Fall Newsletter



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32ND ANNUAL MEETING:

Wednesday Oct 25, 2023 at 7 pm at the Calvary Community Church, 679 Dundas St West, Belleville. No food or drink will be allowed into the sanctuary where the meeting will be held. This year there will be three Director positions available. If you are a Leaseholder who has lived in Kenron for at least two years, and would like to run for a position on the Board, please submit your name to the office. If you are unable to attend, please use your proxy vote. Annual meeting packages will be mailed out the first week of October.

REMINDER TO ALL THAT ARE ON PRE-AUTHORIZED WITHDRAWALS

FOR THE PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS: THE LAST PAYMENT WILL BE WITHDRAWN IN SEPTEMBER. THIS PAYMENT AMOUNT WILL BE HIGHER THAN THE AMOUNT OF ALL YOUR OTHER WITHDRAWALS, AS IT REFLECTS THE AMOUNT LEFT OWING ON YOUR ACCOUNT SINCE QUINTE WEST SET THE 2023 TAX RATES.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT YOUR LAST PAYMENT WILL BE, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 613-394-3388.

LARGE & BULK GOODS FALL CLEAN UP:

The Fall Bulk Pick-up has been scheduled for **Oct 10 & 11, 2023**. Please place items at the curb on Tuesday Oct 10 only. Items placed after **4 pm** on Tuesday **October 10**th will not be picked up. Remember that the pick-up is for residents only! Residents found putting items out that are not theirs will have their privilege revoked and items will not be picked up at this time or in the future.

If it can fit in a garbage bag (vacuum, small appliance, garden hose) it must be disposed of during regular weekly pick-up (with bag tag applied) and will not be picked up by the staff. Staff will pick up chairs, end tables, TV stands, small bundled wood (3' X 3'), carpet, couches, desks, mattresses, box springs, toilets, stoves, dishwashers, washers, dryers, microwaves, humidifiers, and barbecues. Tires, wooden or plastic pallets, hazardous waste, fridges, freezers, air-conditioners, water coolers, dehumidifiers, propane tanks, construction materials or recycling will not be picked up.

City of Quinte West also offers bulk item pick-up. Purchase a ticket online or at City Hall, place ticket on item and put at curb on the specified Friday morning before 8 a.m. The Quinte West crew will pick it up on that day.

SELLING YOU HOUSE

Please make sure that you notify the Board of Directors that you will be listing your home for Sale **prior** to listing. The Park Standards Committee will schedule a site visit to verify that all Park Standards are being met, if they are not an Undertaking will be created and given to the listing agent for the purchasers to complete within a calendar year from the closing date.

SEWER

Watch what you flush!



Did you know? Flushing items you shouldn't can clog your pipes, damage the City's sewer pipes and harm the environment.



DO flush these items

The ONLY acceptable items to flush are:

- √ Toilet paper
- ✓ Water
- ✓ Human waste



DO NOT flush these items

- × Baby wipes
- X Cotton swabs
- X Sanitary pads
- × Medicine
- × Diapers
- × Paper towels
- × "Flushable" wipes
- X Fats, oils and grease

Failure to follow these requirements may increase the risk of sewer backups resulting in higher maintenance costs, unnecessary home damage and insurance claims.



Learn more: quintewest.ca/flush

TREES AND SHRUBS

Homeowners are responsible for trimming shrubs back so they do not block the view of any signs or impede the view on the roadway, as well as to trim all trees so no limbs are less than a height of **14** ft, in order not to damage any large vehicles using the roads. Thank you to all the home owners who have trimmed or removed their trees.

Kenron Rec. Center News!

Kenron Recreational Assoc. General Meeting will take place at the Rec Centre Sept 10, 2023 at 1 pm. There will be elections of officers. We have worked on our Constitution that has not been updated since 2006. One of the agenda items will be the review of the Constitution for approval from membership. If any member has any question or concerns pertaining to the Constitution or Rec Centre in general it must be presented in writing 2 weeks prior to the General Meeting. Your letters can be dropped off at the Rec Centre whenever the Rec Centre is open.

Please call 613-779-0501 for more information on programs or hall rentals. Please watch the **Kenron Recreation Centre Facebook Page** for more information.

