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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?







Are you listening? The closer we get to summer, the more sounds we are hearing. From Spring Peepers to returning migratory birds, and maybe the occasional raccoon or skunk looking for some of your leftovers! Remember to keep your waste somewhere critter-proof. This is also the time of year when birds are nesting and spring babies are being born. We ask that everyone do their best to not disturb wildlife during this time and leave space for the parents and babies whenever possible. If you happen across any injured, distressed or orphaned wildlife, please contact Hope for Wildlife's Wildlife Helpline, 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, seven days a week, call or text 902-407-9453. Avian flu is still active in Nova Scotia, if you come across dead birds, contact DNRR at 902-584-2229 for removal. Although they can be cute, many animals can also become a nuisance. For information on nuisance animals visit https://novascotia.ca/natr/wildlife/nuisance/ nuisance.asp

Speaking of sounds around the Town... The Town has begun the process of finding a new Town Crier. Keep a watch on our website and social media for updates!

Spring Peeper adult males are 2 cm to 3 cm in length, while females average 2.7 cm to 3.7 cm



Members of Council

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Mayor Boyer Office Hours Available by Appointment



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

Copies are available 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 on May 18, 2022.

Please contact

kgrear@annapolisroyal.com

or 902-532-2043 ext. 110 if you have any

questions.

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

Public Works Emergency: 902-532-8347

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Protecting our downtown against sea level rise

The Town just received word that it will receive \$25,000 from the National Cost Sharing Program for Heritage Places towards engineering services to identify the best options for protecting the downtown core from sea level rise. The Chair of the Environment Committee, John Bottomley, recently completed a comprehensive Flood Risk Assessment report based on past climate change studies and reports conducted over the years which has an estimated in-



Mayor Amery Boyer, B. Mus., MBA

kind value of \$40,000. The Committee will be meeting with a representative from Parks Canada to discuss the go forward plan which includes tendering for engineering services. There is substantial federal money available for a solution, but we must first confirm the best solution for the Town and the area.

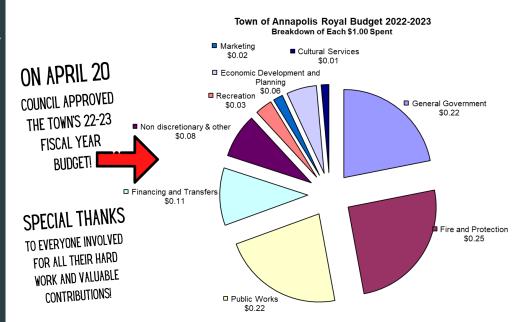
The Environment Committee now has a representative from the Municipality of the County of Annapolis, Councillor Clyde Barteaux, and it is anticipated that the Town of Middleton will be appointing a representative soon if it has not already done so. So, for anyone with an interest in our downtown, and there are so many of you, please think about how you might be able to contribute towards identifying a solution for our downtown.

40 Years Forward Survey

AIRO is planning to host two community meetings to talk about the next 40 years in Annapolis Royal and area. Everyone is invited to attend to share and hear about ideas big and small. Billed as the 40 Years Forward survey, the first was held on April 25th at the Annapolis Royal Fire Hall and a second similar session will occur on May 31st from 6PM to 8PM at the Annapolis Royal Fire Hall. There is also a survey you can complete if you cannot attend either meeting.

Annapolis Valley STAR Project

Tourism Operators and members of the business community should also be made aware that there will be a presentation on this regional tourism project on April 28 at 6:30 pm at the Annapolis Royal Fire Hall.



Peter Davies Legacy Clock Project

You may have heard by now of Peter Davies's serious illness. Peter has been a fixture in our town for nearly a quarter century as our Town Crier, always there with his "Hear ye, hear ye" cry in his loud sonorous voice. He was there for every Canada Day, every Christmas, a regular at the Farmers' Market - every event that needed a little colour, a little humour, a little touch of what Annapolis Royal is all about.

Peter's fellow bandmates, in collaboration with the Town of Annapolis Royal, intend that he should be honoured. You can participate in the Town's fund drive to complete his favorite legacy - a second clock identical to the one Peter purchased for the Town Hall tower in 2017. This one will face Fort Anne and have a chime to mark the hour.

Donate at: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/ annapolis-royal/campaign/peter-davies-legacy-clock/



Saturday May 14 Trout Fishing Derby at First Lake!

