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New Chief of Annapolis Royal Police

On June 22, 2026 the Annapolis Royal Police Service welcomed Elizabeth (Liz) Montgomery as the new Chief of Police. Liz Montgomery was born and raised in the Annapolis Valley and is a seasoned investigator with 30 years of law enforcement experience, including more than 10 years specializing in sexual assault investigations, child exploitation, threat and risk assessment, and high-risk offender management. As the lead of the threat assessment section, the majority of Liz's casework related to assessing and analyzing threat and risk in intimate partner and gender-based violence investigations.

She is qualified in advanced threat assessment for intimate partner violence, stalking, general violence, sexual violence, and school threat assessment. Liz was recognized for her exceptional investigative skills by the Ambassador of the United States and the Department of Homeland Security for linking a high-profile child exploitation case to a known sexual offender, who was subsequently brought to justice and convicted. Liz was also very involved with the Mass Casualty Commission serving as the Team Lead, Investigations. (Town of Annapolis Royal)

BACF News

The Bridgetown and Area Community Fund would like to inform our community of a recent anonymous donation of \$11,000. The board is very appreciative of the donation. It has been in large part added to the fund's investments, to provide continuous, sustainable income that will be granted out to local nonprofits every year. A portion of the donation has been made available for immediate donation in addition to our annual disbursement amount for 2026. On June 25, 2026 the board met to review 8 applications. Applications for 2026 are now closed until further notice but will be reopened in 2027. (submitted)

Provincial Funding Announced

The West Dalhousie Community Hall Association is receiving \$98,000 through the Recreation Facility Development Program to build an inclusive playground at the West Dalhousie Community Hall grounds, creating a welcoming space for children and families to enjoy for years to come. The park will be known as the West Dalhousie Wildfire Resiliency Park.

"This project is about much more than a playground. It's about creating a place where families can gather, children can play and the community can continue moving forward together," said MLA Bowlby.

The investments are part of the Province's \$3.1 million commitment to 85 projects through the Community Facilities Improvement Program, Recreation Facility Development Program and Rink Revitalization Program. Together, these programs help municipalities and community organizations improve recreation facilities and gathering places that contribute to healthy, vibrant communities across Nova Scotia.

Other projects to receive provincial money include: \$50,000 for the Annapolis Valley Regional Centre for Education to complete the revitalization of an outdoor space and install an accessible playground at Windsor Elementary School.

The Coldbrook Community Association is receiving \$75,000 to build an outdoor pickleball facility featuring three accessible courts, creating new opportunities for residents of all ages to stay active. (from PC media)

Welcome to Annapolis Valley Folk School

Nestled at the foot of the North Mountain in Clarence, Annapolis Valley Folk School (AVFS) stands as a beacon of community-based education and cultural enrichment. More than just a school; it's a thriving hub of lifelong learning, where knowledge flows freely and passions ignite. From traditional trades to modern arts, from animal husbandry to computer literacy, AVFS offers a diverse array of classes and workshops aimed at enriching the minds and souls of its participants. One of the defining features of AVFS is its unique barter-based model of learning. Here, the currency is not dollars and cents, but rather a spirit of generosity. Talented individuals from within the community willingly volunteer their time and expertise to teach others and receive requested barter items for their time and effort, fostering a culture of collaboration and shared growth. However, AVFS is not confined to the walls of its classroom. The school's commitment to community engagement beyond its premises, with a calendar brimming with events and activities designed to celebrate local talent and foster connections. From concerts and potlucks to outdoor adventures along the riverbanks, AVFS provided ample opportunities for members to come together and celebrate the richness of community life.

One such initiative is the weekly yoga class held at the Clarence Hall, a gathering that embodies the ethos of AVFS: inclusivity, wellness, and community support. Through free-will offerings, participants not only nurture their well-being but also contribute to the upkeep of the hall and support the school's community pantry, ensuring essential provisions are available to those in need. AVFS has forged meaningful partnerships with organizations like the Clean Annapolis River Project, collaborating on events such as the annual River Festival. Here, attendees can immerse themselves in hands-on crafting experiences at the Skills Village, connecting with local heritage and environmental stewardship in meaningful ways.

Central to AVFS's mission is its commitment to inclusivity and accessibility. Learners of all ages and backgrounds are welcomed with open arms, creating an environment where everyone has the opportunity to grow, learn, and thrive.

One particularly heartwarming initiative is the AVFS Pantry, a lifeline for community members facing food insecurity.

Maureen from AVFS says "For the past two years we have supplied food to the AVFS Pantry located at 51 Lawrencetown Lane. We have worked alongside the local school to provide lunches to those in need and have the actual pantry open 24/7 for those that need to augment their food supply or even if you run out of something for tonight's supper you are welcome to check the pantry to see if it is there. It is run on the take what you need, leave what you can basis. Food can be given to 51 Lawrencetown Lane or at 1963 Clarence Road. We have found a large uptake in people using the pantry in the last 7 months and so any contribution is greatly appreciated."

Looking into the Annapolis Valley Folk School, we're reminded of the power of community, the joy of learning, and the beauty of coming together to celebrate our shared humanity. Stay connected with AVFS's latest offerings and events by following them on Facebook @ [annapolisvalleyfolkschool](https://www.facebook.com/annapolisvalleyfolkschool) or visiting their page on Eventbrite under Annapolis Valley Folk School. Let's celebrate the spirit of community and learning that defines Annapolis Valley Folk School. (submitted)



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Community Calendar

Thur. July 2-Sat. July 4, 10am-4:00pm daily **The Farm Museum** open July 2 and will be open for the season Thur.-Sat. 10-4, until September, next to the Exhibition Grounds in Lawrencetown. Free admission...for the memories. *

Fri. July 3, 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. July 3 and Sun. July 5, 10am-3:00pm Digby Farmers and Artisans Market takes place along Admiral's Walk, Digby, Fridays and Sundays to Oct. 4.

