

# The Town Crier

TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

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#### Open Letter to Residents and Ratepayers From Town of Annapolis Royal Council

We are writing to you today about our thoughts on the concept of municipal unit restructuring in relation to the Town of Annapolis Royal. Town Council has been keeping abreast of governance discussions and the recent decisions by three Nova Scotia Towns to seek approval to surrender their charters and thereafter be governed/administered as part of the rural municipal unit now bordering them.

Council has also received various enquiries from residents asking about Town Council's position and we are pleased to confirm to you that:

- There is no financial compulsion for the Town of Annapolis Royal to pursue amalgamation at this time.
- We are in a strong financial position, have quality Town services and enjoy over 85% new infrastructure.
- The Town has had budget surpluses every year since March 31 2005, and those surpluses have allowed for the accumulation of an operating surplus of slightly more than One Million Dollars. Adequate reserves are an attribute of a financially healthy municipality and are encouraged under the Provinces Municipal Relations group's guidelines
- Our residential tax rate was decreased from 1.70 in 2012 to 1.65 in 2013. Annapolis Royal's residential tax rate is slightly below the average and median for all towns in Nova Scotia. Our commercial tax rate and commercial/residential multiple are materially lower.
- The Town has been able to adjust to the loss of revenue from the Tidal Power Plant although the Tidal Power Plant still provides about 17% of the Town's revenue.
- There is increased revenue from a new residential development
- The Joint Councils Annapolis County Partnership Committee, which is made up of Councils from the County and Towns and the Commissioners for the Village of Lawrencetown, have a couple of initiatives underway and are looking at resolutions and strategies to explore further service sharing wherever it makes sense to do so on a regional basis.
- Your Council and Administration is vigilant in terms of keeping expenditures down to a reasonable level so that we can continue to live within our means, practicing sound investment and debt management, and continuing to look at alternative service delivery models for the betterment of the community.

The potential to reduce costs while maintaining or improving service to ratepayers is frequently cited as a reason to consider amalgamation. Annapolis Royal has already reduced the residential tax rate in 2013 and the Town provides superior services. As well our readings about municipal mergers that have occurred in Nova Scotia and elsewhere in Canada indicate the impact on operating costs can vary significantly, with results ranging from substantial to minimal or even negative cost savings.

Council does not believe a justifiable reason to pursue the surrender of the charter of the historic Town of Annapolis Royal exists at this time. If future developments indicate amalgamation might be an option that is in the better interests of residents and ratepayers in-depth community consultation shall be an integral part of the assessment process.

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 532-2427

Any time, 24 hours a day

#### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mayor Michael Tompkins mayor@annapolisroyal.com

Deputy Mayor Pat Power pat.power@ns.sympatico.ca

Councillor Sherman Hudson idontknow@ns.sympatico.ca

Councillor Byron Mersereau byron.artown@gmail.com

Councillor Paul Paquette paulpaquette@annapolisroyal.com

### The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

#### **Next Meetings**

Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee May 5th at 9:30 am

Committee of the Whole May 7th at 6 pm

Marketing & Economic Development Committee May 13th & 20th at 6 pm

Board of Police Commissioners May 14th at 9 am

> Town Council May 21st at 6 pm

#### Unapproved Motions from the Regular Council Meeting Held April 23, 2014

**MOTION** a) Tourism Development Funding Program

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Hudson, that Council support the application for the Tourism Development Funding Program, First Impressions and the continued ongoing maintenance for projects. **CARRIED.** 

#### MOTION b) Janitorial Services Tender

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept the Janitorial Services Tender from Cathy George as submitted by Tender process for a twelve month period commencing April 28, 2014 with the option for renewal by mutual written agreement for a further period of one year, conditional on receiving satisfactory references. **CARRIED.** 

#### **MOTION** c) Application AR14-008-HER

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson that Council approve the application to put an addition on the main house and renovate the exterior of 41 Church Street as detailed in the application AR14-008-HER, providing all conditions of the Land Use By-Law are met. **CARRIED.** 

#### **MOTION** d) Application AR14-009-HER

It was moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau that Council give heritage approval to the applicant to install signage at 262 St. George Street as detailed in the application AR14-009-HER, providing the requirements of the Land Use By-law are met. **CARRIED.** 

