

Municipal Newsletter

March/ April 2026



African Nova Scotia Flag Raising ceremony held at the Municipal Office on February 11.

Municipal Office

PO Box 79
33 Pleasant Street
Guysborough, NS B0H 1N0

HOURS of OPERATION

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 5:00pm

Phone Number

902-533-3705
or
902-533-3508

or

Toll Free: 1-855-533-3705

www.modg.ca

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www.facebook.com/modgcounty

Council Meetings

The Public is invited to attend meetings of Guysborough Municipal Council on the following dates:

March 18, 2026 at 4:30pm

April 15, 2026 at 4:30pm

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers.

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Property Tax Bills – 2026/2027

The Property Tax Bills for 2026/2027 will be issued in early April and are due on or before July 31, 2026. All taxes not paid by the due date accrue interest at a rate of 18 per cent per annum (1.5% per month).

The annual tax bill is for the period from April 1 through to March 31 (government fiscal year). The Municipality sends out approximately 10,000 tax bills. Reminder notices are mailed in September and November.

If you have not already paid your 2025/2026 tax bill, please contact the Tax Office at 902-533-3705 to make payment arrangements.

PLEASE NOTE: Accounts two (2) years in arrears are liable to be sold at Tax Sale

Applications for the Municipal Tax Exemption will be available when tax bills are issued.

What's Your Story?

Think about how much has changed in your life and in your community since 2019.

It's been seven years since the last Nova Scotia Quality of Life Survey – the largest of its kind in Canada – and so much has shifted in our lives since then.

Invitations to participate in the Nova Scotia Quality of Life Survey will arrive in your mailbox starting February 23rd.

This is an opportunity to have your story heard on the issues and things you care about most – because when we choose to tell our stories, our experiences can shape decisions that make life better for us all.

Learn more at <https://www.engagenovascotia.ca/our-survey>



UPDATES FROM THE GDBP

Guysborough District Business Partnership, www.guysboroughdistrictbusiness.ca

Executive Director: acunningham@gdbp.ca, Newcomer Coordinator: bjstacey@gdbp.ca



Guysborough County Beach Promotion

Tourism Guysborough County and the GDBP are teaming up to showcase Guysborough County as a standout coastal destination by identifying and promoting select local beaches in a way that's sustainable, respectful, and community-focused. Residents are encouraged to share their input and help shine a spotlight on beaches that may be not known to others but beautiful spots to visit. You can share your local 'hidden gem' by visiting: <https://tinyurl.com/HiddenGemsGTCA>



Newcomer Initiatives

Fitness Centre Orientation for Newcomers

March 7th- 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Join the Recreation Department & the Newcomers Coordinator as newcomers invited to an orientation to the Fitness Center at the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex! Participants will be offered a guided tour of the fitness centre and equipment available for use and each attendee will receive a 7-day pass to use the facilities! Attendees will also be entered into a draw for a 1-year membership and be invited to join in at a Newcomer Cafe at the CLC following the event.



Seedy Saturday - Seed Barter- A National Event!

MARCH 28TH, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

It's time to take stock of your seed collection. Are they labelled and dated? Do you need something, or have more of something than you need? Well bring them along to trade with your neighbours! Communities across Canada are holding "Seedy Saturday" events, see <https://seeds.ca/seedy-saturday/> for more info. We hope to have tables of tried and true successful locally bred seeds to share, pick up, and discuss; There will be educational videos streaming in the community room; and tea and coffee



Newcomers Cafes

Whether you're new to the area or a long-time local, you're invited for a casual gathering at these events across the Municipality. This is a great opportunity to meet friendly faces and learn more about the community from people who live here. Everyone is welcome and coffee & snacks are PROVIDED! If you are local and have a new neighbor- bring them along!



Upcoming Cafe Dates:

MARCH 4, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Seawind Landing for coffee/tea and networking

MARCH 7, 11:00 am-12:00 p.m. at the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex

Welcome Bag Project

For Independent Businesses or Community Services: This is an opportunity to have the GDBP market for you! Drop off business cards, brochures, coupons, fridge magnets, pens, calendars or any other promotional item that could help new residents become aware of the product or service you are offering. Drop your items off at 143 Main St. or email bjstacey@gdbp.ca to arrange a pick-up.

For Newcomers: If you are new to MODG and want to be placed on the "newcomer" email list for special offers and special events email bjstacey@gdbp.ca. These welcome bags are full of useful info, coupons and small items to say "Welcome Home." Want to find the information in a greener way? Visit www.visitguysborough.ca; www.guysboroughdistrictbusiness.ca or www.modg.ca.



PLANNING A COMMUNITY EVENT? LOOKING FOR A LOCAL SERVICE?

Visit Guysborough.ca is the perfect place to share your event or tell people about your business or service! Looking for a plumber, electrician, pizza, haircutter? **Visit Guysborough.ca**



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 scooters, roller blades and helmets and other equipment that can be used on site. Contact us for fitness centre membership pricing.

