

June 2025 Newsletter



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – June 2025 Issue

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Vote on Your Favourite Logo for Hamlet Communities













Brockton residents, we need your feedback! Council has approved the development of sub-brands for Cargill, Chepstow, and Elmwood. Two proposed logo designs have been created for each of these three communities, and can be viewed on our website at **Brockton.ca/HamletLogos**.

We invite your input on the options created for your community. Please vote through our **anonymous online survey**, or email your vote/comments to our Community Development Coordinator. Your feedback, along with any votes or comments, **received by June 20, 2025**, will be collected and presented for Council's consideration.

Our goal is to develop branding that reflects the unique identity of each settlement area while aligning with Brockton's overarching brand strategy. For more information on the community brands or to vote via another method please call 519-881-2223 ext 131 or email our Community Development Coordinator.

Accessibility Advisory Committee Member Recruitment

The Municipality of Brockton is currently recruiting for a vacancy on the Accessibility Advisory Committee. Individuals that are interested in serving this vacancy on the Accessibility Advisory Committee must have a disability.



The Accessibility Advisory Committee fulfills the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, and is responsible for making recommendations to Council that considers the needs and rights of persons with disabilities and assures maximum integrated accessibility for all citizens. View the Terms of Reference for the Accessibility Advisory Committee, and more information at **Brockton.ca/CommitteeRecruitment**.

If you're interested in serving on the Committee, please send a letter outlining how you feel you can contribute to the Committee, including qualifications and background that would be helpful in fulfilling the Committee's mandate, along with your name and contact information, to Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) Fiona Hamilton by email, drop off a letter to the Municipal Office, or send a letter by mail to Municipality of Brockton 100 Scott Street, P.O. Box 68, Walkerton, ON NOG 2VO. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at Noon.

Accessibility Advisory Committee Community Review/Awareness Day

The Accessibility Advisory Committee will be participating in a Community Review/Awareness Day on July 11, 2025, reviewing businesses in Walkerton and determining their level of accessibility.

Results from the review will be posted on AccessNow, a **website**, and mobile app providing resources for accessibility information, identifying businesses, places, and locations within communities on a **map**, identifying their levels of accessibility.

Payments During Postal Strike

In the event of a postal strike, the Municipality of Brockton reminds residents that you can drop off payments to our Municipal Office Drop-Off Box after-hours, pay in-person at the Municipal Office, or sign up for online payments through your banking institution. If you have an inquiry and/or change regarding your current payment plan, please contact the Municipality at 519-881-2223 for assistance.

Career 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! The Municipality is currently hiring for a Part-Time Cemetery Attendant, Full-Time Geographic Information Systems (GIS) & Operations Technician, Supply/Casual Teacher at the Brockton Child Care Centre, Full-Time Heavy Equipment Operator, and a Recreation Instructor. Visit our Careers webpage, **Brockton.ca/Jobs** for more details about the positions and how to apply.

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 to learn more. If you're a Brockton retailer, service provider, or restaurant wishing to join the program, please email our Community Development Coordinator.









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Community Services (Parks and Recreation) Updates and Summer Events:

The Outdoor Pickleball and Tennis Courts are now open! Please visit Brockton.ca/Outdoors to purchase your seasonal membership! Drop-in passes can also be purchased online. After purchase, look for your receipt to pop up containing your access code to the courts!





Swimming Lesson registration is now open online at **Brockton.ca/Swimming!** For this summer's Pool Schedule, please visit **Brockton.ca/Pool**

Centennial Park Pool opening to the public on Saturday June 14th; join us for a FREE public swim from 11:00am – 2:00pm, and Free BINGO by the pool to celebrate!

Canada Day Celebrations: Please save the date, Tuesday July 1st at Centennial Park, 10:00am – 3:00pm! Foam Party, Inflatables, Magic Show Food Trucks, BBQ, Live Music, Public Swimming, Activities and more!

Music in the Park *New Days and Times* - Join us this summer in Walkerton's Downtown Market Garden on Saturday afternoon's from 1:00-3:00pm on June 28, July 26, and August 30th! A special Sunday evening performance is set for July 27th at 7:00pm. More details to be released soon!





