

Indigenous History Of Prescott Area Activity Page

Long before the community of Maynard, just north of Prescott, was founded, another village existed in this place. It was large, filled with multi-family homes called longhouses, and well-fortified. Like many of the present residents of this area, the people of this settlement were farmers. Their main crops were corn, beans, and squash, but they also grew sunflowers and tobacco. On occasion they would hunt deer, and forage for plants. Together with the residents of another local community, in nearby Roebuck, the people who lived here belonged to a culture that extended along the St. Lawrence River, all the way to Quebec.

This region is remarkably rich with a variety of heritage. One of the first to recognize it was the archeologist William J. Wintemberg, who performed a dig at the nearby Roebuck site in the early 1900s. The Maynard-McKowen site was explored in the 1980's by archeologist James F. Pendergast. He led a team of researchers that discovered similar information about the way of livelihood of the Indigenous Peoples as had existed at the Roebuck site, such as their housing, form of farming, and other ways of life.

M S N B G I M L P E I G G P R E
 Q A W E D N H S N T R A I J C F
 T D Y A R C H A E L O G I C A L
 W L R N V X W K T A Q M T I A A
 I K E S A Q C V E R U N S X M T
 N O T S T R G A J C O L D K C B
 T T T R Z U D P D T I E N E N O
 E J O R Q L E M I E A B A H A W
 M N P Y J Z E N C A N E L C E I
 B L X X I P R K O K S U D Q O L
 E C O E K O I N R T E L O H H A
 R O E B U C K G N A Y O O R S L
 G J D U L I R T Q A C I W O W K
 A N O S Q U A S H L R A F E O O
 P E N D E R G A S T W N S Z N F
 D V S A E L O N G H O U S E S N

Scan the letters and find all 15 words that involve our Indigenous history.

Roebuck
 Maynard-McKeowen
 Longhouses
 Corn
 Beans
 Squash
 Deer
 Snowshoe
 Wintemberg
 Pendergast
 Iroquoians
 Archaeological
 Flat Bow
 Pottery
 Woodlands

Visit us at the Prescott Museum & Visitor Centre. Located at 202 King Street West, open Wed-Sat 11am-5pm