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Festival Update

Sadly, due to unforeseen circumstances, Jah'Mila won't be able to join us at this year's Heart of the Valley Multicultural Festival. But don't worry, she has personally recommended another incredible artist to take the stage, and we can't wait for you to experience their talent! We're excited to announce that Andru Branch & Halfway Tree will be headlining on Sat. Sept. 6th, 7:30pm, at Rotary Raceway Park, with an opening performance by the amazing Quake Matthews!

Andru Branch & Halfway Tree are an award-winning reggae band led by Halifax-based recording artist Andru Branch. Named after the vibrant music district in Kingston, Jamaica, the group has deep roots in reggae culture – Branch recorded his Juno-nominated debut album with members of The Wailers and his sophomore album with Ziggy Marley's rhythm section. Known for their uplifting performances and authentic roots reggae sound, Halfway Tree has been celebrated as one of Canada's top reggae acts. Tickets are \$25 and available now at www.discovermiddleton.ca or at Town Hall, Rotary Raceway Park, 337 Marshall Street, Middleton.

The Heart of the Valley Multicultural Festival starts at 11am with the Opening Ceremony at 2pm. Festival admission is free with cultural displays, workshops, art, food bouncy castles and more. Free events run to 5pm.

Financial Support Help

Applications for financial support for evacuees of the Long Lake wildfires are available online at <https://novascotia.ca/wildfire-support>. Assistance with completing applications, insurance claims, and other supports can be accessed through the County of Annapolis' Navigator Program found at the Bridgetown Fire Hall at 31 Bay Road, Bridgetown, 7 days a week from 10am to 7pm, or by calling (902) 955-9858.

Forest Restrictions Lifted in Some Counties

The risk of wildfires has lowered enough in some counties for restrictions on travel and activities in the woods to be lifted on August 29. The burn ban remains in place for the entire province until October 15 or until conditions improve further. The woods restrictions were lifted in the following counties: Cape Breton, Richmond, Victoria, Inverness, Guysborough, Antigonish, and Halifax.

The remaining counties in Nova Scotia are still under the woods restrictions as conditions continue to be extremely dry and hazardous. Restrictions in these 11 counties will remain in place until October 15 – regarded as the end of wildfire season – or until conditions allow them to be lifted. The fine for violating the restrictions is \$25,000.

People with questions about the restrictions can call their local Department of Natural Resources office.

In counties where the woods restrictions have been lifted, hunting season will proceed as usual. In counties where the woods restrictions still apply, goose hunting in non-wooded, open spaces (such as fields) can go ahead as usual starting September 1; if getting to the open space requires a short trip down a trail, that is fine.

NS Government Matches Donations for Evacuees

The Nova Scotia Government will MATCH all donations made by Nova Scotians to The Salvation Army, doubling the impact of our response to support evacuees in the province. Your donation stays local to help families and neighbours in need.

Double Your Impact for Long Lake Wildfire Evacuees. You can make an online donation at www.salvationarmy.ca/nswildfire



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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.

The Bridgetown Reader is published weekly on Friday by TAR Publishing. The deadline for submissions to our next issue is noon Monday Sept. 8th.

Community Calendar

Fri. Sept. 5, 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. Sept. 5 and Sun. Sept. 7, 10am-3:00pm Digby Farmers and Artisans Market, along Admiral's Walk in downtown Digby runs each Friday and Sunday, weather permitting, from May 30-Sept. 28. An eclectic group of vendors will be set up to display their wares: fresh produce, baked goods, prepared meals, wines, ciders, clothing, fabric art, woodwork, jewelry, stained glass, plants, pottery, paintings, jams, preserves, honey, hot sauces, and the list goes on . . . We have a few new vendors each week. There is something for everyone - and you can't beat the view!

Fri. Sept. 5, 3-8:00pm and Sat. Sept. 6, 9am-3:00pm Kingston Sportsman Show & Sale A Large Selection of Hunting Gear, Fishing Gear, Archery Equipment, Knives, Antiques, Militaria, and Much More. Sellers from throughout Nova Scotia & PEI. Canteen & 50/50 Draw available. Admission \$5. Kingston Lions Club, 1482 Veterans Lane (Union St.) Kingston.

Fri. Sept. 5, 5:00pm Yoga with Esme Endres every Friday night at Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1. *

Fri. Sept. 5, 6-8:00pm Summer Music at the O' Free concert by the Joker's Right at Annapolis Royal's Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre on the waterfront. Sponsored by the Nicholson Foundation with support of the Town of Annapolis Royal. Rain location is the Port Royal Legion, 66 Victoria St. or The Community Hub Gym, 578 St. George Street.

Fri. Sept. 5, 7:00pm Jam Session every Friday Evening at the Youngs Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Rd. *

Sat. Sept. 6, 8-10:00am Lions Big Breakfast at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. **Cancelled.**

Sat. Sept. 6, 8-10:00am Margaretsville Fireman's Breakfast (canceled due to the water shortage in the village. Breakfast as usual Sat. Oct. 4th and Sat. Nov. 1st)

Sat. Sept. 6, 9am-1:00pm Annapolis Royal Farmers & Traders Market reopens outside in Market Square, across from the Wharf. Live music, food, artisans and locally grown food-a Saturday tradition.

Sat. Sept. 6, 9am-1:00pm Summer Market in the Masonic Hall Church St., Annapolis Royal. From local handmade live-edge wood products, cards, Jeanette's Jams, & Annette's Waves of Wander apparel; to textiles, Thai clothing, African jewelry, baskets, vintage goods, home decor, collectibles, antiques, books, CDs, LPs and more! Rain or shine. Cash & e-transfer.

Sat. Sept. 6, 9am-1:00pm Yard Sale in St Luke's Hall. Lots of goodies, treasures, and things you didn't know you needed until you see them! Proceeds go to filling the Blessing Box and other church work. Have a few articles that are taking up more space than function? Articles for sale can be brought in on Thur. Sept 4, 1- 5:00pm and Fri. Sept. 5, 9am- 5:00pm. 340 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Sat. Sept. 6, 9am- 2:00pm Church Yard Sale at the Wilmot Baptist Christian Fellowship Centre parking lot, 208 Dodge Road, Wilmot (corner of # 1 and Dodge Road). Will be held inside the CFC if the weather is bad. Yard Sale items, bake table, and preserves. Call 825-6179 for information or to donate.

Sat. Sept 6, 10am-2:00pm 40th Anniversary of the Inglisville Helping Hands Ladies Group Postponed. Due to wildfire activity, the Inglisville Ladies Group has decided to postpone our 40th Anniversary Celebration. A new date will be coming soon. We would like to say Thank You to all firefighters and support personnel! Also, our Thoughts and Prayers are with all affected by the fires!

Sat. Sept. 6, 11am-5:00pm Heart of the Valley Multicultural Festival at Middleton's Rotary Raceway Park, 337 Marshall St. Opening Ceremony at 2pm. Cultural displays, workshops, art, food bouncy castles and more, including a 7:30 concert by Andru Branch & Halfway Tree with an opening performance by Quake Matthews. Festival admission is free; concert tickets are \$25. Tickets available at Town Hall or online at www.discovermiddleton.ca Event rescheduled from June.

Sat. Sept. 6, 12-2:00pm Opening Receptions at ARTSPLACE Gallery, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. Shows run Sept. 6-Oct. 25. (902) 532-7069

Table Talk / Susan Tileston, Susan Tooke, Ray Mackie, Tim Wilson. A collaborative exhibition by four Nova Scotia-based artists: Susan Tileston, Susan Tooke, Ray Mackie, and Tim Wilson. "Table Talk" brings together a multidisciplinary exploration of dialogue, memory, and presence through photography, sound, painting, film, installation, and text.

