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BCRA – AGM & New Members Wanted

Bridgetown Community Recreation Association (BCRA) will be holding our annual AGM on April 13, 2026 at 6:30 at Bridgetown Memorial Arena.

The BCRA is a committee of volunteers that includes various sporting groups in the Bridgetown area, as well as, a 4 Members at Large that collectively operate the Bridgetown Memorial Arena, Bridgetown Centennial Pool, and the ballfield. We do not operate or provide input into the operation of various sporting groups such as Minor Hockey, Swim Team, Minor Soccer, Minor Ball (not limited to) but do support these activities and can provide funding or access to funding applications and grants in certain circumstances for programs and equipment.

We meet a minimum of 6 times a year, but typically monthly for an evening meeting to discuss operation of the facilities, as well as programming.

A Member at Large is a community member interested in working with the committee to improve programming and access to facilities for the Bridgetown and surrounding community. As a member of the BCRA as a group member, you would appoint a member of your group to be the member on the committee who will attend the meetings. We do occasionally organize fund-raisers when it is deemed necessary and members (member groups) may participate.

This year we are looking for 2 Members at Large. If you are part of a recreation committee or business, please let us know we would love to have your input on our committee. Please send an email (clark.angela82@gmail.com) stating your interest to our secretary and we will present at the AGM, April 13, 2026

County of Annapolis Approves 2026–2027 Budget

The Municipality of the County of Annapolis has approved its 2026–2027 Operating and Capital Budget, focused on maintaining essential services while planning for future infrastructure and community needs.

Municipal revenue is projected to increase by approximately \$1.6 million, largely due to higher property assessments, properties coming off capped assessments following sales, and increased Deed Transfer Tax revenue.

At the same time, the Municipality continues to face rising costs, particularly for provincially mandated expenses such as education contributions and RCMP services. A significant portion of municipal tax revenue goes toward these required costs, which are outside municipal control.

“This budget reflects careful planning in a time when costs continue to rise,” said Warden Diane LeBlanc. “Council’s focus is on ensuring we can maintain the services residents depend on while also preparing for future projects and infrastructure needs.”

The budget supports core services such as fire protection, municipal roads and building maintenance, recreation, planning, and community development. It also includes continued investment in infrastructure, protective services, and economic development, while strengthening financial reserves. Municipal tax rates will remain unchanged for the 2026–2027 fiscal year. “Council worked to find the right balance between meeting today’s needs and planning responsibly for the future,” added Warden LeBlanc.

A full overview of the 2026–2027 budget will be available on the Municipality’s website at www.annapoliscounty.ca.

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2026 Western Woodland Conference

Sat. April 11 at St. Mary's Bay Academy, 4079 Evangeline Trail, Weymouth, NS (Digby County) and sponsored by NS Woods. Registration fee (due upon arrival by cash or cheque): \$25 Early Bird (by end of day Apr. 3), \$30 Regular, \$20 Student.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged to help us accurately estimate meal numbers and because space is limited. Lunch is included with your registration fee. If you cannot fill out the online form, you can register by calling and leaving a message for Christie at 1-855-NS-WOODS (1-855-679-6637).

NS Woods is hosted by the Nova Scotia Woodlot Owners and Operators Association -- in partnership with the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources and other organizations that provide services to landowners.

You'll find detailed information about annual events, along with many other seminars, workshops, conferences, and field days. For some of these activities, online registration will also be available.

In addition, there are links to NSWOOA's unique online tool that helps landowners set goals for their woodland, and to a vast library of resources on sustainable management of our native Acadian Forest. Register for the conference and learn more at <https://www.nswoods.ca/>

Community Calendar

Thur. March 26, 7-9:00pm Open Mike at the Bridgetown Legion. Local Musicians are welcome to join the fun. Kitchen open 5:30-7:30. 20 Jeffery Street.

Fri. March 27, 10:00am Lessons from the Wilderness: Bible Study, St. Luke's Church, Annapolis Royal, in collaboration with the Annapolis Royal Ecumenical Council, Fridays in Lent at 10:00am. Different people from different denominations will be leading the study. All are welcome. There will be a light snack and a drink.

Fri. March 27, 10:00am Weekly Tai Chi classes at the Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Highway 201. Bring indoor slippers or shoes. Drop ins welcome. Good for balance, posture and relieving stress. Instructor Jamie Edwards of Empty Hand Martial Arts. \$75 for 10 week pass that does not expire. More info @ 902-448-2483 *

Fri. March 27, 10-11:30am Community Coffee, every Friday @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Come out and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and bring a snack to share if you are able. Meet a neighbour, make a new friend. Everyone is welcome. \$2/person donation for the Hall.

Fri. March 27, 11:00am St. James Lenten Chowder. Price is \$12. Chowder can be pre ordered by calling Hilda Connell at 902-665-4627 or by calling the church Friday morning at 902-665-4734. Delivery and pick up only. Pick up time at 11:30 Friday. Meal includes haddock chowder, fresh cloverleaf roll and delicious dessert. St. James Anglican Church, 289 Granville St., Bridgetown.

Fri. March 27, 5:30-10pm Pub Night at the Bridgetown Legion, with music by Guy Paul Thibault. Fish & Chips. Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department Club 100 Draw Night and Legion meat Draw. 20 Jeffery Street.

Fri. March 27, 7:00pm Jam Session every Friday Evening at the Youngs Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Rd. *

Sat. March 28, 8-10:00am Community Breakfast (scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, toast, juice, tea and coffee) served at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 45 Main Street, Middleton. Freewill offering. The next breakfast is the last Saturday of April.

Sat. March 28, 8-10:00am Easter Egg Hunt/Pancake Breakfast at the Lawrencetown Fire Hall, Fire, 549 Main Street. Free Will Offering. Sponsored by the Lawrencetown Lions. Pancake Breakfast followed by an Easter Egg Hunt that will start at 10:30am for ages 6 and under. At 11am their will be another Easter Egg Hunt for the 6+ children. All ages welcome. No cost for the Easter Egg Hunt. If possible, bring a basket for your children to collect their eggs.

Sat. March 28, 9am-1:00pm Join us at the Annapolis Royal Legion for our **Easter Craft & Collectables Sale**. We will have all sorts of vendors selling an assortment of art, crafts, jewelry, baked goods, chocolate, knitted items and lots of collectables, with so much more! Lunch available at the canteen. \$1 admission.

Sat. March 28, 9am-1:00pm Annapolis Royal Winter Farmers Market indoors at St. Luke's Parish Hall (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal, accessible from both St George St and Victoria St)!

Sat. March 28, 9am-2:00pm Ticket Auction at the MacDonald Museum, Middleton. We had so much fun last year that we're doing it all again! Join us and help support the Museum. We've doubled the number of tickets from last year, which means even more chances to win! There will be lots of fantastic items to bid on and some great door prizes, too. Canteen available. Wheelchair accessible. 21 School Street.

Sat. March 28, 12-2:00pm Opening Reception: Tony Clark / Snapshots. Transfers, collages and over-painted vintage photos, daguerreotypes, and tintypes (1860s to mid-20th Century) reexamine family and family history. Free to participate. Everyone welcome. ARTSPLACE Library Gallery, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Sat. March 28, 10am-12:00pm Barter Based Session: Quilting 101 - Fabric Cutting, an Annapolis Valley Folk school event at 3337 Clarence Road, Clarence School House. Interested in Quilting? We are going to learn how to cut our fabric for this wonderful pastime. I know, I know, I just learn how to cut the fabric?? Yes, it is the key to any great quilt. Tom will show us how to ensure that your fabric is indeed square. This will mean that your quilt too will be square!

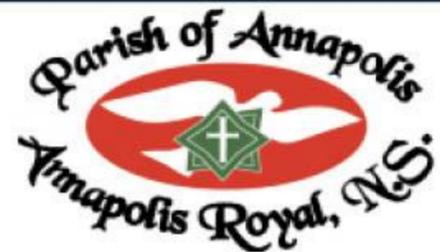
This will be the first in a series of sessions to get you started on your quilting journey or to augment your present quilting projects. Get your tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/barter-based-session-quilting-101-fabric-cutting-tickets-1984242875856>

If this is your first time attending a barter-based skills-trade class, note that attendees are encouraged to bring an item(s) to offer in exchange for the knowledge shared in addition to any supplies required for the class. Our facilitator's preferred items are pantry items: eggs, milk, tinned meat/fish, veggies, baked goods, cereals, pasta, pasta sauce, personal hygiene items, diapers.....

There is no fee associated with this ticket but please do not just indicate "coming" on the event - we've found this is not an accurate capture of attendees. If you have any difficulty registering you can send us an email at avfolkschool@gmail.com or message us on Facebook.

