



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's Newsletter

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Meetings of Council

The next regular meeting of Municipal Council is Monday, October 9th at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke at 4:00 pm. Committee of the Whole meetings will take place Wednesday, October 2nd and Wednesday October 16th at 4:00 pm. in Council Chambers. Agendas, Package, Minutes and Audio files are available at www.saint-marys.ca.

2024 Municipal Elections:

The 2024 Municipal Elections will take place October 9th to the 19th, 2024. Residents will be receiving their Voter Instruction letters with a PIN, you can vote via phone or internet, if you did not receive a Voter Instruction Letter by the time voting starts, you can contact one of the two "Revising Officers" Melanie Mills, at council@saint-marys.ca or phone 902-522-2049 or contact Jadzia Rudolph, at jadzia.rudolph@saint-marys.ca or phone 902-522-2496.

District	Candidate	Acclaimed
1	Everett G Baker	
1	Emma Tibbo	
2	Dana O'Connell	Acclaimed
3	Beulah Malloy	Acclaimed
4	Greg Wier	
4	Scott Beaver	
5	James Fuller	
5	Clarence Dort	

To learn more about the 2024 Municipal elections, Visit:

<https://saint-marys.ca/municipal-election->

CSAP	Candidate
CSAP	Francine Clément-Fraser
CSAP	Remi Deveau

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The deadline for the November Municipal Newsletter is Wednesday, October 18th at 4:00 pm. Submissions can be dropped off in person at the Municipal Office, faxed to 902-522-2309, 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 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Visit saint-marys.ca/facilities. Open Saturday October 5th and Saturday October 19th
Note* The Transfer Station is closed for Monday October 14th for Thanksgiving

MacMillan's Recyclable Pickup

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

St. Mary's Monthly Moment:

As the days grow shorter and the air turns cooler, October invites us to slow down and tune in to our mental health. The changing season can bring both beauty and challenges, making it important to prioritize self-care. October is a time to reflect, reconnect with nature, and nurture our well-being as we prepare for the quieter months ahead. Remember, it's okay to reach out for support and prioritize your mental health during this seasonal shift

October 2024 Solid Waste Collection

Eastern Shore Cartage: 1-800-261-0372

****NOTE** Bi-Weekly Garbage pick up starts in October 2024 until May 31st, 2025.**

	October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22	October 29
Tuesday (Zone 1)	Only Recyclables	Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	Only Recyclables	Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	Only Recyclables
Wednesday (Zone 2)	October 2 Only Recyclables	October 9 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	October 16 Only Recyclables	October 23 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	October 30 Only Recyclables
Thursday (Zone 3)	October 3 Only Recyclables	October 10 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	October 17 Only Recyclables	October 24 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	October 31 Only 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 inclusive.

Municipal News

RCMP: From the Cruiser Report:

From the Cruiser report is a monthly newsletter sent from the RCMP in Guysborough County. This newsletter provides what the RCMP in Guysborough County has been up to including; traffic control, assisting the public, crimes against property, crimes against persons, road safety and more. To read the "From the Cruiser" Report please visit www.saint-marys.ca/residents

Mi'kmaw History Month

October is Mi'kmaw History Month! In 1993, Premier John Savage and Mi'kmaw Grand Chief Ben Sylliboy declared October as the official month to recognize and celebrate Mi'kmaw culture and heritage. Each October, community activities, events, sharing and showcasing the Mi'kmaw history takes place across Nova Scotia. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to participate in Mi'kmaq History Month events.

Community Development & Recreation

The St. Mary's Curling Club

ATTENTION CURLERS: We are excited to announce that we will be curling again on **MONDAY's** (League games) and **TUESDAY's** (Drop In Curling \$10 a night). The curling season this year will start on Monday, November 4th. There will be curling Monday at 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm. Drop In will be on Tuesday at 6:30 pm and is open to anyone in the area who would like to play . Cost will be \$10 a night and this fee will be collected by the Municipality who has partnered with us. This year the Curling Club strongly recommends all participants wear a helmet. If helmets become mandatory we will be ready!! The season will consist of 17 or 18 weeks of fun and exercise. We are planning to finish off the season with our annual fun weekend Bonspiel!! Registration fees this season will be:

Students (13 years and up) - \$80.00

Adults - \$160.00 (\$80 for the first half)

We will be collecting fees in October and January again this year. There will be an open registration for all curlers on **October 8th at the Community Room at the Municipal Office** at 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm. Each curler that registers and pays on that evening or before will have their name entered in a draw for a free membership for the year sponsored St. Mary's Municipality.

