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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?

PARADE of LIGHTS 2021

This year's Parade of Lights will be a little different from years past. Starting at 6pm at the Courthouse, we will countdown with Santa's Elves and light the tree. We then march down St. George Street (the road will be closed) to Town Hall where the Elves and Council will lead us in the countdown to light the Town Hall tree. There will be cookies and cocoa by the amphitheatre, but we're not done yet! We next march down to the bottom of St. George Street between Market Square and the Wharf, where Santa will arrive in his new sleigh to help us light the last tree. There will be more cocoa and cookies here and everyone will have a chance to spread out along the waterfront for the fireworks display at 7pm.

This event does not require masks or proof of vaccination, but we do ask everyone to be "Covid-savvy" and keep a little distance between groups. We've come so far and want this holiday season to be happy and safe!



What is a Christmas tree's favorite candy? Orna-mints!

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Following up on the work of previous mayors and councils, and on behalf of our Council, I had the opportunity to meet with Bear River Chief Carol Dee Potter and members of Council in October. Chief Potter was presented with a binder of pictures and articles from past events involving both the Town and the Bear River First Nation going back to at least 2004. Chief Potter gave me a parting gift of an eagle feather and a mixture of herbs which includes sweet grass, tobacco, sage and cedar used for smudging ceremonies. At her invitation, I attended opening events for the Bear River Harvester's Gathering on October 20 which included a hearty community breakfast at the Health Centre followed by a very moving ceremony including prayers, a smudging ceremony, and the lighting of the sacred fire. The picture is of Chief Carol Dee Potter, Elder Agnes Potter (who led the prayers) and District Chief Dr. Sherry Pictou, as they left the opening ceremony.



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

This event was followed up with another meeting on November 18 in Bear River. A number of items of mutual interest were discussed including the Town's proposed small scale tidal power generating pilot project, Twinning activities planned for 2022 and next year's planned Beyond Oqwa'titek celebrations for September. Chief Potter provided information on the First Nations consultation process for the pilot project, and requested that Town Council consider a statement of land acknowledgement and following the Town of Digby's lead by flying a First Nations flag at Town Hall. These matters will be brought up at the next Committee of the Whole meeting on December 1.

I would encourage members of the public to keep an eye on the Bear River website for upcoming events and celebrations, many of which are open to the public (see <https://bearriverfirstnation.ca/>).



Winter Sidewalk Clearance

Winter is fast approaching. We have had our first flurry, so it's a good time to review the sidewalk clearance By-Law:

"Occupiers, owners or persons in charge of houses, stores, lots and pieces of land situate on that portion of St. George Street in the Town extending northerly from and including the property at 324 St George Street on the one side and from the Town Hall Building at 285 St George Street on the other side to the Town Wharf, shall, after every snowfall, clear away the snow from the sidewalks adjoining their respective properties as follows:

1. When the snow ceases falling during the day within four (4) hours after it has ceased falling; and
2. When the snow ceases falling during the night, within four (4) hours after daylight on the following day



Winter Parking

Although we do not have an overnight parking ban, you are reminded that you cannot park your vehicle on the road during or after a snow storm. If your vehicle interferes with snow removal operations your vehicle may be ticketed and/or towed. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.



Assistance

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: www.salvationarmy.ca

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.





CHIEF'S CORNER



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: annapolisroyal.com

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



Babysitting Tips Part 2

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.

In Case of Fire:

- Get all children out of the residence
- Do not re-enter the house
- Use a neighbour's telephone to call the fire department

Guard Against Accidents:

- Pick up toys left on the floor, stairs, in halls and/or other passageways
- Be alert to possible child hazards such as medicines in bathrooms, dangerous utensils in kitchens, electrical outlets, etc.
- Always supervise children at play
- Do not operate appliances or equipment, unless permission is given by the parents

On The Way Home:

- Report any unusual happenings when the child's/children's parents return home
- If a parent is to drive you home but appears to be intoxicated, insist on calling your own parents to make alternate arrangements

Tips For Parents:

Always leave the following telephone numbers readily available for your babysitter:

- Where you can be reached
- A friend or neighbour who can offer assistance, if necessary
- Police, Fire and Ambulance: 9-1-1
- The Poison Information Centre: 1-800-268-9017

Remember that when you leave your child/children in the care of a babysitter you are placing a big responsibility on that person

Selecting A Babysitter:

- Look for common sense and maturity
- Ask friends or neighbours for recommendations/referrals
- Let the babysitter you select visit your home prior to the date you will be going out so that both you and your child/children can get to know him/her

Ground Rules:

Be explicit in your instructions and, if necessary, write out a list of important points regarding your expectations. Discourage use of your telephone by your babysitter for lengthy calls to friends. Once you have chosen your babysitter(s), and have established trust in them, good and lasting relationships will develop. Your child/children will enjoy having them babysit and you will enjoy your time away from home, confident in the knowledge that your family is in good hands. Note that some communities offer babysitting courses through the Canada Safety Council. Ask your babysitter if they have taken it. If not, suggest they do.

