### **Kelly Lush**

From: Community Living Kincardine & District <aswan@clkd.ca>

**Sent:** August 1, 2024 10:00 AM

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**Subject:** CLKD's August 2024 newsletter is here!





August 2024 Newsletter

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Inspiring Possibilities

An inclusive caring community.

Over \$21,000 Raised at the CLKD Charity Golf Classic!



Thank you to our photographers, Stu Eadie and Jeffrey Van de Klippe <u>click here</u> to view the photo gallery.

On July 19th we hosted our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Classic at the beautiful Ainsdale Golf Course. This event has once again, exceeded our expectations.

As our largest annual fundraising event, Community Living Kincardine and District relies on funds generated here to help satisfy our most immediate needs. Over the last 16 years, this event has helped develop greater independence for the people we support through social and life skill building, job readiness, employment, and so much more.

We are incredibly thankful for our community sponsors, golfers, Title Sponsor 2mPower, and Change Maker Sponsor NPX for their support and generosity. **Our \$15,000 goal was exceeded with a grand total of \$21,233 raised.** 

This year, funds raised will go toward the purchase of a generator for the Saratoga home to ensure uninterrupted power for important medical equipment and mobility devices during power outages.

Thank you for helping to Inspire Possibilities with us!

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**Silver Medals for Local Swimmer Josh Easton!** 









Pictured above is Josh finishing his swim, Josh in the pool after his race flexing his muscles in achievement, proudly displaying his medals and standing on the podium ready to accept his medal.

The weekend was amazing; best weekend ever! I was so tired, physically tired, but the adrenaline kept me going.

Adrenaline is an amazing thing. It was making me swim faster and faster. It was an adrenaline-fueled weekend.

The greatest thing about that weekend was that everyone on my team was extremely friendly. We all shared the common goal of swimming, so we all helped each other warm up and exercise. The first time I really knew we were a great team was when I got out of my wheelchair to go for a walk, and everyone was right there around me to spot me if I needed help.

I have been doing lane swim for many years to help my body heal and get stronger. I can't really remember how I qualified to go to the Provincials, but all my hard work has paid off, for sure. I also go to the gym so that has helped me get to the Provincials in Waterloo too.

I won two silver medals in swimming. It felt great to be on the winning podium. It felt even better because I got to walk up to the podium by myself. People tried to offer me help but I needed to walk up on my own. It felt really great to accomplish that.

I will remember that weekend for a long time. I had a lot of fun with other athletes that I met there and chatted with. I did go to the dance and had fun for a while but then felt overstimulated and tired, so I turned in early.

# **Volunteering With The Lakeshore Triathlon**









The photo collage shows Susan in her bright green shirt in front of the inflatable finish line banner, cheering on, congratulating participants and handing out medals.

Excited to be back volunteering with the Women's Lakeshore Triathlon in Port Elgin, Susan spent a sunny Saturday on the beach at the finish line with her team of volunteers. Susan and her team of volunteers directed participants on course, cheered them across the finish line, and handed out medals.

Susan has been volunteering with local women's triathlons for over 7 years. She is a natural cheer leader providing positive encouragement to those around her by clapping and smiling. Her eagerness to put on the bright, lime green volunteer shirt and get to work was a good indication of her enjoyment of her role in the event.

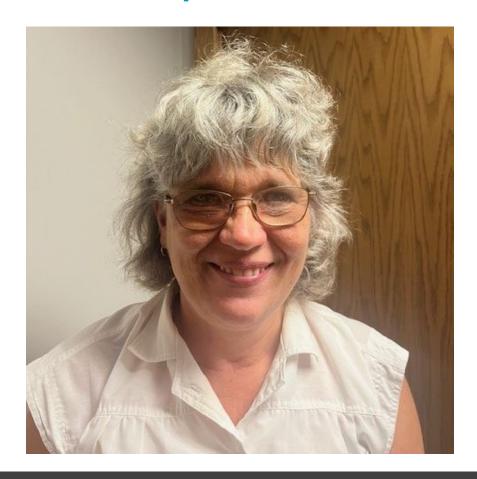
Volunteers stopped to thank Susan and said how welcome she made them feel.

A participant commented, "Thank you for being here at the finish line for me. It meant a lot. It was my first triathlon. Susan gave me a great big smile and my medal. It made it all worthwhile".

