



MUNICIPALITY OF  
**ARRAN-ELDERSLIE**  
2025 COMMUNITY GUIDE

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# Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents and Visitors,

On behalf of Arran-Elderslie council and staff, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our 2025 Community Guide. Whether you are a long-time resident, a new member of our community, or a visitor exploring all that we have to offer, this guide has been thoughtfully prepared to help you navigate and enjoy life in Arran-Elderslie.

Arran-Elderslie is proud to be a community where natural beauty, strong traditions, and a welcoming spirit come together. 2025 marks the 145 anniversary of the town of Chesley, and I look forward to attending the Homecoming events to mark the occasion that dedicated volunteers are planning for the first weekend in August. Additionally, we are excited to be building a new Firehall and Works Building in Paisley in 2025. This project represents our ongoing commitment to improving infrastructure and services for our residents and future generations.

I encourage you to explore this guide, take advantage of the resources it highlights, and support our local businesses. They are the heart of our community

Thank you for being an essential part of our community. Together, we will continue to make Arran-Elderslie a wonderful place to grow together.

Warm regards, Mayor Steve Hammell



## Your Members of Council (2022 - 2026)

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## Attend a Council Meeting

The Council meeting schedule for 2025 can be found on our website.

If you would like to come to a Council meeting as a delegation, you must contact the Clerk or fill out the Delegation Request Form found on our website 14 days before the council meeting you wish to delegate.

## Live Stream Council

Council meetings are live streamed and recorded. Access can be found on our website












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# Welcome to Arran-Elderslie

*Arran-Elderslie is located in the heart of Bruce County.*

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie home to approximately 7,000 residents who enjoy the natural landscape and rural life.

The Municipality includes the four communities of Allenford, Chesley, Paisley and Tara and the former townships of Arran and Elderslie.

Many people have found that Arran-Elderslie is a great place to live due to its proximity to major employers as well as the rural lifestyle, small town safety and housing prices; the perfect place to buy your first home, raise a family own a business or retire to.

Visitors enjoy the scenic views, paddling the Saugeen River, hiking our trails, and visiting our quaint historic villages to shop and dine locally.

The most up-to-date information can be found on our website. We hope you enjoy the highlights offered in our Community Guide, and refer to it often!




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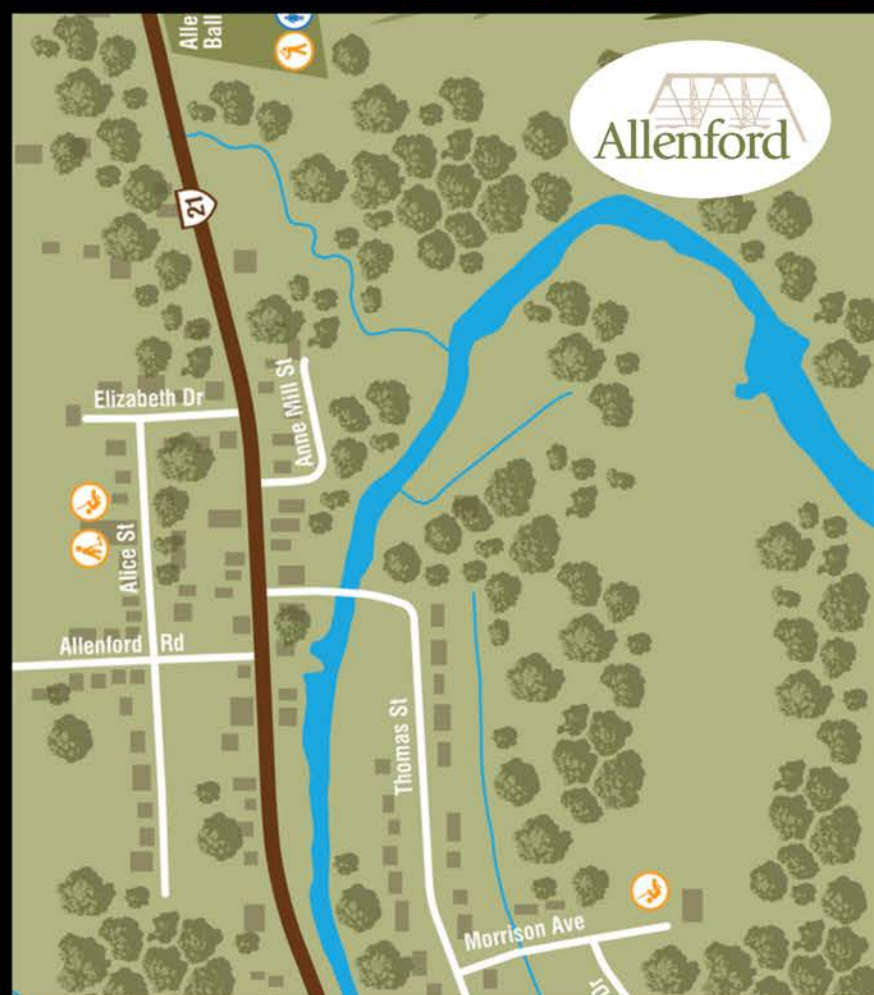
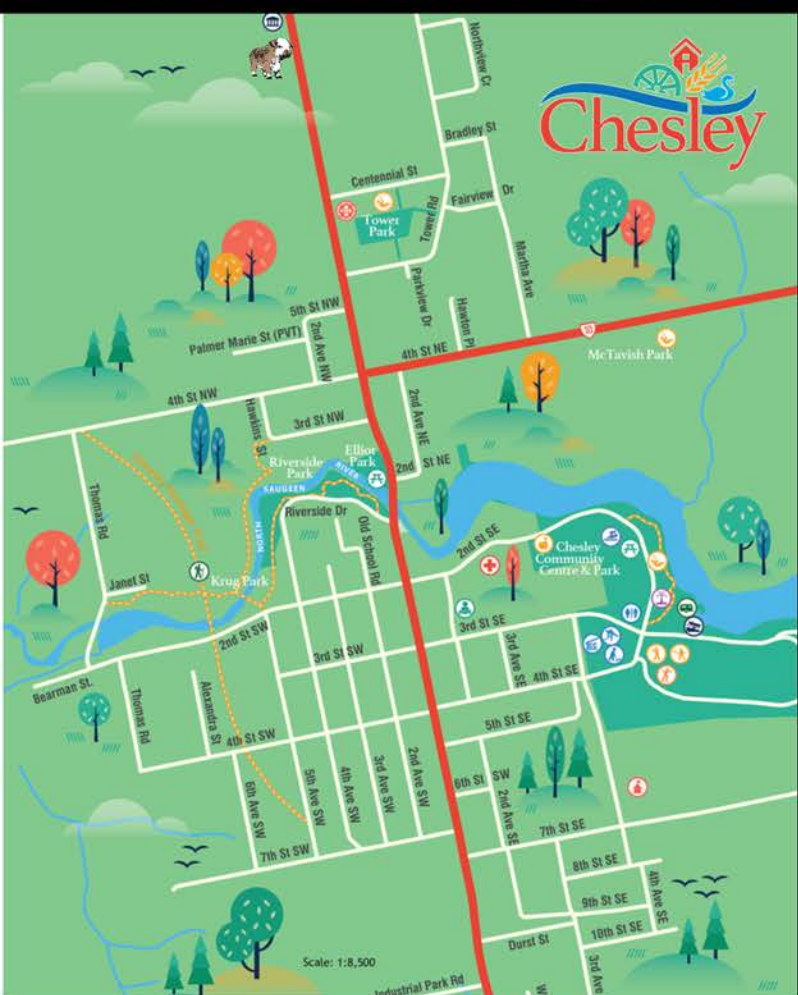
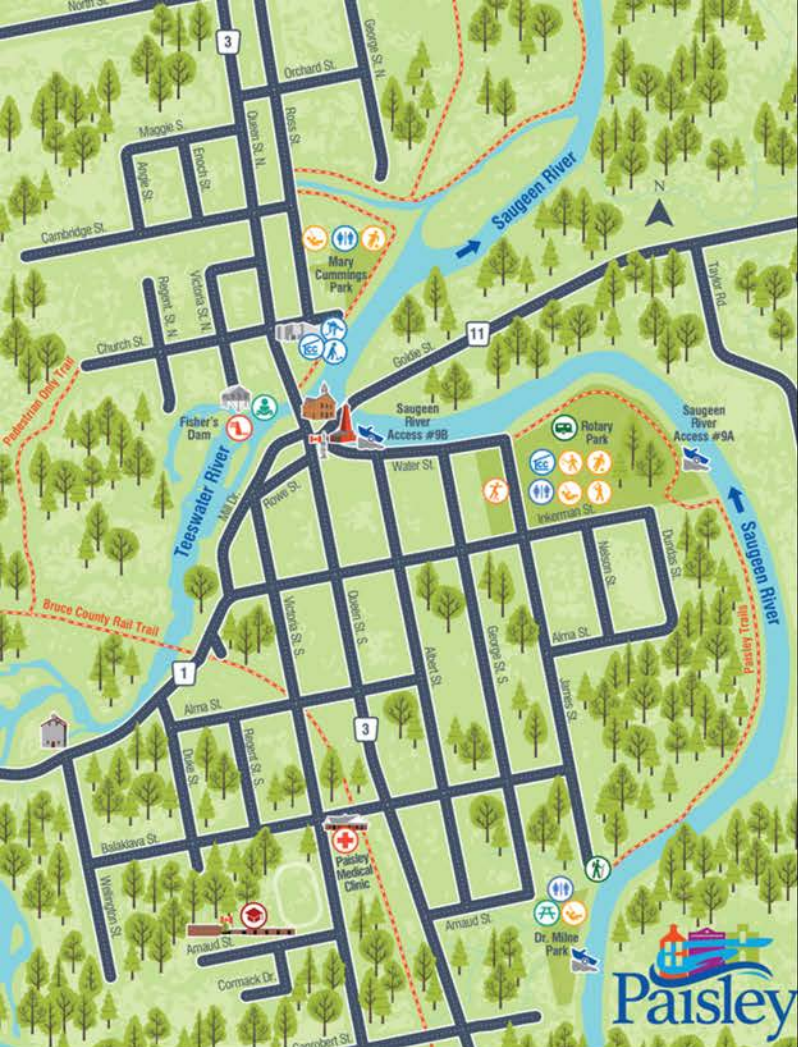
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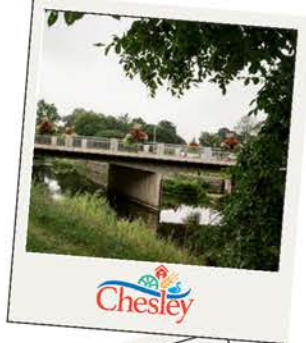
# Our Communities



