



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – October 2026 Issue

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2026 Municipal Election Information

The upcoming Municipal Election will be held on **Monday, October 26, 2026**. You can vote by internet or phone from **Monday October 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. until Monday October 26, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.**



Who is Running for Council or School Board Trustee?

The Certified Official List of Candidates is available on the Municipality's website Brockton.ca/ElectionCandidates or at the Municipal Office.

Electors can vote for one (1) Deputy Mayor, up to five (5) Councillors, one (1) Wards 34 & 36 English Separate School Board Trustee, and one (1) French Public School Board Trustee.

The positions of Mayor, English Public School Board Trustee, Ward 31 English Separate School Board Trustee, and French Separate School Board Trustee have all been acclaimed.

Voter Information Letters

Voter Information Letters have been mailed to electors as of October 1st. Keep your letter safe as you will need it to vote! Contact staff by [email](#), phone 519-881-2223 x 159, or in-person at the Municipal Office (100 Scott Street, Walkerton) if you have not yet received your Voter Letter, or to confirm your information on the Voters List.

Thanksgiving Voters List Assistance

Coming home for Thanksgiving? Visit the Municipal Office at 100 Scott Street, Walkerton, for Voters List assistance so you are ready to vote in the upcoming Election! Staff will be available on **Saturday, October 10, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** to help with Voters List inquiries such as:

- Confirming you are on the Voters List
- Adding or Updating your information on the Voters List
- Removing someone from the Voters List
- Providing you with a Voter Information Letter if you have not received one

Please bring ID with you to verify your information!

Voting Help Centre Locations and Hours:

Voting Help Centres are available to assist electors with accessing the internet or telephone to vote, providing clarification on the election process, and adding an elector to the Voter's List.

Brockton Municipal Office Voting Help Centre - 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

- Monday, October 19, 2026 (10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, October 20, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)
- Wednesday, October 21, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, October 22, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)
- Friday, October 23, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
- Saturday, October 24, 2026 (11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.)
- Monday, October 26, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.)

Cargill Community Centre Voting Help Centre – 999 Greenock-Brant Townline, Cargill

- Monday, October 26, 2026 (8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.)

Election Results

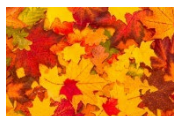
The unofficial 2026 Municipal Election results for the Municipality of Brockton will be posted to the Municipal website as soon as possible after voting closes at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2026. The Official Results will be certified by the Clerk by Tuesday, October 27, 2026.

Visit Brockton.ca/Election for all other Election related information.

Municipal Offices Closed for Thanksgiving

The Municipal Office, Community Services (Parks and Recreation) Administrative Office, and Brockton Child Care Centre are closed on Monday, October 12, 2026 in recognition of Thanksgiving Day. Our offices reopen on Tuesday, October 13, 2026. Staff and Council wish you a safe and happy holiday weekend!

Leaf Collection



Leaf Collection for Walkerton, Lake Rosalind, and Marl Lakes will happen in late October and early November! Stay tuned for the final collection dates to be announced! Leaves must be placed in biodegradable paper waste bags (plastic bags not accepted) and placed at the curbside by 7:00 a.m. for collection. A friendly reminder that no garden clippings, compost, or small branches will be picked up.



Career Opportunities

The Municipality of Brockton is currently recruiting for Early Childhood Education Teachers or Non-RECEs, a Heavy Equipment Operator, a Landfill Site Lead Attendant, a Landfill Attendant, Recreation Leaders, and Supply/Casual Teachers with the Brockton Child Care Centre. Visit Brockton.ca/Jobs for more details.

Tax Installment Due Date – November 30, 2026

Any payment received in our office after the due date will be considered late and any outstanding taxes will be subject to penalty and interest charges as per the Municipal Act. Please allow 2 to 3 days for processing if you are paying through your financial institutions online banking system. Visit Brockton.ca/Taxes for more information.

Hometown Christmas Market

Save the date for Walkerton's Hometown Christmas Market on Thursday, November 19, 2026 from 4:00-9:00 pm. Vendors will be set up in the Market Garden park on Durham Street, and many businesses will be featuring special sales! Vendors include local crafters, bakers, makers and artisans, and are particularly fond of those who create their own products right here in the region! Vendor applications are available online at Brockton.ca/ChristmasMarket.



