



**2021 Trip Reports & Webinars! \* YouTube Video reports \* Donate Now to Support Wabakimi Provincial Park \* Keewaydin Youth Camps - new FOW Business/Sponsor**



Moose on the Misehkw

**Wabakimi  
Trip Report Webinars  
Dec. 5th and 12th**

**Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup>**

8 p.m. EST; 7 p.m. CST; 6 p.m. MST; 5 p.m. PST ([Zoom Link](#)).

Mhairi McFarlane (and Brent Sinclair) will describe their June 21 to July 8, 2021 trip (Little Caribou, Whitewater Lake, Palisade River, Rockcliff Lake, Misehkw River, Albany River, Miminiska Lake fly-out). ([See Trip Report in FOW Forum](#)).

Mhairi is a conservation biologist for the Nature



**Can you help?**

*From: Vern Fish, FOW President*

*To: Wabakimi Paddlers*

*We've launched our next fundraising effort to build on our partnership with Wabakimi Provincial Park.*

**We need your help and donations! Donate Here!**

The plan is to design and install Kiosks at key location/s to give the park a more visible presence near or at park entrances; and to provide paddlers with information.

Conservancy of Canada since March 2008, and is currently a director of science and stewardship for the Ontario Region.

**Joe Tousignant** (& daughter Caroline--photo above) will describe their Sept. 11-21, 2021 trip (Burntrock Lake, Palisade River, Slim Lake, Scrag Lake, Grayson River, Arril Lake, Grayson River, Grayson Lake, Whitewater Lake, Ogoki River, Berg River, Smoothrock Lake, Caribou River, Caribou Lake, Little Caribou Lake, road shuttle out. [\(See Trip Report in FOW Forum\)](#)). Joe is a Conservation Biologist for the Missouri Dep. of Conservation.

### **Sunday December 12<sup>th</sup>**

8 p.m. EST; 7 p.m. CST; 6 p.m. MST; 5 p.m. PST [\(Zoom Link\)](#).

**John Holmes**, August 2021, "Palisade, Grayson, and Caribou Rivers solo."

A presentation on a 15 day solo canoe trip starting in Kenoji Lake, travelling the Palisade River to Burntrock Lake, then backtracking to the Grayson River into Whitewater Lake. Continuing south to Lonebreast Bay and Smoothrock Lake, before heading down the Caribou River to Caribou and Little Caribou Lakes. (written trip report pending) [John is FOW Secretary-Treasurer](#), past Board Chair, and trip leader/participant on numerous The Wabakimi Project trips.

**Rob Klavins**, Sept. 6-15, 2021, Fly-in to Shawanabis Lake, Boulder Lake, Kenakskaniss Lake, Kopka River, Hwy 527 take-out. (written trip report pending) Rob is the NE Oregon Field Coordinator for Oregon Wild.

We're matching the Park's funding for this project.

This is part of the buildup towards 2023, which is the Park's 40th anniversary!

Our fundraising effort one year ago was a success. Each success helps build our volunteer organization. We have plans for 2022 and lots more exploration of the Wabakimi Wilderness!

**[Please consider donating to help us reach our goal this year. A \\$50 CAD donation will enter you into our drawing for a Ostrom Wabakimi Pack!](#)**

*Vern Fish, FOW President*

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### **Other Trip Reports & Videos**

**Ramblin Boy (aka True\_North)** sets the gold standard for trip reports. Enjoy his fabulously detailed 2021 report. ["Going Down The Little Jackfish River From The South Summit Dam"](#)

**Jeff & Julie Dano**, July 31 to August 10, 2021, Maggotte Lake, Kenakskaniss, Boulder, Shawanabis, Onamakawash Lakes to Lookout River, Spring Lake to west arm of Smoothrock Lake, Outlet Bay, Berg River, Ogoki River to Whitewater Lake, McKinley Lake, Laurent Lake to Lonebreast Bay (Smoothrock), Caribou Bay to Caribou and Little Caribou Lakes. Road shuttle in and out. [\(See Trip Report in FOW Forum\)](#).

**[Outdoor Earthling: YouTube Video](#)**, late Aug-Sep, 2021. Started at Tamarack Lake, looped north on the Boiling Sand River, then south to Gneiss Lake; Collins Lake,

**Dave McTeague** (& daughter Brianna), Sept. 7-16, 2021, Road shuttle to Tamarack Lake, Boiling Sand River, Smoothrock Lake, Lookout River, Spring Lake, Onamakwash Lake, train out at Schultz's Landing. ([See Trip report in FOW Forum](#)). ([YouTube Video Report](#)). ([Oregon](#)) [Dave](#) is FOW Board Chair.

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## **Caribou are vanishing at an alarming rate. Is it too late to save them?**

**After more than a million years on Earth, the caribou is under threat of global extinction. The precipitous decline of the once mighty herds is a tragedy that is hard to watch — and even harder to reverse. [Canadian Geographic, Sept. 3, 2021 article](#)**

Friends of Wabakimi is concerned with loss of habitat (timber harvest and road building) in surrounding Crown Land forests. See Bruce Hyer's 1997 ["Effects of roads and log hauling on woodland caribou use of a traditional wintering area near Armstrong, Ontario."](#)

Shawanabis, Boulder Lake, Kenakskaniss, Kopka River; Bukemiga Lake, Hwy 527.

**[Joe Robinet, \(YouTube Video\) "Becoming Wild in Wabakimi", 12 day, solo, 200km journey.](#)** Part 1-Float Plane, Moose Thunderstorm. Part 2-Big Travel, Extreme Heat, Tons of Fish. There's three more episodes, all an hour more more.

**[Lachlan McVee \(& Jono, Kevin & Erik\), \(YouTube Video\) Summer 2021.](#)** A 250km canoe trip through the boreal forests of Wabakimi Provincial Park; including Allenwater River, Brennan Falls, Ogoki River, Whitewater Lake. *"Beautiful weather, lots of runnable whitewater, dozens of Eagles and fish, a Woodland Caribou, a storm with 80+ kmh winds that pinned us on an island for 24hrs, Ogoki Lodge, Wendel Beckwiths cabins, an abandoned military base, and what we all agreed was the most beautiful portage any of us have ever walked."*

***Let us know about your Trip Reports or Videos, email us at [info@wabakimi.org](mailto:info@wabakimi.org)***



## **Keewaydin Youth Camps -- New Business/Sponsor member!**

"Keewaydin has had the pleasure of tripping in the region of Wabakimi since 1977 from our OutPost cabin on Lake Kawaweogama. At Keewaydin, kids become gutsy, courageous, self-assured, and learn to take risks. Keewaydin Camp, established in 1893, provides single-gender wilderness canoe trips for

boys and girls ages 10-18. Today we look much the same as we did in 1893, paddling in wood canvas canoes, using tumplines to portage canoes, duffles, and wannigans, and cooking over open fires each day. Kids travel the regions



of Lake Temagami, Wabakimi, and further west toward Manitoba, as well as northern Quebec and Labrador."

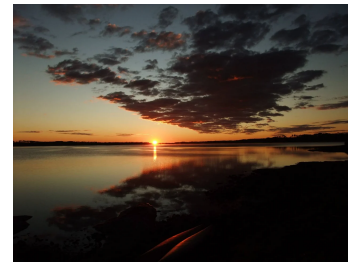
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# Mission Statement

Through volunteer stewardship and collaboration with other stakeholders, the Friends of Wabakimi will participate in the planning processes to advocate for protection and preservation of the diverse natural, cultural, recreational and historical resources of the Wabakimi Area.



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