Oasis is an older adult driven model of aging in place. Stay tuned for updates on Oasis programming and to meet our new Co-Ordinator! For any questions, contact oasis.study@queensu.ca

QUINTE TRANSIT

Quinte Transit offers On-Demand pickup service in Kenron Estates, Monday to Friday. You must call 613-392-9640 or 1-855-283-9640 to book ahead. This route will stop at the Trenton Town Centre, Loyalist College and an early Morning stop (5:50 am) at the Belleville Terminal. This service fee is exact cash only or they do have monthly passes that can be purchased. Seniors and students are \$5 each way. Regular fare is \$6 each way.

WINTER REMINDERS

Just a reminder that there is no street parking at any time, but especially in the winter months to ensure that the plows can get through when needed. Offending vehicles may be subject to being towed. There is overflow parking at the main office and on Bowling Green crescent near the cement block pumphouse.

Don't forget to plug in your heat tape when the cold weather begins.

A NOTE FROM PAST DIRECTOR ED PETRUSMA;

Dear members of KRA, June 2023

By the time you read this, my wife and I will probably have moved from Kenron Estates. We are very grateful for the almost 7 years we spent in this community. We wanted to say thank you for your hospitality and willingness to make this a great place to live. I don't know why there are not more resident owned mobile home parks in Ontario.

In my opinion, Kenron Estates is by far the best run resident park!

Reasonable maintenance fees that include water and sewer are direct result of the residents and board caring very much about cost containment, including community events, and safe living.

Please make yourself active in the community events that are offered. I hope you feel encouraged someday to let your name stand or recommend a caring, committed person to serve on the board of the Kenron Residents Association.

A wise person once said to me, "If you want to live a fulfilling life, flip upside down the word Me and it becomes the word We. When we give, we receive."

This was definitely true of my experience serving on the board of the Kenron Residents Association.

If in the future, we happen to visit Kenron Estates, we will give a friendly wave to anyone walking or driving by. We will be in such a good mood, that we will even wave at the rabbits!

Ed and Teresa Petrusma Formerly of 38 Linden Blvd.



WILD PARSNIP

- Grows up to 1.5 metres tall.
- The single green stem is two to five centimetres thick and smooth with few hairs.
- Compound leaves are arranged in pairs, with sharply toothed leaflets that are shaped like a mitten.
- Yellowish green flowers form umbrella-shaped clusters 10 to 20 centimetres across.
- Seeds are flat and round.

Wear protective clothing, including waterproof gloves, long- sleeved shirts, pants and eye protection. A disposable spray suit over your normal clothing provides the best protection. Spray suits are commercial-grade waterproof coveralls.

After working around the plant, remove your protective clothing carefully to avoid transferring any sap from your clothing onto your skin. Wash your rubber gloves with soap and water, then take off your spray suit or outer clothing.

Wash your rubber gloves again and then take them off. Finally, take off your protective eye wear. Put non-disposable clothing in the laundry and wash yourself immediately with soap and water.

Do not burn or compost wild parsnip plants that have been cut down or dug up. If possible, leave the stems to dry out completely at the site. Carefully dispose of plant material in black plastic bags and leave in direct sun for a week or more.

https://www.ontario.ca/page/wild-parsnip

West Nile Virus

****There has been West Nile detected in Kenron. ****

What is West Nile virus?

West Nile virus (WNv) is a disease that is transmitted to people by infected mosquitoes. The majority of infected individuals have mild or no symptoms. However, the elderly and those with certain chronic medical problems, including problems with their immune systems, can become ill.

Early symptoms of WNv can include fever, muscle weakness, stiff neck, confusion, severe headache, sudden sensitivity to light, tremors, numbness, or vision loss. In severe cases, WNv can cause inflammation of the brain known as encephalitis. If individuals believe they are experiencing early symptoms of WNv, they are encouraged to contact their primary health care provider.

Mosquitoes acquire the West Nile virus by feeding on infected birds. You cannot get the disease from person-to-person contact. No specific treatment or vaccination is available for West Nile virus. For severe illness, supportive therapy is provided.

Protect yourself from West Nile virus:

- Wear light coloured clothing and minimize exposed skin if out at dawn and dusk
- Use an insect repellant containing DEET or Icaridin
- Consider wearing <u>permethrin-treated clothing</u>
- Remove any sources of standing water, since mosquitoes lay their eggs there
- If you encounter a dead bird don't handle it with bare hands

https://www.hpepublichealth.ca/west-nile-virus