What a wonderful way to give back to the community.

-Susan Kirk (Translated)

# **Kathy Kicks Cancer**



Kathy is pictured above smiling, showing off her hair regrowth after conquering cancer.

Do you know the word Cancer? You hear it so often but you never think that it would be you that would get it. This is what happened to me.

I was diagnosed with breast cancer in January 2023, I was 56 years of age. I started chemo therapy and I felt good. I was able to do all the things I could do before. When I started the second round of chemo, my hair started coming out. I used to have long hair and it was hard for me to keep loosing bits of hair so I decided I would get it all cut off; it was going to come off one way or another. The girls at Hair Connections were good. They helped me with my wig and coloured it so it looked better on me.

It was a hard time. I was taking four different cocktails of medication. I had to stop working and I felt overwhelmed. I went to most of my appointments on my own, with a driver. Luckily, I never got sick to my stomach. When I started radiation, I got a radiation burn and the process seemed to take forever.

My hair slowly started to grow back. My hair is straight, just like it was before it fell out. It feels thicker and it feels like I have more hair. I love the way my hair has grown in, I just don't like that I had to loose all my hair the way I did.

In June I went for a check up and got the news that everything is ok and there are no signs of any cancer left. I had a port in my chest for medication that was taken out and I am free and clear! I have to go for follow up appointments to make sure it does not come back.

I am very lucky that the cancer is gone and that all the treatments worked. I am back to doing all the things I did before I got diagnosed, and I even got my job back at the vet.

-Kathy Soloduka

# **Randy's Return to the Pool**



"I am so happy to be in the pool with my friends." Not only is it therapeutic for Randy to exercise weightless in the pool, but he also gets to enjoy his time hanging out with his friends. Reliant on a wheelchair to get around on land, the pool allows for Randy to move freely.

"I really like it when staff help me stand up so I can touch the bottom. When my feet are on the bottom of the pool, I sometimes like to jump up and down a little. I also like to dunk my head under the water. The pool makes me very relaxed."

Randy has been a strong advocate at the pool, working with the Municipality to help make the pool more accessible for people with mobility support needs. Randy plans to continue his advocacy efforts to further the pool accessibility with a few more suggestions on how to make the change room even more user friendly for all.

- Randy Smith

# **Monster Trucks All Out!**







"It was cool seeing the big trucks and watching them smash around. I had fun hanging out with my friend. I liked getting my pictures taken with the big trucks. It was an awesome day! I liked the Crusher truck the best. The crowd was really big, it was packed, it was the biggest crowed I've seen since covid!"

Allan fondly remembers how he and his Grandpa used to go to car shows when he was young and expressed that cool cars and trucks always remind him of his Grandpa.

- Allan Moore

Donald had the biggest smile as he approached the fair grounds to watch the monster trucks. His smile lasted for days after the event and he kept telling everyone he met "big truck, fun and smash!"

Donald spent many summer nights at the Varney Speedway watching his brother race stock cars when he was young. His love for racing and cars has carried on through the years.

- Donald Coulson (Translated)

# Youth Connections Summer Program Reaches the Halfway Mark













In the first half of this summer, Youth Connections has been buzzing with excitement as young participants dived into a diverse array of activities. The youth have been actively involved in many volunteering efforts, focusing on maintaining local trails, feeding animals in our community and socializing with cats, hoping to prepare them for adoption. These activities have not only contributed to the community's well-being but have immersed the youth in hands-on learning.

Cooking sessions have been a hit. Youth have learned practical culinary skills and got to bring delicious meals home to their families. These experiences aren't just about practical skills though. Social skills sessions and board game afternoons have become favorite pastimes, fostering teamwork, strategic thinking and lively competition among friends.

It's not all indoors either, outings to Camp Kintail and MacGregor Provincial Park have sparked curiosity and expanded the youth's horizons, making learning feel like an adventure. The fun doesn't stop here, we've had many activities catered to specific interested where youth have been able to study for their driver's licenses together, find their inner peace through yoga and

visit places downtown, like the vet clinic, which they've always wanted to know more about.

As the summer season unfolds, Youth Connections still has lots more fun to be had!

