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Council Meetings

The Public is invited to attend meetings of Guysborough Municipal Council, which are held the third Wednesday of each month.

January 17, 2024
February 21, 2024

All meetings will be held at
4:30pm
in the Council Chambers.



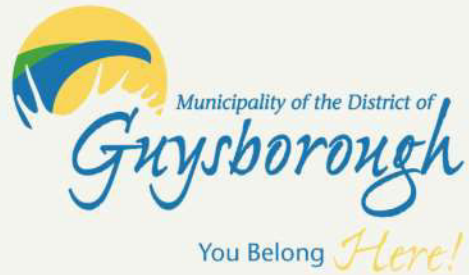
St FX X- Women Hockey Visits Canso & Area Arena

The St FX X-Women Hockey team visited the Canso & Area Arena for two Power Skating sessions in December. A number of MODG Female Minor Hockey players took part in the sessions.

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OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE SAFETY



**RIDER SAFETY
SHOULD BE YOUR
#1 PRIORITY.**

**YOU CAN BE SAFE &
STILL HAVE FUN!**

Please Take an ATV Safety Course.

Most riders are required to attend a ATV Safety Course. More information can be found at <https://atvans.wildapricot.org/safety>.

Always Wear Protective Gear.

All riders are required to wear a proper helmet and in cases where there are seatbelts installed, they are required to be worn at all times.

Do Not Let Your Child Operate a SxS or Adult Sized ATV.

ATV's must be sized correctly for the driver. ATV's are not designed with children in mind and they are NOT toys.

Stay on Designated Trails.

Riders are required to stay on designated trails. Off-road vehicles are not permitted to travel on roadways or the shoulder of a controlled access highway.

**You are required to follow all
guidelines as outlined by the NS Off-
Highway Vehicle Act & NS Road
Trails Act.**



News From the Municipality

2024 Property Assessment Notices

2024 Property Assessment Notices will be mailed by Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC) in early January. **The date to appeal your assessment is on the bottom of the notice.**

Visit www.pvsc.ca, call 1-800-380-7775 or email inquiry@pvsc.ca for more information.

When you receive your notice:

- Read every section
- Confirm your property details in your online “My Property Report”
- Note the deadline to appeal your assessment. PVSC must receive your appeal within 31 days of the date on your notice
- Contact PVSC if you have questions about, or disagree with your Property Assessment Notice

Councillor Fin Armsworthy & Councillor Hudson MacLeod Long Service Award Recognition

Congratulations to Councillor Fin Armsworthy, District 8 Councillor and Councillor Hudson MacLeod, District 7 Councillor. Both Councillor Armsworthy and Councillor MacLeod were recognized today, at the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities Fall Conference for their years of service. Councillor Armsworthy was recognized for 25 years of service and Councillor MacLeod was recognized for 10 years of service. Thank you both for your dedicated service to your residents.



UPDATES FROM THE GDBP

guysborough district business partnership

www.guysboroughdistrictbusiness.ca

 **Guysborough District Business Partnership**
acunningham@gdbp.ca



13 Ways Strategic Visioning Document- What's Next?

On November 16th, residents from all corners of the district gathered once again to hear the final assessment of the eagerly awaited discoveries from the strategic visioning document crafted by Doug Griffiths and Heather Thomson of 13 Ways Inc.

The Board's goal was to bring residents, volunteers, business owners, organizations, and community leaders together in a fresh way, all working towards a shared objective—future growth. We wanted to revitalize our ambitions for the community's direction and ponder on who leads the way, or do we all? Doug and Heather certainly exceeded our expectations with the amount of grit they put into this project over the past 10 months; making three different cross-country visits to our community, touring the Municipality, and holding nearly 90 interviews, both in-person and virtually.

For those who joined in, you felt the inspiring impact of these sessions. It was a whole new energy for everyone involved. For those of you who were not able to make any of the three sessions, we hope you will be enlightened by the findings and feel inspired to make a change or do something different in your community.

We anticipate receiving the final document sometime in December, and once we have it, we'll make sure to share it on our website and through our social media channels. More to come on the actioning of the recommendations, but it is safe to say we all will play a role!



2nd Annual Nor'Easter Craft Beer Festival

Following another successful event, we want to express a massive thank you to everyone who attended or contributed in any way, making this year's gathering even more remarkable than our inaugural one last year! With over 300 attendees purchasing tickets, many familiar faces returned to join the evening, which created the perfect opportunity to showcase our Municipality's growth. Hosting 11 craft brewers and distillers from areas like Sheet Harbour, Sydney, Tatamagouche, and Wolfville, our MODG hospitality truly shone.