There is a trout fishing derby being held from 10AM-2PM at First Lake on May 14. First Lake is located on Rt. 8 next to the Hwy 101 East ramp and commuter parking lot in Lequille. Open to all ages with parental supervision and cost free! Canoes are allowed but must be por-



taged to the lake as there is no access provided to motorized vehicles. Registration is on the day of the event, and prizes will be awarded for all age groups! For more information, please contact Noah Scanlan alc@annapolisroyal.com or at 902.955.1205.

Tidbits and Other Things

The Town of Annapolis Royal's clean up week will be May 9-13, see www.vwrm.com for more details

For Non-Resident Deed Transfer Tax and Property Tax information click HERE

The Home Warming Program is a free program for low-income homeowners fully funded by the Province of Nova Scotia and Nova Scotia Power.

The Town has received funding for two summer students. Stay tuned for application details.

A number of help wanted signs have popped up around town...cold there be a new career in your future?

Ick... it's a Tick!

We generally think of blooming flowers, leaves on trees and the soothing sounds of the Spring Peepers in May. But May is also the start of tick season. Did you know there are 14 kinds of ticks in Nova Scotia? The ones we humans most often come across are the Wood (Dog) tick and the Black Legged (Deer) tick. The Deer Tick is the only one reported to carry and transmit Lyme Disease. As icky as they are, it is wise to become tick-aware to lessen risk of disease and the heebie-jeebies!

Tick resources:

https://novascotia.ca/ticksafety/ resources and tips for tick identification, removal and risk reduction.

www.etick.ca is a public platform for image-based tick identification and monitoring in Canada.

https://www.vourdoctors.ca/blog/general/what-you-really-need-to-know -about-lyme-disease-in-nova-scotia is a Doctors Nova Scotia blog with some great info about ticks and Lyme disease.



What do ticks and the Eiffel Tower have in common?" "They're both Paris sites!



CHIEF'S CORNER



Emergency Line: 911

General Police Line: 902-532-2427 Office Location: 285 St. George Street

Police Facebook: @ARPoliceD

Town Facebook: @townofannapolisroyal CRIMESTOPPERS: 902-422-8477 OR

crimestoppers.ns.ca





Chief Mark Kane

Elder Abuse & Safety Tips part 2 **Prevention Suggestions for Older Persons**

Do:

- Plan for your own future when you are well and still independent
- Make a will and review it annually
- Have your pension and other cheques deposited directly into your account
- Stay active in your community for as long as possible

BE PREPARED KNOW YOUR RIGHTS ASK FOR HELP **Elder Abuse Prevention Strategies for Older Persons**

Don't:

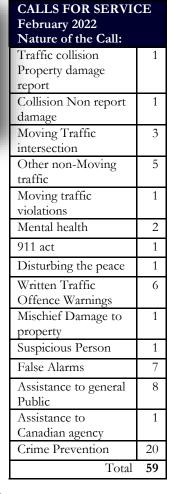
- Revise a will without careful thought and before speaking to someone you trust
- Leave jewellery, cash, or other valuable possessions lying around your home
- Rely solely on family members for your social life
- Allow adult children to return to your home (especially if they have drug, alcohol and/or psychological problems) without carefully considering the situation and consulting others for advice
- Be too proud to ask for help when you need it (i.e. public health nurse, church, senior centre, friends)
- Be intimidated in seeking your rights because of your age

Privacy Protection Part 1

Protecting your personal privacy is of vital importance in an age where incidents of identity theft are on the rise. The following tips, offered by the Annapolis Royal Police Service, are designed to help individuals from becoming victims of privacy crime:

Documents and Mail:

- Keep all your receipts and reconcile them with your statements
- Ensure that all items containing personal information such as charge receipts, bank statements, etc. are disposed of safely
- Always shred receipts, copies of credit card applications, insurance forms and physician statements
- Never leave receipts at bank machines, bank wickets, in trash cans or at gasoline pumps
- Pay close attention to billing and mailing cycles
- Put outgoing mail in post office collection boxes
- Promptly remove mail from your mailbox upon delivery
- If you are going to be away from home, aske a trusted friend or neighbour to pick-up your mail or have Canada Post activate a 'hold mail' service
- Avoid mail solicitations disguised as promotions that request personal information







EVENTS FOR THE MONTH



Please forward May submissions by May 18, 2022 to: kgrear@annapolisroyal.com



ARCAC May Exhibitions

bartly/qartly/partly / B Mosher

Of Water and Rock / Lorna Mulligan

Zero 1 2 Three 2 1 Zero / Sparrow Baranyai

ARCAC Artist Talk, 7:00-7:30 pm

On Zoom with Lorna Mulligan

Rare and Unusual Plant Sale

May 22, 1-4:00 pm in Market Square



Annapolis Royal Library

May 2, 9, 16, 30, 10:00-10:45 am **Monday Morning Storytime**

May 14 10:30-11:15 am **Saturday Storytime**

May 26, 7:00-8:00 pm

Paper Flower Bouquet

register for these events by visiting: www.valleylibrary.ca



Recurring Events

Saturdays

9am to 1:00 pm

Annapolis Royal Farmers' and Traders Market

Opening day May 21 in Market Square

Fridays

Lab or One-on-One Tech Help Hour

Annapolis Innovation Lab 143 Ritchie St.