Sat. March 28, 12:30pm T & D Kitchen Jam Saturdays, 1407 Inglisville Road, Lawrencetown at the Community Hall. All are welcome! Doors open 12:30, music from 1:30-4:30. \$2 for entry. Snacks, tea /coffee are included in the price. *

Sat. March 28, 1:00pm Artist Talk: Julie Rosvall / I am Torn & I am Mended. Julie will discuss her current exhibition and experiments with textile relief prints and copper soft ground etchings of knitted swatches and shawls. Free to participate. Everyone welcome. ARTSPLACE Studio, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.



340 St. George St. Annapolis Royal SERVICE SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	Sunday, March 29 at 10am PALM PROCESSION, HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. JORDAN DRAPER
Holy Monday	Monday, March 30 at 7pm HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. PETER ARMSTRONG
Holy Tuesday	Tuesday, March 31 at 7pm HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. PETER ARMSTRONG
Holy Wednesday	Wednesday, April 1 at 10am HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. PETER ARMSTRONG Wednesday, April 1 at 7pm TENEBRAE
Maundy Thursday	Thursday, April 2 at 7pm FOOT WASHING, HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. RUBY CARTER *INCENSE WILL BE USED* VIGIL AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE CONCLUDING WITH HOLY COMMUNION ON GOOD FRIDAY AT 7AM
Good Friday	Friday, April 3 at 10am CROSS PROCESSION STARTING AT FIRST UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL FOLLOWED BY AN ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT ST. LUKE'S PREACHER: REV. MELLANIE COHOON
Holy Saturday	Saturday, April 4 at 11pm THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER & HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. DEACON CHRIS TIDD *INCENSE WILL BE USED*
Easter Sunday	Sunday, April 5 at 10am HOLY COMMUNION PREACHER: REV. JORDAN DRAPER

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Holy Trinity - 45 Main St., Middleton, NS - 11:00am

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Saturday, March 21 - Easter Bonnet Tea - 1-3pm - All Saints

Saturday, March 28 - Parish Breakfast 8-10am - Holy Trinity

Thursday, April 2 - 4:30pm Potluck followed by HE at Holy Trinity

Friday, April 3 - Good Friday - 10am All Saints; 3pm Holy Trinity



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members and print something yourself before the meeting. Elephant Grass Printmakers Society is a non-profit society committed to supporting the practice of handmade printmaking in NS by providing facilities, education and a community space for all who are interested regardless of expertise. 240 St. George Street, 2nd floor, Annapolis Royal. Follow EGPS at @egpcprintmakers and Elephant Grass Printmakers Society (fb)

Sat. March 28, 2-4:30pm Cape Breton & Scottish Jam Session. Granville Ferry Community Hall. Bring your instrument and join an afternoon of traditional Cape Breton and Scottish fiddle tunes in a relaxed kitchen-party style jam – fiddles, piano, guitar and other acoustic instruments encouraged, with players of all skill levels invited. Listeners are welcome to come enjoy the music. Free will donation, and musicians wishing to join in and receive a tune list can contact Stephen at skleinmusic@gmail.com.

Sat. March 28, 7:00pm Round Hill Hall Music Show with local artists Westley Sproule, Theresa Porter, Brenda Brown and Clarence Chute. Also, 50/50, door prize, bake sale and guitar raffle. Proceeds for hall upkeep. Doors open at 6:30.

Sat. March 28, 9pm-1:00am Bridgetown Hockey Memorial Cup Weekend 80's Dance at the Bridgetown Legion. Doors open at 8pm. DJ

Sat. March 28, 1-3:00pm Trail Camera Workshop with Bev Wigney Join Save Our Old Forests and Guest Speaker Bev Wigney at the Centrelea Community Hall (3495 Hwy 201) for a hands-on trail camera workshop. Bev has been using trail cams around her property in Round Hill for the past several years to document the wildlife passing through. Her recent exhibit ReWild: The Art & Science featured artwork and video clips from the trail cameras. In this workshop, Bev will share her tips and tricks for getting the best results from your trail camera – including camera settings and best placement. Free event. Registration is required: saveouroldestforests.ca/events

Sat. March 28, 1-4:00pm The Upper Clements Hall in partnership with Still Fired Distilleries is hosting a **Bar Bingo** at the Upper Clements Hall. Bingo books \$10. Canteen open. Awesome prizes. A fundraiser for the hall. 2951 Hwy 1. For further information please visit upperclementshall.ca

Sat. March 28, 2:00pm Join Elephant Grass Printmakers for our Annual General Meeting 2026. If you are interested in becoming involved in a local Printmakers group or finding out about which type of membership may suit you, come for the chatter and some printing! Hang out with



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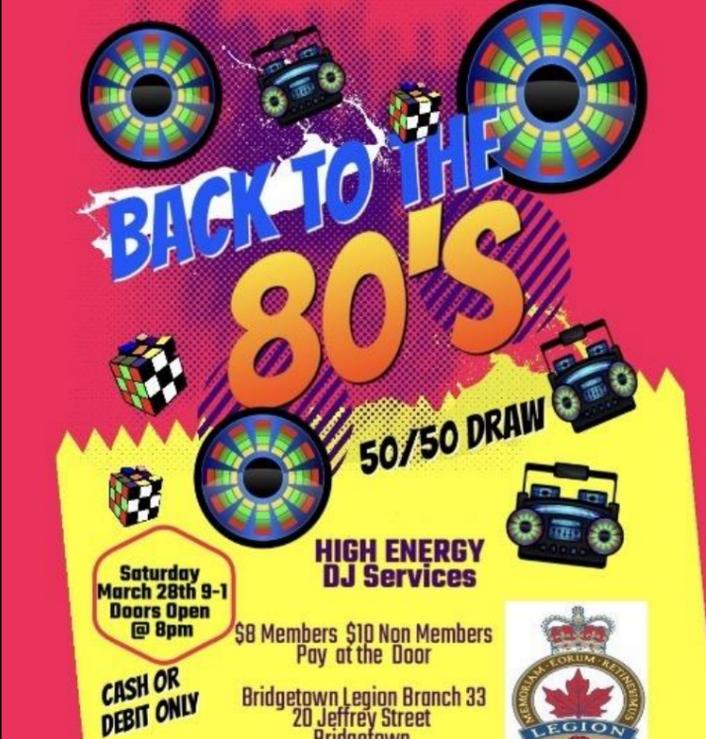
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Sun. March 29, 9:30am Palm Sunday at the Anglican Church of St. Mary's (6772 Hwy 1 in Belleisle). On this Sunday we remember the triumphal entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem where the people joyfully shouted Hosanna and laid palm branches down before him. All are welcome to join us. (Note: no service at St. James today).

Sun. March 29, 10:30am Port Lorne Baptist will resume weekly services. Join us on Sundays at the Port Lorne Baptist Church, 500 Port Lorne Road, for a joyful time of worship featuring music by John Montgomerie. bill.linley@gmail.com. 902 221-6922.

Sun. March 29, 11:00am Bridgetown Baptist continues to worship weekly. Join us on Sundays at the Royal Canadian Legion, 20 Jeffery St., for a joyful time of worship. 902-665-2506. 10:30 for prayer and 11am for worship! bridgetownbaptist@gmail.com

Sun. March 29, 11:00 am Worship Service. Celebrate God's presence with us at St. George & St. Andrew United Church, 393 St. George St. Annapolis Royal 902-532-7954. Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds. *



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Sun. March 29, 11am-2:00pm Rudolf Steiner Reading Group A reading and discussion of "The Spiritual Hierarchies and the Physical World - zodiac, planets and cosmos " The Collected Works of Rudolf Steiner is held on Sundays until April 12 in Barton, Hwy 101. Details contact Shirley 902-837-1030 email bello.bees@gmail.com *

Sun. March 29, 11am-2:00pm Farmers and Crafters Market, every Sunday at the Lions Club at 948 Hwy 1, Deep Brook. Local vendors and farmers. New vendors always welcome.

Sun. March 29, 2:00pm The Centrelea United Baptist Church invites you to their weekly worship service at the Centrelea Hall. Everyone is welcome!

