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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?



December brings a host of seasonal events and activities around Annapolis Royal, which helps make the holidays so enjoyable for us here.

We have already experienced the wonderful Parade of Lights last Friday evening, along with the spectacular fireworks (and, of course, the obligatory visit from Santa himself !), so festivities have already begun !

Kicking off the events right at the start, December 1 brings a fantastic Victorian Christmas being held at the O'Dell Museum. The same day offers the opportunity to take part in our Snowman Ornaments Workshop at the Library !

This coming Saturday, December 2, sees our wonderful Christmas Market. Being held across four separate locations (linked by free shuttle bus), this gives you the opportunity to explore across the town, and perhaps indulge in some of the seasonal treats on offer at our many great restaurants and eateries at the same time !

For a musical celebration, why not drop in to the Legion on December 7 at 7:30pm, for a Candyland Grinchmas provided by Paradise Brass and the Annapolis Basin Community Band.

The Annapolis District drama group are putting on a wonderful 1940's Radio Christmas at our awesome King's Theatre, with several performances over the weekend of December 8-10.

St Luke's Anglican church are holding a 'Carols, cookies and cider' evening on December 21. Make sure to wear those Christmas sweaters ! Finally, let's not forget the true meaning of the holidays and take time to join in one of our churches' services on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day itself.

Please note that Town Hall will be closed from December 22 to January 2 (inclusive).

Happy Holidays to all !



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

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902-532-2427

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902-955-1436

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Strategic Planning Update

The Town's strategic plan was recently updated by staff and Council and is up on the Town website for your review and comments. So many things are continually changing in our environment, and these are reflected in the plan. There is also a section of the original plan objectives and the progress we have made on each one over the last few years.



Mayor Amery Boyer,
B. Mus., MBA

Progress on the Proposed Sea Wall for the downtown

By the time you read this, the report will have been presented to the public on November 23. We expect to have a written report by December 20, 2023, that will be posted to the Town website for everyone to take a look at and provide feedback.

The 2023 Holiday Season

Please show your support for the many wonderful events planned for this Season. Between King's Theatre, Victorian Christmas at the O'Dell and the Gingerbread Competition, art exhibits, choir and band concerts, and so much more, there is much for you to consider placing on your calendar and your support helps to keep these events going year after year.

Shopping and buying local is a great way to support our community this holiday season. But it's hard to know what is available if you don't browse. So, if you can, carve out a morning or afternoon and plan your trip for when the stores are less busy. You will be surprised at what you can find. While shopping earlier is always better, there are great finds to be had right up until Christmas Eve.

Are you up for a challenge? Name 5 things that you plan to do, or plan to do with or for someone else you know or don't know this holiday season. If you share the story with us, it could be published in the next issue of the Town Crier Newsletter (with permission of course) and you could be eligible for a prize! And if a story line is not your thing, then send us a picture that you have taken (with a caption) and it could also be eligible for a separate prize. The deadline for both contests is December 20, 2023. Submissions may be sent to k.dunning@annapolisroyal.com.

And one last thing. Thank you to all who bring cheer and beauty to our community with your decorations and lights before and during the holidays. This is one way that we, as a community, can support our residents, organizations, and businesses in experiencing the beauty and peace that we are so lucky to enjoy in this corner of our world.





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

Vandalism and Graffiti

The willful damage or defacing of property belonging to another person or the public is a criminal offence.

Vandalism may be perpetrated whenever the opportunity exists. It often occurs on school property after hours, in public parks after dark and on vacant premises. Vandals usually do their mischief when they think that no one will see them and/or when no one is likely to stop them.

Most acts of vandalism are committed by children and young persons. Therefore, a great responsibility rests with parents to set good examples. Parents must realize the importance of monitoring their child/ren's various stages of development as well as any changes in interests, friends and/or attitudes.

Parents must ensure their child/ren does not succumb to the types of negative pressures that may get them into trouble.

There is much property owners can also do to curb incidents of vandalism. The Annapolis Royal Police Service suggests the following preventive measures:

- Improve lighting
- Rapid reporting of vandalism incidents and suspicious persons loitering in an area where an act of vandalism may be committed. Do not assume that someone else has already made the call.
- Maintain a "good neighbour" policy. Watch out for your neighbour's property as well as your own.
- Be aware of your children's associates and activities
- Inform your children about the criminal consequences of vandalism. Ask that your children observe a curfew in your home.

