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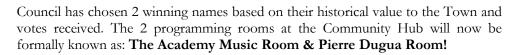
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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?



Congratulations to the winners of the Programing Room Naming Contest!



We are pleased to announce that Sandi Millett-Campbell has been hired as the new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for the Town of Annapolis Royal.

Sandi comes to the job with 16 years of municipal government experience, most recently as the Acting CAO as well as Community Development Coordinator for the Town of Annapolis Royal. Please join us in congratulating Sandi on the new appointment!

Amber Brown, our Administrative Assistant, will be departing on February 28th for maternity leave. We would like to thank Amber for the excellent and hard work at the office. Amber will be greatly missed!

Natalia Gartley will be taking over Amber's position until the end of April. Natalia comes to the job with over 10 years of office experience, most recently as the Executive Assistant at Ocean Networks Canada, Victoria, BC. Please welcome Natalia in her new role.



Members of Council

Mayor Bill MacDonald mayor@annapolisroyal.com

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Councillor Holly Sanford hsanford@annapolisroyal.com

Councillor Paula Hafting phafting@annapolisroyal.com



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Mayor MacDonald Office Hours Tues to Fri / 10 am-4 pm and available by appointment



The Town Crier is a publication of the Town of Annapolis Royal.

Copies are made available throughout the community, online at www.annapolisroyal.com and by email subscription.

Contact admin@annapolisroyal.com to be added to the email list.

Submissions are welcomed and deadlines vary monthly, with the deadline for the May edition being MONDAY April 20th Please contact admin@annapolisroyal.com or 902-532-2043 ext. 102 if you have any questions.

Police Emergency: 911 Police Non-Emergency: 902-532-2427

Public Works Emergency: 902-532-8347

MAYOR'S MESSAGE





Mayor Bill MacDonald

The Town of Annapolis Royal continues to attract new residents, as more and more people discover the unmatched quality of life that we enjoy in our community.

House sales in town, and the surrounding area, have been unprecedented; which, along with the opening of new businesses and commercial building and land purchases by young families, may be heralding a changing of the guard in the Town of Annapolis Royal. Bringing fresh perspectives and ideas, to build on the work and achievements of longer term citizens who have done so much for our community and who continue to lead by example. Annapolis Royal is in the enviable position of being home to a new wave of energy and dynamism with access to long term local wisdom and experience. Our constant support of each other is the elixir of our success and livability.



A Message from Council

Annapolis Royal Town Hall has been made aware of an erroneous rumour that Council intends to allow the operation of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) on the Harvest Moon Trail within town limits. This rumour is false. Council appreciates that members of the ATV community wish to visit our town, but the long-standing prohibition against the operation of ATVs on roads and trails within the town limits of Annapolis Royal remains in place - with no plans by Council to remove or alter that prohibition. Please see the off-road by-law for more information: https://annapolisroyal.com/off-road-vehicles/ anyone who sees an unauthorized ATV is encouraged to contact the Annapolis Police Department.



COMMUNITY



AWEC News

Hey Annapolis! This winter has been a busy one at AWEC. High School students finished their exams in January and are now in their second semester. Our student council has been hard at work with organizing activities and fun events, such as basketball intramurals at lunch and spirit days. We had a "Decades Week" in February in which students were encouraged to dress up in the style of a different decade each day. We also have Winter Carnival in March which includes a trip to Martock. AWEC's annual IWK Dance Marathon is also in the works for early May.

Our basketball teams are finishing up their seasons and badminton is getting underway and the Sr. Girls soccer team won provincials in November and the Sr. Boys volleyball team placed 4th in December!

Enviro Tip of the Month: As the weather begins to get warmer this spring, try to avoid letting your car idle for too long when you're warming it up on cold mornings!

- Emma and Joe



Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society

We are beginning the process of hiring for our 2020 season as well as fundraising in support of our facility. The Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society will be hosting its annual Mother's Day brunch at the Fire Hall, May 10, 2020.

We can always be reached out at annapoliscommunitypool@gmail.com or on our Facebook page - "Annapolis Community Pool".

March Folklore: So many mists in March you see, So many frosts in May will be.



COMMUNITY



Annual Easter Eggstravaganza

SAVE THE DATE! The Annual Easter Eggstravaganza takes place on April 11th at 11:00 am at Fort Anne grounds! Follow the *Annapolis Royal Easter Eggstravaganza* page on Facebook for more details.



