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## WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?



Now that Victoria Day has arrived, the Town has been filling up with visitors and the local businesses are all hitting the ground running. Elbows up, Annapolis Royal !

The rare plants market was a huge success last Sunday, and was absolutely packed with people. It is always great to see local events like this so well supported !

Don't forget Father's Day on June 15th ! A big shout out to all the fathers out there, so make that day special for them where you can.

The Grant Potter Memorial Playground is OPEN ! There have been some fantastic changes to the play equipment and the layout of the park, so the kids will all be raring to go and try it out ! New seating areas for you to relax and watch the kids have a blast! Pack a picnic !

Canada Day on July 1, 2025 and will start with the Flag raising at Town Hall. and then on to Fort Anne. For further celebrations!

# MAYOR'S MESSAGE

## Members of Council

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Public access to Town Hall will be  
available only during the hours  
10:00 am to 3:00pm

Mayor Boyer Office Hours  
Available by Appointment

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added to the email list.

Submissions are welcomed and deadlines  
vary monthly, with the deadline  
for the July 2025 addition is  
Junr 23, 2025.

Please contact  
[kdunning@annapolisroyal.com](mailto:kdunning@annapolisroyal.com)  
or 902-532-2043 ext. 110  
if you have any questions

April 27 to May 3 was National Volunteer Week. This year, the Town of Annapolis Royal selected Steve Hawboldt as Volunteer of the Year. Steve is an active member of the Environment Advisory Committee, the leader of the local NS Walks Community Walking Group, and has a history of dedication to volunteer efforts, committees, and initiatives here in Town. Steve will attend the Provincial Volunteer Awards happening on September 29 in Halifax and will be recognized as Annapolis Royal's official representative. Thank you, Steve, and thank you to all the local volunteers contributing their time and efforts to the community.



Mayor Amery Boyer

On May 10, the Farmers and Traders Market returned to Market Square to open the 2025 season there. The Province has launched its "Look for Local, and be Nova Scotia Loyal" campaign. An easy way to support this campaign is to make visits to the market a regular part of our week and by supporting small businesses, home-grown entrepreneurs and our local communities.

The general response we have had so far to the Town's proposed Strategic Plan has been favourable. But there is some tweaking to be done so if you have not yet had an opportunity to review it, please go to : <https://annapolisroyal.com/2025-2026-strategic-plan-draft/>. Print copies can be made available on request.

The Town is sending a delegation to Royan France this October. For the first time, we have two students willing and ready to go. The Town would like to be able to assist with their expenses by setting up a bursary to offset at least part of their expenses. If you would like to support this effort, you can go to [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org) and set up an account. Once you have done this, you can search the charities listed for Town of Annapolis Royal. You double click on the button for the Town that comes up, and search under "All categories". The button "Donate now" will come up. You can enter the amount of your gift, then scroll down to the button "apply your donation to a fund set up...". Find "Recognizing our francophone history". You can also leave a message "to support students going to Royan, France in October 2025". You will immediately receive a tax receipt by email.

Finally, there appears to be some confusion about who owns The Academy property. Many people remember it fondly as a school and consider it public property. For the owners and residents of the condominium, however, this is their home (just under 78% of the property) . The Town owns the part of the building (just over 22% of the property) that houses the Hub which includes the gym, the library, the music room, the restaurant operation, the food bank, the Dugua meeting room, and the innovation lab. This space is considered public property. The Condo Corporation, which takes care of the entire building, has been putting up signage to help people better distinguish between the private residential section of the building and the public spaces. Questions relating to access and/or the use of Town property can be directed to the Town of Annapolis Royal. Questions relating to the use and/or access to residential property should be directed to the Condominium Corporation. Think of the residential part of The Academy as one big private residence which includes private parking areas and private property like any other private home in Town.

# GET MOVIN'



The Grant Potter Memorial Park and Playground located at 169 St. George street is now complete and open for the season. The facility has been fully refurbished with exciting new play features, Accessibility upgrades, fresh landscaping, and improved seating and rest areas for all.