#### MOTION e) Surveillance Camera Purchase

It was moved by Deputy Power, seconded by Councillor Hudson to approve the expenditure of \$2,721.00 plus installation cost for a surveillance camera to replace the broken camera; up to a maximum expenditure of \$5,000.00 which also includes an advisory review for the purpose of potential additional cameras and ensuring current cameras are in good working order. **CARRIED.** 

#### **MOTION** f) Usage of Town of Annapolis Royal Truck

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Paquette, to grant permission for the Town of Annapolis Royal Truck to be driven by a Town employee in addition to Public Works employees. **CARRIED.** 

#### **Mayor's Open Office**

Due to conflicting meetings, regular open office hours will not be held in May. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please email mayor@annnapolisroyal.com or contact the Town Office.

Thank you!

# WASTE COLLECTION Pick up - Wednesday May 7th and May 21st, 2014

For more information contact Valley Waste at 1-877-927-8300 toll free or www.vwrm.com

REMINDER: The Town of Annapolis Royal Waste Collection is Wednesday as per Week #1 of the Valley Waste Calendar

#### Town Office Hours of Operation

The Town Office is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm **CLOSED ON** May 19th, 2014

Victoria Day

#### Are you interested in getting the latest?????

Anyone who is interested in what is happening in the Town of Annapolis Royal may asked to be placed on the "Community Reminder" list. Current and exciting information and updates, including the Town Crier are forwarded to you from the staff at the Town Office. To be placed on the list, please send an email to admin@annapolisroyal.com.

