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"You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore." - Christopher Columbus



Summer is upon us and the time for hitting the road for the beach, family vacations, and other potentially fun and local/far-off destinations is finally here. As the summer travel season kicks into high gear, don't forget to follow Nova Scotia's reopening plan and guidelines, our border restrictions are gradually easing which means we'll be able to travel and see more travellers throughout the area. We want everyone to have a safe and happy summer!

O Canadaaa! It's time to celebrate Canada Day. It will be 154 years ago since July 1, 1867 where Canada became a new federation with its own constitution by signing the Constitution Act - formerly known as the British North America Act. Unfortunately, there will be few Canada Day celebrations in Annapolis Royal, but check out page 7 to read up on our Canada Day Photo Contest that we had over the past week!

Town Hall has hired two new staff members for the summer. Rhys as our Recreation Coordinator and Shaunessy as our Community Development Worker. They will be working on various projects starting July 5th. If you see them around Town, make sure to shoot them a smile and wave!

Please note, Town Hall and the Community Hub will open for in-person services on July 5th. We will be adhering to Nova Scotia Public Health guidelines and ask those who come into these facilities to wear a mask and be mindful of the gathering limit in each building.



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Submissions are welcomed and deadlines vary monthly, with the deadline for the August edition on July 23, 2021. Please contact admin@annapolisroyal.com or 902-532-2043 ext. 102 if you have any questions.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

<u>Task Teams</u>

The Town has had good success with Task Teams over the past several months. Some of these currently exist as subcommittees. There are many advantages to using task teams.

- They allow people to match their interests and skill sets to projects they would like to see done.
- They have specified start and end dates.
- They allow people an opportunity with others who share similar interests and/or skill sets.
- They provide an opportunity for people to help out the Town with projects that either would be done later or not at all, something that was brough up during the recent strategic planning exercise.
- They do not require minute-taking.
- Task teams determine their own schedule and level of effort.



Mayor Amery Boyer, B. Mus., MBA

If you are interested in a project, all you have to do is discuss your project outline with the CAO and have the terms of reference approved by Council and you are good to go. If you don't have a specific idea for a project, the CAO can help you to identify one.

Grant Applications

Staff at Town Hall and its partners are busy writing grants for any number of things the Town needs. While some applications have already been filed and have been successful, here are some of the applications in progress:

Funding Source	Program	Rationale
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	Community Retrofit Programs	Would pay for needed energy upgrades such as additional insulation and heat pumps for the Town Hall
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	Green Funds Signature Pilot Projects	Would pay for 80% of the cost of a pilot project to test a small scale com- munity tidal power pro- duction turbine
Province of Nova Scotia	Municipal Capital Assis- tance Program (MCAP)	Would pay 1/3 of the cost of upgrading the pumping station at Home Hardware to allow for residential development
Province of Nova Scotia	Community Works Pro- gram	Would pay ¹ / ₂ the cost for an intern to assist with the development of the Town's climate change plan
Clean Foundation	Green Jobs Fund	Would pay the other ¹ / ₂ of the cost for the intern referred to above

Not all grant applications are successful, however, they do help to expand the pot of money that is available for Town projects.

July's full Moon, the full Buck Moon, occurs on Friday, July 23rd.

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COMMUNITY

Let's Talk Kejimkujik!

The draft management plan for Kejimkujik National Park and National Historic Site is ready for feedback! Parks Canada heard from diverse voices and incorporated multiple perspectives in the draft plan.

Did we get it right? We are inviting the public to take the online survey to review and provide feedback on various management areas at Kejimkujik.

The opportunity: Parks Canada is seeking staff, stakeholder and public review of the draft management plan for Kejimkujik, including its many management priorities, like year-round visitor

experiences as well as greater integration of Kejimkujik Seaside and the cultural heritage value of Kejimkujik to the Mi'kmaq.

Why participate? Participation in the management planning process for a national park or national historic site is an opportunity to directly influence the management of these places over the next 10 to 15 years.

