



Village of Point Edward *March 2020*

Changes to Scheduled Events and Operations Due to COVID-19

All Village departments, including the Municipal Office, are closed to the public until further notice. Essential operations are continuing, and you may call (519) 337-3021 or email jburns@villageofpointedward.com if you require assistance.

Please note that the **dates for scheduled events are subject to change** based on the latest information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. Please check Village emails, our Facebook page, or our website for updates.

Subscribe to Village Emails for the Quickest Access to Important Information

Click the "[Subscribe for E-mails](#)" tab at the top of the Village website to sign up. You may cancel anytime using the link provided in all emails.

Leaf/Grass and Brush Collection

The start of leaf/grass collection is being postponed due to COVID-19 closures. **There will be no collection on Monday, March 30.** The new start date will be posted on our website once determined. Please reference the back cover of your Village calendar for detailed collection guidelines.

Brush collection is now a separate event from leaf/grass collection and will typically occur on the last Monday of each month, with one additional pick up scheduled in April and November. Please verify dates in your Village Calendar or the [Community Calendar](#) on our website.

It's a Toilet, **Not** a Trash Can!



Single-use wipes, including cleansing and diaper wipes, **can't be safely flushed**, even though their labels may show otherwise. Even wipes labelled as "flushable" can lead to toilet and pipe blockages. They do not dissolve like toilet paper does and can actually damage and cause blockages in home plumbing, sewers and pumping stations when flushed. The cost of sewer blockages may be the responsibility of the homeowner. Paper towels create similar problems and also should never be flushed. Toss these in the trash instead.

ANNUAL WATER REPORT

The Annual Water Report is available on the Village website: <https://www.villageofpointedward.com/water-department/>. A hard copy is available by request at no cost.

Scholarship Applications

Applications for the Maynard & Rene Walker Family Scholarship can be requested by calling (519) 337-3021 or by emailing jburns@villageofpointedward.com. The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, May 1.

IMPORTANT DATES

FRIDAY, APRIL 10: Good Friday Municipal Office Closed
SUNDAY, APRIL 12: Easter Sunday <i>Happy Easter</i>
MONDAY, APRIL 13: Easter Monday Municipal Office Closed
TUESDAY, APRIL 14: Brush Collection Scheduled to Resume—please check our website to confirm the start date.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15: Ban on Overnight Parking Lifted
MONDAY, APRIL 27: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Payment Due 2nd Brush Collection for April
FRIDAY, MAY 1: Deadline for submitting an application for the Maynard & Rene Walker Family Scholarship
TUESDAY, MAY 12: CHIPPER Branches must not be more than 6 inches in diameter; no length limit.
MONDAY, MAY 18: Victoria Day Municipal Office Closed
FRIDAY, JUNE 5: 2nd Regular Garbage Collection Begins
THURSDAY, JUNE 25: <i>save the date</i> The Village's Canada Day Celebration in Waterfront Park. Details will be announced closer to the event date.

TIDY YARD BYLAW

The Village recently passed a new bylaw that streamlines the process for addressing property standards issues, allowing us to investigate and resolve these complaints more efficiently.

To learn the requirements of the [Tidy Yard Bylaw](#), you may read it in its entirety on our website—click the *bylaws* link under the Municipal Office tab—or request a copy from the Municipal Office.

To file a property standards complaint, please request a complaint form from our office.

Recycle Coach App Now Available for Point Edward Residents



Download Recycle Coach from the App Store or from Google Play to access disposal and recycling information for thousands of household items, based on local requirements and drop-off locations. You'll find a variety of helpful services to make it easier to recycle and dispose of items properly:

- Use the personalized calendar to set up collection reminders that will be sent to your mobile device.
- Find comprehensive information on what you can and can't recycle.
- Locate drop-off locations near you for special materials like paint or old TVs.
- Report a missed collection.



Point Edward Fire & Rescue News

With many families at home self-isolating in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we need to take the time to complete a self-assessment of our homes to ensure that we are safe. Please read the information below and make the necessary changes to stay safe.

Test Your Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Change batteries immediately, if needed, or if you haven't done it in the last year—twice a year is best. Both smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors have a life span: check these units to ensure they are within the manufacturer's recommendation (typically 10 years for smoke detectors and 5–7 years for CO detectors, but some newer models have a 10 year life span). **If your smoke or CO detectors are not working properly or they are more than 10 years old, replace them! Your life could depend on it.**

Ontario law requires that working CO detectors be installed outside all sleeping areas of any home that contains a fuel-burning appliance or has an attached garage. Smoke detectors need to be placed on every level of your home and outside of sleeping areas.

- Check your fire extinguishers, if you have them.
- Check for overloaded or damaged extension cords and replace where needed.
- Ensure you have an emergency preparedness kit in case of incidents such as power outages and flooding.
- Practice your family's fire escape plan so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency.
- Check windows to ensure they open and close properly, in case they are needed as an exit.

- Properly store household chemicals and never mix cleaning agents.
- Recycle: get rid of old newspapers, magazines, and junk mail. These items tend to pile up and can greatly contribute to the severity and spread of fire.
- Check and clean the filters above the stove and in your furnace.
- Pull the refrigerator out & vacuum or dust the coils.
- Keep stairs and landings clear for safe evacuation in event of an emergency.

My Community Notification Network (MyCNN)



MyCNN is a local emergency alerting system that, during emergencies, can be used to notify residents with publicly listed land-line telephones. Residents will typically receive alerts for tornado warnings, drinking water emergencies, shelter-in-place advisories, evacuation advisories and missing children.

Not everyone has a land-line telephone and telephone directories are not always complete or current. To be certain you will receive emergency alerts, you can subscribe to MyCNN, and choose to be notified through additional communications methods such as cell phone, email and text messages.

You can also choose to receive notifications about non-emergency events that affect your home, workplace, school and more.

There is no cost to subscribe. All alert messages are sent by municipal, County or emergency officials.

To receive MyCNN notifications, visit the CAER website (<http://caer.ca/everbridge/>) or click the MyCNN logo on the Village's website to create an account. The information you provide will not be shared with other agencies by municipal officials. Deactivate your account anytime by removing your contact information from your profile.

Why Should I Subscribe?

Timely and ACCURATE information is important during an emergency. While social media is a great way for verified sources to get information to the public, it can also be used to spread rumours and false information.

MyCNN is controlled by your local officials, so you can be sure that any information you receive from MyCNN is accurate and true. We can send a message to all of Point Edward or even select certain areas or streets—but we can only do this with those that are registered with the service. That's why it is so important to [sign up today!](#)