Graffiti

Graffiti is a wilful act of vandalism that involves writing, drawing or symbols applied to any surface without the consent of property owners, authorized agents or designates. If left unchecked, graffiti crime can grow into a larger problem within Annapolis Royal.

In an effort to curb the growth of graffiti and maintain the beauty of our communities, the Annapolis Royal Police Service offers members of the public the following series of tips:

- **To Prevent Graffiti Crime:**
 - Restrict access to walls by planting ivy, thorny bushes or trees
 - Apply graffiti-resistant coatings to protect walls
 - Increase lighting and visibility in vulnerable areas
 - Install video surveillance to monitor isolated areas
 - Establish a strong Neighbourhood Watch or Business Watch program
- **If/When Witnessing Graffiti Crime:**
 - Report it immediately
 - Call the **Police**
 - Submit an anonymous tip to Crimestoppers
 - Provide the police with descriptions of the suspects and/or suspect vehicle, including the make, model, colour and/or licence plate
 - Do not remove the graffiti until the police are notified
- **Post-Report:**
 - Remove the graffiti as soon as possible after the police have been contacted and/or investigated

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Please forward December submissions by December 18, 2023 to:
kdunning@annapolisroyal.com



Port Royal, N.S.
Branch #21



Friday Night Music Series

All Acts are 7pm-9pm or later

Happy Hour from 5:30pm – 7:00pm

November 24th – The Res-O-Matics

December 1st – No Music (Christmas Craft Setup)

December 8th – Pat O'Brien & Paul Ryan

December 15th – Permanent Resonance

December 22nd – TBA

December 29th – The Phil & Clarke Expedition

Saturday Kitchen Party – December 9th & December 23rd 3-5pm

ARCAC (ARTSPLACE)

Exhibition Nov 4 – Dec 22

Altered Vision Altered Sound

Susan Tooke with Dillon Tonkin

Workshop Dec 14, 2-5pm

Upstairs at ARTSPLACE

Altered Jam Session Dec 17, 2-4pm

Upstairs at ARTSPLACE



King's Theatre

December

1, 7:00 pm	Priscilla
2, 10:00 am	How the Grinch Stole Christmas
2, 3:00 pm	A Very Sparkly Christmas
8, 7:30 pm	A 1940's Radio Christmas Carol
9, 7:30 pm	A 1940's Radio Christmas Carol
10, 3:00 pm	A 1940's Radio Christmas Carol
13, 7:30 pm	A Classic Country Christmas
15, 7:00 pm	The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes
16, 7:30 pm	Gunning & Cormier
16, 9:30 pm	Gunning & Cormier
17, 3:00 pm	Trolls
23, 7:30 pm	Nathaniel Rankin: The Canadian Champion of Magic
30, 2:00 pm	Dufflebag Theatre's Snow White



Join us at the Annapolis Royal Legion January 1st from 12-4pm for our Annual New Year's Levee, hosted in conjunction with the Town of Annapolis Royal. Ring in the New Year with friends both new and old! **Bring your appetite as we will again be holding our FREE BUFFET, including chowder, soups, sandwiches and all the sweets that you can eat!**