Winter Parking Restrictions

In accordance with Section 8 of the Municipality of Brockton's Consolidated Traffic and Parking By-Law 2020-052, no person shall park on any highway between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. inclusive during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April.

Fall Community Services (Parks and Recreation) Programs and Events:

Hometown Christmas Market:

Save the Date! Join us downtown Walkerton on Thursday November 19th for an evening of shopping, sales, eating, entertainment, and holiday spirit!

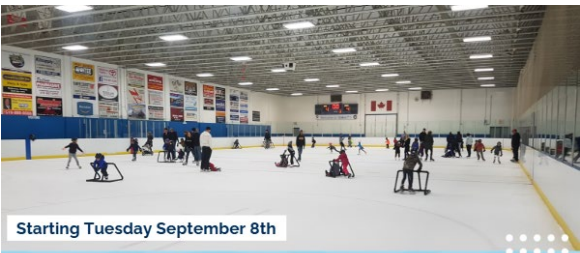
Fall Fitness Programs: Including Chair Yoga, Gentle Yoga, Zumba Gold & Gentle Fitness, Mom & Baby Fitness, Tai Chi, Volleyball, Indoor Walking Program and more. Please visit Brockton.ca/Programs for more information and to register.

Indoor Pickleball: Bring your paddles and join us at The Cargill Community Centre, **Tuesdays 12:30 - 3pm and 5:30 - 8pm, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:30am - 12pm**, with some *future blackout dates*. Please visit Brockton.ca/Programs for more information, and contact recreation@brockton.ca to join the email communication list.

PA Day Camps:

Looking for a fun way to spend the day off school? Please visit Brockton.ca/Programs (School Break Camps) for more information and to register. Join us October 16th for a *Halloween Pajama Party*, and on November 20th for a *Cozy Cabin Adventure*!

Public Skating is Back! Please visit Brockton.ca/Skating for schedules and updates.



Starting Tuesday September 8th

Public Skating Schedule

Walkerton Community Centre | 290 Durham St. W. Walkerton

Weekdays	Wednesdays	Sundays
12:00 - 12:50pm	3:30 - 4:50pm	1:00 - 1:50pm

Public skating details and sponsored skates can be found online at www.brockton.ca/skating. For drop-in skating and ice rentals, contact recreation@brockton.ca

 brockton.ca/skating 519-881-0625 x 2

Sponsorship Opportunities: Support your community! Contact us at recreation@brockton.ca to learn about sponsorship options in Brockton. Come Home to Community!



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 Facebook – [BrocktonON](#)  Instagram – [municipalitybrockton](#)  LinkedIn – [Municipality of Brockton](#)
 YouTube – [Municipality of Brockton](#)

Add Your Events to Brockton's Community Calendar

Feature your 2026 events on Brockton's free Community Calendar! Your event must be organized by a non-profit, or community organization and be held within Brockton.

The steps to adding your event are simple:

-  Visit events.brockton.ca and click on [Submit an Event](#).
-  Login if you have an account, or create one if it's your first time adding an event.
-  Add in your events, edit, and update your events from there



Each event is reviewed and approved before being added to the calendar, so it won't appear right away. Once your event is on the calendar, we may help spread the word through the Brockton Buzz newsletter, and social media. If you're having any troubles, please let us know by calling 519-881-2223.

Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Visit Brockton.ca/Events to learn more about events happening in our community!

• Walkerton Little Royal Fair – October 16-18

The Walkerton Agricultural Society is hosting the Annual Little Royal Fair on October 16-18, 2026 at the Agricultural Buildings in Walkerton (206 Durham St.). This year's theme is Home for the Harvest, and a weekend full of entertainment is planned for the whole family!