A heartfelt cheers to the food vendors, entertainers, brewers, distillers, ticket holders, volunteers and reception host Authentic Seacoast. We're grateful for your support and hope to welcome you back in 2024!

If you missed your opportunity to get some Nor'Easter merchandise please reach out by email or Facebook!



Recreation Report

CLC Shinny Rink and Figure 8 Skating Loop

The CLC Shinny Rink and Figure 8 Skating Loop will soon be opening for the winter 2024 season . Please follow us on Facebook (@chedabuctolifestylecomplex) for all up to date announcements on ice conditions and schedule. Also check out our new online booking system and facility calendar.

CLC Shinny Rink Time Slots for Private and Team Bookings

Every winter, we have hosted a number of rentals including family skates, birthday parties, school bookings, Minor Hockey team bookings and much more. Our available time slots are as follows:

Friday Night

7:30pm- 9:00pm

Saturday & Sunday

Time Slot 1: 9:30am- 10:30am

Time Slot 2: 11:00am- 12:30pm

Time Slot 3: 1:30pm- 3:00pm

Time Slot 4: 3:30pm- 4:30pm

The cost for a 1 hour booking is \$75.00. The cost of a 1.5 hour booking is \$112.50.

If you, your team or school are interested in booking with us please call 902-533-2088. We look forward to hearing from you.

Follow us on Facebook (@chedabuctolifestylecomplex) for all up to date announcements on ice conditions and schedule.

New Online Booking System/ Online Calendar

The MODG Recreation Department can now accept facility bookings online. You can follow the link below or visit our website (www.modg.ca).

<https://app.univerusrec.com/modgpub/index.asp>

Facilities that can be booked include the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex and the Canso & Area Arena.

A full up to date facility calendar can also be viewed online at the above website.

Public can still make bookings by calling 902-533-2088.

Recreation Report

Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex

Fitness Center and Building Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday 6:00am – 9:00pm
Saturday and Sunday 9:00am – 5:00pm

We offer rentals for meetings, birthday parties, weddings and more. Call us at 902-533-2088 to discuss your booking. We have free equipment rentals on skates and helmets and other equipment that can be used on site. Contact us for fitness centre membership pricing.

Follow us on Facebook (@chedabuctolifestylecomplex) for all up to date announcements and information regarding upcoming Recreation Programs and Events. Phone: 902-533-2088

Fanning Fitness Center

The Fanning Fitness Center is located in Hazel Hill at the Fanning Education Center. Please contact the centre at 902-366-2924 for information on memberships. The regular hours are as follows as of September 6th:

3:00pm to 8:30pm Monday to Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm Saturday
11:00am- 3:00pm Sunday

Canso and Area Arena

The Canso and Area Arena is now open for the season.

Fee per 1 hour ice booking is \$140. Warm room is also available for bookings at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

Please call 902-533-2088 if you are looking to book an ice time or to book the warm room.

Public Skate Times

Wednesday's 4:00pm-5:00pm
Sunday's 5:00pm- 6:00pm

Drop In Hockey Programs

Wednesday's- Adult Drop In 9:00pm - 10:00pm
Friday's- Youth Drop In 6:00pm- 7:00pm, Teen Drop In 7:00pm- 8:00pm
Sunday's Adult Drop in 6:00pm - 7:00pm

All skaters must wear a helmet during public skate. Public skates are sponsored by MODG and are free to attend.

Recreation Report

PACY Afterschool Program

The PACY After School Programs at Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex and Fanning Education Centres continue to provide children with the opportunities to be active and have fun with their peers.

Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex

Grades STEP to 6: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2:30pm-4:00pm

Fanning Education Centre

Grades Pre-Primary to 2: Monday & Friday 2:45pm-4:00pm

Grades 3, 4 & 5: Wednesday 2:45pm-4:00pm

The objective of the PACY program is to teach children that physical activity is something that can be fun and they can enjoy every day of their life.

PACY is a free program. Please call 902-533-2088 for more information.

Community Recreation Grants

The Community Recreation Grant Program is designed to encourage community recreation in a manner consistent with the recreation principles, goals and plans of the Municipality of Guysborough. In addition, it is to be used to improve the quality and quantity of community recreation opportunities by financially assisting community groups with new Recreation & Culture Initiatives, Leadership, Youth Programming and Individual training and development.

Community Grants are received and assessed on an “as needed” basis. In addition, it is the policy of council to approve only one community grant per year (April 1st - March 31st) per group or individual.

Community Program Grant (\$500.00) – This grant is for community organizations that are planning programs or events for residents of MODG

Community Hall Grant (\$1,000.00) - All Community Halls and Community Centres in MODG are eligible to apply to assist with the ongoing cost of maintaining a community space.

