



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's Newsletter

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Meetings of Council

The next regular meeting of Council is Monday, November 8th at 4:00pm. The Committee of the Whole meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, November 3rd and 17th at 4:00pm. Provincial Covid-19 guidelines will be followed. Agendas, minutes and audio files are available at www.saint-marys.ca.

St. Mary's Municipal Office & Transfer Station Closure

All Municipal facilities will be closed on Thursday, November 11th for Remembrance Day.

Property Assessments

On January 10, 2022 Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC) is mailing new property assessment notices to Nova Scotia property owners. Here's what you need to know: Property owners are encouraged to review their Assessment Notice and log into their 'My Property Report' at www.pvsc.ca using the Assessment Account Number (AAN) and PIN on their 2021 assessment notice. There is a 31 day appeal period starting January 10, 2022. Appeals must be received by PVSC before midnight on February 10, 2022.

Property owners can submit an assessment appeal by:

- Mailing the signed appeal form to: 6 – 15 Arlington Place, Truro NS, B2N 0G9
- Fax the signed appeal form to: 1-888-339-4555
- Email a photo or scan of the signed appeal form to inquiry@pvsc.ca
- Submitting a paper copy of the signed appeal form in a secure, locked drop box outside the front door of our offices in Dartmouth, Truro, Wolfville, Tusket and Sydney.

Once your appeal has been processed by PVSC you will receive an acknowledgement letter either via email or mail typically within 2 weeks of submitting your appeal. If you need assistance, or have questions on how to submit your appeal, please contact PVSC Monday – Friday at 1-800-380-7775 or inquiry@pvsc.ca.

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The deadline for the November issue of the Municipal Newsletter is Wednesday, November 17th. Submissions can be faxed to 902-522-2309 or emailed to mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca

St. Mary's Municipal Transfer Station is open Monday, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Eastern Shore Cartage
1-800-261-0372

November 2021 Solid Waste Collection

Tuesday (Zone 1)	November 2 Recyclables	November 9 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	November 16 Recyclables	November 23 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	November 30 Recyclables
Wednesday (Zone 2)	November 3 Recyclables	November 10 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	November 17 Recyclables	November 24 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	December 1 Recyclables
Thursday (Zone 3)	November 4 Recyclables	*Friday Collection November 12 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	November 18 Recyclables	November 25 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	December 2 Recyclables

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: Hwy 211, IHL to Port Bickerton, Stillwater, West Melrose, Lead Minds Rd, to Waternish

MUNICIPALITY OF THE
DISTRICT OF ST. MARY'S

**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING**

ARE YOU LOOKING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY? PLEASE CONSIDER SERVING AS A VOLUNTEER MEMBER OF THE NEWLY FORMED ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE? AT LEAST ONE HALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MUST BE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY OR REPRESENT AN ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. DISABILITY INCLUDES A PHYSICAL, MENTAL, INTELLECTUAL, LEARNING, OR SENSORY IMPAIRMENT - INCLUDING AN EPISODIC DISABILITY THAT, IN INTERACTION WITH A BARRIER, HINDERS AN INDIVIDUAL'S FULL AND EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION IN SOCIETY. APPLICATION ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE OR BY EMAIL. APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15 AT 4 PM. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT MALLORY AT MALLORY.FRASER@SAINT-MARYS.CA OR 902-522-2598 .

**THE FIRST MEETING IS NOVEMBER 16, 2021
| 6PM
MUNICIPAL OFFICE
8296 HIGHWAY # 7, SHERBROOKE NS**



Municipal News

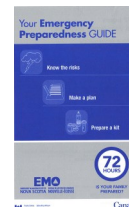
Municipal Notification System

The Municipality is pleased to announce it has implemented the Voyent Alert Notification service to keep residents informed during times of crisis and for day-to-day notices. Notifications can be sent to a landline, cellphone, or email. You can self-register at register.voyent-alert.com and choose what type of notifications you would like to receive. For more information please call the Municipal Office.



Your Emergency Preparedness Guide

Is your family prepared for an emergency?
Do you know the risks?
Do you have a plan if there is an emergency?
Do you have kit that will last you for 72 hours in the event of an emergency.
Stop by the Municipality for your copy of Emergency Preparedness Guide.



Public Libraries Declared an Essential Service

The Province of Nova Scotia has designated public libraries as essential services. This means that when the Proof of Full Vaccination Policy came into effect on October 4th, proof of vaccination is NOT required to enter our libraries. All Nova Scotia Health measures and protocols will apply. The library will continue to adjust our services in accordance with public health measures. You will still need Proof of Vaccination to participate in many other activities that bring people together starting October 4th. You can print yours at the library free of charge. We sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding during these challenging times. As public health protocols can evolve quickly, please stay up to date on services offered at ECRL by visiting ecrl.ca often, or by following ECRL on social media: facebook.com/ECRLibrary | twitter.com/ecrlibrary.