- Abby McDonald, Youth Connections Team Lead

### **Medieval Times**













Catherine was so excited when she was asked by her friend Lorraine to attend the Medieval Times Toronto last month. Catherine met up with her friend Lorraine in Walkerton, where they got on a coach bus with their travel group, organized by Marlin Travel, to Toronto's Medieval Times.

 $\ensuremath{^{\text{T}}}$  I enjoyed taking the bus because the seats were comfy.

We got there early so we walked around the park, [across from the Medieval Times], and took some pretty pictures in the gardens with fountains and flowers.

We checked out the awesome gift shop area, which had amazing light up cups, swords and exciting souvenirs. our group got blue crowns and blue flags to cheer for the blue knight, which was a nice surprise. I was a bit frightened by the smoky fog and loud bangs, [when the lights went down] but, as the show went on, I enjoyed the performances and all the different horses. The food also tasted good, and the experience of eating with your fingers was messy fun!

My friend Lorraine bought us matching leather unicorn journals and she got all the knights, performers, and the Queen to sign them for us. We even got a photo with the Queen after the dinner and show. I liked that I got to sit with my best friend Lorraine [on the ride home] and we watched a movie on my tablet. Overall it was a pretty great day!"

# Miller Insurance Celebrates 125 years with Donation to CLKD's Baby & Me Groups!



In celebration of 125 years in business, Miller Insurance is giving back by donating \$125,000 to organizations in communities where they operate. As a result, The Kincardine Miller Insurance office invited their staff to bring forward nominations of programs in the community that they would like Miller Insurance to support.

Community member and Miller Insurance employee, Jessica Campbell, nominated CLKD's Baby & Me Groups. Nominations were voted on by all staff and Baby & Me was one of two programs chosen to receive \$2,500.

Baby & Me Groups are inclusive groups geared to babies, toddlers, and preschoolers of all abilities along with their parents/caregivers that are fun, educational, and work on developmental milestones. All families in the community are welcome to attend. As a program not otherwise funded, Baby & Me Groups rely on donations to continue to offer these drop-in, barrier free, groups, free of charge.

We would like to thank Miller Insurance and their staff at the Kincardine Miller Insurance office for their generous support. Congratulations on 125 years!

# **Upcoming Events & Activities**



# Baby & Me Groups Running Every Thursday of the Month!

Baby & Me programs will rotate each week through Baby & Me Music, Baby & Me Messy Art, Baby & Me Sensory Play, Baby & Me Early Literacy and Baby & Me Gross Motor and Movement.

Please visit our **website** and/or follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram** to stay up-to-date!



### "Art Matters" Exhibition and Sale

July 1 - September 30th, 2024

Grey Matter Beer Co. 726 Queen Street, Kincardine

Local artist Lorraine Henderson along with other local artists will be featured in the "Art Matters" exhibit throughout July, August and September at Grey Matter Beer Company.

To learn more about CLKD's services and events, visit our website!







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August 7, 2024

# Welcome to the August Edition of RTO7's Industry E-Newsletter!

# In This Newsletter:

- What's Going On...at RTO7
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  - Tourism Growth Program Applications Open
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# What's Going On...at RTO7

### **Tech Compass**



We're thrilled to announce the launch of Tech Compass, your go-to resource for digital transformation in the tourism industry. Whether you're looking to streamline operations, enhance customer experiences, or boost your online presence, Tech Compass offers the tools and guidance you need to navigate the digital landscape.

Here's how Tech Compass can help Tourism Businesses:

- Tech Assessment: A comprehensive consultation to identify your tech needs.
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   Unlock the full potential of your tourism business and embrace the future with Tech Compass!

Visit TechCompass.ca to learn more and apply for your 1:1 consult!

### **Recruitment Implementation Program**

Are you considering investing in sponsored job posts on Indeed for your fall/winter hiring? Before you reach for your wallet, let RTO7 take care of that expense for you! This is an excellent opportunity to maximize your recruitment efforts without the cost. Apply for the new Recruitment Implementation Program today and let us help you attract the skilled professionals you need to run your business successfully. Learn more by visiting RTO7.ca.

# **Funding & Business Support**

### **Tourism Growth Program Applications Open**

The Tourism Growth Program (TGP) provides \$108 million over 3 years (2023-2026) to support communities, small and medium-sized businesses and not-for-profit organizations in developing local tourism products and experiences. The current intake period is open from August 6 to September 17, 2024, at 4:59 pm EST.