About the plan: Parks Canada and the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia worked together on the management plan using a two-eyed seeing lens. The priorities, identified through public input from Phase 1, are outlined in a draft management plan; a strategic guide required by legislation and approved by the Minister. Management plans are the primary accountability documents for national parks and historic sites administered by Parks Canada.

How people can participate: Parks Canada is inviting all Canadians to take the Phase 2 consultation survey to review and provide comments on the draft management plan for this special place.

The survey is available until Sunday, July 25, 2021 at www.letstalkkejimkujik.ca.



Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society (FAPS) News

The Annapolis Community Pool (62 Champlain Drive) is opening July 1 and July 2 for two free days of swimming. 11am-4pm each day. No pre-registration required! Our Canada Day swim on July 1 is sponsored by the Town of Annapolis Royal and our July 2 swim is sponsored by FAPS. Please join us for a dip or stay all day!

Regular programming begins on July 5 with weekly preregistered day camps and YMCA swim lessons. Call the pool at 902 532 1777 or email <u>annapoliscommunitypool@gmail.com</u> for the registration information. We want to teach your children how to swim! If finances are an issue, please get in touch.

Every morning Monday-Friday 8:30-9:30 there will be a FREE lane swim sponsored by the Town of Annapolis Royal.

Every afternoon this summer there will be MORE FREE SWIM, sponsored by the Province of Nova Scotia's Active Communities Fund. Please join us 1-4pm, Monday-Friday. Lane swimmers welcome at these times as well.

If any youth are interested in learning about future lifeguarding opportunities or beginning their training towards becoming a lifeguard please contact: <u>annapoliscommunitypool@gmail.com</u> to begin your journey with the Annapolis Community Pool! We'd be happy to help you navigate the different programs and credentials required.

Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library News

The Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library is pleased to return to selling quality used books at the Annapolis Royal Farmers & Traders Market this summer. All our fundraised monies goes directly back into the Annapolis Royal branch for programming, materials, and other supplies. If you have any questions please email <u>friendsoftheARlibrary@gmail.com</u>.

The July birth flowers are the larkspur and the water lily.





CHIEF'S CORNER



Police Statistics for the month of

April



As summer is upon us, please remember to always watch your speed when driving. Also do not get distracted by phones or other devices when driving as the increased presence of more vehicles and pedestrians requires greater attention on the road.

This section each month I am going to advice. This is for reference only and de do not become a victim of such crimes

Frauds and Scams continued

Debit Card Fraud:

This type of fraud is becoming more common. By taking a few simple precautions, you can protect yourself:

- Cover the keypad when entering your Personal Identification Number (PIN). Doing so will not only deter criminals from defrauding you but demonstrate to them that you know they are out there and that you refuse to be their victim.
- Avoid using a common number linked to you such as your birthday or address as your password.
- Never write your PIN on your card or in your wallet. This makes it very easy for a criminal to access your information.
- Always shred personal information about yourself, including bank or credit card statements, receipts, insurance forms and/or physician statements

Credit Card Fraud:

- As credit card use on the Internet increases, so to do incidents of credit card fraud.
- Always check your financial statements. Doing so will ensure you are aware of your financial situation and that you will notice if your credit has been compromised.
- When expecting a new credit card or financial record through the mail, know approximately when it was mailed and when you might expect to receive it. This will help stop criminals from going through your mail and stealing information without your knowledge.

While tips may seem very basic in the fight against credit card fraud, credit card companies report that few people actually take these simple precautions.

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//Town Facebook Page: @townofannapolisroyal Town of Annapolis Royal Web-Page: annapolisroval.com CRIMESTOPPERS: 902-422-8477 GET MOVIN'

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Friday Night Live Music Returns to the "O"! starting July 9th 6-8PM!

