



# HCP Pride Festival 2026

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## Huron County Pride Is Excited to Announce Our Full Slate of Events for Our Fourth Annual Pride Festival Celebration

Huron County Pride is thrilled to share the full lineup of events for our Fourth Annual Pride Festival, happening June 2 to 7, 2026. Last year, we welcomed more than 1500 people to our festival and events throughout the week, and we look forward to another time of celebration and community building this June! We are excited to host our Pride Festival at a new location, as well as hosting more of our events in different parts of the county this year.

This year's theme, "**Pride through the Ages**," puts into perspective the voices raised, challenges faced, and achievements made by the 2SLGBTQIA+ community and allies. It is also a call for us all to continue the work of fostering inclusion, celebration, and pride. Whether you're joining us for the first time or returning to celebrate again, we can't wait to welcome you!

Thanks to the support of local businesses, community groups, volunteers, and neighbours, our festival continues to grow. Every event is open to the public and designed to bring people together in fun, meaningful, and inclusive ways.

Here's what's happening:

- **Tuesday, June 2**

- **Pride Poster-Making/Bring Your Own Craft Evening**

Start the Pride festivities by flexing your creative and community-building muscles. We invite friends and allies to come together for a time of connection and sharing our creations. Bring your arts and crafts, and/or make some Pride posters in the vein of protest and celebratory posters used during the queer liberation movement. Thank you to the Seaforth Library for providing the space for this event

Seaforth Library (108 Main St. S., Seaforth)

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Admission: Free

- **Wednesday, June 3**

- **Movie Afternoon at the Museum**

- We're partnering with No Hate in Huron for a screening of *Parade: Queer Acts of Love and Resistance*, a documentary detailing the history and voices behind the 2SLGBTQIA+ movement in Canada. There will also be a time following the film for an intergenerational discussion around our own queer stories and presence in the community.

- Huron County Museum (110 North St., Goderich)

- 2:00 p.m.

- Admission: Free (seating is first-come, first-served)

- **Thursday, June 4**

- **Tie-Dye/Acid Wash Evening**

- Join us for an evening of making throwback (or fashion-forward) styles at the MacNaughton Park Pavilion in Exeter. Bring a shirt, shorts, or whatever other clothing you would like to “zhuzh up” and personalize. We will have limited t-shirts of our own for you to tie dye or acid wash.

- MacNaughton Park Pavilion (68 Hill St., Exeter)

- 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- Admission: Free (bring your own clothing to dye/wash)

- **Friday, June 5**

- **Pride Trivia Night**

- Team up with friends for a friendly night of queer trivia at Bad Apple Brewing. Test your knowledge, meet new people, and maybe win a prize or two. We'll be drawing from ages past and present for our questions, so all ages will have something to add!

- Bad Apple Brewing (73463 Hwy. 21, Zurich)

- 7:00 p.m.

- Admission: by donation (up to teams of 4)

- **Saturday, June 6**

- **Fourth Annual Huron County Pride Festival**

- Come and join us for the main event, our Pride Festival! This year, we will be celebrating together at the Lions Harbour Park, offering more space and more opportunities to make connections and have a blast! Enjoy live music, drag performances, an artisan market, community booths, and the Family Pride Area. Everyone is welcome, and there's something for all ages!



Lions Harbour Park (Harbour St., Goderich)

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Admission: Free

- **Sunday, June 7**

- **Pride Worship Services**

Celebrate Pride in two inclusive worship services led by Rev. Alex Jebson, minister at Blyth and Brussels United Churches, and Chairperson of Huron County Pride. During these services, we will celebrate Blyth and Brussels United Churches officially becoming Affirming Congregations, an official designation and commitment to being 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming communities. All are welcome as we reflect on the power of love, spirit, and community.

Brussels United Church (61 King St., Brussels) – 9:30 a.m

Blyth United Church (430 Mill St., Blyth) – 11:00 a.m.

- **Sunday, June 7**

- **Bayfield River Valley Trail Association Pride Walk**

Join us for Bayfield's Fourth Annual Pride Walk. Meet at the pavilion in Clan Gregor Square at 11:00 a.m. for a walk along the Heritage Trail. Show your pride, support diversity, and take in the beautiful views of Bayfield.

Clan Gregor Square, Bayfield

11:00 a.m.

Admission: Free

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Come and join us for these events, and continue the work and community-building that is Pride. Let's have a celebration for the ages!

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