

# Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

## March 2020 Newsletter

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### Meetings of Council

Visit our website for agendas and approved minutes: [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

Next regular meeting of Council is Monday March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7pm.

Our Annual General Meeting will be March 21<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 1:00pm.

Committee of the Whole meetings are scheduled for Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

### Order of NS

The Order of Nova Scotia is the highest honour that the province can bestow on an individual. It recognizes people who have made an exceptional contribution to their community and the province. If you are interested in nominating someone please visit <http://novascotia.ca/iga/order.asp> The closing date for nominations is Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

### Atlantic Fisheries Fund (AFF)

The AFF is a cost-shared partnership with Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Atlantic provinces. The Government has invested in the fish, aquaculture and seafood industries, focusing on growing exports to key markets around the world. Now more can be done to support innovations infrastructure and science in this important sector through this new funding opportunity. For information contact [aff@novascotia.ca](mailto:aff@novascotia.ca)

### Employment Opportunity with the CBDC Guysborough

The CBDC Guysborough County has secured funding from the Province of Nova Scotia to deliver a 5-week training program in Guysborough, Nova Scotia. To deliver this program we are seeking an application for 11 weeks for a Youth Transition Project Coordinator. This position will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating a Youth Transition Project. For the full job description, visit: [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

### Employment Opportunity with Eastern County Regional Library (ECRL)

ECRL is looking for someone who enjoys helping people and has excellent computer skills to work part-time (regular 15hrs per week) at the Sherbrooke Public Library. This position is permanent part-time, with a minimum 15hrs per week. Hours of work may include evenings, and Saturdays. There is a strong possibility of additional hours based on Library needs. For the full job description, visit [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

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Submission deadline for the April issue of the Municipal Newsletter is March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Submissions can be dropped off at the office or emailed to: [municipal.clerk@saint-marys.ca](mailto:municipal.clerk@saint-marys.ca) or 522-2309 (fax)

Please note we reserve the right to edit submissions.

### Solid Waste March 2020 Collection

Eastern Shore Cartage 1-800-261-0372

The Transfer Station is open:

Monday & Tuesday and Friday & Saturday: 9:00-4:30

Tuesday	Zone 1	March 3 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 10 Recyclables	March 17 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 24 Recyclables	March 31 1 Bulky Item & Garbage
Wednesday	Zone 2	March 4 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 11 Recyclables	March 18 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 25 Recyclables	April 1 1 Bulky Item & Garbage
Thursday	Zone 3	March 5 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 12 Recyclables	March 19 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	March 26 Recyclables	April 2 1 Bulky Item & Garbage

**ZONE 1:** New Chester, Ecum Secum, Liscomb to Sherbrooke including Sonora and Old Road Hill.

**ZONE 2:** East Loon Lake, Smithfield, Denver, Newtown, Glenelg Church Rd, Aspen to Goshen to Borneo Rd inclusive.

**ZONE 3:** Hwv 211. IHL to Port Bickerton. Stillwater. **1** West Melrose. Lead Minds Rd. to Waternish inclusive.

# Municipal News

The Financial Condition Indicators provide a common set of indicators for municipalities to use to provide an indication of strength, trends and risks areas for a municipality to focus on for improvement

## Financial Condition Indicators Graph

### Reading the Graph

The House graphic presents Indicators scores and are colour coded to indicate overall risk level. (Low risk is green, moderate risk is yellow and high risk is red.) The graph allows users to graphically pinpoint priority areas for actions as well as areas of success.



# Recreation News

## Super Duper March Break Camps

March Break Camps are back and ready for action! Activities will include crafts, games, and indoor/outdoor recreation. We ask all children to come prepared for indoor and outdoor play with hats and mitts, and a dry change of clothes. Please provide a bagged lunch (It's a long day so pack plenty of healthy food to eat! We also have a no pop policy, and nothing containing nuts please. If your child has dietary restrictions, please reach out to us.) Grades pre-primary to six are invited to attend. Hours are from 8:30am. – 4:30pm. Locations and dates: Monday, March 16th and Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> - Port Bickerton Community Centre. Wednesday March 18th and Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> - Ecum Secum Community Centre, and Friday March 20<sup>th</sup> – SMECA SHOPS room. Email [ashley.maclennan@saint-marys.ca](mailto:ashley.maclennan@saint-marys.ca) to register, or call 902-522-2598. You may also register using our online form at [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