Please feel free to contact our Recreation Department for more information on our grant program, 782-452-4003 or atavares@modg.ca.

Forms for these grants can be picked up at Recreation Office or found on our website at:

<https://modg.ca/residents/your-municipal-services/recreation/programs>

Community News

Snowshoe and Cross Country Ski Loan Program

The Recreation Department is pleased to announce that once again this winter season community members can take advantage of the Snowshoes and Cross Country Skis loan program. Our snowshoes and skis are available for loan at the Fanning Fitness Centre in Hazel Hill and at the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex in Guysborough.

Please **call ahead** to ensure items are available. Fanning Fitness Centre 902-366-2924 or MODG Recreation Office 902-533-2088.

Maritime Launch Update



Happy New Year to all!

As we close on 2023, we are pleased to provide a reflection on what we've accomplished over the past year and look ahead for 2024.

In 2023, we began construction of Spaceport Nova Scotia. We were particularly excited to pour our first launch pad, which was utilized during our first suborbital launch on July 6th. A student team from York University, along with Launch Canada, Transport Canada, NavCanada, and the Canadian Space Agency were onsite to support and celebrate the successful launch in Canso. We were also pleased to see so many community members including the Warden and other leaders within the municipality, MP Mike Kelloway, MLA Greg Morrow and provincial Minister of Advanced Education, Brian Wong. Thanks to everyone who came to our event (or watched the sky!), in an effort to cheer the students on.

In January of 2023, the Government of Canada announced support for Canadian launch and that it was undertaking work to modernize launch regulations to ensure Canada fully participates in the global space economy. Maritime Launch has been key to this work and has been providing expertise to regulators that will “ensure safe, secure and environmentally sustainable” launch from Canada. In 2024, we will continue to support this work and we look forward to partnering with Transport Canada on our upcoming suborbital launches from Spaceport Nova Scotia.

In 2023, we have grown our client base and increased our partnerships within the space industry. The space economy is not slowing down. We are seeing incredible demand from satellite developers across the globe who are looking to launch from Nova Scotia. In the US, it is incredibly difficult, if not impossible, to procure space aboard a mission. Satellite developers are having to wait years to get their technology into orbit. Because of this demand, we announced our DART initiative, a suborbital launch program that will begin in the late spring/early summer of 2024. We look forward to launching a satellite developed by Nova Scotia's own GALAXIA Mission Systems.

As we close on 2023, we'd like to express our sincere thanks to our community for being generous hosts to our visiting students and guests in July. We were incredibly pleased to showcase Canso, Hazel Hill, Little Dover and the municipality as a whole, to visitors from across Canada who came to observe, or participate, in the launch. We received feedback that we've always known to be true – the beauty of the landscape is unmatched, and the people are warm and welcoming.

See you in 2024!

Community News

Port Hawkesbury Paper Wind Update

PHPWind held its inaugural Community Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting at the Lincolnville Community Centre on November 30th regarding its Goose Harbour Lake Wind Farm located in Guysborough County. The 31 turbine sites will be located on crown land that is under long-term license to Port Hawkesbury Paper for sustainable forest management and adjacent to their reservoirs that supply the mill's water. This integrated resource planning will ensure the footprint is minimized, existing woods roads are utilized, and overall efforts are coordinated.

Thanks to those who responded to our recruiting advertisements and volunteered for the CLC. We are excited to engage in information sharing, open discussions, and addressing resident's questions or areas of concern.

During our meeting we provided an overview of the work completed to date, including various studies such as site suitability, species at risk, and many other environmental aspects; many of which are continuing past the Environmental Assessment Approval. An incredible amount of planning was incorporated into site selection, ensuring we avoid sensitive ecosystems and habitats, boreal felt lichen, and old growth areas. As a group, we also discussed various questions covering technical, environmental, and social issues and reviewed the project timeline. The minutes of our meeting will be located on the company's website www.phpwind.ca.

If you have questions, feel free to pass them on to any of our members; Doug Halfpenny (Co-Chair), Roger Myette (Co-Chair), Lance Peters, Vince Power, Mary Desmond, Wanda MacDonald, Neil DeCoff, Sean O'Connor, or Geoff Clarke. Alternatively, you can send your questions to Info@phpwind.ca.

Signal Gold Update

Signal Gold Inc. ("Signal Gold" or the "Company"), despite turbulent markets for gold exploration and development companies, has had a busy year advancing and exploring its Goldboro Gold Project in Guysborough County, Nova Scotia. In 2023, the Company made significant strides in permitting the project since receiving its Environmental Assessment approval in 2022, including submission of applications for a Fisheries Act Authorization, Industrial Approval, Mining Lease, and Crown Land Lease.

