

H-K NEWS WINTER 2010

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IT'S WINTER CARNIVAL TIME AGAIN IN RIPLEY!
February 11 –13, 2011

The Ripley-Huron Community Centre is where it's at! Festivities begin with a costume skate for all ages Friday night. Saturday morning will start off with the famous Pancake Breakfast while you cheer the young Ripley Wolves team when they face off against local competition. There will be horse drawn sleigh rides and family bingo for all to enjoy. Try your hand at ice painting or maybe you would prefer testing your hockey skills during the day. Sunday will have a feature presentation by the Ripley Figure Skating Club. Watch the papers or log onto our website for more detailed information closer to the weekend.



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COMMUNITY SEPTIC INSPECTION PROGRAM UPDATE

2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
267	351	363	407	1,388

Of the 407 inspections in 2010, 195 were low risk, 194 were medium risk and only 18 were high risk. About 20% (84), of the systems inspected had one or more deficiencies. Most were minor in nature such as missing baffles. Property owners are required to return the deficiency form provided to confirm that the septic system has been repaired.

Our new blog at hkcsi.blogspot.com had over 1,800 visitors. Give it a try yourself!

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H-K PHONE DIRECTORY

- Municipal Office 519-395-3735
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 Lucknow Arena 519-528-3002
 Point Clark
 Community Ctr 519-395-3676
 Point Clark
 Lighthouse 519-395-2494
 Ripley Library 519-395-5919
 Lucknow Library 519-528-3011
 Water Inquiries 519-524-6583

PUBLIC WORKS AFTER HOURS
NUMBER 1-866-299-5199

HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY
 Bruce County Highway Shed
 545 Ludgard Street
 Lucknow
DATE TO FOLLOW!

DOG TAGS



Remember to keep your silver dog tag for 2011! New tags will not be distributed this year as the tags you received last year have no date and have a longer

life expectancy.

Replacement tags for lost or damaged tags may be purchased for \$2.

Dog owners who have not registered their dog are responsible for purchasing a dog tag.

Please contact the office for locations where tags are sold. Having a licence registers your dog with the township and enables the Animal Control Officer to return your dog should it ever be found straying at large.

HAVE YOU VISITED OUR WEBSITE LATELY ?

If you haven't looked at us recently, go to www.huronkinloss.com and check out our new look!

Make sure your business is in the business directory. Advertise your next community event. Increase your exposure now! **IT'S FREE!**

Send an email to info@huronkinloss.com or contact the office to take advantage of this great idea.

SAUGEEN VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY PERMITS

If your property contains hazardous lands, watercourses, wetlands (and areas adjacent to wetlands), valleys and steep slopes (and slope setbacks) or the Lake Huron shoreline a permit from the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority may be required before altering it in any way. Ontario Regulation 169/06 Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses might affect you. The features and areas listed above are subject to Ontario Regulation 169/06 which means that permission from the SVCA is required before any person may: *undertake development, straighten, change, divert or interfere in any way with a watercourse, or change or interfere in any way with a wetland.* Contact the SVCA at 519-364-1255 or www.svca.on.ca before beginning any work.



TAX PAYMENT METHODS

TAXES DUE 1ST BUSINESS DAY OF MARCH, JUNE, SEPTEMBER & DECEMBER

- In Person, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, 21 Queen St., Ripley (Cash, Cheque, Interac)
- After Hours Drop Box, 21 Queen St., Ripley (Cheques Only)
- By Mail, P.O. Box 130, Ripley, ON N0G 2R0 (allow sufficient transit time)
- Pre Authorized Payment (sign-up form available on website)
- Telephone/Internet Banking & Teller/ABM payments (contact your branch)
 - * Royal Bank * Bank of Montreal * Scotia Bank * TD-Canada Trust
 - * CIBC * Credit Union Central * Tel Pay

Allow two (2) business days for payment to be received in the municipal office.

PLEASE NOTE: A new account number format is now in place. Follow instructions when setting up a new account. You will need your roll number located on your tax bill.