#### May Calendar of Events

1 to 15	<b>Celebrating Magnolias</b> —Annapolis Royal & Area- Events and tours in the Historic Gardens and throughout Annapolis Royal and area, in celebration of magnolias! For information: www.historicgardens.com or 532-7018.	10	<b>5th Annual Rare and Unusual Plant Sale,</b> 1-4 pm, at the Farmer's Market. For more information contact jill@bunchberrynurseries.ca.
3	Treasa Levasseur - Funny, ballsy, the type of old-school dame who can get away with wearing a three-piece suit and hold her own with the gents. That's Treasa Levasseur. Now she has completed a third full-length album which represents both a return to her roots and a gutsy move into uncharted territory — and she's cheerfully titled it Broad. 7:30 - 9:30 pm Reserved Seating - \$20. Advance, \$18. Members, \$22. Door, \$5. Youth Part of 'We've Got The Blues'. Purchase tickets to JW-Jones and Treasa Levasseur, both concerts \$35. Advance / \$30. Members (advance). For	10 and 11 11 18	Four Seasons Community Orchestra was founded in 2001 by its current director, Roger Taylor. The ensemble's repertoire includes all styles from Classical to Broadway, jazz and popular. Our current season's program includes music by Bach, Handel, Mozart, Beethoven, Copland, Lloyd Webber and others. Tickets; \$15 general admission, \$10 seniors and youth 7:00 - 9:00 pm. For more information visit www.kingstheatre.ca.
3	wore information visit www.kingstheatre.ca.  Yard Sale, 9-11:30 a.m., St George and St Andrew United Church (at the		Historic Gardens Season Kickoff—Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. Admission by donation – this weekend only! 9am-5pm Information: www.historicgardens.com or 532-7018.
5	Show and Tell Art Conversations for Visual Artists with Ted Lind. To enable practicing visual artists to share their creative works with others. Each session will allow select artworks to be viewed and discussed in a setting that is both supportive and inspiring, using a widely accepted 'visual engagement' process. All participating visual artists will bring a single artwork (original work or a digital projection) and through random selection approximately 6 artworks will be viewed and discussed at each		Canadian singer/guitarist JW-Jones tours constantly, and is known for his high-energy show that keeps getting hotter! Reserved seating - \$18. advance, \$16. members, \$20. door, \$5. youth . Part of 'We've Got The Blues'. Purchase tickets to JW-Jones and Treasa Levasseur, both concerts \$35. Advance / \$30. Members (advance) 7:30 - 9:30 pm. For more information visit www.kingstheatre.ca.
	meeting. A series of 2-hour sessions on Monday's at ARTsPLACE, \$4 / session 6:30 pm and June 2, 6:30 pm. www.arcac.ca		Portraiture Sessions with a live model at ARTsPLACE will take place Sundays, May 18 to June 22 (excluding May 1), 1- 3 pm, \$50.00 (5 sessions, does not include materials), paid prior to your first session. Any medium can be used: Pastels, charcoal, watercolor or medium of choice. Contact Giselle Beauchamp to register email: giselleb1@yahoo.com.
4	<b>1914:</b> In Song and Verse, A Royal Consort Community Choir, directed by Elsie Hepburn, accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood, presents a lively concert in commemoration of the social issues surrounding WW1: women's suffrage, temperance movement, and war preparations. Tickets		
	(adults \$12, students \$6) are available from Westside Studio, from any choir member or at the door. Come enjoy an afternoon concert at King's. 3:00 pm - King's Theatre. For more information visit www.kingstheatre.ca.		Film Society: Nebraska This road trip comedy/drama stars Bruce Dern as a tempestuous father who's convinced he's won a million dollar magazine sweepstakes, and Will Forte as the son who grudgingly agrees to drive him to Nebraska to claim his winnings. 110 Minutes Tickets: \$8 at the door. 7:30 - 9:30 pm For more information visit www.kingstheatre.ca.  Kelli Trottier An intimate evening of music, hosted by Ellie and Jerry Ackerman. This is a King's Theatre fundraising event. Kelli's musical odyssey of dance, fiddle and song began early in life as she studied and mastered the unique and fluid style of step-dance that evolved with the loggers and woodsmen of the historic Ottawa River watershed. Opening will be local musician Bill MacDonald. Tickets: \$18 (includes treats)7:30 - 10:00 pm. For more info www.kingstheatre.ca.
6	Artist Trading Cards Trading Event – Casual trading event for artists interested in trading original art cards. Cards can be any media, but must	21	
	be 2.5" x 3.5" in size. Approximately 1 hour, light refreshments provided. For more information http://www.artist-trading-cards.ch/ All welcome, must have at least 10 cards to trade. www.arcac.ca or call 902-532-7069. 6 pm at ARTsPLACE		
6	<b>Film Society: The Great Beauty</b> —Since the legendary success of his one and only novel, journalist Jep Gambardella has been a permanent fixture in the city's literary and social circles. But when his 65th birthday coincides with a shock from the past, he finds himself looking past the		
	travagant nightclubs, parties, and cafés to find Rome in all its glory: a neless landscape of absurd, exquisite beauty. 142 Minutes. Italian/Eng. otitles. Tickets: \$8 at the door. 7:30 - 9:30 pm For more information it www.kingstheatre.ca.	<ul> <li>Champlain Garden Club's Annual Giant Plant Sale. 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION at the United Church (by the lights). Wide selection of garden-ready perennials and other plant material of interest to both novice and established gardeners, plus some gently used garden related tools, books, and new this year - reasonably priced light refreshments.</li> <li>Choral Concert Annapolis Voices, directed by Deirdre Morrell-Ormerod, accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood, will present its annual spring concert of choral selections to satisfy a wide variety of musical tastes, titled "Dancing Rivers", at 7:30 p.m. at St. James Anglican Church, 289 Granville Street, BRIDGE-TOWN. Tickets \$ 15.00 . Available from choir members OR call Gordon at 1-902-532-0263. We sincerely appreciate your support.</li> </ul>	
6	The Municipality of the County of Annapolis is holding a community meeting in Annapolis Royal to discuss their Economic Development		and new this year - reasonably priced light refreshments.
	Strategy. Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at the Annapolis Royal Legion. Everyone Welcome!		Ormerod, accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood, will present its annual spring concert of choral selections to satisfy a wide variety of musical tastes, titled "Dancing Rivers", at 7:30 p.m. at St. James Anglican Church, 289 Granville Street, BRIDGETOWN. Tickets \$ 15.00. Available from choir members OR call Gordon at 1-902-532-0263. We sincerely appreciate your
8	Champlain Garden Club will provide ideas on "Turning your harvest into Food" with inspiration from gardener and chef, John Gartland (owner/ operator of the former, and fondly remembered, Newman's Restaurant). 7:30 pm at the United Church (by the lights). All welcome.		
8	<b>Special Food Handling Course</b> for volunteer groups or non-profit organizations. This is not the Food Handling Certification Course. No fee if 25 participants register. To register contact Brenda at 532-2505. 2 - 5 pm at the Legion.	June 1	Amazing Grace of Spring , Sunday June 1st @ 7:30pm King's Theatre ABC Band will present a joint concert with 14 Wing Greenwood Band under the direction of Vincent Roy. Ticket price: \$12 Advance, \$15 Door, \$5 Student



