

A scenic view of a river flowing through a forested area. The foreground is dominated by large, flat, light-colored rocks that the river flows over. The water is clear and reflects the sky. The background is a dense forest of green trees under a blue sky with light clouds.

The Chamber E-News

July 10, 2024



Membership Renewal Sept 1st

Chamber Members! Your Membership renewal is September 1st, please watch your inbox for an invoice in the coming weeks. If you prefer mail, please let us know and make sure any contact info is up to date.

Thank you for your support!

Joining the Bracebridge Chamber opens doors to a wealth of advantages! Benefit from networking opportunities, access valuable discounts and benefits, receive marketing support, and stand stronger with our advocacy efforts.

Visit our website to explore these perks and choose the appropriate tier for your business.

www.bracebridgechamber.com

Has your employee
benefits plan evolved?
Is it time for a second
opinion?

Chambers Plan
Employee Benefits



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Opportunities



JOIN US

Rockwell Health & Wellness Clinic
 www.rockwellosteopathy.com
 705-204-1586
 rockwellosteopathy@gmail.com



We are Hiring

- RMT
- Osteopathic Manual Practitioner
- Naturopathic Doctor
- Acupuncturist
- Nurse Practitioner
- Or other licensed professional

Availability 4 Days a week
 Tuesdays, Thursdays & Weekends

Room furnished with brand new hydraulic table, desk, towel warmer, furniture. Kitchen in office with sink

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF PRESERVING HISTORY

MUSKOKA PIONEER POWER SHOW

presents their

38th Annual Show



JULY 12, 13 & 14, 2024

JD LANG PARK/BRACEBRIDGE FAIRGROUNDS
331 Fraserburg Road, Bracebridge, Ontario



FEATURING MASSEY

- 🔥 Truck Show and Shine
- 🔥 Horse Pulls
- 🔥 Antique Tractor Pulls
- 🔥 Lawn Tractor Pulls
- 🔥 Kids Pedal Tractor Pulls
- 🔥 Bouncy Castle
- 🔥 Vendors
- 🔥 Chip Truck
- 🔥 Food Booth
- 🔥 Live Music
- 🔥 Chainsaw Carving
- 🔥 Scavenger Hunt

38th Annual
MUSKOKA PIONEER POWER SHOW

FRIDAY

7:00PM Antique Tractor Pulls Pull Track

SATURDAY

7:00-10:00AM	Breakfast	Fair Building
10:00 PM	Heavy Horse Pull	Pull Track
10:00-12 NOON	Music with Jam Session	Stage Trailer
12 NOON	Grand Parade and Opening Ceremonies	Stage Trailer
1:30-3:00 PM	Hwy. 11 Corridor Ukulele Players	Fair Building
2:00 PM	Antique Tractor Pulls	Pull Track
5:00 PM	Roast Beef Dinner	Fair Building
	(Tickets available in fair building)	Fair Building
7:00-8:30 PM	Square Dancing	Fair Building
8:00-8:45 PM	Line Dancing	Fair Building
9:00-11:00 PM	Country Dance	Fair Building
	(With Jam Session)	

SUNDAY

7:00-10:00AM	Breakfast	Fair Building
10:00 AM	Registration for Kiddie Tractor Pull	Pull Track
11:00 AM	Kiddie Tractor Pulls	Pull Track
12:00 Noon	Lawn & Garden Tractor Pulls	Pull Track

ALL WEEKEND - 50/50 Draw and Fire Wood Raffle - Tickets available at various locations in the park (Draw will take place at Stage Trailer - Sunday at 2 p.m.)
SILENT AUCTION - Fair Building - BOUNCY CASTLE in field

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www.muskokapioneerpower.ca

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2024 HIKE FOR



HOSPICE MUSKOKA

It's that time of year again!

**Our 2nd Annual Hike for Hospice is on Sunday September 8th
at Muskoka Lakes Farm and Winery**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS

Did you know:

20% of our funding comes from Ontario Health

30% of our funding comes from Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare

50% of our funding comes through donations, grants & events like this

Every sponsorship makes a HUGE difference!

Please contact susan.antolick@hospicemuskoka.com for our full
sponsorship package

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER HOURS?

Attention Highschool Students! If you are seeking for volunteer hours, sign up to participate in this year's Arts and Crafts Summer show!