FedDev ON is hosting a virtual program information session on the Tourism Growth Program on August 21, from 10:00 to 11:00 am EST. Click here to register.

To benefit as many tourism operators as possible, FedDev Ontario is focusing this intake on new applicants only. Guides on how to apply and the application links can be found on the FedDev ON TGP website here.

### **Propel - Tourism Student Work Placement Program**

The Propel Student Work Placement Program supports the growth of a vibrant and skilled tourism sector by connecting students in any discipline with tourism employers for paid, hands-on learning opportunities. Learn more by visiting their website or register for the next info session, on August 22 at 1 pm for more info.

# Webinars, Workshops & Events

- August 13, Virtual, Business to Bruce, Create an Inclusive Workplace:
   Embrace Diversity, 3 to 4 pm
   A safe and welcoming environment is essential to the success of all businesses. In part one of our Managing with Sensitivity series, you'll learn how to promote an inclusive environment that values diversity. Reserve a spot here.
- August 15, Virtual, Business to Bruce, Nurture a Safe Workplace: Prevent
  Discrimination, 12 to 1 pm
  In part two of the Business to Bruce, Managing with Sensitivity series, you'll
  learn to identify and prevent discrimination, implement inclusive policies,
  and handle complaints effectively. Reserve your space here.
- August 20, Virtual, Business to Bruce, Lead with Empathy and Insight:
   Enhance Workplace Dynamics, 10 to 11 am
   In the third and final part of the Managing with Sensitivity series, you will learn to use emotional intelligence in management, address sensitivity issues, and build a welcoming workplace. Reserve your spot today!
- August 21, Virtual, Business to Bruce, QuickBooks for Small Business, 6 to 7 pm
   Get a comprehensive tour to managing your books with QuickBooks

- Online™. Learn essential skills, track HST, and avoid common mistakes. Register for the free workshop here. (Alternate date below).
- August 22, South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre How to Craft your Value Proposition Workshop, 1 to 3:30 pm
   Join the SBEC and the Town of Wasaga Beach at this dynamic session tailored to help you clearly define and articulate the unique value your product or service brings to the market. Taking place at the Wasaga Beach Public Library, complete your free registration today to attend.
- August 27, Virtual, Business to Bruce, QuickBooks for Small Business, 12 to 1 pm
   Get a comprehensive tour to managing your books with QuickBooks
   Online<sup>™</sup>. Learn essential skills, track HST, and avoid common mistakes.
   Register for the free workshop here.
- September 9, Virtual, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion: Hiring & Retention, 12 to 1 pm Rainbow Registered is hosting an impactful webinar series with diversity champion Ren Navarro. This session will look into the details of hiring and retention and answer your questions about how DEI concepts can (and should) impact your hiring processes. Click here to register for this free online event.
- September 10, Collingwood Tourism Master Plan Open House, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm
   Save the date and join fellow tourism stakeholders at the Collingwood Public Library for an Open House where the draft Tourism Master Plan will be presented for public awareness and discussion. Learn more at Engage Collingwood here.
- September 12, Virtual, Destination Dialogues Webinar: Rethinking
   Experience Development in Canada's Rural Destinations, 11:30 am to 1 pm
   Destination Canada is hosting their webinar series to explore how destinations, organizations, businesses and individuals can craft and offer unique storytelling-based experiences in RURAL areas. Join us for a free 90-minute webinar designed to inspire, inform, and empower destination development. Register now!

- September 17, Four County Labour Market Planning Board AGM, 6 to 7 pm
   This virtual meeting will include a message from the board chair and a
   presentation of the annual report of activities with the Executive Director. To
   register for the event, email executivedirector@planningboard.ca.
- September 25, Welcoming the World: A Diversity & Belongingness
  Conference, 8:30 am to 4 pm
  Hosted by the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership, this one-day
  event will include engaging activities to explore how to embrace diversity
  and foster inclusion in Grey Bruce. The in-person event is \$27 pp and will
  be at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre in Owen Sound. Join
  us and register today!
- October 22 to 23, 2024 Ontario Tourism Summit
   Join TIAO and its members for their annual 2-day conference in Hamilton.
   This year's summit is about Awareness, Collaboration, and Making it
   Happen. Register at the Advanced Member Pricing rate until September 2 on the TIAO website here.