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

You can view the online facilities calendar and make online bookings for our facilities at this link:
<https://app.univerusrec.com/modgpub/index.asp>

Fanning Fitness Center

The Fanning Fitness Center is now closed. Construction continues on the new fitness center, located at the Canso Arena with anticipated opening date of Spring 2026.

Canso Arena

The Canso Arena Ice Surface will be closing at the end of March. Weekly programming is as follows:

Wednesdays

Public Skate: 4pm- 5pm

Adult Drop In Hockey: 8pm- 9pm

Fridays

Youth Drop In Hockey (age 12 and under): 6pm- 7pm

Youth Drop In Hockey (age 13-18): 7pm-8pm

Sundays

Public Skate: 5pm- 6pm

Adult Drop In Hockey: 7:00pm- 8:00pm

Private Ice Bookings are available and can be booked by calling the Recreation Department at 902-533-2088.

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 Pre-Primary 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

GFL Guysborough

Tire Diversion

The GFL Guysborough landfill will no longer be accepting tires. Tires are now to be directed to the Divert Nova Scotia tire program by either bringing them to a registered tire retailer or by calling 902-890-1627 to arrange a pick up.

Green Fund

The Green Fund is GFL's inspirational, unique, community-driven program designed to support the local community in the area of sustainability. The Green Fund is GFL's way of helping the communities' needs today to ensure a prosperous future tomorrow.

The Green Fund provides the opportunity for local groups or organizations to apply for funds towards sustainability projects in the community. This fund is intended to support areas within the municipal boundaries of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough.

The Green Fund will be administered by the members of the Community Liaison Committee (CLC), which is made up of community members, Municipality members, and GFL representatives, in accordance with the policies agreed to by the CLC.

Community members are encouraged to submit an application by mail to **151 Waste Management Rd E, Boylston, NS B0H 1G0** or by email to **mkearney@gflenv.com**. To obtain an application, please contact GFL, 902-232-2316.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. Applications for funding will be reviewed bi-annually in April and September. Applications for April review must be submitted by March 31st. Applications for September review must be submitted by August 31st.
2. Only applications considered to be related to sustainability will be recommended for approval.
3. All applications for funding shall be submitted using the Green Fund Application Form.
4. The maximum funding available for any project or program within one fiscal year shall be 25% of the annual Green Fund allocation.
5. All invoices or receipts related to projects/programs approved under the Green Fund must be submitted by December 31st of the year in which the funding was approved.
6. All applications for the funding must be signed by an approved signing authority for the group or organization submitting an application under the Green Fund program.

Goldboro Interpretive Centre

Quilters Group

The group meets every Monday morning, 9:00 to 12:00. No fees, experience or supplies required. Hand quilting is NOT a lost art! Call 902-328-4144.

Community News

Goose Harbour Lake - PHP Wind Project Update

Construction at PHP Wind's Goose Harbour Lake Wind Farm has reached a major milestone, with the project now well into its final construction phase.

Civil works across the site are largely complete. Over the past year, more than 55 kilometres of roads have been constructed and 59 water crossings carefully designed and upgraded, including multiple bridge installations. All 24 turbine foundation bases have now been poured, representing a significant civil effort supported by more than 60,000 tonnes of concrete and 21,000 tonnes of rebar.

Work on the project's electrical and operational infrastructure continues to advance. The Operations & Maintenance building is now enclosed, with interior mechanical and electrical work underway, and construction of the substation, switchyard, and transformer pad is progressing as planned.

Safety remains a top priority on site. To date, the project has recorded over 250,000 working hours with zero lost-time incidents, reflecting the strong safety culture shared across contractors, trades, and project partners.

In parallel with construction, PHP Wind is investing in the future workforce needed to support Nova Scotia's growing clean-energy sector. PHP Wind will be formally supporting the new Wind Technician program at Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) and will be attending the program's promotional event on March 28 at the Strait Area Campus. As part of this commitment, PHP Wind is sponsoring two students who will begin the Wind Technician program in Fall 2026.

Major wind turbine components are now manufactured, with deliveries scheduled to begin in February through the Port of Mulgrave, followed by turbine erection and commissioning later this year. The project remains on schedule for commercial operation.

Once operational, the 168-megawatt Goose Harbour Lake Wind Farm will supply approximately 60% of Port Hawkesbury Paper's electricity needs, providing long-term, stable clean energy while contributing surplus renewable power to Nova Scotia's electricity grid. The project is jointly developed with Wskijnu'k Mtmo'taquuow Agency, ensuring shared ownership and long-term benefits with Mi'kmaq partners.

Engagement with local communities continues through the Community Liaison Committee and the Community Benefits Agreement, which will be distributed through the Municipality of the District of Guysborough.

For more information, please visit www.phpwind.ca, contact us at info@phpwind.ca, or connect with a member of the Community Liaison Committee.

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.