Summer Streetfest: Save the date for Friday July 18th, downtown Walkerton. Family friendly activities and your favourite shopping in Walkerton's downtown core!

Be sure to follow the Municipality of Brockton on Facebook and Instagram, for all future updates!

Campfire Safety

The Walkerton Fire Department would like to remind residents to be safe when having campfires (also known as recreational fires). Recreational fires burn within an area that is no larger than 0.6 meters (24 inches) in diameter and height of 0.3 (12 inches) meters, provided such fire is used for warmth or cooking food.



In accordance with the Municipality of Brockton's Open Air Burn By-Law 2017-034, recreational fires are not allowed to be set or allowed to burn where said fire is less than 10 meters from any building, structure, hedge, tree, fence, highway or vehicular right of way, overhead wire or combustible material of any kind.

Ensure that fires are never left unattended and that you have a way to extinguish them readily available just in case. It is always a good idea to check to make sure that fires are allowed to be lit especially during extremely dry periods.

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Visit Brockton.ca/Subscribe to sign up and receive Brockton News, Calendar Events, and Emergency Alerts sent directly to your email. You can also download the Municipal App "Municipality of Brockton" created by Apptic Studios Inc. from Android or Apple app stores! The App features our top searched content divided into categories: Community, Contact Us, Council, E-Services, News, Waste, readily available on your cellphone! We also encourage residents to follow us on social media for regular updates!

Facebook – BrocktonON Instagram – municipalitybrockton

Twitter – Mun_Brockton

LinkedIn – Municipality of Brockton

YouTube – Municipality of Brockton

Add Your Events to Brockton's Community Calendar

Make sure your 2025 events are featured on Brockton's free Community Calendar! Your event must be organized by a non-profit, or community organization and be held within Brockton.

The steps to adding your event are simple:

- iii Visit events.brockton.ca and click on Submit an Event.
- iii Login if you have an account, or create one if it's your first time adding an event.
- iii Add in your events, edit, and update your events from there

Each event is reviewed and approved before being added to the calendar, so it won't appear right away. Once your event is on the calendar, we may help spread the word through the Brockton Buzz newsletter, and social media. If you're having any troubles, please let us know by calling 519-881-2223 or emailing Website Support.









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Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Visit **Brockton.ca/Events** to learn more about events happening in our community!

• Elmwood Firefighter's Association Breakfast

The Elmwood Firefighter's Association are hosting a breakfast on Saturday, June 7, 2025 from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the Elmwood Fire Hall (Dirstein St. S.). Breakfast is sausage, bacon, eggs, home fries, toast, coffee and juice. Meals also available to go. Admission by donation.

• Springtime in the Gardens

Join Folmer Landscaping & Botanical Garden Centre for their outdoor spring market on Saturday, June 7, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 2668 Highway 9, Walkerton. Local artisans. crafters and bakers will be setup under tents throughout the gardens. Stroll the gardens and purchase some unique items from our local talent!

• Get Your Summer Read On!

Grades 1-6, Drop in, Saturday June 14 - Hey kids! Visit your local Bruce County Public Library branch to register early for TD Summer Reading Club and get a jump start on your summer reading goals. Early registrants receive a free removeable tattoo (while supplies last) and all early registrant names will go in a draw for a book prize!

Walkerton Touch a Truck and Firefighter Breakfast

Bring the family for a chance to explore all kinds of vehicles and machinery, enjoy some family friendly activities and have a full breakfast cooked by the Walkerton Firefighters on June 14, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Fire Hall (510 Napier Street East). Admission is by donation. Thanks to our community, sponsors, exhibitors and local businesses for making this event a success year after year!

• Father's Day Brunch

The Cargill District Community Foundation are hosting a Father's Day Brunch at the Cargill Community Centre (999 Greenock-Brant Townline) on Sunday, June 15, 2025 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children, and free for children ages 4 and under. 2026 IPM souvenirs will be on sale.

Chepstow Funfest Weekend

Come out to the community of Chepstow as they celebrate Chepstow Family Funfest June 21-22, 2025 at the Chepstow Lions Park including the annual baseball tournament and a BBQ! Contact Dave Kuntz at 519-889-0386 to learn more.