Allenford is situated on the bank of the Sauble River and was originally known as Driftwood Crossing.

This small hamlet has many amenities and is home to the busy Allenford Community Park, and the Allenford Community Centre which host a number of events throughout the year.

Allenford has the distinction of belonging in two municipalities, Arran-Elderslie and South Bruce Peninsula.



Chesley is a welcoming community nestled on the Saugeen River North. It is a quiet and serene farming community with an historic downtown with lots of potential for growth.

If you are visiting Chesley, Krug Park, the Bob Hutchinson Heritage Trail, the Community Park with Pool, Arena and new Splashpad and of course Big Bruce are must-sees.

Chesley is a vibrant community that has room to grow, and is Growing Together.



Paisley is located at the joining of the Teeswater and Saugeen Rivers, and is known for its artistic flare, river views, pretty downtown core.

Home to a friendly community with interesting places to shop and eat, public art pieces, walking on the Bruce County Rail Trail and Paisley Dyke System, and great paddling and parks including the Splashpad.

Paisley is a destination to visit and a wonderful place to live.



Tara is a quaint and cozy, family-oriented village on the Sauble River with a ton of community pride and has been called a 'small town with a big heart'.


Tara boasts walking trails, horticultural gardens, a bustling arena, fantastic playgrounds, a pool, and new splash pad and a carved baby mammoth.

Tara is a wonderful place to 'Tarry Awhile' or spend a little time in, escape life's 'busyness', relax and explore.



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# Municipal Services

## **Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)**

The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is the senior manager appointed by Council. They are responsible for the management of the administration of our local government. They provide strategic direction to the organization and ensure that its actions are in alignment with Council priorities and provisions of the Municipal Act and other legislation. The CAO is the head of staff for the municipality, and through the various departments is responsible for providing and maintaining essential services. The CAO also acts as a liaison between staff and Council, providing support in the areas of policy, planning, budgeting, and community development.

## **Clerk**

The Office of the Clerk is an essential link between the residents of Arran-Elderslie and Council. The Clerk is responsible for several statutory duties under the Municipal Act and other legislation. The Clerk and the Mayor are the signing officers for the Municipality. The Clerk oversees and manages a variety of administrative and legislative functions including:

- Council agendas and minutes
- Cemetery administration
- Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act
- Providing Commissioner of Oath services
- Conducting Municipal Elections
- Deputy Registrar for Vital Statistics and Cemeteries
- Issuing Certificates and Licenses
- Maintaining corporate records and by-laws
- Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection to Privacy Act Requests

## **Economic Development & Communications**

Creates opportunities and collaborates with the community to focus on economic prosperity for all. Acts as the “first point of contact” for new or potential businesses relocating to the Municipality. Responsible for the overall coordination and management of all communication channels.

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# Finance Department

The Finance Department is responsible for the municipal financial records, accounts payable, receivables, payroll, purchasing, water billing, property tax billing, collections, managing customer inquiries and financial information for the Municipality.

## Property Taxes

Revenue from property taxes is used to provide municipal services and programs to residents. Taxes provide the main source of revenue for the Municipality, County and School Boards.

Tax Bills are generated twice a year with four (4) installment dates; March, June, August & October.

Many forms of payment are accepted including mail, internet, telephone banking, pre-authorized payments or in-person at the Municipal Office. Online forms for signing up for pre-authorized payments and or e-billing are available on our website under the living here section.

## Parking

Parking is available throughout the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie at a number of free and paid parking lots. Parking passes are available to purchase on our website or at the Municipal Office.

View our Parking By-Law on our website under Living Here for full details.

## Dog Tags

All dogs must be registered in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie. You can view our Animal Control By-Law on our website under Living Here for full regulations and fines. Registration fee is due March 31. You must license your dog each year or obtain a permit for a kennel. A dog tag must be attached to the dog's collar at all times. New dogs may be registered at any time. It is your responsibility to notify the office if there is any change to your pet's information, you are moving out of the Municipality, or you no longer have a dog.