Upcoming 2026 Meeting Dates: March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, August 3, September 14, October 5, November 2, December 7

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

Community News



The flyer is set against a light blue background with scattered brown and pink circles. At the top center is the logo for Family Service Nova Scotia, featuring a lighthouse icon and the text 'FAMILY SERVICE NOVA SCOTIA Child, Youth, and Family Learning Institute'. To the left of the logo is a blue bowl, and to the right is a brown crockpot with 'SUGAR' written on it. Below the logo, the text 'FATHERHOOD MATTERS PRESENTS:' is in blue. The main title 'Crockpot Event' is in large, bold red letters. To the right of the title is a blue starburst with the word 'FREE' in white. Below the title, a paragraph in blue text says: 'Join us for an evening of making crockpot recipes. Participants are given a new crockpot to take home at the end of the event!'. Below this is a blue banner with the text 'OPEN TO ALL FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES AND CHILDREN AGES 4 AND UP'. Further down, the event details are listed in red: 'WHEN: March 12, 2026', 'TIME: 5:00pm- 7:00pm', and 'WHERE: GUYSBOROUGH LIFESTYLE CENTRE 60 GREEN ST, GUYSBOROUGH'. At the bottom, a red rounded rectangle contains white text: '*REGISTRATION REQUIRED * SPACES LIMITED*', 'REGISTER BY MARCH 5TH, 2026', 'EMAIL: JMACDONALD@FAMILYSERVICES.CA OR', 'CALL/TEXT 902-870-4096', and 'IF TRANSPORTATION IS A BARRIER, ASSISTANCE MAY BE AVAILABLE'. Various kitchen items like a pepper mill, grater, cutting board, and spatula are illustrated around the text.

FAMILY SERVICE
NOVA SCOTIA
Child, Youth, and Family Learning Institute

FATHERHOOD MATTERS PRESENTS:

Crockpot Event

FREE

Join us for an evening of making crockpot recipes. Participants are given a new crockpot to take home at the end of the event!

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Devoted to Diversity Guysborough County.

Supporting a Diverse community with a focus on inclusion for all ages and abilities. Removing barriers for a county where everyone feels welcome.

Monthly gatherings for families and friends alike. A safe place to share the challenges and triumphs of life.

Community Events, activities, and engagement throughout the year.

Devoted2diversityguys@gmail.com



Community News

The Miles MacDonald Performance Centre

ONLINE TICKET PURCHASES NOW AVAILABLE at: www.chedabuctoplacetheatre.com
CONCERT TICKETS make GREAT GIFTS!

Upcoming Shows

Evans and Doherty
Sunday, March 15 @ 2:00pm
An afternoon of great music!
Advance tickets: \$35 (at the door \$40)

Bette MacDonald & Maynard Morrison
“ Made In Cape Breton”
Sunday, April 19 @ 2:00pm
An afternoon not to be missed; one of pure delight!
Advance tickets: \$40 (at the door \$45)

Doris Mason & Scott MacMillan
Sunday, May 31 @ 2:00pm
A rousing musical performance!
Tickets on sale soon.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming shows:
July 13 - Guysborough Arts Week Youth Performances
September 13 - Country Boys
October 15 - Elton John Tribute
November 28 - Ennis Sisters
December 6 - Annual Community Christmas Concert

Book ticket event ONLINE anytime or call the box office to book your tickets at: 902-533-2015

Box Office Hours: 2pm-9pm Mon-Fri
9am-5pm Sat & Sun

Wesley United Church- Lenten Luncheon

When: Each Tuesday during Lent, Time: 11:30am-1:00pm

Where: Wesley United Church Hall. February 24, March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24

Cost: Soup, Roll & sweet - \$8.00. Take Out or Eat in available! Thanks for your Support!!!

Port Felix Parish Hall

Cardplays every Tuesday at 7:30 pm

Benefit bingo for Valerie & Horace Rhynold on Sunday March 1, 2026 at 2 pm

Community News



**TRANSIT ASSOCIATION
OF GUYSBOROUGH**

902-338-0959

DISPATCH OPEN
9 AM - 1 PM
MONDAY TO FRIDAY

- 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



dispatch@guysboroughtransit.com

Door-to-Door Rides

Square Roots Guysborough

Partnering with local Nova Scotia farmers & wholesalers to bring fresh produce to our community at affordable prices. Supporting local, eating fresh, and helping close the food insecurity gap. Everyone is welcomed at Square Roots.

Location: Kids First Guysborough, 105 Queen Street, Guysborough.
Time: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, every second Saturday.

Follow our Facebook page 'Square Roots Guysborough' for updates & order form.

		2026	
JANUARY	FEBRUARY		
JAN 10 JAN 24	FEB 7 FEB 21	MAR 7 MAR 21	
APRIL	MAY	JUNE	
APR 4 APR 18	MAY 2 MAY 16 MAY 30	JUN 13 JUN 27	
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	
JUL 11 JUL 25	AUG 8 AUG 22	SEP 5 SEP 19	
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	
OCT 3 OCT 24	NOV 7 NOV 21	DEC 5 DEC 19	

Community News



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.