Fri. July 3, 12-1:00pm Tai Chi Classes, each Friday at the Bridgetown Salvation Army Church. \$60 for 10 classes. 902-824-0099.

Fri. July 3, 2-4:00pm Crafts & Conversations will take place every Friday at the O'Dell House Museum, Annapolis Royal, throughout the summer season. Crafts & Conversations is a drop-in community program for crafters and artists of all ages and skill levels. Simply bring your current craft project and enjoy an afternoon of conversation and creativity. Surrounded by beautiful textile arts from the AHS collection and in the company of like-minded makers, you are sure to feel engaged and inspired! Knitting, sewing, crocheting, weaving, drawing, sketching, beading, rug hooking, embroidery, etc. All are welcome! 902-532-7754. annapolisheritagesociety.com

Fri. July 3, 5-6:30pm The **Hampton Market** offers an eclectic mix of vendors featuring staples and a few things you didn't know you really needed! Offers include granola, lemonade, BBQ sauce, salsa, handpies, flowers, jewelry, jams & jellies, crafts and wood-fired sourdough. Plan a trip to Hampton Hall (8319 St Croix Cove Road) on Fridays and stop in for a coffee and a chat. Want to be a vendor? Email Sherry: sherryodell4k@gmail.com

Fri. July 3, 6-8:00pm Summer Music at the O' with The Hupman Brothers Band. Free admission. At the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre on the waterfront in Annapolis Royal. Rain location at the Port Royal Legion, 66 Victoria Street. or The Community Hub. Free music every Friday for the summer. *

Fri. July 3, 6-11:00pm The Annapolis Royal Legion, Branch #21 will host **Alex Hastie** at a special time, 6pm-8pm! After Alex is finished, join us for **Karaoke Night** with Theresa Porter from 8-11pm. Join us for a fun night of karaoke with friends and help us celebrate the 26th Anniversary of the McCharles Family Classic! Just \$3 cover at the door. Everyone welcome!

Fri. July 3, 7:00pm Jam Session every Friday Evening at the Youngs Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Rd. *

Sat., July 4, 9:00am Yard Sale * Craft Sale * Bake Sale This community fundraiser is being jointly hosted by Albany Community Church and New Albany Pinegrove Cemetery. Proceeds will help replace the church's accessible ramp and help repair the cemetery's aging cement wall. Every purchase helps preserve and improve these important community landmarks. Bring your friends, bring your family, and come early for the best selection! Location: 6686 Hwy 10, New Albany For more information 902-825-3823.

Sat. July 4, 9am-1:00pm Summer Market in the Masonic Hall Church St., Annapolis Royal. From local handmade wood products, cards, Jeanette's Jams, & Annette's apparel; to textiles, vintage clothing & goods, Thai clothing, African jewelry, antiques, collectibles, home decor, books, CDs, LPs and more! Rain or shine. Cash & e-transfer.

Sat. July 4, 9am-1:00pm Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Outdoor Market at Market Square, across from the wharf. Nova Scotia's longest-running outdoor market. With produce and artisan breads, locally made beer and wine, and so much more the Market is a celebration of everything homegrown and handcrafted.

Sat. July 4, 10am-2:00pm Giant Railway Yard Sale Enjoy browsing and buying at the 3rd Annual Railway Yard Sale while supporting the Middleton Railway Museum! As always, we'll have a wide range of gently used model trains in many scales, as well as books and other collectibles. This year, we'll be featuring a large selection of collector's plates featuring images from across North America. Don't miss our featured, on-site food truck: G&J Top Dogs!. Middleton Railway Museum, 61 School Street, Middleton.

Sat. July 4, 10am-2:00pm Your Valley Farmers Market at the Annapolis Valley Exhibition Grounds, Lawrencetown. Open every Saturday to October 3. Vendor applications are now open for the 2026 market season! Info at Facebook/Your Valley Farmers Market or email us at farmersmarket@valleyex.ca.

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Sat. July 4 Walking Welcome The Anglican Parish of Bridgetown is going to be walking in the Annapolis Royal Pride Parade to let all 2SLGBTQIA+ people know we welcome them to our churches. We invite Valley parishes and individuals to come and join us. Bring a sign to represent your welcoming/affirming church or parish! Gather at the Annapolis Royal Court House (377 St. George St.) at 12:30 pm in preparation for the Parade (and pray for great weather!) The time has changed to 12:30 as the Parade is now starting at 1!

Sat. July 4, 12-2:00pm Opening Reception for Gibson Girls, Where I'm At Now, at ARTSPLACE Gallery. The show is a collection of 'postcards' that reflect the experience of place - physical and psychic - by artists Yael Brotman, Karen Curry, Liz Parkinson, Snaige Sileika and M.J. Steenberg, colloquially called the "Gibson Girls". In some form, the Gibson Girls have been together for over thirty years, canoeing, camping, photographing and creating site-specific installations in Ontario's wilderness. Their ironic title 'Gibson Girls' includes a nod to their early sketching trips on Ontario's Gibson River and to the fact that they are anything but stereotypical 'girls' in their competence in the studio or bush. Exhibition runs to July 25. 396 St. George Street.