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# Arran-Elderslie Fire & Emergency Services

Arran-Elderslie is serviced by three volunteer fire departments, Bruce County EMS and the Ontario Provincial Police. **If you are in an emergency, call 9-1-1.**

## Chesley Fire Station # 80

211 1st Ave N, Chesley  
District Chief Robert Bell

## Tara Fire Station #70

72 Yonge Street N, Tara  
District Chief Paul Best

## Paisley Fire Station # 90

382 Goldie Street, Paisley  
District Chief Dan Kerr

## Fire Hydrants

In the winter, please help by removing any snow banks around hydrants, and always avoid parking of vehicles around the hydrants, as valuable time can be lost if fire fighters must clear snow or work around cars upon their arrival at an emergency.

## ARE YOU PREPARED?

Emergencies are always unexpected and often catch us unprepared. Health Canada recommends having a 72 hour Emergency Preparedness kit available in the event of a power failure, snow and ice storm, flooding etc.

### HAVE ON HAND:

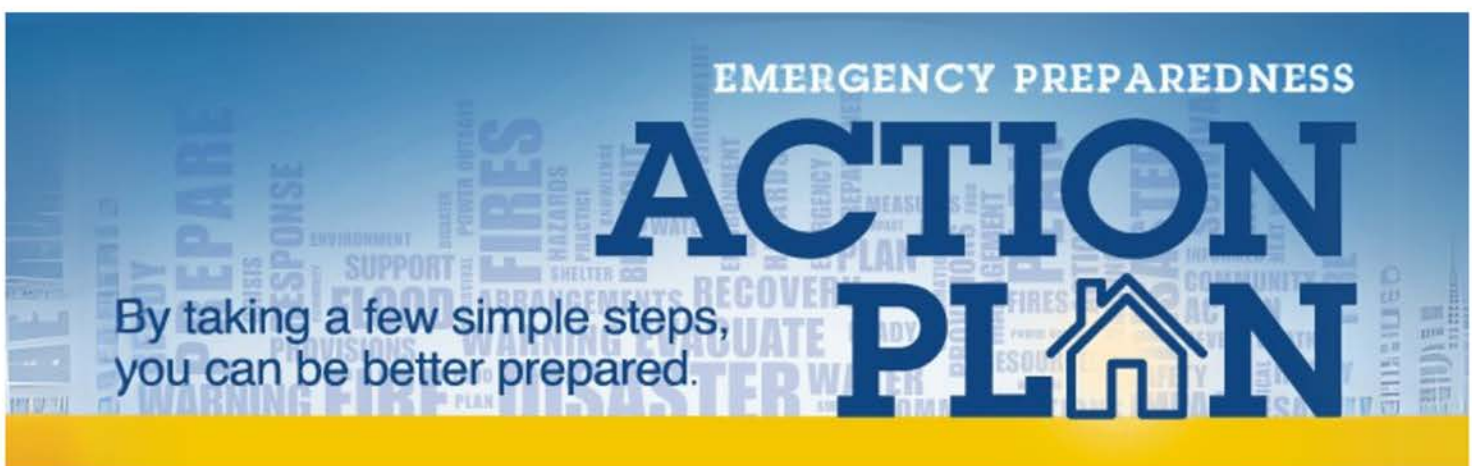
- At least three day's supply of food and water (4 litres per person/day)
- Canned food, crackers and biscuits, honey, peanut butter, jam, instant coffee, tea etc.
- Cutlery, disposable plates, can opener, waterproof matches, and garbage bags.

Prepare an emergency survival kit containing: Flashlight, radio, spare batteries, first aid kit, candles and matches/lighter, clothing and footwear, blankets, sleeping bags, receptacle, medication, pet supplies, plastic bags and toilet tissue.

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**Visit [arran-elderslie.ca/emergencyplanning](http://arran-elderslie.ca/emergencyplanning) for more information!**





# Public Works Department

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie maintains approx. 362 km of roads and streets, and owns and maintains over 65 bridges.

The Public Works Department plans and directs the construction and maintenance of Municipal roads, bridges, parking lots, culverts, streetlights, sidewalks, civic address numbers, municipal drains and other infrastructure as well as manages garbage and recycling collection and landfill sites.

After hour roads emergencies: General 519-373-9781

Tara 519-373-9780 Chesley/Paisley 519-270-0446

After hour's water and sewer emergencies: 226-256-9251

## Garbage Collection

Garbage is collected weekly in Arran-Elderslie.

- Tara and Allenford - Wednesday
- Chesley, Paisley and Elderslie - Thursday
- Arran - Friday

Garbage bags must be at the curbside by 7:00 a.m.

A maximum of two garbage bags per week are permitted from residential properties.

Bag tags may be purchased at the Municipal Office for \$3.50.

A complete list of bag tag outlets is provided on the website.

## Corrugated Cardboard

Corrugated cardboard will not be picked up with your recycling.

Community bins are located

- Chesley: Elderslie Shop (beside the Municipal Office), the Chesley Hospital and Chesley Grocery Store parking lot
- Paisley: located at Paisley Sewage Plant (322 George St. N)
- Tara: Arran Landfill, and Arran Shop

## Arran Landfill 671 Sideroad 20

Open Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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Residential waste, demo materials, unpainted wood, brush, electronic waste, bale wrap, white packing styrofoam and tires are permitted at this location for a fee. Compost and cardboard are accepted free of charge. Compost material is must be bagged in a brown compostable paper bag or in bulk. All compost containers are to be emptied and removed from the compost site. Blue Board that is used for building purposes and Hazardous Waste are not accepted.

## Chesley Landfill 230 4th Street SW

Open the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in October and November. Only unpainted wood, tires, brush and metal will be accepted at this location. There is no charge for wood and brush at this location. No residential garbage is permitted.

## Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

The County of Bruce hosts Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events through the year. Visit their website for more information. [www.brucecounty.on.ca](http://www.brucecounty.on.ca)

## Fall Leaf Collection

The Chesley Landfill will be open EVERY Saturday in October & November for free leaf/compost drop-off.

The Arran Landfill is open weekly Thursdays 8am-3pm and Saturday 8am-12 noon for free leaf/compost drop-off. 2025 curbside leaf collection will occur on October 28th & November 18th.

Please call the Municipal Office 519-363-3039 x102 to be placed on the list.

Leaves must be in biodegradable paper bags and at the curb by 8am. Materials in plastic bags will not be collected.

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# Recycling Collection

Recycling is collected every other week in Arran-Elderslie. Recycling pickup takes place in Arran, Allenford and Tara on Fridays. All others are the same day that your garbage is collected. Blue box must be curbside by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled pick up day. Recycling blue boxes are available for purchase at the Municipal Office at a cost of \$20. For more information on what can be recycled, visit the Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling website.



## Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of 2025 Blue Box Collection Schedule

PLEASE PLACE BLUE BOX OUT BY 8 AM FOR PICK UP

### LEGEND

Chesley, Paisley & Elderslie     Tara & Arran

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# Building, Planning & Development Services

The Building Department is responsible for ensuring that building projects meet the minimum standards as set out in the Ontario Building Code.

## Building

- Administration, interpretation and compliance of the Ontario Building Code
- Process the applications for Building, Septic & Demolition permits
- Building Inspections as required by the Ontario Building Code. 48 hours notice is required for all inspections

## How to apply for a building permit

A building permit must be obtained prior to any new structure, addition or renovation. You can apply for a permit by visiting our website.