On the exploration front, the Company continues to explore with its ongoing 12,000 metre drilling program the potential for expansion of the Goldboro Deposit 1.4 kilometres west towards the Dolliver Mountain Mine, as indicated by a geophysical survey conducted in early 2023. Drilling completed so far in 2023 has shown that high grade gold mineralization continues at least 450 metres west of the Goldboro Mineral Resource.

In addition to exploration near the Goldboro Deposit, Signal Gold is actively looking for gold on its largely expanded property position, and is completing airborne geophysical surveys, mapping bedrock geology, and prospecting. Results of the Company's exploration programs will be released as results become available in 2024. With the recently-announced financing efforts, Signal Gold is well positioned to continue permitting, de-risking, exploring and advancing the Goldboro Project into 2024.

Signal Gold is committed to stakeholder and Rightsholder engagement throughout the life of the Project. The Company will diligently continue its community consultation program in 2024.

Community News



There are so many ways to access Eastern Counties Regional Library (ECRL) services:

- **Staffed Library Hours** – Visit the library, use the computer or free Wi-Fi, browse the collection, and get in-person or telephone assistance from local staff.
 - Canso Public Library: Wed, Thu, Fri – 12:30pm-5:30pm, and Sat – 9:30am-1:00pm
 - Guysborough - Cyril Ward Memorial Public Library: Tue, Wed, Fri – 12:30pm-5:30pm, and Sat – 9:30am-1:00pm
- **Extended Library Hours** – Help yourself to the library in Guysborough – Cyril Ward Memorial Public Library, Atlantic Canada's first Open Library! Use your adult library card and PIN to unlock the door during extended hours (7:00am-9:00pm daily).
- **Borrow by Mail** – available to all residents of ECRL's service area. Select items in our online catalogue and place a hold, selecting “ECRL - Borrow by Mail” as the pickup location, or call your library for assistance.
- **Digital Library Services** – accessible for free anytime, from anywhere with an internet connection. With downloadable eBooks and audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, music, television and film, English and French encyclopedias, video tutorials, and language learning courses, there is something for everyone at ecrl.ca/digital-library-services/

Get the latest library service updates by visiting our website often at ecrl.ca, or by following ECRL on social media: www.facebook.com/ECRLibrary and twitter.com/ECRLibrary.



*Eastern Light Lodge #72, A.F.
& A.M., Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia*

(<http://www.grandlodgens.org>)



Eastern Light Lodge #72, A.F & A.M., (established 1875) meets the 2nd Wednesday monthly at 26 Queen Street, Guysborough.

If you are in need of a secure, clean and dry storage unit, Eastern Light Lodge can assist you. Self-storage units are located within the lower level of the masonic-lodge building at 26 Queen Street, Guysborough. Inquiries about the self-storage units may be directed to 902.870.0515.

"Freemasonry is an organization of like-minded men who accept a lifestyle based on a universal system of morality dedicated to the self-improvement of its members and thereby contributing to the building of a better community."

Who we Are: Like-minded men who accept a lifestyle based on a universal system of morality!

What we do: We are dedicated to the self-improvement of our members!

What is Important to us: Contributing to the building of a better community!

Questions:

Rt. Wor. Bro. John (Jack) E. Ronald, Worshipful Master (902-631-4031) Jackronalds1@gmail.com

Rt. Wor. Bro. Darrell Grant, Secretary (902.631.1531) darrell.grant@martinmarietta.com

To be a Mason --- Ask a Mason

Community News



Are you interested in starting your own business?

THE CBDC Guysborough County can help...

- **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 150,000 (larger loans are available if required) with flexible interest rates start 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.**

*Guysborough County Community Business Development Corporation Limited
PO Box 199, 46 Main Street, Guysborough County, NS B0H 1N0
Guysborough Office: phone: (902)533-2770 fax: (902) 533-2016
Email: wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca*

Wesley United Church Hall

Lenten Luncheon
When: Each Wednesday during Lent
February 21, 28
March 6, 13, 20
Time: 11:30am-1:00pm
Where: **Wesley United Church Hall**
Cost: Soup, Roll & sweet - \$8.00

Thanks for your Support!!!

Community News

Guysborough Food Bank

Located at 10 Green St, Guysborough.

The Food Bank is open Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm.

Pick-up can be arranged outside normal hours for emergencies only.

For inquiries please contact 902-533-2248.

Donations can be dropped off at anytime by placing in the donation box located outside the building.

Goldboro Interpretive Centre

Quilter Group

The Quilters Group meets most Monday afternoons between 1:00 - 4:00 at the Centre. If interested in quilting, please join us.