#### Happy Mother's Day

<u>Special</u>

8 oz. Rib Eye Steak with fried onions & mushrooms Mashed Potato Shrimp Skewer

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#### Newly renovated space for hire at ARTsPLACE

Newly renovated with grants from the NS Jobs & Facilities, ACCESS-Ability and the Municipality of Annapolis Royal. Upstairs at ARTsPLACE is now a fully functioning workshop/ studio/meeting space. With a bathroom, kitchenette, upgraded lighting, tons of natural light and heat pumps to keep you warm in winter and cool in summer, we are sure that you will want to take advantage of this fabulous space to run an arts workshop, meeting or event. 2014 Rental rates (ARCAC Members\*): \$15/hour, \$35 (3 hours), \$50 (6 hours plus additional hours at \$15/): Non-member rates:\$25/hr, \$60 (3 hours), \$80 (6 hours plus addition hours at \$25/) For Arts related activities contact the office at 532-7069 or email arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca \*to join ARCAC please visit our Membership page www.arcac.ca

Mrs. Nicholson Home will open on Friday, May 23rd, for our third season! We're excited to tell you that, in addition to our wonderful vintage finds, we'll be featuring a line of new giftware formerly available at the much-missed Charade! So come down and visit sisters Jane and Christine and see what's new with us for 2014. Store opens at 10 am.





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# Annapolis Royal Winter Farmer's Market

at the Historic Gardens
May 3 and May 10 9am -12 noon.
(then it's off to the
Downtown Market starting May 17)
Your source for local food products and more,
from October until May!
Free admission. Call 532-7018.



#### **CES Community Fun Day**

Saturday ~ May 24 ~ 10:30am - 1:00pm

10:30-11:00 Discovery Center Live Performance - Gym 11:00- 1:00 Discovery Center Hands on Stations- Gym

10:30 - 12:45 Ticket Auction - Funds from this event matched by Scotiabank (up to \$1000) 5 Tickets for \$2.00

11:00–1:00 BBQ - Funds from this event matched by Scotiabank (up to \$1000)

Hot Dogs \$1.00, Sausages \$3.00, Veggie Burgers \$3.00, Drinks \$1.00, Candied Apples \$2.00 11:00 - 12:00- Cake Walk \$1.00 per try

10:30 - 1:00—Café—Free Coffee and sweets.

We will also have ..... Cotton Candy ~ Sucker Pull ~ Tattoo Booth ~ Fire Trucks & More!



#### RECEPTION AND WEBSITE LAUNCH

Annapolis Royal Visitor Information Centre Tidal Power Plant on the Causeway 5 pm to 7 pm Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> Everyone Welcome!

The Annapolis Board of Trade (ABoT) invites you to meet our staff at the Visitor Information Centre and celebrate with us as we launch our new ABoT website.

Last year our VIC served over 12,000 visitors to Annapolis Royal and the surrounding area. We are proud of the work we do and would like you to know more about this community resource so you can tell your friends and customers.

All are welcome...you don't have to be a member of ABoT to attend! Refreshments will be served.

Jane Nicholson, President Annapolis Board of Trade



#### **Official Opening**

The Board and Staff of the Annapolis Region Community Arts Council (ARCAC) request the honour of your presence at the official opening of the newly renovated upstairs space at ARTsPLACE Gallery on May 2nd, 3pm. Special guests will include Premier Stephen McNeil, Honourable Greg Kerr, Warden Reg Ritchie and Councillors, Annapolis Royal Mayor Michael Tompkins and Councillors. ARCAC is very fortunate to have had such tremendous support from the Province though Communities, Culture and Heritage, from the Federal Government through the New Horizons Program and from the Municipality of Annapolis through their Capital Projects Fund. We wish to honour our partners at a special celebration and we hope you will attend. Come and enjoy live music and light refreshments.

Annapolis Region Community Arts Council and ARTsPLACE Artist-run Centre, ARTsPLACE Gallery, 396 St. George St. (at the lights), Annapolis Royal, NS, B0S 1A0, (902) 532-7069, <a href="mailto:arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca">arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca</a>, <a href="http://arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/">http://arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/</a>

#### ANNAPOLIS ROYAL SENIORS' AFTERNOON OUT

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#### Port Royal Legion Branch 21

Monday - Bridge 1:15 pm

Tuesday - 45s 1:00 pm

Tuesday - Senior Pool 1:30 pm

Wednesday - Bingo 7:00 pm

Thursday 8 May - 7:00 pm Executive Meeting

Friday 2 May 8:00-11:00 pm. - Jane Seary Cripple Creek Performance - No Cover Charge - Everyone welcome.

