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Spring flowering plants are always a pleasure to see and this Wisteria plant at Errinrung is stunning.

# 2023 Blue Mountains Tax Rates for the Municipal and Education Taxation

The tax rates for Municipal (Town and County) and Education levies are established annually by the Town, County and Ontario Ministry of Finance, respectively.

The 2023 annual tax bill instalment due dates will be August 24, 2023 and October 24, 2023.

Tax penalty/interest of 11/4% per month (15% per annum) is added monthly on the first day each month to unpaid tax amounts.

The Town tax rate is calculated to raise \$19,605,000 as per By-law 2023-13, being a By-Law to adopt estimates of all sums required for Town purposes.

Grey County By-law 5153-23 to establish tax policy and levy taxes for 2023 was passed May 11, 2023. The tax policy was updated to allow the tax ratio for the multi-residential tax class to be reduced from 1.441197 to 1.330900 to move towards equalizing the treatment of all residential classes. Grey County Tax Levy \$19,155,065

The Ontario Ministry of Finance by Regulation 576/22 enacted the 2023 Education rates to be \$9,185,888

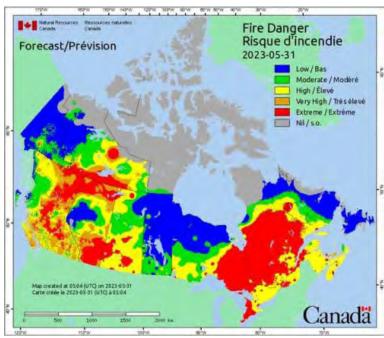
### 2023 Gravel Road Maintenance

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents that gravel road maintenance work has started and will be completed on various Town roads throughout the month of June. This work is being conducted as part of the Town's annual road maintenance program. This work will include grading, addition of maintenance gravel as needed and application of Calcium Chloride which acts as a binder and dust suppressant.

Temporary lane closures will be used when necessary to allow Town crews to complete the work. All gravel roads are maintained in accordance with Provincial Standards.

For more information, please contact:

The Blue Mountains, Operations Department, 519-599-3131 276



## **Extreme risk for fire danger in Grey County**The Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Map is showing our area as in

The Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Map is showing our area as in extreme risk for fire danger. Fire Danger is a relative index of how easy it is to ignite vegetation, how difficult a fire may be to control, and how much damage a fire may do. With the current dry conditions, even a small spark could lead to an intense, fast-spreading fire with potentially devastating consequences.

In most of Southern Ontario, including Grey County, only municipalities have the jurisdiction to restrict outdoor fires through their municipal fire bans. Check with your local municipality or local municipal fire department for any municipal fire bans or official restrictions on outdoor burning in your area:

Be cautious wherever sparks or flames are present. If you choose to have a backyard campfire, be aware of local fire bans, make sure you have water present, never leave the fire unattended, and fully douse it when you're finished. If you smoke, always dispose of butts appropriately. When operating vehicles or equipment off road, watch for signs of sparks.

Find more information on Restricted Fire Zones and how municipal fire bans work: https://www.ontario.ca/page/outdoor-fire-restrictions.

View the Ministry of Natural Resources fire map: <a href="https://cwfis.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/maps/fw">https://cwfis.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/maps/fw</a>

Currently there is an open fire ban in the Township of Chatsworth. The fire hazard rating throughout the province is high to extreme. The Grey County Fire Chiefs are monitoring/ evaluating conditions

At this time, we would ask anyone considering an open-air fire / campfire to be extremely cautious and ensure they are following local municipal bylaws / regulations such as.

- Have a permit (if required)
- Having means to extinguish on hand.
- Never leave a fire unattended
- Completing extinguish fire when finished.

Contact your local Fire Department for more information.





This time of year there are an abundance of Farm, and other slow moving vehicles using TOBM roads. They are sometimes very long and very large and often require more distance to turn and stop. Operators may have poor visibility due to loads and equipment in tow. These vehicles must display a Slow Moving Vehicle sign that is visible at the rear of the vehicle and attached

Please share the road and be extra careful approaching and passing.

Slow-moving vehicle signs are for slow moving vehicles only. It is illegal and dangerous to use them as driveway markers if they can be seen from the road.