Home Energy Assistance Top-Up (HEAT) Fund

The Home Energy Assistance Top-Up (HEAT) Fund supports Nova Scotians in need with the added cost of home heating during the winter months. In 2020, the Fund provided assistance for more than 3,500 households in Nova Scotia. The Fund is proudly administered by The Salvation Army.

You may apply if: You live in Nova Scotia and are within the following income threshold: \$29,000 for one-person households; \$47,703 for two to four person households; \$67,937 for households with five or more individuals. If your household is experiencing an emergency heating situation The HEAT Fund offers a maximum assistance in the amount of \$400 for individuals and families. You can apply online at SalvationArmy.ca/Maritime/Heat or via phone at (902) 422-3435.

Economic Development

NEWS:

Small Business Appreciation Night

The Municipality honored St. Mary's small businesses by hosting an appreciation night. This night consisted of a delicious supper served by the Sherbrooke Lions, a speech from entrepreneur Michael Hatt owner of The Medicine Shoppe in Port Hawkesbury, and the presentation of the first annual Small Business Awards: Best New Business to Stillwater Family Farm; Best Customer Service to Beanie's Bistro; Best Community Impact to Kaiser Marine Inc. and ; Best Long-Standing Business to Sherbrooke Garage Ltd. The Municipality would like to thank everyone who made this event possible, including Council, staff, all small local businesses, the Sherbrooke Lions and a special thank you to Cornect Farm and The Soap Company of Nova Scotia for their donations for the goodie bags. Also, a special thank you goes out to the students of SMECA that drew so many wonderful pictures of their ideas for future businesses that were displayed at the event!

St. Mary's Business Directory

The Municipality has a business directory on the Municipal website and would like to keep it up to date. If you are a new business that would like to be added to the directory or you are an existing business not currently listed or incorrect information is listed regarding your business please email marissa.jordan@saint-marys.ca or call 902-522-2049.

Ability Employers– Attracting and Retaining a Diverse Workforce, Post COVID.

Ability Employers is an employer led non-profit organization that works within the business community to educate businesses on the importance of diverse and inclusive practices. They have impacted the community through a series of educational events. Ability Employers has helped shape the culture of businesses through our networking and education. And because of this, persons with disabilities and people with barriers to employment have found jobs. Ability Employers have an upcoming session you may be interested in registering for. We are heading into some very challenging times regarding the Canadian employment market. Eddie will help you understand today's employment challenges and how to be best prepared for a successful future. In this session, you will discover: The trends that will impact the labour market this year and beyond, the introduction of a hybrid workplace, why employee engagement is critical to employee attraction, retention, and productivity, reasons why people join, stay, and leave their employers. You can register at: <https://register.esourceevent.com/register/register.aspx?EventName=Ability21>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Are you a local business looking for local qualified employees to fill positions with your company? If so, you can use this space to advertise your employment opportunities free of charge and help to connect local workers with local employers! For more information contact Marissa Jordan, Economic Development Officer at 902-522-2607 or marissa.jordan@saint-marys.ca

BUSINESS RESOURCES:

Small Business Can Save Big With Efficiency Nova Scotia

Energy efficiency means more than just savings on bills - small businesses also gain a competitive advantage, with additional benefits such as: more comfortable space for employees and customers, savings on their bottom line, equipment that is more reliable, has a longer life and needs fewer repairs, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. Until December 31, 2021, incentives for eligible small businesses have increased to cover up to 80% of the total project cost on select lighting and all Commercial Heating measures. Learn more about the energy efficiency upgrades available to Nova Scotia small business here:

<https://www.energycyns.ca/business/business-types/small-business/>

Guysborough County Community Business Development Corporation

- Need Financing for your business? Loans are available to any legally operated business in Guysborough County. Some sectors include, fishing, trucking, retail manufacturing, service, accommodations, food service, etc.
- Business loans up to a **maximum of \$600,000** with flexible interest rates starting at prime plus 2% with flexible re-payment schedules.
- Loans 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 available.
- Self-Employment Benefits Program: Qualifying participants can receive benefits and training opportunities during business startup.



