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### WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?





With the kids heading back to school it sure seems like summer is at an end. But there's still lots of summer fun to be had! Music at the O, Farmers and Traders Market, Historic Gardens, sunsets on the waterfront, and getting out on one of the trails will keep your summer going.

The Town would like to give a big thanks to the Natal Day and Pride Committees and all the volunteers for two awesome events this year. Be sure to give them a nod, wave, or say thanks when you see them.

The Town would also like to say thank you, farewell and best of luck to our summer student Savanah. Savanah was integral in ensuring that summer events, camps and activities went off without a hitch.

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation is offering a series of FREE virtual lunch and learn sessions throughout Truth and Reconciliation Week 2023 to facilitate learning for Canadians on topics related to Truth and Reconciliation. Sessions will feature a range of speakers and will provide audience members with the opportunity to ask questions and engage in further conversations. nctr.ca/education/coming-soon-truth-and-reconciliationweek-2023/

"A fallen leaf is nothing more than summer's wave good-bye." ~ Unknown



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

Submissions are welcomed and deadlines vary monthly, with the deadline for the October edition on September 21, 2023.

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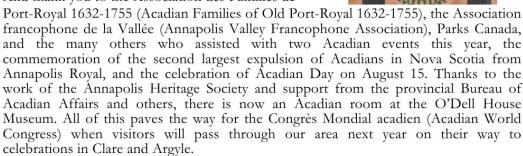
# MAYOR'S MESSAGE



### News and Updates

On behalf of Town Council and staff, I would like to express our thanks to the Natal Day team and its many partners for a truly wonderful Natal Day weekend. The feedback from people who attended the various events over the weekend was overwhelmingly positive.

And thank you to the Association des Familles de



Congratulations are also in order for ARCAC's successful Paint the Town weekend with 80 artists registering for the event.

Thank you to all who planned and carried out successful events in August!

Municipal Cooperation: The Town, the Municipality of the County of Annapolis, and the Town of Middleton have established a Working Group to look for ways to provide more effective and efficient collaboration including service delivery, infrastructure development and operations, marketing and promotion, communications, short and long-term planning, economic and community development advocacy with provincial and federal governments, taxation strategies, and financial stewardship. This is consistent with the Town's strategic plan which cites collaboration as a strategic objective for sustainability.

**Service Exchange (who pay for what):** The Province has been working with a committee of the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities on service exchange. The following summarizes a recent offer made to Nova Scotia towns and counties:

The Municipal Financial Capacity Grant (MFCG) would be unfrozen with elements of the formula modernized. Those municipalities which would see a decrease in their MFCG funding under the new formula would receive non-renewable top-up funding for 5 years. The Town's amount under the new formula would decrease from \$41,956 to \$32,211. The Town would therefore be eligible for a top-up of \$9,745 for five years.

The Province would absorb the costs associated with the mandatory contributions to **Corrections**. This would save the Town approximately \$11,260 annually.

The Province would absorb the annual costs associated with **public housing losses**. This would save the Town approximately \$67,295 annually.

The Province would create an application based funding program for **roads** for towns. \$6M would be available for 50-50 cost sharing for repaving trunks and routes which are municipally owned.

Welcome to new staff: Kim Dunning joins us on Monday August 28th as the new Executive Assistant. Kim is highly experienced in government office administration with her most recent experience with the BC provincial government. Melanie Stubbs joins us on September 5 as the Accounting Assistant. She comes to us from the Pines where she worked as the Director of Finance for the past year. Melanie also has extensive municipal experience from her years in Ontario.

#### Annapolis Royal Refresh! Update

Phew, but summer is just flying by! Our Project team, made up of representatives from the Annapolis Board of Trade, AIRO (Annapolis Investments in Rural Opportunity), Annapolis Farmers & Traders Market, and the Town of Annapolis Royal, have been working diligently to get as many of the elements of our Build Nova Scotia supported projects completed.

One of the most highly anticipated elements just wrapped up...the incredible mural installed by artist Lorne Julien at the end of the Annapolis Royal Wharf. The whole team is delighted with his work and the feedback from the community has been wonderful.