## Kidfit

Kidfit is a free, physical activity based program for kids in grades primary to five. We play fitness based games, enjoy a healthy snack, play strategy games and solve puzzles. Buses will drop kids off at the community centre where the program will take place. Children will need a new bus note each day they attend, as well as indoor and outdoor shoes and clothing. Port Bickerton Community Centre and Ecum Secum Community Centre –Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup> and the last Kidfit will be April 6<sup>th</sup>. SMECA small gym Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, and the last Kidfit will be April 14<sup>th</sup>. Please note Kidfit will not take place during March Break (16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>) due to March Break Camps.

## Free Skates

On March 7<sup>th</sup> the Free Skate will take place from 12-2 during our Winter Fun Fest. Saturday March 14 the Free Skate takes place at our regular time of 1-2pm. There will be no Free Skate on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> or Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> due to the Curling Bonspiel and the Adult Hockey Year End Tournament, but we will add a Free Skate on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm and Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup> from 1-2pm.

## Adult Hockey League

Adult Hockey League games take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7pm and 8pm. Fans are invited to come out to the Recplex and take in some great hockey! The Year-end tournament will be held on March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

## Get Winter Active!

We have the tools for you to embrace the cold weather and have some fun this winter. Stop by the Municipal Office and rent of pair of snowshoes. We have adult and children's sizes and are free of charge on a weekly basis.

## After School Recreation Hockey

After School Recreation Hockey will come to an end this month. There will be no programming on March 18<sup>th</sup> during March Break and the last day of this program will be Wednesday March 25<sup>th</sup>, from 3-4pm at the St. Mary's Recplex. Recreation Staff will walk registered participants from school to the Recplex leaving the school at 2:40pm. Note - Children must wear full hockey gear to participate.

## Winter Fun Fest

Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 - The Amazing Mr. J's Magic show is kicking off our Winter Fun Fest 2020, and you do not want to miss this show! Join us at the Exhibit Centre in Sherbrooke Village from 11-12pm to watch Mr. J perform. Bring your hats, mitts and sleds along for our sledding party! Our Skating Party takes place right after the magic show at the Recplex from 12-2pm. The Recplex is getting the party treatment, with some funky lighting and cool tunes to skate to. From there we head to Church Hill in Sherbrooke village for sledding from 2-4pm, right next to the Exhibit Centre. You will be able to warm your hands at our fire pit and purchase Hot Chocolate and S'mores in support of a great cause. We will wrap up our Winter Fun Fest 2020 with a showing of FROZEN 2 at the Exhibit Centre in Sherbrooke Village. Doors open at 5:00pm, movie starts at 6:00pm. Feel free to bring a blanket, pillow and stuffy to snuggle up and watch the movie with. Popcorn will be available for purchase as well. All events are FREE. Snacks will be available to purchase from the St. Mary's House League Hockey Team. Come and join us for a memorable day of family fun to celebrate winter 2020!

## Make it and Take it Craft Program

Our free craft program comes to an end this month. Please join us for our last program date at the Recplex during adult hockey on Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for a successful year, our Recplex warm room looks lovely with the addition of the artwork created at the program.

## Learn to Skate

Our program finishes up this month at the St. Mary's Recplex. This program will take place each Friday from 6-7pm, with Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> being our last date. This is for youth ages 3-6 who are in the early stages of learning to skate. Children require skates and a hockey helmet.