Auction 45's

The Centre hosts card night every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. The admission is \$5 per person; partner not required.

Chase the Ace

The game continues every Saturday evening until the Ace of Spades is chosen. Tickets sell 3 for \$5.00. Ticket sales are Saturday evenings 6:00 - 8:00 with the draw at 8:15.

Bingo

The Centre hosts Bingo on the second Friday of each month. Games start at 7:30 p.m.

Royal Canadian Legion Br 81

Thursday Night Bingo at 7:30 pm

Guysborough Options

Used clothing is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8am-2pm

Friday Dinners 11:30am-12:30pm, please reserve by calling 902-759-2554.

Community News

Outreach for Rural Women

Outreach for Rural women is a program of the Antigonish Women's Center & Sexual Assault Services. It is a free and confidential service for women and adolescent girls of all age and backgrounds who are living in and around Canso Guysborough, and Sherbrooke.

Outreach worker can provide:

- Help in accessing and talking with services, agencies and institutions; including ESIA, Housing & Tenancy, Financial issues
- Information about your rights
- Problem-solving, supportive listening and emotional support
- Information about issues and concerns
- Workshops on a wide range of legal issues relating to women

Contact: 902-863-8668 Monday -Thursday

Guysborough County Kids First

Kids First Family Resource Center is a non-profit organization serving families throughout Guysborough County. We hold weekly programming year-round for families with young children while offering various home visiting programs.

- **Kids Programs** including **Drop-In** programs in Guysborough and Canso. (0-6yrs) And **3+ Drop-Off** programs including Little Chefs, Little Sprouts, Little Einstein's, Shimmy & Shake, and Tumble Bugs. (ages 3 and up)
- The **Enhanced Home Visiting Program** is designed to help new parents with goal planning using a family-centered, strengths-based approach.
- The **(CPNP) Prenatal Program** is for all pregnant women in Guysborough County. Supports include prenatal vitamins, 4 liters of free milk per week while pregnant, breast pump loans, free car seat installation, and play groups including Baby Group, & Busy Babies.
- **Parent Programs** including Mom & Dad's Night Out, and Dad & Me programs.
- **Parenting Journey** (3-16 yrs) is a home visiting program providing support for families experiencing challenges that may impact overall family functioning.
- The **Cultural Connection Initiative** is intended to increase the capacity of the DCS Prevention & Early Intervention system and the local communities to collaborate and respond to the needs of African Nova Scotian children, youth, families and communities.
- Guysborough Kids First now has a fully operating **Giving Cupboard** that includes non-perishable food, personal care and feminine hygiene products and baby items. Donations are welcome.
- **To contact Kids First**, call 902-533-3881 or toll free 1-888-533-3881 or message us privately on our Facebook Page.
- We are **located** at 105 Queen Street, Guysborough (above the fire hall).

Community News



TRANSIT ASSOCIATION
— OF GUYSBOROUGH —



902-338-0959

9 am - 1 pm
Monday to Friday

Things to keep in mind:

- door-to-door rides
- reserve at least one day before your ride (Friday by 1 pm for Monday rides)
- pay by cash or e-transfer
- subsidies available for those who qualify

guysborough.ruralrides.ca

Community News

Updates from ArtWorks East

The new year is a good time to give thanks for the past year and to look forward with hope. The year 2023 marked our 3rd year with a members' gallery on the Guysborough waterfront, which was ably operated by our youth workers Suki Kamogawa and Adalin Watt. Thanks to a grant from the NS Wellness Fund, we were able to offer workshops in jewelry and greeting-card-making by Ruth Fraser Gillie and the first of many workshops on stained glass craftsmanship by Sue Mitchell. A generous grant from New Horizons for Seniors sent Moni Duersch into Milford Haven Home and Canso Seaside Manor a total of 21 times for her creative painting classes. The same grant provided sewing workshops by Alison Billard, the creation of driftwood frames with Sandy Winter, the meditative journal class with Andrea Pottyondy, and more stained glass instruction with Sue Mitchell. A third grant from Recreation Community Development has provided weekly painting classes for the members of GOALS—ably conducted by Lee Leonard—and these will continue until the spring. The activities of ArtWorks East in 2023 were spread out across Queensport, Canso, Whitehead, Charlos Cove, Cooks Cove, Guysborough and Boylston.

One of the other all-stars of 2023 was Adrienne Betts who worked hundreds of hours for ArtWorks East. Adrienne handled all the scheduling for the waterfront gallery and our various workshops. Our membership expanded to 60 people under her leadership; the variety of their work was reflected in the gallery. She pioneered the idea of placing artwork-for-sale in various local Airbnbs (such as the Cove and Sea Cabin). She strengthened our relationships with MODG, the CLC, Mulgrave Road Theatre, Art Makes Kids SmART, and other local non-profits. And together with Marie Rainey of the Guysborough Waterfront Market, they offered the largest Guysborough Christmas Market in many years with 45 different vendors.