### In Case You Missed It

### **Smart Serve Cares**

A program providing FREE mental health support and resources for hospitality in Ontario to those who possess a Valid Smart Serve Certification. Visit the Smart Serve Cares website and share with your staff so they can access free mental health support and sign up today!

## Google Introduces a New 2.5% Digital Services Tax (DST)

As of October 1, 2024, Google will begin adding a new "Canada DST" surcharge to your next invoice or statement for ads served in Canada. This means invoices or statements for Ads served on or after October 1, 2024, will include a surcharge at a rate of 2.5% for ads served in Canada. Learn more at Google Support here.

### **Canadian Tourism Data Collective Industry Webinar**

If you missed the industry webinar diving into the data collective's features and functionality, you can view a recording of the webinar here. This comprehensive webinar introduces the basics and benefits of the Data Collective, including a detailed platform demo and a Q&A segment to address user questions.













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### **RTO7 Programs and Resources**

Our programs and resources aim to support business growth, foster collaboration, promote sustainability, provide market insights, attract more visitors, and improve tourism experiences in BruceGreySimcoe. Click on the links below for more info:

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# news



**Message from the President and CEO** 

This is an important year for the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO). Over the past few months, we have crossed several milestones on our journey towards selecting a site for Canada's deep geological repository for used nuclear fuel.

We have made a lot of progress on our site selection process and are pleased that the Township of Ignace has confirmed it is willing to move forward to the next phase. Thank you to the residents of Ignace who have worked tirelessly with us for over a decade to help shape what the project could look like in their community and to ensure they could make an informed decision.

In the other potential host communities, South Bruce signed its hosting agreement, and discussions with Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation and Saugeen Ojibway Nation are ongoing. We appreciate the commitment and dedication of all the potential siting communities as we continue to make progress through these important milestones.

Click here to read my full update where you can learn more about the leadership from potential host communities, the site selection process and more.

Sincerely,

Laurie Swami

Township of Ignace confirms it is a willing host community for Canada's repository for used nuclear fuel



Municipality of South Bruce signs hosting agreement with the Nuclear Waste Management Organization



Meet Jessica
Perritt, NWMO
water steward and
Manager
of Indigenous
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# The NWMO signs and renews agreements with international partners











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# nouvelles de la SSCOO

# L'importance de la collectivité



### Message de la présidente et chef de la direction

Cette année a une très grande importance pour la Société de gestion des déchets nucléaires (SGDN). Au cours des derniers mois, nous avons franchi plusieurs étapes sur la voie de la sélection d'un site pour

le dépôt géologique en profondeur canadien de combustible nucléaire irradié.

Notre processus de sélection d'un site a déjà beaucoup avancé cette année et nous sommes heureux que le Canton d'Ignace ait confirmé qu'il consent à passer à la phase suivante du processus de sélection d'un site. Nous remercions les résidents d'Ignace, qui ont travaillé sans relâche avec nous pendant plus de 10 ans pour nous aider à définir la forme que pourrait prendre le projet dans leur collectivité et pour faire en sorte qu'ils aient la compréhension nécessaire afin de prendre une décision éclairée.

En ce qui concerne les autres collectivités hôtes potentielles, South Bruce a signé son accord d'hébergement, et les discussions avec la Nation ojibwée de Wabigoon Lake et la Nation ojibwée de Saugeen se poursuivent. Nous sommes reconnaissants pour l'engagement et le dévouement que nous ont accordé et nous accorderont toutes les collectivités hôtes potentielles au fil de ces jalons importants.

Cliquez ici pour lire ma mise à jour complète, dans laquelle vous pourrez en apprendre davantage sur le leadership des collectivités hôtes potentielles, le processus de sélection d'un site et bien plus encore.

Sincèrement,

Laurie Swami

Le Canton d'Ignace confirme qu'il consent à être une collectivité hôte pour le dépôt canadien de combustible nucléaire irradié



La Municipalité de South Bruce signe un accord d'hébergement avec la Société de gestion des déchets nucléaires



Rencontrez
Jessica Perritt,
intendante de l'eau
et gestionnaire du
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# La SGDN conclut et renouvelle des accords avec des partenaires clés





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# **Communities in Bloom Symposium and Awards**

Thursday, September 19, 2024 | 1 PM Landscape Ontario, 7856 Fifth Line South, Milton



Communities in Bloom Ontario will be hosting a symposium and awards ceremony at Landscape Ontario's headquarters in Milton.

