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Chief and Council Inauguration



The inauguration of Chief and Council was held on January 13th at the community complex. Roughly 35 community members attended the event, which included a sharing circle and a blanket ceremony.

Chief Gerry Duquette Jr. and each of the Councillors were honoured by the ceremony. Each member of Council had the opportunity to speak to participants about their renewed commitment to the community over the next two years.

Miigwech to Perry McLeod-Shabogesic for facilitating the ceremony and to Caleb Turner for supporting the ceremony and offering a traditional teaching on Treaties.



Photo credit: Nathalie Restoule

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Chief & Council Update January Band Meeting Highlights

Hunting Safety: Reminder to all band members that the use of high-powered rifles is not permitted in residential zones. Signs will be posted in the community.

Claims and Trusts:

- Council will meet with Canada on January 23rd to continue negotiations on the Dam Site Claim.
- Leadership will meet in January to discuss next steps of RHT Phase 2 litigation. A meeting will also occur in March with leadership and the federal Minister.
- New documentation has been secured to support the Boundary Claim, which is based on leagues vs. miles. Dokis is almost ready to submit the claim to Canada.
- There is one vacancy on the Board of Trustees for the Hydro Trust. Interested Band members are encouraged to submit a resume to Sue Greer or Chief Gerry.

Public Works:

- Council has approved the design for replacement of the first bridge - the new design will be wider and straighten out the road leading up to the bridge.
- A new waste management plan will be implemented to address safety issues at the dump, promote recycling, and improve overall dump operations.

New Hydro Line: Dokis is working with Hwy 69 First Nations to ensure consultations occur with the developers of a new hydro line that will run through First Nations territories, from Barrie to Hanmer.

Holiday Distribution

Please remember to submit your application for the 2025 Holiday Distribution by Monday, March 31, 2025. All applications **must be signed** on page 2. Applications sent by mail must be post-marked on or before March 31, 2025.

The forms can be found on the Dokis Band Members Portal (www.dokis.ca), or by email request to Sue Greer. Due to the high volume of applications being submitted, processing may take 3-4 weeks. Please do not submit your application more than once.

Sue Greer - Claims Coordinator
claims.trust@dokis.ca



Executive Director Update

Happy February!

I hope everyone is keeping warm this winter season. I'm looking forward to a much-needed vacation from February 20th to March 4th. I'm excited to go on my first Caribbean cruise with my family. There are lots of events going on in February - here are a few of them:

Noelville Family Hockey Tournament

This year's Noelville Family Hockey Tournament will be held on February 14-16. Dokis has 4 teams registered once again! The schedule is on page 4. Wishing everyone a safe and fun weekend.

February Band Meeting

This month's band meeting is on February 11th. You can join us at the complex or online. When you join via Zoom, please remember to sign in with your first and last name, as it appears on your status card. This is to verify that only Dokis band members are joining the meeting. Anyone who does not sign in with their full name will not be let in to the meeting.

Family Day Winter Carnival

Family Day is on February 17th this year. I look forward to seeing what the Health Center is planning and all the happy faces that day. It's always nice to see our children and families enjoying the events put on by our hardworking health team and volunteers.

In other admin news, we are preparing for the year-end, and that includes preparing new budgets. Administration will be busy over the next couple of months. Should anyone need to reach me, you can email me at ed@dokis.ca, or call me at 705-763-2200 ext. 224.

I wish everyone a safe and healthy February!

Pamela Restoule

Happy Birthdays!

Happy birthday shout-out to Chief Gerry Duquette Jr. and everyone else celebrating their special day in February!

Special wishes go out to my niece Khloe Restoule, who turns 6 on February 7th, and my nephew Justin Restoule, who turns 14 on February 9th.





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2025 Noelville Family Tourney Schedule

You can follow game results and schedule changes, on the tournament Facebook page!

