming
- Canoeing
- Hiking trails
- Museums
- Free Zoo
- Antiques
- Entertainment
- Free Musicfest
- Mini-golf & family centre
- Water Theme Park

Cheap(er) Gas

Gas at **Ultramar** in Bridgenorth is ALWAYS cheaper than Toronto. Another one is on Hwy 7 between #115 and Fowl's Corners on your way here.



Tired but happy after an outing in the Kawarthas

All of these events are easily within driving distance of Country Blessings, the average taking less than 1/2 hour driving.

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Special points of interest:

- *The Kawarthas are a composite of beautiful countryside with rolling hills, valleys and shining lakes.*
- *Many natural pathways, nature trails and the Trans-Canada walkways make the Kawarthas a special hiking and nature venue.*
- *Artists and Artisans abound in the Kawarthas.*
- *Life is more relaxed, so you can slow down & enjoy—a chance to "stop & smell the roses!"*

Water Fun



We have a good view of the lake, and water access within walking distance. We also have ample parking for a boat & car.

Swimming— 3 good beaches nearby within easy driving - **Jones' beach** in Bridgenorth, **Selwyn Beach** and a **park with a**

beach off Robinson Road. There are also a number of **Provincial Parks**.

Fishing— from our Lake Chemong & the many other lakes in the Kawarthas.

Boating— a number of access ramps & marinas nearby &

possible overnight docking by special arrangement here.

Cruises— **The Lift Lock Cruise** takes you up one of the locks (quite an experience)

Stoney Lake Cruise is very scenic & you get to see where some of the rich have hung out.

Warsaw Caves Indian River Canoe Trip—everything you'd want in a fun day out.



Dining & Lighter Fare—close by

Country Blessings comes with breakfast as well as being equipped with light cooking facilities, but when you want to go out on the town, there are a number of nearby restaurants & fast food places in nearby **Bridgenorth**.

#1 Pick—

Chemong Lodge —week-day specials & Sunday Brunch, as well as live entertainment on week-ends.

Woody's for a casual all-day breakfast (in case you'd prefer breakfast out, or a light lunch.) - lake-side beside the gas bar.

Tim Horton's just as you come around the bend into Bridgenorth. We believe our organic freshly-ground Guatemalan blend is superior, but our coffee bar isn't always open for "ready-brewed", and we know a number of you are hooked on "Timmy's".

Mr. Sub—in the strip mall lake-side just before the **Causeway**—beside Paulmac's in case



Chemong Lodge

you have a pet with food needs.

A Pizza Place—lake-side near Mr. Sub

A Family Restaurant in the mall near the Causeway.

Sip 'n Dip across the Causeway

Quarry Golf Course restaurant

There are many other restaurants between here, Peterborough, Lakefield & Buckhorn. We have additional brochures available.

Ice Cream—lake-side in Bridgenorth

Hiking/Canoeing/Wildlife

Warsaw Caves Guided Hike— 2 hours long— Aug.1-29 also canoeing www.warsawcaves.com

Trans Canada Trails

Gannon's Narrows Conservation Area

Selwyn Conservation Area

Young's Point Conservation Area

Hope Mill Conservation Area

Lang Mill Conservation Area

Squirrel Creek Conservation Area

Harold Town Conservation Area

Stewart's Woods CA

Millbrook CA

Cavan Swamp CA

Miller Creek Wildlife Area

Hebert Rogers Wildlife Area

Petroglyphs Provincial Park

Wolf Island Provincial Park

Kawartha Highlands..... And more...



See Nature at it's best from the water. Listen for the loons... breathe in the tranquility!

Family Outings

Water Park—between Peterborough & Bridgenorth on Chemong Road is a water slide... come and discover the rest.

Milltown Mini Golf—tucked behind Lansdowne St. in Peterborough is a whole-family fun event with water wars, rock climb, mining, batting



Enjoy a hearty breakfast before your day trip

cages, crafts ... much more.

The Zoo—a free event in Peterborough

The Canoe Museum—in Peterborough—history, fun & education combined.

Peterborough Museum

Lang Pioneer Village— enjoy a picnic along Indian River—examine

history—a grist mill where flour is ground, historic dress, loom weaving, farm animals, vegetable & herb gardens, exhibits, gift shop.

Farmer's Markets— Lakefield (Thurs.), Buckhorn, Peterborough weekly markets.

McLean Berry Farm— fruits & veggies & special events.