## Happy Feet

This is a free, afterschool running program designed to get kids moving and inspire children to be active for life. For children in grades P-3 and it takes place on Thursday's at SMECA, either in the little gym or outside if weather permits, from 2:30-4pm. No program on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

### March Supper Club

Each Tuesday and Thursday in March, the St. Mary's Fitness Centre invites Moms and Dads to our Fitness Centre Supper Club. We are putting the focus on the whole family, by providing access to our Fitness Centre, a childcare program during the hour self-led workout, and a light dinner afterward. From 4pm to 5:30 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, not only is your workout free, school age kids will join our rec staff in the SMECA little gym for fun and games, and pre-school aged kids will be in the Kids First Room right next door to the gym. No need to hire a babysitter! A light dinner and snacks will be provided at 5:30 pm, after your workout. If you are interested in attending either Tuesday, Thursday or both, please email [ashley.maclennan@saint-marys.ca](mailto:ashley.maclennan@saint-marys.ca) or call 902-522-2598. Pre-registering will allow us to prep enough food for everyone, including kids. Let us know of any dietary restrictions. If you are interested but lacking equipment to start, let me know! Sneakers or other necessary equipment can be provided on a confidential basis. This project is made possible with funding from the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage, and through collaboration with St. Mary's Kids First and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's.

### St. Mary's Fitness Centre

The St. Mary's Fitness Centre is ready for you to start living a healthier life. Stop by the Fitness Centre and get into a routine of being active and treating your body right. The Centre is equipped with everything you need to improve your wellbeing. The facility is open Monday to Friday from 4pm-8pm. The Fitness Centre will be closed for March Break

### ARK

Our female youth focused group for ages 12-17, will meet again Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday March 25<sup>th</sup>. We will be mixing Art and Walking to increase our creativity and improve our physical wellbeing. Some of our creative activities will be a remakery workshop: where we find new ways to use things through redesign, and personalizing journals with collage techniques. Events will be after school until 5pm in the SHOPS room at SMECA. On March Break, we have a special event taking place in Halifax that you do not want to miss! On March 19<sup>th</sup> we will head to Halifax to experience a walking tour of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, Pier 21, and so much more. ARK and our activities are supported by the Dept. of Communities Culture and Heritage, and our group is grateful to the Ruth Goldbloom Educational Bursary program for their support of our March Break event. Please contact recreation for more information.

## Community Services

### CBDC Guysborough County

Are you interested in starting your own business?

The CBDC Guysborough County can help. Need financing for your business? Loans available to any legally operated business in Guysborough County. Some sectors include: fishing, trucking, retail, manufacturing, service, food service, accommodations etc. Business loans up to a maximum of \$450,000 with flexible interest rates starting at prime plus 2% with flexible re-payment schedules.

Loans are available for business start-up, expansion, renovations, line of credit, etc. Quick approval Micro Loans available up to \$10,000. Business start-up information and counseling are available. Self-Employment Benefits Program-(SEB)- Qualifying participants can receive benefits and training opportunities during business start-up.

Guysborough County Community Business Development Corporation Limited, PO Box 199, 46 Main Street, Guysborough County, NS B0H 1N0

Guysborough Office: phone: (902)533-2770 fax: (902) 533-2016. Email: [wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca](mailto:wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca)

### Kids First

What's going on at Kids First in St. Mary's this winter?

Tuesdays – All children age 3 and up are welcome to come to a two hour drop-off play-based program from 9:30-11:30am. A healthy snack will be provided. For more information call or text Paula at 902-870-7437 or message the St. Mary's Programming Facebook page. No need to register, come on Tuesday morning and use the Memorial Place entrance. Funding is available for travel if requested.

Wednesdays – Parent/Tot Drop-in from 9:30-11:30am at the Kids First room at St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy. All parents/caregivers and children age birth to six years are welcome. Funding is available for travel if requested. Watch our Facebook page for more details. The Guysborough County Prenatal Program is open to all women expecting a baby who live in Guysborough County. Self-referrals are welcome! Call Emilie at 902-533-3881 or toll free at 1-888-533-3881 for more information. The Parenting Journey Program is a support for parents with children up to 16 years. Self-referrals are welcome. For more info email [parentingjourney@kids1st.ca](mailto:parentingjourney@kids1st.ca) or call Paula at 902-870-7437. Like our Facebook page to keep up to date on programs.

