

# Sound Opportunities

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## PARRY SOUND IN BLOOM WINNERS ANNOUNCED

On Monday, August 28, the winning entries in the Parry Sound in Bloom garden competition were announced. The garden competition – which opened for registration in May – offered Parry Sound residents the opportunity to enter their home gardens for the chance to win a first-place prize of a \$250 gift certificate to the winner's choice of local home improvement store or garden centre. The contest evaluated front yard, residential gardens in Parry Sound in two categories: natural gardens (containing plants that are native to the area, and attract local wildlife such as animals and insects), and general gardens (which might catch the attention of the passerby).

The Town of Parry Sound is pleased to announce the following winners:

1st Place, General Gardens – 40 Marion Ave.

Honourable Mention, General Gardens – 41 Hillcrest Ave.

1st Place, Natural Gardens – 43 Parry Sound Rd.

The Town of Parry Sound extends its thanks and appreciation to all those who entered in the competition, and to those who have contributed to the beauty of our Town by creating vibrant neighbourhoods through collaborative community efforts.

The residential gardens that can be seen in local neighbourhoods throughout the warm months are sincerely appreciated for their beauty, and the hard work that goes into making them bloom. For more information on the Parry Sound in Bloom garden competition or future civic beautification initiatives, please visit [www.parrysound.ca](http://www.parrysound.ca) or contact Brad Weiler at 705-746-2101 ext. 227 or by email at [bweiler@townofparrysound.com](mailto:bweiler@townofparrysound.com).



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# Public Works Updates

## Emily Street Reconstruction

Work is progressing on Emily Street. The contractor hopes to have all the underground works and roadbed completed by the end of this year. New watermain, sanitary, storm, curb and gutter and sidewalks are all part of the reconstruction. Traffic disruptions will continue into the late fall, and everyone's patience is greatly appreciated.

## Public Washrooms

The new public washrooms are complete and open for business. They are bright and clean, accessible and safe for all to use. FAD Architects and Incon Construction were involved with the design and construction. And Operations staff completed the garden work.

## Parry Sound Drive recreational trail

Operations staff worked through the summer months to complete the new trail connection between Parry Sound and McDougall, which runs along the side of Parry Sound Drive. The trail will be paved shortly, to be enjoyed for all non-motorized travel.

## Bowes/Louisa Street retaining wall

The second part of the retaining wall replacement will start up in September. Weeks Construction was the low bid for this project, which will see the replacement of the crumbling retaining wall on the west side of Louisa Street. Traffic disruption will be kept at a minimum.

## Waubeek Street Reconstruction

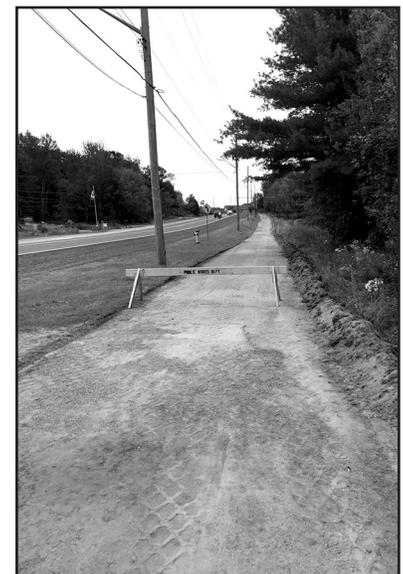
The Town received partial funding toward the total reconstruction of Waubeek Street, from the train bridge to Victoria Street. Also included in the overall project is Prospect Street and Melvin Avenue. The work will include a new sewage forcemain, watermain, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, curb and gutter, sidewalk and road surface. There is a lot of underground work to replace in this area, so there will be traffic disruptions. Work will commence in 2018.