Search for:
**Noelville Family
Hockey
Tournament
2025**

#noelvillehockey2025



G#	DIV	DATE	TIME	TEAM HOME	TEAM VISITOR	LOCATION
1	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	5:30PM	CARRIERE	DUPOUIS	Noelville
2	E	Fri. Feb 14	5:30PM	CHARTRAND	PREVOST	St-Charles
3	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	6:30PM	LEMIEUX	SEGUIN-BOYD-TREMBLAY	Noelville
4	D	Fri. Feb 14	6:30PM	CUFF-MIRON-BUTLER	RACINE-MARSH-ETHIER	St-Charles
5	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	7:30PM	LAROSE	LAFORTUNE	Noelville
6	E	Fri. Feb 14	7:30PM	RESTOULE OLD TIMERS	DUPOUIS-DESROCHERS	St-Charles
7	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	8:30PM	RAOUL PILON	COURCHESNE-ROCHON	Noelville
8	A	Fri. Feb 14	8:30PM	HOULE-COMTOIS	RESTOULE	St-Charles
9	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	9:30PM	BIGRAS-PREVOST-GAUDET	BIGRAS-PILOTTE	Noelville
10	A	Fri. Feb 14	9:30PM	GAUTHIER-BEAUPARLANT	RESTOULE-DOKIS	St-Charles
11	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	10:30PM	LACASSE	PITRE	Noelville
12	A	Fri. Feb 14	10:30PM	DUVAL-ROWAAN	CRUMB	St-Charles
13	B-C	Fri. Feb 14	11:30PM	PILON	TIMONY-MARTIN-POTHIER	Noelville
14	D	Fri. Feb 14	11:30PM	MAYER	BOUFFARD	St-Charles
15	B-C	Sat. Feb 15	12:30AM	COURCHESNE-FORTIN-ROCHON	DOKIS	Noelville
16	D	Sat. Feb 15	12:30AM	SEGUIN-LAFRENIERE-HALL	COULOMBE-MONETTE	St-Charles
17	B	Sat. Feb 15	7:00AM	W-1	W-3	St-Charles
18	E	Sat. Feb 15	7:00AM	PREVOST	RESTOULE OLD TIMERS	Noelville
19	C	Sat. Feb 15	8:00AM	L-1	L-3	St-Charles
20	D	Sat. Feb 15	8:00AM	BOUFFARD	RACINE-MARSH-ETHIER	Noelville
21	B	Sat. Feb 15	9:00AM	W-5	W-7	St-Charles
22	A	Sat. Feb 15	9:00AM	RESTOULE-DOKIS	DUVAL-ROWAAN	Noelville
23	C	Sat. Feb 15	10:00AM	L-5	L-7	St-Charles
24	D	Sat. Feb 15	10:00AM	COULOMBE-MONETTE	MAYER	Noelville
25	B	Sat. Feb 15	11:00AM	W-9	W-11	St-Charles
26	A	Sat. Feb 15	11:00AM	RESTOULE	GAUTHIER-BEAUPARLANT	Noelville
27	C	Sat. Feb 15	12:00PM	L-9	L-11	St-Charles
28	A	Sat. Feb 15	12:00PM	HOULE-COMTOIS	CRUMB	Noelville
29	B	Sat. Feb 15	1:00PM	W-13	W-15	St-Charles
30	E	Sat. Feb 15	1:00PM	CHARTRAND	DUPOUIS-DESROCHERS	Noelville
31	C	Sat. Feb 15	2:00PM	L-13	L-15	St-Charles
32	D	Sat. Feb 15	2:00PM	CUFF-MIRON-BUTLER	MAYER	Noelville
33	D	Sat. Feb 15	3:00PM	SEGUIN-LAFRENIERE-HALL	BOUFFARD	Noelville
34	A	Sat. Feb 15	4:00PM	HOULE-COMTOIS	RESTOULE-DOKIS	Noelville
35	D	Sat. Feb 15	5:00PM	COULOMBE-MONETTE	RACINE-MARSH-ETHIER	Noelville
36	A	Sat. Feb 15	6:00PM	CRUMB	GAUTHIER-BEAUPARLANT	Noelville
37	A	Sat. Feb 15	7:00PM	DUVAL-ROWAAN	RESTOULE	Noelville
38	D	Sat. Feb 15	8:00PM	CUFF-MIRON-BUTLER	SEGUIN-LAFRENIERE-HALL	Noelville
39	B	Sat. Feb 15	9:00PM	W-17	W-21	Noelville
40	B	Sat. Feb 15	10:00PM	W-25	W-29	Noelville
41	B	Sat. Feb 15	11:00PM	L-17	L-21	Noelville
42	B	Sun. Feb 16	12:00AM	L-25	L-29	Noelville
43	C	Sun. Feb 16	7:00AM	L-19	L-23	Noelville
44	C	Sun. Feb 16	8:00AM	L-27	L-31	Noelville
45	C	Sun. Feb 16	9:00AM	W-19	W-23	Noelville
46	C	Sun. Feb 16	10:00AM	W-27	W-31	Noelville
47	E	Sun. Feb 16	11:00AM	CHARTRAND	RESTOULE OLD TIMERS	Noelville
48	E	Sun. Feb 16	12:00PM	DUPOUIS-DESROCHERS	PREVOST	Noelville
49	D	Sun. Feb 16	1:00PM	Champ D		Noelville
50	C	Sun. Feb 16	2:00PM	Consolation C W-43	W-44	Noelville
51	C	Sun. Feb 16	3:15PM	Champ C W-45	W-46	Noelville
52	E	Sun. Feb 16	4:30PM	Champ E		Noelville
53	B	Sun. Feb 16	5:45PM	Consolation B W-41	W-42	Noelville
54	B	Sun. Feb 16	7:00PM	Champ B W-39	W-40	Noelville
55	A	Sun. Feb 16	8:15PM	Champ A		Noelville