Join fellow gardening professionals and enthusiasts for live speakers, a panel discussion and the awards ceremony that celebrates communities across the province who have enhanced their cities and towns through the creation of beautiful gardens and green spaces.

This event is open to industry members and the general public.

**Please note:** each person attending the event must register via the RSVP form (https://landscapeontario.jotform.com/242254250140038).

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Funding request of \$5,000 awarded to Communities In Bloom Ontario.

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### Communities in Bloom now part of Landscape Ontario

Landscape Ontario formalized its partnership, taking ownership and responsibility for this community-based program in the Ontario region.

(communities-in-bloom-now-part-of-landscape-ontario)

### Always together rose to debut in 2026

The CNLA New Plant Development Committee (NPDC) in partnership with Communities in Bloom (CiB) and the Never Alone Cancer Foundation (NACF) is proud to introduce the Always Together Rose, which will be coming to market for spring 2026.

(always-together-rose-to-debut-in-2026)

### Communities in Bloom announces the colour of the year for 2024

Orange is this year's choice for the flower colour theme of the year.

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#### Waterloo Chapter Fall Freeze Up 2024

If you haven't yet started a tradition, join the Waterloo Chapter for an evening of celebration and networking with your fellow members. Let's make this a memorable occasion together! (waterloo-chapter-fall-freeze-up-2024)

### CitiesAlive 2024

This year's CitiesAlive conference offers opportunities for participants to connect with experts and design professionals in many green infrastructure fields.

(citiesalive-2024)

### **Grounds Management Sector Battery Power Panel 2024**

Join us on August 15th for a spirited discussion on the evolving future of the landscape profession with the rise of battery-powered equipment.

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Our mission is to be the leader in representing, promoting and fostering a favourable climate for the advancement of the horticulture industry in Ontario.

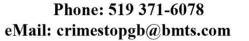
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# **Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc.**

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# 19 AUG 2024 MEDIA RELEASE – Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Seeks Funding and Volunteers to Continue Operations

In a July letter from the Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Board to its Police Services and Police Services Boards partners in Grey and Bruce counties, it was stated the program is in desperate need of funds and Board members in order to continue.

The letter went on to state without a new source of funding sufficient to take the program through the 2025 – 2026 fiscal year, Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce would only have enough funding to operate until March 31, 2025, at which point the program would be required to close; with this decision to be made at the program's September 9, 2024 Annual General Meeting.

The program is asking community and business members to step forward and donate to allow this very worthwhile crime-fighting charitable program to continue.

Aside from one full-time Civilian Program Coordinator, Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce is entirely operated by volunteers and is seeking members of the community to volunteer on the Board of Directors to help guide the program into the future.

Since its inception in 1987, Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce has served the citizens of the two counties by providing an anonymous service to receive tips about unsolved crimes which are securely passed along to law enforcement. Rewards are paid out for successful tips. Their statistics to date show the value of the information provided by the citizens of Grey and Bruce through the program:

		Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Statistics August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024	
Arrests	1,790	Arrests	14
Cases Cleared	2,755	Cases Cleared	12
Property Recovered	\$4,838,616	Property Recovered	\$80,785
Narcotics Recovered	\$50,616,327	Narcotics Recovered	\$356,292
Rewards Approved	\$288,660	Rewards Approved	\$1,350

To find out more about donating or volunteering, visit the Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce website at cstip.ca, connect on Facebook, or call 519-371-6078.

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# OPG in Bruce County - August 2024

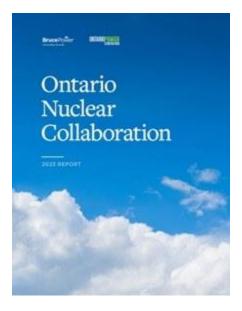
# What's New in Bruce County

Ontario Power Generation (OPG)'s role in Ontario is vast – measured by the clean, green, reliable power produced from our nuclear generating stations, the power produced from our 66 hydroelectric stations across Ontario, ongoing industry innovations and much more. Our role in Ontario also extends to our commitment to being a good corporate citizen and neighbour. Each decision we make is with the environment, economic and social well-being for all of Ontario front of mind.