Get active this winter and help us make this a great curling season!!! If you need more information feel free to contact: Maureen Fraser 902-522-2984, Nancy Chaston 902-779-2149, Wayne Feltmate 902-522-2281 or Suzanne Gillis 902-522-2322.

**Registration forms are available on page 13 of the newsletter.

Adult Hockey Registration

Registration is now open for the Adult Recreation Hockey League. The draft will occur October 11th, 2024. The cost to participate is \$200, \$100 is due prior to November 6th, 2024 and the remain balance due February 3rd, 2025. Games will begin on November 6th on Wednesday evenings with Game 1 from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Game 2 from 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

Contact: mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca or call: 902-522-2598

Guysborough County 55+ Games

October 2nd and 3rd, 2024.

The Guysborough County 55+ Games is a two-day, competitive seniors event held at the Liscombe Lodge Resort and Conference Centre each year. The 55+ Games consist of both indoor and outdoor activities such as cards, washer toss, darts and more over the course of the two-day event. Winners are determined in each event and medals are awarded to the top three finishers. In addition to the games, participants can participate in several other activities such as swimming, boat tours and a banquet with a buffet meal. The event is held in Guysborough County but is open to all older adults. Participants are guaranteed to have a ton of fun, create new and lasting friendships and experience a beautiful get away along Nova Scotia's Eastern Shore.

Fright Night

October 31st, 2024, The 6th Annual Fright Night will take place at Sherbrooke village on Halloween night from 5:00 pm-8:00 pm. Come join us within the safety of the gated village. We will have trick-or-treating, live music and refreshments will be available for purchase. We are hoping to make it the best one yet! If you wanted to take part in the past but weren't able to, make this year the year! The cost of adopting a door is \$20 with all proceeds going towards a Christmas Party for our local Nursing Home. If you can't make it but would like to donate treats we will advertise your name and pass out your treats at one of our community doors. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** As you know Fright Night is a fun evening for the young and young at heart. We understand that adopting a door is a big undertaking and isn't for everyone. But, there are different ways to get involved. With Fright Night growing we are looking for volunteers to help set up, pass out glow sticks/ flyers and handing out treats at one of our community doors (all treats and decorations provided). If you would like to adopt a door, donate treats, or volunteer to help make the 6th annual Fright Night a huge success please reach out to either Amy Simon 902-318-4387 or Belinda Jordan 902-522-2460

Community Development & Recreation

House League Hockey Registration Night

The upcoming House League Hockey Registration Night for ages 5-15 (birthday must be prior to December 31) will be held on October 7th, 2024 at the Municipal Office from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. This event offers an important opportunity for parents and players to sign up for the upcoming hockey season. Registration fees are \$100 plus a \$50 uniform deposit that is returned at the end of the season when uniforms are returned. These fees can be paid by cash, debit or cheque on registration night. Whether your child is a seasoned player or just beginning, this community-based league provides a fun and inclusive environment for kids of all skill levels. Uniforms will be available to try on, ensuring that every player is fitted properly before the season begins. This is a great chance to make sure your child is comfortable and ready to hit the ice once practices start. Information on funding supports will be available. If you have questions about these supports, please don't hesitate to contact the Recreation Department. Make sure to mark your calendars for October 7 and come out to the Municipal Office for an evening that kicks off what promises to be an exciting season of House League Hockey! If you cannot make it to registration night, you can still register your child at the Municipal Office.