- Thursday, October 15 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm – Exhibitor Drop-off entries for Judging in Buildings #2 and #3.
- Friday, October 16 from 8:00 - 11:30 am - Exhibitor Drop off entries for Judging in Buildings #2 and #3.
- Beginning Friday evening and continuing all weekend long is our General Exhibits, Midway, Field to Fork Display, Photo Booth, Kid's Scavenger Hunt and our Food Booth.
- Returning this year, we have Mojo the Magic Show and Balloon Twisting, Face Painting, Teddy Bear Show, Kid's Pedal Tractor Pull, Pet Show, Magic Mel Show, Saddle Horse Show, Heavy and Light Horse Show and the Ontario 4 Horse Hitch Draft Classic Series.
- *New* this year – Little Pro Rodeo, Escape Rooms, and Cutting Edge Cowgirls – Please note that the Horse Show Schedule was changed in 2025 and will remain the same this year. Saddle Horse Show is now Saturday, October 17 and the Heavy and Light Horse Show and Ontario 4-Horse Hitch Draft Classic Series is now on Sunday, October 18.

For up to date information on our Little Royal Fair Weekend Events, please follow the Walkerton Agricultural Society on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) or visit the [Walkerton Agricultural Society's website](#), or call 519-881-1251.

Fair Books are available at various locations around Walkerton and on the Agricultural Society's website.

• Bruce County Public Library Author Talk – October 22

Author Ted Barris will be at the Walkerton Branch (253 Durham St.) on Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. as he explores the Battle of the Atlantic and the vital role Canadians played in securing Allied victory during the Second World War. Please register at <https://library.brucecounty.on.ca/>



• Walkerton Agricultural Society "Fall into Christmas" Vendors Market – October 24

The Walkerton Agricultural Society are hosting their "Fall into Christmas" Vendors Market on Saturday, October 24, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Agricultural Building #3.

• Elmwood Halloween Trail – October 25

The Elmwood Community Service Association invite you to their Halloween Trail on Sunday, October 25, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Elmwood Community Centre basement hall!



• Walkerton & District Optimist Club Monster March Parade - October 25

The Walkerton & District Optimist Club invite you to their Monster March Parade on Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. The parade starts at Riverbend Park along Jackson and Durham Streets ending at the Market Garden park!



Road Closure: Jackson St. N. will be closed from Durham St. E to the corner of Durham & Victoria St. between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. for the parade.



Bruce County Media Release – Emergency Preparedness for People Living with Disabilities

Having an Emergency Preparedness Plan is essential for individuals and families, so they are prepared to support themselves during an emergency, whether sheltering in place at home or evacuating. For individuals living with disabilities, and families supporting children living with disabilities, planning ahead is especially important to ensure specific needs can be met during an emergency situation.

One of the first steps in emergency preparedness is establishing a personal support network. Family members, friends, neighbours, or caregivers who may be able to assist during an emergency should be aware of their role and understand how they can help. It is recommended that written instructions be provided outlining assistance requirements, as emergencies can be stressful and confusing situations.

Individuals should share their emergency plan with their support network and practice evacuation procedures together. This includes ensuring medications, assistive devices, and essential supplies can be gathered quickly when leaving home. A current list of support network contacts should be included in both emergency plans and emergency kits.

Residents are encouraged to maintain at least a three-day supply of medications and necessary medical supplies such as cleansing wipes, syringes, or other specialized items. Emergency plans should also include:

- The reason for each medication
- Dosage and frequency information
- Contact information for the prescribing physician
- Contact information for the dispensing pharmacy

Assistive devices and medical equipment should be clearly labelled with the owner's name and telephone number. Written instructions on the operation of specialized equipment can also be helpful for caregivers and emergency responders.

A MedicAlert bracelet can provide critical information to first responders and others assisting during an emergency. This can be especially valuable for individuals living with non-visible disabilities or those who may be unable to communicate during an emergency situation. More information about these bracelets is available on the [MedicAlert website](#).

“Dealing with an emergency or having to evacuate your home can be immensely stressful”, says Ray Lux, Bruce County’s emergency management coordinator. “If you are having to navigate that emergency while living with a disability, it may become even more difficult. Plan, create a network, and include important information and directions in your emergency plan. These steps will help alleviate some of the stress created by the situation.”

Many resources are available to help individuals and families prepare for emergencies. [The Province of Ontario's Emergency Preparedness Guide](#) includes practical advice and additional resources tailored to a variety of disabilities and accessibility needs.