Eastern Light Lodge is pleased to have donated to the following: \$1000 to the Guysborough Academy for their Breakfast Fund and \$1000 to the Guysborough Hospital Foundation.

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!



Guysborough County Home Support Agency

As the provider of home support services in Guysborough County, every day our dedicated staff deliver compassionate care to residents in the place they call home.



Contact us:
(902) 533-3655

guysboroughcountyhomesupport.ca

Community News



Community Business Development Corporation
Corporation au bénéfice du développement communautaire

Micro Loans

A Financing Program for Small & Medium Sized Business

- Loans up to \$20,000
- Interest rate 4.5%
- No Application fee
- Fast Approvals
- Flexible Repayment Plans

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



PRESENTED BY FATHERHOOD MATTERS

Air Fryer Cooking



Join us for a day of fun!
Prepare and take home ready to cook meals.
Participants will receive an Air Fryer!



WHO: Fathers and Father Figures
Children age 4+
WHEN: March 25th, 2026
5:00pm- 7:00pm
WHERE: Lions Club
98 Queen St, Canso



****REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED****
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!
CALL/TEXT OR EMAIL BY MARCH 13TH TO REGISTER
902-870-4096 JMACDONALD@FAMILYSERVICENS.CA

IF TRANSPORTATION IS A BARRIER, ASSISTANCE MAY BE AVAILABLE

Community News

Country Harbour Marina

Hello from the Country Harbour Marina! We hope you're all wintering well and dreaming of warmer days ahead. We remind you the marina opens in mid May and in addition to berth rentals, slipway accessibility and the beautiful harbour, we will be stocked with ice cream/cones, sundaes, ice cream novelties, drinks, snacks etc.

We held our Annual General meeting (AGM) on January 18th at Country Harbour Community Center and we thank those in attendance – as always we are looking for volunteers/members so let us know if you'd like to join us!

We are working on some new ideas for the marina and are looking forward to another boating season! **Save the date** - for our **5th annual land and sea boat poker rally on September 5 (rain date September 6)** - this is our fundraising event for the year and we appreciate your continued support! It is our intention to hire a student again this summer - if you or someone you know would like to work with people, watercrafts and have a view of the harbour every day this is an excellent opportunity! As always we have launch passes for sale and if you're interested in a berth please contact us for availability. **Stay warm and safe!**

Chedabucto Curling Club

Looking for something to do this winter? The Chedabucto Curling Club is a welcoming organization and an excellent source of recreation and socialization.

The curling season is in full swing, but if you would still like to curl this year, be it full time or as a spare, let us know. Whether it's your first time trying, an experienced curler who's been away from the game for a while, or just looking to get some exercise, all are welcome and we have something available for everyone.

We are excited to be reimplementing our Jr. curling league for those aged 18 and under, and will be hosting some youth curling clinics over the March break so if you have any Jr.'s interested in curling please let us know.

As always we have our Stick League (no sliding required) on Tuesday's starting at 3:00pm, Day League Monday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30am, and Night League Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:30pm, so come out to play, watch or just socialize. Equipment such as curling brooms, sliders, stabilizers and delivery sticks are provided free of charge by the Chedabucto Curling Club.

The Club Lounge, bar, and ice surfaces are also available for rent throughout the year for party's and events. If you have questions please inquire by calling, texting or emailing us or visit our Facebook page.

Byron Grady 250-263-7916

Email: chedabuctocurling1963@gmail.com

Website: www.chedabuctocc.ca

Like us at www.facebook.com/ChedabuctoCC

With A Little Help Society

The Annual Erinville Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, May 30th, 8am- 1pm. (Rain date Sunday May 31st.)

Location: 10 The Lane Road, Erinville, NS

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ECRL

Hibernation or historical epics? Frigid fingers or fantastic fiction? The choice is yours this winter, and Eastern Counties Regional Library (ECRL) has something for everyone!

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.

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Canso		12:30- 5:30	12:30- 5:30	12:30- 5:30	9:30- 1:00
Guysborough	12:30- 5:30	12:30- 5:30		12:30- 5:30	9:30- 1:00

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, television, film, and more, there is something for everyone at ecrl.ca/digital-library-services/



ecrl.ca



facebook.com/ECRLibrary

Get the latest library service updates by visiting our online channels:



instagram.com/ecrl_ns



x.com/ECRLibrary

CLUB 7

Weekly Wednesday Games Day. 10:00am - 12:00pm

Tea/Coffee/Snacks. Come join us for fun, laughs and friendship. Everyone Welcome!

March 4 - New Harbour Hall

March 11 - Port Felix Hall

March 18 - Larry's River Brad Pellerin Rm

March 25 - White Head Hall

April 1 - New Harbour Hall

April 8 - Port Felix Hall

April 15 - Larry's River Brad Pellerin Rm

April 22 - White Head Hall

April 29 - New Harbour Hall

Please check the Club 7 Facebook page for additional events.

Community News

Boylston Community Center

“The Little Red School House” also known as Boylston Community Center
Our spacious and versatile Community Center is available for rent!

