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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?

Fancy having your property potentially be a star? Screen Nova Scotia recently announced a new initiative that allows property owners to register their property online as a possible film location. The *Starring Your Property* program could see your property featured in film, a television series, music video, or commercial. Council recognizes the unique location that Annapolis Royal provides and voted in favour of registering the National Historic District as a film location and would love to see property owners follow suit. Let's make Annapolis Royal the star that we know it is. Visit <http://screennovascotia.com/starring-your-property/> to register your property.

Now that spring has sprung, many of you will be undertaking a spring clean-up. Valley Waste will be having their annual spring clean-up garbage day on April 18th. Pick-up that day allows residents to put out extra garbage and large items that do not fit on the regular truck. There is a maximum of 20 items, garbage must be in clear bags, bundles are to be no more than 4 feet, and the weight limit for furniture and appliances is 200 lbs (other items 75 lbs each). Electronic items, yard waste, tires, batteries, propane tanks, and hazardous waste are some of the materials that will **not** be collected. Complete details can be found at www.vwrm.com.

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Submissions are welcomed and deadlines vary monthly, with the deadline for the May edition being April 18th. Please contact admin@annapolisroyal.com or 902 532-2043 if you have any questions.

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902 532-2427

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Climate change and rising sea levels are in the news more often these days, including an interview of me recently by Larry Powell of the Spectator News, entitled "Annapolis Royal taking action on sea level rise, other environmental issues."

A new Environment Advisory Committee has been established by the Town of Annapolis Royal with opportunities for citizen involvement, and a permanent seat for the Clean Annapolis River Project (CARP). CARP and the Town are currently partnering on projects that include addressing climate change impacts and installing a solar energy demonstration project at the Academy in conjunction with the Innovation Lab (part of the new library project).

The Town of Annapolis Royal is also following up on the climate protection work previously undertaken by the Town, published in its Partners for Climate Protection Milestone 5 Report; and spearheading a regional sea level rise initiative with its municipal partners, as part of Infrastructure Canada's Smart Cities Challenge (impact.canada.ca).

Last year's march on Earth Day in Annapolis Royal helped encourage the Town to move forward with these initiatives; and recently, local citizens attended a presentation by ecologist Hague Vaughn on rising sea levels - hosted by the Church in Action Committee of St. George and St. Andrew United Church in Annapolis Royal; and inspiring the establishment of the Annapolis Climate Change Action group. No one is sitting on their hands in our town and surrounding area, when it comes to issues of critical concern.

COMMUNITY

Parks Canada News

It still feels like the middle of winter but Parks Canada is looking ahead to spring and the start of another successful visitor season.

Port-Royal in particular is excited to have work begin to replace the Habitation's deteriorated items and to restore its aging wooden roof, palisades and gun platform. Small sections of the Habitation have been replaced over time, but the majority of the wood is from the original 1939 reconstruction, built to replicate the French settlement that was there from 1605 to 1613. The project will use historically accurate pine wood and workers will use tools and techniques to give the wood a historical look. The work will begin this April and is expected to be complete in October. It means the palisades and gun platform will be off limits to visitors for the majority of the project. However, scaffolding for the roof will be set up in phases and will primarily be located outside the Habitation to minimize the impact on visitors. The various rooms of the Habitation will remain open to visitors, with perhaps a few rare occasions where a room or two will need to be closed.

This work is part of a major, five year investment by the Government of Canada into our country's national historic sites, parks and marine conservation areas. Investments in the restoration of our national historic sites will strengthen their appeal as destinations and help Canadians connect with their heritage.



Announcing Chase the Ace by the Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department

ARVFD is excited to announce a new fundraiser for the Fire Department; Chase the Ace!

The draw takes place **every Wednesday at 9:15 pm**. Tickets are only \$1 each and are available at: Tom's Pizzeria, Annapolis Home Hardware, the Crows Nest Restaurant, and Double D Bakery. Tickets are sold at these locations until 5:30 pm every day. On the day of the draw, the Fire Department will be open from 6 pm - 8:45 pm for sales. The starting jackpot is \$2000.00. Half of the weekly sales go to ARVFD, 30% to the jackpot and 20% to the person who's name is drawn that week. That person will also get to draw a card to win the main jackpot (ace of spades).

April is all about food. Pretzel, Eggs Benedict, Grilled Cheese, and Jelly Bean Day are just some of the celebrated days through out the month.

COMMUNITY

A Letter of Thanks

Thank you Annapolis Royal for the Best 17 Years!

When I arrived in 2001, I never dreamed how much my life would change and how such a small community could have such a large impact on my life. We had a wonderful time owning and operating the Hillsdale House Inn for 12 amazing seasons and would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and friendship to both our business and to us personally. Without our outstanding local community, incredible staff, great chefs, suppliers, contractors, talented musicians, and fantastic artists who filled our walls, we would not have had nearly as much fun or success.