It's time to dust off your dancing shoes for some great live entertainment at the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre. There will be full live dance bands Friday nights this summer in this beautiful outdoor setting. Expect to see bands like The Rhinestone Romeos, Joker's Right, The Sundries, the Hupman Brothers Band, FOCUS, The Mark Bezanson Trio, and more! All Covid-19 restrictions and safety measures will be monitored and enforced, and there will once again be a large sectioned off area for safe & socially distanced dancing. For a detailed schedule of performers, please visit www.annapolisroyal.com.

Pop-Up Fun Days with Annapolis Royal Recreation!

This July Annapolis Royal Recreation will be offering impromptu "Pop-Up Fun/Try it!" activities for all ages. There will be Disc Golf, Spikeball, and Pickleball for the grown ups, and electronic Capture the Flag, kids' soccer, basketball, and other games for younger folks. All offerings will follow current Covid 19 guidelines and restrictions. Keep an eye on Annapolis Royal Recreation on Facebook for more info, and also stay tuned for information on youth tennis and basketball camps in August....



"I love how summer just wraps its arms around you like a warm blanket." — Kellie Elmore

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Chief Mark Kane

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	1	Lost & Found	
	1	Wellbeing Check	
	4	Assistance to General Pub- lic	
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EVENTS FOR THE MONTH



Please forward July submissions by July 23, 2021 to: <u>admin@annapolisroyal.com</u>.

Events

Live Music at the "O" Every Friday, July & August, 6 pm - 8 pm

July 9th - The Sundries July 16th - The Mark Bezanson Trio July 23rd - Joker's Right

July 6th

Art21 Documentary and Talk-back, Season 3 episode: Play / 1 pm - 3 pm / . Upstairs at ARTSPLACE / COVID protocols in place

July 9th

Half-day workshop: Reverse Painted Shadowbox w/ Lynda Shalagan / 10 am - 2 pm / Upstairs at ARTSPLACE / \$50 per person, plus \$12 for materials, pre-registration necessary / COVID protocols in place

July 10th

A Lot of Art Pop-up Art Market / 10 am - 1 pm / ARTSPLACE Gallery Parking Lot/ COVID protocols in place

July 16th

Half-day workshop: Digital Photography (DSLR workshop) w/ Maria Longmire / 10 am - 2 pm / Upstairs at ARTSPLACE / \$50 per person, pre-registration necessary / COVID protocols in place

July 16th

BEN CAPLAN / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre/ Admission: Adult \$35, Youth \$12 / *Seating is limited. Seats have are been marked to accommodate physical distancing of 6 feet. Face masks are required.

July 30th-August 2nd

Annapolis Royal Natal Days / Activities to be determined / Stay tuned at <u>https://</u> www.facebook.com/annapolisroyalnataldays

July 31st

Artist talk & exhibition tour w/ Eva McCauley / 2 pm - 3 pm / ARTSPLACE / COVID protocols in place

Recurring

Annapolis Royal Farmer's Market / 9:00am - 1:00pm / Every Saturday until mid-October / Farmer's Market - Lower St. George Street / Covid-19 Restrictions apply

Annapolis Royal Farmer's Market / 10:00am - 2:00pm / Every Wednesday starting July 9th until September 15th / Farmer's Market - Lower St. George Street / Covid-19 Restrictions apply

Exhibitions / ARTs-PLACE / Open Hours Wed-Fri 1 – 5 pm, Sat. 11 am – 2 pm

<u>Celebration of Life</u> <u>for</u> <u>Paula Buxton</u>

For all those who knew her please feel free to drop by 672 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal

> Saturday July 24th From 1pm - 5pm

This is an informal event in our backyard and is a potluck event.

Any questions on this event please call 902 308-1307.

To this beautiful community, our Family would truly like to thank you for the kindness, support, and prayers.