A Mi'kmaw family story / Lorne A. Julien. In this exhibit, Lorne's grandfather was very important to him and in this exhibit, he wants to honour him by telling a story and the important role the Mi'kmaq played in the beginning of the game of hockey. This also inspired him when he was commissioned to paint hockey sticks for the World Junior Hockey Championships in Halifax and Moncton in 2023. The exhibit will have some historic photos and some of Lorne's paintings, a journey from the past to the present-day Mi'kmaw artist.

the waters meet / Melissa Tremblett, Nicole Travers. Artist talk 1pm. "the waters meet" honours the connection and relationship between family, community, land, water, and that which sustains it, ensuring it remains for the next seven generations. As Innu and Mi'kmaw

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Women Melissa and Nicole, respectively, hail from families who were nourished from the land and water. Both living and working out of Elmastukwek (Bay of Islands), Ktaqmkuk (Newfoundland), sustainability, sovereignty of resources, and preserving traditional knowledge unite their practices.

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Sat. Sept. 6, 12-2:00pm Opening Receptions, continued Revelations / Stephanie

Kossmann. Revelations is a collection of intricate assemblages, carefully crafted from copper wire and sheet, carved and unaltered wood, and a blend of both organic and human-made materials. The surfaces of these pieces are enhanced with natural and intentional patinas, evoking the passage of time and the layers of history embedded in their forms.

Sat. Sept. 6, 12- 5:00pm It's time to celebrate! All Welcome. Join The Centrelea Community Hall for the **Grand Opening of our Community and the Nancy Godfrey Outdoor Stage.**

Live Music, Open Mic, Vendors, Food, Family Activities and much more. To sign up as a vendor (\$10 table) or for Open Mic (a great opportunity to play in front of a crowd) email: Centreleacommunityhall@gmail.com or message us on Facebook @Centrelea Community Hall See you at the Hall!

Sat. Sept. 6, 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. At the 7Arts Centre, 619 Central Ave, Greenwood. *

Sat. Sept. 6, 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. Sept. 6, 5:00pm Community Potluck Dinner

at the Paradise Community Hall, 10300 Hwy 1, Paradise. Join us for an evening of good food and great company! Please bring your favourite dish to share and the Hall will provide tea, coffee, and lemonade. After dinner, stick around for cards and board games—a great way to unwind and connect with friends and neighbours.

Sun. Sept. 7, 8-10:00am Port George Monthly Breakfast,

first Sunday of the month, April to December, Port George Recreation Centre. Bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, pancakes, homemade baked beans, homemade hashbrowns, toast, tea, coffee and OJ. Adult \$ 13, Children 12-5 \$6.

Sun. Sept. 7, 10am- 2:00pm The Clarence Country Market,

every Sunday to October at 3337 Clarence Rd.

Sun. Sept. 7, 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. Sept. 7, 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. Sept. 7, 11am-3:00pm

Beaver Creek Vineyard Wine & Shine Car Show. Join us at the vineyard for an easygoing afternoon of shiny classic cars and community. FREE Entry. Donations will be accepted in support of the West Dalhousie community. Car Registration: 10:00am. 496 Carleton Rd., Lawrencetown.

Sun. Sept. 7, 1:00pm Potluck Luncheon

at the Granville Centre Community Hall. A free will offering will be taken up - all proceeds for the Hall. There will be a chance to bid on Silent Auction items and to buy tickets for a Quilt Raffle. Both these events will carry through to the Hillbilly Concert on Sept. 13th at the Granville Centre Hall. So come and join us for a yummy lunch on Sept. 7th!

Sun. Sept. 7, 6:00pm

Introduction to Tai Chi, 8-week Course, Sept. 7-Oct. 26. At Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd, Port Royal). Now's your chance to experience the many benefits of Tai Chi in a peaceful country setting! From your very first class, you'll be guided through gentle, flowing movements that support: Better balance, posture, strength, and flexibility. Increased relaxation, mindfulness, and emotional well-being. Enhanced mobility, energy, and overall health. This 8-week series is low-impact and welcoming to all levels. Pre-registration of \$95 required to reserve your space. To register or for more information please visit www.northmountaintaichi.ca

Mon. Sept. 8, 10-11:00 am & Wed. Sept. 10, 10-11am Lawrencetown & Area Seniors Association (LASA) Exercise Classes

Seniors 55+ are welcome to come and join in LASA's Exercise Programs at the Lawrencetown Legion, 490 Main St (main entrance). Head-to-Toe Exercise class, Mon, Sept 8 10-11am and Yoga class Wed, Sept 10, 10-11am. General Meeting to follow Exercise Class on Monday, Sept 8, 11am to plan for LASA's fall and winter activities. Thanks to the support of the Municipality of the County of Annapolis & the New Horizons for Seniors Program for making these programs possible.

Mon. Sept. 8, 4:00pm Author Event

The Farm Museum is happy to welcome published author, Bob Bent who has written many short stories and novels, Spy On Ice and Ida Red to name a couple. He was born in Amherst, Nova Scotia lived his life in and around Lawrencetown, Annapolis County and resides in the Middleton area. Come out and meet Bob Bent and listen to him read a passage from his book titled Ida Red followed by a question-and-answer period. This free event will take place at 570 Main Street, Lawrencetown.

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1% of the annual gross revenue of the Parker Mountain Wind Turbine is earmarked for the benefit of the community in the geographic area defined by the Annapolis School District (Annapolis West Education Centre and feeder schools).

ELIGIBILITY:

Any non-profit, volunteer organization, school or agency that encourages and promotes activities, programs and projects that will be of ongoing benefit to the community within the geographic area. Priority will be given to organizations that have not already received a PMWTS grant.

FUNDING:

Funding will support projects up to \$1,000.00 - \$2500.00 and in special circumstances up to \$5000.00 maximum.

APPLICATION FORMS:

Grant applications will be emailed or sent by post to those organizations that qualify: email pmwtscommunityfund@gmail.com or write to

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Mon. Sept. 8, 4-7:00pm Your Valley Farmer's Market takes place weekly at the Exhibition Grounds, 570 Main St., Lawrencetown. Prize giveaways, live music, good food and all your favourite vendors, including fresh, local produce, food, arts & crafts, live entertainment and more. The market supports local farms and businesses, focusing on food accessibility, community growth, and agriculture in the Annapolis Valley. For info farmersmarket@annapolisvalleyexhibition.com

Mon. Sept. 8, 6:30-8:30pm Life Drawing Classes. Join our vibrant community of art loving people who are eager to enhance their drawing skills! Ever dreamed of capturing the essence of life on paper like the legendary masters? If so, our Life Drawing Sessions at 7Arts are calling your name! Immerse yourself in some friendly round-table critiques, share your showpieces, and watch your confidence soar as you explore a variety of drawing mediums. For ages 18+. \$25 per person per class or all four classes for just \$80 per person! Please register at info@7Arts.ca. 619 Central Ave, Greenwood. *

Mon. Sept. 8, 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 *

Tues. Sept. 9, 9:00am Yoga for All Ages and Levels every Tuesday at Clarence Community Hall, 3337 Clarence Road. This class is for everyone to come out and enjoy. There will be instruction for every level of yoga. Bring your mat or chairs are available on site. It is a free will offer that goes toward supporting the Annapolis Valley Folk School Community Pantry. Also, if you are able a few items for the food pantry that would be greatly appreciated as well. If you have any questions, call Maureen at 902 309-0224. *

Tues. Sept. 9, 10-11:00am Senior Exercise Class at the Paradise Community Hall instead of the Bridgetown Legion (until the Legion becomes available). 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. First class Sept. 9th at 10am and each Tuesday thereafter. *

Tues. Sept. 9 and Thurs. Sept. 11, 7:00pm Bridgetown Pickleball. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Tennis/Pickleball Courts (Sports Hub). \$2 drop-in fee. We welcome new players and have equipment for you to give it a try! Questions? Phone 902-665-4353 or 902-665-4308, or message on our Facebook page.