The new locally designed benches are truly making this a destination spot in the town. There are a few more things coming to the wharf before that project will be fully completed.

The work at Market Square continues but again, the elements already added there (new stage and seating) have been welcomed with open arms. It's certainly making that space come to life and inviting people to use the Square in more ways...even if it's just to sit and enjoy your lunch or have a visit with friends and neighbours.

Stay tuned for future updates as more elements of our projects are installed!



#### OYEZ! OYEZ! OYEZ!

Parks Canada and the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada commemorated the national historic significance of the 315-year-old de Gannes-Cosby House of Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, with a plaque unveiling ceremony on Aug. 19, 2023. It was designated a national historic site in 2019. Special thanks to everyone involved!

Read the full story at: www.exploreannapolisroyal.com/degannes-cosby.html

# what's on at your library







Caring for children requires patience, engagement, positive energy, and knowledge of what to do in an emergency.

The Braveheart Babysitting course motivates and trains youth to be able to handle a variety of difficult caretaking situations, including first aid skills such as the recovery position, choking saves, and techniques for stopping bleeding, as well as an overview of how to manage asthma, allergies, Epi-Pens, and more.

Whether or not you plan to be a babysitter, this course will teach you some very important life skills!

Ages 11+. Registration is required. This event is sponsored by the Annapolis Royal Friends of the Library.

### **Tie Dye for Teens**

Learn to mix dyes, use mordants, and fold fabric to make a beautiful tie-dyed t-shirt of your own.

For ages 12-17. All materials provided, including t-shirts. No experience necessary. Registration required.

Please wear a smock or old clothes, as dye will stain.



What did the zero say to the eight? That belt looks good on you.



# 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

#### **CHIEFS CORNER**

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I thought it would be great to share over the next two Chiefs corner segments the process in a criminal case. The information was obtained straight from the Public Prosecution Service in Nova Scotia.

The Criminal Case Explained | novascotia.ca

#### The Criminal Case Explained Part 2

Arraignment of the accused and bail

Most persons who are charged with a crime are given a written description of the charge by the police. This document also names a date and court for them to appear to answer to the charge.

Sometimes the crime is very serious or the accused person has a criminal record. In these cases, the accused person may be held in jail until his or her first court appearance. At the first court appearance, the charge is read to the accused by the judge. This act of reading the charge to the accused is the arraignment.

If the accused has been held in jail, the judge will usually hold a bail hearing to determine whether the accused should be released or held until trial. If released, the accused may be ordered to obey certain conditions. Such conditions may be a curfew or not having any contact with the victim or witnesses. The accused person could be charged with a further offence if he or she fails to obey these conditions.

Choice of trial court by the accused

If the accused is charged with a summary offence, his or her trial will be in the provincial court before a judge. This is the same court in which the accused appeared for arraignment.

If the accused is charged with an indictable offence, he or she will usually have the choice of a trial in Provincial Court or in Supreme Court. If the accused chooses a Supreme Court trial, he or she may ask the Provincial Court to hold a preliminary inquiry to decide whether there is enough evidence to have the case go to trial. When the accused chooses to have the trial in Supreme Court, he or she may have the trial with or without a jury.

#### Preliminary inquiry

When a person charged with an indictable offence chooses to have a Supreme Court trial, a preliminary inquiry is usually first held in the Provincial Court. Sometimes, an accused person will give up the right to a preliminary inquiry and go directly to trial.

The preliminary inquiry is held to determine whether the Crown has enough evidence to go to trial. The preliminary inquiry also gives the accused a chance to see and hear the Crown's evidence. In Canada, the Crown does not get the same chance to see and hear the defense's evidence before trial. At the end of the preliminary inquiry, the judge will decide whether the case will go to trial or end at that point.

#### Entering a plea

On a summary offence, after the accused is arraigned he or she will be asked to plead. In Canada, an accused may plead guilty or not guilty. When the accused is charged with an indictable offence, he or she will make a plea in Provincial Court or Supreme Court - whatever court has been chosen for trial.

Judge or jury?

