

MONTHLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS
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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?



On October 9, 2021, the Town and residents gathered together to honour our Town Crier, Peter Davies and his escort Valerie Davies. They have long served our and surrounding communities as official Town Crier, a career that has spanned over twenty years. He has represented the Town at a wide range of events from market openings, parade of lights, and at various Town Crier competitions. The Town, its residents, and other Town Criers were happy to take the opportunity to express their appreciation and gratitude for exemplary service over many years. The event featured customized cries from other criers, poetry, and music from the Tap Room

Growlers. Peter and Valerie were also presented with tokens of appreciation from the Guild of Nova Scotia Town Criers and the Mayors of Digby and Annapolis Royal. The event concluded with the ceremonial handing over of the bell to Mayor Boyer.

Thank you Peter and Valerie!

Town Hall will be closed Thursday November 11th for Remembrance Day .

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The Annual Report for 2020-2021 from the Property Services Valuation Corporation (PVSC) contains some interesting information. The General Level of Assessment (GLA) measures the extent to which assessments meet the market value standard. PVSC reports the GLA by municipality for both residential/resource and commercial properties. For the Town, residential GLA was 95%. This compares to 96% for the County of Annapolis.

For 2021, a commercial GLA was calculated for only seven municipalities. That is because the remaining 42 municipalities had fewer than 11 sales. As recommended by the International Property Tax Institute (IPTI), the GLA for these municipalities is deemed to be 100% as municipalities with fewer than 11 sales have insufficient information to reliably calculate a GLA. Annapolis Royal falls into this category. You can view the entire report at <http://www.pvsc.ca/en/home/aboutpvsc/annualreports.aspx>.

It was wonderful to be able to welcome visitors back to our area this summer. And on October 9, the community came together with a good crowd at the "O to say farewell to Peter and Val Davies as our Town Crier and Escort for over 20 years. Peter and Val have faithfully and enthusiastically represented the Town in our twinning exchanges with Royan, France, Annapolis, Maryland and have been Town and area ambassadors to many other places over the years. Fellow Town Criers and others came to pay tribute for their work and to thank them for their outstanding volunteer service to the Town and area, as well as to the Town Crier community. Mayor Ben Cleveland also came from Digby to provide them with a plaque on behalf of the Town of Digby.

Last week, the Town made its closing statements as part of the Nova Scotia Utility Review Board hearing into the future of the Annapolis Royal tidal power plant. The next step in the process is to consider responding to NSPI's closing statements, then it will be up to the NSURB to render a decision perhaps, some time in November 2021. The Town and others, and particularly the NSURB's expert witness, believe that NSPI has not sufficiently evaluated all reasonable options for the continued use or reuse of the plant. The Town also seeks to ensure that the plant's 20-megawatt capacity is retained in the area for community renewable energy projects.

The Town is waiting to meet with the new Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable John Lohr. He has visited other municipal units in the Valley and we hope to see him soon.

Finally, just a reminder about how important it is to support local businesses in our area by shopping and promoting local products and services. We really are all in this together, and the more we support each other, the better off we will all be. Thanks to all of you who already do everything you can to shop and support local!



**Mayor Amery Boyer,
B. Mus., MBA**



Both the Draconid Meteor Shower and the Orionid Meteor Shower occur in October.



COMMUNITY



NOTES from FRIENDS OF THE ANNAPOLIS POOL SOCIETY

The Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society is delighted to report a very successful summer season at the pool. We employed six local youth and had nearly 3000 visits to our facility in various programs, including our free sponsored programs - morning lane swims and afternoon open swim. We also provided day camp experiences to 110 children and provided 125 swim lessons to our community. If you'd like to be involved with or have ideas for our non-profit board, please email annapoliscommunitypool@gmail.com.



NOTES from FRIENDS OF THE ANNAPOLIS ROYAL LIBRARY

The Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library is pleased to announce that our very popular GIANT USED BOOK SALE is scheduled for November 13, 9-12pm. All COVID-19 related protocols that exist at that time will be in place. If you would like to donate books (please no magazines, textbooks, encyclopedia, or damaged, dirty books) please email friendsoftheARlibrary@gmail.com and we will direct your message to one of our organizing volunteers. As always, please email if there is anything you'd like to see us help bring to our library - a program, a book or resource, a piece of technology, etc.



Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services and the Salvation Army are working together to provide rebates to low income Nova Scotians struggling with their heating or electrical costs due to financial loss resulting from Covid-19. We are looking to promote these emergency programs to all Nova Scotians that may qualify. Below are the rebate program offerings for 2021-22:

Home Energy Assistance Top-Up (HEAT): \$400 rebate for emergency home heating or power bills.

Nova Scotia Covid Relief Fund (NSCR): \$400 rebate to help households impacted by the Covid 19 with their home heating or power bills.

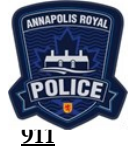
Heating Assistance Rebate Program (HARP): \$200 rebate for home heating costs.

Low income Nova Scotians who are eligible for these programs could receive up to \$1,000 to help them with their heating/power costs in 2021-22.

The most lit jack o'laterns on display is 30,581



CHIEF'S CORNER



Emergency Line:

General Police Line: 902-532-2427

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

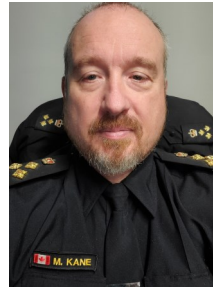
Social Media: Contact us on Facebook or on the Town of Annapolis Royal web-page

Police Facebook Page: @ARPoliceD // Town Facebook Page:

@townofannapolisroyal

Town of Annapolis Royal Web-Page: annapolisroyal.com

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



Chief Mark Kane

Police Statistics for the month of July	
#	Nature of the Call
2	Intersection Related Violations
20	Speeding Violations
13	Other Moving Traffic Violations
1	Non-moving Traffic
1	Motor Vehicle Insurance coverage
10	Other non-moving traffic violations
1	Dangerous driving
17	Checkstop
1	Health Act (covid-19)
1	Break and Enter Business
1	Other Provincial/ Territorial Statutes
2	Disturbing the peace/ causing a disturbance
1	911 act
1	Mental Health Act
6	Traffic Warnings
1	Other Activities
1	Assault with a weapon or causing bodily harm
1	Theft under \$5000
1	Animal Call
4	Lost and Found
4	False Alarms
5	Assistance to the Public
16	Property Checks
4	Criminal Intelligence
6	Assistance to Canadian Federal Dept/Agency
121	TOTAL

Babysitting Tips Part 1

When you are asked by a neighbour, friend or relative, to babysit, they are giving you a job with great responsibility. As such, every babysitting assignment should be carefully planned to ensure the safety and wellbeing of both the baby and babysitter.

When Asked To Be A Babysitter:

- Be business-like and state clearly:
 - ◆ The day(s) and hours you are available to work
 - ◆ Experience you've had (i.e. infant, six year-old, etc.)
 - ◆ Pay you consider to be fair
- Get specific information and jot down details such as:
- Parents' names, addresses and telephone numbers (including business and cell phone numbers)
- Number of children and their ages
- Escort and transportation provided to and from the job
- Be cautious. Don't accept a babysitting job if you do not know the person who is calling. Ask who recommended you, verify, then call back. If in doubt, refuse.
- Never advertise on bulletin boards. It may invite unwelcome responses.
- Be prepared. Prior to the first assignment with a family, plan an advance visit to:
- Get acquainted with the child/children
- Learn about the duties/arrangements

On The Job:

- Leave a note for your family before departing for a job, advising them of the:
 - ◆ Address and telephone number of the babysitting assignment
 - ◆ Time expected home
- On arrival at the child's home, get complete instructions from the parents and insist on specific details:
 - ◆ Place(s) where parents can be reached, if needed. Obtain telephone numbers, names and addresses of the people the parents will visit.
 - ◆ The names and telephone numbers of the family's doctor, trusted neighbour and/or relatives
 - ◆ Instructions for handling incoming telephone calls. Have a pencil and paper by the phone, if necessary.
 - ◆ Information about locking doors and windows, lights to be left on, emergency fire procedures and protocol for answering the door
 - ◆ Bedtime rules and routines for each of the children under your care
 - ◆ Any other special instructions such as diapers, baby's bottle, snacks, children's use of the TV, radio, 'lights out', etc.
 - ◆ When the child's/children's parents leave, you are in charge. Be sure to take the following precautions:
 - ◆ Check and lock all doors and windows
 - ◆ Refuse admittance to everyone
 - ◆ Never acknowledge on the phone or at the door that you are alone
 - ◆ Remember, you're a guest:
 - ◆ Take food only if you have permission
 - ◆ Don't explore. Do not open closets or drawers or read personal mail left open to view.