## Speed Reduction in Parry Sound

Operations staff completed the installation of the 40kph speed limits in Community Safety Zones around town as per Council approval. This will allow for safer travel, especially around school zones



Emily Street



Recreation Trail

## Bobby Orr Hall of Fame Celebrity Golf Classic

The Bobby Orr Hall of Fame hosted its annual Celebrity Golf Classic on August 18th at the Ridge at Manitou Golf Club. Golfers avoided the rain and finished an exciting round with Bobby Orr. They returned to the Stockey Centre for an evening of entertainment hosted by Jim Ralph and Gord Miller. Don Cherry made a surprise appearance and provided an intimate look into his time with Bobby Orr. Dennis Hull had the crowd laughing through his entire speech. Attendees were joined by celebrities such as Frank and Peter Mahovlich, Tessa Bonhomme, Doug Gilmour, Liisa Savijarvi, Gord Miller & Bob McKenzie, to name a few. During his speech Bobby presented Peter Mansbridge with a personal gift to congratulate him on his illustrious career. The silent auction was a huge success and will greatly benefit the Hall. Thank-you to our guests and volunteers for making this event successful and we look forward to next year.



We are excited to welcome our new Project Development Intern, Luke DuCharme. Luke comes to us with an Honours Bachelor of Arts in History with a Graduate Certificate in Culture and Heritage Site Management. He has previously completed an internship with the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Just a reminder that the Stockey Centre's TIFF Film Nights are coming back, and watch your mailboxes for the Fall season brochure that will be released soon!

### Granite Harbour, Phase Three

The Salt Dock Road condominium is nearing completion of all three buildings.

Phase two is currently under construction with 32 units.

Phase three was recently approved by Council for 32 units as well. This third and final phase is expected to be completed some time in 2018.

### Parry Sound Affordable Housing Corporation

The former William Beatty School renovation is largely complete.

Forty five residential units are within the former school as well as institutional uses.

The property is now also being developed with a 10 unit apartment/townhouse building as well.



Trestle Brewing Company Ltd. is a craft brewery in development that will be a premier destination in the heart of Parry Sound on the waterfront. The property is located at 9 Great North Road backing onto the Seguin River and has spectacular views looking towards Parry Sound's iconic CPR Trestle.

Long ago the property was occupied by one of the largest train stations in northern Ontario. Later, it was a fuel oil storage depot. The property had been vacant for almost 20 years and testing confirmed it was contaminated with hydrocarbons. After the purchase of the property by Trestle co-owners Dave Fusek and Chris Pettinger, they initiated a full site evaluation and cleanup. In December 2016, the contaminated soil was excavated and removed from the property and taken to a contaminated waste facility in Sudbury. Pettinger says "Dave and I determined early on that cleaning up the site was the right thing to do. It is an incredible location with a unique view and we feel fortunate to have this opportunity to build a project like this here." The Town of Parry Sound facilitated the clean-up of the contamination through the provincial REUSE program for Brownfield Remediation.

Construction of the new facility was set to begin at the end of March but ran into some significant setbacks. Construction is beginning with an anticipated finish sometime early in 2018.

"Our permit to manufacture beer was issued in mid-June on schedule so we had to adapt without our building being ready and have been brewing our beer under contract at breweries with excess capacity" says Fusek.

Trestle's brewmaster, Matt Lyons, has been brewing in Victoria, BC for 4 years and is a graduate of the Niagara College Teaching Brewery Program. He purchased a house and moved to town at the beginning of June with his wife and daughter. "Matt has been busy developing recipes and oversees production to meet industry quality assurance standards," says Pettinger.

“With the incredible outpouring of support we have had for the project, we say tongue in cheek that Matt is the most important guy to come to Parry Sound since J.R. Booth or William Beatty.”