MA&C
ON MAIN



ALL TOO SWIFTIE

An Eras Inspired Muskoka Weekend



FRIDAY AUGUST 23

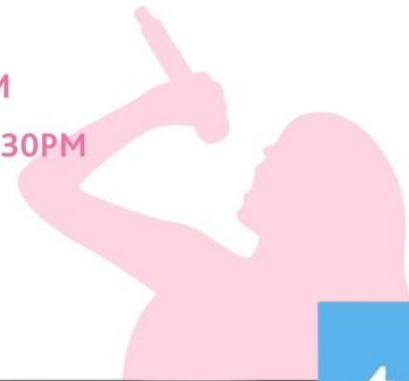
- Swiftie Trivia & Sunset Bonfire at 7:30PM

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

- Folklore Guided Hike at 8:30AM
- Lovers Brunch & Cookie Decorating & Friendship Bracelet Making at 10AM
- Be Fearless Archery & Axe Throwing at 1PM & 2PM
- Enchanted Guided Canoe & Kayak Adventure at 3:30PM
- Ready For It? Minute To Win It at 5PM
- Afterglow! Concert at 8PM
- Custom T-Shirts by Your Image Designs (\$)

TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS

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A photograph of a brick building with a clock tower. The clock tower is a square structure with a clock face on its side, topped with a green roof and a small dome. The main building is made of red brick with white stone accents around the windows. A fire escape is visible on the side of the building. The sky is clear and blue.

Grants, Funds & Information

EVENT TOURISM GRANT



Receive up to \$5,000 to support festivals and events that positively impact Bracebridge's community and tourism sector.

Apply by September 9.

bracebridge.ca/eventgrants



STARTER COMPANY PLUS

2024-25

APPLICATIONS
NOW OPEN

Would business training, mentorship and **\$5000** help you **start** or **grow** your small business?

- Business Planning Help
- Local Business Mentorship
- Opportunity for a \$5000 grant

Questions?

 www.muskokasmallbusiness.ca
 admin@muskokasmallbusiness.ca
 705-646-9021

Learn More & Apply

by August 8th at: form.jotform.com/MuskokaSBC/SCP



BRACEBRIDGE
The Heart of Muskoka



MUSKOKA
Small Business Centre



Simcoe Muskoka Skillforce continues to work hard to provide better local labour market insights and solutions. This is the 11th year that the Simcoe Muskoka Skillforce has administered an employer survey.



In past years, the survey themes focused on specific workforce issues, most recently identifying workforce or business trends experienced by employers, assessing labour shortages and skill gaps, learning about strategies used for recruitment, retention, and training, exploring views regarding recent technologies, especially AI, and probing further about policies related to remote work. This year, the focus of the survey is on skill and education requirements, underrepresented groups, and familiarity with government supported services.

The survey can be administered in two separate ways:

- **One-on-one interview (approx. 35 min)**
- **Breakfast meeting focus group to take place in mid-September (approx. 2 hours)**

Contact Avery at Simcoe Muskoka Skillforce: avery@mskillforce.ca

**WE CONNECT
JOB SEEKERS
AND EMPLOYERS!**

195 Wellington St, Unit 11, Bracebridge
(705) 646-0475 • agilec.ca/ES



IDEA GRANT PROGRAM

(Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Anti-Racism)

Opportunities

The Government of Canada announces new rebate to help businesses with carbon pollution pricing

June 26, 2024

Ottawa, Ontario

Canada Revenue Agency

The **Canada Carbon Rebate for Small Businesses** is a refundable tax credit announced in Budget 2024 to return a portion of federal fuel charge proceeds directly to eligible Canadian-controlled private corporations (CCPCs).

To be eligible for the rebate for one or more of the fuel charge years (which run from April 1 to March 31), a CCPC must:

- have employed one or more persons in a designated province in the calendar year in which the fuel charge year begins;
- have had 499 or fewer employees throughout Canada in that calendar year; and
- **have filed their corporate income tax return for the tax year ending in 2023 no later than July 15, 2024.**

CCPCs do not have to apply for this rebate. Once the Minister of Finance has specified the payment rates for each designated province for the applicable fuel charge year, the CRA will calculate and automatically issue the rebate amounts to those who are eligible. It is too early to determine the exact distribution date for the rebate amounts. We will provide updates on the timelines in the coming months.

[Click for more information on how the rebate payments will be calculated and the designated provinces, go to Canada Carbon Rebate for Small Businesses.](#)

PROGRAM INFORMATION

**Building Improvement
Grant/Loan Program**

**Energy Efficiency Retrofit
Grant/Loan Program**

**Facade Improvement
Grant/Loan Program**

**Housing Grant/Loan
Program**

**Property Improvement
Grant/Loan Program**

**Signage Improvement Grant
Program**

**Tax Increment Equivalent
Grant**

2024 COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS AND LOANS

NOW OPEN

www.bracebridge.ca/CIP

Taylor Road Improvements

Keep shopping local! All downtown shops and restaurants will remain open during construction.