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Sat. July 4, 12:00pm We are Here Postcard Workshop Free, family-friendly, drop-in workshop with the Gibson Girls. Collaboratively create postcards to expand their Where I'm At Now exhibition once again. Free to participate. Materials provided. All ages welcome. ARTSPACE Studio (upstairs), 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. www.arcac.ca

Sat. July 4, 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. July 4, 8:00pm Double Bill: Adina & Bill Ricky play Evergreen Theatre. Adina is an R&B/Folk Artist with soul-soothing vocals and heartfelt lyrics. Hailing from North Preston, Adina gained her love of music growing up surrounded by her musical Country/Gospel family. Bill Ricky is an alternative country band from Halifax, Nova Scotia, formed in 2023 around the hyper-personal songwriting of frontwoman Leigh Wills. Since their live debut, the band has built strong momentum across the Maritimes, earning a reputation as one of Eastern Canada's most exciting new acts. Tickets: Adults \$35, Members \$25, Military \$30, Students \$20, available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Rd., Margaretsville.

Sun. July 5, 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. July 5, 8:50-10:30am Annapolis Shambhala Meditation Centre Sunday Morning Sitting Practice, weekly at the Granville Ferry Community Hall. <https://annapolis.shambhala.org>

Sun. July 5, 9:30am Holy Eucharist at the Anglican Church of St. Mary's (6772 Hwy 1 in Belleisle). All are welcome to join us.

Sun. July 5, 10am-2:00pm Clarence Farmers Market, through October at the Clarence Community Hall. The market features local produce, baked goods, crafts, and artisan products from vendors across the Annapolis Valley. New vendors are always welcome. For more information, email clarencecountrymarket@gmail.com or call 902-824-4999.

Sun. July 5, 10:30am Port Lorne Baptist 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. July 5, 11am Holy Eucharist at St. James Anglican Church (289 Granville Rd, Bridgetown) followed by fellowship and food. All are welcome.

Sun. July 5, 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. July 5, 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. *

Sun. July 5, 11am-4:00pm Brickton Community Hall is hosting their 1st **Family Fun Day**. Join us for a day of fun for the whole family. A little something for everyone. Activities include Home Town Makers Market, Ticket auction, kids area, bouncy castles, games, live music, canteen and BBQ, and much more! 12062 Hwy # 1. Free.

Sun. July 5, 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. July 5, 2:00pm Centrelea United Baptist Church, 3492 Highway 201. Weekly services at the Church for the spring, summer and fall seasons. Refreshments and conversation follow at each service. All are welcome to join us in services led by Reverend Dr. Elizabeth Legassie.

Sun. July 5, 4:30pm—6:00pm 17th Annual Hampton Beach Lobster Supper in support of the Hampton Lighthouse. \$30 per Supper, includes Lobster, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Roll & Desert. Tickets Available at: Bridgetown V & S, Bridgetown Pharmasave or call Brinton Forbes 902-665-2099, Monte Kendall 902-665-4651. Take Home or bring a blanket, chair, utensils & beverage and enjoy your supper on Hampton Beach!

Sun. July 5, 7-9:00pm Fun Darts, every Sunday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. \$3 entry returned in prizes.

The Anglican Church of Canada Parish of Wilmot

All Saints - 521 Pleasant St., Kingston, NS 9:30am
Holy Trinity - 45 Main St., Middleton, NS 11:00am
Phone: 902-825-2326 Facebook: Parish of Wilmot
Website: <https://parishofwilmot.ca>

ALL ARE WELCOME

Mon. July 6, 9am-12:00pm Summer Open House at the Paradise Heritage Centre, 10307 Hwy 1, Paradise. We will be open on Monday mornings 9-12 for the summer and fall, starting on June 1! There will be coffee and muffins of course- and our quiet, beautiful space to relax for conversation, reading, or research. *

Mon. July 6, 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. July 6, 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. July 6, 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 *

Mon. July 6, 7:00pm Jam Sessions at Habitation New Horizons Hall at 1771 Granville Road Port Wade. Come sing, play or just listen. Lots of fun and fellowship, all welcome. For info contact Ann Marie 902-955-2244.

Mon. July 6, 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.

Tue. July 7, 10:00am Asks & Snacks with Arts Nova Scotia & The Canada Council for the Arts. Connect with Program Officers and fellow artists for a conversation about available funding and your questions about grants. Free to participate, RSVP required. Light refreshments. ARTSPLACE Gallery, 396 St. George St, Annapolis Royal. www.arcac.ca/calendar

Tues. July 7, 1-3:00pm The Annapolis East Seniors Card Group, meet at NSCC Middleton campus every Tuesday.

Tues. July 7, 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 July 21.*

Tues. July 7, 6:00pm Bridgetown Ramblers join us at the Bridgetown Baptist Church parking lot, 7 Park St., for a fun, social and relaxed ramble around the community. For more information text 902-824-0057.

Tues. July 7 and Thur. July 9, 7:00pm Bridgetown Pickleball at the Sports Hub tennis/pickleball courts. Newbies always welcome. \$2 drop-in fee. Questions? 902-665-4353 or 902-665-4308.

Tues. July 7, 7:00pm Illustrated Talk on an epic canoe trip of the whole Annapolis River, at Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Hwy 201, Centrelea. Ever wondered what secrets the Annapolis River holds? Join photographer, explorer, and natural history enthusiast Irvin Leopold as he shares stories and stunning photos from his incredible 120 km canoe journey down the entire Annapolis River—from the Caribou Bog near Aylesford all the way to the Annapolis Causeway! Along the way, he uncovered fascinating pieces of history, including old Acadian aboiteaux, encountered abundant wildlife such as turtles, and documented the rich diversity of plants that thrive along the riverbanks.

Clean Annapolis River Project is proud to sponsor this illustrated presentation, and you're invited to join us for an evening of adventure, discovery, and local history. Free admission. Light refreshments will be served.

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

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Wed. July 8, 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. For further information, call (902) 250-0429.