• Wing Night in Elmwood

The Elmwood Community Service Association are hosting a Wing Night on Friday, June 27, 2025 at the Elmwood Community Centre Pavilion (38 Concession Road 10) from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

• St. Joseph's CWL Bazaar in Cargill

Join St. Joseph's CWL for their Bazaar on Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 11:00 to 2:30 p.m. at the Cargill Community Centre featuring fun for the whole family!









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Community Events (Continued)

Private Collectors' Garage Tour

Take a self-guided tour of eight garages and view the incredible private collections of classic automobiles, motorcycles, tractors and more on Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Brockton and South Bruce! Bring your own classic along for VIP parking at each location. Garage tour tickets are \$25.

A roast beef dinner will also be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. hosted by the Walkerton Agricultural Society at 206 Durham St. W, Walkerton. Takeout is available. Tickets are \$25 for dinner and must be purchased in advance.

Garage tour and roast beef dinner tickets can be purchased online at walkertonhomecoming2026.ca or at Brown's Guardian Pharmacy, Holst Office Pro, Hudson's Auto Centre, and Harley's Pub and Perk. Proceeds will benefit Walkerton Homecoming 2026. For more information call 519-889-2114 or email walkertongaragetour@gmail.com



Walkerton Car & Truck Show

The Walkerton Agricultural Society are hosting their 9th Annual Walkerton Car & Truck Show on Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 206 Durham St. W., Walkerton. The rain day is Sunday, July 27, 2025. There is no admission charge, but food and refreshments will be available. Vendors can contact 519-881-0586 for more

Bruce County and Local Municipalities Strengthen Emergency Preparedness with Evacuation and **Reception Centre Training**

Emergencies can strike at any time, and being prepared is essential to ensure the safety and well-being of our communities. Whether facing tornadoes, fires or flooding, residents may be required to evacuate their homes with little notice. That's why Bruce County and local municipalities have taken proactive steps to ensure residents have a safe place to go in times of crisis.

Every municipality in Bruce County has designated an Evacuation and Reception Centre, a secure location where individuals and families can access essential services during emergencies. These centres are:

- Safe spaces where basic needs such as shelter, food, and clothing can be met.
- Staffed by trained personnel, including municipal employees, Bruce County Human Services staff and Canadian Red Cross volunteers.
- Equipped to provide reception and registration services, family support and up-to-date emergency information.
- Adaptable to community needs, with the potential to host insurance representatives, disaster assistance sessions and recovery resources.

To further enhance readiness, Bruce County and the Municipality of Brockton will host Evacuation and Reception Centre Training Days in June. This hands-on training will equip municipal staff with the knowledge and tools to activate and operate these centres effectively. Participants will learn about activation criteria, setup procedures and the policies that guide emergency response.

"This training is an opportunity to strengthen collaboration, build relationships and deepen our understanding of roles and responsibilities in times of emergency," says Tina Metcalfe, director of Human Services at Bruce County. "By working together, we're better prepared to provide coordinated, compassionate support to residents across Bruce County when they need it most."

Residents are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the location of their municipality's Evacuation and Reception Centre and include it in their family emergency plan. In the event of an emergency, your municipality will provide direction on which centre is open and available for use.

A list of Evacuation and Reception Centres in Bruce County:

- Municipality of Arran-Elderslie Chesley Community Centre, Tara Arran Community Centre and Paisley Community Centre
- Municipality of Brockton Walkerton Community Centre
- Municipality of Huron-Kinloss Ripley Huron Community Centre, Lucknow Community Centre, Lucknow and District Sports Complex and Point Clark Community Centre
- Municipality of Kincardine Davidson Centre, and Tiverton Sports Centre
- Municipality of South Bruce Mildmay Carrick Recreation Centre, Teeswater Culross Arena
- Municipality of North Bruce Peninsula Lion's Head and District Community Centre and Arena, and Tobermory **Community Centre**
- Town of Saugeen Shores The Plex
- Town of South Bruce Peninsula Wiarton District Community Centre and Sauble Beach Community Centre