Michael, Gemma, Benjamin, Rowan, and Georgia



Upcoming Meetings

Open to the public via FACEBOOK Agendas available online

Committee of the Whole June 30th @ 5pm

Planning & Heritage Advisory Committee July 5th @ 9am

Environment Advisory Committee July 7th @ 2pm

Accessibility Advisory Committee July 7th @ 7pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee July 8th @ 9am

Marketing & Economic Development Committee July 13th @ 6pm

> Board of Police Commissioners July 14th @ 10 am

> > Council July 19th @ 5 pm

Legion events: Facebook for details on their 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/

Historic Gardens events: www.historicgardens.com

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

How does the moon cut his hair? Eclipse it.



TOWN HALL ... STAY CONNECTED

Town Hall will be closed Thursday, July 1st for Canada Day.



Church Street Closure

Just a friendly reminder that Church Street is closed to vehicle traffic (From St. James Street towards St. George Street). This is to allow the extension to the Farmer's Market and allow foot traffic to local businesses. Residents and business owners can use the St. James Street access to the free all-day public parking area behind the Masonic Lodge.

This is a temporary closure until mid-October, when the Farmer's Market is closed for the season. Thank you for your continued cooperation.



Abusing Waste Receptacles

We are asking everyone to please not abuse the Town's waste receptacles. Public Works maintains a clean, safe, and efficient system when changing the waste bins. Improperly stored waste can become a nuisance when there is too much garbage that has been broken open and cannot be cleaned and sorted easily.

Valley Waste comes to Town for collection every other week. The Town of Annapolis Royal's collection day is every Tuesday of Week 2. As a community, the more we can reduce, reuse, recycle and compost the better it is for our Town's cleanliness and environmental soundness.



Alien Invasive Species Articles

In the upcoming months, CARP will be putting together a series of articles of alien invasive species management practices/techniques, to serve as educational resources for people dealing with them on their properties. This is a companion to the Invasive Species Policy. The first article is on Goutweed and can be found on the Town's website and Facebook page.



Annapolis Royal Heritage Tartan

The Town of Annapolis Royal has a new tartan! We are very excited to say that we have a new official registered tartan, and we love it. A huge thank you goes to the Town's Community Development Coordinator, Ken Knox. He worked very hard on the inclusive design which turned out wonderfully.



This design was developed to recognize the Town's historical communities and its setting. The Annapolis Royal Heritage tartan incorporates 7

colors which are intended to represent multiple flags in various combinations: red, white, and blue for the French and British flags; red and white for the Mi'kmaq flag; green, yellow, and red for the African Nova Scotian flag; red, white, blue, and yellow for the Acadian flag; blue and white for the Saltire. The colors are also intended to represent the landscape: green for the forests of Nova Scotia; blue for the waters and sky; grey for the fog and rocky coast. The Tartan is intended to celebrate not only the land, which has been known for millennia as a place of beauty and abundance, but also the groups which comprise the community.

The tartan is currently in the process of being woven, but you can expect to see a full range of items for sale with the Annapolis Royal Heritage tartan by the Fall. There are now two tartans to represent the Town of Annapolis Royal - yay!

Folklore: Whatever July and August do not boil, September can not fry.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Town of Annapolis Royal is looking for residents interested in volunteering to serve as part of the following committees:

The Board of Police Commissioners

Marketing & Economic Development Committee

> For more information contact CAO Sandi Millett-Campbell at cao@annapolisroyal.com or 902-532-2043 ext. 104.

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The Audit Committee is seeking a citizen volunteer. Contact Director of Finance Melony Robinson at finance@annapolisroyal.com

Is your organization looking to hire or have a volunteer role to fill? 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:

July 13th & 27th

Please contact Valley Waste for all waste related matters:1-877-927-8300 or see their website for email addresses: www.vwrm.com



Committees & Task Teams

Just as Mayor Boyer stated in her Mayor's Message - in line with the Town's commitment to the Strategic Plan, we are reviewing and updating operational strategies to increase effectiveness and reduce volunteer burnout. The new strategic plan talks about collaboration as one of the most important strategies for the Town going forward. Task teams offer a unique opportunity to address most of the shortcomings of the committee structure while fostering greater collaboration and the ability to get more work done without increasing Town costs. Currently, advisory committees form standing sub-committees to handle issues, events, and projects which fit under the broader remit of the committee, but do not require the participation of the entire committee. The Town is looking to implement task teams as a first hand practice.