### Blue Mountains Community Health Centre

Dr. Remillard
78 King St. E. (Hwy 26)
Thornbury • 519-599-2732
Covid Shot #6 to those eligible
as per NACI Guidelines
6 months since last shot

Walk-ins 8-11am, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat

### **BID EUCHRE**

Wednesday & Thursday 12:50-3:30pm; \$2.00 per day Small Hall, Beaver Valley Community Centre Lessons Available Call Bev 705-507-0563 or Dorothy 519-599-5044

Enjoy walking year round at the
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www.stjamesfairmount.org Rector Jeff Kischak, 519-770-7979



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# The Beaver Valley Agricultural Society is in need of a Secretary

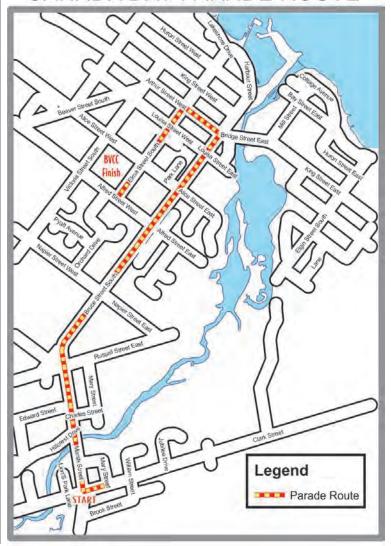
Beaver Valley Fall Fair has been an institution for more than 150 years. The Fair is an annual event that is supported by an active Board of Directors and General Membership. In addition to attending meetings to record minutes, the Secretary is responsible for correspondence with outside organizations, assisting with updating the Fair Book and AssistExpo program and general secretarial functions. Ideally, candidates for the position must be able to commit to a 5 year term.

The position is considered volunteer with a nominal honorarium. More information on the Society can be obtained from beavervalleyfallfair.ca. Interested applicants should submit their letters of interest with resume to fallfairbeavervalley@gmail.com or by mail to: Beaver Valley Agricultural Society, Box 334, Clarksburg, NOH 1J0. Please consider sharing this anyone you know that might be interested.

### **Canada Day Celebrations**

July 1st will be a fun day in The Blue Mountains celebrating Canada Day. Details are included on page 14 of this newsletter as well as the website, however if you would like to participate in the parade the route has been extended for floats and vehicles to finish at the Beaver Valley Community Centre for a complimentary BBQ and cake, as well as an opportunity to share the creative efforts that have gone into building them. Please sign up at <a href="https://www.visitbluejuly1.ca">www.visitbluejuly1.ca</a>

### CANADA DAY PARADE ROUTE



# GBPH advises residents to take steps to protect their health during Special Air Quality Statement

Grey Bruce Public Health is advising residents that Environment & Climate Change Canada has issued a Special Air Quality Statement for a large section of southern and eastern Ontario, including all of Grey-Bruce, due to smoke from forest fires in Ontario and Quebec.

The wildfire smoke may result in deteriorated air quality for most of this week.

Public Health is advising residents, especially the most vulnerable in our community, to take measures to protect their health and reduce exposure to wildfire smoke, which can be harmful to everyone's health even at low concentrations.

People at greater risk of experiencing adverse health effects from wildfire smoke and deteriorating air quality include:

- Infants, young children, seniors, and pregnant individuals;
- People with chronic lung problems, such as asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), or heart disease;
- People who work, engage in strenuous exercise or play sports outdoors.

While the Special Air Quality Statement is in place for Grey-Bruce, Public Health is urging residents to limit or stop outdoor activities if they're feeling unwell.

Residents should stop outdoor activities and contact their healthcare provider if they experience shortness of breath, wheezing (including asthma attacks), severe cough, dizziness or chest pains.

People at greater risk of health impacts from poor air quality are recommended to reduce or postpone outdoor activities until conditions improve.

Residents can also limit their exposure to wildfire smoke by:

- Keeping the windows and doors to their home closed if the indoor temperature is comfortable;
- Using recirculation settings on their HVAC system;
- · Using a clean, good-quality air filter in ventilation systems;
- · Using an air purifier with a HEPA filter; and
- Visiting community centres, libraries, and shopping malls, which often have cleaner filtered air.

Public Health is also encouraging residents to check in on their loved ones and neighbours who may be more susceptible to the health impacts of deteriorating air quality.

It's common for people to experience mild irritation and discomfort because of wildfire smoke in the air. These symptoms usually disappear when the smoke clears. Drinking plenty of water can help the body cope with the smoke.