Wed. July 8, 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. For more information check our Facebook Group NS WALKS BRIDGETOWN

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Wed. July 8-Sun. July 12, 10am-5:00pm Middleton Railway Museum open daily except Mon. and Tues. at 61 School Street, Middleton. Visit our HO model railway, restored railway station, and rolling stock. Call 902 221-6922. *

Wed. July 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. *

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Wed. July 8, 1-3:00pm Grab your towel and join the fun at the **Raven Haven Beach Bash!** An afternoon packed with swimming, beach games, BBQ, cold treats, prizes and good vibes by the water. Summer fun doesn't get much better than this. Free. Raven Haven Beachside Park, 2239 Virginia Rd, Sandy Bottom Lake.

Wed. July 8, 2-4:00pm **Genealogy Coffee Club** Join us for an afternoon of socializing and storytelling at the O'Dell House Museum & Genealogy Centre. This month, our friends from Mapannapolis will be joining us to talk about the incredible work they do to preserve and share the stories of Annapolis County. You won't want to miss it! 136 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Wed. July 8, 7:00pm **Brickton Community Hall Jam Sessions** Every Wednesday @ 7. Free will offering. All welcome. *

Wed. July 8, 7-9:00pm **Fun Cribbage** every Wednesday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffrey Street. \$6 entry returned in prizes. All welcome. *

Wed. July 8, 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. July 9, 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. July 9, 3-7:00pm **Kingston Farmers Market** 45+ Vendors weekly, a selection of delicious Food Trucks, live music from all your local faves - workshops, super fun theme weeks and more! Come out and support local growers, makers, businesses and entrepreneurs: because shopping local builds our community economy and keeps our hard-earned dollars right here at home! Aurora Inn Grounds, 831 Main St., Kingston. Doors open at 2:45pm.

Thur. July 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.

Thur. July 9, 7:00pm **Card Night** at Moschelle Community Hall, 718 Hwy 201 Moschelle. All players are welcome to join in. Continuing every Thursday until Nov. of 2026.

Thur. July 9, 7-8:00pm **Free Fun 'n' Fitness Line Dancing** with Durline and Trans World Dance Company (Weather permitting). All levels are welcome. No experience or partners are needed. Wear comfortable dance shoes and come help celebrate Trans World Dance Company's 34th year in Canada. Kick up your heels and join the fun! Each Thursday to Sept. 10 at the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre, 275 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal, in conjunction with the Annapolis West Health Foundation, Annapolis Royal Recreation Department, and Explorer Visitors Guide. *

Thur. July 9, 8:00pm **Fred Eaglesmith** at Evergreen Theatre He is known for writing songs about vehicles, rural life, down-and-out characters, lost love and quirky rural folk. His songwriting uses techniques of short story writing, including unreliable narrators, surprise endings, and plot twists. Tickets: \$55 available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Rd., Margaretsville

Fri. July 10, 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. July 10, 6-8:00pm **Summer Music at the O'** with The Rhinestone Romeos. Free admission. At the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre on the waterfront in Annapolis Royal. Rain location at the Port Royal Legion, 66 Victoria Street. or The Community Hub. Free music every Friday for the summer. *



ANNAPOLIS VOICES IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FOR FALL 2026!

Annapolis Voices performs multi-part repertoire of all styles. Singers must be able to prepare their own part; learning resources are provided. Rehearsals are Monday evenings in Annapolis Royal and will start up again in September.

EMAIL AnnapolisVoices@gmail.com BY JULY 15 to learn more!



85th Birthday Celebration!

Please join us in wishing Barrie Marshall a happy 85th birthday on Sunday, July 5th. Warmly invited to New Hope Church: 11:00am Service and 12:15pm Party 418 Markland Road, Kingston, NS (next to Home Hardware) Best wishes only!

Sat. July 11, 11am-4:30pm **Skills Village with CARP Riverfest**, Jubilee Park, Bridgetown. We've teamed up with the Clean Annapolis River Project (CARP) for an incredible day on the water! Come out for live music, food, dragon boat races, and free hands-on workshops hosted by the Annapolis Valley Folk School. Try your hand at these skills:

Art & Crafts: Bird painting, watercolour, needle felting, and friendship bracelets.

Weaving: Heddle loom and peg loom weaving, plus wool cleaning.

River Skills & More: Knot tying, heaving the line, and fermenting.


Admission: Free! No tickets required—just show up ready to learn and have fun. Donations to CARP are welcome on-site. Tip: Bring a reusable water bottle to use at the park's water stations. Questions? Drop us a message on Facebook or email us at avfolkschool@gmail.com. See you there!

Sat. July 11, 12-2:30PM **Strawberry Tea** at the Smith's Cove Temperance Hall, 590 Hwy 1, Smith's Cove NS; Adults \$15 and Children under 12 are \$7. Tea, Juice, Sandwiches and Strawberry Shortcake will be served. Gluten free options will be available while they last.

Sat. July 11, 5-7:00pm **Tupperville Community Hall's Annual Strawberry Supper** Serving ham, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, casseroles, salads, and homemade strawberry shortcake. \$18 per person, \$8 for kids under 10, kids 4 and under eat free. Dine in or take out. Cash at the door or pre-order before July 6th by contacting 902-824-2294. Tupperville Community Hall, 2586 Hwy 201.

Sat. July 11, 9am-5:00pm **Annapolis River Festival** at Bridgetown's Jubilee Park. Fun activities and entertainment on the river and off. Food and Beverage Tent, Skills Village, Farming, Livestock & Life Skills, Live Music, Education Corner, Children's activities and more. Dragon Boat Races/ 9am-1pm or so Canoe/Kayak/SUP Races/ 1 pm Canoe Obstacle Course/ 4 pm Guided Heritage River tours/ 2:30, 3:45, 5pm. www.annapolisriver.ca/riverfest

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Sun. July 12, 2:00pm Old-Time Gospel Singalong We invite you to come and sing your favourite Old Time Gospel Songs at Aylesford United Church, 2414 Hwy 1. Wheelchair accessible. Free will offering.