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

Employment NS START Program

The START Program helps connect employers with unemployed Nova Scotians who can fill their job vacancies. For employers, START offers a wage incentive and other types of funding if they hire an unemployed Nova Scotian. Wage incentives help offset some of the salary and benefit costs related to hiring a new employee. Preference is given to employers who can offer full-time, sustainable employment. Short-term jobs may be eligible if they help the employee develop transferrable skills that can improve their chances of finding other employment in the future, or if they're related to a priority sector or industry where a short-term contract is being implemented. For more information on this program, please visit: <https://novascotia.ca/programs/start/>

RECREATION NEWS

Happy Feet Running Program

For children in grades primary to 3. Happy Feet will take place on Thursday's after school from 2:30–4:00pm at SMECA . Children must bring proper footwear, clothing and a water bottle. This program will take place outdoors each week, when the weather doesn't cooperate we will move indoors. This program will end on November 25th.

Learn How to Figure Skate

The Community Development and Recreation Department will be hosting a FREE Learn to Figure Skate Program on Wednesdays from 6-7pm at the Recplex this season. Registration is now open for this program, we will need a minimum of 5 participants for this program to take place. Call 902-522-2598 or email kerri.penney@saint-marys.ca to learn more or to register your child. This program is open to all school aged children (P-12) and will begin on November 10th. This program requires proof of double vaccination for those ages 12 and up.

Ugly Sweater Dance Party

Dig out your ugly sweaters because we are hosting an Ugly Sweater Dance Party on November 27th from 7-10pm for youth ages 13-18. This is a part of the Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Festival! Entry is free, proof of vaccination is required. There will be prizes for best ugly sweaters.

Seniors Socials

The Municipality will once again be sponsoring seniors socials to take place at community centres throughout the Municipality. Each community's social will be included in the newsletter. If your organization is interested in hosting senior socials, please contact Kerri at 902-522-2598.

St. Mary's Oldsters Skate

Are you 55+? Join us at the Recplex for a free skate on Thursday mornings from 10 – 11 am. Pre-registration is required. Call 902-522-2598 or email mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca. All provincial covid-19 protocols will be followed.

Adult Hockey League

Join us for adult hockey! Games will take place on Wednesdays & Friday's at 7-8 pm & 8-9 pm. Ages 19+. Preregistration is required. All Provincial Covid-19 guidelines will be followed. To sign up contact Kerri at 902-522-2598, email kerri.penney@saint-marys.ca or message the Municipal Facebook page.

Eco Explorers

Eco Explorers is designed to allow children to explore nature on their own terms for youth in grades 4-7. Join us on Tuesday's from 2:30-4 pm. Please wear appropriate shoes and clothing as we will be outside in all weather conditions. Happy Feet end Nov, 23rd.

St. Mary's House League Hockey

Get ready Coyotes! St. Mary's House League opening night is Thursday, November 4th. House league will take place on Thursdays from 6-7 pm & 7-8 pm and Saturday's at 9-10 am & 10-11 am. Ages 5-12. are welcome. Pre-registration required. The cost is \$100 per child for the season. For more information please contact Mallory at 902-522-2598 or mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca.

Free Skates

Join us for free skates at the St. Mary's Recplex! Skates are open to all and will take place on Wednesday's from 3:30-5:30pm and Saturday's from 1-3pm. Skates of all sizes are available to rent free of charge at the Recplex as well as helmets (sizes limited). This program requires proof of double vaccination for those ages 12 and up.

Old Fashioned Christmas Free Skates

We are hosting two special Free Skates as a part of the Old Fashioned Christmas Festival. These will take place on Saturday, November 27th from 1-3 p.m. and Sunday, November 28th from 1-3 p.m. Christmas music will be played and special treats will be available. Participants are invited to dress up in their best Christmas outfits and take some pictures at our Christmas photo booth. Skates are available to rent free of charge. Helmets are mandatory. Proof of double vaccination will be required at this event.

Female Fun & Fitness

We will be hosting Female Fitness & Fun weekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. We will focus on different forms of physical activity & creativity! Each week we will participate in one hour of physical activity and for the next hour we will work on creative projects. For participants that require child care, there will be an open gym for youth aged 4-12. The group is for women 18+. Pre-registration on a weekly basis is required for this program. Spaces are limited! If you have any ideas or skills to share please contact us at 902-522-2598 or mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca. All provincial covid-19 protocols will be followed.

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Active Living Strategy Update

The Municipality is embarking on an update of the St. Mary's Active Living Strategy. We encourage residents to participate in Community Visioning Workshops. Mallory Fraser, the Active Living Coordinator will lead the workshop to gather feedback from community members. The Municipality invites you to join us for the workshop in your district.