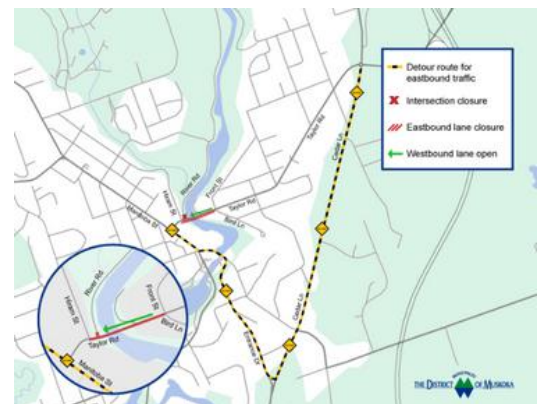
Construction, starting mid-April by UrbanLink Civil Ltd., will enhance the bridge, sewer, and water lines on Taylor Road (Muskoka Road 42) in the Town of Bracebridge.

Expect phased work, traffic adjustments and a detour. This efficient, one-time approach promises a smoother Taylor Road and reliable infrastructure.

Upcoming full closure:

- Once we receive approval from CN Rail, crews will need to close both lanes of on Taylor Rd from Hiram St to Woodchester Ave. for 3 days.
- Sidewalks will remain open.
- More details will be shared soon.

Keep up to date on this project





Community News



SAVE THE DATE!
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29

CANDLE MAKING CLASS

JULY 13TH 10AM
12 SPOTS AVAILABLE

YOU WILL POUR 2 JAR CANDLES AND A 6PK TLITES.

WATER AND SNACKS PROVIDED

walkamile in their shoes | YWCA | Muskoka PRIDE | walkamilemuskoka.ca

LIBRARIANS ON THE LOOSE

ADULT SUMMER PROGRAMMING

FAREWELL TO THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY

SATURDAY, JULY 6 | 10AM - 3PM
94 MANITOBA STREET | ALL AGES | DROP-IN
The time has come for the Bracebridge Library staff and public to say goodbye to the lovely Carnegie Library as we prepare for our transition to our new home at the Coulson Family Bracebridge Library. Join us for local history, crafts, photos, sharing of memories & so much more!

TOUR THURSDAY: HISTORIC BUILDING WALK

THURSDAY, JULY 18 & THURSDAY, AUGUST 15
10:00AM - 11:00 AM | ADULT | DROP-IN
Do you enjoy learning about local history? Join Cindy, our local history librarian, on a walk through downtown Bracebridge & learn facts about our town's historical buildings. The tour includes a coupon for Barista Coffee. The tour will meet in front of the Carnegie Library at 94 Manitoba St.
weather permitting

WILDERNESS WEDNESDAYS

WEDNESDAYS | JULY 10 - AUGUST 21
1:00PM - 2:00 PM | NELAN PAVILLION
ADULT | DROP-IN
Enjoy some nature themed arts & crafts in the great outdoors at the Nelan Pavillion at Peake Fields. These weekly programs will include a variety of crafts such as garden signs, bird houses, painted butterflies, beaded bracelets & more!

TOUR THURSDAY: NATURE APPS AT HENRY MARSH

THURSDAY, JULY 25 & THURSDAY, AUGUST 8
10:00AM - 11:00 AM | ADULT | DROP-IN
Get out & enjoy nature while learning how to use different apps to identify plants, insects, and bird calls. Bring your walking shoes & outdoor attire. Tour will meet in the parking lot at Henry Marsh.
weather permitting

SUMMER SHOW MUSKOKA ARTS & CRAFTS

- 180+ Juried Artisans
- Music & Entertainment
- Kids Programming
- Food Market

July 19 11-5pm
July 20 10-5pm
July 21 10-4pm

Annie Williams Park
50 Santas Village Rd
Bracebridge On

BUY TICKETS ON THE MAC APP - \$8
ALL WEEKEND ACCESS + PERKS
12YRS & UNDER FREE

\$10 CASH AT ANY GATE | ONE DAY ACCESS

62nd
Arts & Crafts
Summer Show
Tickets on
Sale



MUSKOKA PRIDE PARADE



Register now!

2024 Muskoka Pride Week
Empower & Unite!



SUN
JULY

28

MANITOBA ST
BRACEBRIDGE
12:30

WHITE & GOLD PARTY

FEATURING

WĀDE O. BROWN

The Boathouse, Taboo Muskoka
1209 Muskoka Beach Rd, Gravenhurst

DAY	TIME	PRICE
AUG, 3	7 PM	\$10

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFO & TICKETS



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About the Bracebridge Chamber of Commerce

The Bracebridge Chamber of Commerce is a membership-based, politically independent, not-for-profit organization that supports businesses of all sectors to convene, collaborate, advocate and create solutions for the regional economic prosperity of Muskoka. We enable this by providing our members with exclusive business opportunities, networking events, a united voice for improving business competitiveness across all sectors, and access to innovative insight and relevant solutions. The Bracebridge Chamber of Commerce knows that vibrant competitive & economically sustainable business communities are the foundation for a *prosperous Muskoka*.

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