Tues. Sept. 9, 7:15-10:15pm Middleton Legion Bingo Tuesdays at 205 Marshall Street, Middleton. *

Wed. Sept. 10, 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. Sept. 10, 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

Wed. Sept. 10, 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. Sept. 10, 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. Light refreshments will be provided. We hope you drop by and join the conversation! 136 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

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 & body, and **empower** oneself!
- Social, cultural, educational, & recreational programs include **fitness classes, art groups, weekly presentations**, and more!
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Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
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Just What is Tai Chi ?
A Free Presentation to Learn About:

- The benefits of Tai Chi for overall health
- How Tai Chi can improve flexibility, balance and stability
- How to use Tai Chi as a daily routine
- Learn some basic Tai Chi movements

THURSDAY: September 18, 2025
10:00am - 11:30pm
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Give it a Whirl - Line Dance!
New to Line Dance? Try it out for FREE:

- Have fun and try your feet at line dance
- No experience necessary
- Free 1 hour class
- Be prepared to have a good time!

THURSDAY: September 18, 2025
3:00pm - 4:00pm
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
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Line Dancing for New Beginners
Join Justine Reiner on Thursdays to:

- Learn a fun form of dance
- Challenge yourself with new steps
- No experience necessary
- Laugh and have a great time!

THURSDAYS: 3:00pm - 4:00pm
September 25 to December 11, 2025
12 weeks for \$30
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
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Line Dancing Level 2
Join Justine Reiner on Wednesdays to:

- Improve your dancing skills
- Challenge yourself with new steps
- Laugh and have a great time!

WEDNESDAYS: 3:00pm - 4:00pm
September 24 to December 10, 2025
12 weeks for \$30
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
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Indoor Walking: Let's Get Moving!
Walk with us! Join Middleton Recreation and CORAH for Indoor Walking to:

- Discover the benefits of walking
- Walk with others, move at your own pace
- Begin or continue an indoor walking routine

THURSDAYS: 9:00am - 10:00am
October 02 to December 11, 2025
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Tai Chi for Beginners
Join Jamie Edwards for classes to:

- Experience the benefits of Tai Chi
- Improve flexibility, balance and stability
- Learn how to use Tai Chi as daily practice

TUESDAYS: 10:30am - 11:30am
September 23 to December 09, 2025*
10 weeks for \$70
Location: Room 121 at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Tai Chi Level 2
Join Jamie Edwards for classes to:

- Reap the full benefits of this exercise
- Improve flexibility, balance & stability
- See how Tai Chi can help in your daily life

THURSDAYS: 12:30pm - 1:30pm
September 25 to November 27, 2025
10 weeks for \$70
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Seated Tai Chi
Join Jamie Edwards for Chair Tai Chi classes:

- An exercise option for those recovering from injury, surgery, or limited mobility
- Comfortable seating with peaceful music, gentle Tai Chi movements, and breathing

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September 23 to December 09, 2025*
10 weeks for \$70
Location: Room 121 at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Chair Yoga Dance Flow
Join Wendy Balcom (Thursdays) to:

- Find your own flow through music and deep breathing
- Whole-body movements will get your heart rate up, all done from the Chair!

THURSDAYS 2:00pm - 3:00pm
October 09 to December 11, 2025
10 weeks for \$70
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Chair Yoga with Wendy Balcom
Join Chair Yoga (Tuesdays) to:

- Enhance your flexibility
- Improve balance and strength
- Reduce tension and increase mobility

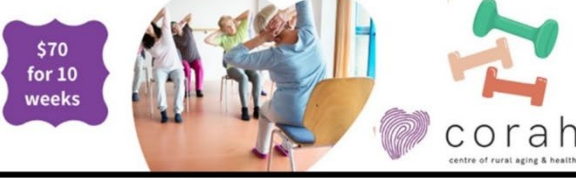
TUESDAYS: 9:00am - 10:00am
October 07 to December 16, 2025*
10 weeks for \$70
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Chair Yoga with Wendy Balcom
Join Chair Yoga (Fridays) to:

- Enhance your flexibility
- Improve balance and strength
- Reduce tension and increase mobility

FRIDAYS: 9:00am - 10:00am
October 10 to December 12, 2025
10 weeks for \$70
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



Hatha Yoga with Cheryl

Join Cheryl Gubernt for Hatha Yoga to:

- Enhance strength, flexibility & balance
- Improve range of motion in your joints
- Reduce stress & anxiety

THURSDAYS: 10:30am - 11:30am
September 25 to November 27, 2025
10 weeks for \$70

Location: Room 121 at NSCC Middleton campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



\$70 for 10 weeks

Yin Yoga with Amy

Join Amy-Neufeld Klein for Yin Yoga to:

- Reduce stress and anxiety
- Improve flexibility and joint mobility
- A floor-based practice with longer held postures and positions on your mat

FRIDAYS: 10:30am - 11:30am
September 26 to November 28, 2025
10 weeks for \$70

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton campus
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\$70 for 10 weeks

'It's Your Turn' Fitness (co-ed)

Join Sandy for classes to help you Start/Restart a Fitness Journey, or if you Need Modifications:

- Increase strength and stamina
- Fall prevention, flexibility and mobility
- Have fun & feel good: modifications for those recovering from injury, illness, or surgery

TUESDAYS: 10:30am - 11:30am
September 23 to December 09, 2025
10 weeks for \$70

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



\$70 for 10 Weeks

Heart & Sole Fitness (co-ed)

With Sandy of 'Training for Life'

- Low impact exercises for the 55+ community
- Focus on increasing strength and balance
- Improve flexibility, stability, movement

TUESDAYS: 9:00am - 10:00am
September 23 to December 09, 2025
10 weeks for \$70

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



\$70 for 10 weeks

*No class: Sept.30 & Nov.11

Men's Strength and Fitness

with Sandy of 'Training for Life'

- Focus on increasing strength, stamina, energy, mobility and flexibility
- Exercises to create a feeling of well-being

FRIDAYS: 9:00am - 10:00am
September 26 to December 05, 2025*
10 weeks for \$70

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



\$70 for 10 weeks

*No class October 17

Women's Strength & Fitness

With Sandy of 'Training for Life'

- Focus on increasing strength, flexibility, stability, balance and injury prevention
- Low-impact exercises
- A great group of women to workout with!

FRIDAYS: 10:30am - 11:30am
September 26 to December 05, 2025*
10 weeks for \$70

Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



\$70 for 10 weeks

*No class October 17

Wed. Sept. 10, 4-8:00pm Bear River Night Market happens bi-weekly at 116 Wharf Street, Bear River, behind the Legion. Lots of local produce, beer & wine, baked goods and meals ready to eat, home goods, art, jewelry and more; free live music and a movie in the park to follow. Market runs to Oct. 8.
<https://www.facebook.com/nightmarketbr/>

Wed. Sept. 10, 7:00pm Brickton Community Hall Jam Sessions Every Wednesday @ 7. Free will offering. All welcome. *

Wed. Sept. 10, 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. Sept. 11, 11:30am Please join us for the **Best Years Fellowship for Seniors** at the Hillsburn United Baptist Church, 3686 Shore Road West, Hillsburn. A free lunch and music will be provided. Lynnea Rose will be providing the entertainment. Hope you can join us.

