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Arran-Elderslie Municipal Newsletter

Fall 2021

Mayor's Message

Be kind. Stay Positive!

Arran-Elderslie has had two big reasons to celebrate this fall. Big Bruce has been crowned [Ontario's Greatest Roadside Attraction](#). Thanks to all who voted for Big Bruce! The former Paisley Inn demolition project is underway and we hosted a fantastic community ceremony to kick this project off. Plans are underway to redevelop the site. This is an exciting project for our community!

As we all continue to navigate the fourth wave of COVID-19 there is lots of stress in our lives as a result of a long pandemic. To quote Big Bruce after his big win "2021 has been a tough year for a lot of people. Reach out a helping hand if you can. Please stay safe and be kind to one another". Please stay positive.

Steve Hammell
Mayor of Arran-Elderslie

Important Municipal Dates

- September 27, 2021- Council Meeting
- September 30, 2021- Truth and Reconciliation Day- Municipal Office Open
- October 11, 2021- Thanksgiving- Municipal Office Closed
- October 12, 2021- Council Meeting
- October 25, 2021- Council Meeting
- November 8, 2021- Council Meeting
- November 22, 2021- Council Meeting

2022 Municipal Grant and Donation Requests- By October 1st 2021

The Municipality recognizes the many benefits that various groups, organizations, volunteers and events, provide by promoting and improving upon the social, cultural, and economic wellbeing of the community.

As per the Arran-Elderslie Grant and Donation Policy adopted in 2021, organizations requesting funds must apply utilizing an online or paper form. For 2022 funds, organizations must apply by **October 1, 2021**. The online form is available on arran-elderslie.ca

September 30, 2021 Truth and Reconciliation Day

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie will be honouring the lost children and survivors of former residential schools, their families and communities on September 30th. We need to continually listen and learn about what we can do as a community and as a country to move towards reconciliation.

Paying Your Taxes

Final Installment Tax Date- October 25th

We process many types of payment methods- mail, internet or telephone banking, in-person at the Municipal Office or pre-authorized Payments. Please use the method that is most convenient for you. Please remember to include the stub of your tax bill, the tear off section off an invoice or your account number in writing for all payments.

Email of Future Property Tax or Water/Sewer Bills

In an effort to become more efficient and effective in processing Property Tax and Sewer/Water Bills, the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie is offering residents and businesses the opportunity to receive these bills by e-mail as opposed to regular mail. We see this green initiative as a value-added service to the residents and business owners of Arran-Elderslie and hope that you agree. Please note this is not mandatory- if you do not sign up for this service you will receive a paper copy in the mail as normal.

Access the online form to apply for this service on our website under 'Paying Your Taxes' or contact the Municipal Office for a paper copy of the form.

Leaf Collection Days

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Two pickup days for leaves and compost are scheduled for Chesley, Paisley and Tara. Please place your leaves and compost out on **October 26th & November 16th** for pickup. You must call the Municipal Office to get put on the list for pickup. Leaves MUST be in biodegradable paper bags. Materials in plastic bags will not be collected. Bags must be at the curb by 8am.

Compost Deposit

- The Chesley Landfill will be open EVERY Saturday 8am-12noon in October & November for free leaf/compost drop-off.
- The Arran Landfill is open weekly Thursdays 8am-3pm and Saturday 8am-12 noon for free leaf/compost drop-off. You must weigh in and weigh out. There is a fee for wood and brush at this location. You may pay by debit.
- The Paisley Works Garage has bins for compost drop off until the snow arrives.

Please note you can only dump in the Municipality in which you live or pay taxes. We do not accept waste waste at our landfills from outside of Arran-Elderslie. If you live or pay taxes in Arran-Elderslie, please do not take your waste to another Municipality's landfill.

Winter Parking Reminder

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie restricts street parking to provide safe snow removal and emergency services to municipal residents. As per the Traffic and Parking By-law No. 46-2020, parking is restricted from November 1st to April 30th between 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Applicable fines will apply and vehicles impeding snow removal may be towed at owner's expense. Thank you in advance for helping winter maintenance crews plow faster and more efficiently.

did you know?

