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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?

It is that time of year again when the town comes alive with seasonal festivities.

This December sees the return of the annual Christmas Extravaganza. All your favorites return with a trifecta of craft shows in addition to the Winter Farmers' Market. Begin your day on December 2nd at 8 am at the Historic Gardens, location for the Winter Farmers' Market, then hop aboard the FREE shuttle bus to the craft shows. This year Champlain Elementary School in Granville Ferry will host the craft show that was formerly at ARRA. The Legion and Firehall craft show locations remain the same. Wrap up the day of shopping by dancing the night away at the Legion from 9pm-1am. A map and further details can be found online at annapolisroyal.com.

King's Theatre is also hosting many Christmas themed events. From concerts to theatre to movies, there is something for everyone.

The O' Dell House Museum celebrates the season with the 42nd Annual Victorian Christmas.

Details of these events and more can be found on page 8. Season's Greetings to all!

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, with decorations appearing at Town Hall and along St. George Street.

Once again the annual 'Parade of Lights' kicked off the holiday season in fine form. It was wonderful to see so many people turn out for the event. Next up are the Christmas Craft Fairs. Everyone is invited to enjoy a magical Christmas in historic Annapolis Royal: shop, eat, drink, and be merry.

Sissiboo Coffee Cafe Annapolis Royal is once again hosting 'Christmas Tunes and Coffee with the Mayor' - where you can sing along as I perform songs of the season.

COMMUNITY

Early in November, the Annapolis Royal Police Department sent out a Facebook request for stuffed animal donations and the response was overwhelming. Two days following the request there were over 8,600 views on Facebook and many people donated their stuffed animals as a result.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who graciously and generously gave their new and slightly used stuffed animals in response to our request - you are amazing!



Annapolis Royal Police Department -
Teddy Bear Donation



These stuffed animals will be given out by Annapolis Royal Police Officers who are responding to an incident where children have been traumatized such as being a victim of a crime, suffering an injury from an accident, or simply witnessing an event that was very frightening or distressing.

Exciting news! Once again, Annapolis Royal has made Expedia Canada's Top 25 in the list of 'Canadians Choose Their Favorite Small Towns' (population under 20,000). It seems visitors just can't get enough of our small town. Nova Scotia made quite an impact, with four towns named in the Top 25.

To see the complete list, visit <https://www.expedia.ca/travelblog/canadians-choose-their-favourite-small-towns/>.

In 2004, Annapolis Royal was named the "Most Livable Small Town in the World".

COMMUNITY

The West Annapolis Chess Club – Chess for all ages and levels, beginners welcome. Thursday nights 6 pm - 9 pm, rotates between Bridgetown and Annapolis Royal. Info: tfeloc@hotmail.com.



Parks Canada News

Thanks for Fort Anne's summer time "hug"! Four images are available to download from the Fort Anne web pages: www.parkscanada.gc.ca/fortanne



Port Royal Legion Branch #21 Events - Perpetual

Bingo – Bingo every Wednesday evening, starting at 7 pm. Please arrive early to buy ticket books.

Weekly Fun Pool Tournament - Weekly 8 Ball Tournaments each Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1 pm. Just \$5 to play!

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. **New biweekly challenges!** Every two weeks a new subject is drawn to produce in the medium of your choice (participation voluntary). (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 pm – 10 pm (or later) each Friday night! The night begins with the **Chase the Ace** draw at 8 pm 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.

All events are open to the public & everyone is welcome.

Did you know that the word "toboggan" comes from the Mi'kmaq word taba'gan?



GET MOVIN'



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

New Recreation Facilities in Annapolis Royal!

On November 18th, two new community recreation facilities had grand opening events – Paddy's Park Off-Leash Dog Park, and an incredible indoor climbing gym located at The Academy. Thanks to the many sponsors, partners, and heroic volunteers that made both of these facilities a reality!

Paddy's Park is located at 112 Prince Albert Road, next to the Skatepark. Bring your pup for some off-leash fun and exercise!



