



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – August 2020 Issue

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COVID-19 Updates

The Municipality of Brockton encourages residents to continue to follow public health guidelines by practicing physical distancing, wearing face coverings, and sanitizing or washing hands throughout this COVID-19 pandemic. The Municipality continues to provide updates to both residents and businesses on our response to COVID-19 on our [COVID-19 Updates page](#) and [Business Recovery and Support page](#) on our website. If you have concerns related to gatherings that are occurring and not complying with Provincial orders, call the non-emergency O.P.P. number at 1-888-310-1122.

Waste Management Updates

Walkerton Recycling Depot: At this time the collection of e-waste, batteries, clothing and scrap metal has been suspended at the Walkerton Recycling Depot on Highway 9 until further notice. If residents need to dispose of those items, residents of Brant and Greenock are encouraged to visit the Brant Landfill and Walkerton residents are to take them to the Hanover/Walkerton Landfill. Currently only cardboard, box board and clean Styrofoam is being accepted at the Recycling Centre. Residents are encouraged to use curb side pickup whenever possible.

Brant Landfill: Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and recommendations from the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit, staff are only allowing 10 vehicles onsite at a time and only 2 vehicles are allowed to be at the tipping face at a time. We ask that patrons be patient when visiting the Brant Landfill. Residents are encouraged to use curbside pickup whenever possible.

Greenock Landfill: The Greenock Landfill reopened on Saturday, August 1, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and resumed regular hours of operation (Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) Staff are only allowing 10 vehicles onsite at a time, and physical distancing must be maintained. Residents are still encouraged to use curbside pickup whenever possible.

Bag Tags: The Bag Tag program continues as usual. A full list of Bag Tag retailers is available on our [website](#). Bags without bag tags, or tags from another Municipality will **not** be picked up by the curbside collection company.

Garbage Bags: Residents are reminded that **only clear garbage bags** will be picked up our curbside collection contractor, or dropped off at any Brockton owned and operated Landfills. **Black garbage bags are not allowed** as per Brockton By-Law 2010-33.

Clothing Donations: Clothing donation receptacles/bins at each of the landfills and the Walkerton Recycling Depot are temporarily closed. Please do not drop off any items off in front of these bins as they will not be donated and will instead be transported to the landfill.

Service Disruptions and Road Constructions:

McGivern Street Construction

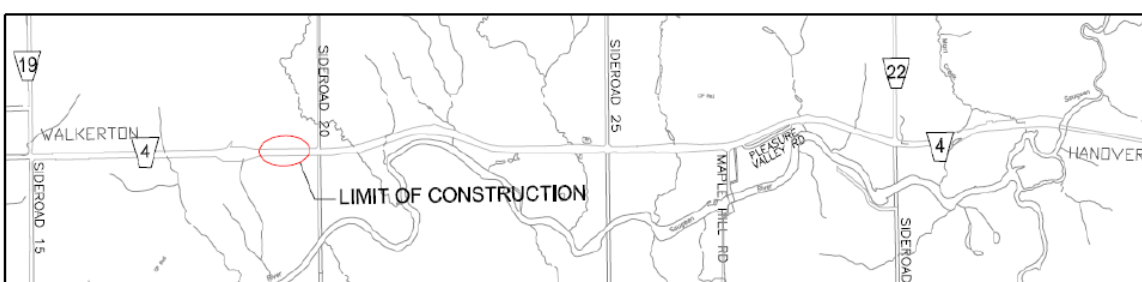
McGivern Street in Walkerton will be under road construction from Yonge Street to the boundary of Brucelea Haven starting August 10, 2020 until October or Mid-November 2020. Construction will be completed in sections in order to allow access for residents, and visitors to Brucelea Haven and the South Bruce Grey Health Centre. The work being done includes updates to the road, sanitary sewer main, water main and the stormwater sewer infrastructure. McGivern Street will be open for local traffic and ambulance use only. A detour will be in place for all other traffic.

Lobies Bridge Rehabilitation

Lobies Bridge continues to be under construction. One lane remains open for traffic and pedestrian traffic will be restricted. View more information at Brockton.ca/ServiceDisruptions.

Bruce Road 4 Construction to Sideroad 20 Walkerton

The County of Bruce Transportation and Environmental Services Department is completing surface rehabilitation on Bruce Road 4 from 850m west of Sideroad 20 to Sideroad 20 at the east end of Walkerton. The construction was slightly delayed, and began August 4th and should be completed by August 28, 2020. Please note there is alternating traffic, and one lane will remain; however traffic delays are expected. The Department apologizes for any inconvenience this road work may cause. View more information at Brockton.ca/ServiceDisruptions.





Ready. Set. Play. Summer Activity Passport!

Ready. Set. Play. is a self-directed weekly activity passport for community youth that promotes healthy living and activity. All activities can be completed from the comfort of your own home, or by visiting Brockton parks! Please remember to physically distance and stay safe when participating! Win a coupon for \$1.00 off of an ice cream cone at participating local businesses (Old Garage Wood Fire Pizza Scoop Shop and Brant Drive-In) by proving you have completed 3 out of 5 activities by submitting photos! Week 1 starts August 10, 2020!