The Town of Annapolis Royal would like to thank the Government of Canada, Province of Nova Scotia's Dept of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage - Sport and Recreation Division, Cobequid Trails Consulting, Joy Elliott Landscape Architectural Design, Anderson Weekes Construction, the Playground Design Working Group, and the many generous financial donors who contributed to completing this project.

Thank you to all those that turned up May 30th for the opening of the playground Judging by the many smiles and laughter from Children and Adults alike this Project is a huge success!

The **Annapolis Royal Pickleball Club** sincerely thanks the **Town of Annapolis Royal** for funding our three free community open house events.

Your support helped us introduce pickleball to new players of all ages in a fun and inclusive environment. The funding allowed us to purchase equipment, offer refreshments, and create a safe, welcoming space. We look forward to continuing these events and growing the sport in our community.

# CHIEF'S CORNER



As the good weather is upon us and the sun is shining, the bicycles are coming back out please ensure you read below to ensure everyone enjoys this beautiful bike riding time of year



Chief Mark Kane

## Cyclists

All cyclists must observe the rules of the road.

Cyclists need the ability to handle themselves in various situations, adhere to traffic regulations and share the road with motor vehicles.

Whether you are resident or a visitor, we hope that you have a safe fun cycling experience.

## To do so please follow these basic rules:

- ◆ Wear a helmet - it's the law.
- ◆ Be visible wear bright colours
- ◆ Be alert.
- ◆ Be predictable.
- ◆ Know the rules of the road and follow them.
- ◆ Ride on the right-hand side of the road in the same direction as traffic.
- ◆ Ride in single file.
- ◆ Make sure your bike is in good working order.
- ◆ Use a bicycle bell or horn.
- ◆ Use a front white light and a red rear reflective while riding at night. At minimum reflective clothing is recommended.
- ◆ Be always courteous to pedestrians and mind your speed in areas with people walking around.



## Potential Canada Post Strike & June Water Bills

In the event that Canada Post moves forward with Strike action, this may impact the Town June Water Bills. Please find below options on how to access your water bill to prevent late payments and interest charges. Bills are issued June 30th and are due by July 31st

Please be reminded, it is the responsibility of the property owner to ensure payment of water bills and property taxes is received by the deadline.

### Here are some options for residents, if a strike is announced:

- Request a water invoice or tax statement at the Town office (Monday to Friday) 10am to 3 pm.
- Call and/or request via email to obtain water bills or property tax balances.
- To reach our accounting office for assistance call 902-532-2043 Ext 101 or 102

### Payment methods include:

- Cash or cheque at the Town office (Monday to Friday) 10am to 3 pm.
- Drop box at front of Town office for cheque payments
- Payments can be made at your bank.
- Online banking/Telephone banking

Other options on our website include availability of credit card payment <https://ipn.paymentus.com/otp/stde/tary>



# EVENTS FOR THE MONTH



June 1

Mozart's Le Nozze Di Figaro,  
King's Theatre

June 1 - July 19

Exhibition - Life / The Red Pony,  
ARTSPLACE

June 2, 9

Monday Life Drawing Sessions,  
ARTSPLACE

June 5

After the Gold Rush,  
King's Theatre

June 6

TALK: Playing with Flowers,  
ARTSPLACE

June 7

WORKSHOP: Playing with Flowers,  
ARTSPLACE

June 8

Sparkle Dance:  
The Future in Motion,  
King's Theatre

June 11

Jane Austen Wrecked My Life,  
King's Theatre

June 14

Joe H Henry,  
King's Theatre  
Family Day / Create Like an Artist  
ARTSPLACE

June 15

Father's Day,  
Historic Gardens  
Nature Photography Day,  
Historic Gardens

June 18

Journée Dugua de Mons Day,  
Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre

June 20 - 22  
King Shorts,  
King's Theatre

June 21

National Indigenous Peoples Day,  
Historic Gardens

June 21 - July 6

Celebrating Roses,  
Historic Gardens

June 28

Irish Mythen,  
King's Theatre

June 29

Bonnie & Clyde The Musical,  
King's Theatre



July 1

Canada Day,  
Start at Town Hall  
Canada Day - Garden Style  
Historic Gardens

**SUMMER MUSIC @ THE O'**  
Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre on the River in Annapolis Royal  
FRIDAY 6-8 PM ADMISSION FREE

