



Meetings of Council

The next regular meeting of Municipal Council is Monday, June 13th at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke at 4:00pm. Committee of the Whole meeting will take place Wednesday, May 29th and Wednesday June 17th at 4:00pm in Council Chambers. Agendas, minutes and audio files are available at www.saint-marys.ca.

2024 Municipal Elections:

Municipal elections take place every four years in Nova Scotia. Elections will take place this year in October 2024. Election information and announcements will be available on the municipal website under the residents tab. Municipal Council confirmed that residents of the Municipality of the District of St Mary's will be able to vote electronically, which means eligible voters can vote on the Internet or by phone (cell phone or landline). Voting will be available 24 hours per day starting October 8th and running until October 19th, 2024. You can vote anytime from anywhere during that time! There will be no paper ballots but voters who need help with electronic voting will be able to get help from municipal staff on the phone or in person. Eligible voters will receive a personalized voter letter with all instructions in the mail before voting begins. Voters will be electing their district municipal councillor for the next four years. There are five election districts in St. Mary's to be selected this election. Applicable, eligible residents will also be able to choose a member of the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial. Part of the help that eligible voters will be able to receive from municipal staff will be to check if they are on the voter list or to be added to the voter list. more information on municipal elections visit: <https://saint-marys.ca/>

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The deadline for the May Municipal Newsletter is Wednesday, June 19th at 4:00pm. Submissions can be faxed to 902-522-2309, dropped off in person at the Municipal Office or emailed to newsletter@saint-marys.ca.

Municipal Transfer Station

The St. Mary's Transfer Station is open Monday's from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm and every second Saturday from 10am to 3pm. For more information on the Transfer Station and what items are accepted, visit saint-marys.ca/facilities. (see Transfer Station Hours of Operation) Page 14.

MacMillan's Recyclable Pickup

Recyclable collection will take place on the second and fourth Saturday in June starting at 10am at the St. Mary's Replex.

St. Mary's Monthly Moment:

As we transition into the vibrant energy of June, let's renew our commitment to health and wellness. With longer days and warmer weather, it's the perfect time to embrace outdoor activities that invigorate both body and spirit. Whether it's hiking through forests, cycling along paths, or simply enjoying a stroll in the park, let's bask in the rejuvenating embrace of nature. And as we nourish our bodies with fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables, As the world awakens with the promise of summer, let's seize the opportunity to cultivate a holistic sense of wellness, vitality, and joy in every aspect of our lives.

June 2024 Solid Waste Collection

Eastern Shore Cartage: 1-800-261-0372

Tuesday (Zone 1)	June 4 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 11 Garbage & Recyclables	June 18 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 25 Garbage & Recyclables	July 2 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item
Wednesday (Zone 2)	June 5 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 12 Garbage & Recyclables	June 19 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 26 Garbage & Recyclables	July 3 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item
Thursday (Zone 3)	June 6 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 13 Garbage & Recyclables	June 20 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	June 27 Garbage & Recyclables	July 4 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item

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 inclusive.

Municipal News

2024 Volunteer of the Year

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is proud to announce that "**Ray Jordan**" has been nominated and picked by the Municipal Council as the St. Mary's "Volunteer of the Year". The Volunteer of the Year nomination process is for residents of St. Mary's to nominate volunteers residing in our community via Microsoft Forms, Emails and Calls. At the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 15th, 2024 the Municipal Council selected Ray Jordan as Volunteer of the Year. Ray Jordan has been an invaluable member of our community, contributing countless hours of his time and energy to support the elderly at High Crest Nursing Home. His unwavering commitment and tireless efforts have profoundly impacted the lives of many individuals and families in our community". Ray's dedication and passion for helping others are truly inspiring. "He exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism and has made a significant difference through his selfless service. We are honoured to recognize Ray as our Volunteer of the Year". Throughout the past year, Ray has been involved in various projects, Ray has been a faithful volunteer at High-Crest Sherbrooke for many years. He leads weekly dominoes and helps with bingo and bus trips. Even on days when he is not volunteering, he stops in to visit the residents and check in on recreational activities. He is a kind-hearted man who is generous with his time. The residents look forward to seeing him when he comes in. The Volunteer of the Year award is a testament to Ray's extraordinary contributions and the positive impact he has made. We are grateful for his continued support and look forward to many more years of working together to serve our community. **Thank you to all St Mary's Great Volunteers.** The following people were also nominated because of their numerous positive deeds, and amazing contributions to volunteering: Vickie Bruce, Alice Mailman, Kaili Johnson, Tiffany Pye, Gary Mansfield, Caroline Hardy, and June Tate. The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's would like everyone to congratulate Ray Jordan as the Volunteer of the Year winner and all the other nominees submitted. Congratulations and thank you for all the volunteering that you do.