House League Hockey Committee AGM

The House League Hockey Committee will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on October 7th at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Office. This meeting is a vital opportunity for committee members, parents, and community members to come together and discuss the upcoming season. Key agenda items include reviewing last season's successes and challenges, outlining goals for the new season, and electing new committee members. Attendees will have the chance to ask questions, share ideas, and voice any concerns they may have about the league. The AGM is also a time for volunteers to step forward, as the league relies on the help and support of the community to run smoothly. Everyone with an interest in local hockey is encouraged to attend and take part in shaping the future of the House League Hockey program.

Age Friendly Communities Program

The Nova Scotia Age-Friendly Communities Grant Program supports initiatives that help create age-friendly environments where seniors can live active, healthy, and engaged lives. Eligible projects may focus on areas such as transportation, housing, health services, or recreational opportunities for seniors. Applications for the program are due by November 1st, reflecting Nova Scotia's commitment to creating supportive and inclusive environments for its aging population. For more information visit https://novascotia.ca/age-friendly-grant/?fbclid=IwY2xjawFYFQ5leHRuA2FlbQlxMAABHYKtpO3peAJA2o1461vd63vA3d64HFrXZWCqAuMWMnKXC0nshlfDOcTkXw_aemLb8S7zKxZN_SwdC3NTkUXw.

Eco Explorers

The Eco Explorers program is set to begin on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024, and will run for 8 weeks, offering an exciting outdoor learning experience for students in grades 3 to 6. Held every Tuesday, this program is designed to spark curiosity and foster a deeper connection with nature. Participants will engage in hands-on activities that explore local ecosystems, wildlife, and environmental stewardship. From nature hikes to interactive science experiments, Eco Explorers encourages students to discover the natural world around them while learning about sustainability and conservation. It's a great opportunity for young learners to develop an appreciation for the environment and build lifelong skills through outdoor exploration. Registration for this program is required. Register on the Municipal Website or in person at the Municipal Office.

Community Social Proposals

The Recreation Department is seeking proposals from community organizations interested in hosting community socials during the months of November 2024 to March 2024. Proposals may be for a single event or a series of events. These events are intended to bring people together for fun, social activities that strengthen community bonds, especially during the colder months. Proposals should include details such as the type of event, target audience, location, how the event will benefit the community, an event budget and how much money is being requested. The Recreation Department encourages creativity and welcomes a variety of ideas, from family-friendly gatherings to events for seniors or specific interest groups. Submissions are due by October 18th, and selected organizations will receive financial support from the Department to help make their events successful. This is a great opportunity for local groups to engage with residents and promote community spirit.

St. Mary's Recplex

The St. Mary's Recplex is gearing up for an exciting winter season, with an updated facility featuring new accessible doors and the introduction of a brand-new ice surfacer. Set to open in November, the Recplex has made key improvements to enhance the experience for all visitors, ensuring greater accessibility for individuals with mobility challenges. The new accessible doors will make it easier for everyone to enter and enjoy the facility. Additionally, the ice surfacer will provide smoother, higher-quality ice, elevating the skating, curling and hockey experience for players and spectators alike. As the community's hub for winter recreation, the Recplex is ready to welcome back familiar faces and introduce new visitors to these enhanced features. Keep an eye out for information about rental opportunities, which will be arriving in your mailbox soon!

Referees Needed

Are you interested in be a referee for the Adult Recreation Hockey League? Referees are paid per game. If you are interested, contact: mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca

International Walk to School Day

International Walk to School Day is on Wednesday, October 9th this year! Children and Parents are encouraged to walk to school on this day. Vehicles can be parked at the Municipal Office or the parking lot at 16 Main Street for families to walk together to school. Members of the public are asked to take caution on October 9 and keep an eye out for pedestrians!

SMECA Memorial Place Gym

Yoga Classes on Thursdays from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. In the St. Mary's education Centre/Academy Memorial Place Gym. for the first 4 weeks in October to see if there is interest.

Economic Development

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.

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

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.

CBDC:

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, accommodations, food service, etc. Business loans up to a maximum of \$600,000 with flexible interest rates starting at prime plus 2% with flexible repayment 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.