Workshop dates & locations are as follows:

District 1 - Sherbrooke & Area

Sherbrooke Lion's Centre

Monday, November 22nd, 7-8 pm

District 2 - Ecum Secum & Area

Ecum Secum Fire Hall

Tuesday, November 23rd, 7-8 pm

District 3/5- Melrose, Glenelg, Caledonia & Area Greenfield

Oldsters Club Wednesday, November 24th, 7-8 pm

District 4- Indian Harbour Lake & Sonora

Indian Harbour Lake - Jordanville Community Centre

Monday, November 29th, 7-8 pm

District 6- Goshen & Area

Location to be announced

Tuesday, November 30th, 7-8 pm

District 7- Liscomb & Area

Liscomb Legion

Wednesday, December 1st, 7-8 pm

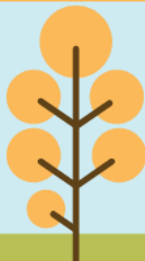
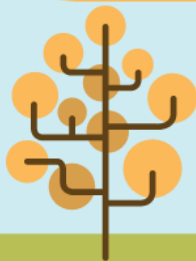
Youth Population

SMECA: Friday, November 19th, 12 pm

Senior Population

Location to be announced

Thursday, November 25th, 1-2 pm



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
MALLORY AT 902-522-2598 OR EMAIL
MALLORY.FRASER@SAINT-MARYS.CA



Survey for Community Based Programming

Members of the community who would prefer to participate in recreation within their community are asked to fill out a survey. For the benefit of the Municipality providing services throughout St. Mary's. All information will remain confidential and no names are necessary. Hard copies can be found on page 7. Responses can be sent by emailed to kerri.penney@saint-marys.ca, mailed to 8296 Hwy. 7, Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia, B0J 3C0.

Youth Curling

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's would like to start a youth curling program after school on Tuesday's. Ages 13+. If you are interested in taking part in this program, please add your name to our signup sheet at the SMECA main office or call 902-522-2598. We will need a minimum of 5 participants for this program. Proof of Vaccination will be required to participate in this program.

Learn to Skate

Will take place on Saturday's from 11am to noon. Learn to Skate is for youth who are in the early stages of learning to skate. St. Mary's House League Hockey Coaches will lead this program. Children only require skates and a hockey helmet. Rentals are available. Pre-registration is required, call 902-522-2598 or email mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca. All provincial covid-19 protocols will be followed.

Equipment Rentals

All equipment rentals are free. Damage deposits are required– return your equipment damage free and you will receive your deposit back. Contact 902-522-2598 for more information.

Let's Move St. Mary's

Let's Move St. Mary's is a program designed to get our residents active in their own community with their family, friends or maybe a new neighbour! Participants will engage in different activities such as walking, cycling & snowshoeing (when weather permits). Participants will meet for one hour. Rental Equipment is available. This program will take place at various hubs throughout St. Mary's, one in each district. A survey of registered participants will be used to determine a meeting time for each district. Pre-registration is required. Proof of Vaccination is required to participate in this program. For more information or to register please call Mallory at 902-522-2598 or email mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca. The Municipality recognizes the support of the Province of Nova Scotia. We are pleased to work in partnership with the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage to develop and promote our cultural resources for all Nova Scotians .

Training & Educational Opportunities

The Community Development and Recreation Dept. is looking to organize training opportunities needed by members of the community. These could be courses such as first-aid, babysitting course, defensive driving or food handlers. Please contact 902-522-2598 to request a course and add your name to our list. Once we hit the minimum required to host, we will book and promote the event.

Ultimate Santa Race

Do you think you have what it takes to be the Ultimate Santa? Grab three of your friends or family members and enter your team in this year's Ultimate Santa Race! Teams of four will have their Christmas skills put to the test in this year's event. Teams will race against one another to complete a Christmas themed obstacle course. Each team requires four individuals ages 8+. This is a free activity as part of Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas. It will take place at 4pm on Sunday, November 28th. Proof of Vaccination is required for this event. Enter your team by calling Kerri at 902-522-2598 or emailing kerri.penney@saint-marys.ca.

Christmas Decoration Challenge

The Municipality in partnership with the Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Festival is challenging residents and business owners in St. Mary's to a Christmas Decoration Challenge! Decorate your home or businesses and send us a picture to be entered in the competition. Judges will determine a winner in each category and a trophy will be awarded to the winners. Each year, we will add a plaque to the trophy. Show off your Christmas spirit and enter our Christmas Decorating Challenge for a chance to get your name on that trophy! Contact Kerri Penney at 902-522-2598 or kerri.penney@saint-marys.ca to



Survey for Community Based Programming

The Community Development and Recreation Department works to offer programs and services that help all residents live happy, health lives. Now that we are in Phase 5 of the Provinces COVID-19 response, all participants over 12 years of age must be double vaccinated to attend our in-person programs. We understand that there may be some community members who would prefer to participate in programs within their own communities. Please complete the following survey to help us better serve your recreation and physical activity needs.