"Success is a journey not a destination." - Ben Sweetland

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Please forward December submissions by November 18, 2021 to: admin@annapolisroyal.com.

Events

October 15th

Keonte Beals & Band / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / Admission: \$30 per adult, youth Free

October 16th - 17th

Workshop: Sashiko Masterclass with Kate Ward / 10:30am-4pm / ARTSPLACE/ 2-day workshop \$230

October 17th

100 Years of Film in Annapolis with Ern Dick: Part 2 / 2:00pm / King's Theatre/ Free by reservation

October 20th

Fellini's 8 1/2: Classic Film Fest / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / Admission: \$6 all tickets

October 22nd

Kitbag Theatre presents 'Tuesdays & Sundays' / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre/ Admission: \$30 per adult, \$10 per youth

October 22nd

Half-day Workshop: Printing without a Press / 10am—2pm / ARTSPLACE/ Pre-registration required \$70

October 29th

Dinuk Wijeratne Trio / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / Admission: \$30 per adult, youth Free

November 2nd

The Legendary Downchild Blues Band / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / Admission: \$60

November 5th

Half-day Workshop: Play to Create with Becky Thompson / 10:00am-2:00 pm / ARTSPLACE/ pre-registration required \$55

November 5th

Half-day Workshop: Reverse Painted Shadowbox w Lynda Shalagan / 10:00pm-2:00 pm / ARTSPLACE/ pre-registration required \$62

November 14th

100 Years of Film in Annapolis with Ern Dick / 2:00 pm / King's Theatre/ Free by reservation

November 20th

1st Annual Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fest / 10am—2pm / Community Hub Gym, 578 St George St/ Free

November 21st

Melody A. Johnson presents Person of Interest / 7:30 pm / King's Theatre / Admission: \$30 per adult, youth Free

November 26th

Board of Trade Parade of Lights / 7:00 pm / More details to follow

Please note, with the current state of emergency regulations and protocols change rapidly. For up to date information contact NS Public Health (<https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/>) or the individual event organizers. Also remember to keep your vaccine passport handy as it is a requirement for all non-essential events.

Don't forget the time change on November 7th!



The Nova Scotia Utility & Review Board's Hearing for the Annapolis Tidal Generating Station was September 13th. The Town's NSPI Task Team has submitted closing statements to NSURB on October 12, 2021. We are waiting to hear back from the Board on their decision.

Upcoming Meetings

*Open to the public
Agendas available online*

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee
October 20th @ 9am

Council
October 18th @ 5pm

Planning & Heritage Advisory Committee
November 1st @ 9am

Environment Advisory Committee
November 3rd @ 2pm

Committee of the Whole
November 3rd @ 6pm

Marketing & Economic Development Committee
November 9th @ 6pm

Board of Police Commissioners
November 10th @ 10 am

Accessibility Advisory Committee
November 10th @ 5 pm

Public Hearing
November 17th @ 5pm

Council
November 17th @ 6pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee
November 18th @ 9 am

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.

TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Town Hall will be closed Thursday November 11th for Remembrance Day.

In-Person Meetings

With the Province entering Phase 5 of its reopening plan, all meetings of Council (including sub-committees) will be in person. Committee of the Whole and Council will be held both in person, and continue to be available through Facebook Live. On October 18th, Council approved changing the dates and times of Committee of the Whole to the first Wednesday of each month, and Council to the third Wednesday of each month. Both meetings will start at 6:00pm.

Please visit our website for all committee minutes and motions.
<https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/council-and-committees/council/>

Winter Parking

Winter parking regulations are as follows: effective either on the first snow storm or December 01, 2021 (whichever is earlier) to April 30, 2021, during the hours of 12am-8am, 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.

1st Annual Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fest - A Celebration of Our Volunteers

Join us from 10am-2pm on Saturday, Nov 20th at the Community Hub Gym to celebrate all the volunteers who help build such a strong community here in Annapolis Royal!

The event will feature information from local organizations who are seeking volunteer support, special presentations, contests and prize draws, live music, and light refreshments! It promises to be a fun and inspiring community event! All those interested in connecting with local organizations to learn more about what they do and see how they may be able to contribute are encouraged to attend this free, public event.

If you or your organization wish to set up a booth or table to promote your efforts and recruit some new volunteer support, please contact Ken at kknox@annapolisroyal.com. Space is limited, and all current Covid 19 safety protocols and restrictions will be in place for this event.