Provincial Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

This program, administered by Service Nova Scotia on behalf of the Department of Community Services, is designed to help eligible seniors remain in their homes by providing them with an annual rebate on their municipal property taxes. Provincial Property Tax Rebate forms are available at the Municipal Office after July 1st, 2024. Deadline to apply is December 31st, 2024. Please call 902-522-2049 for information on this rebate for eligibility guidelines.

Municipal Property Low Income Property Tax Exemption

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's provides assistance to homeowners to help pay their residential property taxes. Qualified applicants will receive a credit which is applied directly to the tax account. The total annual household income for the 2024/2025 year is \$25,280 with a provided tax exemption of \$180 for those that qualify. Contact the Municipal Office at 902-522-2049 for more information

Clean Foundation's Community Climate Capacity Program

Municipality of the District of St. Mary's has been selected as a participant in the Clean Foundation's Community Climate Capacity Program. Participation will see the updating and delivery of the 2021 Climate Change Action Plan, focusing on goal setting, coastal impacts, flood-line mapping and climate mitigation work. The Community Climate Capacity program was created in 2023 as a pilot to help municipalities, First Nation communities and community groups build climate change response capacity. The Province announced \$5 million in funding for the program last May and an additional \$1.6 million in February.

Community Development & Recreation

Summer Day Camp

Registration is still open for Summer Day Camp. The Summer day Camp is a free program for children entering grades pre-primary to grade 6. This year Summer day Camp will start on July 2nd, and will take place at St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy in the Kids first room. The program takes place from 8am to 4:30pm, Monday to Thursday. The deadline to complete registration form for Day Camp is July 7th. Families will then be provided a complete registration form package that must be returned prior to July 2nd. If you have further questions, contact bap@saint-marys.ca or call 902-328-4089

Canada Day

Planning is underway for the St. Mary's Canada Day Celebrations in 2024. We are excited to host a full schedule of events this year. Celebrations will include a street parade, live entertainment, fireworks and family fun and games, . Keep an eye out for more information on the Municipal Facebook page and website. Visit: <https://saint-marys.ca>

Register a Float in the Canada Day Parade

We are calling on all businesses and organizations in St. Mary's to help make this year's Canada Day Parade the biggest ever! Register to walk or enter a float or vehicle in this year's Canada day Parade. We will be bringing back prizes for the best overall float as voted for by the residents. Contact jadzia.graham@saint-marys.ca to register for free.

Economic Development

Tourism Nova Scotia Experience Toolkit

Deliver new experiences to set yourself apart from the competition, create more demand for your business, and connect with your best customers. Learn about different types of travellers, their interests, and aligning experience development efforts with your business goals. Gain insights with experience development planning and pricing tools, industry best practices, and marketing tactics. Access five videos and related tip sheets and worksheets in this Nova Scotia Experience Toolkit to guide you. Visit tourismns.ca/experiencetoolkit

Coastal Nova Scotia Calendar

Looking for something to do this weekend? Want your event to be on that list? Visit www.coastalnovascotia.ca or contact kara@coastalnovascotia.ca.

Nova Scotia Works Career Connections

Career Connections is a leading provider of career development services in Nova Scotia. They are committed to the delivery of innovative programs and outstanding services in an inclusive environment. Services are available for both Students (scholarships listings!), Clients and Employers. NS Works Career Connections can be found on Facebook or contact the Antigonish County office at 902-863-8244 & antigonish@careerconnections.ca. Contact the Guysborough County office at 902-533-2805 & guysborough@careerconnections.ca.

Digital Marketing Training Resources

Visit digitalnovascotia.com for the list of online training courses available for entrepreneurs and small businesses looking to move their business online or to enhance their virtual presence.

Registration for Tourist Accommodations Extended

Current registration for tourist accommodations, short-term rentals and accommodation platforms, such as Airbnb and Expedia, will be extended to September to give visitors and hosts more time to adapt to new regulations coming this fall. Registration for the 2024-25 season will open by this fall. Until then, registered tourist accommodations can continue to operate with their current registration numbers and fees. New tourist accommodations can still register for the extended 2023-24 season at: <https://beta.novascotia.ca/register-your-tourist-accommodation>

Employment Opportunities

Wait Staff \$18.72/ hour

Cook \$19.91/ hour

Sherbrooke Restoration Commission

Apply by email: svillage@novascotia.ca or by mail: 42 Main street, Sherbrooke NS B0J 3C0

Campground Operator

\$15.20/ hour Nimrod's Campground
(See full page advertisement).