We would like to welcome the Bajurny family to Annapolis Royal and wish them all the success in the world as they start their own adventure with the Hillsdale House Inn.

It is hard to say "so long" as this truly is a very special community!

Thank you all,

Val and Paul Stackhouse
Hillsdale House Inn



Announcement from the Annapolis & District Natal Day Committee

Dear Community Members, Youth, and Volunteers,

On behalf of the Annapolis District Natal Day Committee, I unfortunately have to update the community that the Annapolis & District Natal Day Leadership Program will not be offered in the summer of 2018.

For various reasons, members of the Annapolis & District Natal Day Leadership Program Committee have resigned effective June 1, 2018. The Natal Day Committee has advertised and reached out to help find someone to continue the program with no success in the last two months. Due to the lack of leadership and volunteers for this program, there is no one able to carry on this tradition for the Annapolis area. Therefore, the Natal Day Committee has decided to take a break for this current year and re-evaluate the program structure and see if someone is willing to volunteer for August 2019. The new structure will be to encourage our youth to be an ambassador for the Town of Annapolis Royal and the surrounding communities.

The Annapolis & District Natal Day Leadership Program Committee will be sending our current Queen, Brenda MacDonald, to the Apple Blossom Festival this May with support from the Natal Day Committee and the Town of Annapolis Royal.

If you have any questions on the program please contact Carrie Murray at carrie.murray38@gmail.com.

-Councillor Holly Sanford



Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society (FAPS)

FAPS celebrates Phil Roberts, our nominee for 2018 Volunteer Award Night at King's Theatre, April 18th at 7 pm.

Due to changes we are having to cancel the annual Mother's Day Brunch. We have a few fundraisers to promote: Murder Mystery, Unique Artisan Bird Houses, others TBA. Stay tuned!



Nova Scotia International Student Program

Welcome an International student into your home.

Annapolis West Education Centre is seeking host families for the 2018/2019 school year. For more information on hosting a student contact Lori at lori.vidito@avrsb.ca. Call or text 902-526-4594.



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.

Weekly Fun Open Pool - Weekly 8 Ball fun pool afternoons each Saturday, starting at 1 pm.

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

Better a witty fool than a foolish wit - Shakespeare

GET MOVIN'



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

Spring Walking and Hiking in Annapolis Royal

Spring is here and there's no better time of year to enjoy walking and hiking in Annapolis Royal and the surrounding areas. Not only is walking one of the most effective and enjoyable forms of exercise there is, but it's also cost-free and a great way to meet up with friends and be social.

Annapolis Royal boasts a surprising number of trails and resources for walking. The downtown area is very easy to walk via the sidewalks and boardwalk when getting groceries, shopping, or visiting restaurants and cafés. There is a well-groomed trail system that connects all points in town, including the beautiful French Basin Trail and Harvest Moon Trailways – the loop around the pond can be easily walked on a lunch break, and you will see all kinds of nature, birds, and interesting critters! The Harvest Moon Trail starts in Annapolis Royal at the Old Train Station, and goes all the way to Grand Pré.

For a map and more information of the Annapolis Royal area trails, please visit www.annapolisroyal.com and explore the "Recreation" and "Recreation Programs" pages, stop by Town Hall for a printed copy, or call 902-955-1205. If you'd like to explore more trails and parks throughout the Annapolis Valley, please visit www.valleyconnect.ca – this is a website that contains information on over 1900 things to see and do in Annapolis County, including all kinds of interesting places to walk and hike you may have never heard of!

For more information on these and other recreation programs and events, please call Noah at 902-955-1205 or email alc@annapolisroyal.com.

CHIEF'S CORNER



Out with the old and in with the new as they say. With winter behind us and spring fully upon us it is also time to close the books on the 2017/2018 fiscal year. No doubt you have heard recent discussions on the cost of policing, particularly in other jurisdictions, with policing budgets increasing along with what may appear to be a decrease in police presence. I want you to know that I am committed to keeping our policing costs "in check" while maintaining our current levels of service - not only as your Chief but also as a resident of Annapolis Royal. We are extremely lucky to be able to maintain our own police service particularly due to our size. This could not happen without the dedication of its members, support from our local and provincial governments, partnerships with other agencies, and of course you – the citizens of Annapolis Royal.

