

## STAY CLEAR AND WELL BACK OF ALL WATERWAYS ESPECIALLY IN THE SPRING

The Municipality of Bayham and Bayham Fire and Emergency Services remind everyone to keep in mind that in the spring flooding, thin ice and rushing waters can lead to tragedy.

It can be very dangerous near streams, rivers, ponds and lakes around this time of year. To be safe it is best to stay away from the edge of all waterways. These areas can be a danger for everyone from children to adults as well as pets.

Warmer spring temperatures can bring rainfall, melting snow and ice, all contributing factors to faster flowing water in waterways.

Slippery and unstable stream banks and extremely cold water temperatures can also lead to very hazardous conditions close to any body of water.

In addition, heavy rainstorms or melting snow can cause all waterways to flood quickly. Moving water can become a very dangerous situation.

Simply standing on the bank watching the rushing currents can be risky as the banks of creeks and rivers can be undercut by the water and give in under the weight of even a child. There is always a chance of a bank collapsing, so stay back from it.

Make this an enjoyable spring and be mindful of the potential dangers that the warmer weather can bring.





\*Reminder: Daylight Savings Time begins March 9, 2025

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