



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – October 2021 Issue

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COVID- 19 Updates

The Province of Ontario remains in Step 3 of the [Reopening Ontario Roadmap](#).

Ontarians are required to be fully vaccinated and provide their [proof of vaccination](#) along with photo ID to access certain public settings and facilities. Vaccination receipts can be [downloaded from the Provincial website](#) as PDF's. A smartphone app and QR Code will be available as of October 22, 2021. Bruce County Public Libraries are also providing residents the opportunity to have their vaccination receipts printed out for free, and laminated at any library branch. Vaccination receipts are also required for any individual entering the Bradley School House, Cargill Community Centre, Elmwood Community Centre, and Walkerton Community Centre. A [COVID-19 Vaccine Certificate Guidelines and Procedure](#) is available on our website outlining the procedure for verifying vaccine certificates for members of the public wishing to visit or participate in indoor programs at the Community Centres.



Visit our [COVID-19 Updates page](#) for information on the Municipality's response to the pandemic. 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.

We encourage residents to continue following public health measures as we continue into the fall.

To stay safe and reduce transmission of COVID-19 follow these basics:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Watch your distance (ideally 2 m)
- Wear your face covering correctly
- Avoid Crowds
- Arrange for outdoor activities instead of indoors whenever possible

Notice of Land Disposition Within East Ridge Business Park

The Municipality of Brockton intends to dispose of 3 acres of Lot 25, and 1.7 acres (Lot 23) located in the East Ridge Business Park in the Geographic Town of Walkerton, Municipality of Brockton.

On October 26, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Brockton will pass By-Laws declaring the properties surplus to the needs of the Municipality. The Council Meeting will be broadcast electronically through Zoom Video Conferencing and livestreamed to the Municipality of Brockton's YouTube Channel at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2021.

Please contact Fiona Hamilton, Clerk by [Email](#) or Call 519-881-2223 Ext. 124 for more information, or if you would like to submit a comment in relation to the disposal of the properties.

Leaf Collection

Leaf collection for Walkerton, Lake Rosalind, and Marl Lakes will be on Monday, October 18, 2021 and Monday, November 1, 2021. Leaves must be placed in biodegradable kraft paper waste bags (plastic bags not accepted) and placed at the curbside by 7:00 a.m. for collection.



Tax Installment Due Date: November 30, 2021

Municipal Taxes are due on November 30, 2021. Any payment received in our office after the due date will be considered late and any outstanding taxes will be subject to penalty and interest charges as per the Municipal Act. Please allow 2 to 3 days for processing if you are paying through your financial institutions online banking system. Visit Brockton.ca/Taxes for more information.

Brockton Strategic Action Plan 2025

The Municipality of Brockton staff and Council would like to express their thanks for everyone who submitted comments and participated in the surveys for the Strategic Action Plan. The comments and surveys received by residents, service groups and businesses has helped shape the 2021-2025 [Brockton Strategic Action Plan](#) that was presented to Council on October 12, 2021. Once again, thank you to all residents, businesses and service members who participated in this process. Visit our [Strategic Action Plan webpage](#) or the project on our community engagement website, [Build Your Brockton](#).



Service Disruptions and Road Constructions:

Construction is occurring on several roads in Brockton, including Fraser Street in Walkerton, Chepstow Road/Concession 6, and Concession 10/Queen Street in Elmwood. Learn more about each of these projects on our [Service Disruptions page](#), including the [interactive map](#).



Landfill Hours Reminder

Until October 31st, the Brant Landfill is open on Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Greenock Landfill is open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Walkerton/Hanover Landfill is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

From November 1 to March 31, the Brant Landfill will be open on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Greenock Landfill will be open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Walkerton/Hanover Landfill will be open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All residents are encouraged to continue to use curbside pickup services. Residents are reminded to wear a face covering and maintain physical distancing when attending the Landfills. A limit of 10 vehicles at a time remains in effect for the Brant and Greenock Landfills. For more information please visit Brockton.ca/LandfillSites.

Winter Parking Restrictions

In accordance with Section 8 of the Municipality of Brockton's Consolidated Traffic and Parking By-Law 2020-052, no person shall park on any highway between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. inclusive during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April.

Brockton's Community Engagement Website

The Municipality of Brockton reminds you to register to get involved on our community engagement website, buildyourbrockton.ca! This community engagement website invites feedback from the community on various projects such as Coping with COVID, Be Active Brockton, Strategic Action Plan 2025, What do you like best about Brockton?, and photo submissions! We are excited to offer this service to our residents and continue to look for improved communication methods to receive input from members of our community!

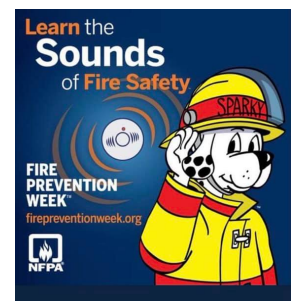


Brockton Parks and Recreation Fall Programming:

Fall recreation program registration opened Wednesday, October 6, 2021. For more information call 519-881-0625, email the Recreation Department, or visit Brockton.ca/RecreationPrograms.