Payments not received by the due date are subject to penalty of 1.25% per month

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

WASTE MANAGEMENT

HURON LANDFILL SITE

Hours of Operation (Year Round)
Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

KINLOSS LANDFILL SITE

Hours of Operation
April 4th to October 31st
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Full recycling facilities are on site at the Huron Landfill. The Kinloss Landfill only accepts brush, steel, white goods and recyclables. Abuse of these facilities may result in the removal of the bins.

WATER MANAGEMENT

Veolia Water requires 24 - 48 hours notice to turn water valves off/on. Please call the municipal office or

Veolia at 519-524-6583, if such service is required.

The Township highly recommends that all residents install back flow preventers on all outside taps.

The Huron-Kinloss water systems supply naturally occurring hard water. If you have a concern, contact your local plumber about the possible use of a water softener.

By-Law 2002-108 prohibits the connection of building foundation drains, sump pumps, eavestroughs and/or any other device into municipal sanitary sewers.

WATER TESTING

Water test results for the Huron-Kinloss water systems can be viewed at the Municipal Office during regular business hours.

Sample results from the H-K water systems indicate the presence of Sodium Chloride and Fluoride.

Sodium Chloride is a common non-toxic material naturally present in groundwater and produces a detectable salty taste. If a resident is on a sodium-restricted diet or has concerns regarding health issues, they should contact their physician or the local health unit.

Fluoride is also naturally occurring in groundwater and while small amounts are considered to be protective against tooth decay, excessive levels may lead to dental fluorosis. If you have any concerns, contact your dentist or the local health unit.



NEW MATERIAL TO GO IN YOUR RECYCLE BOX !

Starting January 1st, 2011 the following additional items will be accepted in your Blue Box for collection:

- Spiral Boxboard (ie Ajax/Comet, Pringles containers—leave metal ends intact)
- Single serve plastic cups (ie yogurt containers)
- Moulded retail packaging—boxboard & paper removed
- Plastic inserts (such as those found in cookie bags)
 - Clamshell plastic (ie muffin containers)
 - Plastic pails (under 20 L in size—no metal handles)
 - Rigid plastic packing with the recycle symbol on the bottom from 1 to 7



DO NOT RECYCLE: Plastic bags, disposable coffee cups, planters/pots, styrofoam, industrial plastic, plastic lawn furniture

CHECK THIS NEW GUIDE OUT !

The Lake Huron Centre for Coastal Conservation has released the *Lake Huron Coastal Dune Plants Guide* detailing native, non-native and invasive species along the shoreline. The booklet contains a brief description of the plant and a colour picture making it a valuable reference tool for all. It can be seen on the Huron-Kinloss website or the Coastal Centre's website (www.lakehuron.ca)

PERMITS REQUIRED

If you want to use equipment or motorized vehicles on the beach you will require approval and a permit. Permits are available at the Municipal Office, our website or the Recreation Dept

DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION

Educate yourself and visit www.waterprotection.ca to see what policies this committee is working on to reduce risks of contamination and overuse to your drinking water sources.

HURON-KINLOSS ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

The 2010 – 2011 Accessibility Plan is available in the Lucknow and Ripley Public Libraries. It can also be found on-line at www.huronkinloss.com by typing "accessibility" in the Search feature and selecting the Accessibility Plan from the other documents found.

If you have any input you would like to provide for our plan, please contact the office.



FIRE DEPARTMENT MESSAGE

Did you know that there are 19,284 volunteer fire fighters in Ontario (as of November 2010)?

Ontario also has 11,030 full-time fire fighters and 215 part-time fire fighters all working hard to keep you safe.

Do your part and make sure you have a working smoke detector on every floor of your residence.



WINTER PARKING REMINDER

Please be considerate of our snow plow operators and obey the winter parking restrictions.

Parking is not permitted on any street within the Township of Huron-Kinloss between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. November 1st to April 30th.

Tickets will be issued for infractions



FIREWORKS

As per the Township of Huron-Kinloss Noise Control By-law 2005-101, fireworks are only permitted on Canada Day and Victoria Day. If you have rental properties, please make sure your renters are aware of this by-law.



MARRIAGE COMMISSIONERS

Huron-Kinloss offers a choice of four marriage commissioners to make your day special.

Summer months are the busiest times. Book early so you won't be disappointed !

Just fill in the on-line booking form under "Marriage Commissioners" on the website and confirm your spot now !