## Zoning/Planning

The County of Bruce provides professional planning advice, assistance, and land use planning functions, including official plan amendments, zoning by-law amendments, and severance and consent applications, part lot control and subdivision development.

Tel : 519-534-2092 [bcplwi@brucecounty.on.ca](mailto:bcplwi@brucecounty.on.ca)

## Property Standards

- Manage the enforcement and interpretation of Municipal Law
- Investigates written Property Standards complaints
- Consult with property owners to comply with local Property Standards By-law
- [arran-elderslie.ca/en/municipal-services/by-laws.aspx](http://arran-elderslie.ca/en/municipal-services/by-laws.aspx)

## Bylaw Enforcement/Animal Control

Municipal Law Enforcement Officer/Animal Control: 226-910-1322

You can file a complaint about a possible by-law violation by completing a complaint form on the Citizen Request Portal. You can also contact the Municipal office or By-Law Enforcement Officer with questions. Depending on the nature of the complaint, the By-Law Enforcement Officer may ask you to provide evidence and/ or to appear as a witness in any court proceeding about the complaint made.

## Citizen Request Portal

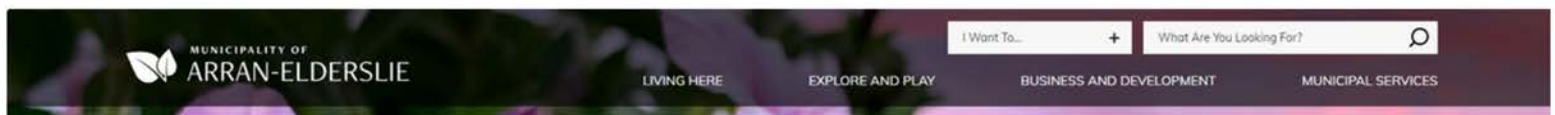
The Citizen Request portal on our website can be used by residents for inquiries to the municipality. This streamlined approach assists in directing your question or request to the correct municipal staff.

- Parking passes
- Roads Inquiry
- Bylaw Complaint Form
- Recreation General Inquiry
- More

**Use the search feature on our website to help you find what you're looking for!**

**Patrick Johnston**  
Chief Building Official/Provincial  
Offences Officer/  
Municipal Law Enforcement Officer/  
Zoning Administrator  
519-363-3039 ext 106  
[pjohnston@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:pjohnston@arran-elderslie.ca)

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## Facilities, Parks & Recreation

Arran-Elderslie owns and maintains facilities and sports fields that you can enjoy including community centres, ball diamonds, pools, parks, splash pads, soccer fields and many multi-purpose spaces. Facilities are available for a variety of services, programs and recreational opportunities. The Municipality also offers a wide variety of programs for residents of all ages and abilities. For inquiries about programming, booking a facility and more, you can visit the online booking portal on our website or contact Program Coordinator Katrina Eke.

### Splash Pads

Three Community Splash Pads are now operational, thanks to the dedicated community volunteers and generous donations and provincial grants. Splash pads typically open in early June and close mid September, and can be enjoyed from 8am - 10pm

Chesley Kinsmen Splash Pad - 129 4th Ave SE

Paisley Rotary Splash Pad - 294 James Street

Tara Splash Pad - 150 Hamilton Street

### Community Centres

Arran-Elderslie is home to three community centres, located in Chesley, Paisley and Tara. These facilities offer a wide variety of programs, activities and rental space for any occasion.

**Chesley Community Centre** offers a single ice pad from September to March and an arena floor from April to August. Also located within the building is a boardroom, community hall (cap 325), kitchen and curling club.

**Paisley Community Centre** has a single ice pad from October to March and an arena floor from April to September. A community hall (cap 122), kitchen and curling club is also located within the facility.

**Tara-Arran Community Centre** offers a single ice pad from late October until March and an arena floor from April to October. The facility also offers a community hall (cap 210), kitchen and curling club.

**Arkwright Hall** - for reservations please contact

Larry Wark 519-934-3440

### Sports Fields

The Municipality owns 7 ball diamonds, and 4 soccer pitches. Sports fields are open every year from approximately May 1 to October 31.

Bookings are made on a first come, first served basis, with priority given to returning teams from previous years. To book sports fields, contact the Programs Coordinator.

Allenford Ball Diamond is operated by the Allenford Community Park Committee. To book, please contact Kat McCullough at 519-934-3489.

#### **Carly Steinhoff, Manager of Facilities, Parks & Recreation**

519-363-3039 x 123

csteinhoff@arran-elderslie.ca

#### **Katrina Eke**

#### **Program Coordinator**

519-363-3039 x 117

keke@arran-elderslie.ca

#### **Corey Mannerow**

#### **Recreation Lead Attendant**

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#### **Roger McRae**

#### **Recreation Lead Attendant**

Tara Community Centre

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#### **Joel McAllister**

#### **Recreation Lead Attendant**

Paisley Community Centre

519-353-5272

paisleyarena@arran-elderslie.ca





## Ice Rentals

Ice Rentals are available in each of our facilities:

Prime Time Ice | Monday to Friday, 5:00pm to close, Saturday & Sunday 7:00am to close

Non-Prime Time Ice | Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm\*

- Discounted ice is available periodically throughout the ice season in all facilities.
- Same Day Ice (booked less than 24 hours)

\*Some restrictions apply. For more details, contact the Program Coordinator.

## Pavilions

There are 5 pavilions located within parks in Arran-Elderslie.

These are perfect for picnics and other outdoor gatherings. Please reserve by contacting keke@arran-elderslie.ca:

- Dave Spencer Memorial Pavilion
- Chesley Rotary Pavilion
- Roger Thorne Pavilion
- Tara Kinette's Pavilion
- Dr. Milne Pavilion

## Chesley Trailer Park

The 2025 season opens: May 1st, 2025

Call: 363-3039 ext 117

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Transient Sites available on a first come, first booked basis.

Currently there is a wait list for seasonal sites.

Seasonal rentals include Pool Pass.

## Paisley Rotary Campground

Contact Vicki Lake 519-353-5575 for booking details.



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# Parks & Trails

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie is fortunate to have an extensive pedestrian trail system which connects many parks, facilities and open spaces. Trails range from multi-use paved trails to walking trails through wooded and natural areas. Pets are welcome on our trails, as long as they are leashed.