New Neighbourhood Concept

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's reserved approximately 55 acres of land for housing next to St. Mary's Education Centre and Academy and across the street from the RecPlex for housing with an offering to the province to locate the newly announced 48-bed long-term care home. What are your thoughts? Please visit saint-marys.ca/engagement to let us know if the requests the Municipality will be putting forward for a design meet the needs for a new neighbourhood in St. Mary's. Paper copies available at the Municipal Office.

New Campground Restrictions for Fire Prevention

Open fires (like campfires) are not allowed from 8am to 2pm. Check the BurnSafe map daily after 2pm to see restrictions for the day. People can also call 1-855-564-2876 (BURN) for this information. Devices like gas stoves and charcoal briquette barbeques can be used anytime, following manufacturer's instructions. The Province has just announced that the fine for violating the daily burn restrictions has been increased to \$25,000 for this wildfire season. The fine amounts are set in the Summary Offence Ticket Regulations. The \$25,000 fine also includes HST and a victim surcharge, bringing the total to \$28,872.50. Conservation officers, police and other law enforcement officers can issue the fine on the spot in the form of a summary offence ticket. Visit novascotia.ca/BurnSafe.

Skills Online NS

The Province is supporting Nova Scotia employers and job seekers with the new home for skills development in Nova Scotia including thousands of FREE online courses, at your fingertips! Skills Online NS is an online upskilling portal that provides all Nova Scotians with an opportunity to acquire today's in-demand skills. The program is offered through a partnership between the Department of Labour, Skills, Immigration and the NS Association of CBDCs. Visit www.SkillsOnlineNS.ca

Community Business Development Corporation (CBDC)

Are you interested in starting your own business?

Need financing for your business? Loans 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 -. (SEB) - Qualifying participants can receive benefits and training opportunities during business startup. phone: 902-533-2770

Email: wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca

Community Services

Eastern Counties Regional Library

Spring is in full swing and so is Sherbrooke Public Library, ready to welcome you in with materials, resources, and activities for all ages! Stop by and take a brain break with our selection of word puzzles and coloring sheets, or bring a friend and try some of our puzzles or board games. Don't forget to stop by to restock on Covid tests, menstrual or incontinence products for you or someone you know! Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm & 12:30-2:30pm Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 12:30pm-5:30pm Saturday from 9:00am-12:00pm & 12:30-2:30pm Visit the library to use the computers, browse and borrow books, movies, and so much more. We also have a Community Use Room that can be booked (free of charge) by individuals or groups. Find up-to-date information about your local branch at <https://ecrl.ca/locations/sherbrooke-public-library> For more information about library services, call us at 902-522-2180, email us at sherbrooke@ecrl.ca, or visit ecrl.ca. Stay up to date by following ECRL on social media: [facebook.com/ECRLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/ECRLibrary)|twitter.com/ecrlibrary.—

St. Mary's Food Bank

Please contact 902-833-2920 if you know of a need in the community. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. The box to receive food donations is located at Clover Farm. 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. If a donation is made in memory or as a gift, a card is sent to the family. Thank you to the organizations and community members for the food and financial support that you give throughout the year and thank you to the volunteers who ensure that food is made available throughout the District of St. Mary's including SHOPS participants for packing boxes.

Sherbrooke Opportunities Society (SHOPS):

Shops would like to thank everyone for supporting our weekly toonie draw, which takes place on Wednesdays. Toonies are due before noon on Tuesday. If you have any questions regarding your toonie please reach out by phone @ 902-318-7467, email @ pa@shopsonline.ca or send us a message on our Facebook page "Sherbrooke Opportunities Society (SHOPS)" We also offer laundry – wash, dried & folded @ \$7 a load and confidential shredding @ \$1 per pound. "Every day is a great day at shops"

Kids First in St. Mary's Municipality

Gas cards are available to help with transportation costs when requested. Tuesdays 3+ drop-off program open to all children age 3 by December 31, 2024. Wednesdays at Kids First in Sherbrooke– Play group open to all parents/caregivers and children age birth to six years. 9:30am-11am. Healthy snack provided. Last day is June 12th. For more information on these programs- text/call 902-870-7437. Thursdays at Kids First in Sherbrooke – Baby group open to all parents/ caregivers with babies up to 18months and their siblings and pre-natal families. 12pm-1:30pm for May and June 2024. Call Emilie at 902-533-3881 or toll free 1-888-533-3881 for more information. Follow us on Facebook at St. Mary's Kids First Programming for update information. The Guysborough County Prenatal Program is open to all women expecting a baby who live in Guysborough County. Self-referrals are welcome! Call Emilie 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 18 years. Self-referrals are welcome. For more information text/call Paula at 902-870-7437 or email parentingjourney@kids1st.ca