1. a) Would you participate in self-led recreation programs at home or in an outdoor space? YES / NO

b) If yes, what programs would you be interested in participating in?
(check all that apply)

- Creative programs (painting, crafts, etc.)
- Renting equipment (kayaks, mountain bikes, snow shoes etc.)
- Literacy Programs (book club)
- Cooking/Baking (Cook Book Club)
- Self led outdoor education programs
- Play boxes (Recreation equipment provided at local community space)
- Gardening
- Virtual programming
- Virtual Fitness Programs or fitness challenges
- Visiting outdoor spaces
- Other (please list) _____

2. What are your barriers to participating in self-led recreation programs?

3. What supports do you need to participate in self-led recreation programs?

4. Do you have any additional suggestions or ideas to help us better serve you?

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church

We have reopened the church building. Service time starts at 10:30 am for anyone who would like to attend. We are continuing with Facebook Live, which starts at 10:45 am. We are following all provincial Covid-19 guidelines for gathering limits and mask wearing.

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ihlpentecostalchurch>
Email: ihlpentecostalchurch@gmail.com

Goshen Gospel Church

20672 Hwy 316, Goshen. johnluten3@gmail.com
902-783-2972 or 902-318-0711

Our services to the community:

Sunday- 9:45 am: Worship Service on Zoom
11:00 am: Worship Service in our Church building.

Wednesday- 1:00 pm: Midweek Bible Study & Prayer at our building.

Wednesday to Saturday: Bible Study Devotional
If you would like to receive an invitation to our zoom service, please send me a request. We will be glad to include you. If we can help in anyway, let us know.

Catholic Church of Sherbrooke

Parish Priest— Fr. Lazarus , 902-776-0228
Please get in contact for an updated schedule for this month.

Bethel Community Church

1369 Hwy 7, Lochiel Lake
Contact Pastor Freda Steeves for an updated service schedule. www.bethelcommunitychurch.ca

United Baptist Church

Rev. Scott Chandler.
Service is at 3 pm.

November

Nov 7– Port Bickerton
Nov 14– Sonora
Nov 21– Port Hilford
Nov 28– Port Bickerton

December

Dec 5– Sonora
Dec 12– Port Hilford
Dec 19– Port Bickerton
Dec 26– Sonora

Anglican Parish of Liscomb/Port Bickerton

Rev. Kristin MacKenzie, 902-522-2510

Give us a call or join us on Facebook for online worship, service schedule, Sunday School, bible study information, announcements and special services.

Nov 7th- 9:00 am: St. Paul's, Port Bickerton
11:00 am: St. Thomas, IHL

Nov 14th- 7:00 pm: St. James, Sherbrooke
9:00 am: St. Luke's, Liscomb

11:00 am: St. James, Sherbrooke
7:00 pm: St. Paul's Port Bickerton

Nov 21st- 11:00 am: St. Luke's, Liscomb

7:00 pm: St. Thomas, IHL

Nov 28th- 9:00 am: St. Thomas, IHL

11:00 am: St. Paul's, Port Bickerton

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

St. Mary's Pastoral Charge– The United Church of Canada

Sunday's in November

9:30 am: Kirk, Glenelg

11:00 am: Bethany, East River St.

6:30 pm: St. John's, Sherbrooke

Women's Bible Study is at 10 am on Thursday's at St. John's in Sherbrooke.

Men's Group is on Thursday's at 7 pm at St. John's in Sherbrooke.

Youth group for grades 6-takes place every second Friday at Kirk in Glenelg.

Jam Club—Jesus and Me is our Charge's program for children and all ages Sunday School. JAM Club takes place every second Sunday at Kirk at 2 pm. This year's theme is Celebration!

COMMUNITY SERVICES

MacMillan's Depot Recyclables Pick Up

Starting at 10 am MacMillan's Mobile Depot will be having a recyclable collection on every second Saturday for the month of November; the 10th and 23rd. It will be located at the St. Mary's Recplex parking

Sherbrooke Opportunities Society (SHOPS)

Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 9th at 7 pm at the SHOPS room. Board positions are up for election. Provincial Covid-19 restrictions will be followed. SHOPS now offers laminating services, we look forward to serving you.



Guysborough County Adult Learning Association
 We offer the opportunity to upgrade your skills (math, reading, writing, computer, GED prep, etc). Online learning is available now; in-class learning will develop based on Covid-19 protocols. We strive to meet your learning needs. For more info call 902-533-4252 (GALA office) or 902-783-2360 (Louise– District of St. Mary's GALA Instructor).

