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Events in Bonfield

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and more...



Greetings from Mayor Narry Paquette

As we welcome spring in Bonfield, I want to take this opportunity to recognize the many volunteers who play such a vital role in our community. Whether you serve on a Committee, help organize events, or lend a hand at the community gardens, your dedication brings people together and keeps our community thriving. I am especially grateful to those who sit on our municipal committees including Sylvie, Sheena and Holly on the Recreation & Fitness Committee and Kam, Gina and Eric from our Planning Advisory Committee. Your work often happens behind the scenes, but your impact is felt throughout the Township.

This summer, we're looking forward to several exciting community and Township events. Our Canada Day celebrations will feature live music, family-friendly entertainment, and fireworks—a full evening of community fun! Please note that as the fireworks have been moved back to July 1st, there will be no separate Labour Day event this year, so I encourage everyone to come out and celebrate together on Canada Day.

Our Community Gardens also continue to thrive thanks to the support of volunteers, sponsors, and residents.

It's a wonderful example of how we can build a healthier, more connected community through shared efforts.

In addition to community events, we are making important operational changes at the Bonfield Landfill. These improvements are part of our commitment to meeting provincially mandated requirements and reducing our environmental impact. We'll be sharing more information soon to update the community on the positive impact these changes have brought.

Bonfield is built on the strength of its people. As we enter a season of growth and renewal, I want to thank you for your continued involvement in the life of our community. Whether you're volunteering, participating in local programs, or simply lending a hand to a neighbour, your contributions are valued and appreciated.

Mayor Narry Paquette

ANNUAL LIONS CLUB ATV RUN

350 Line 3 South, Bonfield
Saturday May 10. 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Support the Bonfield & District
Lions Club's 21st Annual ATV
Fundraiser & Poker Run!

Email:
bonfieldlionsatv@gmail.com for
registration and event details.

Or visit their website at:
[https://www.facebook.com/
BonfieldLions/](https://www.facebook.com/BonfieldLions/)



BONFIELD FARMERS MARKET

365 Hwy 531, Outdoor Rink
Saturday May 17.

Discover the best of Bonfield at their
upcoming Farmers' Market!

Come out and support local farmers,
bakers, and artisans while enjoying
fresh produce, handmade goods, and
delicious treats.

Interested in becoming a vendor?
Contact Debra Helm at 705-828-1234



CONCERT - FRITZ LARIVIÈRE

Community Centre, 100 Yonge St.
Friday May 23. 7:00 pm

Discover the music of Fritz
Larivière. Born and raised in
Bonfield, he will be performing
songs in both English and French. A
special thank you to le Centre des
Compagnons for their support in
making this event a reality.

Contact Darlene at 705-498-1160
for details and tickets.



COMMUNITY DAY

Saturday June 7. 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Caisse Alliance, 230 Young St
Bonfield Library, 365 Hwy 531
Fire Hall #1, 107 Railway St
Start by visiting the library for their
book sale, then head to the Caisse
for their yard sale and barbecue.
Wrap up your day by stopping at
the Fire Hall for a car wash
fundraiser. Contact the Caisse for
details, or to inquire about having
a yard sale table at 705-776-2831



CANADA DAY

365 Hwy, 531 Kaibuskong Park
Tuesday July 1. 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Let's come together to celebrate our
incredible community and the spirit of
Canada.

Join us this Canada Day for an exciting
evening filled with fun, games, music,
and a delicious BBQ. Back this year is a
spectacular fireworks show starting at
dusk.

Want to volunteer? Call 705-776-2641



Funded by the
Government
of Canada

Canada

BONFIELD SUMMER CAMP

365 Hwy, 531 Kaibuskong Park
July 14 - 18. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Bonfield Summer Camp is the
perfect place for kids to explore,
learn, and create in a safe and
welcoming environment.

REGISTER TODAY!

If you are interested in sponsorship
or donation opportunities, please
contact the Township to explore this
possibility.



