

# The Town Crier

TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

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Royal Canadian Legion
Branch #21
and the
Town of Annapolis Royal

Cordially Invite the Public to the Annual New Year's Day Levee

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015
12 Noon to 4 pm at the
Royal Canadian Legion Branch #21
Annapolis Royal
Refreshments will be served
Dress: Business Casual Tie Required



Town residents can place Christmas trees at curbside for collection by the Town of Annapolis Royal

OR

you can cut the tree into 4ft. lengths, bundle it and set it out as brush for regular collection

OR

put it out for Spring Cleanup.



# For Public Works Emergencies

please contact the Public Works Department at 902-532-8347

# Town Hall will be closed from

December 24, 2014, to January 1, 2015 Regular office hours will resume January 2, 2015

# Town Hall Hours of Operation

The Town Office is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm

# Mayor Tompkins Available by

appointment
Call 902-532-2043
or email
mayor@annapolisroyal.com

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

Any time, 24 hours a day

#### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mayor Michael Tompkins mayor@annapolisroyal.com

Councillor Paul Paquette paulpaquette@annapolisroyal.com

Deputy Mayor Pat Power patpower@annapolisroyal.com

Councillor Sherman Hudson shermanhudson@annapolisroyal.com

Councillor Byron Mersereau byronmersereau@annapolisroyal.com

The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

## **Next Meetings**

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

Committee of the Whole January 7th at 6 pm

Marketing & Economic Development Committee January 13th at 6 pm

Board of Police Commissioners January 14th at 9 am

> Council January 19th at 6 pm

Town Hall - 285 St. George Street PO Box 310 Phone: 902-532-2043

Fax: 902-532-7443
Toll Free 1-877-522-1110
E-mail:

admin@annapolisroyal.com www.annapolisroyal.com

# Motions from Unapproved Council Minutes of December 15, 2014

# MOTION a) Draft Policy on Water Utility Receivables Collections; Appendix A and Appendix B

Moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Hudson, it was agreed to adopt the Policy on Water Utility Receivables Collections 2014-4. **CARRIED** 

### **MOTION b) Draft Policy on Tax Account Receivables Collections**

Moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Deputy Mayor Power, it was agreed to adopt the Policy on Tax Account Receivables Collections 2014-5. **CARRIED** 

# **MOTION c) Council Committees and Representation**

Moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Mersereau, it was agreed to re-appoint Adele MacDonald, Bill Monk and Holly Sanford and appoint Helen Able to the Marketing and Economic Development Committee; and also it was agreed to re-appoint Rion Microys and Brian Keevill to the Board of Police Commisioners; and also it was agreed to appoint Bill MacDonald and Alan Melanson to the Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee. All Council appointments to Committees will remain unchanged except that Councillor Paquette will be replaced by Mayor Tompkins or Deputy Mayor Power on the Annapolis Pool Committee. **CARRIED** 

# **MOTION d) Municipal Electoral Boundary Review**

Moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Hudson that Council direct Administration to prepare and submit the application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to retain one electoral district for the Town of Annapolis Royal and retain a five member council with a mayor and four councillors, and that the application be forwarded to the NSURB prior to the December 31, 2014 deadline. **CARRIED** 

# **MOTION** e) Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Review

Moved by Councillor Hudson, seconded by Councillor Mersereau, it was agreed to approve the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Review Draft as amended. **CARRIED** 

# **MOTION f) Electric Vehicle Charging Station**

Moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hudson, that Administration move forward with pursuing the possibility of an electric charging station for the Town of Annapolis Royal. **CARRIED** 

## MOTION g) 2 Requests for Low Income Tax Exemption

Moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Paquette, it was agreed to approve the Low Income Tax Exemption in the amount of \$300.00 for Property Roll #01026321 and Property Roll #02471612. **CARRIED** 

## MOTION h) Authority for Approval for Low Income Tax Exemptions

Moved by Councillor Mersereau, seconded by Councillor Hudson, that in the future to have the Chief Administrative Officer approve low income tax exemptions within the required parameters for which they may be granted, subject to confirmation to meet all criteria of the policy and that individual applications for low income tax exemption not be brought forward for Council approval. **CARRIED** 

# **MOTION i) TD Green Streets 2015 Application**

Moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Deputy Mayor Power, that Council formally approve the final application to TD Greet Streets for potential funding in 2015. **CARRIED** 







