THE CURRENT

APRIL 2024

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



TRIVIA NIGHT

Where: 43A Main St. Cobden. For Details: Whitewater Region Library



WESTMEATH ART IN THE PARK

Where: Laderoute Park
For Details: Westmeath & District Rec. Association



WESTMEATH COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Where: Village of Westmeath For Details: Westmeath & District Rec. Association



SPRING CHICKEN RACE

Where: 22 Fletcher Rd. Beachburg For Details: Beachburg Off Road Cycling Association



PLAY: LIVIN & LAUGHIN IN A SMALL TOWN

Where: 119 Synton St. Westmeath
For Details: Riverview Seniors' Social Club | 613-296-3003



RCMP MUSICAL RIDE

Where: 43 Astrolabe Road For Details: Cobden Agricultural Society



WDRA ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Where: Oaks of Cobden Golf Course For Details: Westmeath & District Rec. Association

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Did you know we have a community calendar on our website?

If you have an event coming up that you would like to advertise, or if you want to see what community events are planned, go to our website and click on the "Calendar" tab - or scan the QR code above!

When adding an event be sure to include the date, location, a brief description, and contact information Contact: Rebecca Gill, Community Development Coordinator, for any questions or assistance.



FOR INFORMATION ABOUT PROGRAMS & SERVICES:



Facebook

facebook.com/WWRSeniors



whitewaterregion.ca/community/seniors



613-602-3915



Email seniors@whitewaterregion.ca

BUILDING AND PLANNING OPEN HOUSE



Building and Planning Open House: Featuring Councillor Joey Trimm on Home Energy Efficiency

Starting a building or development project? Have questions about your project or the application process? The Township's community development department is hosting an evening open house for residents. Staff will be on hand to answer your questions and provide information on building permits and the planning process. Be sure to bring any plans or drawings you have!

We're also featuring a special guest in honour of Earth Day. To kick the evening off, Councillor Joey Trimm will give a talk on his experience improving the energy efficiency of his home and installing an airsource heat pump. Come and hear about his lessons-learned and find out how you can save energy in your home.

APRIL 23, 2024 6:00PM - 8:30PM **COMMUNITY HALL 44 MAIN ST. COBDEN**

For more information contact: rgill@whitewaterregion.ca 613-646-2282 ext. 129

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteer for The Whitewater Seniors and Active Living Working Group.

The purpose of the Group is to coordinate the operation of the Whitewater Seniors Home Support Pilot Project. It also serves as an information gathering and advocacy role to provide recommendations to Council regarding the development, and provision of services by the Township, or partner organizations to those over the age of fifty-five.

The group is composed of up to four residents from the Township of Whitewater Region, and generally meets every month.

For more information about this volunteer opportunity visit our website: www.whitewaterregion.ca/community











BARBARA MACWHA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Whitewater Region Public Library is offering the Barbara MacWha Memorial Scholarship to eligible post-secondary students in the amount of \$500. To qualify, applicants must:

- 1. Be a resident of the Township of Whitewater Region
- 2. Be a patron of the library
- 3. Demonstrate an interest in libraries and literacy
- 4. Not have received the Barbara MacWha Memorial Scholarship before (one award per applicant)
- 5.Be enrolled in post-secondary studies at an accredited college or university.



Apply by June 30, 2024, by sending your application to whitewaterpl@nrtco.net or by submitting it at your nearest library branch, You can find the application form on the Whitewater Region Public Library website www.whitewaterregion.ca/community/library. For more details, please call 613-646-7592.

PUBLIC REMINDERS

PROPERTY TAXES

The second installment of property taxes is due on April 29th. If paying online or by credit card, please ensure payment is made at least 3 business days before the due date to avoid additional charges. Please note tax bill reprints cost \$5.00, and \$0.20 for any additional pages such as transaction lists.

CURBSIDE COLLECTION

Curbside collection shifts forward one day following Victoria Day on May 20th.

DO YOU HAVE PHOTOS OF WHITEWATER REGION?

We're looking for photos of our Region! So if you have images from events, local activities such as hiking, cycling and water sports, nature, or images of our villages and hamlets/local landmarks, we would love for you to send them to us!







Any images sent may be posted on the Township's social media pages, and/or our website. Image credits will be given to the photographer where possible. By sending you are allowing the use of the images by the Township of Whitewater Region.

Please send to Rebecca Gill, Community Development Coordinator by email at rgill@whitewaterregion.ca.

2024 WATERSHED

The Municipal Emergency Prepare Group met March 18th to discuss the Ottawa River Freshet and general emergency preparedness. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry -Pembroke District issued a Watershed Conditions Statement - Water Safety bulletin from March 14 to March 22, 2024.

SPRING PREPARATIONS

Water levels can change quickly, so it's important to be prepared every Spring when flooding can occur. The Ministry of Natural Resources suggest the below preparations.



EMERGENCY PLAN & KIT

Create a 72-hour emergency kit for you and your family. Scan the QR code for a full list of what to pack.

ALWAYS BE FLOOD READY

Put important documents in such as insurance policies, birth and marriage certificates, S.I.N cards, etc. in a safe place.

Basements

- Store any personal belongings in sealed bins
- · Keep household chemicals away from areas that are at risk of flooding
- Install check valves in sewer drains to prevent floodwater from backing up into your home
- Test sump pumps regularly and install a backup system (battery back-up or generator)
- Put weather protection sealant around basement windows and ground-level doors

Outside

- Extend downspouts at least 2 metres from your home to move water away
- · Remove debris that could present danger during flood events
- · Secure outdoor furniture and items around piers, docks or boathouses
- · Regularly maintain water drainage systems, such as weeping tile, culverts and ditches

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DEPOT

Located at the Renfrew landfill - 376 Bruce Street. The HHW depot is open to all Whitewater Residents from May 4th to August 31st for the disposal of hazardous waste.

Please note that there will not be a HHW Depot event day held in Whitewater in 2024.

RENFREW LANDFILL HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday: 8:00am - 4:00pm Thursday: 8:00am - 7:00pm

Please see the Township's website for further information on what is accepted at the HHW Depot.