Wednesdays

AA and Al-anon

Annapolis Royal First United Baptist Church Address: 762 St. George St.

Fort Anne opens May 20

Daily thereafter from 9:00-5:00 pm

King's Theatre

Legendary Down Child Blues Band

May 1, 7:30 pm

David Chamberland with Vicky Deveau

May 5, 12:00 pm

Peace by Chocolate

May 6, 7:30 pm

Laila Biali

May 12, 7:30 pm

The Outfit

May 13, 7:00 pm

Prelude to a Kiss - National Stage Company of Canada

May 19, 7:30 pm

8:37 Rebirth

May 20, 7:30 pm

Capella Regalis, performance to take place at St. George St. and St. Andrew's Church

May 22, 7:00 pm

Everything Everywhere all at once

May 25, 7:30 pm

Lynnea Rose

May 26, 12:00 pm

Rum Ragged

May 28, 7:30 pm



At the Historic Gardens

Magnificent Magnolias

Apr 23-May 8, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Season kickoffs with an admission by donation only weekend

May 7-8, 9:00 am -5:00pm

Rhapsody of Rhododendrons

May 28-Jun 12, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

At the Legion, Branch #21

Friday Music

May 6, 7:00-9:00 pm **Les Smith** May 13, 7:00-9:00 pm **Michael Robertson & Jeff Barteaux**

12th Annual Blackfly Music Festival

May 18th from 1:00– 10:00pm or later! \$7 cover for the whole day! BBQ available from 12 - 7pm.

Upcoming Meetings

Open to the public Agendas available online

Committee of the Whole May 5 @ 6pm

Planning & Heritage Advisory Committee May 2 @ 9am

Board of Police Commissioners May 11 @ 10am

Accessibility Advisory Committee May 11 @ 5pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee May 12 @ 1pm

Marketing & Economic Development

Committee May 10 @ 6pm

Council May 18 @ 6pm

Environment Advisory Committee May 25 @ 2pm

Town Hall Closure

We will be closed on Monday May 23. Wishing everyone a safe and healthy long weekend.

Legion events: see Facebook for details on their events.

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

ARCAC (ARTsPLACE) events: arcac.ca

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



Sidewalk Leasing and Permits

Just a friendly reminder for in Town Businesses to renew your sidewalk lease and or Sandwich Board permits for the upcoming season! Information on sidewalk leasing and applications can be found at https://annapolisroyal.com/streets-and-sidewalks/; applications for sandwich boards or off-premises signs on Town property can be found at https://annapolisroyal.com/sandwich-boards-off-premises-signs-town-property/ Applications are also available at Town Hall; applications must be submitted for approval and application fees paid prior to setting up.

Attention Heritage Property Owners

As an owner of a registered heritage property, the Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee (PHAC) would like to remind everyone to apply for the appropriate permits for any renovations or changes to the property. PHAC meets the first Monday of every month and reviews all applications. If you have any questions or if you're not sure if you need to apply call the Community Development Officer Ken Knox at 902-532-2043 ext. 105 or email kknox@annapolisroyal.com.





Notes, Notices and Updates from Town Hall

- → The Town has adopted **two new policies**: <u>Videoconferencing</u> and <u>Fees and Fines</u>. The Low Income Tax Exemption Policy has also been updated to reflect changes to income level. All policies can be found at https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/policies-and-by-laws/
- → Town Council approved 2nd reading and passing of the Regional Emergency Management By-law at the March 16, 2022 Town Council meeting. This by-law becomes law as of April 14, 2022.
- → **Public Hearing** on May 18 in Council Chambers regarding the request to deregister the heritage property at 634 St. George St.
- → Ken Knox has been appointed Municipal Development Officer, term ending December 31, 2022.
- → The Town has entered into a memorandum of understanding with Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel, and Tobacco Division of Nova Scotia to streamline the process for obtaining liquor licenses.
- → Partners have been secured for the Tidal Power Pilot Project, the Town now awaits response from the Canadian Federation of Municipalities before proceeding to next steps.
- → New winter parking regulations have been adopted for the 2022-2023 season. Details can be found on the Town's website
- → Thank you to Wilfred for reaching out to us with his kind words regarding the Town Crier. The new editor is Executive Assistant Krista Grear.