Thur. Sept. 11, 12-4:00pm Greenwood Mall Farmers Market. Every Thursday. Our mission is to promote healthy living by eating, drinking and shopping local! Greenwood Mall.

Thur. Sept. 11, 1-2:00pm HealthRHYTHMS, Community Drum Circle, free to seniors! Funded by the Government of Canada New Horizons for Seniors Program. Reserve your seat by emailing mindfullymore@gmail.com. At the 7Arts Centre, 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

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Costa Rica: Caballeros and Coffee Carts

Join Maxine Dora Bruce to Hear Stories of Travel, Culture, and Costa Rica :

- Learn about the Feria: bands and dancers
- Stories about the Ox Cart Parade
- Learn about the famous coffee carts and the Costa Rica coffee industry

WEDNESDAY Sept. 24 *10:00am to 11:00am*
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215




FREE

Bone Health 101

Join Osteoporosis Canada to Learn About What You Need to Know about Bone Health:

- What is osteoporosis?
- How to maintain healthy bones
- Reducing your risk of falls and fractures
- Impact of nutrition and physical activity

WEDNESDAY Oct. 01 *11:00am to 12:00pm*
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



FREE

Raptors Revealed: The Fierce, the Feathered, the Fantastic

Join Jane White to Learn More About Birds:

- Birds of Prey: lifestyles and fun facts
- A dive into predator bird life
- Examples of predator bird species
- You won't want to miss this one!

WEDNESDAY Oct. 08 *10:00am to 11:15am*
Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus
Register: corah-avc@nsc.ca OR 902-825-5215



FREE

Thur. Sept. 11, 3-7:00pm Kingston Farmers Market, on the grounds of the Aurora Inn, 831 Main St., Kingston. The market is held every Thursday for the season. Come celebrate summer with 40+ local vendors, lots of supper options, a children's play area in the shade under the big maple tree, live music, a community puzzle and more. Connect with the community and get to know your local vendors. Everyone is welcome.

Thur. Sept. 11, 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. Sept. 11, 7:30pm Moschelle Community Hall - **Weekly card night** Thursdays at 7pm. All proceeds will go to maintenance of the hall.

Fri. Sept. 12, 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. Sept. 12, 6-8:00pm Summer Music at the O' Free concert by the Rhinestone Romeos at Annapolis Royal's Oqwa'titek Amphitheatre on the waterfront. Sponsored by the Nicholson Foundation with support of the Town of Annapolis Royal. Rain location is the Port Royal Legion, 66 Victoria St. or The Community Hub Gym, 578 St. George Street.

Sat. Sept. 13 17th Annual Tournament of King's will once again take place at the beautiful Fort View Golf Course, where in addition to 18 holes of golf you will be provided with gourmet lunches prepared by Founders House, delivered right to you on the course for your enjoyment! We'll also have a raffle prize basket filled by local businesses. A fundraiser for King's Theatre. More information: 902-532-7704 or ed@kingstheatre.ca

Sat. Sept. 13, 8:00-10:00am Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Middleton (45 Main St.) will be hosting its very popular **Community Breakfast**. Free Will Offering. As someone once said, "Best eggs east of Tofino". Everyone welcome.

Sat. Sept. 13, 8:30am Yard Sale at the Baptist Church in Annapolis Royal at 8:30 am. Pop and Hotdogs will be available to purchase. 762 St. George Street.

Sat. Sept. 13, 11am-1:00pm Family Day at ARTSPLACE: Create like an artist! We provide materials and guidance for a project inspired by our Gallery exhibitions! Activities are designed and led by early childhood educator Sherry O'Dell. Children must be accompanied by an adult, but no registration required. Free to participate and everyone is welcome. Drop in for 10 minutes or stay as long as you feel creative. 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal

Sat. Sept. 13, 1:30- 3:30pm Blunt, Ballys & Bluenose Join us at the MacDonald Museum for a fun & fascinating talk with author Art Burke, along with special guest Nova Scotia Golf Champion Gerry MacMillan, as Art shares highlights from his book, **Blunt, Ballys & Bluenose** — a one-of-a-kind collection of stories about Nova Scotia golfers. Witty, heartfelt, and sometimes outrageous, this book is a must-read for any golf aficionado! 21 School St., Middleton.

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Sat. Sept. 13, 4-6:00pm
Lobster Roll Dinner at the Lower Granville Hall, 3551 Granville Rd. Tickets are on sale now for Port Royal Lighthouse Association's Lobster Roll Dinner, a fundraiser for ongoing restoration and maintenance of the Schafner Point Lighthouse. The dinner includes: Lobster Roll on a Brioche Bun; generous servings of Potato Salad & Cole Slaw; and a Slice of Homemade Pie. Eat in / carry-out Free coffee/tea for eat-in patrons. Pre-sale tickets only, \$25 (cash only, exact change please), available at The Red Onion Market (now open daily) in Annapolis Royal, & Weasy's Hair Salon in Granville Ferry. Limited supply.

Also on tap for September 13th: live performance by the Taproom Growlers, plus a 50-50 raffle. A great community event! Special thanks to our local sponsor: Holtz Private Mortgages. For more information call: 902-526-2231.

PortRoyalLighthouseAssociation@gmail.com / PortRoyalLighthouse.ca / Visit us on Facebook. In the event of a hurricane or extreme weather event, the "rain date" for this event will be Sat. Oct. 4th at the Lower Granville Hall.

Sat. Sept. 13, 5:00pm Monthly Potluck at the Round Hill Hall, second Saturday of the month. Everyone welcome to attend. *

Sat. Sept. 13, 7:00pm (Doors open at 6pm)
The Taproom Growlers and the Ukulele Ladies will entertain at the MacDonald Museum. Join us for great evening of music. Cash Bar available. Tickets \$20 at the Macdonald Museum, 21 School Street, Middleton.

Sat. Sept. 13, 7:00pm Hillbilly Band at Granville Centre Community Hall. Come on out for an evening of music at the Granville Centre Hall, for the price of a free-will donation. There will be refreshments available at intermission (for a free-will donation). There will be a quilt raffle, silent auction and 50/50 draw. Hope to see you there for an evening of fun and friends!

Sat. Sept. 13, 9pm-1:00am Rink Dance Join us for a night of fun as we celebrate 135 years of the Middleton Fire Department! There will be music from a DJ, a bar, canteen, and a 50/50 draw. It's the perfect chance to catch up with friends and show your support for the amazing folks who serve our community. We can't wait to see you there! Must be 19+ for entry! The organization of this event is shared between the Middleton Fire Department and the Middleton & District Rink Commission. All money raised will be shared between the two organizations. \$15 entry fee. We will accept cash and cards at the door! Middleton & District Arena, 31 Gates Ave.

Sun. Sept. 14, 9am- 1:00pm Printmaking at the Market Curious about the art of hand printing? Wrap up your summer with Elephant Grass Printmakers for a morning of hands-on printmaking demonstrations. We will help you ink and print your own mini relief print. And if you are looking for raffle tickets for our upcoming draw for 6 fabulous pieces made by Nova Scotian artists, here is your opportunity. At the Annapolis Royal Market Square.

Sun. Sept. 14, 10:00am St. John's Anglican Annual Old Home Service, 694 Hwy 201, Moschelle. Please join us for our annual Eucharist service in our wonderful red brick country church.