TerraCycle: Unsmoke Cigarette Program

At September's Council meeting, Council approved the Town's adoption of a new recycling program. The Town has purchased 5 new cigarette butt disposal units that will be located throughout the Town. These stations will be emptied regularly and the used filters will be sent away to TerraCycle. TerraCycle melts the filters into a hard plastic that can be remolded into recycled industrial products. The ash and tobacco are separated out and composted in a specialized process.



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

Members for the Marketing and Economic Development Committee Needed

Do you have a head for business and a heart for community? The Marketing and Economic Committee needs you. The committee needs folks who understand what we face, what our assets are, and can inspire others to follow. If you saw the incredible "Rural Renaissance" documentary and felt a thrill, this is the committee for you. Contact Ken at kknox@annapolisroyal.com to submit your name.

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

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

Short-Term Volunteers Needed

Task teams come together short term to address an issue. We would like volunteers for 2 task teams, the first looking at ideas for the waterfront and downtown core and the second for appropriate development at First Pond. Please contact Ken at kknox@annapolisroyal.com

Waste Collection Pick-Up

Pick-up Dates:

October 5th & 19th
November 2nd, 16th, 30th

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

Beyond Oqwa'titek Weekend

The 10th to 12th of September saw the conclusion of our inaugural Beyond Oqwa'titek events. This is intended to be a recurring "Dialogue of Place and Diversity" focusing on different cultures and communities each year. We feel this is an important step on the journey of reconciliation because it focuses on strengthening bonds between communities and celebrating the uniqueness and strengths of the peoples that make up our home. All of this was made possible with the help of our volunteers: Ted Dolan (of Parks Canada), Teresa Carlisle, John MacDonald (and Clan Donald!), Heather LeBlanc (of Mapannapolis), Bill MacDonald, the Government of Canada, Communities, Culture and Heritage (especially Stephen MacDougall), Gaelic Affairs Nova Scotia (especially Lewis MacKinnon), and the support of our Town Council.

While planning lasted over a year, the first event was a virtual roundtable held in June. The online discussion featured indigenous and non-indigenous historians examining the relationships between the Mi'kmaq and early Scottish settlers. The first Friday of the weekend saw the KAIROS Blanket Exercise, which built understanding about our shared history as indigenous and non-indigenous peoples by taking participants journeying through pre-contact, treaty-making, colonization and resistance. Friday night also featured a Celtic roots concert and short films by young indigenous artists. Saturday's morning's highlights included a Pow Wow performers led by Michael Denny, Scottish music by Duncan Keppie, highland dancing by Abbie Smeltzer, Lily Matheson-Wood, and Rachel Fougere. The official opening ceremony was led by the Honourable Lieutenant Governor, Arthur J. LeBlanc, who then participated with the Mayor, Council, and many others in a bannock sharing ceremony. The evening concluded with a wonderful ceilidh at Market Square. The weekend drew to a close with a Kirkin' o' the Tartans at Ft. Anne, a presentation by young indigenous archeologists and Mapannapolis, a Procession of Remembrance, and our closing ceremony which included Maritime Bhangra and the La Baie en Joie Dancers.

While the committee is taking a break for a few months, planning for next year's event will begin this Fall. We will need your help- whether it is in the form of suggestions or an offer to sit on the committee, please consider participating. Please get in touch with Ken Knox at 902 532 2043 x 105 or kknox@annapolisroyal.com.

Annual Parade of Lights

The Annapolis Board of Trade will hold its Annual Parade of Lights on November 26th, 2021. There will be the lighting of the tree, cookies and hot chocolate and a visit from a jolly friend from the North Pole. As with all events in these unusual times, they are reliant on the latest covid regulations and guidelines. More details will be posted on the Board of Trade's website, tradeannapolis.com, and the Town's calendar of events.

GET MOVIN'

Fall/Winter 2021-22 Recreation Programs at the Community Hub Gym.

Sport and recreation programs have resumed at the Community Hub Gym. Annual membership is open for Pickleball, Ping Pong, Volleyball, and Soccer programs, and with fitness classes, ball hockey, youth basketball, and other offerings resuming shortly. For current schedules and rates, please visit the "Recreation Programs and Events" page under "Residents" on www.annapolisroyal.com, or call Noah at 902- 955-1205 for more information.



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October 9
October 23
October 30
November 6
November 20

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