The Nuclear Sustainability Services (NSS) division at OPG has three primary areas of focus: **Preventing** waste before it becomes waste through innovations in sorting and volume reduction. **Managing** the waste in our care through safe and comprehensive handling practices. **Harnessing** the power of nuclear energy to create life-saving medical isotopes.

This publication - **OPG** in **Bruce County** - shares information about recent community events, OPG, and our NSS — Western Waste Management Facility (WWMF), which is located on the Bruce Power site in the Municipality of Kincardine.

#### **OPG & Bruce Power release Ontario Nuclear Collaboration Report**



OPG and Bruce Power recently published the <u>Ontario Nuclear Collaboration 2023 Report</u>, which highlights both parties' joint commitment to advancing Ontario's clean energy future. The report emphasizes the success of OPG's Darlington refurbishment project, growing opportunities in Small Modular Reactors, new nuclear growth and the Pickering refurbishment. It also highlights the benefits of OPG's ongoing collaboration with Bruce Power, which has led to efficiencies, cost savings for ratepayers and the timely completion of Ontario's energy projects.

#### Saugeen Shores 25th Anniversary Celebration



From August 9-11, the Town of Saugeen Shores hosted a "Better Together" weekend celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the amalgamation of Port Elgin, Southampton and Saugeen Township. OPG was honoured to be part of the celebratory events including the Major's Pancake Breakfast and Opening

Ceremonies with Edith Dumont, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, and the Rotary's Family Fun in the Park afternoon where OPG staff engaged with members of the community and made anniversary buttons.

First Image: OPG's Kapil Aggarwal, Vice President of Nuclear Sustainability Services (left) & Nuala Zietsma, Managing Director, Strategy & Community Relations (right), presenting Saugeen Shores Mayor, Luke Charbonneau (middle), with a \$10,000 cheque in support of the Town's 25th Anniversary celebrations.

Scroll through the photos below that were taken throughout the weekend's various events.











Marine Heritage Festival

Southampton's 13th annual Marine Heritage Festival was held from July 26-28, with OPG's Fun in the Park portion of the event held on the Saturday in Pioneer Park. OPG staff joined local vendors, businesses and hundreds of event attendees for the fun, family-friendly activities. The event was an all-around success and the weather was perfect! Check out some photos below.





1 - Photo Credit: Sandra Howe

#### **Kincardine Scottish Festival**

Christine John, OPG Senior Manager, Indigenous Relations, kicked off Kincardine's Scottish Festival held from July 5-7, by singing the national anthem in English, French and Ojibway. The community enjoyed three days of lively music, exciting competitions and cultural workshops, all with the sounds of over thirty Scottish pipe bands from across Canada and the United States. OPG proudly sponsored the Heavy Athletic events once again for the 2024 festival. The "Heavies" involve multiple events such as stone and hammer throwing, caber tossing, and more. The events were well attended and enjoyed by all.



2 - Christine John with Kincardine Mayor, Kenneth Craig

### OPG helps Energy Co-op grow with funding & expertise

The Nuclear Innovation Insitute (NII), in partnership with the Bluewater District School Board, has developed and successfully piloted a unique 17-week Explore Energy Co-op program for high school students. The new program exposes students to nearly 30 different careers across the clean energy industry—from construction and welding to emergency management and robotics.

On August 14, OPG committed \$5,000 towards the NII's Explore Energy Co-op program and agreed to host students at the Western Waste Management Facility (WWMF), providing in-person tours and opportunities to engage with nuclear professionals. OPG is a proud community sponsor and values partnerships such as the NII Explore Energy Co-op, whereby students are able to experience hands-on learning opportunities in the growing and much-needed industry of nuclear energy production.

Click **here** to read the full news story.



3 - Kaitlyn Nevill (right), OPG Senior Communications Advisor, presents NII Explore's Phillip Craig (middle), President, STEM Education, and Sarah Spragg (left), NII Explore's Design & Specialist, with a cheque for \$5,000 to support skilled trades workforce development through the NII Explore Energy Co-op.