In Provincial Court, all trials are heard by judge alone, with no jury. In Supreme Court, the accused person has the right to choose a trial before either a judge alone or a judge and jury.

If the accused person chooses judge and jury, a jury of 12 Nova Scotians will be selected from a larger number of people, known as a jury panel. Individuals who are Canadian citizens and are 18 years of age or older may be chosen for jury panels from the current listing of those holding Nova Scotia Health Cards. The jury itself is selected from the panel through a process in which both the defense and Crown Attorney participate.

Our next segment will conclude this process.



# **EVENTS FOR THE MONTH**



Please forward August submissions by September 21, 2023 to: admin@annapolisroyal.com

#### ARCAC (ARTSPLACE)

#### Exhibitions Sep 1- Oct 26

PLAYBECKY / Becky Thompson SOFAAR Presents The Art of Fibre 2023

#### Exhibition Sep 1-28

poaceae / B Mosher / OpenSpace Exhibitions Sep 9-Oct 28

A New Day: Harold Cromwell's Legacy Back in the Old Days / The Art of Harold Cromwell

Children's Program / Story Time Art Sep 23rd 10:00am - 11:00am



#### King's Theatre

Sep 1 @ 7:00pm Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem Sep 2 @ 7:30pm Terra Spencer Trio Sep 3 @ 7:30pm Barbie Sep 6 @ 7:30 Dreamin' Wild Sep 8 @ 7:00pm Jurassic Park: 30th Anniversay

Sep 9 @ 7:30pm Shaln Joudry and Raymond Sewell

Sep 10 @ 3:00pm Toopie and Binoo the Movie

Sep 13 @ 7:30pm Sound of Freedom Sep 15 @ 7:30pm James Mullinger Sep 16 @ 9:00am 15th Annual Tournament of Kings

Sep 17 @ 3:00pm Caravan Theatre's Brown Wasp

Sep 23 @ 7:30pm Valdy

Sep 24 @ 3:00pm Matthew Bourne's Sleeping Beauty

Sep 29 @ 7:30pm Sean McCann Sep 30 @ 7:30pm Miscast Cabaret



#### Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Market

Saturdays 9 am - 1pm at Market Square!

#### AA and Al-Anon

Wednesdays, 8:00 pm

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

#### Kejimkujik Nat'l Park

Keji Triathalon: Atlantic Multisport Championship facebook.com/kejimkujik

#### Annapolis Royal Legion, Br. #21

The Annapolis Royal Legion Mixed Dart League will meet Tuesday September 5th at 7pm to pick teams.

Regular weekly play will begin Tuesday September 12th at 7pm.

This is a fun league and is open to all levels of players. (If you can't play each week, you can also become a "spare"!) For more information, please call the Legion at 902-532-5196.



Weekly Toonie Draw IS BACK!!

Tickets \$2 / player weekly Branch #21 Members Only



#### Annapolis Royal Library

Sign up for a one-hour session and explore our exciting tools and technologies including a 3D Scanner and Printer, Cricut Maker, sewing machines, and more!

Sep 15, 12-1:00pm Create a fun pumpkin jar that doubles as decor and a great place to hide your candy.

Preschool children and their caregivers are invited to Monday Morning Storytime. Stories, crafts, sometimes music, and always a good time!

https://annapolisvalley.librarycalendar.c om/events/upcoming



#### At the Historic Gardens

Sep 2-4, 9am-5pm Family Weekend in the Gardens



### **Upcoming Meetings** Open to the public

Planning and Heritage **Advisory Committee** Sep 5 9:00 am

Committee of the Whole Sep 6, 6:00 pm

Marketing and Economic **Development Committee** Sep 11, 6:00 pm

> **Board of Police** Commissioners Oct 11, 10:00 am

**Traffic Flow Advisory** Committee Sep 14, 1:00 pm

> Council Sep 20, 6:00 pm

**Environment Advisory** Committee Sep 27, 2:00 pm

**Annapolis County Inter-**Municipal Working Group Sep 21 6:30pm

TOWN HALL CLOSED **SEPTEMBER 4** Enjoy the long weekends!