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fax: 902-533-2016 Email: wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca

New Campground Restrictions for Fire Prevention

Open fires (like campfires) are not allowed from 8am to 2:00 pm. 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

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.

Job Opportunity

The Community Development and Recreation Department is looking for a Recreation Leader(s). This is a part/time, casual position with hours based on scheduled programs. The hourly wage is \$15.20 per hour plus vacation pay. Student Recreation Leaders will assist with the delivery of recreation programs throughout the Municipality. Apply with resume and cover letter along with two references by 4:00 pm on Friday, October 14th, 2024. Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted. Applications may be submitted by Email: mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca, Mail: PO Box 296, 8296 Highway #7 Sherbrooke NS B0J 3C0, or in person at the Office Monday-Friday, 8:30am – 4:00 pm. For the full job description visit <https://www.saint-marys.ca/table/business/employment-opportunities/>.

Community Services

St. Mary's Food Bank

Please contact 902-833-2920 to access services. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. There is a donation box 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)

If you are new to the area, we would like to introduce you to Sherbrooke Opportunities Society, commonly known as SHOPS. We would like to say Welcome to the community! We are a vital organization dedicated to supporting adults aged 18 and older with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Persons attending our programs are referred to as Participants. The term "Participant" reflects their active role in learning, growing, and contributing within the SHOPS community. SHOPS provides them with the OPPORTUNITIES they need to live more independent and fulfilling lives.

Heating Assistance Rebate Program:

Eligible Nova Scotians can receive a \$600 rebate on their home heating bills by applying to (HARP), opening October 1st for the 2024-25 season. Families earning a net, or after-tax, income of up to \$75,000 or single-person households earning a net income up to \$55,000 are eligible to apply for a HARP rebate, whether they rent or own. As part of the program requirements, applicants may be asked to provide a heating bill. Applicants can speed up the process by providing a heating bill when they apply. For information on HARP or to apply online starting October 1, visit: www.novascotia.ca/heatinghelp Application Forms are also available at Access Nova Scotia, Community Services and MLA offices.

Kids First programs in the St. Mary's Municipality

Gas cards are available to help with transportation costs when requested. Tuesdays at Kids First in Sherbrooke— Three + drop-off program open to all children age 3 by December 31st, 2024. Please call/text Paula at 902-870-7437 or email parentingjourney@kids1st.ca if you would like to register your child. Starts on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024. Wednesdays at Kids First in Sherbrooke— Play group open to all parents/caregivers and children age birth to six years. 10:00 am-11:30am. Healthy snack provided. Start up date is September 11th, 2024. 10:00 am—11:30am. For more information on these programs- text/call 902-870-7437. Fridays at Kids First in Sherbrooke – Baby group open to all parents/caregivers with babies up to 18months and their siblings and pre-natal families. 12:00-1:30pm for September and October 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

Breast Screening

October 10th to 12th, 2024 at the St. Mary's Hospital. Call 1-800-565-0548 to book at any of these scheduled NSBSP mobile stops. With 30 mobile stops around Nova Scotia, We bring screening mammograms to you. Visit breastscreening.nshealth.ca for a list of all 30 mobile stops and 11 fixed sites around the province. Call 1-800-565-0548 to book.

Congregational Services

St. Mary's Pastoral Charge/United Church of Canada

Join us for Sunday Worship in October
Sundays in October:
9:30 am St. John's, Sherbrooke
11:00 am Kirk, Glenelg
6:30 pm Bethany/Zion East River St. Mary's
All are welcome!

Anglican Parish of Liscomb and Port Bickerton

October 6-9am, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
11am, St Thomas, IHL
October 13-9am, St Luke's, Liscomb
7pm, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
October 20-11am, St Luke's, Liscomb
7pm, St Thomas, IHL
October 27-9am, St Thomas, IHL
11am, St Paul's, Port Bickerton
7pm, St Luke's, Liscomb
Contact: Vickie Keith, 902-364-2966

Community News & Events

Thank You:

The family of the late Leslie Ward would like to thank everyone for being so compassionate and helpful during this difficult time. A Special thanks to staff at Giffin's Funeral Home, the nurses and doctors at St. Mary's Memorial Hospital and the members of St. Mary's & District Lion's Club. All the cards, condolences, donations, flowers, food, and assistance were greatly appreciated.
Sincerely, Karen Ward & Family.