Tues. July 14, 4:30-6:00pm Takeout Strawberry Supper at St. George & St. Andrew United Church, Annapolis Royal. Cold plate with Ham, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Roll. Yummy Strawberry Shortcake for dessert. Vegetarian & Gluten free available. Adults \$22, Children 12 and under \$10. All meals must be reserved by calling: 902-532-7284. Last day to reserve: July 10.

Tue. July 14, 7:00pm Film Screening: Silver Screammers. A heartwarming and spine-tingling documentary that follows a group of spirited senior citizens as they embark on an extraordinary adventure far outside their comfort zones: Creating a Horror Film. Suggested Donation: \$10. ARTSPLACE Studio (upstairs), 396 St. George St, Annapolis Royal www.arcac.ca

Tues. July 14 and Wed. July 15, 8:00pm nightly FODAR Market Dances at Annapolis Royal Market Square – Festival of Dance Annapolis Royal. Relax, soak in the setting sun and enjoy an eclectic mix of dance performances in a casual atmosphere. Your chance to see festival artists performing short pieces – many created especially for this event. Pay What You Choose. No reservations so come early! <https://fodar.ca>

Wed. July 15, 6:30-8:00pm Texture Wave Workshop. Create your very own wave masterpiece on a 10x10" using this fun texture technique! Artist Jenna will guide you step-by-step through the process. This is a two-part workshop with the second class taking place on July 22nd (6:30-8pm). All supplies are included! Cost is \$80 per person. Registration required by emailing info@7Arts.ca. 7Arts 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

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 July 21 Kids Pop-Up Camp at Hampton Community Hall
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Thurs. July 16, 7:30pm and Sat. July 18, 2:00pm FODAR MainStage Shows.

Program One, Festival of Dance Annapolis Royal. Festival of Dance Annapolis Royal is thrilled to devote its entire MainStage programming this year to the presentation of some of Canada's most outstanding Indigenous Choreographers and Dancers. Four productions:

Tasseomancy: Choreographed and danced by Marshall Kahente Diabo

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Anxiety: Choreographed by Simik Komaksiutiksak dancing with Waabnookwe/Katie Couchie

If Then: Choreographed by Jera Wolfe and danced by Jera and Miyeko Ferguson King's Theatre, Annapolis Royal, 209 St. George Street. Purchase tickets online at: kingstheatre.ca or call the Box Office at 902-532-7704. <https://fodar.ca>

Fri. July 17, 9:00am Heartland Tour, celebrating 20 years. Come out for a fun, free, and family-friendly day of movement and community. All activities begin from the Annapolis Royal Wharf, with registration and check-in opening at 9:00am. Whether you're an experienced cyclist or simply looking for a leisurely walk with friends, everyone is welcome! Choose your adventure: 25 km or 50 km bike ride, or a 2 km or 5 km guided walk. Complimentary picnic lunch and musical entertainment and line dancing at the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre More info and registration at heartlandtour.ca

Fri. July 17, 11:30am Heartland Tour Line Dancing at the Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre, Annapolis Royal. Free Fun 'n' Fitness Line Dancing with Durline Melanson. Register at www.heartlandtour.ca

Fri July 17, and Sat. July 18, 7:30pm nightly FODAR MainStage Shows. Program Two, Festival of Dance Annapolis Royal. Festival of Dance Annapolis Royal is thrilled to devote its entire MainStage programming this year to the presentation of some of Canada's most outstanding Indigenous Choreographers and Dancers. A World Premiere – **I Dream in Wampum:** Performed by A'nó:wara Dance Theatre and created by multi-award-winning choreographer Barbara Kaneratonni Diabo. Follow an indigenous youth on his journey to the stars in this magical science-fiction dance journey where Indigenous people show a future of strength and celebration. Enter a world of Indigenous Futurism. King's Theatre, Annapolis Royal, 209 St. George Street. Purchase tickets online at: kingstheatre.ca or call the Box Office at 902-532-7704 <https://fodar.ca>

Fri. July 17, 7:30-10:30pm Open Mic hosted by Tyra Brennan at the Lawrencetown Legion, 490 Main Street. Musicians, songwriters, and creatives welcome! Bring a song, try something new, or just enjoy the room. All skill levels encouraged. Supportive vibes only. 3rd Friday of each month. Free. *

Sat, July 18, 8:30am-1:00pm Community Yard Sale - All along Parker Mt. Road! From the Bayshore side to the Granville Ferry side - Multiple yard sales along the Parker Mt. Road. Plan to go up or down the bay as well and maybe hit a few more! Come make a morning of it!

Sat. July 18, 10am – 3:00pm Heart of the Valley Summer Craft Market Vendors, BBQ, Petting Zoo (11am-1pm). Free Admission. Vendor spaces available. 902-825-6116, 21 School St., Middleton.

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Sat. July 18, 10:00am Hampton Cemetery Clean-up.

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Fri. July 18, 11am-2:00pm Heart of the Valley Festival

Family Day at Rotary Park 337 Marshall St., Middleton. Free admission. Enjoy an afternoon of family fun, community spirit, and summer celebration! There will be Middleton Fire Department Chicken BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Mini Ponies, Sports Clinics, Big Scoop Ice Cream, Live Music with Slightly Slanted Band, Games, Activities for All Ages, and more. Bring the whole family and help us celebrate everything that makes the Heart of the Valley such a great place to live, work, and play!

Sun. July 19, 10am-3:00pm North Hills Museum

Annual Show & Shine Car Show Vehicle registration opens at 9:30am and we kindly request a registration fee of \$10/vehicle. All entries welcome: classic cars, hot-rods, motorcycles! Registration includes raffle prize entry. A voter's choice prize will also be awarded. Visitors are invited to tour the museum, grab a BBQ lunch on our grounds, and enjoy the display of classic cars. On-site BBQ sales from 12:00-1:30pm. 5065 Granville Rd., Granville Ferry.

