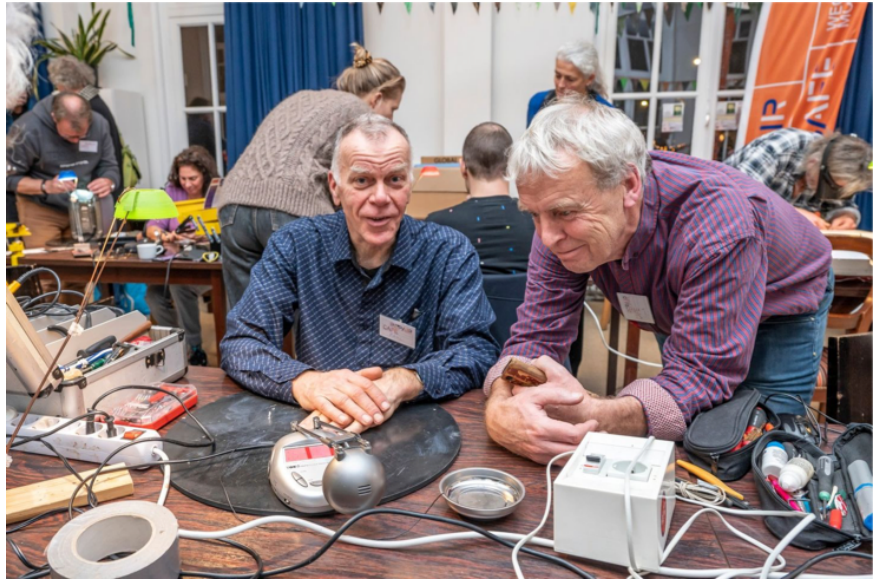


REPAIR CAFE



**A partnership between Georgian Bluffs Climate Action Team
and the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library**

**Opens on Saturday March 9th 2024, from 1 to 4 pm
in the Owen Sound Library auditorium**

Do you have a favourite sweater with a hole in it? Do you own a lamp that's flickering on and off and driving you mad? Did a leg fall off one of your dining room chairs and you don't trust yourself to stick it back on? Do you have a pair of jeans that need patching? Has Grandpa's clock finally stopped ticking?

It's amazing the number of people in our community who have very useful skills and are willing to share them with others. Bring your broken items to the Library. Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea while you get the help you need to fix them.

Maybe you would like to join us as a volunteer. The Repair Café will run for three hours once a month on second Saturdays.

Repair Café beginnings:

Martine Postma organized the first Repair Café in Amsterdam in October, 2009. It was so successful that she started the Repair Café International Foundation in 2011. Since then Repair Cafes have become a global voluntary and non-commercial initiative.

<https://www.repaircafe.org/en/>

Repair Cafés are free meeting places:

- where repairs of things are done together on clothing, small electric appliances, pieces of furniture, crockery, toys, bicycles, jewellery, books and paper, electronics, etc.,
- where ideas and skills, tips and tricks are exchanged in the company of volunteers with repair skills,
- where visitors bring their broken items from home to see if they can be fixed, and learn from each other in the process.

Estimated number of Repair Cafe's around the world: 3009

Estimated number of volunteers involved: 45,135

Estimated number of items repaired per month: 54,162

We are grateful to the Town of Blue Mountains Repair Café for their support.

*They are open on the 4th Saturday of every month from 9am to noon at:

Grace United Church, 140 Bruce St. South, in Thornbury.



Some important guidelines:

🔧 All items brought in for repair must be of a size and weight that can be carried in by the owner.

🧵 If there's a manual available for the broken item, it's helpful to bring it along.

🔧 Three options for repair:

- 1) fixer will do the repair while the owner watches
- 2) fixer and owner of the item will work together on the repair
- 3) owner does the repair and the fixer helps.

🧵 We will not be equipped to repair gas powered machines.

🔧 There is no guarantee that an item can be repaired



“Share a cup and fix it up”



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Gratitude to:

- 👏 The many volunteers helping make the Repair Cafe a reality
- 👏 Private donors for their contributions of tools and materials
- 👏 And to the following organizations for their generous support



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