Community Men's Breakfast

Date : Saturday October 5th, 2024

Time : 9:00 am

Location: Indian Harbour Lake-Jordanville Community Centre. Guest Speaker : Ken Sullivan, President of the NS Chapter of Christian Motorcycles Association

Sponsored by : Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church

SHOPS

Shops would love to send a congratulations to our latest toonie winners Verna Horton & Whitney Smith! Thank you as always for supporting SHOPS toonie draw. Just a friendly reminder that toonies are due before 12 noon on TUESDAYS for your chance to win! SHOPS also offers personal confidential shredding services @ \$1.00 per pound & laundry services WASH, DRY & FOLDED @ \$7.00 a load! Please send us a Facebook message or give us a call at (902) 318-7467

Sonora Community Centre

There will be a Penny Auction, Cake Walk, and 50/50 draw on October 4th, at 7:00 pm. Donations can be dropped off on October 3, and 4, at the Sonora Community Centre. please check the dates on the items. Questions contact: Joy Dort at 902-522-2056.

New Fire Dept/ Community Center

A group had been working alongside of a building designer trying their best to perfect a building that meets our community's wants and needs. We are very hopeful to soon go public with our plans/design. With that said - the Brigade is searching for land in the Ecum Secum area. The building and parking lot will need about 3 acres of land. If anyone wants to donate or sell land , please reach out to Mike 902-347-2789 or Tiffany 902-885-7070.

Thank You!

A big thank you to all who made the Henry Tibbo memorial ball tournament such a huge success. To all the players, fans, umpires, those who bought tickets, to those who donated prizes, money, food, to those who volunteered at the ball field canteen and dance. Thank you to the Legion and members. It was greatly appreciated.

Sherbrooke Legion Branch 056:

Sherbrooke Legion Branch 056 is having a meeting on October 2nd, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall. (Temperance Hall in the Village).

Life Without Limitations:

It's why Canadian soldiers have answered the call of duty time and again – to defend the right to live without limitations.

This November 11th, please take a moment to remember the cost of the freedoms we enjoy every day as Canadians.

Country Harbour Gun Club

Country Breakfast

8:30 am to 10:00 am - Saturday. October 19th.

Monthly Bingo

Starts at 7 30pm—Thursday. October 24th.

Halloween Masquerade Dance (19 plus.)

\$10 Entry Fee.

9:00 pm to 1:00 am - Saturday. October 26th.

Halloween Night

Community Trick or treat

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm - Thursday. October 31st .

Greenfield Oldsters Club

Thursday's Cribbage at 7:30 pm

Tuesday's Auction 45's at 1:00 pm, Come one, come all and have some fun.

IHL/Jordanville Community Centre

the next hall meeting will be held on Monday October, 7th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

Ecum Secum

Penny auction and dessert walk taking place Friday October 11, 2024. Doors open at 6:00 pm, starting at 7:00 pm. There will be tickets on a Thanksgiving basket as well. Anyone wishing to donate to the event please contact Tiffany at 902-885-7070

50/50 chip bingo Monday Oct. 21 from 7-9. Cards are \$0.25 each , winner takes half and the jackpot is winner takes all! A light lunch is provided, donations are welcome.

Friday October 25 is a kids Halloween dance from 6-8. All ages are welcome! Prizes for best costumes

Saturday Oct.26 adult Halloween dance. 9-1am. Cost is \$15/person or \$10/person if dressed up. Cash prizes for best costume. \$100, \$75, \$50

There's a bottle drive open from now until November 13th. Please feel free to drop your bottles off at the community park in the dark brown shed. If you need bottles picked up, reach out to a Fire Department member .

IHL/Jordanville Community Centre

Auction 45's will start on October 8th, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

See you all there. If you have questions please contact: Beulah Malloy at 902-522-2184 or Jamie Anderson at 902-328-4115.