Sun. July 19, 11:00am Centrelea Baptist Church

Outdoor Summer Service at the Centrelea Community Hall Bandstand. We recommend you bring your own chair. Service and special music to be followed with a Pot Luck lunch in the hall.

Thur. July 23, 4-6:00pm Family Event at Nictaux Park & Playground,

15 Old Runway Dr. Come discover the accessible features of one of Annapolis County's coolest playground, meet other families, and enjoy a relaxed evening in the park, along with food, refreshments and prizes. Sponsored by Annapolis County Recreation.

Thur. July 23, 7:00pm Music in the Orchard with Kim

Doolittle, an Annapolis Valley Folk School event at 1963 Clarence Road, Clarence. Get ready for an incredible evening of music and storytelling! Kim Doolittle—singer, songwriter, master storyteller, and lifetime musician—is bringing her winding minstrel journey straight to us. With her guitar in hand, Kim has traveled the globe, weaving her worldwide adventures directly into the fabric of her soulful, original music. You won't want to miss this! This is an outdoor event, so dress for the weather and get ready for some fresh air and great tunes. Seating isn't provided, so please bring your favorite folding lawn chairs or a cozy blanket to sit on. If you have any difficulty registering, you can send us an email at avfolkschool@gmail.com or message us on Facebook or call Maureen at 902 309 0224.

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Sunday, July 12

Car Show - Bear River Fire Department	10AM - 2PM
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Wednesday, July 15

Hymn Sing - Bear River Fire Department	7PM - 9PM
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Saturday, July 18 - Timed Events

Pancake Breakfast	7AM - 9AM
Children's Parade	9AM
Grand Street Parade	10AM
Firefighter's Lunch	11:30AM
Sparkle Dance Academy	12PM
Digby & Area Gymnastics	1PM
Teddy Bear Picnic	1:30PM
Grease Pole & Water Sports	2PM
Pit Spitting	4PM
Pie Eating	5PM
Duck Race	8PM
Fireworks	DUSK

Saturday, July 18 - All Day Events

Firefighter's Canteen	11AM
Firefighter's BINGO	12PM - 8PM
Children's Entertainment	11AM - 7PM
Live Music at the Gazebo	All Day
Firefighter's Silent Auction	All Day

Sat. July 25, 8-10:00am Pancake Breakfast at Moschelle Community Hall, held the last Saturday of the month at 718 Hwy 201, Moschelle. Come join us for a great breakfast \$10/plate and \$5/plate for children under 5. Your choice of Pancakes or French toast with all the trimmings and includes a side of sausages and homemade beans. *

Sat July 25 and Sun. July 26, 10am-4:00pm First Annual Summer Arts Festival at the Upper Clements Community Hall, 2951 Hwy 1, Upper Clements. There will be an art exhibition in a variety of mediums to view and purchase, demonstrations, and a raffle for an original work by acclaimed local artist Wayne Boucher. Free community BBQ and entertainment from 11am-2pm (donations welcome). Learn more at upperclementshall.ca Free admission.

Sat. July 25, 1:00pm Walkie Talkie with Barbara Lounder Join artist Barbara Lounder in an outdoor ambulatory artist talk using objects from her ARTSPPLACE exhibition, In Place: Objects, Photographs, Stories, such as walking sticks, carrying yoke, and blindfolds. Free to participate. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Gather at ARTSPPLACE, continue along French Basin Trail. (In case of rain, the activity will take place at ARTSPPLACE.)

Sun. July 26, 3:00pm July Makers Swap, an Annapolis Valley Folk School event at 1963 Clarence Road, Bridgetown. We are headed outside for this month's swap! Pop your lawn chairs back in the car and grab your tickets! Whether you are a seasoned swapper or brand new to the community, we cannot wait to see you. If you've never been to a Makers Swap, the concept is beautifully simple: bring something you have made with your hands, grown in your garden, or a service you can offer, and trade it for treasures from others. There is no money exchanged, and perfection is absolutely not required! Just bring your willingness to share your talents and passion projects.

All Are Welcome: Bring a friend, a neighbor, or the whole family! Just be sure to grab your tickets ahead of time on Eventbrite.

Bring What You Can: Everyone brings what they feel comfortable giving. There are no limitations or rigid expectations. We believe fairness means sharing within your means—and somehow, it always results in amazing generosity and abundance!

The Common Table: Everything brought to the swap goes onto a shared table. After we spend some time hanging out and getting to know each other, everyone will take turns selecting items from the table—one item at a time—until you feel you've taken what is "fair" to the community.

Need some inspiration? Popular trade items include preserves, pickles, jam, kombucha, soaps, plants, baked goods, jewelry, leather crafts, wood carvings, dog treats, paintings, or even vouchers for services like haircuts, massages, or a home-cooked meal. Everything under the sun counts! If you have any difficulty registering you can send us an email at avfolkschool@gmail.com or message us on Facebook or call Maureen at 902 309 0224.



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Tues. July 28, 6:30-8:00pm Toucan Paint Night. Join Artist Jenna to paint your own toucan bird painting. All supplies included. No experience necessary. Cost is \$35 per person. Registration is required by emailing info@7Arts.ca as space is limited. 7Arts 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

Wed. July 29, 6:30-8:30pm Miniatures Workshop. Join Miniature Artist Amber to explore the world of miniatures and work towards creating our own miniature room. Participants will have the opportunity to design their room's interior with custom colours and patterns, theme, and type of room. The basic foundation of wall and floor will be supplied. Participants will add their flooring, wallpaper, etc. The cost for this workshop is \$50 per person, all supplies included. For ages 18+. Registration is required by July 23rd. Payment is required to secure your seat as seating is limited. Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca. 7Arts 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

Sat. Aug. 8, 3-10:00pm Centrelea Blues-Berry Fest at the Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Hwy 201. Hours of music, food & beverages, blueberry bake off with prizes and more. Free pass for volunteers. Visit Centrelea Community Hall Facebook page for more details.

