



The Town Crier

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or email
mayor@annapolisroyal.com

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902-532-8347

**Town Hall
Hours of Operation**
The Town Office is open
Monday to Friday
from 9:00am to 3:00pm
902-532-2043

**Town Hall is
closed
Monday,
October 12**

Annapolis Royal
— Nova Scotia —
Where History Meets Opportunity

Annapolis Royal will become a...



Annapolis Royal's **GHOST TOWN** begins October 16, and we invite everyone in the community to "*Get your GHOST on*" in time for this Hallowe'en-inspired celebration. **GHOST TOWN** has gained popularity since its inception a few years back and attracts people from all over the province to Annapolis Royal in late October. The Haunted House at Sinclair Inn Museum and Ghostly Gardens After Dark at the Historic Gardens have fast become popular pre-Hallowe'en outings for families, and other organizations have jumped on Board with some great events and workshops. To expand the effort, **WE NEED YOU!** We ask residents and businesses alike to "*Get your GHOST on*" early, and do some cool decorating on your properties, before October 16. We would really love to have the whole Town decked out for Halloween, so that visitors can witness the community spirit and really get an overall **GHOST TOWN** impression throughout the Town. Looking for ideas? Visit www.ExploreGhostTown.com

The Sinclair Inn Museum *Haunted House* and the Historic Gardens *Ghostly Gardens* combine to provide a great evening experience. A **GHOST TOWN PASSPORT** will allow you access to both of these family-fun activities, or individual tickets are available as well. Alan Melanson will lead his renowned **Candlelight Graveyard Tours**, with a special discount price for PASSPORT holders.

If "after dark" is not your thing, come enjoy the Ghostly Gardens by daylight, open daily 9-5. Explore the Witch's Lair, Bat Cave, Witchsteria Arbour, Giant Spider Web, and much more as you enjoy the Gardens in their autumn glory. And be sure to linger a while in the Musician's Graveyard, where Johnny Cash, Hank Snow and Elvis are buried!

Look for other Halloween-themed events in the community. Enjoy shows at King's Theatre, hang out at our Haunted Winter Market on Saturday mornings, and try your hand at something new during the North American Conkers Championship on October 17. Add to that some great Halloween parties, a Haunted Seek & Find, and some ghoulish sales and specials by Annapolis Royal's businesses... and you are sure to have a grand time when you visit... if you dare!

For further information and a full Schedule of Events, visit www.ExploreGhostTown.com or call 532-7018.

If you witness any vandalism or unlawful behavior within the Town of Annapolis Royal, please report the incident to the Annapolis Royal Police Department. Thank you for your help in this matter.

To contact the Annapolis Royal Police Department
CALL 902-532-2427

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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Councillor Byron Mersereau
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Next Meetings

Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee
Oct 5th @ 9:30am

Committee of the Whole:
Oct 6th @ 6pm

Marketing & Economic Development Committee
Oct 13th @ 6pm

Board of Police Commissioners
Oct 14th @ 9:30am

Waterfront Development Committee:
Oct 15th @ 6pm

Council
Oct 19th @ 6pm

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MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL JULY 20, 2015:

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-04

It was moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Hudson to direct and authorize CAO Barr to prepare and submit a resolution that is similar in format to the resolutions passed to UNSM in the last two years and to apply retroactively in regard to funding for surplus schools that are turned back to municipalities. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-05

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that the Town use the tagline "where history meets opportunity" when the new logo is being used with a friendly amendment that preference be given to utilize the tagline in regular everyday use but the tagline is to be supplemented as needed for events. Friendly amendment by Councillor Mersereau. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-06

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that Council approve the ratification of **MOTION #C 2015-06-23-01 as approved by electronic vote**; It was moved by Deputy Mayor Pat Power, seconded by Councillor Hudson to approve the Town of Annapolis Royal to pursue the Active Transportation grant application with matching funds from the Town or contributing partners, up to an amount of \$150,000.00 for the purposes of improvements and restoration of the Boardwalk with a deadline of June 30th, 2015 and that if successful all work will be completed by March 10, 2016. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-07

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Mersereau to proceed with staff pursuing the funding application for an electric vehicle station. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-08