# January Calendar of Events

Dec 31	New Years Dance with the Rhythm Rogues. Tickets \$15.00/person. Includes party favours and midnight snacks. Everyone welcome. 9m to 1am at the Legion Branch 21.	20 - 23	<b>Exodus: Gods and Kings</b> Egyptian Princes Moses (Christian Bale) and Ramses (Joel Edgerton) are raised together as brothers. When Ramses becomes pharaoh, Moses is his most-trusted adviser. However Moses soon discovers his Hebrew parentage, and Ramses banishes him to the desert often a death sentence.2:00pm-4:30pm at King's Theatre
1	HAPPY NEW YEAR!		ARTs Tuesday, Music, art and drama. Admission by donation. Everyone welcome. 7-9pm at ARTsPLACE
1	New Years Levee 12:00 noon –4:00 pm. Port Royal Legion Branch 21. Everyone welcome. 66 Victoria Street		
9	Foxcatcher When wealthy John du Pont (Steve Carell) invites Olympic wrestler Mark Schultz (Channing Tatum) to move to his estate and help form a wrestling team for the 1988 Olympics, Mark sees a way to step out of the shadow of his charismatic brother, Dave (Mark Ruffalo). 7:00pm-9:10pm at King's Theatre.		The Hobbit Having reclaimed Erebor and vast treasure from the dragon Smaug, Thorin Oakenshield (Richard Armitage) sacrifices friendship and honor in seeking the Arkenstone, despite Smaug's fiery wrath and desperate attempts by the Hobbit Bilbo (Martin Freeman) to make him see reason. 7:00pm-9:36pm at King's Theatre
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13	Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the Library, at the Annapolis Royal Library starting at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome.	30	2:00pm-4:36pm at Kings Theatre  Paddington After a fatal earthquake destroys his home in the
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# Town of Annapolis Royal

# INVITATION FOR SUBMISSIONS – EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROJECT MANAGER, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL REGIONAL ACADEMY

The Town of Annapolis Royal is looking to hire a multi-disciplined Project Manager for repurposing the Annapolis Royal Regional Academy. The Project Manager may be an individual or a team of individuals working together as Project Manager.

This will initially be for a six-month contract term with potential for renewal with hours per week expected to vary.

The Project Manager, under direction of the Chief Administrative Officer, will be responsible for all initiatives undertaken toward the ultimate repurposing goal of full occupancy, financial sustainability and historic conservation of the Annapolis Royal Regional Academy.

A detailed position description and repurposing document is available on the Town website: <a href="http://www.annapolisroyal.com">http://www.annapolisroyal.com</a> or by contacting Town Hall at (902) 532-2043.

Submissions including resumes and an hourly wage/contract rate proposal can be submitted in confidence by 3:00 p.m., January 12, 2015 to:

Attention: CAO - Town of Annapolis Royal P. O. Box 310 285 St. George Street Annapolis Royal, NS BOS 1A0 or by email cao@annapolisroyal.com



### Happy New Year to One and All!

Have lunch with us from 11-4 daily and receive a free non-alcoholic drink!



902 532 0713 | theredshed@telus.net



# **Leslie Erickson Art Gallery**

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

> contemporary art handmade paper African jewelry Japanese calligraphy art & photo cards



467 St George St Annapolis Royal NS B0S 1A0 902 526-0089 jc1mongiat@gmail.com

#### Annapolis Royal Golf & Restaurant

We have vouchers available for Peeler cards for the 2015 season (\$30 includes tax). The voucher can then be exchanged for the golf season 2015 when the new peeler cards are available. Peeler cards are a way of saving up to \$2000 playing here and at other courses BOGO. Fore more information contact Tel: 902-532-2064 Fax: 902-532-0581 www.annapolisroyalgolf.com



# dan froese

Located at 262 St George St, Annapolis Royal Offering professional **Photography and Design** as well as the following convenient services:

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Digital Photo Retouching and Repair
Photo Printing ~ Professional Archival Paper and Ink
(Rated for 80-200 years)

danfroese.com - drfroese@gmail.com - 902-308-9531



#### **Annapolis Barber Shop**

Re-open for Business
Monday to Wednesday 8:30am to 4pm
Thursday – closed
Friday 8:30am to 4pm
Saturday 8am to noon

# Annapolis Royal Winter Farmer's Market

at the Historic Gardens
Saturday Mornings, 9am -12 noon.
Your source for local food products
and much, much, more,
from October until May!
Free admission. Call 902-532-7018



#### Clueless in the Kitchen?

Help is on the way! St. George & St. Andrew United Church is sponsoring a series of "Cooking for One" learning opportunities for "newly single" seniors who feel helpless in the kitchen. This series will begin on Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at 10:30am, in the Lower Hall of the Church, (Church by the lights, Annapolis Royal - use side entrance.) The series will continue each Tuesday until the five sessions have been completed. (Snow days will be made up the next week- if school is cancelled, class will be cancelled). For more information or to register, contact Rosanne Peach, 902-532-5534. Program limited to 10 participants.