For More Information:

To connect with the Medical Officer of Health or the program manager, please contact:

Denis Langlois, Communications Co-ordinator,

Grey Bruce Health Unit, 519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456 ext. 1315, Communications@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

### Museum receives heritage recognition

On International Museum Day, our local community museum received recognition for the REEL History documentary series

These nine films share Blue Mountains' heritage and history across the globe. Museum staff were presented with the 2023 Heritage Certificate of Recognition at the Grey County Historical Society's 53rd Annual Dinner.

Thank you to the Grey County Historical Society, Mountain Goat Film Company, and all people involved!

Adult Tennis Coaching 705-293-3621



### The Blue Mountains Arts Walk

Join the Blue Mountains community for the 2.2km Arts Walk on July 8, 2023 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm!

Hosted by The Gallery at L.E. Shore, this free event will include Galleries, businesses, restaurants, the L.E. Shore Library, parks/parkettes, and the front lawns of homes between the Downtown Thornbury and the Downtown Clarksburg districts.

During the Walk, take in the many offerings of this cultural event:

- Numerous stops along the 2.2km Arts Walk showcasing artists, galleries, restaurants and businesses. Locations will feature artists, musicians, activities or some other special treat!
- Food Trucks and licensed venue at the L.E. Shore Library, with restaurants and other venues in both Clarksburg and Thornbury.
   Visit The Gallery's website at <u>TheBlueMountainsLibrary.ca/Art-Gallery/Arts-Walk-2023</u> to view the Arts Walk map and learn more about participating artists and locations and what you can do on the Walk! Come and enjoy The Blue Mountains at its finest – food, music and art!



## June is Seniors Month

**Working for Seniors** 

# Information for Seniors in Ontario

The Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility works with community organizations to offer supports and services to help seniors stay active, well, safe and socially connected through a range of programs and services. This year, the theme for Seniors Month is Working for Seniors.

## **Age-friendly communities**

Age-Friendly Communities are inclusive, accessible environments with programs and services that help seniors stay connected. These communities can include:

- outdoor spaces and buildings that are accessible for seniors
- accessible communication and information about services and programs
- improved transportation services and housing for seniors
- more social and civic participation opportunities.

Learn more at ontario.ca/agefriendly.

# Seniors Active Living Centre programs

Seniors Active Living Centre programs help local seniors stay active, become more involved in their community, and meet new friends in person or online. These programs include:

- · unique social activities
- learning and educational opportunities
- recreational programming
- the Seniors Centre Without Walls virtual program
- online video sessions.

There are almost 300 programs across the province that serve 115,000 seniors annually.

To find a Seniors Active Living Centre program, please:

- visit the <u>Seniors Active Living</u>
   <u>Centre locator map</u>
- contact your municipality
- call 2-1-1.



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### **Seniors Community Grants**

This program funds local not-for-profit community groups and organizations to deliver projects, supports and resources for seniors that provide opportunities for greater social inclusion, volunteerism and community engagement.

Find information about the <a href="mailto:program online">program online</a> or send an email to <a href="mailto:seniorscommunitygrant@ontario.ca">seniorscommunitygrant@ontario.ca</a>.

### Health811

Health811 is a free, secure and confidential service Ontarians can call or access online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to receive health advice from qualified health professionals, such as a registered nurse, locate local health services and find trusted health information.

This service is available in both English and French, with translation support offered in other languages.

Call: 811

Toll-free TTY: 1-866-797-0007

· Chat live online

Visit ontario.ca/Health811

## **Seniors Safety Line**

Seniors Safety Line is a 24/7, confidential and free resource. It provides counselling, information, safety planning and referrals in 240 languages for seniors in Ontario who are experiencing, or are at risk of, any type of abuse or neglect.

Call Toll-free: 1-866-299-1011.

### More information

Learn more about:

- Seniors Month at ontario.ca/SeniorsMonth.
- ministry programs and services at ontario.ca/msaa.
- resources for seniors with the updated <u>Guide to Programs and</u> <u>Services for Seniors in Ontario.</u>
- for other programs and services available in your area visit:
   211ontario.ca.
- Seniors' INFOline
   Call: 416-326-7076
   Toll-free: 1-888-910-1999

TTY: 1-800-387-5559

Follow us on social <u>SeniorsON</u> <u>SeniorsOntario</u> <u>In Seniors and Accessibility</u>



### **Staff Report Year-End Financial Update**

Committee of the Whole Presentation June 5th

Staff and the Town auditors have completed the 2022 audit and are bringing this report forward with the year-end positions for the following departments:

Taxation

- Licensing
- Development Engineering
- Water
- Wastewater
- Harbour

Building

The final 2022 consolidated financial statements will be presented by the auditors at the June 26, 2023, Committee of the Whole.

