

September 2012

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Investment Strategy Communications - Provincial by-elections in Kitchener-Waterloo and Vaughan (September 6) - Route 67 Bus service begins; free service for a week in September (Sept. 4 to 7) - LRV tour at Brickworks (Sept. 4- Oct. 28)	3 Holiday Monday	4	5	6 Hamilton SuperCrawl News Release	7 Posting of Metrolinx Board Meeting Agenda and Documents & news release
- TTC Planning and Growth Committee Meeting - Potential announcement re capital funding by the Minister of Education in Weston (TBC)	10	11 - Metrolinx Board Meeting - Tunnel Boring Machine construction contract award – TBC - Accessibility Meetings - News Release	12	13 Accessibility public meeting – Oakville	14
- York Region - Newmarket site office opens (Sept. 26) – Photo Op - Movie Night in Liberty Village Park, GO Transit and EllisDon Hosting - Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter - Extra Lakeshore East & West trains from Union after UFC event at ACC (Sept. 22) - MPP Release on infrastructure improvements in Weston Community	17 - Smart Commute Week (Sept. 17-23) - ARL Announcement by Premier's Office (TBD)	18 Nuit Blanche news release	19 Communications Launch for Extra Lakeshore trains from Union after UFC event at ACC	20 - Accessibility public meeting – Richmond Hill - East region maintenance facility funding announcement, Fed/Prov. Funding Announcement - Olympic Parade Promotion	21 - Olympic Parade Promotion - East region maintenance facility joint press release with Infrastructure Ontario
- Metrolinx 2012-13 Accessibility Plan posted (Sept. 28) - GTS team presenting at the IAP2 conference in Halifax, Sept 30-Oct 2 - Leslie Woo panelist at MOVE: Expo Innovation Talks, Sustainable Building Advisor Program (Sept 25 & 29) - GO Transit booth at York University's Transportation Fair (Sept. 25) - Leslie Woo panelist at City Institute at York University and Canadian Urban Institute 1-Day Conference (Sept 28) - Launch of new round of Strategic (TBC) and Community Partnerships Program - Clean Train Coalition rally against ARL & fund-raiser (Sept. 29)	24 - Accessibility public meeting – Pickering - PRESTO Open Payment proof of concept expands to Dundas TTC Station TBC (Will likely go live week of OCT 1)	25	26	27 Accessibility public meeting – Toronto	28

Notes for September

Third Party

- Smart Commute Caledon article in Southfields Village Voice magazine – September 1st issue
- York Region Transportation Services mtg. (Sept. 5)
- Durham Region Transit Executive Committee (Sept. 5)
- York Region Rapid Transportation Corporation Board mtg. (Sept. 6)
- Provincial Legislature resumes (Sept. 10)
- Niagara Region Transportation Strategy Steering Committee (Sept. 11)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Sept. 12)
- Smart Commute Central York – Internal event with York Region District School Board (Sept. 14)
- Hamilton Public Works Committee (Sept. 17)
- Federal House of Commons Resumes (Sept. 17)
- Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee (Sept. 18)
- Smart Commute - City of Hamilton to recognize Smart Commute Workplaces (Sept. 18)
- OPPI Symposium: Healthy Communities and Planning for Active Transportation- Talking the Talk and Walking the Walk (Sept. 20- Sept. 21)
- Smart Commute – World Car Free Day (Sept. 22)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Sept. 26)
- TTC Commision Mtg (Sept. 27)
- Ottawa Transit Commission Meeting (Sept 27)
- Clean Train Coalition rally (Sept 29)

Construction Updates

- York Rapidways - Applecreek Bridge widening (Fall 2012)
- Union Station platform and lounge (start of construction) – ARL (Fall 2012)
- York Rapidways - Leslie and Highway 7 rapidways – H3 segment (Sept; proposed event plan to be provided by York Region)
- GO - Aurora Parking Expansion/Rehabilitation (construction completion) (Sept)
- GO - Burlington Building Rehabilitation/Re-location (construction start) (Sept)
- GO - Appleby Building Interior Building Improvements (construction start) (Sept)
- GO – Kennedy Station platform extension (construction completion Sept.)
- GO – Mississauga BRT PIC (Sept. 11)

Operational & Emerging Issues

- September service changes (Sept. 1)
- Reduced bus service on Steeles between Bramalea GO (Sept.1)
- New Hwy. 404 GO Bus route to operate between Keswick/Georgina and Finch GO Bus Terminal (Sept. 1) - Free rides on new GO Bus route 67 (Keswick/North York via hwy 404) – Sept. 4 – 7
- System safety parking lot conversions to zero tolerance tow-away zone, Cooksville, Brampton and Streetsville (Week of Sept. 10), Pickering, Oshawa and Ajax (Week of Sept. 17)
- GO Holiday Schedule (Sept. 3)
- Extra Service - Hamilton SuperCrawl (Sept. 14 & 15)
- Launch of customer communications for Nuit Blanche extra service (Sept.18)
- Nuit Blanche – Extra Late Night Service on Lakeshore, Milton, Kitchener, Barrie and Richmond Hill GO lines (Sept. 29 TBC)
- Quarterly GTS Mailer (September TBD)
- GTS Public Meetings (TBD)
- Discontinuation of GO Bus route 69 service to YRT (Sept. 2)
- RFP to go out re: Electric Vehicle Plug-ins at GO stations (Fall)
- BufferBox – automated parcel delivery kiosk – Union Bus Station Terminal (Sept)