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Paquette to approve the Capital Improvement Plan with the additions that Project 920-2010-3 for \$409,550.00 be removed; Sewer Improvements in the amount of \$200,000.00 be added; Project 920-2011-19 (Paving) be increased to \$100,000.00 from \$50,000.00; the removal of the water main replacement; and an explanation about the current infrastructure assessment project. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-09

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson to offer the public a licensing opportunity for a nominal fee of \$50.00 to use the marketing logo on products that would be approved by MEDC and follow a policy to be set by Council. Motion defeated.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-10

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau to support in principal, the request from the Municipality of Digby regarding the tourism initiative, and request more information and ask that a business plan be provided. Motion tabled.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-11

It was moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Paquette that the applicant at Roll # 01479202 be given heritage approval to replace the windows, replace the door, and add a staircase going to the upper floor on the side of the accessory building with a landing on the back of the building as detailed in the application AR15-013-HER, providing the requirements of the Land Use By-law are met. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-12

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau that a moratorium be placed on any proposed tiered system for heritage buildings in the National Historic District of Annapolis Royal until the Annapolis Heritage Society and the Historical Association express in full their views on a tiered system. Motion tabled.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-13

It was moved by Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau that CDC Millett-Campbell update the Heritage Registry Index to reflect circumstances and architectural style of properties. Motion defeated.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-14

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that there be a PHAC meeting every month, regardless of agenda items. Motion tabled.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-15

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau that investigation of the following items take place: background information on the permits and approval on the work done at PID# 05002407, a legal opinion as to the legitimacy of permit holders waiting one year and then doing as they please, corner vision violations of the boulders at the corners of Church Street and St. Anthony Street and Drury Lane and St. Anthony Street, and the implications of several missed meetings in a row by a Committee member. Motion defeated.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-16

It was moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Paquette that Council support Constable Campbell's recommendation that the Town provide four stop signs (a four-way stop) to be used in the event of a power failure at the signal lights at St. George Street and Prince Albert Road. Motion tabled.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-17

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that no meetings of Committee of the Whole, Council or subcommittees be held in the month of August unless special need arises. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-18

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau that staff investigate the cost of diversity banners. Motion tabled.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-19

It was moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Paquette that the CAO be authorized to write-off the interest portion of the cell phone charges if paid within 30 days as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION #C 2015-07-20-20

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Paquette to not write-off outstanding balance in relation to tree removal. Lien to be placed on property Roll #04372689 so that the Town is able to collect upon sale of property. Motion carried.

Please note that there were no Council meetings held in the month of August.

For more details on motions, please visit the website: <http://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/council-minutes/>. All minutes are available online.

October Calendar of Events

Oct 1	5th Annual North Hills Revisited: Family Workshop Exhibition at ARTs Place, 1pm-4:30pm
Oct 2	First Fridays. See pg 5 for details.
Oct 2 & 3	5th Annual North Hills Revisited: Family Workshop Exhibition at ARTs Place, 1pm-4:30pm
Oct 6	Free Painting Workshop with Pat Lohrenz Oct 7th at ARTsPLACE, 12pm-5pm
Oct 7	Free "Fiber Arts" Workshop with Donna Conyers & Olga Comeau, at ARTsPLACE, 12pm-5pm. Entertainment by Bagpiper Peter Fyfe.
Oct 8	Champlain Garden Club Meeting. See pg 5 for details.
Oct 10	Fire Department's Annual Harvest Sale, Fire Hall 8am-1pm
Oct 11	Nova Scotia Art Bank 2015 Acquisitions Opening, ARTs Place, 1pm-3pm
Oct 12	Thanksgiving...Gobble gobble
Oct 13	Flora & Fauna – The Hidden Meaning at North Hills Museum. Registration required. 10:00am – 12:00pm, or 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Oct 16	Ghost Town begins
Oct 16 & 17	Haunted House, at Sinclair Inn Museum, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 16 & 17	Ghostly Gardens After Dark at the Historic Gardens, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 17	Haunted Winter Farmers Market at the Historic Gardens 9am– 12pm
Oct 17	4th Annual North American Conker Championship see pg 6 for details
Oct 18	Gourd Painting Open Event - Gourds for Ghost Town , ARTs Place, 11:00am-1:30pm. See pg 5 for details.
Oct 18	Opening of My Story Photo Project, ARTs Place, 1pm-3pm
Oct 20	Share the Blues, ARTs Place, 7pm-9pm. See pg 5 for details
Oct 23 & 24	Haunted House, at Sinclair Inn Museum, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 23 & 24	Ghostly Gardens After Dark at the Historic Gardens, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 24	Haunted Winter Farmers Market at the Historic Gardens 9am– 12pm
Oct 30	Haunted House, at Sinclair Inn Museum, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 30	Ghostly Gardens After Dark at the Historic Gardens, 6:30pm-9:30pm, \$7. See insert for details.
Oct 30	Haunted Winter Farmers Market at the Historic Gardens 9am– 12pm
Oct 31	C'est l'Halloween!!