Sun. March 29, 2:30-4:00pm March's Makers Swap, an Annapolis Valley Folk School event at 1963 Clarence Road. Start making plans for what you will bring for the table! For those who are new to the Makers Swaps, this is a simple community gathering where all ages and abilities are welcome and the concept is simple: bring anything you have made with your hands and trade for treasures from others. There is no money exchanged and PERFECTION IS NOT REQUIRED! Just a willingness to share your talents and passion projects with others in the community. GET A TICKET ON EVENTBRITE. <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/marchs-makers-swap-tickets-1983766780843>

Some popular trade able items (to get your creative juices flowing): preserves, pickles and jam, kombucha and shrubs, soaps and beauty care items, plants, baked goods, jewellery, leather crafts, wooden carvings, dog toys and treats, paintings and drawings, vouchers for service trades like haircuts, massages, and prepared meals... Everything under the sun! If you have any questions at all feel free to post in this event on Facebook or email to avfolkschool@gmail.com

It is also greatly appreciated if you can bring a few pantry items to the swap. Our pantry is increasingly active with many people using it. A few suggestions are crackers, beans, canned pasta, meats, and veggies, apple sauce, fruit cups, macaroni and cheese, pastas and sauces. We were gifted a fridge so milk, cream, margarine, yogurt, cheeses can all be dropped off as well.

Sun. March 29, 3:00pm The Fundy Three presents their first recital at St. Luke's Anglican Parish in Annapolis Royal. With Cindy Sherman-Hudson on flute, Jolene Buchholz on oboe and Beth Cranston on piano, you will hear selections written by Arcangelo Corelli, Jacques Ibert, Johann Joachim Quantz and William Grant Still. Admission is on a pay-what-you-can basis at the door and all proceeds will go to support St. Luke's and the wonderful work they do in our community.

Sun. March 29, 7-9:00pm Fun Darts, every Sunday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. \$3 entry returned in prizes.

Sun. March 29, 8:00pm Behrooz Mihankhah Trio at Evergreen Theatre. Iranian-Canadian artist Behrooz Mihankhah, along with the vibrant saxophone work of Nova Scotian composer and bandleader Ally Fiola, and the dynamic violin artistry of award-winning improviser Donald MacLennan creates a fusion of global musical traditions. The trio creates a sound world where improvisation, narrative, and cross-cultural expression meet. Tickets: Adults \$35, Members \$25, Military \$30, Students \$20; available at 902-825-6834 or www.evergreentheatre.ca. 1941 Stronach Mountain Road, Margaretsville.

Mon. March 30, 10-11:00am Indoor Fitness Walking @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Drop in every Monday and/or Thursday for an indoor walk. These basic low-impact cardio walking videos exercise the whole body (We usually walk 2-3 miles which is 30 or 45 minutes). These videos incorporate walking in place, knee raises, kicks, side and back steps, arm movements and so much more. \$2 Donation Suggested. *

Mon. March 30, 10am-12:00pm Memoir Writing Group meets every Monday morning in the music room at the Annapolis Library to share chapters of their memoirs for friendly discussion. No workshops. Everyone welcome. In the event of inclement weather/ library closure, classes will not be held.

Mon. March 30, 10am-2:00pm CVITP Free Tax Prep Clinics at Upper Clements Community Hall, 2951 Hwy 1, Upper Clements, Mondays in March and April. (Cancelled if school buses are cancelled due to weather) For Drop-Offs/Pick-Ups, bring all your papers and slips and we'll prepare and E-file for you. We'll call with any questions and let you know when your return is ready. If you have general questions about the clinic, please contact: Gail Wilson, Coordinator, 902-247-0545

Mon. March 30, 1-4:00pm Monday Life Drawing Sessions Quick gesture poses leading to longer studies. Nude model. Quiet, engaging, and welcoming atmosphere. \$20. ARTSPACE Studio (upstairs), 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. / www.arcac.ca / Contact: Elaine, applecart61@aim.com

Mon. March 30, 1:00pm Chair Yoga with Esme at the Bridgetown Legion (20 Jeffery St, Bridgetown). Join us for chair supported yoga suited for seniors and limited mobility. For more information contact Esme at (604) 537-5665 or esmeendres@gmail.com *

Mon. March 30, 6:30pm Genealogy Circle at Paradise Heritage Centre Are you curious about your family history? Want to learn how to start researching your roots or dig deeper into your ancestral story? Welcome to our Genealogy Circle! No experience necessary. Just sharing and learning together. At the Paradise Heritage Centre at 10307 Hwy #1 in Paradise. Join us for some fascinating stories that emerge from an unexpected source: dry-looking estate inventories! They are anything but. Barbara Bishop will take us on a fascinating detective mission: "Finding Lost History: How Estate Inventories Paint Family Pictures" We will learn how to use this valuable resource to answer all kinds of questions about our ancestors.

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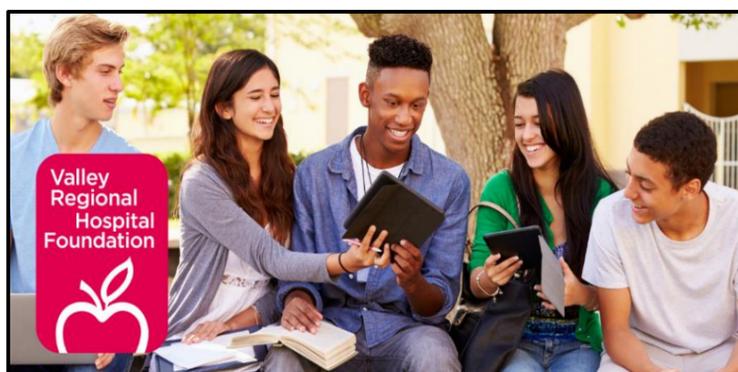
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Free or pay what you can. Register on our website at <https://paradisehistoricalsociety.ca/event/genealogy-circle-march-2026/> or e-mail Barbara at barbarabishop84@gmail.com

Mon. March 30, 7:00pm Valley Lions Radio Bingo (VLRB) is a Media Bingo broadcast on Annapolis Valley Radio, AVR 97.7FM and other AVR stations from Digby to Windsor, every Monday night from 7- 8pm. Bingo Cards are sold through valley retail locations. Info at www.vlrb.ca *

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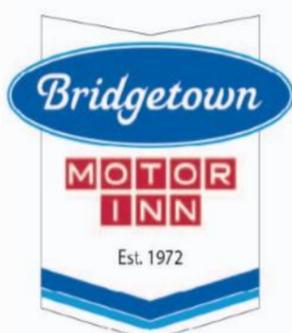
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Mon. March 30, 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study Are you a young adult (age 18-40ish) interested in meeting other young adults in the area and studying God's word together? This is the group for you! The Young Adult Group will meet weekly for Bible Study at 7pm at the new home of the Bridgetown Baptist Church, (7 Park St.) in Bridgetown. Light refreshments will be provided. All are welcome! Bring a friend! Please email Carrie at bridgetownbaptistyoungadults@gmail.com with any questions.

Mon. March 30, 7-9:00pm Craft Club @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Now EVERY Monday night! Calling all Fibre enthusiasts. Join us at the Hall for a Stitch'n'Bi*ch. All skill levels welcome. Knit, crochet, embroider, felt, mend, sew, quilt, spin, weave, needlepoint, rug hooking... We will put the kettle on. Bring your project and \$2 Hall donation.

Tues. March 31, 10-11:00am Senior Exercise Class at the Bridgetown Legion. Certified instructor. Work to your own comfort and ability level. Please bring resistance bands and hand weights if you have them. \$4 per class. Come for fun while being active! Newcomers always welcome. *

Tues. March 31, 11:15-12:15pm Hatha Flow Yoga @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Build strength and flexibility with a flowing practice that links breath with movement, including standing poses and floor stretches. This new 6-week session (Mar 31st - May 7th) has expanded to 2 days per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays)! Register in person at the first class. 1 class per week is \$60 or 2 classes per week is \$120 or drop in for \$15 per class. No experience needed — all levels welcome.

Tue. March 31, 12:00pm Free Lunch and Fun at the United Baptist Church Annapolis Royal, 762 St George Street. Come and join us we would love to see you.

Tues. March 31, 12:30-1:30pm Chair Yoga @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Perfect for those with hip, knee, or balance concerns. Gentle, supportive, and accessible. This new 6-week session (Mar 31st - May 7th) has expanded to 2 days per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays)! Register in person at the first class. 1 class per week is \$60 or 2 classes per week is \$120 or drop in for \$15 per class. No experience needed — all levels welcome.

Tues. March 31, 1-3:00pm The Annapolis East Seniors Card Group, meet at NSCC Middleton campus every Tuesday.

Tues. March 31, 1:30-4pm Jam Session at Parker Hall, Victoria Vale, across from the church, every 2nd Tuesday. Doors open at 1:00. Come out for an afternoon of music, fun and refreshment and support the Hall. Next Jam April 14.*

Tues. March 31, 6:00pm The BRCS Elementary Drama Club presents: Superhero Academy, an original play written by local playwright Toni Whitman, at BRCS. Admission is by free-will offering to the drama club.