The new Climbing Gym, is owned and operated by the Annapolis Valley Climbing Club (AVCC) in partnership with Annapolis Royal Recreation. The AVCC offers opportunities for all ages and skill levels to experience the bouldering wall. To learn more about program and facility opportunities, please email sdsmith@gnspecs.ca or **Annapolis County Climbing** on Facebook.



CHIEF'S CORNER



Dare I say it? – only 25 days until Christmas! Regardless of your faith or belief I think it goes without saying that most of us celebrate in some form or fashion during the holiday season. Please keep in mind that when we celebrate, we also need to be mindful of our responsibilities to ensure that we arrive home safely. I would like to remind you that if drinking is part of your celebration, you do not need to be drunk to be impaired. Our laws are very clear with severe penalties imposed on those found guilty of Impaired Driving or those having failed a roadside screening device. This in addition to the devastating effects on families when accidents result from impaired driving causing injury or death.

The best solution is to not drink and drive or have a designated driver take you to and from your destination. On December 1, 2017, the Nova Scotia Department of Justice, in partnership with law enforcement, will launch **Operation Christmas 2017** - the annual impaired driving campaign. Remember - get home safe!

Also, here are a few tips when you are out shopping this holiday season:

- be aware of your surroundings and who may be laying in wait for an opportunity to pilfer those very items from your home or vehicle;
- make sure you don't advertise just how generous you may be with your loved ones;
- don't leave items in your vehicle however if you want to do more than one trip into the stores do not leave items in plain view and ensure your vehicle is secure;
- if doing multiple trips into the stores, consider going for a short drive after putting items in your vehicle, then park in a different spot before going back inside;
- be careful of what you post on the internet such as when you are going to be away from your residence, photos of contents within your home, or any information that may show your address.

Please have a safe and wonderful holiday season and to those who celebrate – have a very Merry Christmas!

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General Police Line: 902-532-2427

Office Location: 285 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal (right side of the Town Hall)

Social Media: Contact us on Facebook or on the Town of Annapolis Royal web-page

Police Facebook Page: [@ARPoliceD](https://www.facebook.com/ARPoliceD)

Town Facebook Page: [@townofannapolisroyal](https://www.facebook.com/townofannapolisroyal)

Town of Annapolis Royal Web-Page: annapolisroyal.com

CRIMESTOPPERS: 902-422-8477 OR crimestoppers.ns.ca

Police Statistics for the Month of October

	Nature of the Call
1	Traffic Accidents
10	Speeding
2	Insurance
2	Fail to Remain
1	Impaired Driving
1	Motor Vehicle Inspection
3	Motor Vehicle Registration
2	Parking
7	Other Motor Vehicle
19	Warnings
7	Other Motor Vehicles
1	Intersection Related
2	Check Stops
1	Liquor
4	False Alarms
5	Lost & Found
33	Assistance to the Public
19	Property Checks
10	Criminal Background Checks
1	Animal Calls
1	911 Act
1	Criminal Harassment
2	Firearms Act
1	Mental Health Act
1	Mischief
1	Wellbeing Check
1	Public Mischief
1	Municipal By-laws
Total	
140	

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TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Town Hall will be closed December 22, 2017 to January 1, 2018 (inclusive) for the holidays.

In case of an **emergency** during the holiday closure, please call Gregory Barr at 902-247-3214, Mayor Bill MacDonald at 902-955-1605, or Melony Robinson at 902-532-2508.



Council and Town Staff wish to thank all of the wonderful efforts by volunteers over the last year; from committee members to those who organize and help out at events. These contributions help make Annapolis Royal a thriving and exciting place to live, work, and visit.



Be sure to separate all of the wrapping waste generated over the holidays. Non-metallic wrapping paper can be placed in the green cart. Metallic paper, bows, and ribbons can be disposed of in the regular garbage.