AWEC Royal Robots Win The Maritime Robotics Championships

Last month, the AWEC "Royal Robots" won the Maritime Robotics Championships held at Acadia University. This is the 7th year in a row that an AWEC team has won this competition, and the 4th consecutive year that the current squad has won. The team members are: Logan Cornwall, Owen McClair, Cameron Chapman, Lucas Smith and Saul Hafting. The team youth mentor is Dawson Edwards. With this win, the team has qualified to represent Atlantic Canada at the World Robotics Festival in Detroit in April. The team is currently raising funds



to cover the cost to travel and compete. They are also continuing to "give back" to this community by running robotics workshops, organizing a BattleBots league at the Annapolis Innovation Lab and working with Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society to bring wheelchair accessibility to the Annapolis Community Pool. Please visit their Facebook page "Royal Robots" and click on the *GoFundMe* link if you want to support these hardworking students. We wish them the best of luck as they prepare for this challenge! Congratulations Royal Robots!



Join the Annapolis Valley City Nature Challenge 2020 Team

Clean Annapolis River Project is working with a number of community partners to organize satellite events as part of the City Nature Challenge (CNC) 2020. CNC is an international effort for people to find and document plans and wildlife in cities across the globe. For more information on the project and how to get involved, visit https://www.annapolisriver.ca/citizen-science



Lions News...

The Annapolis Royal Lions Club will be conducting its monthly dinner meeting while visiting the Middleton Lions Club on March 23rd. This joint meeting will also be the 3rd Annapolis Valley Zone Meeting of the year. The Zone 7 youth public speaking contest will also take place that night to name our candidate for the District Contest. The Annapolis Valley Special Olympic Society has been invited to accept cheques raised from the Valley Clubs in their support. The Annapolis Royal Club recently held a draw on a gift certificate for \$200 at the Annapolis Royal Independence Store. \$677.45 was raised. Congratulations to Sue Anne Cooper, the lucky winner! We wish to thank all those who supported us and especially the management and staff of the Independence Store. During the month of March the Club conducted a Drug Awareness poster contest at Champlain Elementary School and handed out 9 certificates of appreciation and cash prizes to the winners. Lastly, during the month of March the Club helped commemorate the 42nd Annual Lions Day at the United Nations. The Lions were part of the Founding Groups of the UN in 1947 when our Founder Melvin Jones helped to write the charter governing the non governmental agencies related to health, humanitarian service, refugee settlement, economic development, and other similar activities. In April the Annapolis Royal Lions Club will be conducting its Friends and Family night dinner and Lions world wide induction day event at our April 27th dinner meeting at 6:30pm in the Fire Hall. At this meeting one new member will be inducted and all our Club members will renew our oath of induction. Congratulations to Barb Moroz on her membership. Other activities supported by the Lions Club this month include attendance at the Nova Scotia Convention in Amherst where 2 hearing aids and 466 pairs of eyeglasses were recycled. Other projects included participation on the Nova Scotia Adopt a Hway Program and cleanup. For those wishing to learn more about Lionism or to attend a meeting, contact Peter Sleight, secretary, at 902-532-2846.



Port Royal Legion Branch #21 Events - Perpetual

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

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

Weekly Fun Pool Tournament - Weekly 8 Ball Tournaments each Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1pm. 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 - Great local musicians play a music set from 7pm-9pm (or later) each Friday night. Chase the Ace Draw will be at 8pm sharp, arrive early to purchase your tickets. Don't forget that we have Happy Hour each Friday from 6:30pm-8pm and cocktail specials each Friday and Saturday night See the schedule on our Facebook page or drop by the Legion for more info.

The naming of the celebration as "Easter" seems to go back to the name of a pre-Christian goddess in England, Eostre, who was celebrated at beginning of spring.



Event: 2ND Annual Annapolis Valley Health and Wellness Expo 2020

Saturday, March 21, 10AM-4PM @ The Community Hub Gym, 590 St George St.



A fun-filled day where you can meet and talk with health & wellness services, providers & retailers in the Annapolis Valley! Enjoy a yummy Thai lunch & complete your passport to win an awesome door prize!

For more detailed information, check out "2ND Annual Annapolis Valley Health & Wellness Expo" on Facebook.