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

Community Hub refers to the Library, Innovation Lab, and program rooms located at 143 Ritchie Street. The Community Hub Gym is located at 578 St. George Street.



# TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED



#### Notes, Notices and Updates from Town Hall

**NEW!** Submit your event directly on the Town's website. The link can be found on the homepage and at:

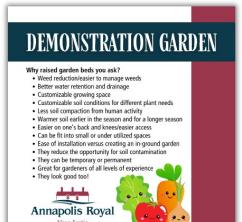
https://annapolisroyal.com/visitors/festivals-and-events/

**BILL REMINDER** Please be advised that sending funds electronically to pay bills is not instantaneous. It generally takes 24-48 hours for the paperwork to be transmitted to the Town therefore if bills are paid on the last day they are due, they may not be received by the Town until after the due date. Please note that mail will not be delivered unless the correct mailing address is used. Just a reminder that water bills will be sent out the end of September. If you are concerned that Town does not have an up-to-date mailing address, please contact us at 902-532-2043 Ext. 101.



WOW on the Water! Staff, Council, family and friends paddled their hearts out and had a blast at the 2023 Riverfest Dragon Boat races.







Growing at Town Hall! We hope that you've had a chance to check out the new raised veggie gardens at Town Hall. We're growing tomatoes, lettuce, peppers, herbs, beans and more. This project is thank to a Municipal Wellness Grant and for all to enjoy!

#### Seniors Care Grant



Starting Friday, September 1, seniors can apply to the annual Seniors Care Grant program, which helps with expenses that allow them to stay in their homes longer and improve their quality of life.

The grant has been increased to \$750 and now includes home heating as an eligible service. To qualify, Nova Scotians must be 65 years or older by March 31, 2024, live in a home they own or rent, and have an annual household income of \$37,500 or less.

The grant helps seniors cover the costs of a range of healthcare and household services, including physiotherapy, medication and grocery delivery, phone services and home repairs. The grant may also be used for home heating costs, such as furnace oil, natural gas and electricity. More information about the grant, including how to apply, who is eligible and eligible services is available:

https://beta.novascotia.ca/apply-help-household-costs-seniors-care-grant by email: seniorsgrant@novascotia.ca or by phone: 1-800-670-4357.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

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

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

Environment Advisory Committee is

seeking a volunteer and the

Board of Police Commissioners is seeking a volunteer.

Contact: CAO Sandi Millett-Campbell at cao@annapolisroval.com or 902-532-2043 ext. 104.

#### Did you know...

September is...

World Alzheimer's Month Ovarian & Prostrate Cancer Awareness Month Int'l Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies Sep 7

World First Aid Day Sep 9 Int'l Day of Democracy Sep 15 Int'l Day of Peace Sep 21



To all the firefighters and departments for their quick response to the recent fire in Town. Firefighters from Digby, Bear River, Lawrencetown, Bridgetown, Middleton, Kingston & Nictaux all assisted on scene or with stand by coverage.

Fire crews spent the hot morning chasing fire throughout the structure, as heavy fire was reported. Roughly 50 firefighters were on scene working to help contain the fire.

EHS Paramedics provided on scene standby and Nova Scotia Power assisted with disconnecting the power. Annapolis Royal Police were also on scene.

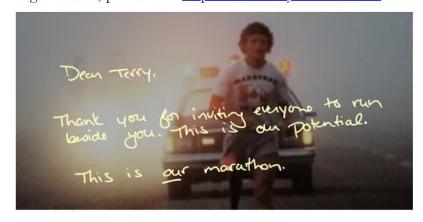


# GET MOVIN'



#### Terry Fox Run - September 17, 2023

Taking place from 1-3PM on Sunday, September 17, and starting at Town Hall, you can run, walk, or wheel a 2km, 5km, or 10km route and help raise funds for cancer research. Dogs on leashes are welcome. To learn more about how to run, register, and/or donate to this incredible organization, please visit https://run.terryfox.ca/29134