Tue. March 31, 6:00pm Notice of Annual General Meeting: Annapolis Region Community Arts Council (ARCAC). In-person at ARTSPLACE Gallery (upstairs), 39`6 St. George St, or online via Zoom. Join or renew your ARCAC Membership at www.arcac.ca/membership

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Tues. March 31, 7:15-10:15pm Middleton Legion Bingo Tuesdays at 205 Marshall Street, Middleton. *

Wed. April 1, 9am-4:00pm Still Life Studio. Stay all day or drop in/hop out to suit your schedule. Engaging still life scene constructed for composition, contrast, texture and natural/lighting techniques. No solvents or oils, please. Tables, easels, and chairs available for use. No cost to participate (freewill donations accepted). First Wednesday of the month until June. ARTSPLACE Studio (upstairs), 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. www.arcac.ca Contact: Elaine, applecart61@aim.com

Wed. April 1, 10:00am NS Walks Annapolis Royal Wednesdays at 10am. Are you interested in getting some exercise, at your pace, with friendly people, and in picturesque surroundings? Join our Walk Group! We meet every Wednesday at 10:00am at the Annapolis Royal Farmers' Market parking lot. Walkers of all ages and abilities are welcome.

Wed. April 1, 10:00am NS WALKS BRIDGETOWN a walking group for all levels and abilities If you are looking for motivation to get out for a bit of exercise and to socialize come join us. Walkers meet at the Library every Wednesday at 10:00 am. All are welcome Registration is not required. Check our Facebook Group NS WALKS BRIDGETOWN

Wed. April 1, 2:00pm The Clements Historical Society will be holding its regular monthly meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion, Clementsport, Hwy #1, in the Upper Hall. Charles Haliburton, well known resident of Digby, will be speaking on the topic, The Judges of Nova Scotia. Who were they, and how they obtained their appointments. A look at the structure of the Nova Scotia Court System and the changes that have occurred over the years. Annual membership for the Clements Historical Society will be available. The dues remain unchanged at \$10 per person. Payment by Cash and E-Transfer will be available. Refreshments are always welcomed and served. Everyone is welcome.

Wed. April 1, 7:00pm Brickton Community Hall Jam Sessions Every Wednesday @ 7. Free will offering. All welcome. *

Wed. April 1, 7-9:00pm Fun Cribbage every Wednesday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. \$6 entry returned in prizes. All welcome. *

Wed. April 1 and Fri. April 3, 7:30-9:30pm Bridgetown Pickleball at BRCS. Entrance on north end of school (NOT the main entrance). Please bring a change of footwear. \$2 per night. Newcomers always welcome! Questions? 902-665-4353 or 902-665-4308.

Wed. April 1, 8:00pm Al-anon Meeting, for relatives and friends of alcoholics, at the First United Baptist Church at 762 George Street, Annapolis Royal, every Wednesdays at 8pm. Please enter through the front door.

Thur. April 2, 10-11:00am Indoor Fitness Walking @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Drop in every Monday and/or Thursday for an indoor walk. These basic low-impact cardio walking videos exercise the whole body (We usually walk 2-3 miles which is 30 or 45 minutes). These videos incorporate walking in place, knee raises, kicks, side and back steps, arm movements and so much more. \$2 Donation Suggested. *

Thur. April 2, 10am-12:00pm Veterans Coffee Morning at the Bridgetown Legion. Veterans, 1st Responders, serving and retired, firefighters and members. Every Thursday. Royal Canadian Legion, 20 Jeffrey St. *

Thur. April 2 to Thur. May 7, 10am-12:00pm Caregiver Education Series A free 6-week course for family members and caregivers of persons with dementia. Participants learn about symptoms of dementia, coping strategies, future planning and available community resources. Registration is required: 1-800-611-6345. At the Annapolis Royal Health Clinic.

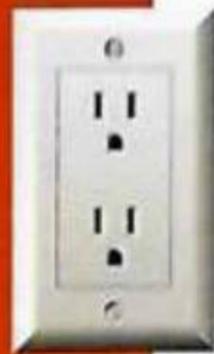
Thur. April 2, 2:15-4:15pm Caregiver Support Group meets at the Kingston Library, 671 Main St. Do you give unpaid care to a parent, spouse, child, friend, or relative due to frailty, advanced age, chronic illness, mental illness, or disability? You are not alone! The NS Caregivers Support Group meets on the first Thursday of each month. It is facilitated by trained staff members who offer a confidential, friendly atmosphere for you to discuss your experiences and receive helpful information in a supportive environment. For more information and to register, call Jennine Wilson, 1-877-488-7390 (toll-free).

Thur. April 2, 5:00pm Maundy Thursday seder supper service to recall the Last Supper that Jesus had with disciples. At St. James Anglican Church (289 Granville St., Bridgetown) in the hall. A vegetarian option will be available. All are welcome.

Fri. April 3, 9:30-11:30am Veteran's Lodge Buddy Check coffee. This event is open to all Annapolis Valley Veterans and serving members. This is a FREE event for Veterans. Register by emailing theveteranslodge@gmail.com. At the 7Arts Centre 619 Central Ave, Greenwood. *

Fri. April 3, 10:00am Good Friday service at St. James Anglican Church (289 Granville St., Bridgetown). We will hear the biblical account of Jesus' betrayal and crucifixion at the service and remember that the people who witnessed it long ago had no idea that the Easter Resurrection was coming.

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Fri. April 3, 3:00pm Good Friday service at the Anglican Church of St. Mary's (6772 Hwy 1 in Belleisle) We will hear the biblical account of Jesus' betrayal and crucifixion and remember that the people who witnessed it long ago had no idea that the Easter Resurrection was coming.

Sat. April 4, 8-10:00am Lions Big Breakfast at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street, Bridgetown. Come join us for our community breakfast. Free will offering as always. Bring family, friends and any acquaintances.



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Sat. April 4 Annapolis Royal Easter Eggstravaganza The day begins with a Free Easter movie, Luca, at King's Theatre. From 11:30am to 1:45pm there will be a BBQ, activities and entertainment at the Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Dept. Then, the Big Hunt back at Fort Anne beginning at 2. Kids will also have a chance to win a bicycle or fishing kit! Check out the schedule and keep up with plans at <https://www.facebook.com/AnnapolisRoyalEasterEggstravaganza>

Sun. April 5 Alleluia, Christ is Risen. We invite you to join us for **Easter Services** in the Anglican Parish of Bridgetown. All are welcome to join the celebration.

6:45am - Sunrise Service at Hebb's Landing

9:30am Choral Eucharist service at St. Mary's (6772 Hwy 1, Belleisle)

11:00am Choral Eucharist service at St. James (289 Granville St., Bridgetown)

Sun. April 5, 9:00am The Centrelea United Baptist Church is holding an **Easter Breakfast** at the Centrelea Hall. Breakfast will be followed by a service of worship (10am), celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Everyone welcome. For more information phone or text Pastor Elizabeth Legassie at 902-526-2493.

Mon. April 6, 7:00pm Moschelle Auxiliary are meeting at the Moschelle Hall, 718 Hwy 201, Moschelle. Any interested persons are welcome join us.

April 7 & 10 Deadline -Call for Artist and Community Submissions: Creative Responses to the 2025 Wildfires in Nova Scotia. Artists and residents are invited to contribute to AfterBurn, an exhibition and community art initiative exploring what comes after the inferno and ashes, after the alerts and evacuations, after the losses and visceral awareness of vulnerability. Visit www.arcac.ca/afterburn to read more about the exhibition and how to contribute.

Tues. April 7, 7:00pm Downsizing but love to garden? The **Bridgetown Area Garden Club** will be hosting speaker Sophia Oldford whose subject is «Vertical Gardening ». Sophia's topic brings gardening to a whole new level! There will be a brief business meeting followed by our guest speaker. Not a member? Not a problem! Drop in for \$2.00 or an annual membership of \$20. Check us out on Facebook. See you there at St. James Anglican Church Hall, corner of Granville St. and Church St., Bridgetown!

Wed. April 8, 1-3:00pm Senior's Day at the Bear River & Area Community Health Clinic, 1112 River Rd. This recurring monthly event falls on the second Wednesday of each month and is intended as a time to catch up with old friends and meet new ones! Enjoy light refreshments and rotating activities through the year. Free will donation at the door. *

Wed. April 8, 2-4:00pm Genealogy Coffee Club Join us for an afternoon of socializing and storytelling at the O'Dell House Museum & Genealogy Centre. Explore the Annapolis Heritage Society genealogical resource library and learn about our offerings. Engage with other genealogy enthusiasts and family historians in the community. Ask your burning questions or share research roadblocks you've encountered. Tell us about your favourite family history discoveries Light refreshments will be provided. We hope you drop by and join the conversation! 136 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Thur. April 9, 11:30am Please join us for the **Best Years Fellowship for Seniors** at the Hillsburn United Baptist Church, 3686 Shore Road West, Hillsburn. There will be a free lunch and entertainment. Hope you can join us.