Ideal for:

- Birthday/Anniversary/Holiday Parties
- Baby/Bridal Showers
- Family reunions
- Meetings and workshops
- Social gatherings
- Group Classes/workshops(weekly/monthly basis etc.)
- Fundraisers
- Yard Sales
- Funeral reception
- Celebration of Life Gathering

Features:

- Fully renovated and stocked kitchen facilities
- Large open meeting room
- Accessible for all guests

Location: 11728 Highway 16 - Boylston

Rental Rates: Competitive Pricing (by donation)

Booking Info: Call/Text Dawn Grant @ (902)863-7995 or email dawn.grant@ns.sympatico.ca for availability.

The flexibility of the community hall has made it a popular choice for various gatherings, large and small!

Canso Lions Club Spring Activities 2026

The Canso Lions Club holds its regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

The Lions welcome area residents who are interested in Lions and want to help with community projects.



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Every Tuesday at 6 PM TV Bingo is broadcast from the Lions Club on Cable 6 bingo or streaming on Facebook on Leolyons players can buy cards and play at the Lions Club or purchase cards at the Canso Co-op, Canso Pharmacy and Bond/Harts, following Bingo Drop in Darts are held every Tuesday at 7:30PM.

Card Plays with a Loonie prize are held every Thursday at 7:30PM. The popular Meat Rolls are on the first and third Friday of each month Benefit Bingos, dances, and fundraising projects are held on Saturdays and Sundays. To book the Lions Hall contact Lion Juanita Dort 902-366-2639

The Lions Club collects used glasses and cases, hearing aids and sleep apnea machines for refurbishment and distribution.

Community News

Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

The Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Mission is to raise funds and to provide equipment that directly supports patients, nurses and doctors, ensuring compassionate and effective care for those who live in Guysborough and surrounding area. 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 have just approved the purchase of 3 items:

- 1) Patient Lift for the in-patient area for \$11,000
- 2) Video Laryngoscope System for the Emergency Room \$20,000
- 3) 2 Vital Signs Machines \$10,000

We are always interested in attracting new members. Both men and women are welcome to join. We meet 4 times a year on the second Wednesday of September, November, March and May at 7pm. Our next meeting is scheduled for March 11/26 in the Hospital Boardroom. Reach out to Maureen at 902-533-4068 or email mmp.landry@gmail.com

We appreciate and thank you all for your continued support. Donations can e-transferred to gmhadonations@gmail.com (remember to include your address so we can send a receipt) or by mailing to GMHA PO Box 181, Guysborough NS B0H1N0.

New Harbour & Area Fitness Center

Our hours *(subject to change)*

Mornings

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 6-7am

Evenings

Monday to Thursday 6pm - 8pm

Remember we are volunteers and sometimes we just can't be there to open, check the Facebook site for updates or call 902-387-2252 (hall #) or make contact with the supervisor directly

Closed Holidays

New Harbour Dart League

9503 Harbourview Community Centre

Our dart season is up and running, drop in, play a few games, maybe even win a prize.

Same time, same rules, same place

Friday nights

Meat / prize Darts

register to play @7pm, play starts 7:30pm

\$5.00 per person to play

19 and over

Our season will be closing on April 4, 2026 so, there is still time to come out and throw a few darts. You don't need a partner. Come out and spend the evening with friends and have a few laughs

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Harbourview Community Centre – New Harbour

9503 Hwy 316 New Harbour

Our monthly meeting is the first **TUESDAY** of the month @ 7pm
You don't have to be a board member, maybe you can provide ideas and would like to help us keep the Centre up and running, this will be greatly appreciated.

St Paddy's U -15 Dance Party – March 17- 7-9pm

8-15 can be dropped off and enjoy the music, under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
\$5.00 cover ~ wear Green and maybe win a prize, canteen and snacks

Pizza & Pub Night

March 28 – 9pm – 1am

Two bands – we got you covered- 19 & over

Takeback 50 & Ukexile

\$5.00 cover

Pepperoni pizza by the slice

Open bar – 19 & over (*ID's maybe requested*)

Mark your calendar, plans are in the making for
New Harbour Days – July 31 – August 2

Watch our *Facebook* page for updates and upcoming events

For Bookings call 902-387-2252, if no answer leave a message and we will get back to you.

We are honored to have “Club 7” using our facilities watch their Facebook site for dates and times.

Ocean Lake Riders ATV Club

Our meetings are at the Harbourview Community Centre - New Harbour on the first Monday of the month (*unless it is a holiday – then it's the following Monday –*) at 7pm (*if there is no meeting it will be posted on our Facebook site*). ** Everyone Welcome**

ATVans membership / trail passes are available @ \$50.00 per bike. The 2026 trail passes are now available. Contact Anna Nickerson and she will help you out OR you can go online and purchase your pass there just click on Ocean Lake Riders, we will get all your information and membership

We want to Thank everyone who came out and supported us in our Brunch
we all had a wonderful time

When out on the trails enjoying the winter weather, adhere to OHV Rules and Regulations

Our motto
'Pack it in – Pack it Out!'