Planning & Heritage in Annapolis Royal

Are you thinking of making changes to a property you own in Annapolis Royal? There is a handy guide that answers some of the most frequently asked questions about planning and development in town. It can be viewed at https://annapolisroyal.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/planning_brochure.pdf or drop by Town Hall to pick up a copy.



Winter Parking Regulations

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 01, 2017 (whichever is earlier) to April 30, 2017, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m., 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. Ticketing and/or towing will occur when a parked vehicle restricts snow removal or winter maintenance operations.

TRAFFIC AUTHORITY,
TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL



Effective immediately all public notices on the Town Hall bulletin board will be date stamped and removed after 30 days.



Please note that due to the holidays, the January edition of the Town Crier will not be available until later in the first week of the month.



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BY SEARCHING TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunity / Organization / contact
info / short description / deadline

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Job / business / contact info / short
description / deadline

Is your organization looking to hire? If
so let us know and we will include it in
our next edition! Send your information
to admin@annapolisroyal.com

WASTE COLLECTION PICK-UP

Pick-up dates: Dec. 13th & Dec. 27th.
Please contact Valley Waste for all waste
related matters: 1-877-927-8300 or see
their website for email addresses:
www.vworm.com

Christmas trees can be placed curbside
for Public Works to pick up.

At the turn of the twentieth century an estimated 100,000 Nova Scotians spoke Gaelic. Today it is nearly extinct with only 500 people speaking Gaelic.

COUNCIL MOTIONS

November 20, 2017 (From Unapproved Minutes. Approval of minutes will occur at the next Council meeting)

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-03

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Sanford that Council direct staff to explore and evaluate the factors involved, including the CAO's specific request to have the engineers conduct a condition and remaining useful life assessment, with accepting the offer from ARWA with a view to including the Annapolis Royal Wharf among the waterfront assets of the Town of Annapolis Royal.

Motion carried.

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-04

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella to ratify MOTION 2017-10-24-01; that the tender for the Boiler Room Package not be awarded due to the low bid submission being significantly higher than the Class A estimate for the project, as recommended by Town engineers. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-05

It was moved by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sanford to move ratification of electronic vote held October 24, 2017, MOTION 2017-10-24-02: that the proposal provided by Jacob Tanner Developments to provide a fully operational heating system for the west wing of The Academy be accepted, as recommended by Town engineers. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-06

It was moved by Councillor Sanford, seconded by Councillor Elliot that Council direct staff to express an interest of hosting the 2018 Provincial Heritage Conference here in Annapolis Royal. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-07

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Power that Council authorize staff to enter into a contract with Paymentus and begin accepting Visa and Mastercard as an acceptable form of payment, subject to the applicable user fees. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-08

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella that Council direct staff to reverse the January 29, 2013 invoices 2013063769 and 2013063770 in the amount of \$560.64. **Motion carried. One nay vote (Deputy Mayor Power)**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-09

It was moved by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sanford that Council appoint Chris Hopkins to the Marketing and Economic Development Committee to the end of the current term. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-10

It was moved by Councillor Sanford, seconded by Councillor Elliot that the applicant at 478 St. George Street be given heritage approval to install shingles in an appropriate hue to imitate the wood-look, as detailed in the application AR17-034-HER, providing the requirements of the Land Use By-Law are met. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-11

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Power that Council authorize Chief Moser to equip the police force with CH carbines making all attempts to minimize costs. **Motion carried. One nay vote (Deputy Mayor Power)**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-12

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella that the Annapolis Royal Police Department revise its staff composition, effective immediately, from 3 full-time, 1 part-time, and 1 casual position to 4 full-time positions to accommodate the addition of new by-law enforcement, maintenance, and education responsibilities. **Motion carried. One nay vote (Deputy Mayor Power)**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-16

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella to accept Offer to Sell from NSTIR for PID #05002795 subject to satisfactory completion of Phase I ESA. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-17

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella to approve the completion of a survey plan and property migration for PID #05002795. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-18