Thur. April 9, 6-8:00pm Auditions for King's Shorts Festival of 10-Minute Plays Anyone interested in being cast in one of the Shorts is invited to attend one of the auditions at King's Theatre. Please bring a short (less than 5-minute) prepared piece to read. Additional material will also be available to read to the Festival directors. If you are unable to attend and are still interested in participating or want more information, please contact Verilea Ellis 902-245-2309 or verilea@yahoo.ca Performances at King's Theatre June 19, 20 & 21.

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___ The salon will be closed from Friday April 3rd - Monday April 6th, reopen on Tuesday April 7th. (That's the big vacation some have mentioned that's needed).

___ A HUGE Thank you to everyone who reached out and let me know how much you missed last week's issue. Glad you enjoy the community happenings.

___ A HUGE thank you to everyone who has donated their time, filled eggs, and contributed candy and money for "The Big Hunt" in Annapolis Royal—it's all for the kiddos, and it truly shows the heart of this community! We have until Wednesday, April 1st to gather everything that's been dropped off at the salon and pass it along to the busy moms and behind-the-scenes helpers organizing this fun-filled day.

Please, please remember to drop off any plastic eggs after Easter weekend at Weasy's Hair Salon. Reusing them helps cut costs for the Big Hunt Committee and keeps this amazing event going strong for years to come! It has been going for 20 years!!

___ HUGE Thank you to the many generous individuals and local businesses who stepped up to support the Port Lorne Volunteer Fire Department after the recent break-in. Your kindness and community spirit mean so much—thank you for helping them recover and continue their important work.

___ **Sat March 28th.** Junior Firefighters of the Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Dept. are excited to give back to our community by hosting an Easter Food Drive at Foodland 10 am - 12 pm and then at the Independent 12 pm - 2:00 pm. Whether you're able to donate food items or a monetary donation, your help will make a meaningful difference for families in our community. You can write a cheque to the Annapolis Royal Food Bank Society).

___ **Saturday March 28th.** There is an Easter Craft & Collectibles Sale from 9 am - 1 pm at the Annapolis Royal Legion, Lunch available from 10 am - 1 pm.

___ **Sat, March 28th- Country Music Evening** at Round Hill Hall at 7 pm. Doors open at 6:30. Entertainers; Brenda Brown, Clarence Chute, Theresa Porter & Westley Sproule. Other events are 50/50, door prize, Bake Sale & Guitar Raffle. The canteen will be open.

___ **Tues March 31st** is the last day to grab Lobster Raffle tickets @ Weasy's Hair Salon, on 10 lbs of Live Lobsters to help raise funds in support of a Team from Annapolis attending U15 Volleyball Canada National Championships in Calgary Alberta. Volleyball U15 in May. Cost \$5 a ticket or \$3 for \$10. Please bring cash.

___ **Sat, March 28-** Upper Clements Hall is hosting a Bar Bingo from 1- 4 pm. You can also sign up for their newsletter by going to upperclementscommunityhall.ca

For the month of March, Danielle at The Annapolis Barbershop has Walk-In Wednesdays from 4- 8 pm First come/First serve. March hours: Tues 2 - 8 pm, Saturday 10am - 2 pm. Walk-ins Welcome.

___ The Bridgetown hair salon, Handcrafted Hair, has walk-ins every Thursday.

___ A Go-Fund-Me fundraiser has been set up by Felicity Hallett, granddaughter of the late Wayne Stuart, to help her grandmother, Sivella Stuart, with funeral expenses following the tragic fishing accident in Belle Isle in which his body was recovered.

___ This information was shared by a caring member of the community. Our thoughts are with the family and all those affected during this difficult time.

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Thur. April 9, 7:00pm The Clarence 4-H Club meets at the Clarence Hall on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. New members and leaders are always welcome! For more information call Shanda at 902-824-2835.

Fri. April 10, 8:00pm A two-time JUNO and five-time Canadian Folk Music Award nominee **Royal Wood** will play Evergreen Theatre. Following a celebrated national headline tour and a successful run supporting the legendary Bonnie Raitt, Royal's new album "Dear John" has dropped. Tickets: Adults \$40, Members \$30, Military \$35, Students \$20, available at 902-825-6834 or www.evergreentheatre.ca. 1941 Stronach Mountain Road, Margaretsville.

Sat. April 11, 7-10:00am Fishers' Big Breakfast at the Milford & Area Community Hall, 5439 Hwy 8, South Milford. A mere \$15.00 for a full plate – 4 slices of Lequille's bacon, 2 eggs (any style), pancakes with Warren's local maple syrup, homemade bread/toast and jam, homemade beans and beverages. Don't let this one get away!

Sat. April 11, 10:30am-12:30pm Auditions for King's Shorts Festival of 10-Minute Plays Anyone interested in being cast in one of the Shorts is invited to attend one of the auditions at King's Theatre. Please bring a short (less than 5-minute) prepared piece to read. Additional material will also be available to read to the Festival directors. If you are unable to attend and are still interested in participating or want more information, please contact Verilea Ellis 902-245-2309 or verilea@yahoo.ca Performances at King's Theatre June 19, 20 & 21.

Sun. April 12, 8-10:00am Port George Monthly Breakfast, Port George Recreation Centre. Bacon, Sausage, Home fries, Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Baked Beans, Toast, Tea, Coffee. \$13 per person, Children \$6. *

Sun. April 12, 3:00pm Community members are invited to attend the **Annual General Meeting of the West Dalhousie Community Hall**.

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Thur. April 16, 6:30pm Bridgetown and Area Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting at the Bridgetown Legion. If you are curious about what we do or are interested in volunteering, please stop by. We'd love to have you. The executive for the upcoming year will be voted on. More info email president@bridgetownareachamber.com

Fri. April 17, 7-9:30pm SOOF Owl Prowl with Donna Crossland Who Cooks For You?? The Barred Owl, that's who! Join Donna Crossland for a nighttime adventure with Save our Old Forests (SOOF) at the Goldsmith Lake Wilderness Area. The Owl Prowl is a great way to learn about the owls that call Nova Scotia home. You'll learn their calls, hear some great owl stories and possibly have a close encounter with a Barred owl (or two)! Registration is required. Maximum participants 30. A waiting list will be started once registration is full. Register: saveouroldforests.ca/event/owl-prowl-2026

Sat. April 18, 1-1:45pm Monthly Death Cafe in the Dugua Room at the Annapolis Royal Library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Come to One or Come to All. *

Sat. April 18, 2-3:30pm Book Launch and Signing with local author Steve Skafte, at the MacDonald Museum, 21 School St., Middleton. Steve will talk about his new book *Outskirts of Ordinary, Stories of Survival from Annapolis Valley, Nova Scotia*. All welcome. Free admission.

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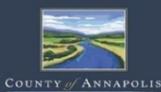
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Sat. April 18, 2-3:30pm Fort Anne History

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Sun. April 19, 12-3:00pm Celebrate Earth Day at Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Hwy 201. Free SOOP Soup Lunch, nature activities, crafts, tree planting, Earth walk, live music along with visits from CARP, MTRI, Nature Nova Scotia and more. There will be a morning Nature Hike with Donna Crossland from 9:30-11:45am. For info email centreleacommunityhall@gmail.com

Sun. April 19, 1-5:00pm New Moon Magic Market at the Wilmot Community Centre, 13972 Hwy 1, with artists, makers, magical practitioners and diviners from across the province. @letstacoboutsnacks will be on site with their amazing food truck! A portion of all funds collected will be donated to The Twelve Baskets Food Bank. If you are curious to learn more about our fundraising efforts check out "The Moontide Volunteers".

Mon. April 20, 1:30-3pm Care Givers Support Group (for people who care for loved ones with dementia) The group meets the 3rd Monday of the month, except July and August, from 1:30 - 3:00pm, at St George & St Andrew United Church, 393 St George St, Annapolis Royal, (at the lights), Office Door, side entry. Contacts: Art Jones - 902-532-0784; Lou Fletcher - 902-532-2377.

Thur. April 23, 7:00pm The 2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Save Our Old Forests (SOOF) Association The AGM is an opportunity for Members of the nonprofit association to hear from the SOOF Board about the activities over the last year, plans for 2026 and the annual financial report. Only active Voting Members will be able to vote on matters put forward at the AGM. Voting Members will receive an invitation by email in early April, with the option to join in person or online. Only those who indicate online will receive the link to the Microsoft Teams meeting. Members are welcome to stay for an informal conversation with Board members following the AGM.

Sat. April 25, 9am-1:00pm Yard and Bake Sale at The Academy in Annapolis Royal, 151 Ritchie Street. Come early; last year the bake sale sold out!