RECURRING EVENTS:

Mondays: Seniors' Afternoons Out 1:00pm-4:00pm

Tuesdays: Weekly Fun Pool Tournament at the Legion 1:30 pm

Wednesdays: Bingo at the Legion 7:00 pm

Seniors' Afternoons Out 1:00pm-4:00pm

Thursdays: Drink & Draw at the Legion 7:00pm

Fridays: Friday Night Music at the Legion

Saturdays: Weekly Fun Pool Tournament at the Legion

For more complete details on events, please see the Town online
Events Calendar: www.annapolisroyal.com/events

In the spirit of fun that Halloween brings, this month we thought that instead of one bad joke, we would provide you with several. Enjoy!

Q: Why is a cemetery a great place to write a story?

A: Because there are so many plots there!

Q: What room is useless for a ghost?

A: A living room!

Q: Why are graveyards noisy?

A: Because of all the coffin!

Q: Why are vampires tough to get along with?

A: Because they can be a pain in the neck!

Q: What subject in school is easy for a witch? A: Spell-ing!

Q: What do you get if you divide the circumference of a jack-o-lantern by its diameter? A: Pumpkin pi!

Q: What do baby ghosts wear on their feet? A: Boo-ties

Q: What do you get when you cross a black cat with a lemon. A: A sour-puss!

Q: What is Beethoven doing in his coffin right now?

A: Decomposing!

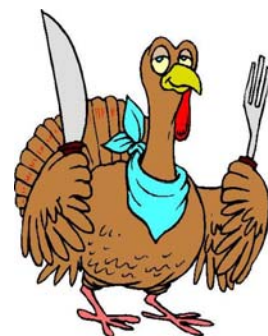
Q: Have you seen Quasimodo?
A: I have a hunch he's back!






New Fall / Winter Hours

Monday – Closed
Tuesday to Thursday: 12pm - 9:30pm
Friday: 12pm – 12am
Saturday: 4pm – 10pm
Sunday: 2pm – 6pm



Candlelight Graveyard Tours

Tour the Oldest English Graveyard in Canada by candlelight. Now in their 23rd popular season, these lively tours take place in Annapolis Royal at Fort Anne.

WHEN: Every SUNDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY 9:30 pm.
June 1 - October 15.

ALSO the FIRST FRIDAYS in June, September and October, PLUS every FRIDAY and SATURDAY during July, August & September.

WHERE: Fort Anne National Historic Site in Annapolis Royal
ADULT \$9, YOUTH (13-18) \$5, CHILD (12 & Under) \$3 Rain or Shine.
NO RESERVATIONS. Duration: 1:00 hr

Leslie Erickson Art Gallery

29 Victoria St.
Annapolis Royal, N.S., Canada
902-532-1359
fribius@yahoo.ca

contemporary art
handmade paper
African jewellery
Japanese calligraphy
art & photo cards

**ANNAPOLIS ROYAL BRANCH**

285 St. George Street
Phone: 902-532-2226
<http://www.valleylibrary.ca>

HOURS

Monday	2:00 pm — 5:00 pm 6:30 pm — 8:30 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am — 5:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am — 5:00 pm 6:30 pm — 8:30 pm
Friday	10:00 am — 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am — 2:00 pm