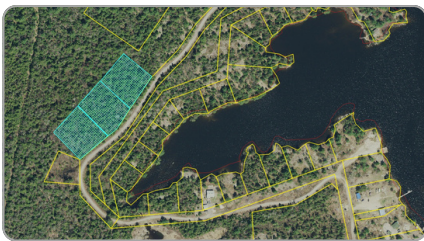


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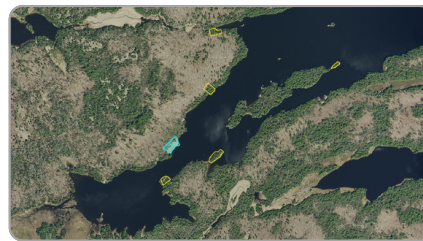
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Lands Department

Requests for land are presented at monthly Band meetings. A 30-day review follows to allow for public comment. A Band Council Resolution is then issued to each member requesting a lot, at the following Band meeting. If you have a comment about any of lot requests outlined below, please email the Lands Administrator, Randy Restoule, at lands@dokis.ca.



Three separate residential one acre lots at Charlie's Bay.



Two 150' x 150' Cottage lots at Woodcock Lake.



150' x 150' Cottage lot (Unnamed) Pond at Main St.



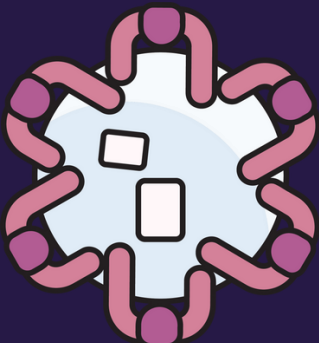
Lot at Little French River.



150' x 150' Cottage lot at Restoule River.



150' x 150' Cottage lot at Migisi Lake.



Lands Committee

The Lands Department is looking for individuals interested in joining the Lands Committee. Responsibilities include attending meetings, reviewing land requests, and providing feedback on lands policies.

If you are interested, please connect with Randy!

lands@dokis.ca | 705-763-2575



Winter Family Day Carnival



Community members are invited to take part in the Winter Family Day Carnival on Monday, February 17th.