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Sat. April 25, 10:30-noon iNaturalist Workshop with Karen Achenbach and Lisa Proulx. Join these Citizen Scientists to learn how to use the iNaturalist app. Start with the basics and find out how to navigate and get tips. Please download the app on your smartphone or tablet BEFORE coming or plan to arrive early to receive help to do this. Link for Apple or Android at <https://inaturalist.ca>. Registration required as participation is limited. Please email friendsofthearlibrary@gmail.com. An Afternoon with Friends Speaker series presentation with Friends of the Library, in the Music room at the Community Hub, 143 Ritchie St., Annapolis Royal

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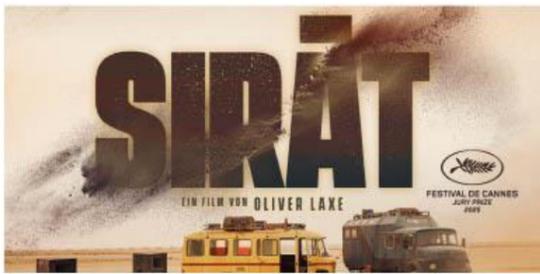
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MONDAY, MARCH 30 @ 7:00 PM



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SATURDAY, APRIL 11 @ 3:00 PM



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Sat. April 25, 1-3:00pm Treelines / Poetry Workshop with Anne Simpson. Poetry can be a conversation with a work of art, but how to start that conversation? With support of the Nova Scotia Writers' Federation, visiting writer Anne Simpson will help you investigate art by way of ekphrastic poetry, inspired by the works in the Wandering Through Trees group exhibition in the Main Gallery. \$40. More info and register online at www.arcac.ca/ekphrastic-poetry-workshop

Sat. April 25, 2-5:00pm SOOFSTOCK Presents... SOOF Tune's At Lunns! Join Save Our Old Forests (SOOF) for an afternoon of SOOF Tunes at Lunn's! We'll be kicking things off at 2pm, featuring performances from Gregory McOrmond, Alex & Autumn, and Mark Bezanson. Bring a friend (or two) and stop by Lunn's Mill Beer Company (515 Carleton Road, Lawrencetown) on April 25th for a bite to eat, a beer and some great music. It's a great way to spend a Saturday afternoon in support of local musicians, local business and a great cause! Pay What You Can (\$20 Suggested) - proceeds from the door go to SOOF.

Sat. April 25, 4-6:00pm Maplefest at Milford & Area Community Hall, 5439 Hwy 8, South Milford. Adults - \$18; Children under 12 - \$9. Menu: Pancakes with Warren's Local Pure Maple Syrup; Roasted Old-Fashioned (Armstrong's) Bone-in Ham; Homemade Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Rolls, Pickles and Assorted Pies with Beverages. Take out orders on request. Sorry, no reservations. If you have questions please call 902-532-5606.

Thur. April 30, 4:30-6pm Lawrencetown and District Lions Club Community Spaghetti Dinner. Spaghetti dinner with meat sauce, garlic bread, tea, coffee, juice for kids and a cookie. Gluten free option available. Take out available. \$10 adults, \$8 kids under 12, and free for kids under 5. At NSCC Centre of Geographic Sciences, 50 Elliott Road, Lawrencetown.

Fri. May 1, 5:00pm The LCS Home and School Committee is hosting its **annual Spring Bingo Fundraiser** at Lawrencetown Consolidated School. Doors will open at 5pm and bingo will begin at 6pm. Books will cost \$7 each for 15 prize pack games, and cookie jar, 50/50, and raffle tickets will also be available for purchase. Draws for door prizes will take place at the end of the evening.

Sat. May 2, 10am-2:00pm Bear River Jumble Sale at the Oakdene Community Centre, 1913 Clementsvale Rd. Hosted by Bear River Events as a fundraiser for Oakdene Community Centre. Admission is PWYC donation to Oakdene. Celebrate Spring Clean Up with the community at the Bear River Jumble Sale, where you can get cash for your unwanted bric-a-brac Clean out the house while shopping small & local this spring, out with the old and in with the new (to you)! If you would like to donate items to fundraising initiatives, participate as a seller, or have questions, contact [BearRiverEvents@gmail.com](mailto: BearRiverEvents@gmail.com)

Fri. May 8, 9:00am until Mother's Day Bake Sale at Middleton Home Hardware. Give Mom a break! Buy her some goodies. Proceeds in support of Soldiers Memorial Health Auxiliary.

Sat. May 23, 2-3:30pm Green Burials with Valerie Wilson. Find out about various burial options such as traditional and cremation and which choices are more green than others. An Afternoon with Friends Speaker series presentation with Friends of the Library, in the Music room at the Community Hub, 143 Ritchie St., Annapolis Royal. For more info email us at friendsofthearlibrary@gmail.com or check out our website at arlibraryfriends.org

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Annapolis County Council Highlights

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Road Naming Process (Deep Brook) – Municipal Council approved the road name “Cliffside Way” for the shared access road in Deep Brook.

Road Naming Process (New Albany) – Municipal Council approved the road name “Trappers Lane” for the shared access road in Albany New.

Guarantees for Valley Region Solid Waste Resource-Management – Municipal Council approved the Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority Guarantee Resolution in the amount of \$89,961 to replace the guarantee for capital projects completed in 2025-26 from the prior year’s budget that expired.

Administration Building Renovations Pre-Approval Form – Municipal Council authorized the required pre-approval form for the administration building renovations to participate in the Finance and Treasury Board’s upcoming Spring Debenture offering.

Bridgetown Water Utility Refinancing Pre-Approval – Municipal Council authorized the required pre-approval form for debenture MFC 31-A-1 for refinancing the upcoming balloon payment for the Bridgetown Water Utility to participate in the Finance and Treasury Board’s upcoming Spring Debenture offering.

Funding for Lawrencetown Medical Clinic – Municipal Council approved funding in the amount of \$4,972 (+ non-recoverable HST) to the Village of Lawrencetown for medical equipment to be used at the Lawrencetown Community Health Centre.

Trunks and Routes Paving Program– It was approved to submit municipal paving priorities containing a 0.6km portion of Church St., Bridgetown, and a 0.9km portion of Granville St., Bridgetown, for re-paving under the 5-year trunks and routes provincial repaving program at the estimate cost of \$1,500,000.

Lake Pleasant Boat Launch Upgrades – Municipal Council approved \$50,000 from the 2025-2026 Operating Budget to the Operating Reserve to be used in 2026-27.

Pursuant to recommendations from Special Budget Committee of the Whole held on February 19, 2026:

Area Rate Study – Municipal Council directed the CAO to perform a study during the 2026-27 fiscal year that will review all current and potential area rates within Annapolis County and provide potential options for consideration.

Administrative Building Assessment Project – Municipal Council approved amendment to the capital budget for the Administrative Building Assessment project for the 2026-27 budget to be funded by the operation reserve.

Munro Lake Amendment – Municipal Council approved to amend the Munro Lake amount in the capital budget to \$20,000.

Shannon River Park Upgrade – Municipal Council approved the addition to the 2026-27 capital budget for an upgrade to Shannon River Park in the amount of \$15,000 coming from the recreation reserve.

Planning Advisory Committee:

Municipal Council approved first reading and set a **public hearing date of April 21, 2026**, to consider the amendment application that redesignates 148/150 South St. from Mixed Use to Residential and rezones it from Mixed Use (MX) to Multi-Unit Residential (R2).

Municipal Council approved first reading and set a **public hearing date of April 21, 2026**, to consider an application submitted by the Bear River Fire Department to amend the text of Cornwallis Park Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw to allow Public Use in the Light Industrial (IND) zone.

Municipal Council approved first reading of its intent to support amendments to the Future Land Use Map and Zoning Map of the Annapolis County Planning Area and set a **public hearing date of April 21, 2026**.

Policy: Approved

Policy 114 Council Remuneration

More information is available at www.annapoliscounty.ca

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Seasoned anglers or new hands should get a copy of the **NS Anglers Handbook** with the 2026 summary of regulations as rules change year to year. The Anglers Handbook has all the rules along with helpful tips and information including an ID guide and location details. Pick up the Handbook where you get your licence or view it online at <https://novascotia.ca/fish/sportfishing/>

You need to have a General Fishing Licence to fish for any species of fish (except salmon) in fresh water in Nova Scotia. There's a separate licence to fish for salmon. As a licence holder, you're allowed to fish in lakes, rivers and streams during the open fishing season. You aren't allowed to fish in privately owned fishponds, rearing ponds, nature reserves or national parks.

You don't need a licence to fish in tidal or salt water, but you need to follow federal and provincial rules while fishing.