Using the bi-monthly financial update report as a template, staff are bringing this report forward to give a snapshot for December 31, 2022, on major expenses, revenues, and capital. Building on report FAF.22.145 "Year-end Analysis" staff are also updating the forecasted year-end positions for Taxation, Water, Wastewater, Building, Harbour, Licensing, and Development Engineering.

### Analysis

**Taxation** – the Taxation Funded Departments ended 2022 with a deficit of \$531,685, this deficit is to be funded form the Working Capital Reserve. The deficit was driven by missed revenue budgets specifically Paid Parking.

**Licensing** – the Licensing Department ended 2022 with a surplus of \$186,597 which is held as deferred revenue and will be used to fund future Licensing costs. This is not an unexpected year-end outcome as 2022 was the busier due to more two-year licenses coming in 2022, it is not expected that 2023 will have the same year-end surplus.

**Development Engineering** – the Development Engineering department ended 2022 with a deficit of \$400,890, this deficit was funded from deferred revenues (Works Fees collected in previous years). Development Engineering fees, and timing of the collection of the fees are being reviewed through a Fees Review process in 2023.

**Water** – the Water Department ended 2022 with a deficit of \$71,759, the deficit was funded from the Water Rate Stabilization Reserve. This deficit was caused by equipment repairs and maintenance costs ending the year over-budget.

**Wastewater** – the Wastewater Department ended 2022 with a surplus of \$30,296 which was transferred into the Wastewater Rate

Stabilization Reserve. The 2022 surplus was generated from Private Septage revenues ending the year-over budget.

**Harbour** – the Harbour Department ended 2022 with a surplus of \$24,986 which was transferred into the Harbour Reserve. The surplus was driven by some revenue streams, such as Fuel Sales and Transient Mooring Fees, ending the year over-budget.

**Building** – the Building Department ended 2022 with a deficit of \$53,133 which was due to a slowdown in permit revenues. The deficit is funded from the Building Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund. More information can be found at the Building Year-end report, FAF.23.054.

### **Town Investments**

Investments held by the Town at December 31, 2022 totaled \$66.8 million (2021 - \$72.8 million), detailed in 2022 Summary of Investments. The decrease of \$6 million is related to an increase in Capital Projects and the requirement to fund those projects. The pandemic led to a delay of numerous projects and 2022 saw many delayed projects move forward.

These investments generated \$2,103,400 in interest revenue for the Town (2021 - \$582,685). The sharp increase to interest revenue in comparison to 2021 is due to raising interest rates resulting in a higher rate of return.

The Town's bank accounts with TD earn interest at prime less 1.95%. These accounts began 2022 earning an interest rate of 0.50%. At the end of 2022 these accounts earned an interest rate of 4.34%.

The Town's investments are diversified into cash and cash equivalents, and variable rate deposits such as high interest savings accounts and Guaranteed Investment Certificates (G.I.C.).

The 2023 outlook on interest revenue from investments is a continued relative rate of return. Short-term investments are displaying steady interest rates for 2023. Staff will continue to research opportunities to maximize the portfolio's returns.

Interest income of \$2,103,400 was allocated as follows:

Development Charges: \$817,421

Reserve Funds: \$917,000 General Fund: \$368,979

This interest earned is included in the Town's operating budget. Interest Earned on the Reserve Funds and Development Charges is available to fund projects.







## STONE COUNTERTOPS

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## SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY 4-day Workshop - \$100 per student

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St. George's Anglican Church, Clarksburg

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This incredible price is made possible through a generous subsidy by THORNBURY JAZZWORKS in collaboration with the Music Departments of BVCS and GBCS. Light snacks.

## Secure your space early. Email thornburyjazz@gmail.com before July 15th

Upon reservation, you will be sent a Registration Form and payment instructions.

For information send e-mail to carolecares@yahoo.ca or call Carole Edgar at 1-905-867-5507



Welcome to Inner Yogies, a unique boutique yoga studio and healing centre located in the heart of Thornbury! Nestled in this wonderful and energetic community, close to the expanses of Georgian Bay and the peaks of Blue Mountain, we invite you into our space to open your hearts, invigorate your body, and allow us to embrace you on your journey of health, happiness, and wellness.