Upcoming Meetings

Open to the public

Planning and Heritage
Advisory Committee
Dec 4, 9:00 am

Committee of the Whole
Dec 6, 6:00 pm

Board of Police
Commissioners
Dec 7, 12:00 pm

Traffic Flow Advisory
Committee
Dec 7, 1:00 pm

Environment Advisory
Committee
Dec 8, 9.30 am

Marketing and Economic
Development Committee
Dec 12, 6:00 pm

Council
Dec 20, 6:00 pm

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

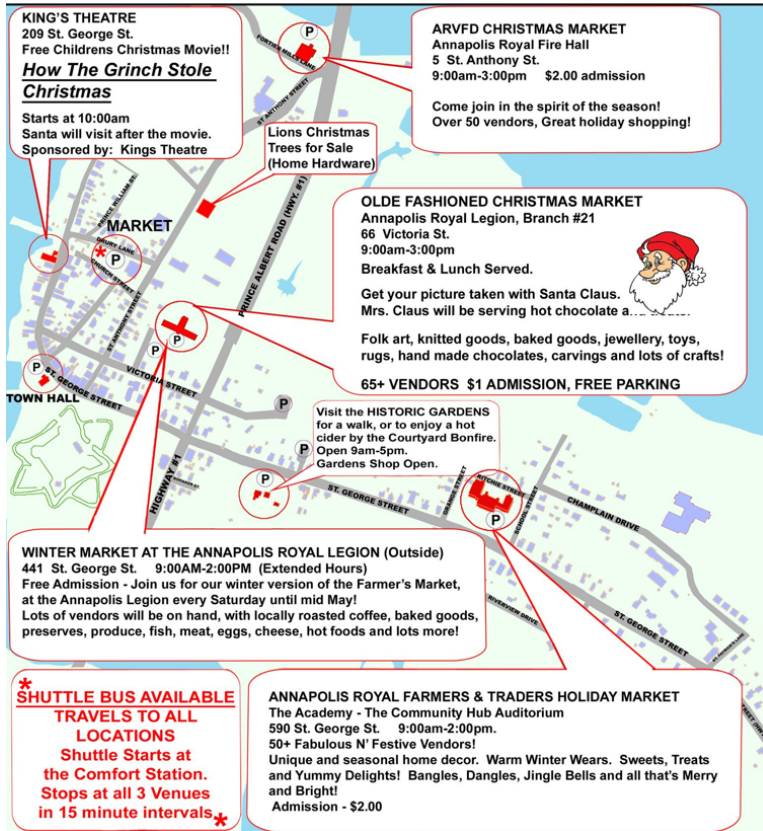
For up-to-date events, visit the online Community Calendar at
annapolisroyal.com

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.

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

CHRISTMAS MARKET EXTRAVAGANZA!!!

Annapolis Royal, Saturday, December 2nd, 2023
Over 180 Vendors at 4 Great Locations!!



KING'S THEATRE
209 St. George St.
Free Childrens Christmas Movie!!
How The Grinch Stole Christmas
Starts at 10:00am
Santa will visit after the movie.
Sponsored by: Kings Theatre

ARVFD CHRISTMAS MARKET
Annapolis Royal Fire Hall
5 St. Anthony St.
9:00am-3:00pm \$2.00 admission
Come join in the spirit of the season!
Over 50 vendors, Great holiday shopping!

Lions Christmas Trees for Sale
(Home Hardware)

OLDE FASHIONED CHRISTMAS MARKET
Annapolis Royal Legion, Branch #21
66 Victoria St.
9:00am-3:00pm
Breakfast & Lunch Served.
Get your picture taken with Santa Claus.
Mrs. Claus will be serving hot chocolate a
Folk art, knitted goods, baked goods, jewellery, toys,
rugs, hand made chocolates, carvings and lots of crafts!
65+ VENDORS \$1 ADMISSION, FREE PARKING

Visit the **HISTORIC GARDENS**
for a walk, or to enjoy a hot
cider by the Courtyard Bonfire.
Open 9am-5pm.
Gardens Shop Open.

WINTER MARKET AT THE ANNAPOLIS ROYAL LEGION (Outside)
441 St. George St. 9:00AM-2:00PM (Extended Hours)
Free Admission - Join us for our winter version of the Farmer's Market,
at the Annapolis Legion every Saturday until mid May!
Lots of vendors will be on hand, with locally roasted coffee, baked goods,
preserves, produce, fish, meat, eggs, cheese, hot foods and lots more!

***SHUTTLE BUS AVAILABLE**
TRAVELS TO ALL
LOCATIONS
Shuttle Starts at
the Comfort Station.
Stops at all 3 Venues
in 15 minute intervals*

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL FARMERS & TRADERS HOLIDAY MARKET
The Academy - The Community Hub Auditorium
590 St. George St. 9:00am-2:00pm.
50+ Fabulous N' Festive Vendors!
Unique and seasonal home decor. Warm Winter Wears. Sweets, Treats
and Yummy Delights! Bangles, Dangles, Jingle Bells and all that's Merry
and Bright!
Admission - \$2.00

Olde Fashioned Christmas Craft Fair

December 2nd, 2023
9am - 3pm
Annapolis Royal Legion
Branch #21

Breakfast & Lunch Served

"To die for" Blueberry Muffins
Wanda's Carrot Cake
Assorted Wraps
Sandwiches
Chicken Soup
Beth's Chili with Homemade Rolls

Live
Christmas
Entertainment

Fun For Young
And Old Alike

Santa & His Elves Will Visit With Treats!
Have Your Picture Taken With Santa & E-mailed to You!

Over 65 Vendors!

\$1 Admission

Rabbit Holiday Pop-up

- Marianne Brown Jewellery
- Lucky Rabbit Pottery
- Atelier 1605

Pottery, jewellery, cards, art, bags.