Program: March Break Open Gym at The Community Hub Gym!

FREE Open Gym during March Break on March 17 & 19 from 10AM-1PM & 3-5PM! All ages are welcome to join us for unstructured fun time at the gym. Sports and games equipment provided. Please note: Children under 12 may not be left unattended, and proper indoor gym footwear is required.



CHIEF'S CORNER





Chief T.G. (Tim) Moser

Congratulations - you survived winter! Hopefully, spring is right around the corner! Although we had a relatively mild winter, I prefer to see warmer weather. That said, a bad day in Annapolis Royal is better than a good day anywhere else regardless of the season.

Please be reminded that our children will be on two breaks during this period: Spring Break from 14-22 March; and East Break from 10-13 April, which means that more children will be "out and about" either

walking or riding their bicycles. Also, as we get into milder weather, please be reminded that many people will start to leave their winter dens or return from their winter (warmer climate) destinations and become more active, which includes increased

vehicle and pedestrian traffic within town. Please be mindful of speed limits and traffic regulations as they relate to these concerns.

I also want to remind you of some basic rules of the road and parking. While some of us like to be close to our destination you must be aware that the following violations can occur if you are not paying attention to places where parking is prohibited; within 5 metres of a fire hydrant, on or within 5 metres of a crosswalk, within 7.5 metres from an intersection, and within 10 metres of a stop sign. You should also be aware that blocking a driveway or parking on private property can result in the issuance of a ticket and/or your vehicle being towed at your expense. The places of most concern are in the lower Saint George Street area of town and areas surrounding the old Annapolis Royal Regional Academy (ARRA) near the Library and private property associated with the Condo's and old Library at the corner of Grange and Ritchie Streets. I would also like to remind you again that leaving your vehicle running while unattended is a violation of the motor vehicle act and contrary to our town "No Idling" policy.

Have a relaxing March break, a happy Saint Patrick's Day and a very Happy Easter! Please remember to be patient and kind to each other.

P.S. Don't say you heard it from me ... but rumour has it on the Bunny Line ** there will be some kind of an egg hunt happening – near Fort Anne I am told. Keep your eyes peeled for more details!

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 @ARPoliceD

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

DECEMBER / JANUARY	
#	Nature of the Call
1 / 4	Traffic Accidents
13 / 10	Speeding
1/0	Impaired Driving
7 / 1	MV Inspection
4 / 2	Parking
11 / 17	Warning
4 / 2	Other Motor Vehicle
2 / 2	Intersection related
2/0	Checkstops
0 / 1	Liqour
0 / 1	Lost & Found
33/ 33	Assistance to Public
30 / 29	Property Checks
0 / 1	CR Checks
0 / 1	911 Act
1/0	Other Prov. / Terr. Offences
1 / 2	Suspicious Person / Vehicle
0/3	Uttering Threats
0 / 1	Wellbeing Check
1 / 0	Municipal By-laws
111 / 110	TOTAL

Police Statistics for the Months of

Don't forget Daylight savings time - March 8th! Resetting clocks forward an hour in the spring and back an hour in the fall was first suggested by B. Franklin. his essay "An Economical Project for Diminishing the Cost of Light"



EVENTS FOR THE MONTH



Please forward May submissions by MONDAY April 20th to: admin@annapolisroyal.com.

Events

March 1

ARTsPLACE Exhibitions opening/ 1pm-3pm / ARTsPLACE Gallery

March 4

Film Screening: Africville Can't Stop Now / 1:30pm / Annapolis Royal (AR) Library

March 8

Geoff Butler: A Celebration / 2pm / King's Theatre

March 13

The Stanfields (live music) / 7:30pm /King's Theatre

March 16

ARTsPLACE ARCAC AGM Notice & Geoff

Butler event/ 5:30pm AGM & 7pm G.Butler event/ARTsPLACE Gallery

March 21

The Dome Chronicles / 2pm /AR Library

March 21

Annapolis Valley Health & Wellness Expo/ 10am -4pm /Community Hub Gym

March 23

ARTsPLACE Luben and Elena (screening)/
7pm-9pm /ARTsPLACE Gallery

March 27-28

The Ladykillers / 7:30pm / King's Theatre

March 29

The Ladykillers /2pm /King's Theatre

April 4

Twin Flames / 7:30pm / King's Theatre

April 11

Easter Eggstravaganza /11am/ Fort Anne Grounds

April 18

The Pacific Crest Trail / 2pm / AR Library

April 24 & 25

A Letter to Wanda (musical) /7pm (the 24) and 2pm (the 25) /\$5 Adults, \$2 Children/ St. George & St. Andrew United Church