Congregational Services

Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church

1643 Highway 211, Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0. Regular service time, 10:30am Sunday mornings. All are welcome! Hope to see you there. Terry Rideout, Pastor 902-522-2759 or ihlpcpastor@outlook.com. ihlpentecostalchurch.ca

Anglican Parish of Liscomb/Port Bickerton

June 2-Rev. Denman-9am, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
11am, St Thomas, IHL
June 9-9am, St Luke's, Liscomb
7pm, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
June 16-Rev Brubaker-9am, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
11am, St Luke's, Liscomb
June 23-9am, St Thomas, IHL
11 am, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
7pm, St Luke's, Liscomb

Calvary Faith Baptist Church:

Weekly Bible Study and Prayer Meeting Wednesdays at 7pm with Pastor Wayne Bray: 902-522-2520
June 2nd - 11am
June 9th - 6pm
June 16th - 11am
June 23th - 6pm
June 30th -11am

United Baptist Church

April Session: Sunday at 3pm in Port Hilford. Rev. Scot Chandler.
June 2nd—Port Bickerton
June 9th—Sonora
June 16th—Port Bickerton
June 23th—Port Bickerton
June 30th—Sonora

Community News & Events

Greenfield Oldsters

The Greenfield Oldsters Club has a space available for lease at their building located at 7575 Hwy. 348 in Melrose. This space is approximately 200 square feet and includes heat and lights. The tenant would have access to a washroom. Interested parties are asked to contact John Watson by email john.jd.watson@gmail.com or by phone at 902-823-2247.

Cards 45's

The Greenfield Oldsters Club is hosting Auction 45's on Tuesday afternoons at 1pm. There will be 8 rounds of 8 hands per round. Admission is \$5 per person, with a 50/50 draw and cash prizes. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Gloria MacKeen at 902-870-1512.

Cribbage

There is Cribbage at Greenfield Oldsters Club on Thursday evenings. Registration starts at 7:00 pm, with cards starting at 7:30pm. No partner necessary. Admission is \$5 per person, with a 50/50 draw and cash prizes. There will be 8 games. If you are interested or have questions, please contact John Watson by email at john.jd.watson@gmail.com or by phone at 902-823-2247.

Sherbrooke Saturday Market

The 2024 Market season #6 opens June 8th and runs until the last Saturday of October, 9am to 1pm. Parking available at Sherbrooke Village Parking lot. The event is free to all! To participate as a Volunteer, Vendor, Musician, Artist, Performance Artist, or to donate toward event insurance, contact Gabriela Schupbach on Messenger or call 902-338-0290

Port Dufferin Balcom Centre

The seniors Luncheon is back! Now at the Port Dufferin Balcom Centre. Tuesday June 11th at noon. Meal is meatloaf, veggies, etc. Donation Box at the door. Free BINGO following.

Maple Manor Tea

Maple Manor is hosting Tea every Tuesday, come out and enjoy!

St. Mary's Shooters Association

St. Mary's Shooters Association members are reminded that club T-shirts with embroidered club logo sizes M-2XL and club hats with same logo and moose design are available, call 902-783-2820, \$15 each. Skeet shoot will be Sunday, June 2nd. \$5 per turn (25 birds) Max 3 turns. Range work day Saturday, July 6th start 9am. lunch provided. Sunday July 7th Aubrey Gammel pistol shoot 9am-2pm 20 yds. BBQ lunch available at shoots John Day

Fundraising Concert

St. John's United Church July 10th at 7pm. A Musical Evening featuring our own local talent. Donations to support the mission and ministry of St. John's.

Fishing Derby

Join us Saturday, June 8th 2024, for a recreational fishing derby at Nimrod's Campground (Sixth Lake) from 9am—12 pm. Participants under 16 do not require a fishing license. It is the responsibility of ALL anglers ages 16+ to purchase a fishing license. There will be prizes in three categories; children, youth, and adult. Each angler will be able to register three fish caught during the derby. Residents and campers are asked to only catch and release at Sixth Lake between stocking and the derby. If businesses or individuals would like to sponsor this event or provide prizes, please email jadzia.graham@saint-marys.ca or call 902-522-2049

Culture Club Sherbrooke

CCS holds a **Charity Raffle** with Tom Lowe

"After the Storm" painting!