Community News

Message From M.L.A Greg Morrow

I'd like to take the opportunity to use my space in the MODG newsletter to talk about the incredible accomplishments of a young woman from our community.

At the time of writing this message, Kendall Doiron has just wrapped up a silver medal performance with Team Canada at the 2026 IIHF U18 Women's World Championship in Membertou and Sydney. Kendall had five points (two goals, three assists) in six games- however, most impressive to me was when Canada was down 2-0 to a very strong US team in the third period of the gold medal game, Kendall was called upon to double-shift to try to give the team a lift. When their backs were against the wall, it was the player from Boylston who got the tap on the shoulder to take every second shift- she was also named Team Canada's MVP in that gold medal game.

We know how this community loves to get behind our own- that was very true in this case based on the number of people who made the five-hour (or more) round-trip drive to Membertou and Sydney to show their support for Kendall and cheer her on. It was also evident by the large turnout for the celebration for Kendall (and her friend/teammate Rowan Houweling) at the CLC the night after the gold medal game- it was so amazing to see that level of support from a small community!

Congratulations, Kendall! You made your hometown- and your entire country- very proud!

Greg





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Save the Date -

This Summer We Are Excited to Bring You the Gusborough Arts Festival!

ArtWorks East is teaming up with Mulgrave Road Theatre, Cast Away Cafe, Miles McDonald Performance Centre, Guysborough Players, and the MODG to bring a fun-filled week of arts to Guysborough from **July 14th to July 19th**. We're talking music, visual arts, theatre, dance, writing, and all the ways people create and express themselves.

We'd love to get more local arts groups involved, so if you're in Guysborough County and want to join in, reach out. We're also looking for volunteers because we'll need all the help we can get to make this week a success. Any businesses that want to sponsor or support the festival are welcome to get in touch as well.

For more info, to get involved, or to sponsor, email info@artworkseast.ca. You can also follow our Facebook page by clicking the link below.

Community News

Updates from ArtWorks East

“Exploring Our Cultural Roots” Workshop Series

We have launched a new workshop series thanks to the Cultural Innovation grant we received from the Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism & Heritage to be used for highlighting culture and heritage in the Guysborough County region. So far we have hosted workshops that have focused on German, Celtic, Acadian, Chinese, and African Nova Scotian heritage and culture. We are in the process of planning more workshops in the coming months. Follow our Facebook page or visit our website to stay in the loop with upcoming workshops and events: artworkseast.ca/events

ArtWorks East in the Community

We are continuing with our GOALS art classes. We have a few of our artists on board to teach classes with Sandy Winter being the head of this program. The classes cover different art techniques and allow the participants to build and develop new skills. We are very impressed with the artwork that has come out of the GOALS art classes.

Moni Duersch is continuing her workshops in the nursing homes in Guysborough and Canso, helping the residents unleash their inner creativity. We are working on expanding our art workshops to other nursing homes and seniors apartments in the Guysborough County area.

To learn more about our community involvement, visit:

artworkseast.ca/community-outreach

Where You Can Buy Our Arts and Crafts

Our summertime gallery is closed for the season. However, the 70+ members of ArtWorks East also sell their creative work at Cast Away Cafe, Crazy Daisy, Canso Library and some other businesses and accommodations in the area. If you run an Airbnb or other business and would like to feature some of our artwork, let us know. Some of our artists are currently selling their artwork on our online shop where we offer free shipping within Canada. Commission requests are also available, see more information under the Shop menu on our website.

Find Out More In Our Monthly Newsletter!

In December we launched our first monthly online newsletter. This newsletter highlights what we have been up to, an artist of the month, our weekly art classes with GOALS, current and upcoming events, and more. To subscribe, send us an email. To view our current newsletter, visit: artworkseast.ca/artworks-east-newsletters.

You can learn more at artworkseast.ca

Email: info@artworkseast.ca

Facebook: facebook.com/ArtWorksEast.Guysborough

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 902-533-2836. For emergencies please contact 902-870-2400

Community News

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 CAEC (Canadian Adult Education Credential which replaced the GED). Our program includes: basic computer skills, email, social media skills, online safety, soft skills 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. **GALA classes are being held in Guysborough, Canso, Sherbrooke, Goshen, Mulgrave and Queensport.** We can also do online classes and packages. We offer Family Literacy programs including free books for children (depending on availability). 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 (GALA) is sponsored by the NS Department of Labour, Skills and Immigration and Nova Scotia School for Adult Learning (NSSAL).



Guysborough Historical Society

We want to thank those who purchased one of our numerous local history publications at the community bazaars in the fall. We trust they were enjoyed by the readers. Stay tuned for new publications coming in 2026. The Guysborough Historical Society wishes to acknowledge Black History Month in February 2026, and encourages the general public to take some time to learn about the history and contributions made by those from our local Black communities.

