



## Brockton Buzz – November 2023 Newsletter

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### Tax Installment Due Date – November 30, 2023

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, 2001*. Please allow 2 to 3 days for processing if you are paying through the online banking system of your financial institution. Visit [Brockton.ca/Taxes](https://Brockton.ca/Taxes) for more information.

### Winter Landfill Hours

From November 1 to March 31, the Brant Landfill is 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 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. All residents are encouraged to continue to use curbside pickup services. Visit [Brockton.ca/LandfillSites](https://Brockton.ca/LandfillSites) for more details.

### 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.

### 2024 Fees and Charges

On September 26, 2023, Council approved the 2024 Fees and Charges which will come into effect January 1, 2024, or as otherwise stated. Visit [Brockton.ca/Fees](https://Brockton.ca/Fees) to view the 2024 Fees and Charges By-Law.

### Employment Opportunities

If you are passionate about providing the very best services in a municipal environment and are looking for a place to challenge yourself and grow, we want you on our team. Brockton currently has Full-Time, Part-Time and Contract positions available in the Recreation, Operations and Child Care Departments. Please check our Current Employment Opportunities page by visiting [Brockton.ca/Jobs](https://Brockton.ca/Jobs)

### Recreation Programs:

Please visit [Brockton.ca/Programs](https://Brockton.ca/Programs) for a full list of programs and to register!

Fall and Winter Programs for **Adults** include Pickleball, the Indoor Walking Program, Pilates Yoga, Chair Yoga, Zumba Programs and more to come in 2024!

Fall and Winter Programs for **Youth** include Stemotics, Little Dancers, Little Chefs, Dodgeball and Drop-in Gym, Zumba and more to come in 2024!



**PA Day Programs:** Brockton is thrilled to support students on P.A. Days! Please visit our Recreation Programs webpage for details on upcoming camps (including November 24, 2023 P.A. Day)! Public Skates on P.A. Days will run from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Skating Schedule:** Please visit [Brockton.ca/Skating](https://Brockton.ca/Skating) for the current ice 2023/2024 schedule. A big thank you to our Sponsors (listed online)! Please note there will be a Special Night Skate offered on Saturday, November 11, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

### Walkerton's Hometown Christmas Market

Walkerton's Hometown Christmas Market returns on Thursday, November 16, 2023, running from late afternoon to evening with holiday specials from your favorite shops and restaurants, plus music, a licensed outdoor area, and over 15 artisans at our vendors market, located in the new Market Garden Park. Durham Street will be closed to traffic, so come early and park in one of our nearby municipal lots. Visit the Walkerton Hometown Christmas Market 2023 project on our Community Engagement Website, Build Your Brockton to learn more: <https://buildyourbrockton.ca/walkerton-hometown-christmas-market-2023>



### Shop Walkerton and Win Campaign

Everyone's favourite shopping promotion is back! Head to downtown Walkerton during Shop Walkerton and Win, running from November 13<sup>th</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. Weekly draw prizes are offered through participating businesses – close to 50 in all! Pick up your Shop Walkerton and Win passport at the Municipal Office at 100 Scott Street, or from A&R Music, HIS Style, Willow Home, MB Consignment or The Walkerton Toy Shoppe. Passports will be available on November 8, 2023. Visit [Brockton.ca/ShopWalkerton](https://Brockton.ca/ShopWalkerton) for more information.



### Brockton Dollars

Brockton Dollars gift certificates are redeemable at participating stores, restaurants, and other commercial establishments in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50. They can be purchased from the Municipal Office at 100 Scott Street from Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or ordered in bulk through email. Businesses may redeem Brockton Dollars at the Municipal Office. Visit [Brockton.ca/BrocktonDollars](https://Brockton.ca/BrocktonDollars) to learn more.





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The winter months encourage curling up by the fireplace, but it is important to remember that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths. Be warm and safe this winter! Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet (one metre) away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.

### South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment – Tips to Avoid Collisions Involving Deer

Car deer collisions involving deer typically peak during October and November which is the deer mating season or “rut”. As we expect to see more deer this time of year, the South Bruce OPP is offering drivers of the following tips to help reduce the chances of hitting them:

- Be especially attentive from sunset to midnight and during the hours shortly before and after sunrise. These are the highest risk times for deer-vehicle collisions.
- Drive with caution when moving through areas known to have a large deer population. Remember - deer seldom run alone. If you see one deer, others may be nearby.
- When driving at night, use high beam headlights when there is no oncoming traffic. The high beams will better illuminate the eyes of deer on or near the roadway.
- Slow down and blow your horn with one long blast to frighten the deer away.
- Brake firmly when you notice a deer in or near your path, but stay in your lane. Many serious crashes occur when drivers swerve to avoid a deer and hit another vehicle or lose control of their cars.
- Always wear your seat belt. Most people injured in deer-vehicle crashes were not wearing their seat belt.
- Do not rely on devices such as deer whistles, deer fences and reflectors to deter deer. Slow down, stay in control and stay alert.



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### Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life.

- **Remembrance Day Ceremonies** - On November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day Services begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Walkerton Cenotaph at the corner of Jane and Colborne Street. Visit the Walkerton Legion Branch 102’s Facebook or call 519-881-0821 for updates. 
- **Sultans of String and Friends: Walking Through the Fire Indigenous Collaborations** - On Sunday, November 12, 2023 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Victoria Jubilee Hall (111 Jackson Street, Walkerton) see award-winning First Nations, Métis, and Inuit artists performing with JUNO Award nominees Sultans of String. Walking Through the Fire is a musical multimedia event including Métis fiddling to an East Coast Kitchen Party, Rumba to Rock, drumming of the Pacific Northwest, diversity of music from Turtle Island/Canada with Alyssa Delbaere-Sawchuk of the Métis Fiddler Quartet, Ojibwe/Finnish Singer-Songwriter Marc Meriläinen (Nadjiwan), and Coast Tsm’syen Elder and Singer-Songwriter Shannon Thunderbird performing on stage, as well as virtual guests on the big screen, including Dr. Duke Redbird, the Northern Cree Pow Wow group, and more! Visit Victoria Jubilee Hall’s website [www.victoriajubileehall.ca](http://www.victoriajubileehall.ca), email [vjh@wightman.ca](mailto:vjh@wightman.ca), or call 519-881-2826 for more information.
- **Walkerton Santa Claus Parade** - The Walkerton Kinsmen Club are hosting the Santa Claus Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. along Durham Street in Walkerton. Stay tuned for more details! 
- **County Towne Players Auditions** – The County Towne Players are holding auditions for the Spring production of “Hilda’s Yard” by Norm Foster on November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Victoria Jubilee Hall. The comedy has a cast of three (3) women and three (3) men. Visit the County Towne Players website [countytowneplayers.ca](http://countytowneplayers.ca), or call 519-577-3729 for more information.
- **Midwestern Ontario Rotary Music Festival Secretary Wanted:** The Midwestern Ontario Rotary Music Festival is in urgent need of a new secretary. The ideal candidate would have computer skills, and a few extra flexible hours that can be done at home. The Secretary would need to start mid-November, and will be provided with training. An honorarium will also be provided to the Secretary. Email [info@midwesternontariorotarymusicfestival.ca](mailto:info@midwesternontariorotarymusicfestival.ca) for more information.