Raffle proceeds:

50% *Doctor without Borders*

50% *Sherbrooke Food Bank*

Tickets \$10

Finissage Reception - Last Day of "Tom Lowe" Art Show

Monday June 3rd, 7:00pm—9:00pm

New Culture Club Tradition:

CTC - "Club Table Chat" Meeting

Every second Friday each Month - Members, Friends and Strangers coming together to chat about Sherbrooke, Eastern Shore, Nova Scotia, Canada and the World etc.

Friday June 14, 7PM

Members & Friends BYOB!

Sherbrooke Village McDaniels Tea Room

Opening Wednesday June 5th, 2024

No Village Entry Fee necessary.

Port Bickerton & Area Planning Association

WE ARE HIRING! Port Bickerton & Area Planning Association is looking to hire 1 student interpretive guide. This is a summer position that runs from July 1st to August 28th, 2024. Rate of pay is \$15.50 per hour. Some weekend work is required. Student must be returning to university or college in September. If you are interested please forward your resume to The Port Bickerton & Area Planning Association, P.O. Box 142, Bickerton West N.S. B0J 1A0. For more information you can contact Don Dodge at 902-364-2967.

Sherbrooke Village Courthouse Concert Series

Thursday 7pm—9pm

Hal Bruce \$15 June 27th

Jud Gunning \$15 July 4th

Mills and Farrell \$12 July 11th

Nico Paulo \$20 July 25th

Tickets available at SherbrookeVillage.ca

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St. Mary's ATV Club

St. Mary's ATV Club needs the help of its members. You can show your support by attending the next monthly meeting at the Indian Harbour Community Center 6pm Monday, June 10th, 2024. Also, by purchasing 50/50 ticket(s) for the ATVANS monthly draw and choosing St. Mary's ATV Club. When you choose St. Mary's ATV Club, 40% of the sale goes to the Club. 2024 Registrations are now available at the Sherbrooke Garage, Port Bickerton Post Office and from Milton Gallant. All you need to register is your ATV licence number, make, model & year. Register now and support the St. Mary's ATV Club.

Country Harbour Gun Club

Saturday, June 8th - Open Mic Night—Starts at 7pm
Admission \$5 per person

Saturday, June 15th - Country Breakfast
8:30am to 10am Adults \$10 Kids \$5

Saturday, June 22nd -50th Anniversary Celebration
Open House 2pm to 5pm Adult Dance with Hammer
Down 9pm to 1am 19 & Over

Thursday, June 27th - Bingo Night—Starts at 7:30pm
Card Night -Every Monday in June Starts at 7:30pm

Indian Harbour Lake/Jordanville Community Centre

Golf Tournament Fundraiser for the hall at Red Hill Golf Club. Date Saturday, July 27th, Rain date Sunday, July 28th. 2 person team at \$30 each. Lunch will be sold. Anyone wishing to be hole sponsor at \$100 per hole call Doreen at 902-522-2369 or Wendy at 902-338-2956. Sign up at Golf Course or come and have a fun day next hall meeting will be Monday July 22nd at 7pm Everyone Welcome.

Goldenville Interpretive Centre

Mark your calendars!!!

Don't miss these exciting community events and let's make some memories together!

June 8, 9am-3pm

Don't miss out on the Goldenville Interpretive Centre's Community Yard Sale. Score some fantastic bargains and treasures while supporting your local community. Table rentals are available for just \$10 per table, so whether you're decluttering your home or hunting for hidden gems, reserve your spot now!

To pre-book a table for the yard sale, simply email goldenvillemuseum@gmail.com or call/text 902-696-4758. June 23rd 12pm-4pm

Old fashioned Community Garden Party! Join us for fun, food and activities for all ages at the Goldenville Interpretive Centre 199 Goldenville Road.

Goshen Community Recreation & Centre

Bargain Shop opened every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 1pm- 3pm. Donation of items can be dropped off at this time.

Game Day Wednesday 1pm-4pm

Cribbage No Partner required Tuesday's 7:30, Admission fee \$5.

Blood Pressure Clinic will be held June 19th from 1pm to 3pm

Coffee Breaks will be on June 10th and June 24th starting at 9:30am.

G.A.L.A Tutoring Sessions are every Tuesday from 10am to 3pm.

Free Seniors Yoga Classes being June 4th at 10am.

Turkey Supper June 1st from 4:30pm to 6pm, \$20 including dessert. Recyclable Bottles are still welcomed and can be dropped off at Centre. Volunteers and Committee members are always welcomed.