PARISH PICNIC

408 Gagnon St, Bonfield
Sunday July 27.
Starting at 3:00 pm

Ste. Bernadette's Parish
welcomes the community to
join them for their annual
parish picnic.

Seapie, baked beans, and pies will be available. Takeout will
begin at 3:00 pm. Contact Eric at 705-776-5420 for details.

ROLLY'S PIT STOP CLASSIC CAR SHOW

602 Hwy 17 E, Bonfield, ON
Rolly's Pit Stop #2
Saturday August 16.

Make your way to Rolly's Pit
Stop #2 for a day of classic cars, live entertainment
and tasty treats.

Stay tuned for more details!
Contact Rolly at 705-477-0336 for details.



BONFIELD FALL FAIR

105 Trunk Rd, Bonfield
August 16 - 17.

The Bonfield Agricultural Society is preparing to celebrate 135 years!

With exhibits, shows, draws and attractions, there is something for everyone.

Find all the details at:
<http://bonfieldfair.weebly.com>



HALLOWEEN PARADE

Four Corners to Fire Hall #1
Oct 25. Starting at 6:00 pm

We welcome all residents to join the festivities and make this Halloween spook-tacular!

Contact the Recreation & Fitness Committee to learn about sponsorship opportunities, how to participate and to learn about volunteer opportunities!



SOUP & CHILI CONTEST

Community Centre, 100 Yonge St.
Nov 29. 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Warm up this holiday season with a festive afternoon of delicious flavours and community fun at our Christmas in Bonfield Soup & Chili Contest! Think your recipe has what it takes to win? Enter your best! Stay tuned for details.



COMMUNITY GARDENS

Corner of Gagnon & Levesque, or
By the Rutherglen ball diamond

Both Community Gardens are in need of seedlings and assistance.

Consider donating your time and/or seedlings to support our efforts. If you can contribute, please contact the Township Office at 705-776-2641.



SPRING INTO BONFIELD'S PARKS!



KAIBUSKONG PARK

365 Hwy, 531 Municipal Grounds

- Picnic Area
- Beach
- Playground equipment
- Outdoor Fitness Center
- Basketball Court
- Covered Rink
- Skate Park
- Soccer Field
- Splash Pad
- Horse Shoe Pits
- Community BBQ

CENTENNIAL PARK

Mark St. & Church St., Bonfield

- Playground equipment
- Municipal Boat Launch



RUTHERGLEN PARK

Trunk Rd. Rutherglen

- Playground equipment
- Baseball diamond



HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO SHARE WITH THE COMMUNITY?

If your organization is hosting a community event, we would love for you to share the poster and details with us so we can help promote it!

Email: officeclerk@bonfieldtownship.com



Township of Bonfield Volunteer Fire Recruitment

Open Positions:

- Firefighters
- Tank Operators, AZ or DZ
- Support Staff

Do you want to get involved and be a part of the Township of Bonfield Community? Fire Service offers many opportunities from public engagement to responding when the need arises for medical assistance, fire emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, public assistance, grass and bush fires and community events.

Training In:

Firefighter Certification
Driver Training
DZ Licence
First Aid and CPR
Medical Training
Public Education

Mission Statement: The primary mission of the Township of Bonfield Volunteer Fire Department is to protect our community with trained professionals through active partnerships, providing the highest quality preventative, educational and emergency services.

Must be 18 Years of Age ☒

A Valid Driver's Licence ☒

Attend Weekly Trainings ☒

(Mondays at 7pm)

**For more information contact,
Fire Chief Shaun McGee
firechief@bonifeldtownship.com**

 **705-499-8968**

 **www.BonfieldTownship.com**

BONFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT



Low



Moderate



High



Extreme

The Bonfield Fire Rating is regularly updated by the Fire Department. Find it at www.BonfieldTownship.com

Burn Permits Required - April 1st to October 31st

Information regarding burn permits, and regulations for open air burning can be found in By-Law 2024-27. For small campfires, property owners only need to apply once, and the permit will be valid for the lifetime that they own the home. Campfire permits are free, while a \$50 fee and advance notice are required for Brush or Windrow fires.