The Old Court House Museum will open in May 2026 for the summer season. The Guysborough Historical Society has applied for several summer student grants to work at the Old Court House Museum in Guysborough. Interested students can forward their resume and cover letter to the Society at: guysborough.historical@ns.sympatico.ca

Visit us on the web at guysboroughhistoricalsociety.ca or on Facebook.

Community News

Mulgrave Road Theatre

Mulgrave Road Theatre Set to Open Atlantic Canada's First Zero-Carbon Theatre Creation Centre

The award-winning Mulgrave Road Theatre (MRT) has built a new home with their Centre for the Arts, which will include a black-box theatre, art gallery, workshop/rehearsal spaces, and rooms for community gatherings, education, and collaboration. A shared space for artists and local residents, the Centre will expand access to cultural experiences in rural Nova Scotia while strengthening MRT's ability to present new work.

“We are in the final phase of bringing our vision to its fruition,” says Emmy Alcorn, Executive & Artistic Director of MRT. “This Centre will be a gathering place at the dynamic intersection of professional arts, community development, and environmental stewardship.”

The Centre is a model of sustainable design, being purpose-built to reduce energy use. By upgrading building features, improving efficiency, and adding on-site renewable energy, the Centre operates with a very low carbon footprint. Designed for long-term durability, accessibility, and comfort, the Centre demonstrates how cultural spaces can reduce environmental impact

In planning for the summer are a Donor Appreciation Night, 50th Anniversary Celebration, and a Grand Opening, as well as *For Love Nor Money*, a play set in Guysborough and centred around two prominent local families. The theatre has reserved a seat for actor Ethan Hawke, who has voiced support for the Centre.

MRT is still seeking donors for its final leg of fundraising, who will be honoured on its Donor Wall. Please fill out the donor card below. For more info, visit www.mulgraveroad.ca

YES! I/We will support the Mulgrave Road Theatre Centre for the Arts

Please accept this donation

\$1-100+ Friends

\$500+ Bronze

\$1,000+ Silver

\$5,000+ Gold

\$10,000+ Platinum

\$25,000+ Major

I/We would like to be recognized on a donor wall.

I/We prefer to remain anonymous.

I/We would like to make a donation in memory of:

I/We would like to make a multi-year pledge. Please contact us.

Donations can be submitted by cheque, credit card, e-transfer or online at www.mulgraveroad.ca

Cheques should be made payable to Mulgrave Road Theatre Foundation

P.O Box 219, Guysborough, NS, BOH 1N0

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

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stan rogers 2026 Folk Festival
roadshow

**Roadshow Bundle:
Any 3 shows
for \$50!**

Come Early, Stay Longer!

**MONDAY
JULY 20**

A Matter of Heart
Beth Rogers & Cast

Guysborough • 7pm • \$25*
Mulgrave Road Theater
All ages welcome

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Cook's Gas Bar (902-533-2993)

Sacred Steel
The Lee Boys USA

Canso • 7pm • \$30*
St. Paul's United Church
All ages welcome

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Canso Pharmacy (902-366-2976)

Live From the Lodge!
Kim Dunn & Terra Spencer

Liscombe • 7pm • \$25*
Liscombe Lodge
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Liscombe Lodge (1-800-665-6343)

**TUESDAY
JULY 21**

Field Notes
Dave Gunning &
Mark Lang AUS

Country Harbour • 7pm • \$20*
The Gun Club
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and The Gun Club (902-328-2555)

Back to the Country
Daniel James McFadyen

Guysborough • 7pm • \$25*
The Castaway Cafe
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Cook's Gas Bar (902-533-2993)

JP & Friends
JP Cormier
Jake Lauzon
Darren McMullen

Little Dover • 7pm • \$20*
St Agnes Parish Hall
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Canso Pharmacy (902-366-2976)

**WEDNESDAY
JULY 22**

The Village Songbook
The McMillan's Camp Boys
Chuck Brodsky USA

Sherbrooke • 7pm • \$30*
Sherbrooke Village Church
All ages welcome

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Beanie's Bistro (902-522-2044)

Troubadours
Shane Pendergast
Kristen Martell

Charlos Cove • 8pm • \$25*
Seawind Landing
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Seawind Landing
(1-800-563-4667 or 902-525-2108)

AJ's Blues Bash
Garrett Mason

Canso • 10pm • \$20*
AJ's Pub
Ages 19+ only

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and AJ's Pub (902-366-2281)

A Kitchen Party
The Irish Descendants

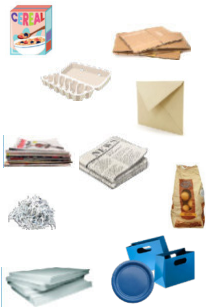
Canso • 7pm • \$20*
Canso Firehall
Under 19 must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets available at stanfest.com
and Canso Pharmacy (902-366-2976)