Please contact Laurie Chisholm 902-783-2291 or Lisa Myers 902-318-4401 if you would like more information

Thank You

I would like to express my deepest thanks for all the kind expressions of sympathy during the recent loss of my husband Doug, for sympathy cards, online condolences, memorial donations, phone calls, visits, flowers, and food including a heartfelt thanks for the lovely casserole dinner provided by Laurie Chisholm. Special thank you to the doctors, nurses, Continuing Care Sherbrooke & Palliative Care St Martha's, RH Porter Funeral Homes of New Glasgow and Lewis McIntosh for his compassion, prayers, and wonderful words of remembrance at the service. I also want to thank the ladies of Trenton United Church, who prepared the delicious food after the service. Please know that your love and kindness has brought us all great comfort and will always be remembered.

Love, Pat Farnell & Family

Thank You

The family of the late Gordon Hines would like to thank family, friends, the nurses and doctors at St. Martha's Hospital and G.W. Giffins Funeral Home. Thank you to Rev. Natasha Brubaker and Pastor John Luten for the lovely service. Rev. Derek Elsworth for the music and singing. Thanks to the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers, and memorial condolences it means a lot to us. All who prepared the food for the reception your kindness and support will always be remembered. God Bless you all. - Helen & Family.

Stormont Union Church

A gospel music concert will be held on Sunday, June 2nd at 2pm in the Stormont Union Church in celebration in its 100th year. Light refreshments to follow. Admission by donation.

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Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 56

Your Local Legion is looking for Champions. Your local Service Club, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56, is in serious trouble. Over the years, Branch 56 has supported such Community Activities as Remembrance Day Services, Canada Day Parades, the Local Foodbank, and providing Bursaries to any graduate of St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy who is attending a local Community College program. Recently, we have been working with the Sherbrooke Village Development Society to restore our Cenotaph and present an appropriate centerpiece to Honour our Fallen. We are requesting everyone to consider becoming a member to help us further our work, whether it be an Ordinary Member (served in any of the forces or RCMP), Associate Member (relatives), Affiliate Member (Canadian or Commonwealth citizen) or Affiliate non-voting (those from an Allied Nation who support RCL). Without your assistance, I'm afraid we will not be able to continue our service to the community and our responsibility to our Veterans. Please visit legion.ca/home or legion.ca/join-us to review the opportunities and benefits of membership. For additional local information, speak with any Legion Member or contact russmayne@bellaliant.net or bjtate@ns.sympatico.ca.

Blue-Green Algae Reminder

As the weather gets warmer, it is important to know about and watch for blue-green algae while enjoying Nova Scotia's freshwater shorelines. Blue-green algae, also known as cyanobacteria, is a naturally occurring plant-like substance found in freshwater bodies such as lakes. It is more likely to grow in warmer weather. Swimming in contaminated water can lead to itchy, irritated eyes and skin and swimming or inhaling the water can cause headaches, fever, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea and vomiting. Ingesting blue-green algae can be fatal to pets. Learn more about blue-green algae at: <https://novascotia.ca/blue-green-algae/>

First Provincial Autism Action Plan

Nova Scotians with autism and their families will see improved services and supports with the development of a new provincial autism action plan. The work will be led by the government in partnership with Autism Nova Scotia and will include input from people with autism and their families, educators, healthcare professionals and representatives from community organizations. Community engagement will begin this fall and the action plan is expected to be released next spring. Details about the development of the plan and how to get involved will be available in the coming weeks at: <https://www.autismnovascotia.ca/>

Royal Canadian Legion, Liscomb Branch 86

31 Mackinley Point Road, Spanish Ship Bay, N.S.
B0J 2A0

Open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 6pm to 11pm.

Pool table, shuffleboards, canteen, and bar.

Cribbage Thursday and Saturday at 7:30pm.

Darts Fridays at 7:00pm.

WiFi available at the Legion Hall, inquire at the bar.

Debit is available at the Legion Hall, No credit card & no tap available.

Membership Renewal & Donation can be made by cash, debit, cheques or e-transfer at

branch86rcl@gmail.com. The Membership fee is \$50.

We thank you for your continued support. Together we make a difference! New Members Welcome.