## Parks & Trails List

Park Name	Location	Amenities
<b>Arran</b>		
Arran Lake Conservation Area	1061 Sideroad 10S	fishing, swimming, paddling, picnic pavillion, seasonal washrooms, boat launch
<b>Allenford</b>		
Allenford Community Park	7788 ON-21	Baseball, playground, seasonal washrooms
Allenford Playground	Morrison Avenue	Playground
<b>Chesley</b>		
Chesley Community Park	Parkside Dr	Splash Pad, outdoor pool, Wheel Park, playground, walking trail, baseball, tennis, paddling, non-motorized boat launch, seasonal washroom, 2 picnic pavillions, trailer park
Elliot Park	1st Avenue North	Gardens, bench
Main Street Bridge Parkette	1st Avenue South	Gardens, bench, dog waste
Riverside Park	Riverside Drive	Benches, fishing, walking trail, seasonal washroom
Bob Hutchinson Park	Behind the Fire Hall	Playground, benches, open space
Krug Park	2nd Street Southwest	Walking trail, historic display
Heritage Trail	Access in Riverside Park, Krug Park, and 4th St NW	Walking trail along river
<b>Elderslie</b>		
Dobbinton Park	Concession 13	Open Space, picnic table
McTavish Park	Concession 2	Seasonal washroom, open space
Saugeen River Access 8	428 Brant-Elderslie	paddling, fishing, picnic table, non-motorized boat launch
McBeath Conservation Area	water access only	Back country camping, picnic tables, non-motorized access from river
<b>Tara</b>		
Legion Playground	Behind Community Centre	Splash Pad, baseball, playground, seasonal washrooms, basketball, pavillium, horse ring, soccer, open space
Tara Rotary Park	714 Bruce Rd 10	Picnic pavillion, playground, seasonal washrooms
Tara Conservation Area	Access near River St. & Main St	Benches, pedestrian bridge, walking trail
Tara Pedestrian Trail	Ann Street	Benches, dog waste
Tara Downtown Parkette	Bruce Road 10	Picnic pavillion, playground, seasonal washrooms
<b>Paisley</b>		
Arran-Elderslie Dog Park	James St	Open seasonally, potable water, benches, fenced area, dog waste
Dr. Milne Park	George Street	Playground equipment, seasonal washroom, dog waste
Mary Cumming Park	Ross Street	Playground, picnic table, open space, seasonal washroom
Rotary Park	James Street	Splash Pad, baseball, basketball, Rotary Campground, open space, tennis, non-morotized boat launch, seasonal washroom
Willow Creek Park Foundry	Queen Street	Picnic tables, open space, historic plaque
Saugeen River Access Point 9a	Rotary Park	non-motorized boat launch
Saugeen River Access Point 9b	Temporarily Closed	
Saugeen river Access Point #10	3501 Bruce Rd 3	non-motorized boat launch, picnic table, paddling
Paisley Trail	Access on Church St.	



# Facilities, Parks & Recreation

## Programs

**Want to run your own program? Don't have the space to do it? We can help!**

Use your local Community Centre to run an activity or program opened to the public. Set your own program fee, choose an available time, and let us help you organize, and promote it. Ideas: Fitness programs, Drama classes, Karate, Art Classes and more! You pay only \$15.44 plus tax and insurance per hour. For more information, contact Program Coordinator Katrina Eke. keke@arran-elderslie.ca



## Arran-Elderslie Summer Daycamp

**Online Registration for Day Camp opens April 4, 2025. Space may be limited!**

Children are looked after by qualified and caring staff. Program activities include crafts, playground visits, visiting local attractions, pool visits, sports, games, and theme weeks. Most activities take place in a large group, although children may be divided into smaller groups based on age or activity and the number of participants.

*For information on subsidies and payment plans, contact 519-363-3039 x117 before May 1st.*

A weekly Newsletter will be distributed each Thursday for the following week to keep parents in the know.

Who: Children 4-11 years old. (Turning 5 by December 31, 2025)

Where: Community Centre - Day camp is offered in Chesley, Paisley and Tara, and programs with enough interest and staff will run.

Cost: 37.14 per day 3rd child discount available



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## Chesley Centennial Pool

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519-363-2288

## Tara Rotary Pool

15 Whites Ave  
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519-934-2164

Daily admissions - Youth \$4 Adult \$5 Immediate Family rate \$12  
Seasonal Pass - Youth \$87 Adult \$108 Immediate Family pass \$190

## Pool Admission Standards

Children under 10 years of age who are non-swimmers must be accompanied by a guardian who is responsible for their direct supervision. Children under 10 years of age who are swimmers (pass the facility swim test) may enter the pool alone, however a guardian must remain at the facility, at the discretion of the lifeguards. Children 7 years and under must be accompanied by a guardian who is responsible for their direct supervision in the pool.

## Hourly Pool Rentals

1 hour pool rentals are available at a cost of \$88.78 plus hst per hour

## Swimming Lessons

### ONLINE REGISTRATION! Opens on May 1st!

You will be able to view program times, register and pay online. If you are unsure of your child's level please call us.

## 2025 PROGRAMS

Swimming Lessons  
Aquafit  
Day camp swims  
Public Swims  
Adult and Tot  
Stroke Correction  
Adult Swim



# Recreation Programs

Sport/Activity	Contact name	Contact info	Day	Location
Kids and Us Day care	Kayla Tuttle RECE	paisley@kidsandus.ca	Weekdays	Paisley Central School
Tara Sparks, Embers, Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers	Barb Kelly	Kelly @gbtel.ca 519-270-9693	Thursday	Various
Chesley Kids Club	Sue Stuempfle	226-230-3518	Various	58 1st Ave North
Little Rocks Curling	Chris Mather	info@taracurlingclub.com	Various	Tara Curling Club
Junior Curling	Chris Mather	info@taracurlingclub.com	Various	Tara Curling Club
Tot Learn to Skate	Paul McLaren	519-363-0186	Thursdays	Chesley arena
Chesley Nursery School		519-363-2282	Weekdays	Geneva Presbyterian Church
EarlyOn Playgroup and various programs-Chesley	<a href="https://occms.brucecounty.on.ca/earlyon/calendar">https://occms.brucecounty.on.ca/earlyon/calendar</a>			
EarlyOn Playgroup -Paisley				
EarlyOn Playgroup -Tara				
Summer Day Camp	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Mon-Fri	Town Arena
Summer Swimming Lessons	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Mon-Fri	Tara / Chesley Pool
Summer Aquafit	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Mon-Fri	Tara / Chesley Pool
Cribbage		519-353-5444	Saturday	Paisley Legion
Crokinole and Coffee		519-353-5444	Monday	Paisley Legion
Qi Gong		519-353-5444	Monday	Paisley Legion
Euchre		519-353-5444	Monday	Paisley Legion
Tai Chi		519-353-5444	Tuesday	Paisley Legion