Legion Events

Bingo – The Port Royal Branch #21 Legion in Annapolis Royal holds bingo every Wednesday evening, starting at 7pm. Please arrive early to buy ticket books. **Open to the Public & Everyone is welcome.**

Weekly Fun Pool Tournament - The Port Royal Branch #21 Legion in Annapolis Royal holds weekly 8 Ball Tournaments each Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1:30pm and Saturday evening, starting at 7pm, \$5 to play, all proceeds go into prizes. **Open to the Public & Everyone is welcome.**

Drink & Draw – Do you paint, draw, quilt or are otherwise artistically gifted (or not!)? Come out for Drink & Draw at the Port Royal Legion, Branch #21 in Annapolis Royal, every Thursday night, starting at 7pm. **Open to the Public & Everyone is welcome.** (Drinking not required!).

Weekly Music - Port Royal Legion, Branch #21 in Annapolis Royal is happy to announce that our great local musicians will play a music set from 8 – 10pm (or later) each Friday night! The **Chase the Ace** draw will begin the night, with the draw at 8pm sharp, so arrive early to ensure your chance to win the jackpot! Tickets are on sale all week long. See the schedule on our Facebook page or drop by the Legion for more info. **Open to the Public & Everyone is welcome.**



**Annapolis Royal
Seniors Afternoon Out**

When: Mondays & Wednesday
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Where: Annapolis Royal Nursing Home
- North Living Room
What: Musical entertainment, exercise, guest speakers, quizzes, singing, refreshments and more.
Cost: \$5.00 – First Visit is Free!
How: For more information, please contact
Brenna MacDonald at – 532-8389



Seniors LINC – Living Independently with Community Supports
Annapolis Valley Health

**ANNAPOLIS
ROYAL GOLF
CLUB
MEMBERSHIPS
2016 START NOW**

**NEW MEMBERSHIPS
PLAY 2015 SEASON OUT AND ALL 2016
SEASON
AT THE REDUCED RATE OF \$650 TAX
INCLUDED
Does NOT Include NSGA Membership.**

**Monday Morning Storytime**

Preschool children and caregivers are invited to our
storytime on Monday mornings! We'll have some
stories, crafts and a little snack. Sometimes there's
even music!

Annapolis Royal
285 St. George Street
902-532-2226

10:00 a.m.
Mondays

no storytime on Oct. 12th
(Thanksgiving)



www.valleylibrary.ca

**Mrs. Nicholson Home closes for the season
Saturday, October 10th!**

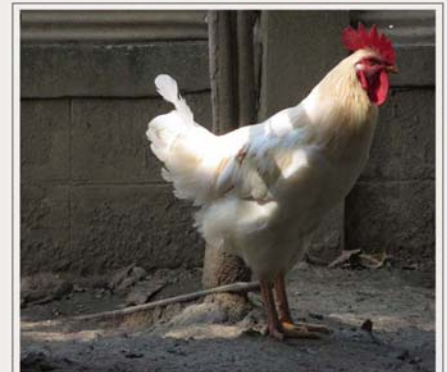
Jane and Christine wish to remind their many friends and clients that Mrs. Nicholson Home will be closed for the season at 5 pm on **Saturday, October 10th!** The store will be opening again in December for Christmas shopping, so watch the website at www.mrsnicholsonhome.com for more information!



**Want to know about events and announcements
in the community? Contact us at
admin@annapolisroyal.ca to be added to the
email list.**

PHOTOS FROM THE THAI-BURMA BORDER COMMUNITIES & BEYOND

**MY STORY PHOTO PROJECT 10
10 YEARS AND COUNTING!**



THANKS TO
SOCIAL ACTION FOR WOMEN
MEND A LIGHT FOUNDATION
HELP WITHOUT FRONTIERS

**October 18 - 28, ARTsPLACE Gallery
Opening Sunday October 18, 1-3pm**

Upstairs, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal

www.arcac.ca



NOVA SCOTIA Art Bank

Arts Nova Scotia is pleased to present
the 2015 Nova Scotia Art Bank purchases.