ONE DAY ONLY!

Sat. Dec. 2nd 10am-4pm
at the Comfort Station,
24 Drury Lane,
Annapolis Royal



THE ANNAPOLIS BASIN COMMUNITY BAND

with PARADISE BRASS
present

A Candyman "Grinchmas"

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER '23

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL LEGION

7PM | ADULTS \$15 • STUDENTS FREE

Enjoy An Evening Of Holiday Music,
Hot Chocolate & Sweet Treats!

DONATIONS ACCEPTED TO THE
ANNAPOLIS FOOD BANK



TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Notes, Notices and Updates from Town Hall

This November at Town Council:

- * The rezoning request for St. George Street application approved and Notice of Adoption has been submitted
- * Council and Committee reappointments were approved by Council
- * Strategic Plan is available on our website for review ([Budget, Financial Statements, & Strategic Planning - Town of Annapolis Royal](#))
- * Council will send a letter to Sotiabank on behalf of the town and residents not to close the bank
- * Council will send a letter voicing concerns on the possible move of the Ferry Fundy Rose to the Magdalene Islands



Annapolis Royal Needs You!

Annapolis Royal needs your input and feedback on important initiatives.

To participate at your own convenience, please visit <http://mysurveys.pro/annapolisroyal> to take part online.

Individual responses will be kept confidential.

We appreciate your participation!



Your Opinion Counts

For taking part, you will be entered into a draw to win one of two grocery gift cards being given away in Annapolis Royal (\$100 value each).

For more information contact:
Noah Scanlan
902-955-1205
alc@annapolisroyal.com



TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL STREETS AND S IDEWALKS BY-LAW

Snow Removal

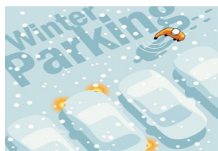


- Occupiers, owners, or persons in charge of houses, stores, lots, and pieces of land situate on that portion of St. George Street in the Town extending northerly from and including the property at 324 St George Street on the one side and from the Town Hall Building at 285 St George Street on the other side to the Town Wharf, shall, after every snowfall, clear away the snow from the sidewalks adjoining their respective properties as follows:
- When the snow ceases falling during the day within four (4) hours after it has ceased falling; and
- When the snow ceases falling during the night, within four hours after daylight on the following day.

Winter Parking Regulations


Under the authority of Section 202 of Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act:

- No parking or standing of any vehicle upon any street between the hours of 1am and 7am of the same day.
- No parking or standing of any vehicle upon any street that will hinder, inconvenience, or prevent removal of snow or ice from such highway or street.
- No parking or standing of any vehicle upon any street during the period from one hour after any snowstorm has commenced to two hours after such snowstorm has stopped.



These regulations will be in full force and effective annually from December 1 to March 31 inclusive

Bloom Report - November 16, 2023


Seventeen Acres of Paradise
Live the garden life



Canada's TOP 10 Gardens Worth Travelling For In 2024

We were super pleased to learn that the Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens made the list of Canada's Top 10 Gardens Worth Travelling for in 2024.

This announcement was made as part of the Garden Tourism Awards presented at the International Garden Tourism Conference held in Victoria in early November.

In the spirit of highlighting Canada's most dynamic garden experiences, we are ~~delighted~~ to announce the 2023 recipients of the 'Top 10 Canadian Gardens Worth Travelling For' Awards," said Michel Gauthier, Executive Director of the Canadian Garden Council.

We all know how special these Gardens are, and it is very special to be recognized by our peers as one of the best in Canada.

We are bursting with pride, and we hope you are too!



We're more than just a pretty face!

"People often underestimate the economic value of botanical gardens in a community. Take a look at some of the research provided by the Canadian Garden Council:

Over 25 million people travel annually to North America to visit gardens, and the global market of garden visitors exceeds 250 million. Research indicates that 40 per cent of garden visits result in an overnight stay, and the demographic of garden visitors includes all age cohorts. Destination British Columbia estimates the value of garden tourism in the Province of British Columbia alone exceeds \$200 million annually. ~~Recent~~ research in the UK shows that Garden Tourism generates almost £2 billion of economic impact. Gardens not only have a significant economic impact but also enhance the tourist experience of a destination, while providing positive social and health benefits.