#### Grow Your Business Online Grant

The federal government's Canada Digital Adoption Program continues to offer a \$2,400 non-repayable microgrant to small businesses all across the country. This \$2,400 – the details of which can be found below and at:

www.digitalmainstreet.ca/atlantic-cdap – gives businesses an opportunity to build their online and e-commerce presence so that they can expand, create jobs, and fulfill their entrepreneurial potential. Contact:

#### **Joel Stoddart**

Grant Coordinator – Canada Digital Adoption Program Nova Scotia Association of CBDCs

448 Main Street, Kentville, NS, B4N 1K8

Email: Joel.Stoddart@cbdc.ca

Web: Atlantic Canada - CDAP | Digital Main Street





### Annapolis Royal Recreation

Programs return for fall and winter

Recreation programs including Pickleball, Soccer, Ball Hockey, Youth Basketball, Volleyball, Tai Chi, Dance Classes and more will be returning to the Community Hub Gym starting in mid September and running throughout the fall and winter. The schedule is being finalized at the time of this writing. For the most current information, please visit www.annapolisroyal.com or follow "Annapolis Royal Recreation" on Facebook, or call 902-955-1205.



Kick up your heels with Durline Melanson July 27th – Sept 14th 7-8 pm at Market Square Stage for some fun fitness Line Dancing





# AROUND THE COMMUNITY





#### It's That Time of Year - Back to School!

Many kids and parents are excited. Parents may get a little time to themselves and kids get to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

It a time for parents and guardians to review school bus safety with their children. How to cross the street safely, remaining seated while the bus is moving, not to distract the driver, keep all your limbs inside the bus, do not block the aisle and always listen to the bus driver.

Its also a time for motorists to reacquaint themselves with the rules of the road and school bus safety. For the safety of the children, DO NOT pass a school bus when it is stopped with its lights flashing and stop sign open. A first offence under the Motor Vehicle Act for passing a stopped school bus carries a \$410 fine and six demerit points on your driver's license. For subsequent offences, the fine increases to \$1272.50.









The Annapolis Royal Twinning Committee works to raise awareness of the contribution of Pierre Dugua, sieur de Mons to Canadian History.

Funding will help create bilingual signage, brochures, and public events.

To donate visit:
www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/annapolisroyal/campaign/recognizing-our-francophone-





# IN OTHER NEWS



### News release: Home-Sharing Program Expands Municipal Affairs and Housing



Nova Scotians in search of an affordable space to rent now have more options and support.

The Province's partnership with online home-sharing platform Happipad – launched in in the spring to help people displaced by wildfires – is now available to people across the province. The government is investing \$1.3 million over two years in the expansion.

"We all have a role to play as we work together to overcome this housing crisis, and today's announcement is a call to action to all Nova Scotians who may have extra space in their homes to consider hosting a person or family in their home," said Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister John Lohr. "We know we have 130,000 vacant bedrooms in Nova Scotia, and through this expanded program, more people like students, healthcare workers, tradespersons and any others who may need a safe, affordable and comfortable short-term accommodation could be matched with a room. This partnership truly encompasses the hospitable nature of all Nova Scotians."

Happipad does thorough background checks, matches renters with hosts, collects and distributes the rent, and provides dispute resolution support in case of host or renter concerns. Staff in Nova Scotia will provide user support.

Rents through Happipad are typically at rates below those of other rentals. Happipad users also report meaningful social connections, with options to share meals and other household activities.

People seeking a room and potential hosts can access the new service at: <a href="https://happipad.com/nova-scotia/">https://happipad.com/nova-scotia/</a>



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Audit Committee
Public Member Wanted
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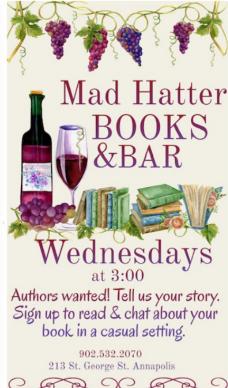
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# National Day for Truth and Reconciliation















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MON 10 - 5 TUE CLOSED WED 10 - 8 THUR 10 - 8 FRI 10 - 5 SAT 10 - 2 SUN CLOSED





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the fourth week in

September as Gender

**Equality Week.**