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

we are also looking for

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

Did you know...

May 2, 1964 - Northern Dancer was the first Canadian horse to win the Kentucky Derby

May 3, 1915 - Lt.-Col. John McCrae composes "In Flanders Fields" in a field ambulance near the Franco-Belgium front.

May 10, 1990 - The Canadian Space Agency is created by an Act of Parliament

May 12, 1958 - Canada and the United States for the North American Air Defense Command in response to the Cold War with Russia

May 14, 1969 - Homosexuality is decriminalized in Canada, with the passage of the Criminal Law Amendment Act (1968-1969)

May 18, 1970 - The Guess Who song 'No Sugar Tonight' reaches number one on the US Billboard Charts

May 31, 1997 - The Confederation Bridge between PEI and NB opens



CLIMATE CHANGE NEWS



Adaptation and Mitigation

By Kayla Winsor, Climate Change Intern

Mitigation enables communities to create disaster prevention strategies to help prevent or reduce the impact of natural disasters. In addition, mitigation enables individuals and communities to recover more rapidly from extreme environmental events. Two examples of mitigation strategies include planting trees to fight greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Also, creating farm crops that diversify produce and promote healthy ecosystems and soils.

ADAPTATION: Being aware of and prepared for climate change related events & impacts protection and storage of water supply to address drought preparing for longer, more intense fire seasons updating or installing infrastructure to address sea level rise development of community emergency or disaster plans protecting farms and food chain climate justice for people & places



Mitigation is vital to help communities fight climate change and think long-term about the potential of environmental threats and ways to lower its impacts.

On the other hand, adaptation helps communities prepare for the direct impacts of climate change. For example, adverse effects from climate change will create higher intensity and frequency in extreme environmental events such as floods, heatwaves, and hurricanes. Communities prepared for such circumstances will better protect their social, ecological and economic assets. Two examples of adaptation strategies include improvements to emergency response measures. Public engagement on information/education surrounding threats the area may face due to climate change.



By Roy Austin, Hum-Along Honey Farm, Nova Scotia Beekeepers

We have all heard the phrase, "It takes a village to raise a child". We could also say, "It takes a bee to feed a child." For several years now, we have been hearing reports of declining populations of honeybees, bumble bees, and other pollinating insects. To obtain the large amounts of nectar and pollen required for survival, these insects visit millions of blossoms in a season. While foraging, they act as agents of pollination, providing a vital service to agriculture, estimated to be worth 10-20 times the value of the honey and beeswax they produce.

As a child, I had my first close encounter with honeybees. I still remember the pleasure of sneaking into my grandfathers "Honey House" and breathing deeply the rich aroma of freshly extracted honey. That memory was renewed, when 50 years later, I purchased some honeybees of my own, and the woodenware to house them. I felt the same excitement that I had when I was seven.

Honeybees, and their kin are worth celebrating. Without them our children would have no apples for lunch, nor oranges in their Christmas stockings. World Bee Day provides a good opportunity for each of us to consider steps we can take to help and protect these insects that play such a vital role in keeping us healthy and filling our minds with wonder.



One (1) of every three (3) bites of food eaten worldwide depends on pollinators, especially bees!



YOUR HEALTH MATTERS



QUITTING IS HARD.

Could this be the motivation you've been looking for?

The World Health Organization (WHO) announced the 2022 global campaign for World No Tobacco Day - "Tobacco: Threat to our environment." The campaign is aimed to raise awareness among the public on the environmental impact of tobacco – from cultivation, production, distribution, and waste. WHO also notes:

- 84 megatons of carbon dioxide (greenhouse gas) equivalent emitted annually.
- 3.5 million hectares of land destroyed, deforested and degraded by tobacco farming.
- 90% of tobacco farms/plantations are in developing countries that are less equipped to address long term consequences
 like food insecurity, loss of biodiversity, healthcare/illness, and poverty. Tobacco industry profits are made by transnational companies, not the countries in which the tobacco is grown.
- The tobacco industry contributes to climate change and reduces climate resilience, wasting resources and damaging ecosystems. Source: https://bit.ly/36nGObL

There are several supports available to help you quit smoking successfully. But sometimes we need that extra bit of encouragement or information to help us on our quitting journey. Perhaps learning about the environmental and social justice impacts of the Tobacco industry will be just that for you. <a href="https://mha.nshealth.ca/en/services/stop-smoking-services/stop-sm

http://smokershelpline.ca or call the Smokers Help Line at 1-866-366-3667



#GetReal May 2-8 2022

#GetReal about how to help is the theme for 2022. Tips for getting real: take time to listen and practice empathy; start from a place of safety and mutual respect; create supportive and nonjudgmental environments; it's okay to not have all the answers or solutions.