### High-Crest Sherbrooke

#### March Birthdays:

Kathleen Davidson-March 10th

Edie Hadley-March 12th

Martha Lafford-Diaz -March 24th

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### St. Mary's District Food Bank

Please contact 902-328-4148 if you know of a need in the community. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. Boxes to receive food donations are located at Clover Farm and at the St. Mary's Hospital. Please check the "best before" date. Cash donations can be sent to St. Mary's District Food Bank, P.O. Box 102, Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0. Donations are a great gift option and a card will be sent stating that a gift donation has been made. Thank you for the support.

### SHOPS

Mon., Wed. & Fri. from 8:30am-2:30pm. We are located at the Memorial Place entrance of SMECA. Muffins (\$1.00) and fresh coffee/tea (\$2.00) will be available every morning. Shredding services available-Small Box-\$5 Large Box-\$10. TOONIE DRAW: Every Wed. Register now & play each week for your chance to win! If you don't play and your # is drawn then the pot goes up the next week. Pay in advance by leaving cash or cheque at locations, or call Jacqueline or Jeff 902-318-7467. Players 19 or older. Proceeds to SHOPS.

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### MacMillan's Depot Recyclables Pick Up

NSLC Parking Lot on Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 10am.

## Congregational Services

### Baptist Congregations of Port Bick. Port Hilford & Sonora

March 1<sup>st</sup>- 11:00am, Port Hilford

March 8<sup>th</sup>- 11:00am, Port Bickerton

March 15<sup>th</sup>- 11:00am, Sonora

March 22<sup>nd</sup>- 11:00am, Port Hilford

March 29<sup>th</sup>- 11:00am, Port Bickerton

Rev. Ron Ford: (H) 902-522-2805 or (C) 902-318-3488

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### Catholic Church

St. Paul's (Sherbrooke): Mass Sunday at 11:30am

St. Patrick's (Lochaber): Mass Sunday at 10:00am

St. Joseph's (Ohio): Saturday at 5pm, Sunday at 8:30am

Fr. Lazarus Guria- 902-776-0228

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### Bethel Community Church

13692 Highway 7, Lochiel Lake. Sunday Services-11:00am,

Sunday School-10:00am. Weekly bible Study- Fridays

7:00pm at church building. Everyone is welcome. For

more information, please contact Pastor Freda Steeves

902- 783-2745 or visit [www.bethelcommunitychurch.ca](http://www.bethelcommunitychurch.ca)

### The Anglican Parish of Liscomb/Port Bickerton

Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>- St. Luke's Pancake Supper at the Liscomb Legion from 4-6pm

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>- Ash Wednesday Services, 10:00am, St. Luke's in Liscomb, 7:00pm, St. Paul's in Port Bickerton

March 1<sup>st</sup>- 9:00am-St. Paul's, Bickerton

11:00am-St. Thomas, IHL, HC

7:00pm-St. James, Sherbrooke

March 8<sup>th</sup>- 9:00am-St. Luke's, Liscomb,

11:00am St. James, Sherbrooke, HC

7:00pm St. Paul's, Port Bickerton

March 15<sup>th</sup>- 9:00am-St. James, Sherbrooke

11:00am-St. Luke's, Liscomb, HC

7:00pm-St. Thomas, IHL

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11:00am-St. Paul's, Bickerton HC

7:00pm-St. Luke's, Liscomb

March 29<sup>th</sup>- 11:00am- St. James, Sherbrooke, Combined

Parish Service

Rev. Sinclair 902-485-6007

## Community News & Events

### Goshen Community and Recreation Centre

Game Day on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00pm.

Bargain shop: Open every Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday 1-3pm. Contacts for Shop: Laurie Ann 902-783-

2291 or Elizabeth 902-783-2369. Bottle donations are

still welcomed.

### Greenfield Oldsters Club – Melrose

Auction 45's – Tuesday at 1:15pm. No partner needed.

Cribbage – Thursday evenings at 7:30. Bring a partner!

Auction 45's – Saturday at 8 pm. No partner needed.