Eastern Counties Regional Library
 Did you know that Eastern Counties Regional Library (ECRL) cardholders have free access to hoopla, a digital media service that allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows, and stream or download them from anywhere with an internet connection? Hoopla allows many library users to borrow the same book at the same time, making it a great option for book clubs, and the hoopla Book Club Hub is a great resource, with quarterly Spotlight Selections, discussion guides, author interviews, and more. Visit theclub.hoopladigital.com to access resources for past and present Spotlights, borrow the ebook or audiobook, and get started today! To learn more about library services, email sherbrooke@ecrl.ca or visit ecrl.library.ns.ca/sherbrooke. For telephone assistance, call the Sherbrooke Library at 902-522-2180 during staffed hours: 10:00am-3:00pm Wednesday-Friday, or call ECRL's Regional Office at 1-855-787-7323, 8:30am-4:30pm Monday-Friday. Stay up to date by following ECRL on social media: [facebook.com/ECRLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/ECRLibrary) | twitter.com/ecrlibrary.

Guysborough County Community Health Board
 The Guysborough County Community Health Board are looking for new recruits to join their volunteer team. If interested check the Community Health Board online or call Dorothy Bennett at 902-867-4500 ext 4272.

Kids First at St. Mary's Education Centre
Tuesdays– St. Mary's Kids First 3+ program will start up again on Tuesday's from 9:30-11:30 am, 2021. All children who will turn three by December 31st, 2021 are welcome to attend this drop-off program. It will be play based with a snack provided. To register your child call/text Paula at 902-870-7437 or email parentingjourney@kids1st.ca .

Wednesdays– St. Mary's Kids First Parent/Drop-in program will start up again on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 am. Families with children from birth to age six years are welcome.

The Guysborough County Prenatal Program is open to all women expecting a baby who live in Guysborough County. Self-referrals are welcome! Call 902-533-3881 or toll free at 1-888-533-3881 for more information.

The Parenting Program Journey Program is a support for parents with children up to 16 years. Self-referrals are welcome. For more information call Paula at 902-870-7437 or email parentingjourney@kids1st.ca. All participants of Kids First programs must follow Covid-19 guidelines to attend programs.

St. Mary's District Food Bank
 Please contact 902-833-2920 if you are in need or know of a need in the community. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. Boxes to receive food donations are located at Clover Farm & 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, BOJ 3C0. Donations are a great gift option and a card will be sent stating that a gift donation has been made. Thank you for supporting your local Food Bank!

Community News & Events

Christmas Craft Sale
 Join us on December 11th from 10 am-1 pm at R.C.L. Branch #86 Liscomb. Limited tables are available, book early by calling Cheryl at 902-779-2677. Tables cost \$10 each. Tickets will be sold on a goodie basket, and a 50/50 draw. Admission is \$1.00. Youth under 12 are free. Provincial Covid-19 Protocols will be followed for this event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Whale Sanctuary Winter Carnival
 Please join us at the Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Festival for our winter carnival. It will be a whale of a time playing games and winning prizes! We will be set up at the Riverside Field in the Sherbrooke Village on Saturday, November 27th from 1:30-3:30pm and Sunday, November 28th from 10am-12pm. Proof of Vaccine is required to take part in this event.



LISCOMB LEGION NEWS



Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 86
31 Mackinley Point Rd, Liscomb NS B0J 2A0
902-779-2006

CONGRATULATIONS!! **75 YEAR ANNIVERSARY** AS A BRANCH OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

For 75 years, the Liscomb Legion has honored veterans and served our great community. After all this time, it's hard to imagine the area without the Legion for recreation, gatherings, and celebrations, but we are now at a critical time. We need new volunteers from our membership and from our community, to keep Branch 86 open.

LISCOMB LEGION NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

We need members to bring ideas to the monthly meetings, serve on the executive and other committees, and participate in Legion operations. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7pm. Please attend and find out what you can do to help.

MEMBERSHIPS FOR 2022

Memberships and renewals for 2022 are now available at a cost of \$50.00. There will be a Membership table at the Legion following the Remembrance Day Ceremonies.



Please think about getting involved. Thank you for your support.



St. Mary's District Lions Club



The Lions Club "Christmas Pride" (formerly Christmas Daddies) would like to help families with children in the St. Mary's District by providing some gifts and food at

Christmas. This program is totally funded by the St. Mary's Lions Club fundraisers and donations from our community. We receive no outside funding to help with this program. If you need help or know of someone who does, please contact Patty-Lou McGrath at (902)870-5729 before December 8th.

Lions Christmas Pride Bingo will be held during the Old Fashion Christmas activities. With the challenges of Covid during the last two years, the bingo will be a gift card and/or prize bingo on Sunday, November 28 starting at 2pm at the Lions Hall. If you would like to donate a prize or gift card, please contact Adelia Jack at (902)522-2055 or (902)---223-9284 or one of our members. Thank you. All attendees will need to show proof of double vaccination and ID to participate. Masks will be required during all times except while eating or drinking.