GET MOVIN'



Summer Tennis is Annapolis Royal

Spring is here, so it's time to get out and enjoy the community tennis courts located on Champlain Drive next to AWEC!

There is no cost to use the courts. You must register to receive the combination to gate lock by contacting alc@annapolisroyal.com, by calling 902-955-1205, or by visiting Town Hall. Courts are open to all, children under 12 require parental supervision.



The Annapolis Royal Tennis Club is always looking for new members. Seasonal membership rates for all play are \$50 adult, \$30 student. The fee for vacationers is \$5/ week to play on club doubles days. To become a club member, please join the club at one of their scheduled play times. All skill levels are welcome, and we're super fun too! Please call Mike Scott at 902-532-5107 for more info. The Tennis Club is also offering adult beginners tennis lessons.

Summer Youth Tennis Camps will be offered this year with details to follow. For more information on any of the above, or to borrow some tennis equipment to go give it a try, please contact Noah Scanlan, Active Living Coordinator, at alc@annapolisroyal.com, or call (902)-955-1205.



racquet and court/tennis shoes. Only two spots left for this clinic. Free. To register phone 902-665-2038. Or email

janeborecky@gmail.com

Tournament Doubles Dates (Open to the Public - Entry Fees are \$5.00/person)

Steve Rhymer Memorial June 12

John Rodie Canada Day Tournament July 3 Starting at 1pm

Grant Potter Natal Day Tournament-July 31 Starting at 1pm

Fallen Comrades Labor Day September 4 Starting at 1pm

Tennis Club Reserved Times:

M, W, F 9-11AM Tues & Thurs 5-8PM Sunday 2-6PM



PUBLIC NOTICES



IMPORTANT NOTICE: DOG BYLAW NOW IN EFFECT

We would like to advise the public that, the Town of Annapolis Royal "Dog By-law" has now received Ministerial approval. This By-law was signed and published on October 7th 2020. Starting April 11th 2022, any offence violated under this by-law will carry a minimum out of court penalty of \$312.25. The following Offences will be enforced by way of Summary Offence Ticket:

- Owning unregistered dog(s)
- Owning dog(s) that is/are not wearing tag
- Owner of dog neglecting or refusing to provide written statement of number of dogs owned, harboured, or kept on owner's premises
- Owning dog(s) that runs at large
- Owning dog(s) that persistently disturbs quiet neighborhood
- Owner harboring, keeping, or having care or control of dangerous dog(s)
- Owner failing to remove dog's feces from property other than owner's property



You can find a copy of the Dog Bylaw on the Town website. https://annapolisroyal.com/dog/



Burning Permits are required in the Town between April 1 and October 15. Click <u>HERE</u> for permit application. For details on acceptable burning in Town limits click <u>HERE</u>.

Burn restriction began on March 15. Be sure to check the Burn Safe Map for local details. https://novascotia.ca/burnsafe/



We have an opening for a Public Works Labourer



See website for details Apply by 4 pm May 13

Notice of Adoption By-law

TAKE NOTICE THAT Annapolis Royal Town Council approved 2nd reading and passing of the following By-law at the April 20, 2022 Town Council meeting:

Building By-law

This by-law becomes law as of the April 28, 2022.

Copies of the by-laws are available at the Town office.

Sandi Millett-Campbell Chief Administrative Officer Town of Annapolis Royal P. O. Box 310 Annapolis Royal, NS BOS 1A0 Phone (902) 532-2043 Ext. 104

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Municipal Boundary Review

for the Town of Annapolis Royal

Council is interested in your comments on whether to maintain or change the number of Councillors and polling districts. Information will be available on the Town website, social media, and at Town Hall.

Residents are invited to provide comments

In person on Thursday May 26 at 6:00 pm in the Dugua Room at the Community Hub, 143 Ritchie St.

By email: admin@annapolisroyal.com by 3:00 pm May 26

In writing: CAO, Town of Annapolis Royal, 285 St. George St., PO Box 310, Annapolis Royal, BOS 1AO, by 3:00 pm May 26

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