Sun. Sept. 14, 10:00am 2025 Terry Fox Run-Bridgetown at the Bridgetown sports Hub. Registration at 10am. Information, donation links and registration at <https://run.terryfox.ca/bridgetown>

Sun. Sept. 14, 10:30am Reverend Dr. Elizabeth Legassie will participate in the **Closing Service** at the Hampton United Baptist Church, 8210 Shore Road West, Hampton. Everyone welcome.

FITNESS CLASSES

4 WEEK TERM Starting September 8th to October 3rd
Granville Ferry Hall (Please use the back door)

MONDAY:

COMBO MIX 6:00pm-6:45pm
 (A little of everything it will definitely get your heart pumping)

PILATES WITH PROPS 7:00pm-8:00pm
 (Pilates is to help strengthen and lengthen your muscles without adding bulk to the muscles, lots of stretching, deep breathing and strengthening the core all levels welcome)

TUESDAY:

BODYBLAST EXPRESS 11:30am-12:00pm
 (Aerobics with light hand weights)

PILATES WITH PROPS 12:10pm-1:10pm

WEDNESDAY

PARTY MIX 10:00am-10:45am
 (Combination of some Zumba styles, Drum Fit and Good Old Fashion Aerobics)

CHAIR PILATES 11:00am-12:00Noon
 (Great for those who don't or can't get down on a mat or for those that just want a change)

THURSDAY

BODYBLAST 10:00am-10:45am
 (Aerobics and light hand weights)

PILATES WITH PROPS 11:00am-12:00pm

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*Classes must be made up within the term.

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Sun. Sept. 14, 11am-12:00pm

Intro to Meditation at Granville Ferry Hall, 5352 Granville Rd. Annapolis Shambhala Meditation Group invites you to join a guided meditation session. By gently bringing your attention to your breath you can relax and develop compassion for yourself and others. www.annapolis.shambhala.org. No registration or fee required.

Sun. Sept. 14, 11:30am- 2pm

BBQ at Port Lorne Fundy Hall
 Enjoy an end of the summer BBQ with your neighbours. Hamburgers, hotdogs, salads, desserts and beverages. Proceeds for the new Port Lorne fire truck fund. If we are lucky enough to get rain, we will move indoors. See you there

Sun. Sept. 14, 1-3:00pm

Annapolis Royal Terry Fox Run starting at Town Hall. You can run, walk, or wheel a 2 km, 5 km, or 10 km route and help raise funds for cancer

research. Dogs on leashes are welcome. To learn more about how to run, register, and/or donate to this incredible organization, please visit: <https://run.terryfox.ca/93217>

Sun. Sept. 14, 1:30pm CANCELLED UNTIL 2026

Due to the precarious situation in the area, the **Old Home Service and Heritage Designation** at All Saint's Anglican Church at Gibson's Lake has been cancelled for 2025. We will reschedule in 2026.

Sun. Sept. 14, 2:00pm Beethoven: Before & After

TRIO KLM CONCERT, Two Cellos & a Bass. At Old Holy Trinity Church, 49 Main Street, Middleton. Tickets: \$30 (tax included) at the door.

Sun. Sept. 14, 3:00pm Classical Concerts

at St. Luke's. International classical guitarist, Warren Nicholson. Born and raised in Canada, Warren played classical and church music for several church and secular music series. Tickets are \$20 or PWYC. Children and youth are free. For more information, www.stlukesconcerts.com. St. Luke's Anglican Church, 340 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Mon. Sept. 15, 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.

Mon. Sept. 15, 7:30pm Granville Centre

Community Hall Association will host a general meeting at the Granville Centre Hall. All community members are welcome and are asked to bring bottles/cans for recycling, if you have any.

Tues. Sept. 16, 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 Sept. 30 *



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Fri. Sept. 19 and Sat. Sept 20 Nova Scotia Colony of Mayflower

Descendants Conference at the New Heights Baptist Church, Arcadia, Yarmouth County. Anyone interested in tracing ancestry to passengers on the 1620 voyage of the Mayflower to New England is welcome or just come to hear the great presentations. Guest Speakers: Mayflower historian, Judi Archibald; Provincial Archaeologists, Katie Cottreau-Robins and Vanessa Smith; Yarmouth County Museum archivist Lisette Gaudet; Argyle Township Court House & Archives archival research assistant, Debby Gray-Mathewson; and 4 Colony members sharing about their Mayflower ancestors. Wheelchair accessible. Advance registration recommended. Details at www.mayflownovascotiadotca.

Sat. Sept. 20, 10am- 3:00pm Mark your calendars for the **Outdoor Antique Market** at the Admiral Digby Museum, 95 Montague Row, Digby. The ultimate destination for antique lovers and treasure seekers, filled with local Antique Dealers and the opportunity to uncover hidden gems and timeless treasures. Free admission.

Sat. Sept. 20, 12-4:00pm Timeless Creations. Repurpose, reuse, & transform! In this exciting class (for ages 10-17), we will be upcycling thrifted items and giving these items new life. This program is generously sponsored by Canada Service Corps and is FREE for participants. All supplies included! Register by emailing info@7Arts.ca. At the 7Arts Centre, 619 Central Ave, Greenwood.

Sat. Sept. 20, 2:00pm All Saints Anglican Church will be holding its annual **Fun Frenchy Fashion Show**. Tickets - \$7. Auntie Mame returns by popular request! 521 Pleasant Street, Kingston.

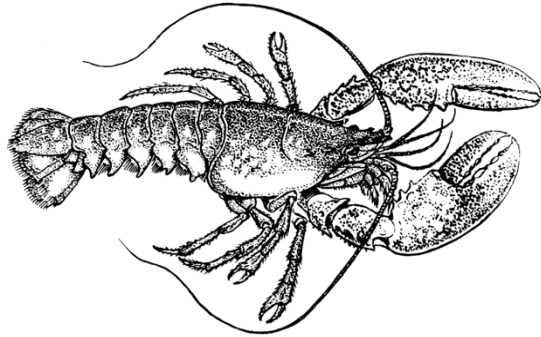
Sat. Sept. 20, 3:00pm Concert at St. Luke's. Folk, Celtic and Maritime music by Tom and Peter Berry and Traditional Fiddling by Jaquelyn Martell. Free will offering in support of St. Mark's Church in Perotte. This promises to be a lively show! St. Luke's Anglican Church, 340 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Sat. Sept. 20 Bridgetown Curling Club annual **Chicken Barbecue Dinner Cancelled.** Due to the continuing Provincial fire ban and the Bridgetown Curling Club being utilized to prepare meals for firefighters and evacuees, we have decided to cancel the Chicken Barbeque scheduled for September 20, 2025. Our thoughts are with those who have been affected, and our thanks to all the volunteers and firefighters who are currently assisting. See you next year!

Sun. Sept. 21, 10:00am How to Safely Clean a Gravestone, with Denise Rice, at the Paradise Heritage Centre. We will meet at the Paradise Heritage Centre at 10am for a brief overview, do a field trip to the Paradise Cemetery for Denise's demo on a sample stone (family's permission has been secured) and then back to the Heritage Centre for something tasty. Paradise Cemetery Lot owners may want to come and linger, meet and greet.

There is no cost for this but there will be a donation jar available. Please register at <https://paradisehistoricalociety.ca/event/gravestone-care/> or call Barbara at 902-825- 9198 so that we know how many to expect.

