

KVC Friday Notes

May 30 2025



Maintenance Self-Evaluation Update

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their Maintenance Self-Evaluation Forms—we have received 48 responses so far. The Board is currently reviewing these submissions and compiling a list of more urgent plumbing, electrical, and structural concerns to prioritize in upcoming maintenance plans.

If you have not yet submitted your form, there is still time. A new copy of the form has been delivered to each household that has not yet responded. Please note that today is the final deadline to submit your completed form.

If no form is received from your unit by the end of the day, the Board will proceed on the assumption that there are no current maintenance issues in your unit. Any future claims of long-standing concerns that were not reported through this process may be considered the responsibility of the member.

Your participation is a vital part of maintaining the integrity and safety of our homes. Thank you for your cooperation.

Do you need assistance accessing the Members Only portion of our website.

Check out Kawarthavillage.ca
Email goldendragonfly13@hotmail.com
Mary Earls, Unit 13

Next Garbage Pick Up June 6

Clean Up Day

Has been Moved to **June 7 @ 10:00 am**

Community Involvement Opportunities

Join the Landscape Committee Meeting
June 5, 2025 @ 1:00 pm

Working Group re Committees
June 5 @ 6:30 pm

Social Committee
TBA

Board Meeting
June 19 @ 4:00

Joke of the Week: "What did the grape say to his dad on Father's Day???"

Thanks for raisin me right i ! 🍷

Garden Beds!! Spring is finally here.

The vegetable garden is getting cleaned up and ready for planting. This year we are offering a bed to anyone who would like to participate in planting your own vegetables. If you are interested, please let a member of the Landscape/Garden committee know. (Pat #14, Barb #15, Mary #13, Jai #5, Elinor #80.)

Pat (Landscape Committee) will be offering a day in the garden if anyone is interested in learning more about gardening tips. TBD depending on weather. Let her know if you are interested. Unit #14.

There is mulch available for anyone who would like some for garden beds at their unit. We have buckets available if you would like to pick some up. The pile is near the garden beds.

Reminder: Elections Committee – Members Needed!

The Board of Directors is currently seeking members to join the Elections Committee in preparation for the upcoming fall elections. If you are interested in participating, please complete the Elections Committee application form previously distributed.

Deadline to submit your form: June 1

If you did not receive a form or need a new copy, please reach out to a member of your Board of Directors.

Thank you for supporting democratic participation in our co-op community!

The Landscaping Committee has Canna lily roots for those interested in adding them to their garden beds. Please reach out to Unit 13 or 14.



IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED


ESA Inspection Notice: Outdoor Lighting Compliance Required

During a recent visit by the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) inspector, it was identified that all outdoor light fixtures at member units must be properly protected with an approved cover. This includes light fixtures located at both the front and back doors of all units.

Additionally, the inspector noted that screw-in cameras are not permitted in these exterior light outlets, as they do not meet ESA safety standards.

To ensure community-wide compliance and safety, all members are required to:

- ***Install appropriate weatherproof covers on all outdoor light fixtures.***
- ***Remove any non-compliant devices, such as screw-in cameras, from exterior outlets.***

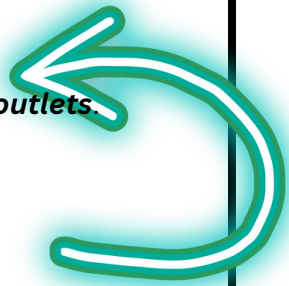
 **Deadline for Compliance: Two Weeks from Notice Date**

Failure to comply within the stated time frame may result in:

- Follow-up inspections and written warnings
- Potential electrical safety violations
- Co-op-enforced maintenance charges for necessary corrections

Thank you for your prompt attention to this safety matter and your ongoing cooperation in keeping our community safe and in compliance with provincial standards.

If you have questions or require clarification, please contact the office.



Know Your ByLaws

Landscape Policy

To set out the respective responsibilities of the members, the committee and the co-op for the maintenance, repair and improvement of the landscaped areas.

1. GENERAL AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- a) The Co-op is generally responsible for the cost of the routine maintenance, repair and improvement of the common areas and for the replacement of items from normal wear and tear.
- b) Members are generally responsible for the upkeep of the area in front of their units and their back yards (which may extend to up to 16' beyond the privacy fence).
- c) The committee is generally responsible for policy making, and arranging for or organizing the carrying out of work.

2. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

a) Members are responsible for the maintenance and orderly appearance of their yards and walkway leading to their units. This includes the following:

- *Cutting and watering grass and arranging for this to be done if they will be away for any extended period of time*
- *Keeping area hazard free (storage of flammable substances is not allowed)*
- *Removing snow and ice. Sand or non-corrosive ice melt is recommended.*

b) Members are responsible for the cost of or for replacing any trees, shrubs or sod which are destroyed or damaged as a result of negligence, caused accidentally or willfully by the member, their family members, their pets or their guests.

c) Members shall not remove or relocate any tree or shrub located anywhere in the Co-op. If it becomes necessary to relocate or remove trees or shrubs, the Landscape Committee should be contacted. The committee will then arrange to have the work done if required.

d) The committee will handle the routine maintenance of the common area of lawns, trees and shrubs and the pruning of all trees and shrubs.

3. IMPROVEMENTS AND ALTERATIONS BY MEMBERS

a) Members who wish to erect or install any structure in their private outdoor space (e.g. storage shed, patio deck, or enclosure fence) should refer to the MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT POLICY, Section 4, IMPROVEMENTS BY MEMBERS.

b) Members do not need written approval to remove sod for the purpose of creating garden beds in the front and rear yards

c) Members will not be compensated for the cost of improvements or alterations to their private outdoor space unless the improvements are undertaken at the initiative of the Co-op.

d) Members may have composters in their back yards only. They must be enclosed. Open air composting will not be allowed.

4. TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT *The Co-op will purchase and maintain landscaping tools and equipment for the use of the committee and for members for taking care of their outdoor space.*

Community Operations Update

APEX and the Board of Directors have recently interviewed potential candidates for the Office Coordinator position, and offers have been extended. We are now awaiting responses to determine whether the applicants will be joining our team at KVC.

While APEX staff are currently on site only a few days per week, they continue to provide essential office support—maintaining financial records, assisting with administrative duties, and preparing for the transition to a new staff member.

To maintain momentum, the Board has taken on additional responsibilities to advance previously identified goals. These include:

- Organizing the installation of a debit machine in the office
- Interviewing potential contractors
- Hiring a new maintenance staff member
- And more initiatives to support the smooth operation of the co-op

We thank the community for your continued patience, engagement, and support as we work together to build a stronger and more responsive co-operative.

Local Art at the Library

Did you know that the Peterborough Public Library features the work of local artists every month? It's a wonderful opportunity to explore the vibrant creativity of our community—free of charge!

Keep an eye out this summer—you may recognize a familiar name, as one of our very own members will be featured in an upcoming exhibit!

Stop by, show your support, and enjoy the art!