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella to approve the completion of the Concept Design based on the estimate outlined in the Offer for Engineering and Consultancy Services from Hatch dated November 10, 2017 for the proposed improvement to the Prince Albert Road, St. Anthony Street, and Fortier Mills Lane intersections. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-19

It was moved by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sanford that there be an increase to the CAO's salary of 3%, retroactive to April 1, 2017, after having reviewed his performance evaluation. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2017-NOV-20-20

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella to authorize the CAO to enter into negotiations with respect to leasing of municipal property as discussed in-camera. **Motion carried.**

The Annapolis River is the fourth longest in NS, measuring 102km

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Monthly events in and around Annapolis Royal Please forward submissions by December 13, 2017 to: admin@annapolisroyal.com or by calling 902 532-2043

DAILY

December 1st

Theatre: Dear Santa / The Annapolis District Drama Group / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

42nd Annual Victorian Christmas / 7 pm - 9 pm / O'Dell House Museum / annapolisheritagesociety.com

December 2nd

Theatre: Dear Santa / The Annapolis District Drama Group / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

And Bells Do Ring—Annapolis Voices & Annapolis Treblemakers Concert / 7 pm / St George and St Andrew United Church / Call 902-532-5200 for tickets

42nd Annual Victorian Christmas / 7 pm - 9 pm / O'Dell House Museum / annapolisheritagesociety.com

Dance with "One Night Only" / 9 pm - 1am / Port Royal Legion Branch #21

Christmas Extravaganza:

Winter Farmers' Market / 9 am—2 pm / Historic Gardens

Legion Christmas Market / 9 am—4 pm / Port Royal Legion Branch #21

Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Dept Christmas Market / 9 am — 3 pm / Firehall

Annapolis Royal Farmers & Trader Christmas Craft Market / 9 am — 3 pm / Champlain Elementary School, Granville Ferry

FREE SHUTTLE STOPS AT ALL FOUR MARKETS.

December 3rd

Theatre: Dear Santa / The Annapolis District Drama Group / 2 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 4th

Film Series: Art in the Twenty-first Century —Los Angeles / 7 pm / ART's Place / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com

December 5th

Film: Loving Vincent / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 7th

The Moon of Winter: The Annapolis Basin Community Band Concert with guests the Annapolis Voices / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

Fundraiser for the Senior Boys Basketball Team—Chili & Corn Chowder Supper / Two sittings: 5 pm & 6:30 pm / Annapolis West Education Centre (AWEC) / Chili or corn chowder, salad, roll, & apple crisp for \$10 / Tickets: Call 902-532-8793 or 902-532-7970

December 8th

Film: Murder on the Orient Express / 7:00pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 9th

Film: Murder on the Orient Express / 7:00pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 10th

Concert: Heather Rankin / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 11th

Film Series: Art in the Twenty-first Century—Vancouver / 7:00 pm / ART's Place / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com

December 16th

Movie: Arthur's Christmas (FREE!) / 2pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 17th

Concert: Measha Brueggergosman / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

December 22nd

Christmas Caroling / 11 am / Meet at ART'sPlace

Christmas Tunes and Coffee with the Mayor / 11:00 am—1 pm / Sissiboo Coffee Roaster Café

December 23rd

Food Bank Benefit Concert: The O'Brien Family / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

January 1st

New Year's Levee / 10 am — 4 pm / Port Royal Legion Branch #21

For up-to-date events, visit the online Community Calendar at annapolisroyal.com.

Canadians use 9 BILLION plastic bags each year.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

*Open to the public
Agendas available online*

Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee

December 4th @ 9am

Investment Committee
December 5th @ 2pm

Committee of the Whole
December 7th @ 4pm

Marketing and Economic Development Committee
December 12th @ 6pm

Board of Police Commissioners
December 13th @ 9am

Municipal Effectiveness Advisory Committee
December 14th @ 10am

Council
December 18th @ 6pm

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS

If you have any upcoming Community Meetings please let us know! You can email them to admin@annapolisroyal.com

For example: AGM Events