Cash prizes for all events. Join us for a fun filled time

### Port Bickerton Community Center

March 10th- St Patrick's Day Social 12-3pm Light refreshments will be served

March 16th- Community club meeting at 6pm all welcome. Exercise equipment available for use. Please contact Crystal or our Facebook group for more info. To rent the center please contact the below email or phone Crystal Bray 902-301-2555 [PortBickertonCommunityCenter@gmail.com](mailto:PortBickertonCommunityCenter@gmail.com)

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### St. Mary's District Lions

The St Mary's District Lions has had another busy month. With our regular Wednesday Bingo Nights and Friday Night Chase the Ace -in partnership with the Sherbrooke & Area Fire Dept. The club also held our annual NS Heart and Stroke Fundraiser on Tuesday Feb 11th. We had over 100 people attend the Luncheon and the total raised was \$1,405.00. Then on Saturday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> a successful Valentine Day Dance was held and attended by over 100 people. To make these events a success it takes both a supportive community that attends and a committed group of volunteers. So we'd like to say a huge thank you to all who attend and support our events, fundraisers and to the Lion members for all your hard work!

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### R.C. L. Branch #86 Liscomb Legion

General Meeting-Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>- 7pm. All are welcome

Auction 45's- Thursdays at 8pm \$5

Cribbage -Saturdays at 8pm \$5

Crib Tournie – March 14<sup>th</sup>. Start time 2pm, \$10 per person. There will be 8 games, potluck, prize draws, 50/50 and cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. All are welcome, bring a friend.

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### Ecum Secum Fire Hall

Chase the Ace every Monday at 7 pm. Easter Penny Auction at the Ecum Secum Fire Hall on March 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 7pm. There will be a chocolate walk and tickets on sale for an Easter Basket. All proceeds will go to the Fire Dept.

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### Indian Harbour Lake-Jordanville Community Center

Paint Night- Mondays-March 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm.

Auction 45's- Tuesdays at 8:00pm, light lunch served.

Social will be held March 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm.

ATV Rally, Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Registration from 9-10:30am at the Indian Harbour Lake Centre. \$15 per person. This is a fundraiser for the centre. Details to follow on Facebook or call Douglas MacDonald 902-328-7338. This will be held if weather and ice conditions permit. A hot meal will follow at the community center.

Next hall meeting will be held April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

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### Sonora/St. Mary's River Community Centre

There will be a Social on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Everyone is welcome. There will be crokinole every Thursday at 7 pm.

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### Sherbrooke & Area Volunteer Fire Department

We will be holding our annual ratepayers meeting for Districts 1 & 4 on Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm at the fire hall, 91 Old Rd Hill. Everyone is welcome.

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### Country Harbour Gun Club

The Country Harbour Gun Club will be having a Country Breakfast - March 21, 2020 from 8:30am to 10:00am. Adults \$10 each, Children \$3. The Country Harbour Gun Club will be hosting a Trivia/Pub Night on Saturday, March 14, 2020 beginning at 8pm; Doors will open at 7pm. Teams of 4 people and \$10 per team to enter. Must be 19 years or older.

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### Sea Shore Volunteer Fire Auxiliary

Our next meeting will be on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. The Sea Shore Volunteer Fire Auxiliary is hosting a Trivia Night on February 29<sup>th</sup> from 7-10 at the Port Bickerton Community Centre. Get your teams of 3 or 4 together and come test how much you know! \$10 per person, with the proceeds going to the Playspace Project. Ages 15+, bar will be open.

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### Compass Rose Quilters Guild

Meeting Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1pm at the Municipal Office.

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### Liscomb TOPS

Need help & support on your Healthy Weight-Loss journey? We are a friendly group & would love to see you. Meetings are Tuesdays at Bayside Baptist Church Hall-5:30-6:30pm. For more information, call 364-2015, 779-2255, 779-2709

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### St. Mary's ATV Club

Meeting-Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm-SHOPS room SMECA. If anyone has questions about the on-going "Shoulder-of the road PILOT PROJECT" – Sherbrooke site, you may call St. Mary's ATV Club President, Jim Kirk at (902)364-2574. If you require more info on the rules and regulations they are available at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke. You may also go to the All-Terrain Vehicle Association of Nova Scotia (ATVANS). Their website is: <https://atvans.wildapricot.org>

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### St. Mary's Shooters Association

The 2020 Summer schedule for SMSA is now complete. The Spring Meeting will take place Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Stillwater Centre at 3pm- 9558 Hwy 7, Stillwater.