Cost: Freewill offering.

## **Attention All Potential Photographers**

If you are interested in photography and would like to learn more or share knowledge about the art or just learn more about your own camera we would like to invite you to join the **Annapolis Photography Club**. It does not matter how much or how little you know as long as you have a desire to learn more. Knowledge and experience will be gained through the club by participating in field trips and discussions. The club's next meeting is 7pm, Monday, January 26 at Ye Olde Towne Pub in the upstairs room. Please contact Terry Murphy for more information or any questions you may have at cycleterry@gmail.com or 526-4451.





#### ARCAC Exhibition: Schools Show January 18-February 22, 2015

Plan to attend the opening reception of The Schools Show at ARTsPLACE (at the lights) in Annapolis Royal on Sunday, January 18 from 1 pm to 3 pm. Art work from students in grades Primary through Grade 12 at Champlain Elementary, Clark Rutherford Memorial Elementary, ARRA, AWEC and home schools will be featured in the main gallery until February 22, 2015. Everyone welcome.



#### **Annapolis County Branch Looking for Seniors**

Have you experienced mental illness? Is any member of your family struggling with a mental illness? Do you have experience, skills and ideas to share about how to reduce the stress, stigma and isolation caused by mental illness? Do you have any ideas to help expand knowledge of mental health and mental illness and how to respond to it? Any ideas at all? The Annapolis County Branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association has received funding through the federal New Horizons for Seniors Program to develop and set up support groups in Annapolis County and to develop an educational program to increase the emotional well-being of seniors of all ages, and those who may be/are supporting family members or loved ones living with mental illness. If you would like to know more about the project and/or you think you would like to participate, please contact the Program Facilitator at admin.alli@gmail.com or call 902-532-0556.

# FIRST AID TRAINING

Wednesday January 14th 2015

9:00am - 4:30pm 253 St. George Street Annapolis Royal

Fee: \$60.00

Book Now, Limited Seats! Full payment to reserve seat Lunch not included

Tel: Helen - 902-532-0605

# Applications Available for 2013-14 Heating Rebate Program

Nova Scotians who need help with home heating costs may apply for the province's heating rebate program.

Applications are available at all Access Nova Scotia Centres, MLA offices, Community Services' offices, online at <a href="https://www.homeheatinghelp.ca">www.homeheatinghelp.ca</a>, or by calling 1-800-670-4357.

Making life more affordable for families.



#### ANNAPOLIS ROYAL LIBRARY

## **Computer Tutorials at the Annapolis Royal Library**

Do you have questions about your laptop, tablet, e-reader or other technology? We can help. Book a one hour session and we will do our best to answer your questions. Sessions ongoing until March. Watch our website <a href="www.valleylibrary.ca">www.valleylibrary.ca</a> for dates and times as well as for other upcoming workshops or reach us by phone at 902-532-2226.

## LIBRARY CLOSED

Wednesday December 24, 2014 Thursday December 25, 2014 Friday December 26, 2014 Wednesday December 31, 2014 January 1, 2015

#### ANNAPOLIS ROYAL SENIORS' AFTERNOON OUT

A safe, supervised, and enriching afternoon An opportunity to keep active and maintain independence

A chance to socialize and exercise A respite opportunity for caregivers Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun! Monday and Thursday 1 to 4 pm at the Annapolis Royal Nursing Home Cost \$5.00

(A nutritious snack will be served)

For more information call

Jane MacKay, Coordinator 902-532-8389

#### **PORT ROYAL LEGION BRANCH 21**

The RCL Br 21 events for January are:

Monday 1:15 p.m - Bridge

Tuesday 1:30 p.m - Snr Pool

Tuesday 7:00 p.m - Darts

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Bingo

Thursday 7:00 p.m. - Drink and Draw January 8th at 7:00 p.m General Meeting



# Good Luck Foods for New Year's Day

Around the world, people eat certain foods that are thought to symbolize luck in the New Year.

**Noodles** -In many Asian countries, long noodles are eaten on New Year's Day in order to bring a long life. One catch: You can't break the noodle before it is all in your mouth.

**Black-Eyed Peas** - A common good luck food in the southern United States, black-eyed peas are thought to bring prosperity.

**Cabbage** - In Germany, Ireland, and parts of the United States, cabbage is associated with luck and fortune since it is green and resembles money.

**Lentils** - Thought to resemble coins, lentils are eaten throughout Italy for good fortune in the New Year.

**Pomegranate** - Long associated with abundance and fertility, pomegranates are eaten in Turkey and other Mediterranean countries for luck in the New Year.