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Getting to Know: Hi! Dani Peters here, a Certified Yoga Teacher, now teaching in the Maritimes!

I've recently moved here from Vancouver Island, making the long drive with four dogs and two cats inside the cab of my Nissan Titan truck with all of my belongings in the back - what an adventure that was! After many long days of driving, we arrived at this beautiful province, Nova Scotia. We happily live near Annapolis Royal where I soon acquired two Kune Kune pigs, Fonz & Richie! With my animal count now up to 8, the fun never stops! They often appear in my yoga videos, you'll see! What a joy to combine animals and yoga.

I enjoy the privilege of expressing my passion of yoga and helping others through teaching yoga classes in and around this magical area that I now call home. My classes are for all levels, all bodies, and all ages; and offered at reasonable prices. My belief in teaching yoga is simple: I will meet you wherever you're at. Yoga is special because it works for everyone; each pose is adaptable to your ability. Teaching yoga is gratifying. It allows me to witness new students advance according to their own pace along the path of their personal yogic journey. It's an honour to observe these journeys, and I hope you'll allow me to be a part of yours. The physical, mental, social and spiritual benefits are endless. Please join me in building our yoga community together.

You may follow me on Facebook at "Yoga with Dani," or "Dani L Peters". Or contact me via email at love4srorcas@gmail.com for current and upcoming class schedules in Annapolis Royal, Granville Ferry and (possibly) Centrelea, near Bridgetown. And, new this summer, watch for my Aqua Yoga program to be offered in Granville Ferry, where donkeys may end up watching us! And if one of them ends up doing "Downward Facing Dog," well, our session will transform into a Laughing Yoga class! Namaste.

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Appointment of Development Officers – Municipal Council appointed Emmanuel Amoateng and Matthew Bailey as a Development Officer for the Municipality of the County of Annapolis to administer the Municipality's Land Use Bylaws and Subdivision Bylaw.

Appointment of Danny Wright as Municipal Building Official – Municipal Council reappointed Danny Wright as Building Official for the Municipality of the County of Annapolis; a temporary part-time position to assist current staff with workload, while current Trainee Building Officials work toward their training and certification.

Reprofile Capital Project – West Paradise Public Works Facility – Municipal Council approved re-direction of funding previously allocated for the West Paradise Public Works Facility project to the Bridgetown Public Works Facility capital project.

Bridgetown Town Beautification Trust Fund – Municipal Council approved the annual release of \$300 to the Bridgetown Area Chamber of Commerce for beautification purpose, to be fully or partly covered from investment income derived from Charles Pratt Town Beautification Trust Fund.

Purchase of 54 Church St., Bridgetown – Municipal Council authorized up to \$108,000 from the operating reserve to fund the purchase of property 54 Church St., Bridgetown.

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Fri. July 3, 7:00pm Backrooms (film, 14A) After a therapist's patient disappears into a dimension beyond reality, she must venture into the unknown to save him. Tickets: Adults \$11.95, Youth \$7.95.

Sat. July 4, 7:30pm Pillow Fite (live performance) Celebrate Annapolis Royal Pride with alt-pop band Pillow Fite, and singer-songwriters Stewart Legere, and Freya Milliken. Pillow Fite first appeared in a glitter bomb of enthusiastic feelings, an acoustic guitar duo given to constant queer longing and occasional full-band outings. Across a handful of singles and their first EP, Flutter, Art Ross (they/them/Pisces) and Aaron Green (he/him/Virgo) combined their respective gifts of reflection and melody for moody, slow-burning indie-folk aimed straight at the heart.

Stewart Legere is a queer multidisciplinary artist from Halifax/Kji'puktuk. He is a vocalist with orchestral pop outfit The Heavy Blinkers. In 2017 he released his debut solo album Quiet The Station and composes for theatre and film. He makes live performances (mostly) with Zuppa Theatre Co. and The Accidental Mechanics Group. An avid and passionate collaborator, his work is fascinated with sexuality, vulnerability, intimacy, the destruction of persona and the celebration of performance.

Freya Milliken is an award-winning singer-songwriter whose music resonates with warmth, authenticity and introspection. Known for her rich, velvety voice and dynamic blend of indie-folk and rock influences, Freya's music will take you through an evocative journey of self-discovery and reflection, with a gentle yet powerful lure into an intimate and heartfelt realm. Tickets: Pay What You Will! (Recommended \$30)

Sun. July 5, 6:00pm Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (film, PG) The evil Empire has fallen, and Imperial warlords remain scattered throughout the galaxy. As the fledgling New Republic works to protect everything the Rebellion fought for, they have enlisted the help of legendary Mandalorian bounty hunter Din Djarin (Pedro Pascal) and his young apprentice Grogu. Tickets: Adults \$11.95, Youth \$7.95.

Wed. July 8, 6:30pm Pirates for the Pool Fundraiser Join us for a free screening of Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse of the Black Pearl in support of the Annapolis Community Pool. FREE with Donation for The Friends of the Annapolis Pool Society

Sat. July 11, 7:00pm Stop! That! Train! (film, 14A) Best friends Tess (Ginger Minj) and DeeDee (Jujubee) are train stewardesses who trade their dreary shifts on the Stank Rail for the glitzy Glamazonian Express. When a catastrophic "Stormaganza" threatens to derail the high-speed train and crash it into Los Angeles, the duo in coach must join forces with the snobby first class attendants (Symone, Brooke Lynn Hytes, Marcia Marcia Marcia) and President Gagwell (RuPaul) to save the day in this wild ride of camp and comedy. Tickets: Adults \$11.95, Youth \$7.95.