## **Nuclear Sustainability Services News**

#### **OPG** receives international biodiversity awards

In early 2024, OPG's Nuclear Sustainability Services – Western Waste Management Facility (NSS-WWMF) in Bruce County was awarded Gold Certification by the Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC) — an international group that promotes and certifies habitat conservation and management. This is the second gold certification received by the WWMF team, which recognizes their efforts to improve the surrounding environment, support conservation and raise awareness in the community.

In addition, OPG's Environment, Health & Safety (EH&S) Biodiversity and NSS-WWMF team was presented with the Invasive Species Management award in recognition of their ongoing work to reduce the impacts of Phragmites at Baie Du Doré, a 4.42 sq km wetland that runs adjacent to the NSS-WWMF Bruce County site. The phragmite combatting program has been underway since 2018.



4 - Photo: OPG's Ashely Fox, Associate Environmental Advisor (left) & Kaitlyn Nevill, Senior Communications Advisor (middle), with WHC representative (right).

#### Western Waste Management Facility Performance Report

As part of OPG's commitment to keeping our communities and members of the public informed, a <u>Nuclear Waste Management Facility (NWMF) Performance Report</u> is issued quarterly with a focus on safety, operations and the environment protection measures across all three OPG nuclear waste management facilities located in Bruce County, Darlington and Pickering. It also summarizes significant accomplishments achieved during each quarter.



5 - OPG's Nuclear Sustainability Services Building in Bruce County

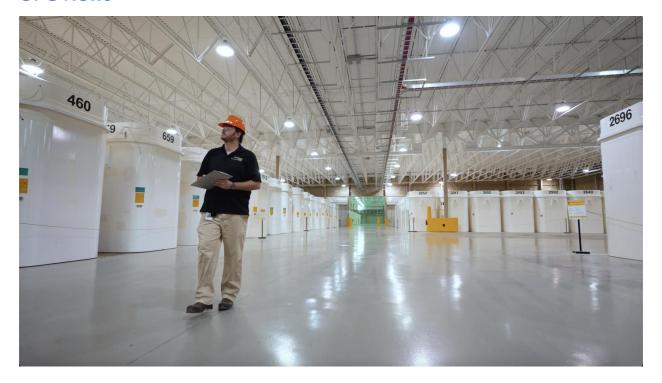
### OPG enters partnership to supply important medical isotope

From sterilizing medical equipment to diagnosing cancer and heart disease, OPG continues to harness nuclear energy to benefit society in a number of ways. OPG's Nuclear Medicine and Isotopes team is currently working to fill a worldwide supply shortage of the major medical isotope Carbon-14, in partnership with CC-Nuclear and RC-14. The initiative began with a pilot project aimed at repurposing OPG's reserves of Carbon-14, which is an intermediate-level waste product currently stored at OPG's NSS-WWMF in Kincardine.

Read more <u>here</u>.



## **OPG News**



**OPG** releases first Integrated ESG Annual Report



OPG recently published an Integrated Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Annual Report where details on how OPG is building a sustainable future powered by our electricity, ideas, and people all while protecting the environment and becoming a more inclusive, diverse, and socially responsible company are highlighted. The change in reporting approach reflects the integration of ESG considerations into OPG's business objectives and brings together the company's reporting on financial and non-financial performance into one document.

Access a summary of the report **here** or the full version **here**.

## **Darlington Refurbishment Project Updates**

The full Darlington Nuclear Refurbishment Project is more than 60 per cent complete in its 10-year execution phase, exceeding all safety, quality, schedule, and financial forecasts. Resource optimization reviews continue for prioritization during Units 1 and 4 overlap. Darlington Units 2 and 3, each successfully refurbished and previously returned to service, are operating at full capacity.

Read the latest project updates here.



6 - Darlington Nuclear Power Generating Station

# **Upcoming Community Events**

#### Port Elgin's 2024 Pumpkinfest

OPG is proud to be a Gold Partner at this year's Pumpkinfest weekend!

#### Where

• The Pumpkinfest Village, Downtown Port Elgin

## When

• October 5 & 6. OPG staff will be stationed at the OPG Environmental Tent

#### **More Information**

• To learn more, please visit the 2024 Pumpkinfest website.



7 - OPG booth at the 2023 Pumpkinfest

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