General Membership Meeting Tuesday, June 4th 7:00pm. General Membership Meeting of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 86 Liscomb. All members of Branch 86 are encouraged to attend, your opinions, contributions and offer to volunteer are appreciated. Check our Facebook Page for updates and notable dates in June. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/381388507073984>

ArtWorks East (AWE)

ArtWorks East is holding a Smartphone Photography Workshop in Sherbrooke on Saturday, June 22nd from 1:00pm—4:00 pm (rain date Sat. June 29 from 1-4 pm) at the Culture Club Sherbrooke, 17 Main Street, Sherbrooke. Learn how to take great photos with your smartphone and then edit, download, and share with your friends. AWE member Lois Ann Dort will guide you around the village to take photos and then edit them upon return to the club. You'll learn how to manipulate and share your best work. All you need is a cellular phone. Register for this event by using the following link <https://bit.ly/WorkshopSherbrooke>. The fee is \$5.00. For more information about ArtWorks East visit their Facebook page or website at www.artworkseast.ca

Digital Nova Scotia (DNS)- Youth Engagement

The Opening Doors Program lives on through the resources and tools developed for educators. By providing teachers with an understanding of what people in the tech industry do and how their jobs are structured, DNS hopes to support them as they advise and encourage students to take the first steps in pursuing tech. Visit digitalnovascotia.com/programs/opening-doors/ for more information



COMMUNITY FIRST: GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY HOUSING
ASSOCIATION &
THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF
ST. MARY'S INVITES YOU TO:



HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT HOUSING OPTIONS IN ST. MARY'S



A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ABOUT
AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS

6:30 - 8:00PM

JUNE 6TH 2024

SHOPS Room
St. Mary's Education
Centre/Academy

121 Old Road Hill, Sherbrooke, NS

Refreshments will be provided

Please contact us if you require
transportation or child care to
attend the event!

communityfirst@gmail.com



Nimrods Campground Operator

\$15.20/hour, 35 hours/week

Start date June 24,2024

This individual will be responsible for all aspects of the campground, including answering telephone inquiries, checking in guests, sales of ice, firewood, snacks etc., handling cash, keeping accurate records, janitorial duties, grounds keeping and general maintenance.

The applicant needs to take pride in their work and in the presentation and success of the campground.

Personal Attributes Include: .

- Greeting and processing campers in a professional and helpful manner.
- Going 'above and beyond' to ensure the camper's experience is a memorable one.
- Walking the grounds and being visually present and interactive with guests.
- Enforcing rules and regulations in a professional, calm, assertive way.

Required Skills:

Basic computer skills required. Must be able to answer emails, use a Square Reader, and take reservations.

Must be physically capable to complete the required work in all aspects of running a campground including grounds maintenance, garbage pick up, cleaning washrooms, painting etc.

Must be a problem solver to identify and prevent issues before they happen and advise senior operators of any issues they can not resolve.

Applications may be emailed to stmarysfishandgame2020@gmail.com or dropped off at:

Nimrods Campground
159 Highway 211



May 5, 2024

What does our lighthouse mean to you? It means many different things to many people. What does it mean to our community? Economically it is very important to our area. People from away and locals come to the area to visit. While here they spend money at the businesses in and around our community. Our lighthouse also provides seasonal employment for 2 adults and 2 students each year. Living in a remote community creates challenges for our youth who want to work. These experiences are so important to their development.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support and we hope we can count on your support going forward. Visit us at www.portbickertonlighthouse.com or follow us on FB at Port Bickerton Lighthouse. Have a safe and memorable summer. Come see us. Our hours are 9am to 5pm, 7 days a week from July 1st to Sept 30th.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Principal Residence Address: _____
Seasonal Residence Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

How did you learn of the Port Bickerton Lighthouse?

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|-------------------|--|
| Local Resident | Visitor Centre |
| Former Resident | Another Lighthouse |
| Family or Friends | Tourism Literature (i.e. Doers and Dreamers) |
| Online | Other: _____ |

Yes No

Do you belong to other lighthouse organizations?

If yes, please list them: _____

Yes No

Are you interested in becoming a volunteer?

Do you have any comments, concerns or ideas?: _____

Yearly membership fee is \$30.00, payable by cheque, money order or cash handed directly to one of the Association's members. **PLEASE DO NOT MAIL CASH**

Return this application form to: Port Bickerton and Area Planning Association
PO Box 142, Bickerton West
Nova Scotia, Canada B0J 1A0



Application for Residential Low Income Property Tax Exemption 2024/25

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's provides assistance to homeowners to help pay their residential property taxes. Qualified applicants will receive a credit which is applied directly to the tax account

To Qualify:

- You must be a **Canadian citizen and permanent** resident of St. Mary's Municipality and
- Own the assessed property and occupy it as your home and
- Prior year's property taxes must be paid in full
- Annual income from all sources for the previous calendar year for yourself, spouse, and other family members that reside in the same household was equal to or less than annual amount set (based on line 150 of the income tax *Notice of Assessment*)