To renew memberships for 2020 call John Day 902 783 2820 or Mike Ackermann 902 522 2172.

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### Port Bickerton Lighthouse Association

The Port Bickerton Lighthouse Association will be hosting a variety concert on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 2-4pm at the Port Bickerton Community Center. Admission is a free will offering. Everyone welcome, please support a worthy cause.

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### Maple Manor Tea

9:30 am every Tuesday, everyone is welcome.

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### St. Mary's House League Hockey

Bottle Drive: House League Hockey will be doing a bottle drive on Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>. Donations can be dropped off at the Recplex by 2:00pm. If you have bottles that you would like picked up prior to this date, please phone David Jordan 902-968-1190.

Epicure Fundraiser: House League Hockey will be holding an Epicure fundraiser from March 8<sup>th</sup>-March 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can choose from three collections. To order, contact your local St. Mary's Coyote, or Norah-Lee- 902-318-4969 or [norahlee1982@gmail.com](mailto:norahlee1982@gmail.com). Support local hockey by enjoying some wonderful food!

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### Thank You

We the family of Cheryl McLeod would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbors for their support and kindness during her recent illness and passing. We are grateful to everyone who came from near and far to attend the celebration of her life, for food, cards and donations, many thanks. Special thanks to Home Care, Home Support, the Palliative Care Team and the staff of St. Mary's Hospital along with friends and family for their love and support during this sad time. To G.W. Giffins Funeral Home, many thanks for your support during this time of sorrow. Sincerely, Elaine, Brandon, John and Tynan.

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### Earth Day 2020

Attention Residents of Port Hilford and any PH Beach Lovers! Earth Day is fast approaching again. This year it falls on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. What better way to acknowledge this day than by making the Port Hilford area even more beautiful? Join us for a roadside/beach clean-up from 9:30-12:30 on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Even if you can donate an hour, our planet will be grateful for the gift of your time and your care. You do not need to be a resident of Port Hilford to participate. Everyone is welcome back to 2889 Highway 211 (home of D. Banks) at 1:00 for bite to eat. If interested, join us at the Port Hilford Beach parking lot at 9:30. Please bring gloves, safety jacket and garbage bags.

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### National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month. You are invited to participate in the third annual Poem in Your Pocket Day on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Community members are encouraged to be ready with a poem to share as you move through your day in Sherbrooke and outlying areas. Start digging out a favourite poem you would like to share with your friends or neighbours as April unfolds.

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### St. Mary's Dart League

St. Mary's Dart League Monday-7:30pm for members

### Penny Auction & Cake Walk

Date: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00pm at the Indian Harbour Lake Community Hall for the St. Thomas Anglican Church. Donations can be dropped off with: Belinda Jordan- 902-522-2460, Sandra Harpell- 902-522-2833, or Angie MacDonald- 902-522-2268

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### Womens' Institute Activity Day

Our Activity Day will be held on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-3:00pm at Indian Harbour Lake /Jordanville Community Center. Lots to do, and pot luck lunch. All are welcome.

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### Maple Manor Bake Sale

Fridays at 2pm in the Maple Manor Community room

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### Beavers & Cub Scouts

It has been a year since we started Beavers & Cubs in the St. Mary's District. We have been busy in the community with our popcorn campaign, participating in the Old Fashion Christmas Parade along with camps and hikes in and around our area and many other activities. We hope to start up a Scout Troop (ages 11-14) this April/May. However, we need volunteer leaders for this to happen. So if you like the outdoors and helping the youth learn about the outdoors, please call Sean Ashe 902-318-0066 or Dave Smith 902-779-2149 or drop by the school on meeting nights. Meetings are every Tuesday from 6:00-7:30pm at SMECA.

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### Goldenville Heritage Society

We wish to advise the Goldenville Heritage Society will host a St. Patrick's Day Boiled Ham Supper at the Lion's Hall starting at 5:30 on Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$12.00 a person. There will be music, draws and a silent auction. May the luck of the Irish be with you! For information call Neil Black 902-522-2265.

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### Nova Scotia Power- Smart Meters

Nova Scotia Power will conduct smart meter upgrades in your community starting February 10. They expect most of the work to be complete by April. Information about the upgrades will be sent in advance to all customers.