# Recreation Programs

Sport/Activity	Contact name	Contact info	Day	Location
Badminton	Jesse Graham	519-374-5643	Mondays	CDCS
Saugeen Paddlers		saugeenpaddlers@gmail.com	ongoing	Paisley
Chesley Curling	Joel McAllister	Joelmcallister11@gmail.com	ongoing	Chesley Curling Club
Paisley Curling	Deanna McDonald	226-930-1566	ongoing	Paisley Curling Club
Tara Curling	Natalie Mather	info@taracurlingclub.com	ongoing	Tara Curling Club
Allenford Curling	Alf Roth	519-379-7570	<a href="https://allenfordcurlingclub.ca">https://allenfordcurlingclub.ca</a>	
Chesley Minor Baseball	Brent Wathke	brent_wathke@bwdsb.on.ca	various	Chesley Diamonds
Tara Minor Baseball	Heather Zettle	heather.zettle@sympatico.ca	various	Tara Diamonds
Euchre	Art Malton	519-934-3535	Tuesday	Tara Legion
Game/Sports night	Andy Sammut	519-374-1041	Wednesday	Tara Legion
Music Jam	Art Malton	519-934-3535	Thursday	Tara Legion
Pepper	Gary Miller	519-372-9297	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Tara Legion
Chesley Minor Soccer	Chris Winkles	Chesleyminorsoccer@gmail.com	various	Chesley Soccer Pitch
Tara Minor Soccer	Cathy Spencer	www.taminorsoccer.com	various	ATES, Arena complex
AE Minor Hockey	<a href="http://www.aemha.ca">www.aemha.ca</a>			
Paisley Figure Skating	Janine Adams	paisleyskating@gmail.com	Various	Paisley Arena
Tara Figure Skating	Michelle Nesbitt	michelle.nesbitt@outlook.com	Various	Tara Arena
Public Skating	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Chesley, Paisley, Tara arenas	
Definition Fitness	Christie Thomson	definitionfitnesspc@gmail.com	Various	Chesley Comm Ctr
Men's Basketball	Woodie Brown	woodiebrown@gmail.com	Saturdays	CDCS
Chesley Lawn Bowling	Steve Schuknecht	519-363-0915	various	Lawn Bowling Club
Nordic Walking	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Various	Comm Ctr's
Paisley Lawn Bowling	Brian Beech	519-353-5937	various	Lawn Bowling Club
Morning Fitness	Katrina Eke	keke@arran-elderslie.ca	Mon/Wed/Fri	Chesley Comm Ctr
Chesley Carpet Bowling	Audrey Walsh	519-363-0904	Wednesdays	Chesley Comm Ctr
Chesley Solo Club	Doug Walsh	519-363-0904	Wednesdays	St. John's United
Tara Sunset Club Mtgs	Patricia Gold	519-373-2759	1st Tuesday	Tara Legion
Tara Legion Cribbage	Andy Sammut	519-374-1041	3rd Saturday	Tara Legion
Paisley Concert Choir	Carolyn Walker	519-353-5466	Wednesdays	Knox United Church
Pickleball	Kristen Webb	519-363-5709	Mon & Thurs	Chesley Comm Church
Pickleball	Paul Bellamy	esquire@bmts.com	Mondays	Paisley Central School
Happy Gang Mtg/cards	Doug Walsh	519-363-0904	1st Fri/3rd Fri	Chesley Comm Ctr
VON SMART Exercise	VON	David.schembri@von.ca	Mon/Fri	Tara Legion
TOPS Taking off Pounds	Janis Percy	905-320-3730	Monday	Chesley Comm. Church
Celtic Academy Irish Dance Can	Mary Foley	celticacademycanada@gmail.com	Various	Chesley, Paisley, Tara
BAFHT Fitness	Rebecca Rier	rrier@bafht.com	Thursday	Chesley Comm Ctr
Tai Chi	Bernice Kozak	berjrk@gmail.com	Various	Chesley Comm Ctr





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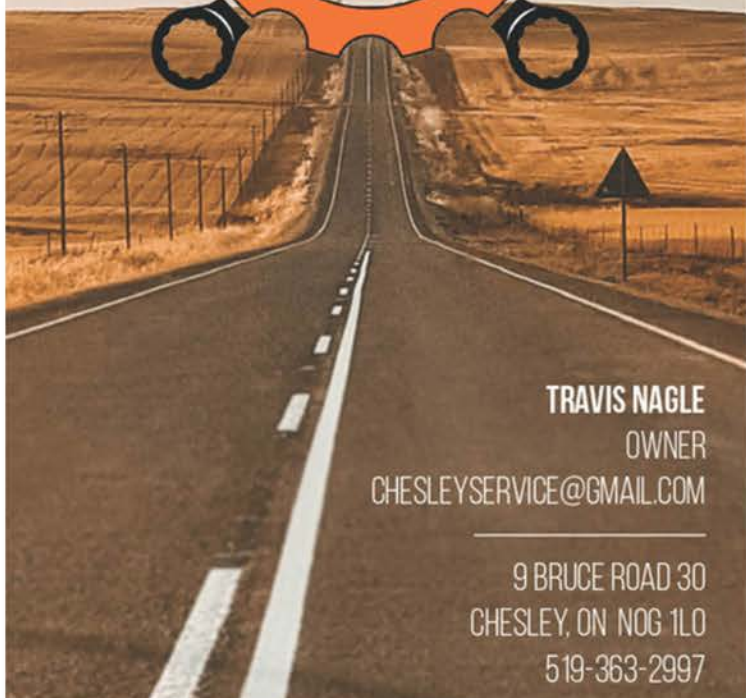
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 e-mail: [tcmuseum@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:tcmuseum@arran-elderslie.ca)  
 facebook & Instagram - paisleytreasurechestmuseum

The Treasure Chest Museum was founded by Norman Hagedorn and his wife Ina, who collected a wide variety of pioneer artifacts and in 1988, donated their collection to the Village of Paisley. This collection includes small agricultural equipment, tools, clocks, glassware, coal oil lamps, crocks, bath sets, and much more. There is an archives section which has Paisley Advocates dating back to 1865 and Chesley Enterprise and Tara Leader papers dating back to 1922. The Gift Shop contains many History books of the area.



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## Bruce County Genealogical Society

The Bruce County Genealogical Society provides assistance with research and networking for those who are interested in searching their ancestry and family history in Bruce County and beyond. Programs, workshops and speakers illustrate basic tools for genealogy.

Meetings are usually held the second Monday of the month at the Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre in Southampton, call 1-866-318-8889.

Check their website [www.rootsweb.com/~onbcgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~onbcgs) or phone 519-363-5673 for further information

## Paisley Concert Choir

The Paisley Concert Choir practices every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm at Knox United Church beginning Feb 5th. For information or to join contact Carolyn Walker @519-353-5466 or Sheryl Steinhoff @519-353-7202



## Chesley Community Players

The Chesley Community Players formed in 1996 after the successful performance of the Homecoming production of "Charlie's Aunt". They work with the municipality as a committee group to maintain the interior of the Bijou Theatre for live theatrical and musical entertainment and cooperate with school and community groups in presentations and fund-raising events.

The Chesley Community Players invite you to experience live theatre here in our own municipality.

Visit [www.chesleycommunityplayers.com](http://www.chesleycommunityplayers.com) for information on auditions, upcoming events and to volunteer.



## Paisley Artscape Society

The Paisley Artscape Society is a non-profit, volunteer driven organization that has supported public art in Paisley and surrounding area since 2019. In collaboration with the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie and various community organizations, PAS endeavours to enhance Paisley's "Artistic River Village" branding while adding to the natural beauty of our community. New members are always welcome. More information is available on their website, [paisleyartscapecociety.ca](http://paisleyartscapecociety.ca) [paisleyartscapecociety@gmail.com](mailto:paisleyartscapecociety@gmail.com)

## Trinity Theatre

Trinity is a registered charity, that was established in 1982. Trinity's purpose is to broaden the use of theatre in the community, through intergenerational interactions and the creation of peer leadership training programs that help facilitate self-growth, youth engagement, and community development.

For more information visit their website [www.trinitytheatre.ca](http://www.trinitytheatre.ca), or contact the co-directors via email, [sandra@trinitytheatre.ca](mailto:sandra@trinitytheatre.ca) or [alan@trinitytheatre.ca](mailto:alan@trinitytheatre.ca)

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### **Chesley Hospital**

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39 2nd St SE, Chesley

### **Chesley Medical Clinic**

519-363-3220

33 Second Street, Chesley

### **Paisley & Area Health Clinic**

226-909-3662

127 Victoria Street South, Paisley

## **Chesley Hospital Foundation**

The Chesley Hospital Foundation is a registered charity that raises funds through the support of individuals, families, companies and organizations to support quality local healthcare. Funds raised are used to purchase equipment, improve the facilities at the Chesley site of the South Bruce Grey Health Centre (SBGHC) and local physician recruitment efforts. The Foundation is guided by a volunteer board of directors, and partners with Chesley Physician Recruitment to ensure the strength of our local health care system.