- June 13th Ruth Manning & The Prospectors
- June 20th One Night Only
- June 27th Jamie Alcorn
- July 4th The Hupman Brothers Band
- July 11th Joker's Right
- July 18th Non-Refundables
- July 25th Darrin Beaton Band
- August 1st Radical Soul
- August 8th Kim Doolittle
- August 15th The Mark Riley Project
- August 22nd The Hupman Brothers Band
- August 29th FisherKings
- September 5th Joker's Right
- September 12th The Rhinestone Romeos

Sponsored by: **The Nicholson Foundation**  
Organizational support from the Town of Annapolis Royal  
Rain Location: Port Royal Legion - 66 Victoria Street OR  
The Community Hub Gym - 578 St George Street

Upcoming Meetings  
*Open to the public*

Planning and Heritage  
Advisory Committee  
June 2, 2025 at 4:00 pm

Committee of the Whole  
June 4, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Environment Advisory Committee  
June 13, 2025 9:30 am

Board of Police  
Commissioners (Quarterly)  
June 11, 2025 at 9:00 am

Council  
June 18, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Please Note: Parks Canada  
Fort Anne and Port Royal will be  
closed June 10th and 11th

Legion events: see Facebook for  
details on their events.

All King's Theatre events & films:  
[www.kingstheatre.ca](http://www.kingstheatre.ca)

ARCAC (ARTsPLACE) events: [arcac.ca](http://arcac.ca)

All Community Hub events:  
<https://annapolisvalley.librarycalendar.com/events/upcoming>.

Historic Gardens events:  
[www.historicgardens.com](http://www.historicgardens.com)

For up-to-date events, visit the online  
Community Calendar at  
[annapolisroyal.com](http://annapolisroyal.com)

### Volunteer Opportunities

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

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Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department are seeking volunteers

Contact : [Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department \(arvfd.com\)](http://Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department (arvfd.com))

and the

Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility (IDEA) are seeking volunteers

Contact: CAO Sandi Millett-Campbell at [cao@annapolisroyal.com](mailto:cao@annapolisroyal.com) or 902-532-2043 ext. 104

### REMINDER

The Yard Waste Drop-off Site at the end of Victoria Street will open on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Please, keep vehicles on the pathway and drive as far as safely possible to the rear of the site. Yard debris should be placed off the pathway. Yard debris means grass cuttings, leaves, or tree sections no larger than 15 cm or 6 inches in diameter AND length no longer than 1 metre or 3 feet, none of which may be from Elms. Also, no plastic bags may be left at the site. Thank you.



Calendars available at Town Hall for pick-up between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm

Valley Waste June Collection for the Town of Annapolis Royal is

- Friday, June 6, 2025
- Friday, June 20, 2025

A complete guide for **first-time EV owners**

## EVolved:

*Your Electric Vehicle Journey Begins Here*

Access your **FREE** guide  
Scan the QR code or visit the webpage below to access a complete guide for first-time EV owners.  
[www.cleanfoundation.ca/evolved](http://www.cleanfoundation.ca/evolved)

Clean Foundation  
 Funded by: Government of Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

# GET YOUR BUSINESS LISTED FOR FREE!

Be part of Annapolis County, Middleton & Annapolis Royal's new business directory—connecting you with local customers, fostering community support, and showcasing your services to the people who need them most!

- Help new customers find you
- Stay informed
- Support local insights

Contact Us Now to Add Your Listing!

Contact Daniela: [EcDev@AnnapolisRoyal.com](mailto:EcDev@AnnapolisRoyal.com)  
902-532-2043 ext. 105



## ROAD REPAIRS AND LINE PAINTING

### Road Repairs

The Town is currently in the process of arranging Road Repairs. We are aware of the areas in need and these areas will get addressed as soon as possible. We are reliant on paving companies and their schedules.