**FOR MORE
DETAILS
VISIT
STANFEST.COM**

Paper / Fibre - Blue Bag 1



Boxboard (cereal & cracker boxes)
Cardboard (flatten & bundled)
Paper egg cartons & coffee trays
Envelopes
Magazines, catalogues, & advertisements
Newsprint & flyers
Paper (whole & shredded)
Coated paper plates, bags, & advertisements
Flour, sugar, & potato bags
Non-foil wrapping paper

No plastic, disposable cups, milk cartons; Must be clean and dry

Containers - Blue Bag 2



Plastic bottles (lids on)
Plastic food trays, cups, & tubs & lids
Plastic toothpaste tubes, deodorant & hand cream tubes (lids on)
Small item pkgng, bottles, plant pots
Stretchy film & plastic bags
Hot / cold cups, spiral cans, ice cream tubs (lids off)
Dairy/juice cartons (lids on)
Metal cans & lids
Aluminum foil, plates & trays
Glass jars & bottles (lids off)
Cosmetics (lip stick, mascara)

No paper, plastic cutlery or straws; Must be rinsed and cleaned

Enviro-Depots



Aerosol containers (food spray, hairspray, air fresheners, shaving cream, & deodorant)
Flexible plastics (coffee / deli pouches, chip bags, bubble wrap, vacuum pkgng, candy & snack wrappers, cereal liner bags, gift bags)
Foam packaging (foam meat / takeout trays, cups, plates, bowls)

Lids on, clean and dry, no absorbent pads or film wrap on meat trays

Organics Green Cart



All food waste
Coffee grinds, filters, & tea bags
Waxed food wraps
Pizza boxes
Shells (egg, fish, nut)
Soiled napkins & paper towels
Leaves, brush, & plants,
Pine needles, cones, & tree nuts
Residential cooking oil (small amounts)

No plastic, metal, glass, cigarette butts, ashes, feces or cat litter

Waste Clear Bag



Broken glass (safely pack & label)
Cigarette butts
Diapers & personal hygiene products
Disposable wipes, masks, & gloves
Drinking straws
Foil gift wrap & ribbons
Tooth brushes & bathroom waste
Books
Pet feces & cat litter
Clothing / textiles (consider reuse)

Household Hazardous Waste

Contact waste authority or municipality for residential drop-off locations



Batteries
Check erswm.ca/ for nearest drop off location

Leftover Paint in Can, Empty Paint Can (with lid and label)
Productcare.org
for nearest drop off location

Oil Filters, Oil, Antifreeze, & Empty Containers
Uoma-atlantic.com for nearest drop off location

Others

Electronics
RecycleMyElectronics.ca/ns to find recycling locations

Medications and Sharps
Ask at your pharmacy to pick up a **FREE** safe sharps container. Visit pans.ns.ca for more information.

Light bulbs and tubes
Productcare.org for nearest drop off location

Get waste collection information specific to your address by visiting the Waste Wizard and Collection Calendar at: <https://erswm.ca> and entering your civic address. Or scan the QR code below. You can also call the ERSWM office at: 902-533-3823





WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

QUESTIONS? CALL: 902-533-3705

WASTE MUST BE CURBSIDE BY 7AM ON COLLECTION DAY
GET SCHEDULES AND SORTING INFORMATION AT modg.ca or erswm.ca or call ERSWM at 1-888-377-9622

March 2026						
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April 2026						
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COLLECTION LEGEND:

- CLEAR BAG, BLUE BAG, GREEN CART COLLECTION
- HOLIDAY NO COLLECTION
- BULK WASTE, CLEAR BAG, BLUE BAG & GREEN CART COLLECTION

Accepted in recycling

Containers

Plastic containers & film

Metal and glass containers

Paper laminate packaging

Fibre

Paper

Boxboard

Corrugated cardboard boxes

Place flattened and bundled cardboard 2' x 2' x 4' next to blue bags at the curb.

Not accepted

- Organics
- Toys
- Diapers
- Ceramics
- Hard and soft cover books
- Pots and pans

MODG is here to help as we move towards a more inclusive recycling system. Residents still have the same waste collection services with the same schedule, and can now add more items to their blue bags.

At the time of this publication a drop-off depot hasn't yet been confirmed for MODG, but rest assured we'll update you every step of the way; on our website: modg.ca, as well as our social media pages:

facebook.com/modgcounty

guysboroughmunicipality

Learn more about Nova Scotia's recycling system: circularmaterials.ca/NS

Foam packaging

Aerosol containers

Flexible plastics

Bring these to a participating drop-off location near you: circularmaterials.ca/NSdepts



BULK WASTE COLLECTION

MAXIMUM 4 ITEMS UP TO 200 lbs

Residents are encouraged to call ahead at **902-533-3705** to advise of larger bulk items, or for any questions. Visit modg.ca for the 2026 bulk collection schedule.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- FURNITURE
- APPLIANCES
- AUTO TIRES UNDER 20"
- TOYS

(ITEMS TOO LARGE FOR A REGULAR CLEAR BAG)

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS
- AUTO PARTS
- AUTO TIRES WITH RIMS
- YARD WASTE
- CLOTHING
- ELECTRONICS