Services @ the Annapolis Royal Library & Community Hub

143 RITCHIE ST.
(REAR ENTRANCE OF ACADEMY BUILDING)

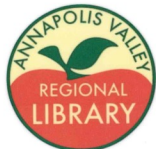
SERVICES @ the Community Hub

In the Library: PUBLIC COMPUTERS / ACCESSIBLE / 24-HR WIFI
BIKE LOANS / BOOKS, MAGAZINES & RESOURCES
FAX / LAMINATION / PRINTING

In the Hub: PUBLIC WASHROOMS / FREE PARKING
WORK SPACE / INNOVATION CENTRE / USED BOOK SALE
BROWN DOG CAFE / AED (LOCATED IN ENTRYWAY)
FOOD BANK / LOFT CLIMBING GYM ENTRANCE

LIBRARY HOURS

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



valleylibrary.ca
902 532 2226



ANNAPOLIS VOICES PRESENTS

COUNT ALL YOUR BLESSINGS

A STIRRING PROGRAM EXPLORING THE STARKNESS AND BEAUTY OF THE SEASON

SUN DEC 10 3PM
ST GEORGE & ST ANDREW UNITED CHURCH, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

**TICKETS \$20
YOUTH \$5
902-526-3609**

DIRECTED BY
BETH CRANSTON

ACCOMPANIED BY
PHIL ROBERTS - ORGAN, PIANO
JOLENE BUCHHOLZ - OBOE
CINDY SHERMAN - FLUTE

AND INTRODUCING
'THE FUNDY THREE' TRIO

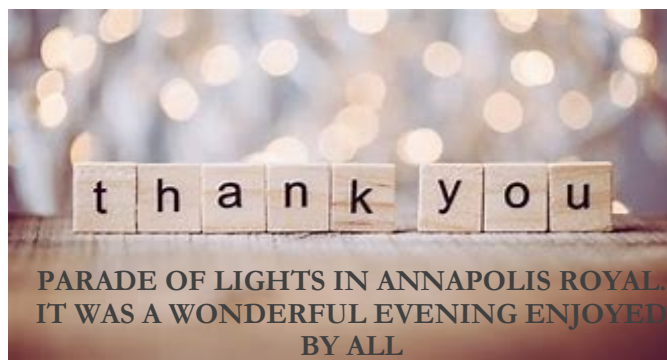
CPR-A and AED Training

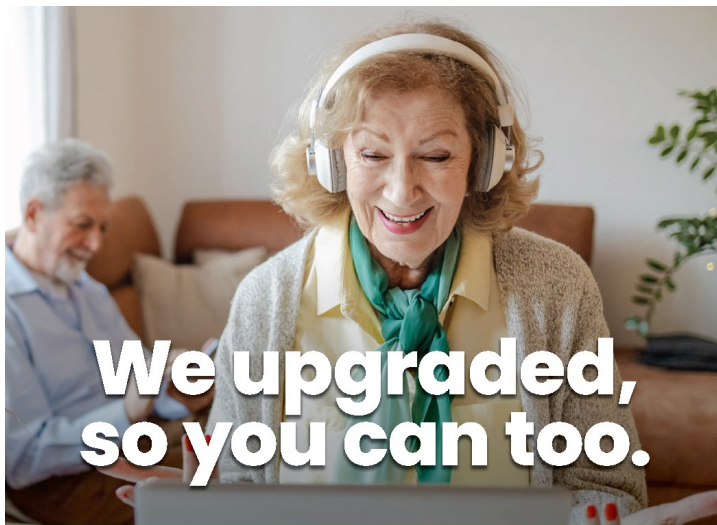
Saturday, December 16, 10:30 am-1:00pm at The Academy Gym, 590 Saint George St.

Find out how to confidently use our community AEDs and do CPR. You will receive your CPR-A certification upon completion of the session.

You may someday be able to save someone's life!
Contact Jane at 902 225-5556
or janepowergrimm@gmail.com for Information on how to register and for a 10% off coupon.

Jane
<https://powerhourfitness.ca/>
Build Strength. Feel fit.
Age well.
902 225-5556





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New Fees:

\$15:00 / month 3 1/2 x 2 small

\$30:00 / month 3 1/2 x 4 large

Contact: kdunning@annapolisroyal.com



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Vacancies:

- Board of Police Commissioners
- Environment Advisory Committee
- Marketing and Economic Development Committee
- Accessibility Committee (50% of the members must be persons with disabilities or represent organizations that represent persons with disabilities, in accordance with the Act)

Send your letter of interest to Sandi Millett-Campbell at cao@annapolisroyal.com



Annapolis Royal
is looking for
volunteer
fire-fighters