Arts Nova Scotia would like to invite you to the unveiling of the
Nova Scotia Art Bank purchases for 2015. There will be an opening
reception on Sunday, October 11th, 2015 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at
ARTsPLACE Gallery, 396 St. George St., Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
(902) 532-7069 arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca <http://arcac.ca>

The exhibition will be on display until November 22nd, 2015.

Featured artists:

Alan Bateman, Anke Fox, Arianne Pollet-Brannen
Bobby Nock, Brad Hall, Cecil Day, Deborah MacDonald
F. Scott McLeod, Jack Bishop, Kyle Jackson, Matthew Collins
Melanie Colosimo, Paul Hannon, Steven Peters
Susan Malmstrom and Brandt Eisner, Susan Tooke
Suzanne Gauthier, Tony Myers, Wayne Boucher



The Champlain Garden Club will meet
on Thursday, October 8 at 7:30 PM at
the United Church. The program topic
for the evening is FOREVER GREEN.

Local gardener, Marianne Lawrence,
will give a pictorial overview of the
selection, placement and care of
evergreens in the garden. Please come
and enjoy the program and
refreshments. Everyone is welcome!

Fire Department's Annual Harvest Pantry Sale. October 10th

8am-11am: Breakfast of pancakes, hash
browns, bacon or sausage, eggs, toast /
tea coffee juice. FREE Will Offering

8am- 1pm: Annual Pantry Sale, baked
goods , produce, and preserves

10am - 1pm: Fire Prevention Activities
theme: WORKING Smoke Alarms Save
Lives

Donations can be dropped off Fri, Oct
9th from 6pm - 8pm, or Sat, Oct 10th
anytime after 7am



Happy October!
Kitchen hours:
Mon-Fri 11am-10pm,
Sat 10am-10pm, Sun
12pm-8pm
Thanksgiving turkey
served Oct 9th-12th.
Gobble gobble

CALLING ALL GRAPHIC ARTISTS

Do you want to put your skills to use and be of service to your
community? The Town of Annapolis Royal is looking to
redesign the Town Crier newsletter and is seeking someone
talented in graphic arts to create a modern and exciting template
for the newsletter. It would be a **volunteer** role and in exchange,
your name/business would be promoted in the Town Crier on an
ongoing basis and credited with the redesign. If you are
interested, please contact Amy at admin@annapolisroyal.com or
902-532-2043.



DANCE For Fun 'n' Fitness

LINE DANCE & TAP CLASSES

Line Dance Starts Oct. 1
7 Weeks - \$45

6:30 pm - Annapolis Royal
St. Luke's Church Hall
Contact Us for Tap Class Info

**Trans World
DANCE COMPANY**
Dance.Canada@ns.sympatico.ca

Gourd Painting Open Event - Gourds for Ghost Town

Sunday, October 18, 2015

11-1:30pm at ARTsPLACE - stay for the opening of My Story
Photo Project, 1-3pm

Come join other artists in a workshop to paint gourds that have
been dried and preserved, donated by Millie Hawes and Jon Percy
of Granville Ferry. Each attendee will receive a prepared gourd to
decorate.

Bring acrylic paints and ink markers to create a unique object that
will be displayed throughout the community to celebrate
Annapolis Royal's annual "Ghost Town" event (October 16 -
31). Besides a gourd for each person, some supplies will be
provided. All *participating registrants* will have a chance to win a
unique artwork created by Julia Redgrave.

Fee: suggested donation, \$4.00

Space is limited; register at: arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca



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Join us on

The Big Cleanse

A Group adventure to clean up our microbiome and regain our health.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME !!!

Join us for 6 weeks as we work together to conquer our Yeasty Beasts.

Starts Thursday 8 October 2015

Thursdays 7-8 pm

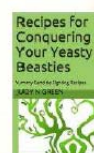
Annapolis Natural Foods, Annapolis Royal NS

\$150 + HST

Supplements and Books are additional



Kindle e-books are available from:
<http://www.amazon.com/judyngreen>



Helping you turn over a new leaf

One-on-One Coaching • Group Coaching
Workshops & Classes

Two regional artists share their own
version of "blues". Fresh from the
Atlantic Blues Festival, **Caleb Miles** is a
musician from Bridgetown, NS, who will
entertain you with a vast repertoire of
blues classics. **Lyndell Findlay** is a cheese
maker who continues to research and
develop traditional European-style blue
cheeses at her urban cheese making
facility in a leafy neighbourhood in
North-end. Oct 20th, 7pm-9pm @ ARTs
Place

The Last 2015 First Friday Annapolis Royal

6pm-9pm
October 2

Stroll, Shop & Enjoy!

