



# Welcome Home

Last summer was our first publication of Travel Our Backyard. The result was incredible. The most common thing we heard from people was, “I didn’t know that was here!” So, we did our job.

Again this year the opportunities for things to do locally has increased. There are new businesses and established businesses with new programs. This year our region is hosting incredible performances and athletic events that are bringing people from all over the world to our door step.

Of course, every day in the Ottawa Valley and the Pontiac is truly a blessing in disguise. Travelling through some of the most gorgeous natural environment

in Canada, you happen upon these little hamlets that are just gems waiting to be explored. Whether it’s a great meal after golf, a neat shopping find or a farmers’ market grocery list, we almost take for granted what we have available to us every day. People visit here and marvel at what we have right in our own backyard, and yet, we rarely take the time to truly appreciate it.

This summer has been a long time coming, so enjoy every moment of it. The great thing about travelling locally is that you spend more time doing things, and less time getting there!

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