ArtWorks East is currently waiting word on a set of grant applications for 2024. But we know the waterfront gallery will open again on Canada Day. And this year, we have plans to paint a 40-foot mural on the Guysborough waterfront, thanks in part to a generous donation from the Guysborough District Business Partnership.

Be sure to stay in touch with ArtWorks East:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ArtWorksEast.Guysborough>

Website: <https://www.artworkseast.ca/>

Email: info@artworkseast.ca

Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

The Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who donated or assisted in any way to the great success of our recent Fall Bazaar and Quilt raffle. It is through your consistent support and continued generosity that enables us to purchase medical equipment and furnishings to improve the comfort and care of our hospital patients.

We were once again overwhelmed by the generosity of the community with just over \$28,000 being raised.

We are always interested in attracting new members. Both men and women are encouraged to join. What better use of one's time and energies could there be?

We appreciate and thank you all for your continued support.

Donations can be given to an Auxiliary member in your area or by mailing to GMHA PO Box 181, Guysborough NS B0H1N0.

Community News

Chedabucto Curling Club

The Chedabucto Curling Club Is now celebrating its 60th year. Some events have already taken place and many more are into their final planning stages. FUN, FUN, FUN.

The registration for the 1st half of the 2023-2024 season is now complete. However, if you have questions about becoming a Chedabucto Curling Club member, whether as a Full, Social or Little Rocker (ages 6 – 9 years) / Junior (ages 10 – 19 years), please inquire.

The Chedabucto Curling Club Community Activity Society (CAS) in addition to being a welcoming organization is an excellent source of recreation and socialization.

Curlers are encouraged to participate at their comfort levels such as becoming delivery-stick curlers with no sliding required. Equipment such as curling brooms, sliders, stabilizers and delivery sticks are provided free of charges to members by the Chedabucto Curling Club.

At this time we wish to thank all who have generously supported the club and the community by purchasing tickets for our first and sure to be annual Turkey Dinner Fundraiser.

Questions- Maurice Landry 902-533-4068 or mmp.landry@ns.sympatico.ca

Website: www.chedabuctocc.ca Like us at www.facebook.com/ChedabuctoCC

Follow us on Twitter www.twitter.com/@ChedabuctoCC

Guysborough County Adult Learning Association (GALA)

The place for lifelong learning

GALA offers programs to help develop and enhance computer skills, work-related skills, soft skills, and other essential skills. We also help people prepare for the GED. Our computer program includes: basic computer skills, email, social media skills, online safety and so much more! We can help you learn how to use many devices including computers & laptops, Chromebooks, smartphones, tablets & iPads.

These skills help people succeed in the workplace, in the classroom, in their community as volunteers, and in other activities of daily life. Our programs are open to any adult who is 18 years or older and is a Canadian citizen. We have classes in Guysborough, Canso, Sherbrooke, and Goshen. We can also do online classes and packages. We also offer Family Literacy programs.

All GALA programs are FREE. We may be able to provide support for transportation to our classes. To find out more or to register for our programs, please call (902) 533-4252 or email: admin@guysboroughlearning.ca

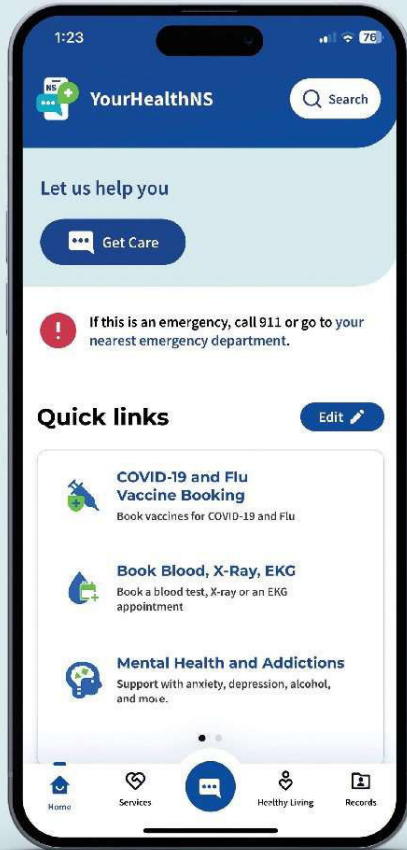
The Guysborough County Adult Learning Association is sponsored by the NS Department of Labour and Advanced Education and NSSAL.

