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## Ontario East Events

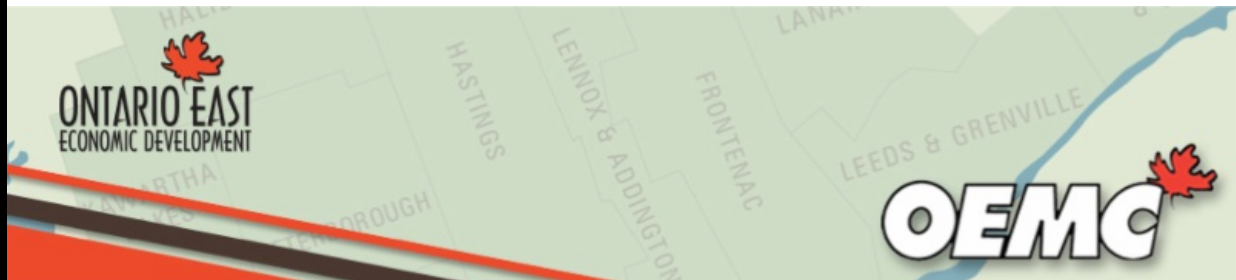
Visit the Ontario East [Events Calendar](#) and stay up-to-date on what's happening in Eastern Ontario. If you have any events that you would like us to share, please forward to [info@ontarioeast.ca](mailto:info@ontarioeast.ca)



**Ontario East Quarterly Meeting and Networking Event**  
Best Western Plus Perth Parkside Inn and Spa  
Friday April 24, 2020

SAVE THE DATE

Details to follow soon...



**Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC) 2020**  
NAV Centre, Cornwall  
September 16-18, 2020

**REGISTRATION OPEN**

### Exhibition and Sponsorship Opportunities

OEMC Exhibits and Sponsorships are an excellent opportunity to showcase and demonstrate your products and services to, not only economic development officers, but to all municipal staff and elected officials.

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## Ontario East News

If you have any news that you would like us to share, we would love to hear about it.

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### Ontario East at the Restaurants Canada 2020 Show

Last week, from March 1-3, **Ontario East's** Food Sector Team participated in the **Restaurants Canada 2020** Food Show, at the Enercare Centre in Toronto. The RC Show is Canada's largest foodservice and hospitality event.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all the following participating companies from our region who joined and helped the Ontario East team to illustrate what a great place Eastern Ontario is to live and do business:

- Bobcaygeon Brewing Co.
- Dairy Distillery
- Fenelon Falls Brewing Company
- Kings Mill Cider
- Loon Kombucha Inc.
- MacKinnon Brothers Brewing Co.
- Mrs. McGarrigle's Fine Food
- Oat & Mill
- Signal Brewing Company
- St-Albert Cheese Co-op
- The County Bounty
- The Hard Way Cider Co. Ltd.
- The Number E Tea Company
- The Nutberg

## Ontario East Success Story



### Mariposa Woolen Mill

Although Mariposa Woolen Mill has been open to the public for less than a full year, the prospects for long term success are already pretty bright. This is in large part thanks to the foundation built by owners Ellen and Dave Edney, who run the facility, located at 1275 Highway 7 in Oakwood. In an amazingly short period of time, it has blossomed into a burgeoning family enterprise, serving the entire Kawartha Lakes region and beyond.

Built on the property known as the Lenberg Farms, and the former location of the popular Mariposa Dairy, the Edneys took over the facilities of the farm from the previous owner in 2018. Ellen is the daughter of Bruce and Sharon Vandenberg, who founded Mariposa Dairy in 1985. Although the property has changed hands a couple of times since the dairy was moved to Lindsay in 2007, the buildings remained viable for the Edney's new use.

This is when opportunity met timing for the Edneys, as they were at a bit of a crossroads in their lives as new parents, and with Ellen not sure she wanted to work outside of the home.

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