April 25

Annapolis Royal Seedy Saturday/

9am-12 pm /FREE Admission / Historic Gardens

Recurring

Open Gym/ Tuesdays - ending December 17th / 3:30 pm - 5:00pm / The Community Hub

Winter Farmers' Market/ Saturdays from 9am-12pm / Historic Gardens / October until May!

Girls Who Code / Mondays 3:30pm- 5pm / Annapolis Royal Library

Annapolis County Chess / Chess for all ages and levels, beginners welcome / Wednesdays 6pm - 9pm, Middleton;

l.c.lombard@ns.sympatico.ca/ Thursdays 6pm -9 pm, Annapolis Royal; OKtechnical@gmail.com

Morning Storytime / Thursdays from 10am-11am / Community Hub / Pre-school children

Annapolis Innovation Lab: Open / Mon 1pm-4pm; Wed 10am-2pm; Sat 10am-2pm / Community Hub

Annapolis Innovation Lab: Useless Skills / Sat 2pm-4pm / Community Hub / Ages 12+ years

Annapolis Innovation Lab: Annapolis Makers/ ARSA / Tues 6pm-8pm / Community
Hub / Ages 12+

Kniterati / Wed 6:30pm-8pm / Community Hub / Open to all knitters and fibre artists

Knitty Teens / Thurs 3:30pm-4:30pm / Community Hub / Beginners welcome

ARSA - Annapolis Royal Space Agency / Thurs 6pm-8pm / Community Hub

King's Theatre Films

(See www.kingstheatre.ca for showtimes)

MARCH & APRIL

- * LA BELLE ÉPOQUE
- * DOLLITTLE
- * HONEYLAND
- * PAIN AND GLORY
- * SPIES IN DISGUISE
- * SORRY WE MISSED YOU
- * PORTRAIT OF A LADY ON FIRE
- * ANTIGONE

Upcoming meetings

Open to the public Agendas available online

Planning & Heritage Advisory Committee March 2nd @ 9am April 6th @ 9am

> Committee of the Whole March 5th @ 4pm April 2nd @ 4pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee March 12th @ 9am April 9th @ 9am

Board of Police Commissioners March 11th @ 2pm April 8th @ 10am

Marketing & Economic Development Committee March 10th @ 6pm April 10th @ 6pm

Environment Advisory Committee March 11th @ 2pm April 8th @ 2pm

> Council March 16th @ 4pm April 20th @ 4pm

Upcoming Community Meetings

March 10, 7:00pm - Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library

March 22, 3:00pm - AGM of the Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society

March 31, 7:00pm - Historic Gardens AGM

Legion events: see page 3 for recurring events and Facebook for details on their other events.

All King's Theatre events & films: www.kingstheatre.ca

ARCAC (ARTsPLACE) events: arcac-artsplace.weebly.com

All Community Hub events: www.valleylibrary.ca/calendar/

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



TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED



Town Hall will be close April 10th for Good Friday and April 13th for Easter Monday.



Surplus Office Equipment Available for Purchase

The Town of Annapolis Royal has many surplus equipment items for purchase (office equipment), please contact Town Hall to arrange a viewing. (902) 532-2043, ext. 102



Tax Reduction for Non-Profit Organizations

A reminder to non-profit organizations wanting to apply for a tax reduction; in order to apply for the next fiscal year beginning April 1st, the deadline to submit a request is March 31, 2020. For details on the by-law and eligibility, please see annapolisroval.com/non-profit-tax/.



Notice to Heritage Property Owners

Program guidelines and application forms for the 2020-21 grant opportunities under the Heritage Development Fund (Built Heritage) are now available at: http://cch.novascotia.ca/exploring-our-past/heritage-property/what-kind-financial-support-can-i-receive-conserve-my.