The carnival is hosted by the Health Centre and it has become a favourite event in Dokis. With good food, games, and company, the carnival is a great way to spend Family Day.

Check out the activities happening throughout the day at the complex and the outdoor rink!

For more information, please call Gisele at 705-763-2112.

Winter Trails

Looking to get outdoors for some fresh air and physical activity? Don't forget about Dokis' scenic winter trails! Two loop trails that go around marshes and ponds are accessible to community members.

TIKIBI TRAIL

Accessible by snowshoe,
but not maintained.
Roughly snow packed.
Full loop is 2.3 km.

DOKIS PARK ROAD

Accessible by snowshoe,
skidoo packed.
The small park loop starts at
the trailhead sign.



Connect with Annah Dokis to check on trail conditions before heading out!
705-763-2575



Kikendawt Kiinoomaadi Gamig

The annual Christmas concert was held in January, after being postponed in December. The students of Kikendawt Kiinoomaadi Gamig were still excited to perform a number of holiday songs and skits for their families and community members. Even the little ones from the daycare joined in!



Anishinaabemwin in the Classroom

Miss Nathalie's classes have recently been learning about miijim (food). The students are using Anishinaabemwin words to make mnoonmin minwaa miinan (wild rice and berries). They are also learning to make giizhk aniibiish (cedar tea).



Miss Nat tries to make learning Anishinaabemwin fun and interactive for students. The best part is tasting everything once the food is prepared.

Wiisnidaa!



Anishinabek Education System

As a member of the Anishinabek Education System, Dokis has access to many programs and services that are offered through the system. One of the services is a Virtual Learning Environment. It gives all community members access to a library of online content, like recordings of cultural teachings and language videos. You can sign up for the Virtual Learning Environment anytime by completing the registration form at this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/Z83VgMUe17>



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Employment & Training

Gezhtoojig Employment & Training offers a wide range of services and programs that help people to access training courses and acquire essential employment skills. They also help match employers with job seekers.

Funding may be available for eligible individuals who are looking to develop their skills for employment or career goals. Anyone interested in funding opportunities can contact Chris Dokis at the Band office, or call the Gezhtoojig office at 1-800-361-9256.

In February, Gezhtoojig is offering a number of free online sessions and other training courses. Registration is required for all free sessions. Some training courses require an application. Check out the dates below and visit the Gezhtoojig website (www.gezhtoojig.ca) for more details.

Upcoming Sessions

- February 11** → Job Search Workshop - Online
- February 12** → Programs & Services Workshop - Online
- February 24-28** → Workplace Readiness Week
- March 2025** → Free Income Tax Clinics (dates to come)
- June 16-Sept 26** → Line Crew Ground Support Training

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Gezhtoojig Employment & Training

INDIGENOUS

WORKPLACE READINESS WEEK
Mon, Feb. 24 to Fri, Feb. 28/25
LOCATION: CLARION HOTEL - LORNE MEETING ROOM
117 ELM ST., SUDBURY, ON

Gezhtoojig Employment & Training is seeking interested Indigenous Participants for our In-Person Workplace Readiness Week. Ignite Your Skills and Attain Certified Safety Training!

- Young and New Workers Awareness
- Respect in the Workplace
- AODA
- MOL in 9 Steps
- WHMIS
- Hand Tool Safety & Awareness
- ASERT Fire & Spills
- PPE Overview (& Kits)
- Respiratory/Filter Overview
- Fit Testing
- First Aid, CPR & AED - Day 1
- First Aid, CPR & AED - Day 2
- Working at Heights

GEZHTOOJIG GETS PEOPLE WORKING

APPLY BY FEBRUARY 18, 2025

For more information EMAIL getinfo@gezhtoojig.ca
1-800-361-9256 705-524-6772 Visit www.gezhtoojig.ca and like us on [f](#)

For questions about employment and training opportunities, please contact Chris Dokis!
705-763-2200 ext. 228 | employment@dokis.ca

Sudbury Catholic Schools - Career Fair!