Get in touch to learn how you can get involved:

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[chesleyhf@sbghc.on.ca](mailto:chesleyhf@sbghc.on.ca) 519-363-2340 x 3140

[www.chesleyfoundation.ca](http://www.chesleyfoundation.ca)

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## **Grey Bruce Public Health**

Grey Bruce Public Health oversees programs and services aimed at improving the health and well-being of the whole population – from birth to the end of life.

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Grey Bruce Public Health also provides dental screenings at elementary schools; offers services at Public Health dental clinics for patients enrolled in Healthy Smiles Ontario, the Children's Oral Health Initiative, and the Ontario Seniors' Dental Care Program; holds vaccination clinics; conducts investigations related to Diseases of Public Health Significance; manages outbreaks in long-term care homes and other higher-risk settings; inspects personal service settings and food facilities; consults on infection control practices; operates sexual health clinics; conducts inspections related to food safety, recreational and drinking water safety, and tobacco programs; investigates animal exposure incidents; oversees a vector-borne diseases program; operates a Healthy Babies Healthy Children home-visiting program; and supports clients as part of the Needle Syringe Exchange Program.

For more information on public health programs and services call 519-376-9420 or visit [www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca](http://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca)



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## Libraries

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Free online resources are available, including Kanopy tv and movie streaming service, LinkedIn Learning, language courses through Mango, research resources and homework help with World Book Online. Get access to 1000s of magazines & newspapers from around the world with PressReader, travel planning, kids' readalong stories, and an extensive library of Canadian Content on CBC Corner.

Public computers and free wi-fi are also available. Programs and take-home activities for all ages, including:

- Story Times for children & adults
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- Visiting exhibits, authors & artists
- Income Tax Assistance
- Book clubs and much more.

Other paid services include printing, faxing and photocopying. Rediscover your library today at [library.brucecounty.on.ca](http://library.brucecounty.on.ca).

## Library Hours

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Wednesday	10:00 - 5:00	3:30 - 8:00	10:00 - 4:00
Thursday	10:00 - 7:00	3:30 - 8:00	10:00 - 3:00
Friday	10:00 - 3:00	10:00 - 2:00	1:00 - 4:00
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## Service Clubs

### Chesley Kinsmen

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Chesley Kinsmen host the Chesley Santa Claus Parade, the Seniors Christmas Dinner, the "Fun in the Park" car show and the July Fest Canada Day celebration weekend . They recently assumed the responsibility of the Community Classic, a community walk raising funds with specific attention to community youth.

By attending these events, you help the Kinsmen support and serve the community and its greatest needs. Stay tuned as they plan their next community project. They meet the first and third Wednesday of the month from September to the end of June at the Kin Hall in Chesley.

For information or to join, contact [chesley.kinsmen@hotmail.com](mailto:chesley.kinsmen@hotmail.com) or facebook [kinsmenchesley](#)



### Chesley Kinettes

The Chesley Kinette Club was chartered in 1993 and has since raised funds for many worthy causes within the community. Some of their fundraising efforts include Breakfast with Santa, Darlene Gardhouse Memorial Bonspiel, bottle drives, catering events, and the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Funds have been raised in support of local services, charities and minor sports, and most recently, the purchase and installation of new accessible playground equipment in Bob Hutchinson Memorial Park.

They meet the second Tuesday of every month from September to June at Kin Hall.

For information or to join, contact Deanna Harvie 519-372-5135 [chesleykinettes@gmail.com](mailto:chesleykinettes@gmail.com)

### Paisley Rotary Club

The Paisley Riverside Palace is available for both licensed and unlicensed events from May to mid-October. It has a capacity of 230 people and the kitchen includes large appliances. Single and multiple day rentals are available. The Palace has propane heat for more comfortable spring and fall rentals, and is ground level accessible with a Family/Accessible washroom.

Contact: Gayle MacKay 519-353-5429 or [g.mackay@bmts.com](mailto:g.mackay@bmts.com)

The Palace is also available for winter storage of your summer "toys" (boats, cars, trailers etc.)

Contact: Ed Maxwell (519) 353-3194 [ed.maxwell@bmts.com](mailto:ed.maxwell@bmts.com)

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Contact: Vicki Lake at 519-353-5575 (year round).

For information or to join, contact President Paul Tully [paulrtully@hotmail.com](mailto:paulrtully@hotmail.com)



### Tara Rotary Club

The Tara Rotary Club was established in 1938. Since that time they have been involved in many worthwhile projects in the community, including the Tara Rotary Pool and the Tara Rotary Park and most recently the Ann Street Walking Bridge as well as numerous humanitarian projects locally and around the world. They also host a much anticipated Yard Sale each August at the Rotary Park and the Tara Santa Claus Parade in partnership with the parade committee. In addition, they are active supporters of many other local events and organizations.

They meet twice monthly at the Tara United Church, except in July and August they meet at Roger Thorne Pavilion, at the South end of town.

For information or to join, contact Ben Rier at [ben.coldwell@eastlink.ca](mailto:ben.coldwell@eastlink.ca) or 519-372-9506.



## The Royal Canadian Legion

The Legion is a non-profit, dues supported, fraternal organization with approximately 1600 branches in Canada. Membership is open to all Canadian veterans as well as serving and former members of the Canadian forces, RCMP, The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary, other police forces and their dependents, and Canadians who subscribe to the purposes and objects of the organization.

The Royal Canadian Legion has assumed a major responsibility for perpetuating the tradition of Remembrance in Canada. Each year the Legion organizes and runs the National Poppy-Remembrance Campaign to remind Canadians of the tremendous debt we owe to the more than 117, 000 men and women who gave their lives in the defense of Canada during two world wars, the Korean War and other missions around the world. Contributions made during the campaign are used to assist veterans, ex service members and their families when in need.

Ceremonies are held at the cenotaphs in Chesley, Paisley and Tara at 11:00am on November 11th.

The Legion also supports programs for seniors, particularly through direct community-level activities, and housing projects. The Legion's Youth program provides scholarships and bursaries, sports programs and support to activities such as Cadets, Scouts and Guides.

Each of our Legions has a busy schedule of activities and dinners that they host throughout the year. Please follow their facebook pages for details.



Chesley Branch #144  
519-363-2238

Paisley Branch #295  
519-353-5444

Tara Branch #383  
519-934-9992

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### Chesley Food Bank

The Chesley Food Bank is handled by the Hanover Salvation Army with service hours Wednesdays 9:30 am - Noon Call to arrange an appointment:  
Ryan Power 519-364-3450  
ryan.power@salvationarmy.ca

### Tara Area Food Bank

The Tara Food Bank is open every Wednesday from 12-3pm at Christ Church Anglican in Tara. Donations of canned and non-perishable foods and clean used clothing may be dropped off at the Church during open hours. Cash donations welcome at BMO in Tara. Contact 226-568-3092

### Good Food Box

The Good Food Box Program is a monthly collective bulk purchase of fruits and vegetables initiated by the Ontario Health Unit, managed by the United Way, and run locally by volunteers. The program is **open to all** and runs from September to June. The greater the number of boxes ordered the more plentiful the produce in the individual boxes. The cost is just \$22.00 per box. All orders must be prepaid by the first Thursday of the month. Please bring your own box or bag for transfer.