October 2012

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter - RFP out for EV Charging at GO Stations - Canadian Parking Association Conference & Trade Show – Nick Spensieri speaking (Sept. 29-Oct 3) - International Association for Public Participation North American Conference – Dina Graser speaking (Sept. 30-Oct. 2) - Transit Spotlight Week (MTO) - Agenda for Toronto Executive Committee on Oct 9 posted- expected to include item about Metrolinx IS report - PRESTO Marketing Campaign Launch (October)	1 - Tentative elimination of monthly pass/day pass announcement - York Region – Contract award Hwy 7 Rapidways (Release – Oct. 1)	2	3	4 Soft launch of GTS project & City of Toronto employment initiative	5 - Local MPP releases – service & station improvements: Mimico, Unionville, Mount Joy - Local MPP releases - select trips on the Barrie and Lakeshore lines moving to 12-car service
Audit Working Papers	8 Holiday Monday	9 Toronto Executive Committee – Investment Strategy Report	10	11	12
	15 GO Tracker launch	16	17	18	19
- John Howe speaking at Transportation Association of Canada Conference and Exhibition (Oct 14-17) - Metrolinx Planning Leadership Forum - Speaker TBD	22 - GO Transit partnership with AGO begins – Frida & Diego (Oct. 20) - GO – Oakville parking structure (construction completion Oct. 22)	23 Bruce McCuaig speaking at “Contractor Day” at ACI Fall Convention (Toronto)	24	25 Bruce McCuaig speaking at 3rd Edition of Land and Economic Development Conf. (Toronto)	26
	29	30	31	30	31

Notes for October

Third Party

- Nick Spensieri to speak at Canadian Parking Association Conference & Trade Show (29 Sept-3 Oct)
- Hamilton Public Works Committee (Oct. 1, 15)
- Toronto City Council (Oct. 2, 3, 30, 31)
- York Region Transportation Services mtg. (Oct. 3)
- York Region Rapid Transportation Corporation Board mtg. (Oct. 4)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Oct 10)
- Shortlist for Canada's Top 100 Employers announced (Oct. 10)
- Durham Region Transit Executive Committee (Oct. 17)
- Ottawa Transit Commission Meeting (Oct 17)
- Smart Commute - Launch of Smart Commute Scarborough (Oct. 17 - tentative)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Oct 17)
- Niagara Region Transportation Strategy Steering Committee (Oct. 23)
- TTC Commision Meeting (Oct 24)
- Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee (Oct. 30)

Construction Updates

- GO - Pickering Bridge – installation of Kal-Zip cover (Fall)
- GO – Mount Joy Platform extension (construction start Oct.)
- GO – Stouffville platform extension (construction start Oct.)
- GO – King Road Grade separation (Burlington – Oct.)
- GO Barrie layover fuelling facility capabilities added (construction completion Oct.)
- GO – King Road Grade separation (Lakeshore West) – Oct. 5-9 – No Train service between Burlington and Aldershot during that time. Buses will shuttle passengers between those stations.

Operational & Emerging Issues

- GO – Extra mid- afternoon trains - Fri. Oct. 5 - Richmond Hill & Stouffville lines to alleviate typical overcrowding on buses on Friday of long weekend
- GO Holiday Schedule (Oct. 8)
- GO online timetables to launch externally (October - tbc)
- Customer Etiquette Campaign (October date tbc)
- PRESTO customer and service provider market research
- Mount Dennis Mobility Hub Study for station area and Crosstown (Oct.)

November 2012

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- PRESTO Open Payment proof of concept expands to Yonge/Bloor TTC Station (Date TBC) - WTD/Junction Quarterly Public Meeting (Nov 1) - Service Guarantee Launch announcement (news release) November (TBC)				1	2
- Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter (First Week of Nov.) - Strachan Quarterly Public Meeting (Nov 6) - Innovations in Public Consultation and Engagement Summit - Dina Graser speaking (Nov 7,8) - Weston Quarterly Public Meeting (Nov 8)	5 - Bruce McCuaig speaking at ACT Canada's 2012 Sustainable Mobility Summit (Hamilton) - Remembrance Day free service news release	6 Santa Claus parade extra service news release	7	8	9 PRESTO update @ Ottawa Transit Commission
Remembrance Day – Free service for Veterans (Nov. 11)	12	13	14	15	16
Ballot date allotted to MPP Jonah Schein for Private Member's Business (Nov 22)	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28 Media advisory for Dec. 5 Board Meeting	29 Smart Commute Awards – Bruce McCuaig speaking	30