February 8, 2025
9 am - 12 pm
Holy Trinity School
1945 Hawthorne Dr.
Sudbury, ON

SUDBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

WE ARE HIRING CAREER FAIR
Feb. 8 @ 9am-Noon
Holy Trinity School | 1945 Hawthorne Dr.

WE ARE HIRING: Teachers | EAs | Administrative Assistants
Custodial Staff | Child & Youth Workers | **And More!**

Bring your resume and check out some great available job opportunities!



Indian Boarding Homes Class Action Support Session

The session scheduled for February 12th has been postponed, due to an unexpected scheduling conflict with the representative from Sunchild Law.

The session has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 3rd. Any Band members with scheduled appointments will be contacted directly. We apologize for this inconvenience.

Please connect with Andrea if you're interested in booking an individual appointment before March 21st.

Andrea Crawford
ea@dokis.ca | 705-475-6173

INFORMATION AND SUPPORT SESSION
Indian Boarding Homes Class Action

RESCHEDULED TO
APRIL 3, 2025
Dokis Museum

CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS!

Representatives from Sunchild Law will be in Dokis First Nation to share information on the Indian Boarding Homes Class Action and to support eligible Dokis members with the application process.

Individual appointments are being scheduled for any band members requesting support.

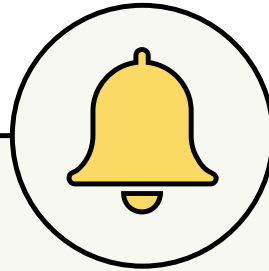
Please contact Andrea Crawford to confirm your appointment by March 21st!

ea@dokis.ca
705-475-6173

INDIAN BOARDING HOMES
Class Action

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Service Canada Visit February 12th - 10 AM to 3 PM

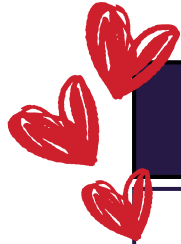
Service Canada will be at the Dokis Band Office on **February 12th, from 10 AM to 3 PM.** Representatives can provide information and help you access Government of Canada programs and services. Stop in to speak a Service Canada agent!



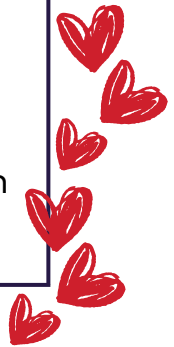
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ENGLISH	ANISHINAABEMWIN
<p>Love Heart Hug me Your are one of a kind My friend I love you My sweetheart I admire you Happy Valentine's Day</p>	<p>Zaagidwin Ode Skigwenshin Giin eta gbezhiik Nwiichkiwen Gdoo-aagin Nbazgim Gdoo-maamwiikwedmin Mno Zasgidwi Giizhigad</p>



Find the correct number of each object in the puzzle below!




-  - bezhig (1)
-  - niizh (2)
-  - nswi (3)
-  - niwin (4)
-  - naanan (5)
-  - ngodaaswi (6)
-  - niizhwaaswi (7)
-  - nshwaaswi (8)
-  - zhaangswi (9)
-  - mdaaswi (10)



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Community Calendar February 2025

Looking for a Health event?
A full calendar of Health Centre activities is distributed to Dokis residents monthly.

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Council Meeting 6 p.m.	11 Band Meeting 7 p.m.	12 Service Canada Visit 10 a.m - 3 p.m.	13 RHT Trust Presentation 6 p.m. @ the complex and online	14 Valentine's Day 	15
16	17  Family Day (Band offices closed) Dokis Winter Carnival	18	19 Community Powwow Social 5-7 p.m. @ the complex	20	21	22
23	24	25	26  Pink Shirt Day Anti-Bullying Awareness	27	28	

Band Office Hours

Monday to Friday:
8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Closed for lunch: 12-1 pm

Holidays

Closed on Family Day:
Monday, February 17