ST. Francis Harbour Fall Bazaar News

The winners of the ticket draw, which was held on November 12, are as follows- \$200.00 cash prize - Eileen Haynes and Christmas gift basket - Donna Cook.

Many thanks for all of the prize donations and for all who attended our Bazaar. Hope to see you next year.

Community News



More care, faster.

Download the **YourHealthNS** app today.

There are now more ways to access care with **YourHealthNS**.

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Temporary Closure Information

Need to know when your emergency department is closed?



Visit www.nshealth.ca/temporaryclosures to find information on temporary emergency department closures & other service interruptions.

You can also call the hospital switchboard:

Eastern Memorial Hospital: 902-366-2794, Extension 2.

Guysborough Memorial Hospital: 902-533-3702, Extension 2.

WHEN AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT IS CLOSED:

- Anyone with urgent medical needs should call 911.
- For non-urgent care, call your family doctor/primary care provider. If you do not have one, please add your name to the Need a Family Practice Registry (www.needafamilypractice.ca)
- For general health advice and information 24/7, call 811 and talk to a registered nurse.
- The provincial Mental Health & Addictions Crisis Line can be reached 24/7 by calling 1-888-429-8167.

Community News

Nova Scotia Works Career Connections Guysborough County

We provide FREE employment related services to all Nova Scotians. We help access government sponsored programs designed to assist with employment, training, and supports.

Our **Case Managers** assist people with the job search process. We help you create a resume and cover letter. We offer guidance during decision making and prepare you for the interview. We help you identify your skills, qualifications, and interests. You will discover your suitability for potential employers, educational programs, or self employment. We offer a starting point and ongoing encouragement as you strive to meet your employment/career goals.

We provide the following employment services to people:

- Job search assistance
- Help with resumes, cover letters, and interview skills
- Free Wifi access
- Mock interviews
- Case management/career counselling
- Free workshops
- Access to the latest (LMI) Labour Market Information
- Access to desktop and fully accessible computers

[Employment Nova Scotia Funding Programs Information](#)

Address:

9996 Highway 16, Unit C
Guysborough, NS
B0H1N0

Phone:

1-844-344-1369 (Toll Free)

Canso Lions Club



The Canso Lions Club holds its regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. New members are welcome to assist with Lions Club projects and information on Lions activities available from any Lion's Club member or our web site at <http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/canso/>. Or Canso Lion's Club Facebook page.

Every Tuesday at 6 PM TV Bingo is broadcast from the Lions Club on Cable 6 bingo players can buy cards and play at the Lions Club or at home on Eastlink Cable 6.

Winter Dart tournaments will be held January, February and March, dates to be announced. The Lions Kitchen will be open for take our orders from noon until 4 PM. call 902-366-2965 For Dart Tournament information call Lion Angela Wallace 902-870-6742, Card Plays plus Loonie Jar are held every Thursday at 7:30PM. Lions Club members assist the deliver meals to seniors for the “Meals on Wheels” program and install “Lifeline” phone systems. The popular Meat Rolls are held biweekly at the Lions Club at 7 PM. Benefit Bingos, dances, and fundraising projects during the week and are announced locally. To book the Lions Hall contact Lion Juanita Dort 902-366-2639 if you are Interested in Lions contact Membership Chair Marylou Bond 902-366-2265

The Lions will be selling Club 100 Tickets in January for the Fanning Academy Scholarship.

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Message From MLA

Hi there- it's hard to believe Christmas is behind us and we're into 2024!


Since the last newsletter, we wrapped up our Fall Session in the House of Assembly. It's an incredible honour and privilege to represent Guysborough-Tracadie in the legislature as part of a government working hard for Nova Scotians.

We were proud to support emergency service providers with \$1.5 million in funding for much-needed upgrades to important equipment used in response to fires and other emergencies, including six volunteer fire departments in Guysborough-Tracadie (Aulds Cove, Canso/Hazel Hill, Milford Haven, Erinville, Goshen and Chedabucto) . Some of these departments previously received generators from the provincial government to serve as comfort centres, and all departments in the province have received \$10,000 in each of the first two years of our government.

I was so pleased to see important road work in the constituency near the end of 2023, including a second section of Rte. 16 into Guysborough, the Old Country Harbour Rd. and Rte. 316 from Tor Bay to New Harbour. Of course, there is much more to do, and I'm excited for what's ahead in the 2024 construction season.


As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to our office if Charla or I can help you in any way. Thank you for all your support in 2023, and all the best in 2024!





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Guysborough & Area Dementia Support Group

The Guysborough & Area Dementia Support Group meet from 1-2 pm at the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex on the first Monday of each month, the exception being holidays, we then meet on the second Monday. This is a respectful, non-judgemental atmosphere.