Saturday 17 May 1:00 - 8:00 pm. - Blackfly Festival - Cover Charge \$7.00 for a day of entertainment with 3 Car Pile-up, Caleb Miles, Focus and others. Everyone welcome.

Saturday 31 May 7:00 pm. - Benefit for the Annapolis Community Centre - Main Hall of the Annapolis Royal Legion - Free-will offering - Performances by Reg Taylor, Sheldon Chute, Bobby Gillis, Gwen Gillis and The Frost Sisters. Auction, Bake Sale, Tea, Coffee and Canteen. Come support your Community Centre. For more information on any of these events, please call 532-5196.







#### 2014 Fort Anne and Port-Royal Information

#### Fort Anne National Historic Site

June 3 to June 23 open Tuesday through Saturday
June 24 - August 30 open 7 days per week
August 31 to September 30 open Tuesday through Saturday
9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

www.narkscanada.gc.ca/fortanne

#### Port-Royal National Historic Site

May 16 to June 23 open Tuesday through Saturday
June 24 – August 30 open 7 days per week
August 31 to October 11 open Tuesday through Saturday
9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

www.parkscanada.gc.ca/portroyal

Fees for Fort Anne and Port-Royal for 2014 remain the same as 2013, however they are currently under review and it is anticipated they may increase part way through the season. Both the current and new fees are shown:

Adult: 3.90 / 4.00 Senior: 3.40 / 3.50 Youth: (6-16) 1.90 / 2.00 Family: 9.80 / 10.00

#### Products available for visitors:

**Xplorer Programme at Fort Anne and Port-Royal:** A youth-oriented activity booklet geared to children aged 6 to 11 to engage all of their senses at the sites. Part of a national programme, and free with purchased admission

Explora Fort Anne: A new self-guided GPS visit of Fort Anne – a free app is available for download, or rent the device and participate in the activity on site for \$5.00.



"Pay it Forward Clothing Drive" for Environment Week. Each year approximately 7,000 tonnes of textiles are recycled in Nova Scotia; however, another 30,000 tonnes are sent to Nova Scotia landfills. By working together we can reduce how much textiles are needlessly wasted in our region. Children in third world countries, some only 10 years old, walk barefoot for miles to get water for their families. When you live in this type of situation it really doesn't matter if your shoes are in style, scuffed up or even if the two shoes match. The only thing that matters is that their feet are protected. This really inspired Valley Waste Management to promote clothing donations as part of Environment Week. There is a great benefit of donating textiles, shoes and accessories; no matter what size, what season or what condition. All residents are encouraged to bring bagged clothing to the drop off at Town Hall on May 21st 2014. Valley Waste Resource Management will pick the materials up on May 22nd and announce the winner (based on weight of donation) on May 23rd. Any Size – Any Season – Any Condition: Clothing, Footwear, Accessories. Other Textiles: Shirts, Blouses, Jeans, Sweaters, Jerseys, Jackets, Pyjamas, T-shirts, Work Clothes, Dresses, Coats, Shorts, Shoes, Boots, Sandals, Sneakers, Scarves, Hats, Mittens, Purses, Jewellery, Costumes, Gloves, Belts, Draperies, Curtains, Blankets, Linens, Towels, Sheets, Table Cloths.



Discover the Valleys Blossoms
The Mayor and Council would like to send best wishes to Caitlin Bridson-Pateman as she represents the Town of Annapolis Royal at this year's Apple Blossom Festival. Mayor and Council also invite all residents to come meet the Royal Party on Monday June 2nd. The visit will be at 4:00 pm at the Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens. Hope to see you there.

With our sincere appreciation...