Port Royal Lighthouse Association



Lobster Roll Dinner – Saturday, September 13
a Fundraiser for *Schafner Point Lighthouse*
Eat-in/Carry-out Lower Granville Hall, Port Royal

- Lobster Roll (Brioche Bun)
- Potato Salad & Cole Slaw – generous servings
- Slice of Homemade Pie

Plus

Live music by The Taproom Growlers
50/50 Raffle

Coffee/tea for eat-in patrons. Pick-up 4 – 6 p.m. Tickets \$25 on sale at The Red Onion Market & Weasey's Hair Salon. Cash only. Limited supply—buy yours today!



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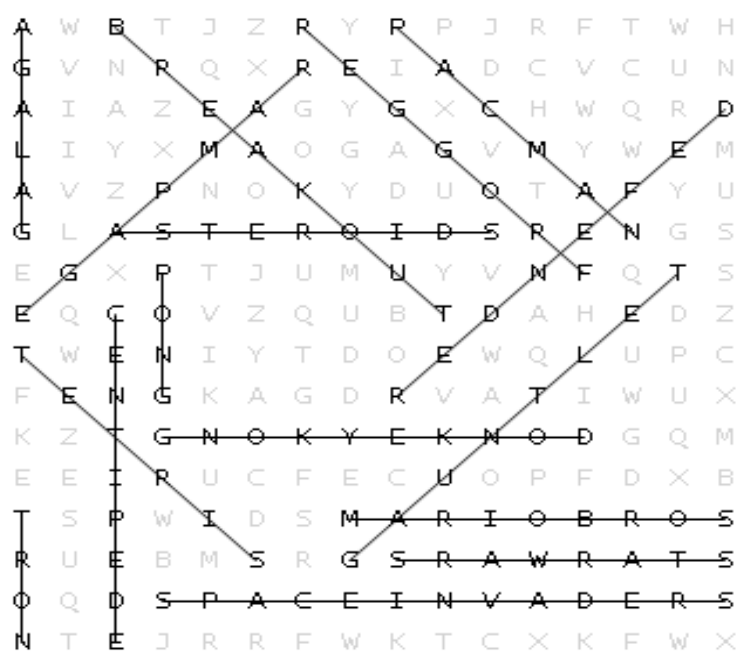
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Sun. Sept. 21 It's Turkey Dinner time! 2025 **Annual Turkey Dinner Fundraiser for Ste. Anne's Anglican Youth Camp. LOCATION TBA.** Because of the wildfires the dinner will not be at the Camp this year. More details to follow.

Sun. Sept. 21, 2:00pm Old Time Gospel Sing-along, at Aylesford United Church, 2414 Highway 1, Aylesford. Wheelchair accessible. Free will offering. This event is part of the United Nations International Day for Peace on September 21st. "Sing for Unity" is a global effort singing for world peace, community, and unity at 2pm local time. Our Old Time Gospel Sing-along is part of this Sound Wave of music traveling from time zone to time zone getting stronger as it circles the globe. Join us and be part of the musical movement.

Thurs. Sept. 25, 7:00pm Benj Rowland - Live folk music at The Root Cellar (Basement studio in the Oakdene Centre), Bear River. \$15. All ages.

Sat. Sept. 27, 8-10:00am Pancake Breakfast at the Moschelle Community Hall. Come join us at, 718 Hwy 201. Serving the last Saturday of the month until Nov. of 2025. \$10 a plate.

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Sat. Sept. 27, 5:00pm Harvest Dinner and Auction for Cats For Keeps at the Annapolis Royal Fire Hall. Dinner at 6pm. Pork Dinner with Vegan Options, door prizes, live auction and more. Tickets \$40 at The Red Onion, Annapolis Royal or at tinyurl.com/Cats4Keeps. More info at eventsckf@gmail.com or 1-888-837-2714, #2.

Sun. Sept. 28, 1-4:00pm Community Auction Fundraiser at the Annapolis Royal Legion Branch 21, 66 Victoria St. Admission: free! (includes free door prize ticket). In support of 5-year-old Phoenix of Clementsport and her upcoming open-heart surgery. Extra door prize tickets \$1 each. Adult and children's auctions tables, silent auction table, bake sale table. With your generous support we can all make a difference.

Sun. Sept. 28, 4:00pm Choral Evensong at St. Luke's Anglican Church. Featuring the Evensong Choir of St. Luke's. 340 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

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Thur. Oct. 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.

Sat. Oct. 4, 3-8:00pm The Great Pumpkin Bash at Beaver Creek Vineyard, Lawrencetown. A seasonal soirée sure to be a SMASH! Live music, tarot readings, quirky vendors, local brews, festive eats, and pumpkin-y fun for all ages. Growers, makers & purveyors of the peculiar (or retro!) – get in touch: awkwardacres@gmail.com

Sun. Oct. 5, 1- 4:00pm Delaps Cove 40th Anniversary (postponed from Sun. Aug. 24) Join us at Delaps Cove Wilderness Trail, 2077 Shore Road West, Delaps Cove as we celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Annapolis County's signature coastal hiking trail since 1985! We will have refreshments, prizes and guided trail hikes, (Annapolis County Recreation)

Sun. Oct. 5, 5:30pm Harvest Dinner and Auction supporting the work of the Clean Annapolis River Project at the Apple Dome, 250 Veterans Drive, Berwick. Gratefully accepting goods, services, passes, and gift certificates for live and silent auctions. Contact info@annapolisriver.ca

Tues. Oct. 7, 6-7:30pm Dragon Eye Art Series. Join Artist Jane Beals at 7Arts to sculpt your very own dragon eye! This class is part of a series but may also be taken as a stand-alone class. \$25 per class or \$75 for all four. For more information or to register, email info@7Arts.ca. At the 7Arts Centre, 619 Central Ave, Greenwood. *

Wed. Oct. 8, 1:00pm Old Mill Trail Guided Hike Park at the end of Adam Dr, the hiking group will be located at the trail head to Old Mill Trail. This will be an accessible beginner hike suited for those looking for a shorter distance in the woods. Refreshments and prizes will be available! 213 Adam Drive, South Farmington. Sponsored by Annapolis County Recreation.

Wed. Oct. 15, 1:00pm Valleyview Guided Hike Valleyview gate will be open with an area to park, hiking group will meet outside the main employee/check in building. Join the County of Annapolis at Valley View Provincial park for our fall hiking series. Hike is beginner level; refreshments and prizes will be available! 960 Hampton Mtn. Rd. Sponsored by Annapolis County Recreation.



Thur. Oct. 16, 6:00pm Understanding Trauma, a free presentation at Upper Clements Community Hall, 2951 Hwy 1. This workshop will explore; what psychological trauma is, how it effects our body, mind, emotions, spirit, and relationships, recognizing the signs and symptoms of trauma, healing and how to support those effected by trauma. About Tim Wall. Our presenter has thirty-five years' experience in the field of Post Traumatic Stress as a therapist, educator and in developing resource material on this subject. He was the founder of Canada's first Trauma Informed Resource Center, Director of Counselling Services at Klinik Community Health Centre in Winnipeg and past Executive Director of the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention. Sponsored by the Upper Clements Community Association. The Upper Clements Community Hall - "A place to Go, a Place to Grow" Upperclementscommunityhall.ca

Sun. Oct. 19, 10:00am Upper Clements Trails Guided Hike Once in the parking lot, head South through the fenced in area; this is where you will find the kiosk at Trailhead. The group will meet at the trailhead, near the picnic tables. The County of Annapolis and ABOA will be offering two separate hikes at Upper Clements Trails, one 2Km distance and a 5Km. Hikes are beginner level, refreshments are prizes will be available! 2958 Hwy 1, Upper Clements. Sponsored by Annapolis County Recreation.