The company brews one beer currently - Trestle Golden Ale- which is slated for distribution in grocery stores across Ontario sometime the end of September or early October. “The artwork on the can label represents a view customers will see looking down the river from our patio towards the Town dock and the historic CPR Trestle” says Pettinger. “Our effort in developing our brand, the beer and our marketing and distribution plan are finally moving from concept to reality and it is humbling to see folks drinking and enjoying our beer at local restaurants and pubs.” Once the 4000 sq. ft facility is open, there will be 4-6 regular craft beer offerings and other seasonal limited release beers throughout the year. The brewery will also feature food that pairs with the beers offered. “We won’t be a full service restaurant, but it is important that we offer quality food choices that appeal to a wide audience,” says Pettinger.

Trestle beer has been getting around Ontario this summer with the company attending some of the largest beer festivals including Session Muskoka, Kitchener-Waterloo Beer Festival and Head for the Hills Craft Beer Festival. “Attending these events is important for us as a networking opportunity with other breweries. We spread the word about our vision for our brewery and our products, and where we are and how to find us. The number one question we get is “Can I buy your beer at LCBO or Grocery?” Pettinger continued, “One of our goals is to have seasonal visitors enjoy the beer while they are in the Parry Sound area so that when they go home and they shop at their local LCBO or grocery store they recall that enjoyment they felt and purchase our products for enjoyment at home. Better yet, our area has so much to offer, we aim to get them to come back and visit again and again.”

“This year we partnered with the MV Chippewa in offering craft beer sunset cruises and sold out repeatedly.” “While the weather was fairly uncooperative, the cruises were enjoyed by all and we look forward to offering a full schedule of cruises next season” says Pettinger. One cruise was a fundraiser with Pedaling for Parkinson’s and another raised funds for Hospice West Parry Sound.

Upon opening, Trestle anticipates employing 5 full time staff and by June the brewery will be home to as many as 8 full time and 10-12 seasonal employees.

Trestle beer is currently available only at finer establishments in the Parry Sound Area.

## **Municipal Election 2018**

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It seems like a long way off but it’s closer than you think! As the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) did for the last election in 2014, eligible voters will have an opportunity to correct and update any of their voter information on-line before the municipal Clerks receive the voter’s list (and a lot of paperwork has to be filled out). Keep an eye out for this next year.

**Parry Sound will continue to offer telephone and on-line voting only for the 2018 municipal election.**

## Have Your Say in Parry Sound Recreation Programming

To a lot of people, being on a sports team or having an afterschool activity is an essential part of their childhood. The benefits to participating in recreational activities go beyond physical and emotional. Getting out of the house, socializing with new friends, and being a part of something that is bigger than you is the greatest benefit of all. That sense of belonging is what makes us feel like we are important to and valued by others.

For many, the opportunities to take part in a recreational activity or sport are innumerable. That being said, it's important to note that a person with a disability typically does not have this same experience. While the aspiration to be on a team or participate in an activity is there, the opportunities to do so aren't always. Be it the lack of capacity of the recreation sector to deliver quality and preferable programming, the lack of specially trained personnel, or the lack of understanding of needs and abilities, there is a gap in the rate of participation between people with and without disabilities. Several community organizations such as the Town of Parry Sound, the YMCA, Community Living Parry Sound, and Parry Sound Bikes, are leading the initiative to address and close this gap.

The purpose of the partnership, aptly named Team All Abilities, is not to convene or create sports leagues and activities solely for the use of people with disabilities. The purpose is to make the sport and recreation sector and, ultimately, the community more inclusive to people of all abilities. Increasing participation in sport and recreation is seen as a shoo-in way for the lives of all people to drastically improve. Team All Abilities will optimize the knowledge and capacity of everyone involved in the sector so that leagues and activities are well equipped to offer programs to people of all skills and abilities.

Decades of facing barriers to participation in physical activity has created a population of people who no longer seek recreational community involvement. The lack of awareness of the barriers people face continues to stand in the way of full participation in sport and recreational activities. Team All Abilities will ensure that recreational activities are reshaped to fit the needs of all participants and through the establishment of a network of community connections, raise awareness.