Together we are a conscious community of teachers, coaches, healers, and students whose mission is to promote balance & well-being, and guide others to find a place of deep peace & joy, on and off the mat. Our dedicated and passionate team of yoga instructors and holistic practitioners open the space and offer a place for all to heal and grow together.

Inner Yogies offers a dynamic and engaging schedule of yoga and fitness classes in a warm and intimate space. Here we focus on authentic practices in a supportive & judgement free atmosphere where all are welcome to express their true selves. Our class sizes ensure you will always get the guidance and attention your practice needs to help you be your best self. Gentle Hatha Flow, Hot Power Hour, Yoga for Golfers, Restorative Yoga ... we have a yoga practice for everyone!

*Our studio also holds a wonderful retail space* abounding with Yoga essentials, healthy snacks & beverages, crystals, jewellery, and so much more.

We are honoured to share our space and offer a diverse variety of workshops, services, and experiences. From guided meditations to journeys through sound, Reiki healing and sacred Cacao ceremonies, Inner Yogies opens the door for you to expand your horizons, embrace your spirituality, and push the limits of possibility.

### Find your place in our space...

We Offer: Reflexology, Acupuncture, Reiki Healing, Energy Realignment, Alchemy Sessions



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53 Arthur Street W. (Hwy 26 W) Thornbury 705. 607.4731 info@inneryogies.com





## Are you looking for a Health Care Provider?

Melody Fox, Nurse Practitioner is currently accepting new patients at her private practice.

To book an appointment call 226-665-2200.

### Services provided include:

Primary Care Weight Management Women's Health Dermatology Men's Health Mental Health Counselling Geriatric Assessments Home Visits

Melody Fox RN, BScN, MSc, MN, FNP-C 69 King St. E., Thornbury (Hwy 26)

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## Updated Lyme Disease Map includes new 'estimated risk areas' in Grey-Bruce

Two more parts of Grey-Bruce are now considered estimated risk areas for Lyme disease due to the discovery of blacklegged ticks, which can carry the bacteria that causes the relatively rare vector-borne illness.

Public Health Ontario recently released its 2023 Ontario Lyme Disease Map, which identifies estimated risk areas in the province – locations where blacklegged ticks, which transmit the disease, have been identified or are known to occur and where people could encounter them. The Ontario Lyme Disease Map informs the public about these areas so they can take precautions.

Estimated risk areas are calculated as a 20-kilometre radius from the centre of a location where blacklegged ticks were found through drag sampling. As a result of GBPH's tick surveillance in 2022, two new estimated risk areas have been identified in Grey-Bruce, bringing the total number in the two counties to three.

The areas, which overlap and are each in the western part of Grey-Bruce near the Lake Huron shoreline, include parts of Northern Bruce Peninsula, South Bruce Peninsula, Georgian Bluffs, Saugeen Shores, Arran-Elderslie, and Kincardine.

"While the risk of getting Lyme disease remains low, we're asking residents to take simple measures to protect themselves from tick bites while enjoying the outdoors. It is important to be aware of the areas where blacklegged ticks are known to live or in potential tick habitat, such as wooded areas, shrubs, tall grass, or leaf piles," says GBPH Senior Program Manager Andrew Barton.

Lyme disease is caused by the bacteria B. burgdoferi, which can be transmitted to a person by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick.

The chance of encountering a blacklegged tick in Grey-Bruce has increased over the years, along with the number of Lyme disease cases in Ontario. Not all blacklegged ticks carry the bacteria that causes Lyme disease and not everyone who is bitten by an infected tick will develop signs and symptoms of Lyme disease.

In 2021, there were 1,455 cases of Lyme disease across Ontario, which represents a rate of 9.6 cases per 100,000 people.

There's a possibility of encountering infective blacklegged ticks almost anywhere in Ontario as ticks feed on and are transported by animals and migratory birds.

The Ontario Lyme Disease Map assists Public Health Units as they conduct Lyme disease case investigations and provides primary care providers with valuable information when considering potential exposures to blacklegged tick bites.

Early Lyme disease symptoms can include fever, headache, muscle/joint pain, fatigue, and a bull's-eye rash. Residents should consult a healthcare provider if experiencing these symptoms. If caught early, Lyme disease can be effectively treated with antibiotics.