Visit buildyourbrockton.ca for all the details and learn how you can participate!

The Municipality of Brockton reminds you to register to get involved on our community engagement website, buildyourbrockton.ca! This website invites feedback from the community on various projects such as 'Ready. Set. Play. Summer Activity Passport', 'What do you like best about Brockton?', the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, and photo submissions! Register today and have your say!

Brockton Parks and Recreation Programs:

Congratulations to the **July CDCF Cash Calendar Winners**: July 1: Matt Klages, July 2: Theresa Dales, July 4: Murray Wales, July 9: Pat Kunitz, July 11: Katrina(Baldwin) Elmer, July 16: Samantha Howe, July 18: Mike Murphy, July 23: Jodi-Napper-Campbell, July 25: Kim Wilhelm, and July 30: Colin Kenny!

The **Walkerton Kinsmen Splash Pad** is open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Only 10 people are allowed in the Splash Pad at one time. Residents are able to access the Splash Pad for 30 minutes during busy or peak times. Staff are on duty to supervise and clean the equipment and washrooms for everyone's safety.

Lobies Campground is open and taking reservations. Visit Brockton.ca/LobiesCampground for online reservations. Only selected sites are open to ensure physical distancing and staff are on duty to clean the washrooms. Please remember that group sizes are restricted to a maximum of 10 people.

Things to Know About Your Smoke Alarm!

Most People these days know that a smoke alarm is a must for their home but here is some information that you may not realize about the smoke alarms in your home:

- 1) Age matters! Smoke alarms may still work when you press the test button however the sensors inside can become dirty from things like dust and pollen in the air. For this reason manufacturers recommend that the alarm is replaced after a maximum of 10 years. Don't be fooled, this applies to hard wired alarms as well. Make sure you know when your alarm expires according to the manufacturer's recommendation and replace it when the time comes!
- 2) To keep your smoke alarm working at its best follow the maintenance instructions that come with the alarm!
- 3) Most smoke alarms have a button labeled "Hush". This button can be pressed in the case of a false alarm. When pressed the hush button turns off the alarm for a short period of time and then automatically resets. You should never remove the batteries from a smoke alarm to silence the alarm. Using the hush button ensures that you will not forget to replace the batteries and keeps your alarm in working order to protecting you and your family.
- 4) There are two types of smoke alarms. An ionization smoke alarm is usually more responsive to flaming fires. A photoelectric smoke alarm is usually more responsive to smoldering fires. It is a good idea to use the type of alarm that would work the best for the area being protected.
- 5) If cooking fumes are setting off nuisance alarms in your kitchen try moving the alarm further away from the cooking area or install a photoelectric type smoke alarm.

Remember that you must have an alarm on every story of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Only working smoke alarms can wake you up in the case of a fire so be sure to test your smoke alarm regularly and to change the batteries at least once a year!



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Summer Activity Passport

Share your participation with us for a chance to win \$1.00 off an ice cream!



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Ready. Set.





South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment – Reporting Reminder

The South Bruce O.P.P. invites you to consider using Online Reporting - a secure, simple and convenient tool to report minor crimes. Online Reporting is a user friendly process that can be completed from any mobile device, laptop, tablet or computer with internet access. To access the system, a user can go to opp.ca/reporting, choose their location and click on Start a Report. This will take the user to a secure link where they will be given precise instructions on how to fill out the report.

Crimes that are eligible for Online Reporting are occurrences that include:

- Theft Under \$5000;
- Mischief / Damage to Property Under \$5000;
- Mischief / Damage to Vehicle Under \$5000;
- Theft from Vehicle;
- Lost / Missing Property Under \$5000;
- Stolen License Plates; and
- Driving Complaints (after the fact)

An increased use of the Online Reporting system will allow our frontline officers to focus their efforts on urgent calls and crime prevention strategies within our communities. View more information in the [Online Reporting Video](#). Alternatively, for non-urgent matters please contact the O.P.P. non-emergency number at 1-888-310-1122.

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Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Although the COVID-19 pandemic puts restrictions on our usual lifestyle, the community is offering some altered events this month:

- **Golf Fore Hospice**
The Walkerton Golf and Curling Club are hosting Golf Fore Hospice on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Walkerton Golf and Curling Club. All tee times are booked up for the day! All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Residential Hospice of Grey Bruce Inc. Donations can be dropped off at the Curling Club.
- **Walkerton Legion and Walkerton and District Optimist Club BBQ**
The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 102 and the Walkerton and District Optimist Club are hosting a BBQ in the Legion parking lot on Sunday, August 16, 2020 with two seatings at 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Take-out is also available. The dinner features pulled pork on a bun, fries, coleslaw, corn on the cob, and ice cream. All meals come pre-package for pickup. Tickets are \$18.00 and must be purchased in advance at the Walkerton Legion, Sacred Heart Parish Office, or by calling Val Austin at 519-901-3180. You must which seating you will attend, or if you will be ordering take out. Due to COVID-19, physical distancing and gathering restrictions must be maintained.