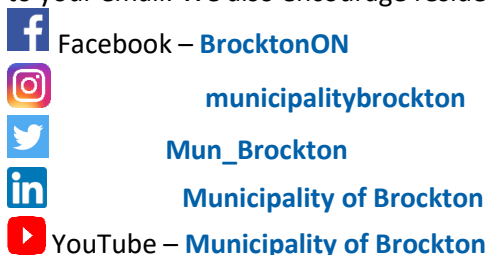
Fire Prevention Week: Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety

Fire Prevention Week was October 3rd to 9th, 2021 with the theme "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety". The campaign works to educate everyone about the different sounds smoke and carbon monoxide alarms make. Knowing what to do when an alarm sounds will keep you and your family safe. When an alarm makes noises – a beeping sound or a chirping sound – you must take action.



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South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment – Changes to Stunt Driving Legislation

The South Bruce OPP wants you to be aware of recent legislative changes that have increased consequences for stunt driving. When a charge of stunt driving is laid, drivers face a roadside vehicle impoundment and immediate driver's license suspension.

- Vehicle impoundment has increased to 14 days.
- Driver's license suspension has increased to 30 days.

Another change to be aware of is a lower speed threshold is now in place for Stunt Driving on Municipal roads. On roads where the speed limit is posted at less than 80 km/h, driver's caught at 40 km/h or more above the posted limit will be subject to a charge of Stunt Driving.

The threshold on roads that are posted at 80 km/h or higher roads remains at 50 km/h or more.

Did you know that Stunt Driving applies to more than excessive speed?



Driving behaviors that constitute “Stunt Driving” are listed in the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) Section 172:

- Driving a motor vehicle in a manner that lifts some or all of the tires from the surface of the highway. This includes driving a motorcycle with only 1 tire on the ground
- Driving a motor vehicle in a manner that indicates an intention to spin it or cause to circle without maintaining control
- Driving 2 or more vehicles side by side in proximity to each other, where 1 of the motor vehicles occupies an oncoming lane for longer than what is required to pass another motor vehicle
- Driving a motor vehicle with a person in the trunk
- Driving a motor vehicle while the driver is not sitting in the driver’s seat
- Driving a motor vehicle at a rate of speed that is 50 kilometers per hour or more over the speed limit
- Driving a motor vehicle at a rate of speed that is 150 kilometers per hour or more
- Driving a motor vehicle without due care and attention, without reasonable consideration for other persons using the highway or in a manner that may endanger any person

There are stiff penalties for this offence (upon conviction) because stunt driving puts all road users at risk:

- 6 demerit points.
- Fine between \$2,000 – \$10,000.
- Possible jail up to 6 months.
- Immediate 7 day impoundment of vehicle.
- Immediate 7 day driver licence suspension.
- Possible further 2 year suspension upon conviction.
- Increase to insurance rates.

The South Bruce OPP wants you to know that speeding not only increases your risk of becoming involved in a motor vehicle collision, it also increases your risk of being seriously injured in the collision.

Please don’t take unnecessary risks with your, or anyone else’s, safety. Remember - how you drive is everyone’s business.

Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Please remember to follow all public health measures if participating in community events to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- **Walkerton Agricultural Society “Fall into Christmas” Vendor’s Market – October 16, 2021**
A "Fall into Christmas" Vendor's Market is occurring on Saturday, October 16th, 2021 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Walkerton Agricultural Building (206 Durham Street West). Whether you are starting or finishing your Christmas shopping, our local businesses and vendors will have something for everyone on your list. Upon entry, Monetary or Food Bank Donations will be greatly accepted. Masks must be worn.
- **Cargill’s 2nd Annual Drive-Through Turkey Dinner – October 24, 2021**
Cargill are hosting their 2nd Annual Drive Through Turkey Dinner on Sunday, October 24th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Cargill Community Centre. Prepaid orders only! Adults \$20.00 and Children 5-10 years \$10.00. Meals will be delivered to your car. To order and e-transfer address contact: Marlene Zettler at 519-881-2202 or Cyndy Abell at 519-366-2317. Orders to be in by October 20th. All proceeds to Cargill beautification projects.
- **Walkerton and District Optimist Club Halloween Drive Thru – October 30, 2021**
The Walkerton and District Optimist Club are hosting a Halloween Drive Thru on Saturday, October 30th at the Walkerton Fire Hall Parking Lot (510 Napier Street). Vehicles must line up by entering Robinson Street from South Street. Follow the signs! Gate opens as 12:00 Noon until supplies run out! 400 bags have been made – First come first serve! Please consider bringing a bag of used clothing as a donation.