Eligibility information for post-exposure prophylaxis to prevent Lyme disease is available here. GBPH follows up with all residents diagnosed with Lyme disease.

The best way to prevent Lyme disease is to avoid tick bites by:

- Using bug repellent containing DEET or Icaridin;
- Wearing light-coloured clothing;
- Tucking your shirt into pants, pants into socks, and wearing closed-toe shoes;
- · Walking on clear paths;
- Using a sticky roll brush to remove ticks from clothing before getting into the car;
- Showering or bathing shortly after being outdoors; and
- Checking your full body, children, gear, and pets for ticks.

If bitten by a tick, remove it immediately. In most cases, infected ticks must be attached to a person for at least 24 hours to pass on the bacteria. Information on how to remove and identify a tick can be found on Health Canada's Lyme Disease webpage.

## 2S-LGBTQQIAP+ MEANINGS

### **TWO SPIRIT**

AN INDIGENOUS IDENTITY TERM ENCOMPASSING A CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL IDENTITY AND ROLE WITHIN COMMUNITY THAT DOES NOT FALL WITHIN THE COLONIZED BINARY OF GENDERS. IT CAN ONLY BE USED BY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES. IT IS ALWAYS SAID FIRST AS AN ACT OF RECONCILIATION





### LESBIAN

A WOMAN WHO IS ROMANTICALLY OR SEXUALLY ATTRACTED TO ANOTHER WOMAN

### GAY

A PERSON WHO IS ROMANTICALLY OR SEXUALLY ATTRACTED TO A PERSON OF THE SAME GENDER





### BI (SEXUAL)

A PERSON WHO IS ROMANTICALLY OR SEXUALLY ATTRACTED TO TWO OR MORE GENDERS

### TRANS (GENDER)

A PERSON WHOSE GENDER IDENTITY OR BIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS DIFFER FROM THEIR ASSIGNED GENDER AT BIRTH





### **OUEER AND QUESTIONING**

A PERSON WHO IS EXPLORING THEIR GENDER IDENTITY, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. A PERSON WHO DOES NOT FIT WITHIN THE HETEROSEXUAL CISGENDER NORMATIVE

### INTERSEX

A PERSON WHOSE SEXUAL ANATOMY OR BIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS DIFFER FROM THE TRADITIONAL DEFINITIONS OF MALE AND FEMALE, OR ARE AMBIGUOUS





### **ASEXUAL OR AROMANTIC**

A PERSON WHO FEELS LITTLE OR NO ROMANTIC OR SEXUAL ATTRACTION TO OTHER PEOPLE

### **PANSEXUAL**

A PERSON WHO IS ATTRACTED TO ANOTHER PERSON, REGARDLESS OF THEIR GENDER IDENTITY





### PLUS SIGN (+)

A REPRESENTATION OF OTHER GENDER AND SEXUAL IDENTITIES THAT AREN'T INCLUDED IN THE ACRONYM. WE ACKNOWLEDGE ALL IDENTITIES AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

CONTACT: greybruceprideinfo@gmail.com @greybrucepride



## **Supporting Youth Pickleball**

We are looking to purchase a ball machine to advance their skill level. A good ball machine is an excellent teaching aid that will quickly improve their skills by providing fast, repetitive and variable delivery of shots consistently to the kids. Machine, caddie, pickup tubes, baskets, balls etc. will cost approx. \$3500.

Donations of any amount would be appreciated. Harry & Rosemarie. Call 226-665-1555 This is a non profit volunteer program.





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### Parking Issue at Thornbury Farmers' Market

Dear Town of Blue Mountains Mayor and Council,

#### The issue:

Bylaw enforcement officers have descended upon vehicles parked at the Thornbury Farmers' Market and have issued parking tickets for the last two weekends to several vendors parked in the municipal lots during market hours.

When asked why vendors' cars were targeted, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons pointed to the letter of the agreement between the town and the farmers' market. While the parking fees are indeed mentioned in the agreement and appear as early as 2021 when the parking fees pilot project was announced, it was never our assumption that vendors would be the target of bylaw enforcement. In fact, no tickets have ever been issued to vendors prior to this year. As many as 44% of our vendors are visitors to the municipality, so are vulnerable to be charged a parking fee to attend their own market, on top of the fees they already pay.

