

Community Flag Flying and Raising Form

Name of Requesting Organization *

Kiwanis Club of Owen Sound

Contact Information

Name *

Viveca Gravel

Email Address *

[REDACTED]

Home/Cell Phone Number *

[REDACTED]

Work Phone Number

519-376-4440 x. 1209

Flag Raising and Lowering Date

Please note that the raising and lowering of the flags must take place on a regular business day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Community flag-flying requests will be approved for a maximum duration of seven (7) days unless the Community Flagpole is available for longer, in which case the duration may extend to a maximum of fourteen (14) days at the discretion of the City Manager.

Date of Flag Raising (flags are not typically raised/lowered on weekends or holidays): *

4/15/2025



Date of Flag Lowering *

4/25/2025



Are you having a Ceremony? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

Is your ceremony private? (no invitation will be extended to City Council or City Staff to attend if so). *

☐ Yes

☒ No

Date of the Ceremony *

4/3/2025



Ceremony Start Time (between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.) *

10:00 AM



The ceremony will require: (please note equipment is not available if ceremony is planned for weekend or holiday)

- ☒ A Microphone and Speaker System - free to use and highly recommended for ceremonies with speeches
- ☒ Greetings from a member of Council

Annually Recurring Flag Raisings

Please note that community flag-flying requests can now be submitted once for recurring events, provided the groups will notify the City if or when flag-flying shall discontinue.

The group submitting the request will still be responsible for providing the physical flag annually. The specified date of the raising will be continued annually, unless City staff are directed to shift the date each year.

Would you like to submit your flag flying request to happen annually?

- ☐ Yes, please repeat on an annual basis.
- ☒ No, this one time only.

Purpose of the Event or Occasion *

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Owen Sound Kiwanis Club and their many projects and investments into the City of Owen Sound and the lives of children in the community.

Details of the Event or Occasion *

Kiwanis President Jim McManaman will say a few words about the anniversary and ideally, the mayor or members of council say a few words regarding the milestone.

Description of your organization or individual including a brief history and any other relevant information
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In April 1925, Walden Thomson, a hardware merchant, spearheaded the establishment of a Kiwanis Club in Owen Sound, recognizing the need for a service-oriented organization in the community. Within two weeks, a group of prospective Kiwanians, along with their wives, gathered for an organizational meeting.

J. Walden Thomson was elected as the first president of the Owen Sound Kiwanis Club, marking the beginning of a long-lasting legacy.

The Boys’ Band and the Barrie Kiwanis Club, serving as the sponsoring club, participated in a parade to Knox United Church on Charter Night, which took place on July 15, 1925.


The charter members of the Owen Sound Kiwanis Club were passionate about community service and dedicated their efforts to improving the lives of individuals in Owen Sound and beyond.

The large active initiatives continue to be Scholarship Programs, Kiwanis Kids Outreach, Kiwanis Christmas Trees, Whispering Pines Family Campground, Owen Sound Kiwanis Santa Claus Parade, Grey County Kiwanis Festival of Music.

Large Owen Sound projects include Kiwanis Soccer Complex, Harrison Park Playground, Oshare Kitchen, Kiwanis Sk8 & Bike Park, Kiwanis Children's Room at Hospice, Reconciliation Garden and many more.

Picture of Flag to be Raised *

File Name

 [Kiwanis Club of Owen Sound 100th Anniversary Flag - Placeholder.png](#)
25.5 KB

By submitting this form, you affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. All Community Flag requests must adhere to the [Flag Flying, Proclamations and Public Awareness Campaigns Policy](#).

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001, 227 and City Policy CMA34. The information is used for the community flag raising process including, but not limited to, evaluating requests for community flags and contacting the requestor.

City Manager Approval - signature & date

Date on Council Consent Agenda