Community News & Events

Sherbrooke Saturday Market

The 2024 Market runs until the last Saturday of October, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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 Facebook Messenger or call 902-338-0290

Goldenville Interpretive Centre

Your Help is Needed!

The Goldenville Interpretive Centre is still working hard to raise funds for heat pumps to preserve our 124-year-old building and continue providing valuable programs and services to our community. Despite our efforts, we do not receive any provincial funding and, to date, do not qualify for any assistance from existing efficiency programs. We are 100% volunteer-run and must fundraise for all necessary funds. You can support us by purchasing a 50/50 ticket for our online raffle – not only will you help protect this historic site and its artifacts, but you could also be our lucky winner! The tickets can be purchased through the Rafflebox program <https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/hgs> You can also make a direct contribution to the Interpretive Centre in the form of a Charitable Donation. As a registered charity we are more than happy to issue you a tax receipt for your generosity. Contact goldenvillemuseum@gmail.com

14th Annual Bear River Winter Craft Fair

Saturday November 23rd, 2024

10:00 am-3:00 pm

1913 Clementvale Road (Oakene Centre)

Bear River NS

Goshen Community Recreation & Centre

Bargain Shop opened every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm. Donation of items can be dropped off at this time. Game Day Wednesday's 1:00 pm—4:00 pm

Cribbage No Partner required Tuesday's 7:30pm, Admission fee \$5.00.

Coffee Breaks will be on October 7th, 14th & 28th, starting at 9:30 am.

Blood Pressure clinic October 9th, 2024 1:00 to 3:00.

Halloween Party on October 26th, 2024 1:00 to 3:00, Neighbours are welcome to drop treats off. There will be treats, games and fun.

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.

Maple Manor Tea

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

Results of Sundays Falling Targets Shoot at the Stillwater DNRR range

Iron sight class 22caliber:

1st--Allan Mac Hattie

2nd--Randy Hines

3rd--Weldon Chamberlain

Scope class 22caliber:

1st --John Bransfield

2nd--Merissa Young

3rd--Tony Handspiker

22 caliber pistol class:

1st Tony Handspiker

2nd Allan Crawford

Center fire pistol class:

1st Allan Crawford

2nd Tony Handspiker

Restricted Canadian Firearms Safety

Saturday, October 5th, 2024

Course Stillwater Center 9558 Hwy #7

Stillwater Guysborough County.

Sun Oct 6th, 2024—Plywood Deer Shoot DNRR range

Stillwater 9240 Hwy #7 9:00 am-2:00 pm (please register before 1:00 pm) BBQ lunch available

Gift certificates as prizes for this shoot

To apply for the firearms course, apply & pay online at Safety Services N S .ca

Fitness Classes:

4 week sessions starting October 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th from 6:00 pm—7:00 pm. At the St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy school gym.

Contact: Rhonda Ryan for details at 902-631-1144 or email: rhondaryan394@gmail.com

High-Crest Nursing Home

Trick or Treats at the High-Crest Nursing Home on October 31st, 2024 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

5th Annual Christmas on the 211

Come join us for the 5th Annual Christmas on the 211. There will be various artisans participating at multiple locations with signage indicating each stop. The event will take place over two days, November 16th from 10 am to 4 pm and November 17th from 10am to 2 pm. If you wish to book a table please contact Cindy Kingwell at kingwellcindy@gmail.com

2024 Municipal Election Support

Reminder: The 2024 Municipal Election is taking place in October. Voting will open at noon on October 9th and run until 7:00 pm on October 19th, 2024.

Municipal Elections take place every four years in Nova Scotia. Elections will take place this year in October 2024.

Residents of the Municipality of the District of St Mary's will be able to vote electronically, which means eligible voters may vote via the Internet or by phone (mobile phone or landline). Voting will be available 24 hours per day starting at noon October 9th and running until 7:00 pm on October 19th, 2024. You can vote anytime from anywhere during that time! There will be no paper ballots but voters who need assistance 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 instruction letter in the mail before voting begins.