### Line Painting

We have many projects on the go in town, Refreshing the Painted lines on our streets and parking lots is one of them. Now that the weather seems to be cooperating our Public Works will be able to make progress on this project.

## internet

### TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL UPDATE

The town is currently working with the Village of Lawrencetown on supplying internet services to the residents of Annapolis Royal. More details to follow in the upcoming months!

### ANNAPOLIS ROYAL AREA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE AT THE ROYAL HISTORIC GARDENS

441 St. George Street  
Annapolis Royal

Tel: 902-532-7018

Email: [AnnapolisVIC@historicgardens.com](mailto:AnnapolisVIC@historicgardens.com)



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# TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

## PLANNING AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Sign By-law Snapshot

If you're running a business in Annapolis Royal, remember that most signs require a permit. In Annapolis Royal, you'll need a permit before erecting most signs—unless it's something small like a real estate, "no trespassing," or election sign (those are allowed in all zones without a permit). Safety is a big deal, so all signs must be well-maintained and built to code. And remember, each business can only have up to four signs at a time, with some exceptions based on sign type and location.

Some signs are a definite no-go—like flashing or moving signs, anything that poses a safety hazard, or signs painted on trees or rocks. Roof signs, spinning banners, or misleading traffic-style signs? Also not allowed. When in doubt, check the rules or reach out to Ken (902-526-2429) before setting anything up! All the details can be found in the Land Use By-Law (Part 6, pages 36-39) on the Town's Website: <https://annapolisroyal.com/land-use-by-law/>

## COMMUNITY



**BIRDIES FOR(E) BARR GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Grab your team of **four** for a fun scramble tournament filled with:

- On-course activities
- Draws & prizes
- Great camaraderie
- Celebrating the life and memories of Greg

**All proceeds will help create a trust fund for Greg's young sons.**

**DATE:** June 27, 2025  
**TIME:** 9 AM shotgun start  
**LOCATION:** Paragon Golf & Country Club, Kingston, NS  
**TEAM ENTRY:** \$400 per team of 4. *Optional carts available: \$20 per person*

For more information and to register contact [birdiesforbarr@gmail.com](mailto:birdiesforbarr@gmail.com)



### Poutrincourt's 1607 Mill Site Quest



**Searching for Clues**  
**June 13 – June 18, 2025**  
 Port-Royal 1605 – 1613

An art exhibit reflecting the Mi'kmaq, the French, the Habitation, and tidal mills  
 June 13 to 18 • 10 am – 4 pm  
 Lower Granville Hall, 3551 Granville Road, Port Royal • *canteen available*  
**During the six-day exhibit, artists will be creating new works at the Habitation**

<p><b>Where exactly was Poutrincourt's Mill?</b>                  Keynote presentation on deciphering its secrets. by Mark Borton, Author                  Friday, June 13 • 6 pm                  Light refreshments. Free entry.                  Lower Granville Hall                  3551 Granville Road                  Port Royal</p>	<p><b>Poutrincourt's Mill Monument (Lequille)</b>                  Outdoor presentation on this possible site of the historic 1607 tidal mill. by the County of Annapolis                  Monday, June 16 • 6 pm                  Light refreshments. Free entry.                  Nova Scotia Hydro Plant                  470 Dugway Road                  Lequille</p>	<p><b>Pierre Dugua, Sieur de Mons and Jean de Biencourt de Poutrincourt: Lives &amp; Legacies</b>                  Slideshow presentation on the merchant explorers who established the Habitation at Port-Royal. by Christine Igot                  Tuesday, June 17 • 6 pm                  Light refreshments. Free entry.                  Lower Granville Hall                  3551 Granville Road                  Port Royal</p>
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**Artist Meet and Greet**  
 Come to the Lower Granville Hall and talk to the Artists.  
 Sunday, June 15 • 1 pm  
 Light refreshments. Free entry.