How to Get a Fire Permit in Bonfield

There are two easy ways to apply:

1. **In person** – Visit the Township Office to fill out a fire permit application.
2. **Online** – Download the form from our website, complete it, and submit it electronically.

Get all the details: <https://bonfieldtownship.com/en/municipal-services/emergency-services/fire-department>

Tips for safe burning

- Clear a space about two metres wide for the fire.
- Ensure you have a pail of water and a shovel to control the fire.
- Keep your fire small to a maximum of one metre high and one metre wide.
- Never leave a campfire unattended.
- When putting out your fire, use lots of water on the campfire. A good rule is to make sure the ashes look soaked and no more smoke comes from the ashes.

Interactive Fire Map

Information about the current forest fire danger, forest fire activity and fire restrictions across the province.

Learn More: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/forest-fires>



To report a forest fire call 310-FIRE (3473)

Fire Chief: Shaun McGee
firechief@bonfieldtownship.com
705-499-8968

Fire Hall #1

Address: 107 Railway St
Phone: 705-776-2257

In an Emergency: **Call 9-1-1**

Clogged dryer vents are a leading cause of house fires. Stay safe—clean your lint trap after every load and have your dryer vent inspected and serviced regularly.



Consider choosing **battery-operated candles** over real flames, especially around children, pets, and decorations.

Test smoke alarms and CO2 detectors at least once every six months

A good way to ensure the batteries in your smoke alarm are always fresh is to change them when you change your clock in the spring and fall.



Fire extinguishers are a vital tool in an emergency, as response times can vary depending on location.

- Placing extinguishers by the exit is essential so that you have the option of leaving if the fire is growing too fast.
- It is recommended to use a minimum 10lb ABC extinguisher.



Propane appliances that have been sitting for the entire winter can be hazardous if they are not maintained properly. Have them inspected and serviced by a qualified technician before using them.



Learn More: www.ontario.ca/page/fire-safety-home

A PLAN FOR EVERY SEASON



72
HOURS

Is Your Family Prepared?

If an emergency happens in your community, it may take emergency workers some time to reach you. You should be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a **minimum of 72 hours**.

In an Emergency: Call 9-1-1

Emergency Preparedness Week May 4-10, 2025

It's crucial to remember that emergencies can happen at any time, in any season. This year's theme, "Plan for Every Season," encourages everyone to be ready for the unique challenges that each season brings.

Spring

Flooding



Severe Storms



Summer

Heatwaves:



Wildfires



Fall

Severe Storms: Power Outages



Winter

Snowstorms



Ice Storms



CUSTOMIZED EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ACTION PLAN



This online tool will help you create an Emergency Preparedness Action Plan for your household.

beprepared.emergencymanagementontario.ca

BUILD AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT

- ☐ food (enough for three days)
- ☐ bottled water (4 litres per person for each day)
- ☐ medication(s) for you and your pets
- ☐ toilet paper and other personal items
- ☐ back up chargers and power banks
- ☐ flashlight, headlamp or glow stick
- ☐ radio (crank or battery-run)
- ☐ extra batteries
- ☐ first-aid kit
- ☐ hand sanitizer or moist towelettes
- ☐ important papers- copies of prescriptions, etc.
- ☐ gas for generator
- ☐ garbage bags and duct tape

Find the full list at: [Be prepared for an emergency | ontario.ca](https://beprepared.emergencymanagementontario.ca)

EVECUATION PLAN

- **Record your safe meeting places**, make sure all household members are aware of the locations
- **Keep your plan in an easy-to-reach location**. A good place is with your emergency kit. Make sure everyone in your household knows where to find it.
- **Review directions** to turn-off utilities—including water valve, electrical panel and gas valve—and record them.