Tickets will also be sold for a "\$50 Lottery Ticket Tree" to help with funding for Christmas Pride. Tickets will be available from any Lions member. The cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Draw will be held December 9th.

The Calendar Lottery is now available for draws starting January 1st. If you need a gift or stocking stuffer for Christmas please purchase your calendar from any member or at the Sherbrooke Irving Garage.

Thank you to members of the community who purchased the Take Out BBQ Chicken Dinners on Oct 2.



Maple Manor Bake Sale

Visit Clara Wulf every Friday between 11 am – 3:00 pm at Maple Manor for fresh baked goods.

St. Mary's ATV Club

It's time to get your 2022 Registrations! Thanks to Fraser's Garage, you can stop in and get yours done today! You can also go online www.atvans.ca to renew. While you're there, you can purchase your 50/50 tickets for the monthly draw!!! Be sure to choose St. Mary's ATV Club when you buy your tickets- a percentage comes right back to your local club!! Please note- November meeting will be held on November 18 (due to Remembrance Day) at 6pm at the Indian Harbour Lake Community Centre. We'll love to see a good turnout to make some plans for this upcoming winter season! You can also find us on Facebook- St. Mary's ATV Club. See you on the trails!

St. Mary's Garden Club

There will a meeting on November 9, at 6:30 pm in the Common Room at Maple Manor. For each to share about our gardens. What our best crop and worst was; what we liked & didn't like, etc. See you

Ecum Secum Fire Hall

Chase the Ace on Monday nights at 8 pm. Tickets will be on sale from 7:00—8:00 pm.

Goshen Community Recreation & Centre

Proof of vaccination is required upon arrival.

Bargain Shop hours are Tuesday—Thursday, 1-3 pm. **Bottles** are accepted.

Annual Tree Lighting & Santa Clause on Saturday, December 5 at 6 pm. Santa will be present following Covid-19 protocols.

Thank you everyone for your support with the Turkey Supper. Please follow the Goshen Community Centre Covid protocols.

Stillwater Community Centre

Please join us on Friday nights at 8 pm (doors open at 7:30 pm) for cards, snacks and a few laughs. Provincial Covid-19 protocols will be in place. We hope to see you for some fun and laughs!

R.C.L. Branch #86 Liscomb

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Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Join us in showing love to children across the world by packing a shoebox this year! If you are interested in participating or for more information please contact Anita Ashe at 902-318-3803. Shoeboxes are available for pickup and drop off at Smokey Hollow General Store in Country Harbour, Hillary's Hair Salon in Port Bickerton & Styles Unlimited in Sherbrooke. Shoeboxes are due by Nov 20, 2021. Online packing options are available. Thank you for your support.

R.C.L. Branch #56 Remembrance Day

The R.C.L Branch #56, Sherbrooke will hold our Remembrance Service at the Presbyterian Church in Sherbrooke Village at 11 am with Derek Elsworth officiating. In accordance with the Phase 5 Reopening, everyone 12 and older must show proof of vaccination. There will be no social distancing but masks are mandatory and must be worn during the service. Please note: your second dose must be no later than October 28th in order to attend this service.

St. Mary's Shooters Association

The annual Turkey Shoot is Sunday, Nov 14th. It starts at 9:00 am .The prizes are 5 \$35 Sobeys gift cards for the top turkey shooters and 5 \$20 gift cards to be drawn for the rest of the competitors. There are still some targets left with money stickers on them. Some prize draws as well. We have a new propane heater to keep you warm. This is the last official shoot for 2021.

Goldenville Heritage Society

Goldenville heritage society "gets crackin'" to salute Old Fashioned Christmas. Join us for a hot breakfast. Befitting an old sourdough & baked beans- a specialty. November 28, 2021 – 9am – 11:30am, Lions Hall, 7996 # 7 highway, Sherbrooke. \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Watch for raffle events. Proof of double covid vaccination required at the door. All covid-19 rules will be adhered to at all times. Enjoy a belly buster breakfast. For information: contact Neil Black at 902-522-2265 or neilblack02@gmail.com. ENJOY A BELLY BUSTER BREAKFAST. FOR INFORMATION: CONTACT NEIL BLACK AT 902-522-2265 OR



1st St. Mary's Beavers, Cubs and Scouts Newsletter

November 2021

This is our continuing newsletter to let our community know what is happening with our Colony, Pack and Troop.

All of the leaders would like to thank the St. Mary's District community at large for the excellent support we have received over the past three years. We have made great progress in getting the Scouting Program established again in the area after about 30 years of inactivity.