Pumpkins, Pumpkin Pies,
Candy Apples and Apple Cider on Sale.

Children's Crafts & Pottery Workshop at the Market
Teen Dance 7pm - 10pm at the Market
Graveyard Tour starting at 9:30pm.



Proudly sponsored by the Annapolis Board of Trade



Contact for further information: Holly @ 902-532-2070

Yard Waste Disposal

Busy cleaning up your yard and not sure where to dispose of the waste? Valley Waste accepts yard waste with the regular garbage pick-up. **This is a great way to dispose of BRUSH.** All you need to do is put the brush into bundles that measure a maximum of 4 ft in length and 2 ft in width. Two bundles per collection are permitted. Leaves and pine needles can be placed in the compost bins. If you have excess pine needles, they can be put into clear bags and count as a part of your garbage limit (four bags per week). Excess leaves can be disposed of year round at the Valley Waste Management Centres, located in Lawrencetown and Kentville. But before you dispose of your yard "waste", consider that much of it is a great natural fertilizer. Tips can be found in the Valley Waste calendar or at www.vworm.com.

The Town of Annapolis Royal does offer free yard waste disposal through Public Works. However, last year there was excess yard waste, particularly brush, that resulted in a **serious safety hazard**. Town is evaluating ways to make the Public Works yard waste disposal a more efficient and safer option. While we are undergoing this review, we hope to minimize its usage as much as possible and are therefore encouraging residents to make use of Valley Waste's service and/or consider alternatives. If you are a town resident and must use the Public Works option, drop by Town Hall to pick up a key. There is a \$25 charge for new keys or exchange your old key for free.

Go NUTS in Annapolis Royal on October 17

Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal, NS

Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens to host the 4th Annual North American Conker Championship – Saturday, October 17

Conkers? Has anyone really heard of conkers? New to many Nova Scotians, but an old tradition for anyone of British heritage, Conkers has been making a reappearance in Annapolis Royal in recent years.

The game of conkers involves, quite simply, a chestnut on a string. Well, two actually, as each person in the duel requires the same armament. The objective – to break your opponent's conker. Sounds simple, but it is actually quite difficult and makes for great fun for participants and spectators alike. To quote the Annapolis Royal organizers, conkers is "A game of Kings and school boys - This centuries old form of sporting battle is about to re-emerge."



The 4th Annual North American Conker Championship will be held "centre-Courtyard" at the Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens on Saturday, October 17 during the Winter Market. Registration is at 10am and the tournament begins at 10:30am as participants vie for the coveted Crofton Chalice. No experience necessary! Competitive rounds for age 8 to 108 - practice area available for younger kids and any adults who want to try their hand in a non-competitive environment. For details, visit www.annapolisroyalconkerclub.ca

After the tournament, head over to the Annapolis Royal Golf Club at 2:00pm to try your hand at a putting competition that will drive you NUTS, during the World Conker Putting Championship. Yes, you guessed it – instead of balls you will be hitting chestnuts! Putter and conkers are provided.

Lions Club Announcement:

Lions Worldwide Week Of Service In Sight ----

During the week of October 4th -10th the members of the Annapolis Royal Lions Club will be joining their fellow Lions from around the World in carrying out projects related to sight issues. Every year the Annapolis Royal Lions Club carry out such programs as collecting eyeglasses for the Lions' recycling centres to be distributed for use in developing countries, donating to CNIB in Nova Scotia, donating large print calendars to those with low vision, purchasing eye glasses for children and adults in need, and provide transportation for seniors to eye appointments.