Paid Parking

We have parking lots in Paisley and Chesley where you can purchase overnight, weekly, monthly or annual parking passes. More information and fees can be found under 'Roads and Sidewalks' and 'Parking' on our website. You can access an online form to apply for a paid parking pass on our website.

Paisley Inn Demolition Ceremony

On September 13th we celebrated the demolition of the former Paisley Inn with the community of Paisley. It was a great evening filled with memories and excitement for what is to come with this property. Pictured below: Garrett Eggink (Fischer Grist Milling Corp), Steve Hammell (Mayor of Arran-Elderslie), Melissa Kanmacher (Paisley Ward Councillor

Many thanks to those residents who keep the snow shoveled from the fire hydrants in case of an Emergency! We appreciate it!



Animal Control & ByLaw Enforcement

The Municipality receives animal control and property standards concerns by phone or in writing. You can view a list of municipal bylaws on our website or by contacting the Clerk's Department.

Bylaw Enforcement Dispatch- 226-910-1322

Animal Control Services- 519-373-1000

Written bylaw inquiries can be emailed to bylaw@arran-elderslie.ca, dropped off at the Municipal Office or submitted through our online form located on the 'By-laws' page.

Big Bruce is Crowned Ontario's Favourite Roadside Attraction!

We are thrilled to announce that Big Bruce has been chosen Ontario's Greatest Roadside Attraction! This competition was organized by TVO's The Agenda.

Big Bruce was purchased by the Bruce County Cattlemen's Association for the 1976 International Plowing Match hosted in Bruce County. He traveled around on a trailer promoting Bruce County and the beef industry before he was placed permanently outside the Municipal Office in Chesley. Big Bruce stands here now as a tribute to Harvey Davis, who was instrumental in the purchasing of Big Bruce and made an outstanding contribution to Elderslie Township, Bruce County and beyond. Big Bruce is a fantastic landmark in our community and many stop to take photos beside him each year. Thank you to all who voted!



Recreation Programming and Facilities

Preregistration and a waiver are required for all recreation programs. Please reference the Municipality's Return to Play protocol, available on our website. Contact Katrina Eke, Program Coordinator programs@arran-elderslie.ca 519-363-3039 ex 117 to register.

Morning Fitness

Morning Fitness Starting September 22nd, at the Chesley Community Centre. All participants must preregister at the office and sign a waiver. All exercises are done to a video, and can be adjusted or modified to suit your fitness needs and ability. \$2 drop in fee per visit.

WANT TO RUN YOUR OWN PROGRAM? DON'T HAVE THE SPACE TO DO IT???? WE CAN HELP!!

Use your local Community Centre to run an activity opened to the public. Set your own program fee, choose an available time, and let us help you organize, and promote it.

Cost for the use of space is \$17.95 per hour.

For more details phone Katrina Eke at 519-363-3039 Or e-mail programs@arran-elderslie.ca

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD!!!!

Community Guide Advertising

Anyone with inclusions or anyone wishing to advertise in the 2022 Community Guide, are asked to contact Katrina by the November 1st deadline.

Ad fees

Business card – \$89.95 ¼ page – \$138.00 ½ page – \$179.75

Public Skating Sponsorships

There are many public skating sponsorship opportunities at each arena from October to March. This is a great way for local businesses, service clubs and individuals to provide an opportunity for the community to get out and active in the winter months. The cost to sponsor a skate is \$62.83 plus hst. To learn more or to book your public skate sponsorship, call us.

Carpet Bowling

did you know?

Come on out and give carpet bowling a try. Beginner to skilled players welcome. All participants must register in advance by October 8th. Just show up when you can make it. \$2 per visit

Chesley-Wednesdays at 1:30pm Starts on October 13th

Paisley – Start date to be determined

Please contact Katrina to register.