Voters will be electing their municipal district councillor for the next four years. There are five electoral 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

Voters will receive an instruction letter before voting opens. The letter will provide all instructions and passcodes.

Introduction to your Voter Letter **(See sample letters next 2 pages.)**

Key pieces of information to look for on your voter letter



- 1. PIN:** You will need to enter your pin number to vote. Your letter will have a unique number for you.
- 2. WEBSITE/URL:** If you choose to vote by web the official web site will be listed on your voter letter.
- 3. PHONE:** If you choose to vote by touch tone phone the toll-free number will be listed on voter letter.
- 4. CANDIDATES:** The available candidates you can vote for will be listed on your letter.
- 5. CSAP:** If applicable and you are eligible to Vote for the Conseil Scolaire Acadien Provincial election that ballot is available too. Please be sure to read whether you qualify to vote in the Conseil Scolaire Acadien Provincial as not all municipal council voters are eligible for the school board vote as well.

If you don't receive your letter by the start of voting please contact the municipal office at 902-522-2049 and staff can assist you.

More information is available on the municipal web site at: <https://saint-marys.ca/municipal-election-2024.html>



Municipal & CSAP Elections 2024
Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

District:



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John Henry Doe
123 Sample Street, Sample
Town, NS A1B 2C3

Qualifying Address:

123 Sample Street,
Fake town NS



#1.

VOTING PERIOD		YOUR PIN
Start: Wed, October 9, 2024	12:00PM	1234 5678 9100
End: Sat, October 19, 2024	7:00PM	

HOW CAN I VOTE?

Using your PIN and Date of Birth you can vote by internet or phone. There is no paper voting.

Internet

To vote by internet, type the website below in the address bar of your web browser (such as Chrome, Edge, Safari, etc) and follow the instructions.

www.SampleURL.com

Phone

To vote by phone, call the voting phone number below and follow the instructions.

1-800-SAM-PLE1

Electronic Voting Assistance

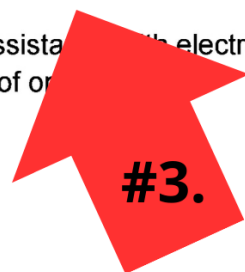
If you do not have access to a computer to vote online, or if you require assistance with electronic voting, please come to the following location during our hours of operation:

Municipal Administrative Office
8296 Highway 7

Oct 9-18	8:30AM to 4:00PM
Oct 19	8:30AM to 7:00PM



#2.



#3.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You qualify to vote if:

- You are 18 years of age or older and a Canadian citizen on the first advance polling day (October 9, 2024);
- You have been ordinarily resident in Nova Scotia for 6 months before the first advance polling day (since April 8, 2024); and
- You are ordinarily resident in the town, or in an area annexed thereto, and have been so since immediately before the first advance polling day.
- You are not otherwise disqualified to vote in the Municipal Election.

By casting a ballot or by entering the electronic voting system and entering your assigned PIN number, you are **DECLARING THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE** in this election.

Please remember to **bring this letter** with you if you come to vote.

See other side.

CONSEIL SCOLAIRE ACADIEN PROVINCIAL (CSAP) QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

You qualify to vote for the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) IF:

- You meet the basic qualifications described in the “Important Information” section of this letter AND
- You are an “Entitled Parent” or “Entitled Person”:
 - Whose first language learned and still understood is French; OR
 - You received your primary school instruction in Canada in a French-first-language program; OR
 - Any of your children have received or are receiving primary or secondary school instruction in Canada in a French-first-language program. A French Immersion program is NOT a French-first-language program.

Vous êtes admissible à voter pour le Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) si :

- Vous remplissez les qualifications de base décrites dans la section « Important Information » de cette lettre ET
- Vous êtes un « parent ayant droit » ou une « personne ayant droit »
 - Dont la première langue apprise et encore comprise est le français; OU
 - Vous avez reçu votre enseignement de l'école primaire au Canada dans un programme en français langue première; OU
 - Un de vos enfants a reçu ou reçoit son enseignement primaire ou secondaire au Canada dans un programme en français langue première. Un programme d'immersion française n'est pas un programme de français langue première.