A notice from Nova Scotia Environment - Department

The Province of Nova Scotia passed legislation in the fall that prohibits businesses from providing a single use plastic checkout bag to a customer, including plastic bags that are biodegradable or compostable. Starting October 30, 2020 providing plastic bags at retail checkouts will be banned in Nova Scotia. You can find answers at https://novascotia.ca/single-use-plastic-bag-ban/

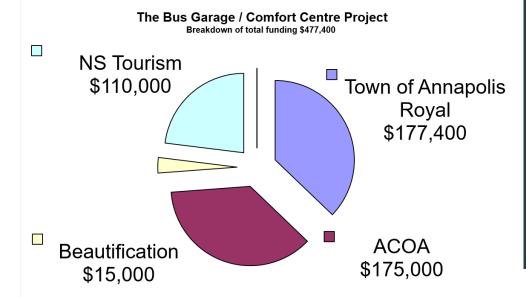


Sandwich Board Reminder

Just a friendly reminder that Sandwich Board Permits for Businesses and Non-Profit organizations expire March 31st of each year. Please contact admin@annapolisroyal.com or visit Town Hall to renew your permit.



The Comfort Station will be re-opening as of April 1st! See below for final project costing:



Employment Opportunities

The Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society invite you to apply for our 2020 summer positions. We will be hiring for Facility Manager, Lifeguard, Daycamp Leader, and Swimming Lesson Instructors. Please visit annapolispool.ca or our Facebook page - "Annapolis Community Pool" to read all descriptions. Interested applicants should have their applications submitted by Friday, March 13. Feel free to email annapoliscommunitypool@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities

NEW COMMITTEE:

The Town of Annapolis Royal is looking for residents interested in volunteering to serve as part of the Accessibility Advisory Committee. The Committee provides advice to Council on identifying, preventing and eliminating barriers to people with disabilities in municipal programs, services, initiatives and facilities. For more information please visit our website: https://annapolisroyal.com/volunteers-wanted-accessibility-advisory-committee/

Waste Collection
Pick-Up

NEW COLLECTION
SCHEDULE: March 31st

(Tues. week 2)

Pick-up dates:

March 4th & 18th / April 7th & 21st

Please contact Valley Waste for all waste related matters:

1-877-927-8300 or see their website for email addresses: www.vwrm.com



TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT & COMMUNITY DEVLOPMENT COORDINATOR

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Town of Annapolis Royal is accepting applications for a full-time Administrative Assistant. The Administrative Assistant position requires a multitasking individual with a high energy level to provide direct service to citizens, businesses and visitors and to support the administration of the Town. The ideal Administrative Assistant will have excellent customer service, organization, written/oral communication, and problem-solving skills along with a willingness to learn general office procedures. This position will be responsible for all minute taking. There may be a requirement to attend some meetings in the evening to take minutes. Flex time will be given.

This position is permanent full-time, five (5) days a week, including some evenings, with flex hours. Benefits are available after the three (3) month probationary period and Pension available after one (1) year.

COMMUNITY DEVLOPMENT COORDINATOR

The Town of Annapolis Royal is seeking applications from qualified individuals for the position of Community Development Coordinator. The Community Development Coordinator is a critical role responsible for the coordination of Town events, support for sub-committees of Council and administration of Heritage properties, building, fire and development application. The ideal candidate will have excellent customer service, organization, written/oral communication, and problem-solving skills.

Reporting directly to the Chief Administrative Officer, the position is permanent full-time, five (5) days a week, including some weekends and holidays, with flex hours. Benefits are available after the three (3) month probationary period and Pension available after one (1) year.

For more information please visit: https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/employment-opportunities/

The deadline for applications is Friday March 13h at 4:00 p.m. AST



COUNCIL MOTIONS



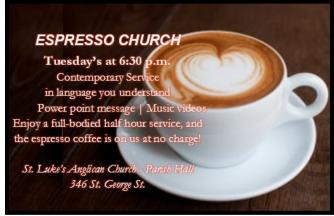
Due to limited space the Council Motions for December 16, 2019 Council Meeting and January 20, 2020 Council Meeting can be found online in the Approved Council Meeting Minutes: https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/council-and-committees/council/

Did you know... Saint Patrick didn't wear green. His color was "Saint Patrick's blue." The color green became associated with St. Patrick's Day after it was linked to the Irish independence movement in the late 18th century.













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Did you know... The first United Empire Loyalists arrived on April 1st 1776 in Halifax, NS - 1,124 refugees from New England.