In Annapolis County, Fishing licences can be purchased at: Milford House, South Milford; Fundy Spray Motel and Mid-Valley Hardware, Middleton; Home Hardware, Bridgetown & Annapolis Royal; Lequille Country Store, Lequille; Tammy's Country Stop, Springfield; and Needs Convenience in Wilmot and Kingston.

Boat Launches are located at: Annapolis River Causeway Park, Annapolis Royal; Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park, Bridgetown; Hebb's Landing Park, Upper Granville; Lake Pleasant Park, Lake Pleasant; and Lawrencetown Park, Lawrencetown.

Type of Licence	Term	Age	Fee
Resident General Fishing Licence	Annual	18-64 years of age	\$24.77
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	1 day	18 years of age and over	\$12.16
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
Non-Resident General Fishing Licence	Annual	18 years of age and over	\$31.03
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
	1 day	18 years of age and over	\$12.16
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
Resident Salmon Fishing Licence	Annual	18 years of age and over	\$37.29
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
	1 day	18 years of age and over	\$26.86
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
Non-Resident Salmon Fishing Licence	Annual	18 years of age and over	\$137.64
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
	7 days	18 years of age and over	\$56.12
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee
	1 day	18 years of age and over	\$26.86
		16 or 17 years of age	no fee

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The **Clarence Country Market** is now accepting vendor applications for the 2026 season. Set along a scenic country road, the market offers a warm, friendly atmosphere and welcomes vendors of all kinds, especially those offering homemade, homegrown, and home-baked goods. The market runs Sundays from June 7 to October 4, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at 3337 Clarence Road. For more information or to apply, contact clarencecountrymarket@gmail.com or 902-824-4999.

Wanted: Home handyman, Bridgetown area. 902-308-3003

DeStash / Craft Sale: Sat. April 25, 10-3 at Upper Clements Community Hall, 2951 Hwy 1. 50/50 tickets sold at the door. Canteen will be open. To book a table call Denise J Rice at 902-340-8019 or message me on Facebook.

For Sale: Busy Bee wood shaper Mod #RXW-S22 with REXON 1/2 HP motor \$200. Primattech Hardwood Floor nailer, Mod # H330 with 3 boxes of nails \$200. Bosch Lazer Level Mod # GLL30 with tripod Mod # BT150 \$60. Sokia Builders Level Mod # C32 with tri-pod \$200. Rubi Ceramic tile hole saw kit 9 piece \$40. Hitachi Coil Nailer Mod # NV65AH \$200. (902) 825-8311.

For Sale by Owner: 2 bedroom 2 bath condo with terrace at The Academy in Annapolis Royal. Main floor with six appliances. \$272,900. For more information, contact evalake73@gmail.com.

For Sale: Mirror, Atelier Luxe Life Décor Collection, beveled edges, as new in original box, excellent condition, 28 inches x 24 inches. \$50. Oval metal framed mirror, silver metal colour, 27 inches long 18 inches wide at widest point. Very good condition. \$40. Either would be excellent for entry way or bathroom. Call 902-955-0535.

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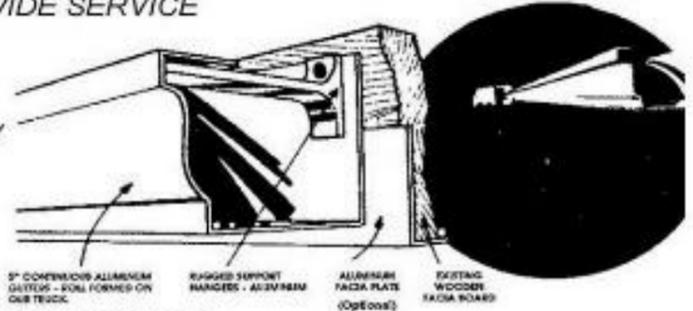
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Call for Vendors – Spring Plant & Seed Sale and Swap

Lower Granville Hall is looking for vendors for our upcoming Spring Plant (and Seed) Sale & Swap. We are aiming for a diverse mix of vendors offering plants, seeds, garden-related items, and other spring treasures. Saturday, April 25, 12:00–3:00pm at Lower Granville Hall, 3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal

Vendor spaces available

Tiny Treasures Space – Medium table (96" x 30") inside the Hall: \$15 per space (6 spaces available)

The Kitchen Sink Space – Large table (122" x 32") inside the Hall: \$20 per space (3 spaces available)

You won't want to miss the opportunity to be part of this blooming and bountiful spring market. Space is limited and will go fast. To book your space, email LowerGranvilleHall@gmail.com and let us know what size space fits your needs. An e-transfer will hold your spot.

Low Income Property Tax Reduction applications for 2026/27 are now available from the County of Annapolis. Households with annual income equal to or under \$32,000 may be eligible for a property tax exemption up to \$425. Applications are available at www.annapoliscounty.ca or at county offices at 752 St. George Street, Annapolis royal and 291 Marshall Street, #4, Middleton.

Want to support your local school, but not sure how? When you take your recyclables to the Enviro Depot in Lequille, you can now **donate your refund to the CES (Champlain Elementary School) Home and School Committee**. We use these funds to support things like field trips, new books, Chromebooks, Grade 5 graduation and yearbooks, and we are very close to funding a new playground climber. Thank you for helping our students learn, grow, and play!

AVFS Community Pantry The Annapolis Valley Folk School is helping those in need of food. It is located at 51 Lawrencetown Lane, Lawrencetown. The pantry offers food items to help carry people through to their next check or trip to the food bank. Or, perhaps you need something for a recipe but are out, well, you can switch it up at the pantry. Food can be dropped off at 51 Lawrencetown Lane or at 1963 Clarence Road.

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April 2026 Events at 7Arts

At 7Arts Centre, 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

Wednesdays April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29th, 1:00-3:00pm Coffee & Colouring (drop in). Let the stress of the day melt away! Come enjoy a relaxed atmosphere at the 7Arts gallery with a warm beverage, colouring, and conversation. All ages welcome! Pay what you can.

Sat. April 4, 10am-12:00pm Potted Plant Paint Party Celebrate spring at 7Arts Studio with Kelsey for a fun-filled creative morning! Join us and paint your own terracotta pot, plant a seed to take home, and write a Seed Intention to manifest and grow this next season. This is a fun, relaxed family-friendly event for all ages. \$25 per person, all materials included. Space is limited. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca.

Tues. April 7, 6:30-8pm Lighthouse Acrylic Workshop with Jenna. Let's paint a lighthouse! In this guided acrylic paint class, you'll be walked through the entire process of creating a stunning lighthouse scene on canvas. Whether you've never painted before or just want a fun creative night out, this class is designed to be easy, stress free, and enjoyable. All materials are provided. You'll leave with a finished painting you can proudly take home. \$35 per person. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca.

Thur. April 9, 1-2:00pm HealthRHYTHMS Community Drum Circle, free to seniors! Reserve your seat by emailing mindfullymore@gmail.com.

Fridays April 10, 17, & 24th, 9:30am -11:30am Veteran's Coffee This event is open to all Annapolis Valley Veterans and serving members. This is a FREE event for Veterans. For more information, email info@7Arts.ca.

Saturdays April 11 & 25th, 12:30-3:30pm Makers Space. Bring a project to work on, start something new, or purchase one of our kits. Drop-ins welcome and encouraged! Cost starts at \$10. Caregivers are free.

Sundays April 12, 19, & 26, 3-4:30pm Cozy Crafting Corner: Embroidery. A welcoming 3-part beginner embroidery series where you'll learn the essential techniques, foundational stitches and simple design while completing small, guided projects. By the end of the class you will have the skills to create your own beautiful, embroidered pieces. \$80 per participant. No experience necessary. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca

Sun. April 12, 1-2:30pm Scenic Paint Workshop with Jenna. In this guided acrylic paint class, you'll be walked through the entire process of creating a scenic masterpiece on an 8x10" canvas. Whether you've never painted before or just want a fun creative afternoon out, this class is designed to be easy, stress free, and enjoyable. All materials are provided. You'll leave with a finished painting you can proudly take home. \$35 per person. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca.

Mondays April 13, 20, & 27, 5:30-7pm Youth Art Lessons (ages 8+). If you are ages 8+, join us at the studio on Mondays (5:30-7pm) to experiment with various art media. We will be exploring sketching, texture art, painting with acrylics and watercolours, and clay. All supplies are included! Only \$25 per class or \$60 for all three April classes. Space is limited. Registration is required. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca.

Wed. April 22, 6:30-8:30pm Bookend Miniature Workshop. Join Shelley from Freedom Miniatures and Season 3 of Best in Miniature for this 3-part workshop. One 2-hour class will be held each month, for 3 months (dates are Apr 22, May 13, & June 3 from 6:30-8:30 pm). The cost for this 3-part workshop is \$150 per person, all supplies included. For ages 16+.