Allan Reid - CEMC

705-776-2641 ex 123

cemc@bonfieldtownship.com

Emergency Management Ontario

www.beprepared.ca

A PLAN FOR EVERY SEASON

Seniors and Vulnerable Residents

Seniors and vulnerable people may need extra help in an emergency. These are some additional steps to consider in an emergency.

Make a Plan

Safe Locations: Identify two safe locations—one nearby and one farther away.

Communication and Support Network Plan: Keep in touch with who can assist, including family, neighbors, and healthcare providers.

Evacuation: Plan how to travel to safe locations and arrange for pets.

Living Situation: Consider specific needs based on your living environment. Remote locations needing more time for help to respond.

Build an Emergency Preparedness Kit:

Essentials: Include food, water, medications, PPE, chargers, cash, light sources, radio, batteries, first-aid kit, extra warm clothes and important papers.

Stay Informed: Listen to the radio for information about emergency situations.

Local Hazards: Be aware of hazards around your location and home.

Identification and Support Registry: Contact your local municipality to register as vulnerable persons who may need additional help in an emergency so first responders like EMS and Fire Department will be better prepared to help you.

Medical Information: Keep detailed records of medical conditions, medications, and individual needs.

Buddy System: Arrange for someone to check on you during emergencies.

Service Providers: Work with healthcare and support service providers to develop backup plans.



Resources

Emergency Preparedness Guide for People with Disabilities/Special Needs

<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/pplwthdsblts/index-en.aspx>

Ontario Seniors – How to Be Prepared

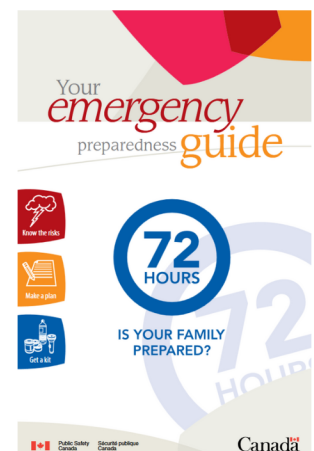
<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/pplwthdsblts/index-en.aspx>

Pocket Guide to Emergencies

<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/pplwthdsblts/index-en.aspx>

All Be Prepared Documents and Publications

<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/index-en.aspx>



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Updated Landfill Summer Hours

- ✓ **WEDNESDAYS:**
4:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.
- ✓ **SATURDAYS:**
8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

Phone: 705-776-2659

WHAT HAS CHANGED FOR RECYCLING IN BONFIELD?

All recyclables materials, including glass, plastic, cardboard and paper products can go into one recycling bin. No more separating items!



WHAT IS RECYCLING CONTAMINATION?



Recycling contamination occurs when materials are not properly cleaned, such as when food residue remains on a plastic yogurt container.

Rinse out containers before recycling them to ensure they are clean and free from contaminants.

Environmental Impact: Contamination can lead to recyclable materials being diverted to landfills instead of being recycled.

This increases the environmental footprint associated with waste disposal and contributes to pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.



Do your part to help mitigate the costs to the Township by ensuring all plastics and glass are properly cleaned before being recycled.

WASTE FREE ONTARIO

Ontario strives to move towards a circular economy – a system where products are not discarded, but are reused, recycled and transformed into new products.

The new recycling regulations shift the responsibility of managing recyclable materials from municipalities to producers—the businesses that supply packaging and paper products to consumers. This approach, termed Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), makes producers fully accountable for the collection and recycling of their products once they reach the end of their life cycle.

LEARN MORE: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/strategy-waste-free-ontario-building-circular-economy>

WHO TO CALL WHEN YOU NEED HELP

For issues involving downed trees, blocked culverts, obstructed roads, or other local concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at 705-776-2659. Any calls made after hours will be forwarded to our on-call answering service to ensure that after-hours matters are promptly addressed.