It seems obvious that this enforcement self-defeats economic development and flies in the face of permission that has been granted to the farmers' market for the use of municipal property every Sunday from 10am - 2pm, May to October. After all, every vendor needs to park somewhere during the market and the park grounds cannot support vehicular traffic on the grass. This should have been a consideration.

Following the lead of many other farmers' markets in Ontario who have made arrangements with municipal staff when faced with similar parking issues, we suggested that we could submit a master list of vendors, so that they can be issued parking passes, thus avoiding an additional parking fee during market hours.

We don't believe that the original intent of the parking fees pilot was to drive the Thornbury Farmers' Market out of business or to halt it as an economic and tourism driver for the community. But in actual fact, the enforcement of this bylaw on even a portion of market vendors is detrimental to the market's survival and has confused and angered some of our vendors, whose trust in our municipal landlords has now been shaken.

Customers too, are also weighing in on the \$10 parking fee, indicating they will no longer come to the market due to the cost,

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citing the Collingwood Farmers' Market where free parking on the weekends allows customers to freely come and go and keep the numbers high. Also, our vendors often attend many other markets and have shared with us, that Thornbury's Market is the only one in the area where parking is not free.

### Why it is important:

The Thornbury Farmers' Market is a member of Farmers' Markets Ontario (FMO) who have a long history in this province of advocation for local farmers' markets, providing resources and support for markets and communities across the province. Here is what their research has uncovered:

"For every dollar spent at the market, another two dollars ripple through the provincial economy. In Ontario alone, sales at farmers' markets total almost \$600 million, leading to an economic impact of an astounding \$1.8 billion.

For every one person you see working at the market, another two are busy at work back on the farm. As many as 27,000 people in Ontario are directly involved in preparing and selling the products you find at the market.

Farmers' Markets are good for other businesses too. Up to 70% of market-goers visit neighbouring businesses on their way to and from the market.

Just as each new season brings forth a fresh bounty of harvest, farmers' markets continue to encourage new businesses. Young and old entrepreneurs alike find markets a great place to start their own enterprise because of the low overhead. Some of these endeavours will grow into store-front businesses of their own."

### The solution:

When informed of vendor parking enforcement issue, Catherine Clark, Executive Director of Farmers' Markets Ontario, gave this response:

"It is unfortunate that the municipality did not plan or consider the consequences of parking tickets issued to the farmers' market vendors. Here is an example of municipal co-operation and understanding of the economic impact of farmers' markets in their jurisdiction:

We have been operating the East Lynn Park Farmers' Market since 2008 and the City of Toronto Parks and Recreation will issue free "Vendor Permit Pass" to individual vendors, volunteers and manager. The master list is submitted in advance and the passes are time stamped first and last day of market.

Farmers' Markets Ontario support (the Thornbury Farmers' Market's) approach to Council requesting an exemption for approved market vendors, volunteers and manager."

On June 19, Market Manager Elora Tarlo will provide a delegation to Council. We would like Council to follow the example of the East Lynn Park Farmers' Market and their successful relationship with the City of Toronto Parks and Recreation Department.

We ask that Council direct town staff to issue free parking passes to a master list of Thornbury Farmers' Market vendors, volunteers and manager which we will gladly supply, so that they we can continue to operate unencumbered by this issue and keep this market as a valuable community asset for now and many years to come.

We also ask that any tickets already issued to market vendors during market hours in 2023 be rescinded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ron Barnett, Steering Committee member,

Thornbury Farmers' Market, 519-924-0777

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### **Notice of Public Meeting**

### **Application for Official Plan Amendment**

Public Meeting: June 20, 2023, at 9:30 AM Hybrid Format (In-person AND Virtual via Microsoft Teams)

Town Hall, Council Chambers 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

Date of this Notice: May 25, 2023

File No: P3268

### What is being proposed?

The Town has brought forth a complete application for a proposed Official Plan Amendment. The purpose of the application is to amend the Short-Term Accommodation policies of Section B2.5 of Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan 2016, as amended. The proposed amendment was drafted following a Council resolution to further restrict the potential to add new Short-Term Accommodation units outside of the current exception area.

The proposed changes include restructuring of existing policies for clarity, formal recognition of the licensing requirement for short-term accommodation operation, and restriction of new short-term accommodation uses to the established Exception Area. Draft and track changes versions of the proposed amendment are available on the project page of the Town website, as indicated below.