Mon. Oct. 27, 6:00pm Mindfulness, a free presentation at Upper Clements Community Hall, 2951 Hwy 1. Please join us for an opportunity to learn about and practice mindfulness skills with Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Instructor Claire Mauer.

There are many different forms of meditation, from ancient religious traditions to secular practices; even some wonderful apps you can use on your phone! Our focus for the evening will be on simple secular practices for cultivating mindfulness, which is a state of intentional awareness that allows us to be more fully present in the

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Fri. Nov. 7, 7:00pm Lotus Wight & Mike T. Kerr - Live ragtime music at The Root Cellar (Basement studio in the Oakdene Centre), Bear River. \$15. All ages.



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For 30 years we have provided services that promote healthy living. Currently we offer appointments with our Nurse Practitioner, virtual care, Registered Massage Therapy, electrolysis, foot care and orthotics, Registered Counselling Therapy, homeopathy and osteopathy. We also have administrative staff to answer all your questions and help you get the services you need

We also regularly offer events, programs and workshops that support healthy living. Some of our programs include chair yoga, first aid and CPR certification, cancer support, and Senior's Day, a recurring monthly event that happens on the second Wednesday of each month to promote socialization and combat isolation in our rural communities

Our volunteer board of directors work hard to keep our non-profit clinic flourishing and we are always looking for professionals who want to be part of a collaborative workplace. Contact our Clinic Coordinator Kathryn if you want to join our team and contribute to the wellbeing of your community.
<https://bearriverhealthclinic.ca/>

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The festival organizers would like to thank the following for making this year's festival possible:

Musicians: Alex Meisner, Lorne Allan, Permanent Resonance (Lisa Huyer, Mike Phillips, Amanda Sosnowski), Happy Anywhere (Bonnie Durling and Vinny O'Reilly), Still River (Karen Achenbach, Tom Berry, Carolyn Buck, and Marianne Brown), Steve Mustain, Taproom Growlers (Ken Maher, Calvin Piggott, Alex Constable, Miles Leahy), Res-O-Matics (Alexa Jaffurs, Michael Robertson and Jeff Barteaux), Riverseen (Dillon Price and Kieran O'Neill), Rumour Has It (Rick Snider, Dion Schofield, Sindy Schofield, Rob Bright), Delusion Road (Wayne Morris, Derek Perry, Rob Bright and Pat O'Brien) and the Possibilities (Dion Schofield, Rob Bright and Sindy Schofield)

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Thank you to everyone that came out to listen to music, peruse the market, peer through microscopes, eat good food, get crafty in the Kids' Corner, participate in the Forest Talk and come together as a community!

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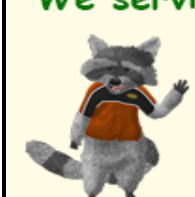
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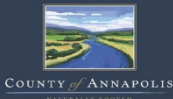
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Thank you for your continued support in the small business world.

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Happiness to all those excited with Back -to- School!

We all need to stay focused on the roads watching for the kids & school buses that are stopped with lights flashing!

Stopping for that school bus is not an option...it is the Law!

Congratulations to our School Supplies Winner Karen Bent!

Thank you, Karen, for supporting Weasy's Salon community initiatives.

Anna/ Royal- new hours for Stoney Beach Computers starting Sept 2025- Willow will be starting school at NSCC this fall, working remotely as she studies Business Administration. Neil will be in the office from 10-11 am on weekdays. Perfect time for tech drop-offs and pick ups. After 11, Neil may head out for service calls. Open outside of that by appt or chance.

Anna/Royal- The Red Onion Market, St George St, helps numerous groups as well as being open 7 days a week to be there for you with their wall-to-wall stock. They are selling tickets to Port Royal Lighthouse Lobster Fundraiser, Cats for Keeps Harvest Supper & Annapolis Natal Days Raffle Fundraiser on Wood, Tricycle & Lobster. Call them for more information

Anna/ Royal- Port Royal Legion Br #33, Victoria St, Chase the Ace is Back! Draw time is weekly Friday @ 8 pm. They too, are helping support other groups, such as the Annapolis Natal Day Raffle Fundraiser. Tickets on 1 cord of Wood, cut/split delivered (Clementsport - Middleton), 1 Adult size Tricycle & 2 draws for lobster. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Draw Date is Sat Oct 11th at the Legion.

Bridgetown- Salvation Army is unable to accept e-transfers at this time for those looking to donate <https://bit.ly/TSABridgetown> or <https://bit.ly/TSAWildfiresOpen> Monday to Friday 10 am - 3pm. Call 1-902-309-1843.

Bridgetown- Hats off to D'Aubin's Meat Market, they have donated a side of pork to The West Dalhousie Com. Hall so that they may hold a raffle (when ready) to raise funds for the community. (The huge support from D'Aubin's towards The Long Lake Fire/West Dalhousie Fire has NOT gone unnoticed, just not enough space in this small space.)

Bushel & Barrow Natural Farm Market- Granville ferry, starting Sept 11th will be open on Mondays and closed on Thursdays.

Cats For Keeps- Fall Harvest Dinner, at the Annapolis Fire Hall, Sat Sept 27.

Clementsvale- Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser for Ean & Abi Lewis (nee Tooker). Sat Sept 19 @ 6 pm. \$15. Order tickets today message or text 902-245-8557

Free services to people affected by the fire. Anyone providing support for the first responders or people displaced. Please feel free to call or text us 902-526-2921.

Hats off to Rock and Stroll Dog Camp for helping support others.!

- Public Information line for Annapolis REMO West Dalhousie Fires 1-833-806-1515. Staffed daily 11 am - 7:00 pm.

Seniors Care Grant- provides eligible Nova Scotia seniors with \$750 to help with the cost of home heating, household, and healthcare services. Applications open on Sept 1st and close March 31st, 2026. To qualify you must be 65 yrs of age or older by March 31, 2026. Have an annual household net income of \$45,100 or less-live in a home or apartment that you own or rent.

Volunteers are desperately needed at Cornwallis to cover breakfast 4 am - 8 am & supper shifts 4 pm - 8 pm They also need people to clean the firefighters' rooms and help with laundry. Aileen is the volunteer coordinating all of this. Call or text 1 - 782-414-4658 or 902- 526-0171 if you can help.

Wilmot- Hats off to High Country Tire in Wilmot for dropping everything to get Firefighters safely back on the road so they could respond quickly to the West Dalhousie Forest Fire. Fast reliable service and community support made all the difference that day. Grateful to have businesses like you standing behind us. Source: New Germany Fire Dept post.)

Feel Good Stories:

** The GlobalMedic Fire Skids that have been sent to Long Lake (Anna. County) to support fire crews on the ground. Designed to turn any pickup into a mobile firefighting unit, they offer rapid, flexible response in tough terrain. Once operations at Long Lake conclude, the skids will be donated to local fire departments and indigenous communities, boosting long-term wildfire preparedness across NS. Thanks to support from the NS Government. (Source: The Salvation Army Maritimes-Atlantic Division).