For further information contact Ursula at (902)870-1029 or email ursularyan55@gmail.com

Local Senior's Clubs

If your local Seniors Club has recently closed down, the Senior clubs of Canso, Upper Big Tracadie and St. Andrews invite any members in these areas to join one of our clubs.

Contacts are : Canso, Pauline Parker - 902-366-2767; Upper Big Tracadie, Mary Desmond : 902-870-5680; St. Andrews, John DeCoste - 902-714-5797.



WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

1-902-533-3705



January 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

Collection Legend:

- Clear Bag, Blue Bag, Green Cart Collection
- Holiday—No Collection
- Bulk Waste & Clear Bags & Blue Bags & Green Cart Collection

If you are not sure, please call:
902-533-3705



***** COLLECTION DAY NOTICE *****

WASTE MUST BE CURBSIDE BY 7:00 AM ON COLLECTION DAY
GET SCHEDULES, REMINDERS AND SORTING INFORMATION AT: www.erswm.ca
OR CALL ERSWM at 902-870-2817

PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE

Waste Sorting Guide

www.erswm.ca

WE RECYCLE

PLEASE DO YOUR PART!

ORGANICS GREEN CART

PLACE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR ORGANICS GREEN CART

ALL FOOD WASTE:

- Vegetables, Fruit & Peelings
- Meat, Fish & Bones
- Bread & Pasta
- Solid Dairy Products
- Egg, Fish & Nut Shells
- Coffee Filters & Grinds
- Tea Bags
- All Leftover Food (table scraps)

SOILED AND NON-RECYCLABLE PAPER:

- Paper Bags
- Paper Plates
- Napkins & Paper Towel
- Waxed & Parchment Paper
- Sugar & Flour Bags
- Potato Bags (netting removed)
- Paper Fast Food Packaging & Boxboard (ie. Fry Boxes)
- Cardboard Pizza Boxes & Trays

RECYCLING BLUE BAGS

MUST BE CLEAN & PROPERLY SORTED

BLUE BAG # 1 — PAPER ONLY
ALL PAPER MUST BE CLEAN & DRY.

- Newspapers & Flyers
- Boxboard & Paper Boxes
- Office Paper
- Magazines & Catalogues
- Coffee Trays
- Books (Hard Covers Removed)
- Cash Register Receipts

BLUE BAG #2:
CAPS & LIDS MUST BE REMOVED FROM ALL

- All Milk Containers (jugs, cartons & bags)
- Refundable Beverage Containers
- Glass Bottles & Jars
- Metal Food Cans
- Clean Aluminum Foil & Plates
- Plastic Containers
- Expanded Polystyrene (ie. Styrofoam™)
- Bags, Shrink Wrap & Bubble Wrap

CARDBOARD:
Empty and flatten (bundle for curbside collection)

REFUNDABLE CONTAINERS:
Deliver to an Enviro Depot™ to receive the refund. Or place in Blue Bag #2 for recycling.

GARBAGE CLEAR BAGS ONLY

A LIST OF EXAMPLES:

- Broken Glass (wrapped for safety)
- Cigarette Butts (cold)
- Candy Bar Wrappers
- Chip Bags
- Dirty Aluminum Foil
- Soiled Plastic Wrap
- Floor Sweepings
- Gloves/Masks/Disposable Wipes
- Personal Hygiene Products
- Toilet Paper
- Hot & Cold Drink Cups & Straws
- Incandescent Light Bulbs
- Netted Bags (ie. onion bags)
- Hard Cover from Books
- Plastic Utensils
- Toys, Dishes, Fabric & Shoes (Consider Reuse)

If you are not sure where an item goes, ask your landlord or building manager.

Those with residential curbside collection are encouraged to download the Eastern NS Waste Info App on the Google Play or App Store

For more information: info@erswm.ca

*** BULK WASTE * PICK UP (EXAMPLES)**

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- FURNITURE
- APPLIANCES
- AUTO TIRES (under 20")
- ELECTRONICS
- TOYS (items too large for a regular clear garbage bag)

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS
- AUTO PARTS
- YARD WASTE
- CLOTHING
- ALL items that fit in a clear garbage bag and weigh less than 50 lbs or 23kg

If you are not sure, please call:
902-533-3705

- **REMINDER:** the Municipality will collect the items below, properly sorted into separate blue bags on collection day
- ⇒ Blue Bag #3 — empty oil and glycol (antifreeze) containers with caps on
 - ⇒ Blue Bag #4 — clean clothing, other fabrics, footwear, purses & belts
 - ⇒ Blue Bag #5 — metal pots, pans & small appliances

REDUCE - REUSE - RECYCLE - Thank You!