**Agate Massage & Wellness**  
 Rose Paul, RMT  
 2 Locations;  
 Granville Ferry  
 &  
 Bridgetown Health Centre  
 agatmassage@gmail.com  
 https://agate.noterro.com  
 Direct Billing Available

## Intimate Partner Violence

Support is available across Nova Scotia for anyone experiencing or at risk of intimate partner violence and can be accessed 24/7 by calling the 211 Men's, Women's, or All-genders Helplines. You do not need to be experiencing a crisis to call, and someone is always available to listen or help refer you to the services and supports you need. Calls are always anonymous.

**If it is an emergency, call 911 right away.**

### Resources and Supports

If you, a member of your team, or someone you know is struggling, here's where to get help for domestic violence resources and supports:

- [Domestic Violence Resource Centre](#)
- <https://ns.211.ca/> for a list of services and supports in your community.
- If you need to stay at a shelter or would like to talk to a counsellor about your situation, you can call or text the THANS provincial toll-free line at 1-855-225- 0220.
- Canada's [Suicide Crisis Helpline](#): Call or text 988.
- Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868. Text 686868. Live chat counselling on [the website](#).

**Look For Local,  
and be Nova Scotia Loyal**



Nova Scotia Loyal is a call-to-action for Nova Scotians to do what we do best: support each other.

It's about showing our pride in Nova Scotia by supporting the small businesses, home-grown entrepreneurs, and local communities that make our province home.

Let's turn that pride into loyalty.

**The next time you shop, look for local, and be Nova Scotia Loyal.**

To learn more visit [nsloyal.ca](https://nsloyal.ca) and follow our social media channels.



**A FRIENDLY REMINDER...**



dogs do this



humans do this



so this doesn't happen

**NO POOP ZONE**



please scoop the poop

**VOLUNTEER**

**Firefighters Are Needed**

Join Our Team!




For more information email: [arvfdwd@gmail.com](mailto:arvfdwd@gmail.com)

# COUNCIL MOTIONS

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-03**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the Services Agreement between the Town of Annapolis Royal and the Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-05**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the provincially mandated Seasonal Business Reduction for 2025 for the following properties: roll #92274 an amount of \$5,749.83; roll #1408402 an amount of \$1,083.95 and roll #4542975 an amount of \$4,520.81. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-06**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the write-off roll #00092398 and roll #04997409 interim taxes in the amounts of \$856.24 and \$3,956.01 respectively for the Town of Annapolis Royal for the Town owned properties. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-07**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the tax rebate/reduction for the following not-for-profit properties for the 2025 year:

roll #00479993 in the amount of \$2,311.50, roll #02355256 in the amount of \$3,525.00, roll #00092428 in the amount of \$768.00, roll #02045486 in the amount of \$199.50, roll #02045494 in the amount of \$2,341.50, roll #03611957 in the amount of \$1,315.50, and roll #1033204 in the amount of \$1,143.00. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-08**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the First Reading of the Repeal and Replace Non-Profit Organization Property Tax Reduction By-Law #205 dated May 2025. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-09**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to set the date for the Second Reading on June 18, 2025. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-10**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the First Reading of the Repeal of the Pension By-Law #82 dated April 2025. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-11**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to set the date for the Second Reading on June 18, 2025. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-12**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to repeal and replace the Human Resources Policy and Procedures #2024-08 dated June 2024 with the Human Resource Policy and Procedures #2025-08 dated May 2025. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-13**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to appoint Councillor Sadkowski and Councillor MacDonald to the Human Resources Committee for a term of two-years until December 31, 2026. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-14**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to rescind the Policy Establishing the Marketing and Economic Development Committee #2019-02 dated January 21, 2019. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-15**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to rescind the COVID-19 Property Tax Financing Program Policy #2020-02 dated June 4, 2020. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-16**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve to rescind the Policy on Computer Purchase #2004-3 dated October 18, 2004. **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-17**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services and Annapolis Regional Emergency Management Organization (Annapolis REMO). **Motion carried.**

## **MOTION #C2025-05-21-18**

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council approve the applicant at 154 St George Street be given heritage approval to change the window material, keeping the same pattern 25-09-HER, providing the requirements of the Land Use By-Law are met. **Motion carried.**