Day Adult and Tot Skate Times

Adult and tot skates will begin in each arena the week of October 12th.

Chesley Mon and Fri 10-11am

Paisley Tues and Fri 9:30-10:30am

Tara Mon and Fri 11-12am

Please contact Katrina to register.

Want to walk in warm environment so you can keep fit and social this winter?

Tara Community Centre- Mon & Fri -9-11am

Chesley Community Centre- Mon, Wed & Fri -11-noon

Paisley Community Centre- Tues, Thurs & Fri -11-noon

Walking starts after the Thanksgiving weekend. Nordic walking poles are available for those who are interested in using them. Feel free to use your own walker, wheelchair, or speed walk in your own sneakers...whatever type of walking you enjoy! All welcome.

Blood Donor Clinic

Blood Donor Clinic October 1, 2021 at the Chesley Community Centre. Give the gift of life.

Public Skating Schedule

Public Skate Times for the season will be as follows...

Chesley – Fridays at 5pm-6pm, Sunday's at 5pm-6pm starts Oct 15th

Paisley – Sundays at 6:30pm-7:30pm, Tuesdays at 12pm-1pm, Fridays at 2pm-3pm starts Oct 12th

Tara - Fridays at 4:30pm-5:30pm, Sundays at 3pm-4pm starts Oct 15th

Subject to change. Please preregister at the Municipal Office. \$3 per person or \$8 per family.

Tai Chi

Join us for Tai Chi at the Chesley Community Centre on Wednesday from **7:15pm-8:15pm** & Friday from **6:15pm-7:15pm** beginning on October 6th. Preregister at the Municipal Office. \$2 drop in fee per visit.

Arran-Elderslie Facility and Recreation Return to Play Protocol- As of September 22, 2021

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie is committed to the health and safety of visitors and staff in all of our facilities. The Municipality has developed a Return to Play Protocol for Step 3 of the Province's reopening plan and in accordance with O.Reg 364/20 .

Please note that in response to evolving data around the Delta variant and based on the recent experiences of other jurisdictions, the government of Ontario in consultation with Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health is pausing exit from the Roadmap to Reopen. We continue to remain in Step 3.

Please see below some of the highlights from Arran-Elderslie's Return to Play Protocol as of September 18, 2021. **The entire document is located on our website on the Plans, Report and Studies page as well as the Facilities and Rentals page.**

Proof of Vaccination

As per the amended Regulation under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020, all persons entering a municipal recreation facility who are over 12 years of age must be fully vaccinated and be past fourteen (14) days of second dose. Patrons will be required to provide proof of identification and proof of vaccination status upon entry to the facility.

Patrons who are under the age of 18 years and are entering the indoor premises of a facility used for sports and recreational fitness activities solely for the purpose of actively participating in an organized sport, such as training, practices, games and competitions are exempt from being fully vaccinated if they are participating in sport or recreational activities. Please note, the league's governing body may require eligible participants to be fully vaccinated to participate in their program i.e. minor hockey. *The government may change the requirements and the Municipality will update our Return to Play Protocol accordingly.*

Safety Precautions

- All persons entering a municipal community centre must wear a face covering that securely covers the nose, mouth and chin as required per Municipality of Arran-Elderslie requirements.
- Physical distancing of two (2) metres is required at all times.
- Ensure you wash or sanitize your hands upon arrival and frequently throughout the day.
- Be advised that anyone entering the building will be required to passively screen themselves for COVID-19 symptoms (via signage) before being allowed entry to the building. If you or anyone in your household are feeling sick, please do not come to the facility. Your session will be rescheduled or if another session cannot be booked a refund will be provided.
- Surfaces and other high touch areas will be cleaned and disinfected frequently.
- Municipality of Arran-Elderslie employees will have appropriate training and protective equipment for their work environment and will be actively screened before entering the facility. Posters will be present throughout the facility reminding patrons of screening requirements, mandatory masking and maintaining physical distance.