The Town of Parry Sound's recreation department has collaborated with Team All Abilities by creating a survey that will establish the baseline data that both the town and the project need to accomplish their goals. The survey will allow its administrators to see what kind of activities people participate in, what they would be interested in participating in, where people find information about activities, and what sorts of barriers to participation they experience. The data pulled from this survey will help to inform the decisions and plans of action that the partners make from here on out. Team All Abilities is a collective initiative, and its success is contingent on understanding the needs of the community. With your help, we can build the capacity of the recreation sector to optimize inclusive opportunities for people of all abilities. With your help, we can ensure that every person in Parry Sound lives a wholesome life and feels as though they belong.

**Visit [www.parrysound.ca/recreation](http://www.parrysound.ca/recreation)  
or come into the Town Office  
at 52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound to complete the survey.**

# Fall/Winter Recreation in Parry Sound

Fall and winter present great opportunities for residents of Parry Sound to get out and be active. For those who are looking for organized recreation and leisure activities, the Town of Parry Sound is offering a new lineup of programming to keep you busy through the autumn season, and well into the long winter months.

## Adult Programs

### Art Classes & Wine Glasses

A fun night out among friends as you create your own masterpiece to take home with you. Local artists guide you through each project. All materials supplied, no experience necessary.

### Belly Dancing

An enjoyable fitness program designed to strengthen the spine, move muscles and provide grounding energy. This yoga-style program will build a foundation for progression and body fluidity. Please dress in anything you feel comfortable moving in.

## Senior Programs

### Floor Shuffleboard

Floor shuffleboard is a great low-impact activity to help keep both the body and mind active. All equipment is provided, no experience necessary. Coffee served after each session.

### Pickleball

A racquet sport played on a badminton-sized court, pickleball offers participants a terrific workout, and social opportunities. Equipment available on-site, no experience necessary.

## Youth Programs

### Art Classes

Perfect for the child who loves to create masterpieces. Get creative with a new art project each week – led by Melissa Beasley. 4 classes per session, on Wednesday evenings from 6 – 7:15 PM.

### Intro to Making Music with Guitar

Learn basic guitar chords, and build foundations for song writing in this informal introduction to guitar. This program will help participants learn to follow along with their favourite covers. Participants must bring their own guitar.

## Special Programs

### Grandparents & Kids in the Kitchen

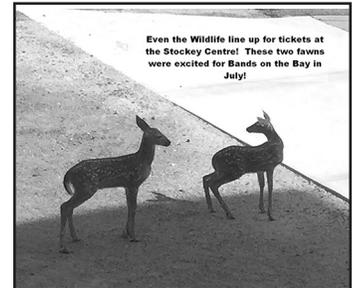
Funded by the Ontario Seniors Community Grant, this program pairs seniors and youth together to teach simple recipes and cooking skills, while facilitating socialization opportunities between young and old. Register as a pair. Sign up must be completed for each session.

# Charles W. Stockey Centre

The fall is upon us once again and the Stockey Centre is preparing for a very busy and exciting season!

We are continuing our TIFF Film series, every second Thursday at 7:00PM. Once again we have an extremely exciting lineup of highly anticipated films;

- September 21st: A Quiet Passion
- October 5th: Long Time Running
- October 19th: The Big Sick
- November 2nd: Churchill
- November 16th: The Glass Castle
- December 7th: Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World
- December 12th: The Breadwinner
- January 4th: Breathe



Tickets are ten dollars and can be purchased at the Stockey Centre box office or on our website.

On October 2nd, we are incredibly proud to be welcoming The Barenaked Ladies to the Stockey stage as part of their Canada 1 Five 0 Tour. The show is currently sold out, but phone our box office to be added to the ticket waitlist!

On November 29th we welcome back Classic Albums Live, as they perform Supertramp's Crime of the Century. Join us for the note of note, cut for cut rendition of Supertramp's breakout album in North America.

Whatever it is you're looking for, the Stockey Centre has something to offer you and your family this fall! Call today for show dates and times at 705-746-4466 and make sure you don't miss out on any of these



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