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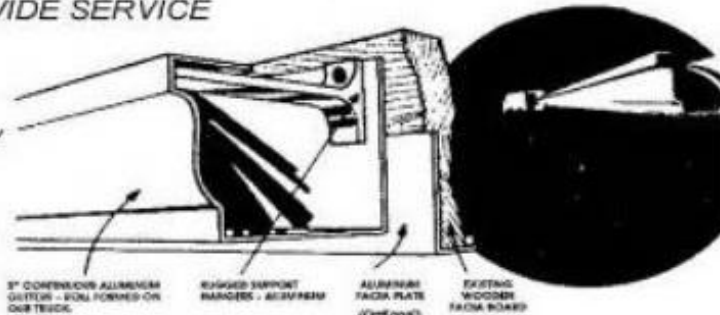
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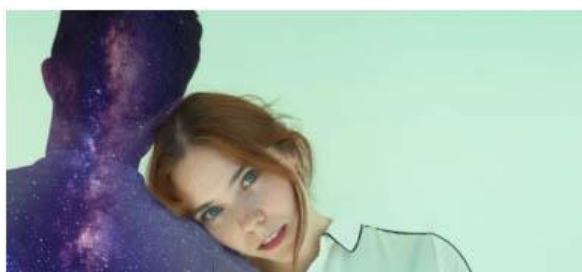
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Anna/Royal - Friday Summer Music from 6-8 pm (Free admission) at the 'O' Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre, July 3 Hupman Brothers Band, July 10 Rhinestone Romeos.

Anna/Royal - Community Clean-up Day is Sunday July 26th from 11am - 2 pm. Join us to give our beautiful town a tidy up in preparation for Natal Days! Cleaning Market Square St. George St. Etc. Snacks and drinks provided. Clean up tools provided or bring your own info: sskinnerrobertson@annapolisroyal.com. Meet up in Market Square. Any students that need volunteer hours are encouraged to help-you'll receive a certificate to verify participation!

Anna/Royal - St George & St Andrew Strawberry Supper is July 14

Anna/Royal - Pride2026 July 2-5. The Parade is Sat July 4th @ 1, starts @ Court House.

Anna/Royal - July 12th there is a 5 K run in Annapolis Royal

.www.facebook/AnnapolisRoyal or Raceroster5K.com search for Anna/Royal 5 K.

Anna/Royal - For updates on Natal Day Events, new announcements, Like & Share Contest (ends July 14th, could win \$25 Millers Independent, \$25 Home Hardware, \$25 Maison St. George) learn about the Parade Route and where the road will be closed & Lots more. www.AnnapolisRoyalNatalDays Schedule of events. We are looking for Volunteers on Natal Day Weekend, perhaps you could spare an hour or two? Contact Julia at juliasandrahall@gmail.com to chat about where you'd be most comfortable.

Anna/Royal - Happy 6th Anniversary to Arch & Po, and 4th Anniversary Crown & Anchor!

Granville Centre - The NS Country Music Hall of Fame is pleased to announce 2026 Nominees for Induction. Amongst 4 other new members from away. More locally: Congratulations to Jeff Tooker, Back-up Instrumentalist on your award on Sept 12!

Bridgetown - Royal Canadian Legion is taking orders for Veterans banners, if you would like to order please email secretary@rc133bridgetown.ca (cost \$250.80) incl taxes) displayed along Queen Street in the fall.

Granville Ferry - Sunday July 19th at 10 am is a Show & Shine Car Show at North Hills Museum, just outside Annapolis Royal.

Middleton - Residents are encouraged to attend Committee of the Whole meeting #131 Monday, July 6th @ 6:30 pm. Commercial St. Watch Live on You Tube www.youtube.com/@townofmiddleton

Port George - Country Jamboree planned for July 25th is canceled for 2026. Hoping to bring it back in 2027.

Pop up summer Camps for kids from our friends at Schools Plus Annapolis:

Thursday, July 9th Kids' Pop up Camp Forester's Hall Clementsvale

Tuesday, July 14th Pop-up Camp at Nictaux Park & Playground

Tuesday July 21st Pop up Camp at Lawrencetown Sunvalley Cul-de-sac

Monday July 27th Camp at Hollow Mountain Com/Park

Thursday July 30th Camp at West Dalhousie Com/Hall

For more details and to register visit County website

Tupperville - Strawberry Supper Sat July 11th 5 pm - 7pm. Ham/Sc Potatoes, Beans Mac & Ch, Salads, Casseroles. \$18 per person/ \$8 kinds under 10 Cash @ door or Pre-order before July 4th (902-824-2294)

A small town west of Montreal has decided to officially recognize trees as living beings with rights of their own, in what appears to be a first in Quebec and Canada. A resolution adopted by Terrasse-Vaudreuil city council on June 9 declares that trees are worthy of protection, "including the right to life, to natural growth, to integrity and to regeneration." Learn more about the **Universal Declaration of the Rights of the Tree** at <https://observatoirenature.org/observatorio/en/the-right-of-trees/>

RCMP Southwest Traffic Services, in partnership with the province's Vehicle Transportation Inspection (VTI) Unit and provincial motor vehicle compliance officers, conducted a series of **vehicle inspection initiatives** in Kings, Annapolis, and Hants counties from June 16-18. The results:

- 31 vehicles stopped and/or inspected
- 15 Motor Vehicle Act charges for operating while suspended, not wearing a seat belt, having no registration and having no insurance
- 8 vehicles displaying fraudulent inspection stickers
- 1 charge under the Excise Act for possessing illegal tobacco
- 10 vehicles towed

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