Notes for November

Third Party

- Smart Commute News release - all 11 Brookfield Office Properties in downtown Toronto offering Smart Commute Program (Nov)
- Smart Commute Mississauga placing print advertisement in the Mississauga Business Times – November edition
- York Region Rapid Transportation Corporation Board mtg. (Nov 1, 29)
- Hamilton Public Works Committee (Nov. 5, 19)
- Ontario Economic Summit (Nov. 6 – Nov. 08)
- Canadian Urban Transit Association (CUTA) Fall Conference – Nov. 10-14 (Quebec)
- Smart Commute Mississauga - *Win it all this Fall* campaign (Nov 12 – Dec 14)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Nov 14)
- TTC Commision Mtg (Nov. 21)
- Ottawa Transit Commission Meeting (Nov 21)
- Toronto City Council (Nov. 27, 28)
- York Region Transportation Services mtg. (Nov. 28)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Nov 28)
- Durham Region Transit Executive Committee (Nov. 28)

Construction Updates

- GTS - Strachan Ave. Realignment (Late 2012)
- GO – Mississauga BRT – west segment (construction start Nov) - CSIF

Operational & Emerging Issues

- Launch of customer communications for free service for veterans on November 11 (Nov 5)
- Launch of customer communications for Santa Claus parade extra service on November 18 (Nov 6)
- 100th Grey Cup Train Tour (Nov. 17)
- Toronto Santa Claus Parade extra service and promotions (Nov. 18)

December 2012

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter (First Week of Dec.)	3	4 January service changes news release	5 Metrolinx Board Meeting	6	7
Audit Working Papers					
	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25 Holiday	26 Holiday	27	28
	31				

Notes for December

Third Party

- Hamilton Public Works Committee (Dec. 3)
- Niagara Region Transportation Strategy Steering Committee (Dec. 4)
- Durham Region Transit Advisory Committee (Dec. 11)
- Ottawa City Council Meeting (Dec 12)
- Toronto City Council (Dec. 11, 12, 13)
- Provincial Legislature Christmas Break (Dec. 14 - Feb 18)
- Federal House of Commons Christmas Break (Dec. 15 - Jan. 27)
- TTC Commision Mtg (Dec. 19)
- Ottawa Transit Commission Meeting (Dec 19)

Construction Updates

- Crosstown tunnel boring machines arrive on site

Operational & Emerging Issues

- December service changes (Dec. 1)
- Launch of customer communications for holiday early/late homebound (Dec 4)
- Support for new station display hardware & signage; new distribution & printing contracts (Dec.)
- Mobile Website strategy (Dec.)
- Early Homebound service (Dec. 24, 31)
- GO Holiday Schedule (Dec. 25, 26)
- Free evening GO service (Dec. 31 t.b.c.)
- Quarterly GTS Mailer (December tbd)
- Big Move 2.0 Update (TBD)

January 2013

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
▪ Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter (First Week of Jan.)		1 Holiday	2	3	4
	7	8	9	10	11
	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25
	28	29	30	31	

Notes for January

Third Party

- Smart Commute - Digital billboard on Davis Drive in Newmarket promoting Carpool Week (Jan 21-Feb 10)
- Toronto City Council Meeting (Jan 15)

Construction Updates

- Mississauga BRT start of construction on west segment (Jan)

Operational & Emerging Issues

- GO Holiday Schedule (Jan. 1)
- January service changes (Jan. 5)

February 2013

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
February, 2013 – 25 new “low profile” double-decker buses to be put into GO service (routes t.b.d.)					1
Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter (First Week of Feb.)	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	

Notes for February

Third Party

- Smart Commute – Carpool Week (Feb 4-10)

Construction Updates

- Crosstown tunnel boring machines begin tunneling

Operational & Emerging Issues

March 2013

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
▪ Sunshine List published (March)					1
▪ Metrolinx Report Stakeholder e-newsletter (First Week of March)	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
▪ New Riding Profiles (TBD)	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29

Notes for March

Third Party

Construction Updates

Operational & Emerging Issues

April 2013

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9 ▪ Bruce giving keynote at MetroRail Conference in Madrid	10	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30			

Notes for April

Third Party

- Smart Commute – Information Booth, Newmarket Chamber of Commerce Home Show (Apr 5-7)

Construction Updates

Operational & Emerging Issues

May 2013

Items / Issues	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
▪ Barrie Free train – Summer Service Promotion	20 Holiday	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	31

Notes for May

Third Party

Construction Updates

Operational & Emerging Issues

- Proposed Blue Jays K/W Charter Train –Postponed to Summer 2013 (TBC)