Belles Blessing Community Pantry is always open! We have a LOT of fresh produce, please help yourselves. The frozen soup freezer is full as well. If anyone can donate to the nonperishable pantry we need cereal, toilet paper, Kraft dinner, stove top stuffing, gravy and packaged potatoes. 4841 Shore Road West, Parker's Cove

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Math Square 12

Fill in the missing numbers
The missing values are the whole numbers between 1 and 16. Each number is only used once.
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Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.
Answer next week.

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Fri. March 27, 7:30pm The Country Boys (live performance) A tribute to the music of Alan Jackson, Garth Brooks, Brad Paisley and George Strait. Imagine a concert with these four Country music icons together on one stage, at the same time... The Country Boys show will bring you there!

Featuring Scott Delhunty, Gerald Delhunty, Marc Babin and Daniel Goguen, along with 5 other musicians, you'll hear most of their timeless hit songs, including Chattahoochee, Friends In Low Places, The Fireman, and Mud On The Tires. Each member of the Country Boys band has shared the stage with different Country music legends such as: George Jones, Alan Jackson, Alabama, Brooks & Dunn, Gene Watson, Toby Keith, Sammy Kershaw, and Lorrie Morgan. A show for the real Country music fan in you! All tickets \$49 plus HST.

Sat. March 28, 7:00pm Epic: Elvis Presley in Concert (film) Elvis sings and tells his story like never before in a new cinematic experience from visionary filmmaker Baz Luhrmann. Tickets: Adults \$11.95, Youth \$7.95.

Sun. March 29, 3:00pm Stories That Move (Live performance) Wendy Goudie, Sparkle Dancers, and special guests Meredith Kalamian and Sara Hartland-Rowe. Residents at Digby's Tideview Terrace Long-term Care Home have been matched with Sparkle Dancers. Each pair has spent time together, with dancers interviewing their paired resident. Hours of conversation about life, memories, choices, troubles and celebrations have been shared by residents and documented by dancers. The youth have then been guided to self-choreograph a tribute to their partner. Capturing part of life's story in a dance, dedicating a moment, and celebrating legacy, these are original choreographies, performed from the heart. Come and feel the power of inter-generational connection! Tickets: Adults \$25, Youth \$5 (Under 18).

Thur. April 2, 7:30pm TILT (live performance) Part theatre, part improv, TILT follows as a couple's relationship takes a turn when a shocking secret comes to light. What secret? You decide! TILT is a hybrid theatre/improv show where each performance is different, as a prompt from the audience sends the story – and performers – into an improvised tailspin! After a 20-minute scripted introduction, an audience-sourced secret is revealed. What follows is a totally improvised continuation of the story, complete with movement sequences, new characters, and fully realized improvised technical design. Whether the result is a hilarious comedy, a touching drama, or something in between, TILT is a wild ride for both the audience and the performers alike!

This thrilling balancing act of theatrical styles is only possible because of the high caliber team at Solo Chicken Productions! Creators and performers Jean-Michel Cliche (SCP Associate Artistic Director) & Alex Rioux (Director of SCP's Fruit Machine) have nearly a decade of experience improvising together. Supported by Georgia Priestley Brown's (former Second City stage manager) technical improvisation, including lights, sound and projection, TILT is a seemingly impossible show that is executed with grace, polish, and heart. Tickets: Adults \$30, Youth \$15.

Sat. April 4, 10:00am Luca (film) Free Easter film. Set in a beautiful seaside town on the Italian Riviera, Disney and Pixar's original feature film "Luca" is a coming-of-age story about one young boy experiencing an unforgettable summer filled with gelato, pasta and endless scooter rides. Luca (voice of Jacob Tremblay) shares these adventures with his newfound best friend, Alberto (voice of Jack Dylan Grazer), but all the fun is threatened by a deeply held secret: they are sea monsters from another world just below the water's surface. Free general admission at the door.

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Annapolis County Council Special Session Highlights (2026/27 BUDGET)

March 17, 2026

- Municipal Council approved the proposed 2026-2027 operating budget reflecting revenues of \$29,060,700 and expenditures of \$29,060,700.
- Municipal Council approved the 2026-2027 operating budget base taxation rates for all residential and resource assessments of \$1.025 per \$100 of assessment, and a commercial tax rate of \$1.80 per \$100 of assessment.
- Municipal Council approved 2026-2027 operating budget area rates for all residential and resource assessments in Bridgetown of 34.78 cents per \$100 of assessment, and a commercial area rate of 55.60 cents per \$100 of assessment, and a taxation area rate for all properties in the Village of Lawrencetown of the amount to be approved by the Lawrencetown Village Commission.
- Municipal Council approved fire hydrant taxation rates for the 2026-2027 fiscal year based on \$100 of assessment as follows:

Margaretsville District 2	9.02 cents
Inglewood District 3	18.78 cents
Granville Ferry District 4/5	13.87 cents
Carleton Corner District 7	16.11 cents
Church Street District 3	7.08 cents
Middleton District 2/9	24.48 cents
Cornwallis Park District 6	27.52 cents
Bridgetown District 3/7	23.68 cents

Welcome to CORAH!

Centre of Rural Aging and Health (CORAH) is a community hub and active living centre for older adults (55+):

- A place to **connect** with others, **exercise** the mind and body, and **empower** oneself!
 - Social, cultural, educational, & recreation programs: weekly **fitness classes**, creative **art groups**, **presentations** and more!
 - Free or low-cost programs focused on **healthy living and wellness**
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7Arts Spring Gallery at CORAH

Celebrate Local Artists and Creative Communities!

- Come on down to CORAH to check out some beautiful new artworks from 7Arts artists!
- All pieces are for view and sale.
- Spring Gallery runs April 01 – June 16, 2026

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
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Home Plumbing Playbook: Tips, Tricks, and Quick Fixes!

Join NSCC Plumbing Faculty & Students to learn about Home Plumbing:

- Toilets: common problems, repair, installation
- Faucet repair: bathroom, kitchen, shower/tub
- Clogged sinks and larger main clogs
- Warning signs: bigger issues, when to get help

WEDNESDAY April 01 *10:00am to 12:00pm*

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
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Spring Cleanup of Finances

Join Kathie Pemberton of IG Wealth Management for a fun and interactive session to learn about:

- A look at everyday budget items – a checklist!
- Estate planning items and net worth
- Planning for 2026 and forward thinking
- Keeping your finances clean and organized!
- Leave with a "cleaning kit" for your finances.

WEDNESDAY April 08 *10:00am to 11:30am*

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
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Info Session:

Learn About Caregivers Nova Scotia

Jennine Wilson, Caregiver Support Coordinator, will be at CORAH to present about:

- If you regularly help someone living with an illness, disability, mental health challenges, addiction or aging, without being paid, you are a caregiver. Learn more!
- Discover Caregivers Nova Scotia and the free programs and services they offer.

THURSDAY April 16 *10:00am-11:00am*

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
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Menopause and Perimenopause with Naturopathic Doctors Jennifer Doyle and Brittany David:

- Menopause and perimenopause can feel confusing. This overview will help as you navigate these stages of life and offers an up-to-date explanation of why hormone therapy has re-entered the conversation.
- A welcoming space to learn, ask questions, gain clarity, confidence, feel empowered & informed.

WEDNESDAY April 22, *10:45-11:45am*

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- Municipal Council approved a 2026-2027 operating budget area rate for the provision of streetlights per \$100 of all assessment accounts of 3.41 cents.
 - Municipal Council approved fire taxation rate for the 2026-27 fiscal year based on \$100 of assessment as follows:

Kingston Fire Commission District 1/11	To be determined by Fire Commission
Fire Capital All districts	6.11 cents
 - Municipal Council approved street paving taxation rates for the 2026-2027 fiscal year based on \$100 of assessment as follows:

Cameron Drive District 1	1.21 cents
Brookside/Pine Grove District 1	5.02 cents
Bradley Street District 1	3.26 cents
Ward Estates District 11	\$366.40 (lump sum)
 - Municipal Council approved the due date for property taxation bills of June 30, 2026, and that all rates and taxes outstanding after this date be subject to interest at a rate of 12% per annum.
 - Municipal Council approved a sewer rate for all publicly connected properties or have the ability to connect to the County sanitary sewer system of \$618.42 per year; and for all properties connected or have the ability to connect to the Bridgetown sanitary sewer system, a rate of \$2.99 per cubic meter plus a quarterly base rate of \$24.34.
 - Municipal Council approved the proposed 5-year Capital Investment Plan reflecting financial investments over 5 years of \$30,385,000; and a 2026-2027 capital investment of \$3,010,000.
- For further details on the featured highlights, go to www.annapoliscounty.ca to view agenda package.

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