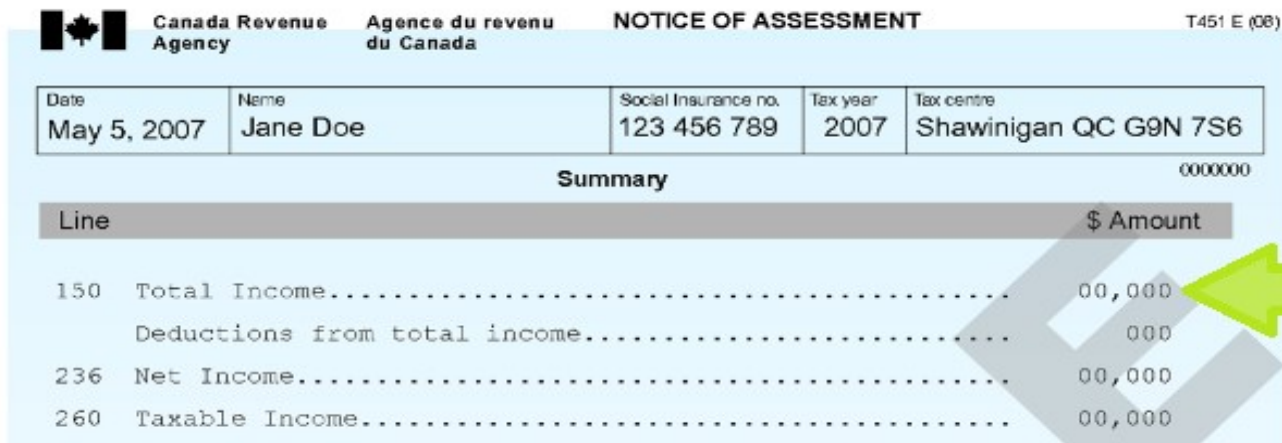
Exemption Value:

The exemptions provided will be based on the following income levels:

Annual Income	Tax Exemption
Less than or equal to \$25,280	\$180

How to Apply:

- After you have filed your personal income tax return for 2023 and received your Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency, complete the Municipal Application for Residential Low Income Property Tax Exemption form
- Attached copies of the 2023 Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Notice of Assessment for each adult residing in the home



Sample Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)

If you do not have your CRA Notice of Assessment for 2023 you can call 1-800-959-8281

Applications must be received by the Municipality no later than December 31, 2024

Applicants must re-apply each year

June 2024 Events Calendar

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Sunday						1	
2	RecPlex Pickle Ball 9:00am—11:00am	Kid's First 3 + 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Seniors yoga 10:00am Greenfield Oldsters Cards 1:00 pm Goshen Cribbage 7:30 pm	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen game Day 1:00pm – 4:00pm	Greenfield Oldsters Cribbage 7:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 7:30pm SMECA SHOPS Room Community Conversation Affordable Housing Options 6:30pm-8:00pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Darts 7 pm Stillwater Cards 7:00 pm	Sherbrooke Saturday Market 9am – 1pm Goldenville Interpretive Centre Yard Sale 9:00am – 3:00pm Country Hbr Open Mic 7:00 pm Liscomb Cribbage 7:30 pm	8
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23	RecPlex Pickle Ball 9:00am—11:00am Goldenville Interpretive centre Garden party 12:00pm – 4:00pm	Kid's First 3 + 9:30 am – 11:00 am Greenfield Oldsters Cards 1:00 pm	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen game Day 1:00pm – 4:00pm	Courthouse Concert 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Greenfield Oldsters Cribbage 7:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 7:30pm Country Hbr Bingo 7:30pm IHL/Jordanville Golf Tournament	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Darts 7 pm Stillwater Cards 7:00 pm	Sherbrooke Saturday Market 9am – 1pm Liscomb Cribbage 7:30pm	29
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Municipality of the District of St. Mary's Municipal Transfer Station Hours of Operation

The Municipal Transfer Station is open every Monday from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM except holidays.

The Municipal Transfer Station is open every other Saturday. Here is the Saturday service schedule for 2024.

Date:	Saturday
May 4 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
May 18 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
June 1 st , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
June 15 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
June 29 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
July 13 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
July 27 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
August 10 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
August 24 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
September 7 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
September 21 st , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
October 5 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
October 19 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
November 2 nd , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
November 16 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
November 30 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
December 14 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
December 28 th , 2024	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Holiday Dates the Municipal Transfer Station will be closed.

Date Closed	Holiday
Monday May 20 th , 2024	Victoria Day
Monday July 1 st , 2024	Canada Day
Monday, August 5 th , 2024	Civic Holiday
Monday September 2 nd , 2024	Labour Day
Monday September 30 th , 2024	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Monday October 14 th , 2024	Thanksgiving
Monday November 11 th , 2024	Remembrance Day