**Fish** - In North America, Asia, and Europe, people eat fish to celebrate the New Year. In some countries, people associate fish with moving forward into the New Year since fish swim forward. Other people think fish symbolize abundance since they swim in schools.

## Winter Parking

Whereas it is necessary to make the following winter parking regulations to facilitate the removal of snow in the Town of Annapolis Royal, effective either on the first snow storm or December 1, 2014 (whichever is earliest) to April 30, 2015, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00am, no person shall park or leave standing a motor vehicle upon any highway or street within the Town limits in accordance with provisions of the Motor Vehicle Act. Vehicles, whether attended or unattended, shall not be left in a position or manner which may interfere with or obstruct snow removal or winter maintenance operations. Thank you!



# Town of Annapolis Royal Tender Janitorial Services

The Town of Annapolis Royal invites sealed tenders to supply janitorial services for Town Hall and the Public Works building for the period February 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 with the option for renewal by mutual written agreement for a further period of one year. Specifications regarding services can be obtained from Town Hall prior to tender. A site visit is encouraged. Tenders will be received until 1:00 p.m. January 16, 2015. Lowest or any bid not necessarily accepted.

Please submit sealed tenders to:
CAO – TENDER FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES
Town of Annapolis Royal
285 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal, N.S. BOS 1A0
Telephone (902) 532-3146; Fax (902) 532-7443



#### Snow and Ice Control

This is a reminder to owners or occupiers of building or vacant lots, that they are responsible for clearing snow and ice from the sidewalks on St. George Street in the business section as well as removing accumulated snow or icicles from roofs overhanging St. George Street. The business section is defined as the area from the Dargie Plaza (324 St George Street) to the wharf at the lower end of St. George street. Sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within four (4) hours of daylight or four (4) hours from the time it ceases to snow, if snowing occurs after daylight. Compliance with this bylaw is necessary in order to make the business section of the Town of Annapolis Royal safe for pedestrians. Failure to comply may result in prosecution under the Town of Annapolis Royal Streets Bylaw, Section 9 through 11 inclusive. A copy of this bylaw is available on line at www.annapolisroyal.com or from the Town Hall.

Thanks for keeping our sidewalks safe!

# **Active Living News**



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

# Seeking participants for Annapolis County Community Winter Activity Challenge 2015!

It's that time of year again...this is a friendly competition among Annapolis County communities to see who can log the most hours of physical activity during the winter months. This is a great way to stay fit, as well as keep a record of just how much physical activity you're really doing every week. To participate, you need only sign up, then email or phone in your total number of hours of activity on a weekly basis from January 1 to March 31, 2015. There are some really cool prizes available for the winning community this year, and all of last years' participants said it was a great motivator to stay active in the cold months. Last year, Round Hill was the community with the most logged hours...this year, let's show them what Annapolis Royal's all about! To sign up please contact Noah Scanlan, Active Living Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:alc@annapolisroyal.com">alc@annapolisroyal.com</a>, or call (902)-955-1205.

# Geocaching Snowshoe Trek, Saturday, February 7!

Save the date - there will also be a geocaching event on Feb 7 at 2pm, with the starting location being the walking trail next to the Old Rail Station across from the Historic Gardens. The event will be run by Kevin Conrick, and free GPS units and snowshoes are available for those interested in trying out this exciting and rewarding activity! For more info about geocaching in general, please visit www.geocache.ca or call Noah Scanlan at 955-1205. Last year's event was a huge success with over 70 participants, and a great time was had by all. This event is also 100% free! For more information, please call Noah Scanlan at 902-955-1255.



# Winter Session of Power Hour to Begin January 7th at ARRA!!

Power Hour is a total body workout based on the latest research on how best to achieve your fitness and fat loss goals, led by Jane Power Grimm. It's 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. No equipment or coordination necessary! Various hand weights are available for use.

The winter session will begin Wednesday Jan 7th, and sessions are Mondays at 8:05pm and Wednesdays at 7:15pm at the ARRA gym, lasting 1 hour each. Cost is only \$60 for 20 classes, \$35 for 10, or \$4 each for drop-ins! The January 15 Class is **FREE** for anyone new. For more information, please contact Jane Power Grimm at 902-532-7279.

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.

# Foam Polystyrene is now recyclable

Styrofoam TM protective packaging along with foam cups, trays, plates and egg cartons are now recyclable. Please remove wrappers, rinse containers, and place inside the same blue bag as tin cans, glass jars and plastic containers.



Avoid a fire and do not put ashes in the green bin... especially if the green bin is next to your home.

# WASTE COLLECTION PICK-UP Wednesday January 14 and January 28, 2015

For more information contact Valley Waste at 1-877-927-8300