** Despite facing challenges themselves during Hurricane Fiona, in Gabarus, Cape Breton, they held a fundraiser for the West Dalhousie Com. Hall. Through their kindness and determination, they raised \$2500 to support our neighbours and friends who have been impacted. The act of solidarity shows the true spirit of Nova Scotia- when one community is hurting, another steps up to help carry the load. (Source: West Dalhousie Com Hall Forum) <https://gabarus.ca>

** Remember 'Joey the Card King'- he is the Teenager that has Autism and likes to send Christmas cards to Seniors at Christmas Time each year, this year he also wanted to raise funds to support Fire Fighters. He had his BBQ at Wilsons Home Hardware, and raised funds to provide 5 more Seniors with items for Christmas also raising funds towards stamps & greeting cards to seniors (not confirmation at the time but it is like over 2500 cards to seniors) Plus he was able to donate \$65 to 3 Fire Departments(Digby, Brighton, Barton, Smiths Cove)

- Thank You to Our Incredible Fire Fighters &Volunteers- A heartfelt thank you to the extraordinary volunteers from communities far and wide who have generously contributed their time and monetary donations to support those in need. Your compassion, dedication, and selflessness are making a real difference, and we are deeply grateful for each and every one of you. Together, we are building stronger, more caring communities.
- For all those interested: A paper copy of the listed resources compiled by the Firefighters of NS site will be provided soon, available at the hair salon.

Community Events, News, Business Notes, Rentals, and Bulletin

Board items are all FREE. Call or text 902-824-0412, email us at readerpublishing@outlook.com message us on Facebook or use the contact form at www.bridgetownreader.news.

Coming to King's Theatre

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Sat. Sept. 6, 7:30pm Christina Martin (live performance) Experience an unforgettable evening of music and storytelling with award-winning artist Christina Martin, performing with her trio PLUS a string trio, together for one incredible show. Christina Martin is a powerhouse musician, songsmith, and performer hailing from Nova Scotia. Her music dances effortlessly through Pop, Rock, Folk and Americana traditions but stays deftly unchained by any one label, refusing to be pigeon-holed and unafraid to dip into stranger waters. Tickets: Adults \$40, Supported \$20, Youth \$15. *Supported tickets are a discounted rate for those who need it, made possible thanks to our generous donors.

Sun. Sept. 7, 3:00pm Bad Guys 2 (film, PG) Everyone's favorite felons are back, and this time, they've got company. In the new action-packed chapter from DreamWorks Animation's acclaimed comedy smash about a crackerjack crew of animal outlaws, our now-reformed Bad Guys are trying (very, very hard) to be good, but instead find themselves hijacked into a high-stakes, globe-trotting heist, masterminded by a new team of criminals they never saw coming: The Bad Girls. Tickets: 11.95 Adult, 7.95 Youth under 18.

Fri. Sept. 12, 7:30pm Morgan Toney Trio (live performance) The JUNO-Nominated Mi'kmaq fiddler and singer Morgan Toney returns to King's Theatre! Morgan performs with a trio comprising Keith Mullins (guitar, vocals and percussion) and Ryan Roberts (mandolin & vocals). Thanks to Official Partner Hutchins Pharmacy. Music is an almost alchemical force to Canadian Mi'kmaq fiddler and singer Morgan Toney. In just a short amount of time, Toney has invigorated both the Atlantic music communities and Mi'kmaq communities by bringing together the fiery fiddling of Cape Breton Island with the old songs of the Mi'kmaq, some dating back up to 500 years. He calls this fusion Mi'kmaltic (Mi'kmaq + Celtic) and it's his way of celebrating his language and heritage. Toney's debut album First Flight, released on Ishkôdé Records in March of 2022, was nominated for 3 East Coast Music Awards and a Canadian Folk Music Award. First Flight showcases this unique combination, both in the way he transforms traditional songs like the Ko'jua and the Mi'kmaq Honour Song, but also for the new songs he's creating. He has followed up this acclaimed release with numerous singles, in advance of his album Resilience, which was nominated for a 2024 Juno Award. His latest album, Heal The Divide was released in March of this year. Tickets: \$35 Adults, \$20 Supported, \$10 Youth.

Wed. Sept. 17, 7:00pm The Glassworker (film, PG) In a town divided by duty and class, Vincent, a glassmaker's son, and Alliz, a violinist who is the colonel's daughter, fall in love. As their bond grows, rising tensions between their families threaten to pull them apart. Brought to life through stunning hand-drawn animation, The Glassworker is a poetic tale of first love, family, and the price of staying true to your art. Parental guidance advised. Themes or content may not be suitable for children. Tickets: 11.95 Adult, 7.95 Youth under 18.



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For more information visit
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or contact Anjeanette.Lemay@nshealth.ca / 902-824-6762

The Community Health Boards are committed to being groups that are free of discrimination, value diversity and are representative of all our communities. Nova Scotia Health's Priority Populations are defined as follows: Indigenous Peoples; People of African Descent; Persons with Disabilities; immigrants; and persons belonging to 2SLGBTQIA+.

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Sat. Sept. 6 and then every 2 weeks at the from 3-5pm. Legion Kitchen Party - Theresa Porter will host a few of her musical friends. Join us for some great live music and remember that the Legion Members' "Toonie" Draw is held at 5pm each Saturday. You never know who will show up to play! Something new each week! Attendance FREE!

Anagrams Puzzle 35

Rearrange all the letters of each word to form another common English word.
Answers next week.

Bedless - _____

Dowse - _____

Driblets - _____

Enclave - _____

Infidel - _____

Lath - _____

Magnate - _____

Refunded - _____

Sensual - _____

Workmate - _____

"Everyday Epiphany" Cryptoquote: Each letter in the phrase has been replaced with a random letter. Answer next week.

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Minister's Statement on Drought

(Note: The following is a statement from Greg Morrow, Nova Scotia Minister of Agriculture, August 29)

The province is experiencing some of the worst drought conditions in decades, creating difficult times on our farms. I am hearing first-hand from my farm visits across the province and associations that the pressures are tremendous, both financially and emotionally. My team has also been connecting with commodity groups, Perennia and the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture to ensure we understand the impacts of increased costs and lost production.

The lack of rain means that this problem is not getting better, and while it may be some time before we understand the full scope of the impacts, I am directing my team at the Department of Agriculture to:

- collaborate with the federation, Perennia, the Nova Scotia Crop and Livestock Insurance Commission and the Nova Scotia Farm Loan Board to organize outreach sessions across the province to ensure farmers have access to the right people to ask questions about existing support programs and to better understand the on-the-ground impacts and needs
- reach out to our federal government partners to identify options for immediate assistance through existing business risk management programs, as well as what other supports can be made available.

Farmers are the backbone of communities across the province. They create jobs, support families and grow the food we need to grow and thrive. I want to assure you that this is the beginning of our work.

In response to the increased frequency of extreme weather, my Department has been working to provide supports for farmers, including programs encouraging the adoption of beneficial management practices for climate change impacts and by promoting and reviewing business risk management programs, like crop insurance and Agri-Stability. We are working with industry and our federal government partners to improve these programs and make them fit the needs of our farmers. It's our hope that these programs will help our farms be better able to adapt and recover from these types of events in the future but recognize there is much work to be done to get there.

In the meantime, I urge farmers to reach out to our **regional ag reps** with immediate concerns by calling **1-800-279-0825**.

Drought is an insurable peril under our crop insurance plans. Crop producers should notify the **Nova Scotia Crop and Livestock Insurance Commission office** or their field agent before making harvest decisions prior to abandoning or destroying crops to ensure the ability to adjust claims. The office can be reached at **902-893-6370** or **1-800-565-6371**.

Our **farm loan board** is also available to discuss financing options. Reach out to your loan officer or contact them at **902-893-6506** or **FLBNS@novascotia.ca**.



These extreme weather events take a tremendous mental toll on our industry – we want to make sure you take care of yourself by using the supports available through the **farm family support line at 1-833-754-3692**.

I want to thank the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture, the commodity associations and the individual farmers who have been keeping myself and the Department informed on this extraordinary situation over the past months. We are stronger when we work together.

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