Anyone can join a task team who has the necessary expertise or experience and are not required to be on an advisory committee as a member (though an advisory committee member is permitted to sit on a task team). Once the objective is met, the task team will report the advisory committee that formed it and disband.

If you would like to volunteer to be on a task team, please contact CAO Millett-Campbell at cao@annapolisroyal.com.







We had hoped to be able to gather and celebrate Canada Day this year, but unfortunately, we were not quite there yet. In order to mark the day safely, we held a photo contest highlighting some of the qualities that make us Canadian. These ranged from "outdoorsy" to "patriotic". Each day everyone was invited to post their pictures related to the theme. Whichever picture had the most likes by Canada Day was declared the winner. Winners received their choice of a mug, toque (winter is coming), or a pin set. Check out our Facebook to see all the pictures. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Even though the pictures were of past events and activities, they still provided us a reminder of the values we hold dear. Hopefully, this will be our last virtual celebration, but even if it isn't, we are brought together by a shared love of our community and an enduring desire to make our home a better place for all.



Natal Days Update

The Natal Day Committee has been working behind the scenes over the past few months. We are currently waiting to hear from the Provincial Government regarding approval of our events. We are hoping to have a smaller scaled down festival for the weekend. These activities will be family fun for all ages. Please check out Facebook page for updates https://www.facebook.com/annapolisroyalnataldays.



Payment Options

Tax and water bill payments can be made on-line, at the bank, at the drop off in the old Library book drop off slot, or in person at Town Hall. Please note that there will be social distancing restrictions and a limit of 2 people at a time in the lobby of Town Hall. For any inquiries please contact us at 902-532-2043.



Strategic Plan

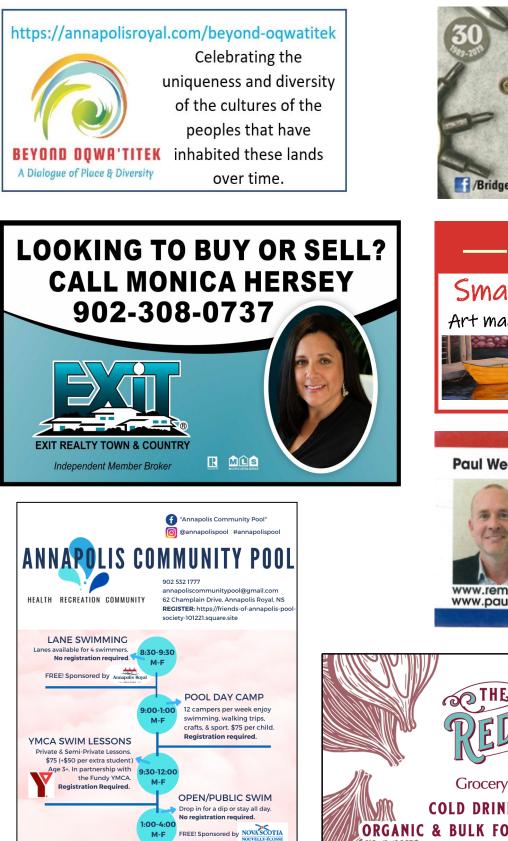
The Town's strategic plan is now officially approved and in place for Council and staff to start working on. The environment is one of the top priorities right now in the strategic plan and we plan to continue to find ways to fight climate change. The finalized copy of the plan is on the Town's website at https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/additional-information/.



Under the current state of emergency and the MGA, all meetings are required to have unapproved draft minutes posted within 24 hours of the meeting. Please visit our website for all committee minutes and motions.

https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/council-and-committees/council/

"Every strike brings me closer to the next home run." - Babe Ruth



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