### Where do I find more information?

Our website contains additional information and is available for viewing or download at www.thebluemountains.ca/sta-opa or by scanning the QR code.



You can also visit Planning Services at Town Hall during regular office hours Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or contact the planner for this file:

Shawn Postma, Manager of Community Planning

Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext. 248 or

Toll Free (888) 258-6867

Email: planning@thebluemountains.ca

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

The public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. You may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say!

Any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposed amendments.

### Where do I submit my comments?

Written comments received by June 16, 2023 will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting. Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk, Corrina Giles:

### By Mail or in Person:

32 Mill St. Box 310, Thornbury ON, NOH 2P0

Fax: (519) 599-7723

Email: townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

### When will a decision be made?

A decision on this proposal has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at the Public Meeting. After reviewing the application and any comments received, Town staff will bring a recommendation on this project to a future council meeting.

### Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing if you wish to receive a notice of any decision of Council on this proposal.

### Your rights to appeal a decision:

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of Council to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the amendment is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario's Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), all information provided for, or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record, including resident deputations. This information may be posted on the Town's website, and/or made available to the public upon request. This document can be made available in other accessible formats as soon as practicable upon request.



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This course is designed to support adults who interact with youth, ages 14-25 years-old, although its learning outcomes are applicable to all ages. It covers the most common mental health disorders and youth-specific concerns: Substance-related disorders, mood-related disorders, anxiety and trauma-related disorders, psychotic disorders, feeding and eating disorders, and deliberate self-injury.

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- What they are
- Who needs them
- Why they are needed & How they can be abused.

Grandparent Scams:

• What they are and how to protect yourself

### Thursday June 15 1-3pm At the L.E. Shore Library

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### **July 1st - August 19th 2023**

Tuesday & Thursdays: 1pm & 3pm

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday: 1pm, 3pm, & 5pm August 19th will be an end of Summer talent get together. Reserve today, let's get them playing guitar, drums, or bass!

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email - joshua.bergeron18@gmail.com



The Sea Otter Canada Bike Festival is returning **Saturday June 17, 2023**! Registration for the Scarecrow Gravel Ride is open. www.seaottercanada.com

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August 31

August 24



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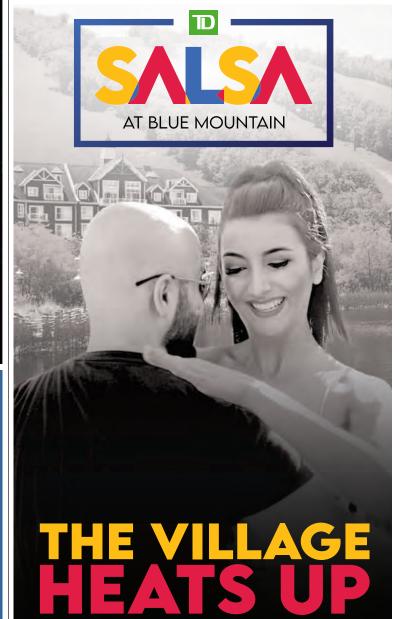




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### **CLARKSBURG**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8:30-10:30am

Royal Canadian Legion

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### **FACE PAINTING BY JUDY**

PARADE 11am - (signup on website)

Groups, businesses and individuals are invited to join in the parade with bicycles, walkers, floats, vintage cars and music.

Parade leaves Clarksburg, 11am to Thornbury

MARSH STREET CENTRE, noon - 5pm

admission & food by donation

BBQ, Bar and Music on the Patio with the

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### **THORNBURY**

BRUCE STREET PARKETTE, 11am-2pm

Music by The Offbeats, Face Painting, Rotary Hotdog Tent

**BIRTHDAY CAKE, Noon** 

**BVO SUMMER PICNIC**, Noon-2pm

Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of BVO at Smith Memorial Park, Hwy 26 & Mill Street (beside BVO). Enjoy music & a complimentary

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Visit our website for participant information:
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Test your skills with 16 games that have shaped video game history, including Pac-Man, Super Mario Bros., Tetris, Angry Birds, and Space Invaders. Experiment with augmented reality and examine upcoming video game trends while imagining what gaming will look like in the future.

Visitors can also tour Grey Roots' new permanent exhibit, Abundance which explores Grey County's landscape using artefacts, photographs, and archival records relating to the themes of Forest, Agriculture, and Water. Learn more about Abundance at greyroots. com/abundance.

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