### Chesley Good Food Box

Orders and payment located at Chesley Convenience on the first Thursday of month. Pick up food box on third Thursday of month at Chesley Community Church. Call Sonia Tomilson 647-709-1294 for information.

### Paisley Food Bank

The Paisley Food Bank is run out of the Paisley Missionary Church 307 Balaklava St., Paisley. ID is required for all family members and proof of home address. Call to arrange an appointment:  
Carol McCulloch, Coordinator 519-353-5270

### Break Bread Community Meal

Eat in or take out, at the Chesley Baptist Church from 12:00 -12:45 pm every Thursday. This meal is available to anyone who may need it. Delivery can be arranged by calling the church. 519-377-4382 More info at chesleybaptist.ca

### Tara and Area Good Food Box

Orders and payment at the Tara Drug Store. Pickup takes place at the Tara Legion, between 10:30am - 1pm on the third Thursday of each month. Contact Bob Ruff 519-934-2273 or Bruce Antonette at 519-270-9659 to participate or to volunteer.



## Chesley and District Horticultural Society

“Keep Chesley Blooming” The Horticultural Society plants the flowers and/or maintains Elliot Park, Chesley Columbarium, Chesley Community Park Entrance, the Cenotaph, the three entrances into Chesley, and the gardens at the Chesley Medical Clinic, the Hospital, and Municipal Office. The boat near the boat launch and the canoe on Main Street are planted with native plants. The swan planters and nesting planters on the bridge were designed by member, Brenda Gordon-Ginter and the committee. Garden tours can be arranged.

The Chesley Horticultural Society meets the first Thursday of the month (except February and March) at 7 pm at the Klages’ Mill. Guest speakers and workshops are offered throughout the year. Our Annual Plant Sale is on June 7 at the Community Church parking lot, and the Annual Flower Show is on July 16 at Klages’ Mill. For additional programs and events by following on Facebook. New members are always welcome.

Please call Lorna Kingston at 519 363-2843 for more information.

## Tara Horticultural Society

The Tara Horticultural Society (THS) was excited to celebrate 100 years of Blooming in Tara in 2024.

In celebration of this milestone, the THS embarked on a legacy project to plant 100 Trees for 100 Years and is pleased to announce that thanks to the generous support of individuals, businesses, and organizations the fundraising goal was met! In 2024, 88 trees were planted on municipal property in Tara, Allenford, and Arkwright with the remaining 12 trees to be planted in the community in 2025. The final phase of the project will be installation of a legacy sign to mark the tree locations, provide education about the species of trees planted, and recognize project contributors.

For more information about our gardens, events, and how you can support or become a member, we invite you to follow us on Facebook or send an email at tarahorticulturalsociety1924@gmail.com.

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### **Paisley Agricultural Society**

“Country Roots and Cowboy Boots” is the theme of the 2025 Paisley Fall Fair which will be held Sunday September 7th at Rotary Park. Opening ceremonies are held on Saturday Sept. 6th at 7pm with a pie auction, ambassador competition, and entertainment. The fair day on Sunday is full of amazing children’s activities, an Agricultural Education Exhibition, livestock shows in beef and dairy cattle, plus the best one-day draught horse show in the province. The fair boasts demos, exhibits of homecrafts, music, dancing, and the most delicious food to eat. Admission is \$10 for adults for a full day of experiencing a traditional small town country fair.

The Agricultural Society meets monthly from January to October. For more info about the Society, exhibiting at the fair, sponsorship or volunteering, please visit [www.paisleyfair.ca](http://www.paisleyfair.ca) or contact Berni at 519-901-0738 [paisleyfair@yahoo.ca](mailto:paisleyfair@yahoo.ca)


### **Chesley Agricultural Society**

Each year the society organizes and funds the Chesley Fall Fair to help promote agriculture in our community. A saddle horse show is featured, as well as exhibits, entertainment and demonstrations. To help involve young people, an Ambassador of the Fair competition is held, and the winner represents the Chesley Agricultural Society, at the CNE. Junior Ambassador and Tiny Tot competitions have been added and opportunities are available from the age of junior kindergarten up to the age of 21.

The 2025 Fall Fair theme is “ Family Ties and Homemade Pies”. The fair will take place Fri Sept 5th & Sat Sept 6th. For information or to volunteer, call Jane Godin 519 363-2472 or email [chesleyagsociety1@gmail.com](mailto:chesleyagsociety1@gmail.com)

### **Arran Tara Agricultural Society**

The Arran Tara fall fair is staple in our community as people travel great distances to attend their unique ‘mid-week’ fall fair. The fair will be held on Tuesday September 9th starting after 6pm and then all day on Wednesday September 10th. The fair theme for 2025 is Autumn Skies & Apple Pies. There will be a number of events for individuals of all ages including livestock exhibits, children activities, exhibit hall with various baking, quilts and crafts and let’s not forget about all of the great fall fair food. [arrantarafallfair.ca](http://arrantarafallfair.ca) [arrantaraagsociety@gmail.com](mailto:arrantaraagsociety@gmail.com) or follow on facebook and instagram



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110 Yonge Street N

519-934-1404

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### **CHESLEY**

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# 2025 Community Events

For more information about events, visit the community calendar on our website or the host organizations website.

## CHESLEY

**March 4:** Chesley Nursery School Pancake Supper

**May:** Chesley Community Classic

**May 24:** Kinette Trivia Night

**June 7:** Chesley Horticultural Society Plant Sale- Community Church

**June 28 - July 1:** Julyfest, Fun in the Park Car Show at Chesley Community Park

**July 16:** Chesley Horticultural Society Flower Show at Klages' Mill

**July 18:** Bruce County Beef Farmers Annual Beef BBQ

**July 31 - Aug 3:** Chesley Homecoming 145 years

**September 5-6:** Chesley Fall Fair

**October 7:** Coffee with the Mayor

**December 5:** Kinsmen Santa Parade- 1st Ave, Chesley

**December 6:** Kinettes Breakfast with Santa- Klages Mill

## PAISLEY

**January 17:** Robbie Burns Luncheon and Euchre, Treasure Chest

**February 14:** Valentine's Luncheon and Euchre, Treasure Chest

**March 14:** St. Patrick's Luncheon and Euchre, Treasure Chest

**May 17:** The Museum opens for summer season

**May 25:** Paisley Concert Choir- Paisley Missionary Church

**June 6-7:** Paisley Blues Fest

**June 7:** Sauguen Paddlers North Canoe Race

**June 3:** Coffee with the Mayor

**July 12:** Artists on the River

**August 15-17:** 30th Heritage Farm & Steam Show

**September 7:** Paisley Fall Fair

**September:** Harvest of the Arts

**November 30:** Paisley Concert Choir - Paisley Missionary Church

**November 28:** Christmas Parade- Queen St

Thank you for submitting  
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If you would like to be  
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contact us

[info@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:info@arran-elderslie.ca)

For additional events  
visit our Municipal  
website or Facebook Page

## TARA

**May:** Tara Horticultural Society Plant Sale

**June 8, 29, July 20, Aug 17 -** Silver Spurs  
Horse Show

**September 10-11:** Arran-Tara Fall Fair

**March 4:** Coffee with the Mayor

**October 17-18:** Tara Festival of Crafts

**December 7:** Santa Claus Parade

Visit the Explore and Play tab on our website to advertise your non-profit event happening in Arran-Elderslie.  
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