



# VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

## 2024







# Every Moment Matters

We come together to recognize and celebrate the importance of each and every volunteer's impact within our community and each contribution they're making to strengthen inclusivity and wellbeing in our community.

*Now more than ever,  
Every Moment Matters.*





PRESENTING OUR 2024

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# ENMHA

## EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

The Executive Members of the East Nipissing Minor Hockey Association have been a driving force behind the success of hockey in East Ferris, particularly in the organization of tournaments. During the 2023-24 season, this dedicated group managed the planning and execution of six major tournaments, which have become a highlight for the community, attracting numerous visitors to East Ferris.

The collective efforts of each member of the Executive have ensured the smooth operation of not only regular season practices and games, but also local tournaments involving extensive planning including promotion, securing sponsorships from local businesses, coordinating with participating teams from all age levels, and organizing prizes and trophies. Their work also includes meticulous schedules, overseeing referees, and recruiting volunteers for essential tasks such as operating the canteen and raffles.

This team has invested countless hours to make these tournaments a success fostering a sense of community pride and reflecting positively on East Ferris. Their dedication has engaged citizens across the board as players, sponsors, volunteers and spectators, and has significantly contributed to the vibrant hockey community.

The ENMH Executive Member’s exemplary teamwork and commitment to the sport exemplify the true spirit of volunteerism. Their efforts have made a lasting impact on the community.



<b>George Suszter</b> President	<b>Brian James</b> Registrar/Vice President	<b>Elizabeth Beaupre</b> Treasurer
<b>Marianne Raymond</b> Communications	<b>Steve Hansen</b> Player and Program Development Coordinator	<b>Justin Sauve</b> Rep Coaching Convener
<b>Stacey Perron</b> Tournament Convener	<b>Tara Butineau</b> Secretary/Membership Services	<b>Jamie Armstrong</b> House Coaching Convener
<b>Melissa Foisy</b> Exhibition/Travel Permits		<b>Kim Joly</b> Equipment Manager



# Nosbonsing Anglers & Hunters

The Nosbonsing Anglers & Hunters' team has long been a pillar of the Astorville community, demonstrating unwavering commitment to both environmental stewardship and community enhancement. Particularly in 2023 when they led the crucial repair of the boat ramp on South Shore Road, along with East Ferris staff.

Dedicated members, Wilfrid Weiskopf, Andrew Girard, Tom McDowell and Dwight Keall played key roles in creating molds for the ramp's concrete slabs, saving a significant amount of money on the project over buying precast. Their efforts also extended to improving the parking lot, signage and overall operation of the boat ramp resulting in a large, double boat ramp with extended parking for Nosbonsing Lake users.

Beyond this project, the Anglers & Hunters organize annual fishing tournaments and spearhead conservation efforts on Lake Nosbonsing promoting best practices and community engagement. Their dedication and community service earns them well-deserved recognition.



**Dwight Keall**

**Tom McDowell**

**Andrew Girard**

**Wilfrid Weiskopf**



# Frank & Jan Corbeil

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Frank and Jan Corbeil have been pivotal in the creation, development and maintenance of the East Ferris Cenotaph Memorial Park. Frank, alongside Dan Corbeil, envisioned the park as a tribute to the brave individuals of East Ferris who served their country, and Jan has supported him every step of the way. Their dedication to this project is evident in their pride when they speak of the park.

From writing funding proposals and organizing fundraisers, to advocating for council support, Frank and Jan have transformed the park from a vision into a central part of the community. The park now serves as a gathering place for Remembrance Day Ceremonies, Tree Lighting Events, and peaceful walks, embodying the community spirit of East Ferris.

In addition to his work on the park, Frank has shown his commitment to East Ferris through his service on the Planning Advisory Committee and Committee of Adjustment, where his insightful questions and deep knowledge of the community have guided important decisions.

Frank and Jan's contributions have left a long-lasting impact on East Ferris.





# Stephany St. Louis & Julie Laperriere-Sohm

Stephany St. Louis and Julie Laperriere-Sohm have shown remarkable dedication to the East Ferris community, particularly in their support of St. Thomas D'Aquin School during challenging times. Faced with a significant issue affecting the school, Stephany and Julie quickly rallied the community, organized a key meeting with the school board, and involved municipal leaders to advocate for the school's need.

Julie's passionate speeches on the impact of school board decisions and childcare shortages in East Ferris have been powerful, even prompting outreach to government officials.

Stephany's commitment extends to the economic development of East Ferris, where she organized the first Youth Entrepreneurship Trade Show, providing young people with a platform to showcase their talents and engage with the public. Stephany's contributions to the Economic Development Committee reflect her commitments to the community's growth and prosperity.

Despite their busy lives, Stephany and Julie continue to lead and serve the community. Their dedication to the future of East Ferris and St. Thomas D'Aquin School and their on-going commitment to the community is truly commendable.



**Stephany St. Louis**



**Julie Laperriere-Sohm**



# Antoinette Degagne

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Antoinette Degagne, a long-time resident of East Ferris, has quietly and selflessly dedicated over 40 years to serving her community. Her contributions to the church picnic and funeral lunches have been invaluable, embodying the spirit of generosity and commitment that defines the heart of East Ferris. Antoinette's dedication and unwavering support have made her a fundamental part of the community.

Her decades of service have made a lasting impact, and she deserves to be recognized for her significant contributions and the example she sets for others.





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# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2024 RECIPIENTS

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**THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU  
DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY!**





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