While we enjoy an extremely low crime rate in our community we are not exempt from it. Ensuring freedom and security is a responsibility shared by every citizen. This not only includes domestic related crime and nuisances but also includes outside influences. I recently received training on First Responder Terrorism Awareness, which uses the phrase 'See it, Hear it, Report it'. It was interesting to know that many recent terrorist related events that have taken place in Canada and the United States could have been averted if someone had spoken up about their knowledge of odd behavior or personality changes in those who perpetrated those acts. So while I encourage you to report criminal activity to your local police I also want you to be aware that there is a national reporting system where if you see something out of place or hear something that is odd or unusual, report it to National Security using their toll free number: 1-800-420-5805.

On a lighter note, I have noticed more birds on my walks to work – a sure sign that spring is here, so I hope to soon see many more of you on the sidewalks and pathways as the weather improves and we make our way into warmer weather. By the way, the view of the Annapolis River, Granville Ferry, and North Mountain from downtown, regardless of weather, is spectacular!

Emergency Line: 911

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 February	
	Nature of the Call
2	Traffic Accidents
1	Speeding
1	Seatbelt
1	Fail to Remain
1	Driving Disqualified
3	MV Registration
1	Suspended Driving
5	Parking
30	Warnings
3	Intersection Related
1	Liquor
1	False Alarms
3	Lost & Found
24	Assistance to Public
20	Property Checks
12	Criminal Record Checks
1	Animal Calls
2	Fraud
1	Luring
1	Mental Health
1	Public Mischief
1	Municipal By-laws
1	Explosives Act
117	TOTAL

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April 22nd is Earth Day. This year's theme is 'End Plastic Pollution'.

TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Town Hall will be closed March 30th for Good Friday and April 2nd for Easter Monday

Amphitheatre Bookings

Interested in holding your event at the amphitheatre? This scenic space is available for groups and individuals to use, free of charge. All you need to do is contact admin@annapolisroyal.com or call 902-532-2043. You can view the online Calendar of Events at annapolisroyal.com to see if the date you want is available.



Environment Advisory Committee

With April 22nd being Earth Day, what better way to mark the day than to announce the formation of the Environment Advisory Committee? On March 19th, council passed a motion to approve the establishment of this committee which will be mandated to recommend proactive measures, educate, promote and provide feedback on environmental issues related to sustainability, advocacy and stewardship within the Town of Annapolis Royal. The committee will be community member driven. Volunteer positions on the committee will be advertised on the Town's Facebook page and website in April.



A Message from the Twinning Committee

There will be a Twinning Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 3rd at 6:30 pm at the home of Christine Igot at 87 Fortier Mills Lane in Annapolis Royal. All those interested in the activities of the Twinning Committee and our historic tie to the city of Royan, France are welcome to attend.

We are beginning to plan our official visit to Royan which will take place in September of 2019. Anyone interested in such a visit is invited to this discussion.

In May, we welcome two new interns to Annapolis Royal for seven weeks: Voxane Foucaud and Laura El Bechchari. They will be working on two tourist related projects under the supervision of Amery Boyer at ABoT. They will be working and living in the town and we know you will make them both feel very welcome. If you are interested in helping organize social activities and visits for our interns, please attend the meeting.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but are interested in the activities of the Twinning Committee, please contact Christine Igot at christine@latext.com.



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BY SEARCHING TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society (FAPS) has a position available (secretary) that needs to be filled. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Susan Robinson-Burnie at 902-526-0228 or burniesar@gmail.com.

Does your organization have volunteer roles to fill? Contact us at admin@annapolisroyal.com to list details in the Town Crier newsletter.

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

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: April 4th & April 18th
(also Spring Clean-Up day)
Please contact Valley Waste for all waste related matters: 1-877-927-8300 or see their website for email addresses:
www.vwrm.com

Joke: Where are there a lot of Big Foot sightings? In Sasquatchewan!

COUNCIL MOTIONS

March 19, 2018 (From Unapproved Minutes. Approval of minutes will occur at the next Council meeting)

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-03

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, that the Town accept responsibility for remedying the Academy gym roof deficiency identified in the Condominium Reserve Fund Study, award the necessary roof replacement work to the lowest quote, and transfer \$48,875 (including HST) from the Capital Investment Bank Account to fund this expenditure. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-04

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Sanford, to ratify the electronic Motion #2018-03-02-01, held March 2, 2018, that Council approves the forwarding of a letter of support to CARP for the purpose of funding applications related to the proposed solar power project at The Academy, as drafted and presented. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-05

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, to ratify the electronic motion #2018-03-12-01, held March 12, 2018, that that the Town of Annapolis Royal enter into a partnership with the Association of Nova Scotia Museums to co-host the Provincial Heritage Conference in Annapolis Royal - September 26th to 28th; and that the 2018-2019 budget include the Town of Annapolis Royal's contribution of \$10,000. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-06

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, to direct staff to enter into negotiations with the King's Theatre concerning the washroom hours and to pursue renting porta potties. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-07