Police Statistics for the month of July

#	Nature of the Call
1	Traffic Collision(s) - Property damage
12	Intersection Related Violations
3	Speeding Violations
15	Other Moving Traffic Violations
10	Non-moving Traffic
1	Fail to Stop at Accident Scene
2	Operation While Impaired (alcohol over)
1	Operation While Impaired Drugs/Alcohol
1	Failure/Refusal to comply with demand
1	Motor Vehicle insurance cover-
10	Other non-moving traffic
1	Dangerous Driving
2	Flight from Peace Officer
41	Checkstop
1	Municipal by-law Traffic
1	Liquor Act Provincial Offences
1	Trespass Act
1	Trespass at Night
1	Cannabis Act
1	Cannabis Act
1	Disturbing the Peace
50	Written traffic offence Warnings
1	Resists/Obstructs Peace Officer
1	Mental Health Act
3	911 act Other Activities
19	Crime Prevention
1	abandoned vehicles
4	suspicious person/vehicle/
1	other activities
16	Property Checks
1	Other Provincial/territorial
2	Animal calls
2	False Alarms
4	Assistance to general Public
2	Lost and Found
1	Information File
1	Assistance to non-Federal Dept/ Agency
220	TOTAL

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Please forward January submissions by December 17, 2021 to: admin@annapolisroyal.com.

Events

**Saturdays in November
and December 9am to 12pm**
Annapolis Royal Winter Market at the
Legion 66 Victoria St.

**November 6th to December 18th
At ARCAC**
Exhibition // **Reflections on Life** //
Richard Rudnicki, curated by Susan
Tooke

November 26th
Board of Trade Parade of Lights / 6
to 7pm beginning at the Courthouse
with Santa landing in his sleigh and fire-
works at 7pm

November 26th
CHRISTMAS TREES!
From the **Lions Club** available at the
nursery at Home Hardware . Cost
\$30.00. Volunteers needed. Please con-
tact Perry at perryjoy2243@gmail.com

November 26th at 7:30pm
At the King's Theatre. **Live Dance.**
"Double bill" by Meredith Kalamian

**November 27th at 7:00pm and 28th at
2:00pm**
Join the **King's Theatre** for a rare op-
portunity to see **REENY SMITH &
THE SANCTIFIED BROTHERS** all
together on stage in two very special
concerts (November 27 at 7:00pm &
November 28 at 2:00pm). It's the 100th
anniversary of the first performance ever
to take place at King's Theatre, and to
celebrate, and we are offering a pair of
FREE TICKETS to anyone who has
ever volunteered with King's Theatre.
Call the Box Office today at (902) 532
7704.

December 3rd at 7:30pm
Rose Cousins at the King's Theatre

December 4th
9am to 3pm
Old fashioned Christmas Market at the
Annapolis Royal Legion. Breakfast and
Lunch served

December 4th
9am to 2pm
Holiday Market at Market Square
featuring food, gifts, and more!

December 8th and 10th
At King's Theatre
Dune at 7:00pm

December 12th
At King's Theatre
Ron's Gone Wrong children's film
at 2:00pm

December 12th
6:30pm to 10:00pm
Grey Cup Party at The Legion!
BBQ with Bring your own meat and
munchies. The Legion will supply Chili
and Potato Salad. Watch the game on
our NEW 65" UHDTV!

Town Hall Closure

In November, Council ap-
proved the closure of Town
Hall from December 24, 2021
to January 3, 2022 (inclusive).

Please note, with the current state
of emergency regulations and pro-
tocols 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.

Upcoming Meetings

*Open to the public
Agendas available online*

Environment Advisory
Committee
December 22nd @ 2pm

Committee of the Whole
December 1st @ 6pm

Planning & Heritage Advisory
Committee
December 6th @ 9am

Board of Police Commissioners
December 8th @ 10 am

Accessibility Advisory Committee
December 8th @ 5 pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee
No December meeting

Marketing & Economic
Development
Committee
December 14th @ 6pm

Council
December 15th @ 6pm

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

TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Late Night Shopping

Shop FA-LA-LA-LA-LOCAL this season with late night shopping every Friday (November 26th and December 3rd, 10th and 17th). Participating shops and restaurants will be offering holiday sales and specials. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to support local businesses and find great deals. Each week also features Gift-Card Stocking Give-Aways.