On Wednesday October 8th, the Lions of the World will be celebrating World Sight Day which was established in 1988 to raise awareness of eye health and world wide awareness of quality eye care services for all. On this special day Lions will be conducting projects such as vision screenings, eye health education, and donating assistive devices to those with vision impairments. Since 1925, when Helen Keller challenged the Lions to be knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness, the Lions have saved the sight of more than 15 million children through the "sight for kids" program, established or strengthened paediatric eye centres that have helped more than 120 million children, prevented serious vision loss for millions of children worldwide, improved eye care for 100 million people by training 650,000 trained professionals in eye care, provided nearly 8million cataract surgeries around the world and vaccinated 41 million children in Africa against measles a leading cause of blindness.

Land Use By-Law Review



The Town of Annapolis Royal wishes to announce that it will be forming a working group that will review its Land Use By-Law and examine ways to reduce 'red tape' for its citizens and the business community.

Town Council has heard the concerns raised regarding some of the regulations of the Land Use By-law and wishes to assure the public that these concerns are being taken seriously. Council is devoted to being proactive and responsible given the economic reality of Nova Scotia.

A land use by-law provides a foundation for a municipality to achieve the orderly development of lands through the regulation of the purpose for which the land and buildings may be used in various areas. Annapolis Royal has a unique, important history not only to the Region, but to the Country. The historic importance of the Town has been key to economic growth during the revitalization that has occurred in the last 35 years. As such, it was at the forefront of considerations when the Town's Land Use By-Law was developed. The rich history of the Town will continue to be a principal attraction to the area. The Town has reached a point where this is now established as core to the Town's identity. With this foundation firmly cemented, Council recognizes that the time has come for a review of the existing Land Use By-Law. While we must always acknowledge and embrace the past, we must however, look toward the future.

The reality that faces Nova Scotia, particularly rural Nova Scotia, is one that cannot be ignored. Attracting and keeping residents and businesses in the area is imperative to the Town's survival. Additionally, times have changed and by-laws and regulations need to be maintained accordingly and continuously work for the community. The by-law review will be mindful of the historic nature of Annapolis Royal and the central role it plays in the Town's economy. In addition to consultation with the community, the Town of Annapolis will also be obtaining advice from the Department of Municipal Affairs and other government departments, liaising with other municipalities, and seeking input from local businesses during the review process.

A by-law review takes time. It is also a costly endeavour. A review of a by-law as significant as the Land Use By-Law needs to be undertaken with great due diligence, factoring in the best interests of residents and businesses along with the economic and cultural implications of any changes made. Council also recognizes that Annapolis Royal can have too much 'red tape' that is restrictive to residents and businesses. The formation of a working group is a key component to helping reduce overregulation. By identifying barriers and alternatives, and working closely with the Provincial Government's newly created Office of Regulatory Affairs and Service Effectiveness, the group will seek ways to reduce 'red tape' and will make recommendations for Council to consider. Council assures the public that involvement will be sought from citizens and business owners and opportunities will exist for all to engage in the process. We want to make the process of interacting and working with Town Hall as easy and streamlined as possible.

Annapolis Royal is a remarkable small town. It will continue to thrive in its uniqueness and grow. Council is committed to this regulatory review and reform and balancing the needs of its citizens and business community with the need for a land use by-law that reflects our current economic situation. This type of process is not easy and Council appreciates your patience as we continue to make Annapolis Royal a place where history meets opportunity.

ABoT Events! First Friday and the October Council Meeting

Our last First Friday of the 2015 season takes place on **Friday, October 2nd**, in downtown Annapolis Royal. Lots of great things going on, including a Teen Dance from 7pm-10pm at the Market Square, candy apples, seasonal shopping specials, blue grass music and more. Don't miss it!

Come meet your new ABoT president, **Bill MacDonald**, and new secretary **Grace Butland**, at the October Council meeting, held upstairs at Ye Olde Towne Pub, Thursday, **October 8th**, beginning at 7 pm. All ABoT members are welcome.