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, that we amend the policy under discussion, to have paragraph 5 read "The Environment Advisory Committee shall have a maximum of five (5) members and minimum of three (3) members as well as one additional member from the Clean Annapolis River Project as an advisory member". **Motion carried. One nay vote (Deputy Mayor Power)**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-08

It was moved by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sanford, to approve the establishment of a committee of council entitled the Environment Advisory Committee with the adoption of the draft policy as amended. **Motion carried. One nay vote (Deputy Mayor Power)**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-09

It was moved by Councillor Sanford, seconded by Councillor Elliot, that the proposed Strategic Planning Overview document be reformatted by the CAO for further presentation to council. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-10

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Power, that council accept Hatch's offer for engineering and consulting services for wharf inspection to a maximum of \$6,120.00 + HST. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-11

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, that Council have the Town register the National Historic District as a location and to put in the Town Crier to encourage property owners to login and submit their photo. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-12

It was moved by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sanford, that the Town contributes a \$500.00 donation to the Royal Robots in relation to the international competition. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-15

It was moved by Councillor Elliot, seconded by Councillor Kinsella, to approve additional funding to a maximum of \$200,000.00 in relation to the Library and Innovation Lab project to be included in the 2018/2019 capital budget and be contingent on ACOA, through the ICF program, providing the balance of the additional estimated funding required. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #C2018-MAR-19-16

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Power, seconded by Councillor Sanford, to not support the initiative as presented by the Municipality of the County of Kings in relation to the proposed temporary regional service delivery model. **Motion carried. One nay vote (Councillor Elliot).**

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EVENTS FOR THE MONTH



Monthly events in and around Annapolis Royal. Please forward submissions by April 18th to: admin@annapolisroyal.com or by calling 902-532-2043.

DAILY

April 1st

Movie: Peter Rabbit / 2 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 2nd

Movie: The Horse Searcher—A Lovasijas / 7 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 5th

Sweets & Sounds Concert—a Celebration of Community Music / 7 pm / AWEC / Featuring: AWEC Bands, Annapolis Basin Community Band, Annapolis Voices, Halifax Multicultural Drummers / Desserts served at intermission / Admission by free-will offering

April 6th

Movie: Early Man / 7 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 7th

Concert: Rosie & the Riveters / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 8th

Movie: Early Man / 2 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 10th

Movie: Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 13th

Live Show: Ivan Coyote / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 14th

Workshop: Taking Risk: The Considered Drawing 2 with Bonnie Baker / 10 am—4 pm / ARTsPlace / Pre-registration required / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/

Lecture: Sea Otters: Confession of a Keystone Carnivore / 2 pm / St. Luke's Church Hall / annapolisroyal.com/events

Movie: Black Panther / 7 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 15th

Movie: Black Panther / 2 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

Workshop: Taking Risk: The Considered Drawing 2 with Bonnie / 10 am—4 pm / ARTsPlace / Pre-registration required / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/

April 16th

Workshop: A Picture is Worth a 1,000 Words: Ekphrasis Pt. 1 of a 2 Pt. Workshop / 7 pm / ARTsPlace / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/

April 17th

Movie: Lucky / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 20th

Concert: Carry the Lost / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 23rd

Workshop: A Picture is Worth a 1,000 Words: Ekphrasis Pt. 2 of a 2 Pt. Workshop / 7 pm / ARTsPlace / arcac-artsplace.weebly.com/

April 27th

Play: Don't Dress for Dinner / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 28th

Play: Don't Dress for Dinner / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

April 29th

Play: Don't Dress for Dinner / 2 pm / King's Theatre / kingstheatre.ca

RECURRING

Winter Farmers Market / Sat 9 am - 12 pm / Historic Gardens / historicgardens.com

West Annapolis Chess Club—Chess for all ages and levels, beginners welcome / Thurs 6 pm - 9 pm / rotates between Bridgetown and Annapolis Royal / Info: tfeloc@hotmail.com.

Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) / Mon 6 pm - 8 pm / AWEC / Educational organization that focuses on pre-17th century European history and culture / localsca.com and sca.org /

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

Joke: What did the magician turn his car into? His driveway.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

*Open to the public
Agendas available online*

Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee
April 3rd @ 9 am

Committee of the Whole
April 5th @ 2 pm

Marketing and Economic Development Committee
April 10th @ 6 pm

Municipal Effectiveness Advisory Committee
April 12th @ 10 am

Council
April 16th @ 4 pm

Board of Police Commissioners
April 18th @ 9 am

Municipal Effectiveness Advisory Committee
April 26th @ 6 pm

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Woodlawn Cemetery AGM / April 9th @ 7 pm / Lot owners and others with an interest in the cemetery are encouraged to attend. For information you may contact Ruth at 902-532-5470.

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

For example: AGM Events