Experience Hope Mill—Tues. & Sun.— Water-powered sawmill & lumber finishing demonstrations www.otonabee.com

Entertainment

Little Lake MusicFest (formerly Festival of Lights) - every week-Del Crary Park in Peterborough, beside Little lake—FREE musical entertainment Wed. & Sat. evg's all summer—informal gathering—quality musicians. Bring your own lawn chair or ground cover, unless you have a pass for the VIP section. Food available. No pets. Come early for FREE parking. www.festivaloflights.ca

Showplace Performance Centre—quality programs all year. (www.showplace.org)

Westben Concerts at the Barn—all summer www.westben.ca

Havelock Country Jamboree— Aug.19-22 - an experience!
www.havelockjamboree.com

4th. Line Theatre—outdoor theatre extraordinaire!
www.4thlinetheatre.on.ca

Jazz Festival—Peterborough Sept.10,11
www.godowntown.ca

Lots more—see the Events Guide



Oops! Just couldn't resist a little sneak preview of "fun on Lake Chemong" in the winter from out vantage-point at Country Blessings

Golf Courses & Follow-up Spas

The Quarry Golf Course is almost around the corner from us. I don't know enough about golf to fill you in more intelligently.

The Tamarac Golf Course is in nearby Ennismore, just a little further along.

Within walking distance of Country Blessings is **Serene Daytime Spa** out here in the country.

Weiss Massage Clinic—in Bridgenorth.

For a "do-it-yourself", you'll find a massage

table available at Country Blessings.

There are a number of **private massage** opportunities available through pre-booking at CB.

Spa parties available for your group at Country Blessings by pre-arrangement.

There are plenty more within driving range of us.

Our dream for Country Blessings - imagine a pontoon boat for summer hospitality on the water, & a spa in our sunroom for health & relaxation as part of our winter weekend retreats.



Arts

Buckhorn Fine Arts Festival Aug.13-15
www.buckhornfineart.com

Buckhorn has many artistic displays, craft show etc. Watch your event guide.

Lakefield Literary festival—July 16-18 celebrating a rich history
www.lakefieldliteraryfestival.com

Juniper Island Art Festival—Stony Lake Artists— Aug.7,8 705-740-0301



Summer Art Show—Whetung Ogibwa Centre, Curve Lake —Aug. 14,15 20
artists & artisans www.whetung.com

Lots more—check the Events Guide or Travel Guide for the kawarthas

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A rose from our garden



Country Blessings to you!



*A good place to start
and end your day!*

Is it a sunset or a sunrise?

www.countryblessings.ca

Country Blessings B&B Retreat has been in operation since April, 2009. We can accommodate a 1-bedroom or 2-bedroom suite, complete with a living room and kitchenette in a comfortable, country setting. We overlook Lake Chemong, with lake access nearby, making it suitable for boating or fishing, with sufficient parking space for you.

We are accessible with wide doorways & washroom and bedroom equipment available upon request.

We accommodate kids and their pets as long as they're well-behaved and supervised.

Whether you want a quiet get-away, or plenty of action, Country Blessings is a reasonably-priced venue to accommodate your needs.



Enjoy a breakfast by the pond.

Cruise Nights

Monday Cruise Night in Bridgenorth

When we first landed in Bridgenorth, we saw the sign for Monday Cruise Night sponsored by the Rotary Club. We didn't know we could enjoy a cruise so close to our new home, but the more we looked, the more we couldn't find the dock from which they were setting sail. It took us a while to connect the dots to the field of beautiful antique cars that appeared out of nowhere each Monday evening. We have enjoyed interacting with people around the 60 or 70 "beauties" that arrive early evening just S of Tim Horton's along Chemong Rd.

Buckhorn Cruise Night—I don't know the details, but I've heard there's a Cruise Night in Buckhorn as well.

Millbrook Car Show—try this one out as well. 705-944-5744

Specific Events

So far, what I've given you here are mostly only the **regular Summer events** in the Kawarthas.

For **specific events**, email me for the **2010 Events Guide**. Make sure to include your name, email and address. This guide will be mailed.

Alternatively, for the fullest list of events, either pick up a **Peterborough & the Kawarthas Travel Guide** at a Tourist Info Centre or log in to www.thekawarthas.net



Enjoy your summer, and remember, the memories you make with the chosen people you share life with, are the greatest treasures you'll ever find. Plan them and cherish them.