When smart meter technology is turned on in 2021, the technology will provide customers with more convenience, reliability and control. In most cases, meters are located outside of the home, so customers don't need to be present when the work is done (the upgrade will occur sometime between 8 am and dusk, Monday to Friday). The upgrading process takes about 15 minutes to complete and customers should only experience a momentary loss of power. For more info visit [nspower.ca/smartmeters](http://nspower.ca/smartmeters) or you can email them at [smartmeterinfo@nspower.ca](mailto:smartmeterinfo@nspower.ca) or 1-800-428-6230.



IN THE COMMUNITY

## Weekly TOONIE DRAW



A weekly draw is held on Wednesday of each week at the SHOPS room around lunchtime. If the school is closed, so is SHOPS and the draw will be held the following Friday. Please help us grow this fundraiser.

Boxes and registration cards can be found in the following locations. Register first on the blue card and then play your toonie each week with the corresponding number. No need to register each week. Your toonie must be played before 4 pm on each Tuesday to make the draw. If the number drawn has not been played, the draw will grow for the next week.

Bud's Kwikway, Sherbrooke Garage Ltd., Clover Farm, St. Mary's Memorial Hospital, Sherbrooke.  
Feltmate & Sons Enterprise Service Ctr., South Lochaber, Rhynold's Gas & Convenience, Stormont, Whitney's Corner Store, Port Bickerton

### SERVICES PROVIDED

Shredding  
Catering  
Recycling – pick up  
provided Room Rental  
We also run the canteen at the RECPLEX  
(volunteers needed)  
Please call (902) 318-7467

## SHOPS 'til you drop online auction



Check out the deals and savings on our shops 'til you drop Facebook page! Our bi-weekly auction offers new and/or gently used items that include kitchen and household items, appliances, electronics, toys and games, clothing and more at bargain prices. For more information or if you would like to donate items please contact SHOPS at (902) 318-7467. You can also drop in to SHOPS at 121 Old Road Hill between the hours of 8:30 and 2:30 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

SHOPS is the lucky recipient of a 2019-2020 Community Health Board Wellness Grant for our project called

## Growing Seeds of Sustainability.

We are excited to be working with the St. Mary's Garden Club and St. Mary's Education Centre and Academy on this project. Our plan is to refurbish garden beds located on school property and make them more accessible. St. Mary's Garden Club members will teach us how to plant vegetables and flowers that we can sell and use towards a community meal. We have already had one fantastic lesson from the Garden Club and look forward to learning more about plants.





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**St. Mary's**

**March 7th, 2020**  
**Sherbrooke | 11- 8 PM**

# **YOU ARE INVITED TO WINTER FUN FEST!**

CHECK OUT THE AMAZING MR. J'S MAGIC SHOW FROM 11:00PM TO 12:00PM AT THE EXHIBIT CENTRE IN SHERBROOKE VILLAGE! YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EVENT! ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES!

AFTER THE SHOW JOIN US FOR A SKATING PARTY AT THE RECPLEX FROM 12:00PM TO 2:00PM. THE SHOPS CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN WITH A SELECTION OF SNACKS AND DRINKS.

THEN WE HAVE A SLEDDING PARTY FROM 2:00PM TO 4:00PM AT CHURCH HILL IN THE VILLAGE. THERE WILL BE HOT CHOCOLATE AND S'MORES AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE, BRING YOUR OWN SLED!

WE WILL FINISH OUR FUN FEST AT THE EXHIBIT CENTRE, WITH A SHOWING OF FROZEN 2 AT 6:00PM. DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM. POPCORN AND DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.