Unfortunately, this year we have been having an increased challenge with finding leaders. We are looking for leaders interested in helping with the program in all sections by January 2022. If this does not happen, we will be forced to shut the program down. With the limited number of Leaders that we currently have, we are unable to provide a program that suits each age group. This is unfair to the children as well as the parents.

We are having a recruitment / information session on November 2nd at 6pm at the Lions Hall in Sherbrooke. If you are interested in helping out full time or part time, please come join us for more information.

Look for us at the following events: Fright Night, Remembrance Day, Christmas on the 211 and Old Fashioned Christmas

If you love the outdoors and working with children age 5-14, please contact us. For more information please refer to the Scouts Website at www.Scouts.ca

Come along and join the Adventure! We would love to have you on board. If you are interested please contact Sean or Dave:

Sean Ashe: 902-318-0066

Dave Smith: 902-779-2149

2021 Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Schedule

November 26 to 28, 2021

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FREE ADMISSION TO THE SITE - MUST SHOW PROOF OF VACCINATION AND PHOTO ID

Tree will be lit prior to activities. Mascots will be throughout the site, so we invite you to take your Own photo with Frosty, Rudolph, Simon, the Grinch or Cindy Lou Who. Visit Whoville and take a stroll down Christmas Cane Lane. Lion's Hall will be offering FREE Hot Chocolate beside the Gift Shop. Sausages, apple cider and treats will be available for purchase in front of the Tea Room.

Friday, November 26, 2021

6:00 – 7:30 Santa in the new Gazebo at Heritage Park
6:30 – 8:00 Family Concert featuring Dave Carroll at the Performance Centre
8:00 pm Fire Works at the ballfield (can be seen from parking lot)
3:00 – 8:00 Village Treasures & Gift Shop will be open

Saturday, November 27, 2021

8:00 am -11:00 am Breakfast at the Lions Hall hosted by Kirk UCW \$10.00
10:00am - 5:00 pm Kris Kringle's Craft Market at Temperance Hall, Masonic Hall & School House
10:00 am - 5:00 pm Village Treasures & Gift Shop will be open for business.
12:00 – 4:00 pm Victorian Tea – McDaniel's Tearoom & Restaurant – Adults: \$15, Children: \$10 Pre-Registration & payment required – 4 seatings
1:00 - 4:00 pm Children's Tea – TBA, Pre-Registration Required 3 seatings, Children 12 & under. FREE
1:00 – 2:00 pm Municipality Christmas Skate at St. Mary's RecPlex. Skates/Helmets available. FREE
1:30 – 3:00 pm Whale Sanctuary games and activities with prizes at Riverside Field in the Village FREE
4:00 – 5:00 pm Ultimate Santa Race, St. Mary's Recreation Department Performance Centre Field
6:00 pm Parade of lights through Sherbrooke Village, beginning at Village parking lot.
6:30 pm Fireworks at the ballfield (can be seen from parking lot)
7:00 - 10:00 pm Municipality Youth dance at the IHL & Jordanville Hall. "Ugly Sweater" dance. 13 –18 years of age FREE
7:30 pm Christmas Variety Concert at the SV Church

Sunday, November 28th, 2021

9:30 - 11:00 am Breakfast at the Lions Hall hosted by Goldenville Heritage Society, \$10
10:00 am -12:00 pm Whale Sanctuary games and activities with prizes at Riverside Field in the Village
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2:00 pm Christmas Daddies Prize Bingo at the Lion's Hall in Sherbrooke
1:00 – 2:00 pm Municipality Christmas Skate at St. Mary's RecPlex. Skates/Helmets available. FREE
7:00 pm Ecumenical Service at St. James Church within the Village

ALSO OFFERING :

Scavenger hunt ongoing through-out the day beginning at Visitor Reception Centre
Outdoor games will be available throughout the site
Warming stations with Fire Pits
Visit to Whoville
Stroll through Christmas Cane Lane at Centre Field (photo op)



November

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	Kids 1 st 3+ Program 9:30-11:30 am Eco Explorers 2:30-4 pm Scouts Info Night 6pm LL Meeting 7 pm	Kids 1 st 3+ Program 9:30-11:30 am Eco Explorers 2:30-4 pm COTW Meeting 4 pm	Free Skate 3:30-5:30 pm Kids 1 st Parent Drop In 9:30-11 am. COTW Meeting 4 pm	St. Mary's Oldsters Skate 10-11 am Happy Feet 2:30 - 4 pm HLH Hockey 6-8 pm Female Fun & Fitness 6:30-8:30 pm L.L. Auction Cards 8 pm	Bake Sale 11 am - 3 pm SWCC Cards 8 pm	HLH 9-11 am Sherbrooke Saturday Market 9am-1pm Learn to Skate 11am-12pm Free Skate 1-3 pm L. L. Cribbage 8 pm
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