The 2014 Queen Annapolis Royal Dinner on 28 March was a great success thanks to the wonderfully supportive community in which all of us are so fortunate to call home. The Natal Days Princess Committee and honourary chair of the event, Jane Nicholson, would like to express our appreciation to Debbie Oliver and Fairway Insurance Services Inc., dinner corporate sponsor; Peggy Armstrong, keynote speaker; Paula Buxton, caterer; Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department, venue and cash bar; County of Annapolis Councillor Paul McDonald; Town of Annapolis Royal Mayor Michael Tompkins and Deputy Mayor Pat Power; Town Councillors Paul Paquette, Byron Mersereau and Sherman Hudson; Town Crier Peter Davies; St. George & St. Andrew's United Church Minister Elisabeth Bachem; and all of the volunteers serving in so many capacities. We are also so grateful to our Annapolis Royal Scotiabank's Jay McQuillin and her staff for their tremendous and enthusiastic support of the 'Shop Around Town' gift certificate basket raffle ticket sales, as well, many of the dinner ticket sales which were matched by way of the Scotiabank corporate community support program, Bright Futures. The gift certificate basket was made possible through the generosity of the following area businesses and attractions; Annapolis Foodland, Annapolis Golf & Country Club, Annapolis Home Hardware, Annapolis Save Easy, The Annapolis Variety, Bainton's Book & Tannery Outlet, The Flower Girl Floral Boutique, Fraser's Pro Home Centre, The Green Barn, Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens, Lequille Country Store, Lockhart's Casuals and Workwear, Mrs. Nicholson Home, Nona's Preserves, Sun Room Glass, Weasy's Hair Salon, Westside Studio, and The Worn Doorstep. The 2014 Queen Annapolis Royal Dinner fund raiser will make it possible in large part to continue the Annapolis & District Young Ladies Leadership Skills Development Program. It also contributes to the maintenance, repair and refurbishment of our Town of Annapolis Royal parade float and sending our valley blossom, 2014 Apple Blossom Princess Annapolis Royal, Caitlin Bridson-Pateman to this year's Apple Blossom Festival Leadership Competition.



Queen Annapolis Royal 2013 and 2014 Apple Blossom Princess Annapolis Royal Caitlin Bridson-Pateman (left) and Peggy Armstrong (right)

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- Society newsletter and early notice of events

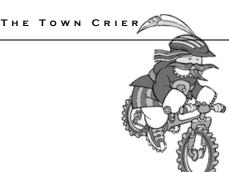
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## **Active Living News**

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

#### Seeking lifeguards for the Annapolis Royal Community Pool for the 2014 Summer Season

The Annapolis Royal Community Pool is seeking lifeguards for the 2014 season. Please visit www.annapolispool.ca for job descriptions. If you find you have any additional questions or may know of a potential candidate, please contact Christine Igot at Christine@latext.com, or call 902-955-1205.

#### Improvements being made to the Grant Potter Memorial Playground

In the upcoming weeks the Town of Annapolis Royal will be making some changes and upgrades to the Grant Potter Memorial Playground. After studying the current usage and examining some potential safety concerns, the Town has decided to remove the adult exercise equipment from the playground and eventually relocate it to an "adult only" recreation site in Town which is yet to be determined. In place of this equipment, and throughout the playground, we will be installing some additional seating, family activity areas, community use recreation equipment, and landscaping elements that will encourage families to be active together. The new elements will be designed with respect for the Town's heritage and the existing landscapes scenic beauty. For more information on the project plan, please contact Noah at alc@annapolisroyal.com, or call (902)-955-1205.

There are a number of exciting programs and activities in the works for Annapolis Royal for this summer, including cycling events, a youth tennis camp, a trout fishing derby, a learn to skateboard session at the skatepark, and a walking festival. For more information, please stay tuned to the Active Living News or contact Noah Scanlan, Active Living Coordinator at alc@annapolisroyal.com or call (902)-955-1205.

#### Fly Fishing for the Beginner

Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup>-Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>

Join us at Milford House for a weekend of fly fishing! Roy Berteaux, our Certified Fishing Instructor and Guide will instruct you on what you need to know, show you how to prepare your gear, and guide you on a fishing trip to remember. You'll have lots of free time to practice or take out a canoe. For more information 532-2167



285 St. George Street PO Box 310

Phone: 902-532-2043 Fax: 902-532-7443 Toll Free 1-877-522-1110

E-mail: admin@annapolisroval.com www.annapolisroyal.com

Free Compost is available to all residents of Annapolis Royal, Saturday May 10, 2014 at 9 am at the Public Works Yard (144 Victoria Street). Valley Waste Resource Management will have the compost available and will supply 5 bags per person. All you need is a shovel. Everyone Welcome!