Joint MEDC/ABoT Fall Luncheon - Thursday, Oct 8th

The Marketing and Economic Development Committee of the Town of Annapolis Royal, in partnership with the Annapolis Board of Trade, will be holding a Fall Business Luncheon on **Thursday, October 8th**, at 12pm, at the Annapolis Royal Regional Academy. The topic is "Surviving and Thriving Year Round: Annapolis Royal & District". Cost is \$5 and luncheon will be provided. Many thanks to our sponsors, the **Sunken Dorey Pizza** of Granville Ferry, and **Still Fired Distilleries** of Lequille. Please RSVP before October 2nd to Sandi Millett-Campbell at the Town of Annapolis Royal at phmc@annapolisroyal.com or (902) 532-3145.



Active Living News

Here's what's happening in the Town of Annapolis Royal to help keep you active, healthy, and happy.

Power Hour Returns in November, with a new session for beginners

Power Hour, led by Jane Power Grimm, returns to ARRA on **November 2nd**. It is a total body workout based on the latest research on how best to achieve your fitness and fat loss goals. Monday's sessions are aimed at beginners to fitness classes (though all are welcome) and are an awesome all around workout designed to help you improve your physical conditioning without injury. Wednesday's and Thursday's classes focus on targeting specific muscle groups for an intense, fat-blasting hour of cardio that finishes off with a relaxing stretch to improve circulation and maintain flexibility to those well-worked muscles. All skill levels will be accommodated at any class, with workouts modified to suit the individual's needs! No equipment is necessary, and various hand weights are available for use.

Please see the below program schedule for pricing information, and for more information, please contact Jane Power Grimm at 902-532-7279.

Fall Activity Programming in Annapolis Royal

Power-Hour Class @ ARRA: Mon 8:05 -9:05PM, Wed 7:00-8:00pm, and Thurs 7:00-8:00PM. Monday classes are designed to accommodate new participants who may be new to fitness classes, but all are open to all skill levels. Fall Session \$70 for 20 classes, \$40 for 10, or a drop in fee of \$4.00. Starts November 2 Instructor: Jane Power Grimm

Indoor Field Hockey ARRA: Mon 7:00 – 8:00PM Grade 9 +, Starts Sept 14, \$35 Leader: Mike Fearon

Indoor Soccer ARRA: Wed 8:20 – 9:30 Grade 9 +, Starts Sept 23, \$35 Leader: Paul Lalonde

Volleyball (Co-ed) AWEC: Sun 7-9pm Ages 16 +, Starts Sept 13, \$35 Leader: Amanda Huston

Badminton AWEC: Thursday 7:30-9pm Grade 9+, Starts Sept 18, \$35, Leader: Mike Scott

Cricket ARRA: Wednesday 5:30-7PM, Starts September 23, \$35, Leader: Ryan Scranton

Table Tennis ARRA: Tues 7-9 & Thurs 7:30-9pm Grade 9 +, Starts Oct 1, \$30 Leader: Pierre Igot

Basketball ARRA: Start date and time TBD for mid-November, \$35, Leader: Noah Scanlan/Nicole Campbell

ARRA =Annapolis Royal Regional Academy, AWEC=Annapolis West Education Center

Please "like" Town of Annapolis Royal on Facebook to stay up to date on program news!

6 week FREE seniors' program for those with arthritis – The Seniors' Lifestyle Makeover Challenge!!

Starts Wednesday, October 14, from 2-4PM at ARRA, and occurs every week for 6 weeks.

The pain of arthritis can hold you back. The Seniors Lifestyle Makeover Challenge helps you take control of your disease. Held in a series of two-hour sessions for six weeks, this FREE course helps you build confidence and play a more active role in reducing the impact of arthritis on your life. Learn how to live better, manage pain and fatigue, eat healthy, and enjoy physical activity with arthritis.

The program will feature a different guest speaker each week, including a Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist, Pharmacist, Yoga Practitioner, Dietician and More!

This program is offered **FREE OF CHARGE** by the Arthritis Society and the Town of Annapolis Royal! But pre-registration is required.

For more information on any of the above, or to sign-up or apply for any programs or events, please contact Noah Scanlan, Active Living Coordinator, at alc@annapolisroyal.com, or call (902)-955-1205.

WASTE COLLECTION PICK-UP

Pick-Up Dates: Wednesday, October 7th & 21st. For more information contact Valley Waste at 1-877-927-8300 or see their website for email addresses: www.vworm.com