VOTER HELPLINE

If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact the Voter HelpLine: **Phone:**

1-877-388-0868

Website: saint-marys.ca

Email: jadzia.rudoph@saint-marys.ca or council@saint-marys.ca

Hours of operation are:

October 9 to October 19 8:30am to 4:30pm (weekdays only; excluding holidays)

Election Day Saturday, October 19 8:00am to 7:00pm.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

COUNCILLOR – DISTRICT 2

Select 1

ACCLAIMED

Jane Doe

#4.

CSAP

Select/Sélectionnez 1

Joe Doe

Jack Doe

#5.

See other side.

LOVING ONE ANOTHER IN A
COMMUNITY OF FAITH



*Community
Worship Service*

NOVEMBER 17TH, 11 AM

LIONS CLUB SHERBROOKE

Come and join us for a time of Worship and the Word.
Featuring Teen Challenge and their encouraging testimonies.

St. Mary's Curling Club
Registration & Waiver Form
2024-2025 Season

Participant information:

Participant's Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Medical considerations (optional): _____

Emergency Contact name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Do you have a Team? YES NO

Team Members: _____

Please check the times you or your team would be able to curl.

MONDAY

_____ 5:30 pm Draw

_____ 7:00 pm Draw

Waiver:

I, the above named candidate (Age 19+) or one of the parents/guardians of the above named candidate (age 18 or under) for the above specified program(s) hereby give my approval myself or for that child to participate in any and all activities pertaining to the above program.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THERE IS AN INHERENT RISK IN ANY PROGRAM AND THE ST. MARY'S CURLING CLUB, MUNICIPALITY AND VOLUNTEERS ARE IN NO WAY RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF PROPERTY, OR INJURY TO PARTICIPANTS. I, THE UNDERSIGNED, THEREFORE, RELEASE AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE ST. MARY'S CURLING CLUB, MUNICIPAL STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS, AND SPONSORS FROM ALL CLAIMS ARISING FROM ANY LOSS OR INJURY SUFFERED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PARTICIPANT ARISING FROM AND OUT OF ANY INJURY SUFFERED BY THE PARTICIPANT WHILE INVOLVED IN ANY RECREATIONAL PROGRAM

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT _____ DATE _____

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A Proposal for the Commemoration of Lives During the Observance of Remembrance Day

The tradition of laying wreaths at a Cenotaph to commemorate the lives of veterans is one that is time honored. For a great number of years, wreaths have been purchased by the local Royal Canadian Legion branch here to be sold to members of the community and organizations within the community.

No profit is realized from these sales by the local Legion branch and therefore no dollar value accrues for the use of community projects. The cost of these wreaths in recent years has become substantial. A secondary, but by no means less significant, consideration of this practice of purchasing rather costly wreaths is the fact that the wreaths end up being disposed of in landfills soon after the service of Remembrance Day concludes. The point here is simply that a very costly commemorative article has a very limited visibility and impact and gives nothing back to the community. An alternative or supplemental act could provide for the commemoration of those who gave their lives in service and contribute to the welfare of the community in the present as well.

Given these considerations, it is proposed that a less costly and more effective and enduring act of remembrance could be offered as an alternative to the purchase of a wreath. Those who wish may purchase a **small white cross** to be attached to a **single large community wreath** of commemoration. There will be no set price for these crosses but a donation can be made to a special community fund managed by the Sherbrooke Legion Branch. ***This fund will be used for projects in the community. Presently our local Legion provides entrance bursaries for students attending Nova Scotia Community College.*** *The Legion is also preparing to support the erection of a new community cenotaph to replace the existing cenotaph which is deteriorating.* All donations will be recorded with the name of the donor and the name of the person(s) being commemorated. It is proposed that this information would then be published in our local Municipal newsletter. During the Remembrance Service, the small white crosses would be presented in the same manner as the laid wreaths. ***Please be aware that the introduction of this new practice does not prevent anyone from purchasing a traditional wreath if that is their preference.*** If you wish to participate in this way of making a commemorative act, you may do so using the same process as ordering a wreath from our local Legion.