# Municipal Events Calendar March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Compass Rose Quilters Guild 1:00 pm Kid Fit- Port Bickerton & Ecum Secum 2:30 pm Chase the Ace- Ecum Secum 7:00 pm Darts- St. Mary's 7:30 pm	3+ Program 9:30 am Maple Manor Tea 9:30 am 45's - Greenfield O.C 1:15 pm Kid Fit- Sherbrooke 2:30 pm Supper Club 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm Beavers/Cubs Meeting 6:00 pm Lisc. Legion Meeting 7:00 pm 45's- IHL 8:00 pm	3+ Program 9:30 am Maple Manor Tea 9:30 am 45's - Greenfield O.C 1:15 pm Kid Fit- Sherbrooke 2:30 pm Supper Club 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm Beavers/Cubs Meeting 6:00 pm Lisc. Legion Meeting 7:00 pm 45's- IHL 8:00 pm	Parent/Tot Drop-In 9:30 am COTTW Meeting 1:00 pm Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm ARK Workshop 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm After School Rec Hockey 3:00 pm Adult Hockey League 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Lion's Bingo 7:45 pm	Happy Feet 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Supper Club 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm House League Hockey 6:00 pm Crokinole- Sonora 7:00 pm Crb- Greenfield O.C 7:30 pm 45's-Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 2:00 pm Learn to Skate 6:00 pm Adult Hockey League 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Chase the Ace-Sherb. 7:00 pm Craft Program 7:00 pm	ATV Rally- IHL 9:00 am House League Hockey 9:00 am Magic Show 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Free Skate 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Sledding Party 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Movie Night 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm 45's - Greenfield O.C 8:00 pm Crb- Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Kid Fit- Port Bickerton & Ecum Secum 2:30 pm Council Meeting 7:00 pm Chase the Ace- Ecum Secum 7:00 pm IHL- Paint Night 7:00 pm Darts- St. Mary's 7:30 pm	3+ Program 9:30 am Maple Manor Tea 9:30 am Social- Port Bickerton 12:00 pm 45's - Greenfield O.C 1:15 pm Kid Fit- Sherbrooke 2:30 pm Supper Club 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm Beavers/Cubs Meeting 6:00 pm Sea Shore Aux. Meeting 6:30 pm 45's- IHL 8:00 pm	Parent/Tot Drop-In 9:30 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm After School Rec Hockey 3:00 pm Adult Hockey League 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Lion's Bingo 7:45 pm	Happy Feet 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Supper Club 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm ATV Club-Meeting 6:00 pm House League Hockey 6:00 pm Crokinole- Sonora 7:00 pm Crb- Greenfield O.C 7:30 pm 45's-Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 2:00 pm Learn to Skate 6:00 pm Adult Hockey League 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Chase the Ace-Sherb. 7:00 pm Craft Program 7:00 pm	House League Hockey 9:00 am Bottle Depot 10:00 am Social-IHL/Jordanville 10:00 am Free Skate 1:00 pm Crb Turn- Liscomb 2:00 pm Horn Supper- Lion's Hall 5:30 pm 45's - Greenfield O.C 8:00 pm Crb- Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm Trivia/Pub Night- Country Harbour Gun Club 8:00 pm	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
March Break Camp- Port Bickerton 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Compass Rose Quilters Guild 1:00 pm Port Bickerton Community Club Meeting 6:00 pm Chase the Ace- Ecum Secum 7:00 pm Darts- St. Mary's 7:30 pm	March Break Camp- Port Bickerton 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Maple Manor Tea 9:30 am 45's - Greenfield O.C 1:15 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm Beavers/Cubs Meeting 6:00 pm 45's- IHL 8:00 pm	March Break Camp- Ecum Bickerton 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Maple Manor Tea 9:30 am 45's - Greenfield O.C 1:15 pm Lion's Bingo 7:45 pm	March Break Camp- Ecum Secum 8:30 am - 4:30 pm COTTW Meeting 1:00 pm Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm Lion's Bingo 7:45 pm	March Break Camp- Ecum Secum 8:30 am - 4:30 pm ARK-Halifax Walking Tour 9:00 am Crokinole- Sonora 7:00 pm Crb- Greenfield O.C 7:30 pm 45's-Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm	March Break Camp-SMECA 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Maple Manor Bake Sale 2:00 pm Curling Bonspiel 5:30 pm Chase the Ace-Sherb. 7:00 pm	Breakfast- Country Harbour Gun Club 8:30 am Curling Bonspiel 9:00 am 45's - Greenfield O.C 8:00 pm Crb- Liscomb Legion 8:00 pm
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