Street Closure

Please note that St. George Street will be closed for the Parade of Lights on November 26th from 6pm to 7pm from the traffic lights down to Drury Lane. The street will open in stages as the parade passes, but please understand that no vehicular movement will be allowed while the street is closed.



Happy
Holidays
from
Council
and Staff

Christmas Waste

Be sure to separate all of the wrapping waste generated over the holidays. Non-metallic wrapping paper can be placed in the green cart. Metallic paper, bows, and ribbons can be disposed of in the regular garbage. Christmas trees can be placed curbside for Public Works to pick up.

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

Planning and Heritage Committee

Members for the Marketing and Economic Development Committee

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

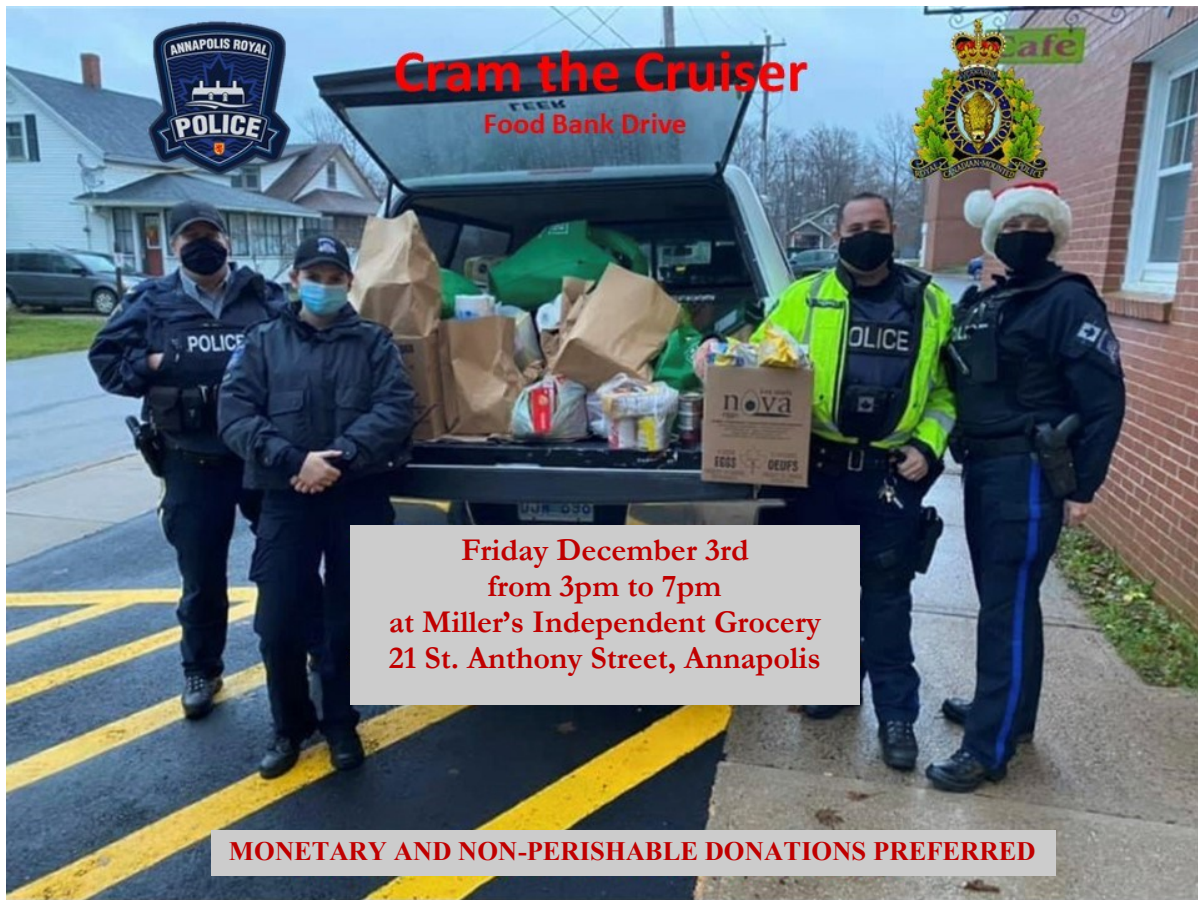
Pick-up Dates:

November 30th
December 7th and 21st



CRAM the Cruiser

It's that time of year again! It's time to Cram the Cruiser! The Annapolis Royal Police Service and the Annapolis District RCMP will be at Miller's Independent on December 3rd from 3PM to 7PM.



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



Did you know... December 18th is National Gingerbread House Day! Make sure to build your sweet treat to eat!

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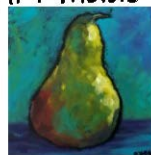
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November 11th marks the signing of the armistice (peace agreement) between Allies and Germany.