<u>Municipal Newsletter</u>

November/December 2025



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Council Meetings

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

November 19, 2025 at 4:30pm December 3, 2025 at 3:00pm

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers.

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WASTE COLLECTION FAQS AND FRIENDLY REMINDERS

BULK COLLECTION



4 ITEMS MAXIMUM UP TO 200lbs

IF IT FITS IN A CLEAR BAG IT GOES OUT FOR REGULAR GARBAGE COLLECTION

IF YOU ARE UNSURE CALL AHEAD 902-533-3705 EXTENSION 242



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD MUST BE BUNDLED, NO LARGER THAN 2'x2'x4' AND BOUND WITH TAPE OR TWINE



STYROFOAM MUST BE BROKEN DOWN AND PUT IN A BLUE BAG



AEROSOLS OF ANY KIND; PROPANE CANISTERS, WASTE OIL OF ANY KIND ARE NOT ACCEPTED



BLACK BAGS ARE NOT ACCEPTED NOT IN BULK COLLECTION NOT AT THE LANDFILL



*ONE SMALL HYGIENE PRIVACY
BAG ALLOWED INSIDE A CLEAR BAG



WASTE MUST BE CURBSIDE BY 7 AM. COLLECTION TIMES MAY VARY DUE TO WEATHER, STAFF SHORTAGES OR TRUCK ISSUES



VISIT modg.ca TO FIND THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION BY-LAW, SCHEDULES AND UPDATES



COLLECTION UPDATES ARE ALSO FOUND ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Download the Waste Info app for reminders, schedules and more:









UPDATES FROM THE GDBP

Guysborough District Business Partnership, www.guysboroughdistrictbusiness.ca

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



WHO ARE WE?

The Guysborough District Business Partnership (GDBP) was established in 2022 as a non-profit organization with a primary focus on enriching communities and fostering relationships in three main areas: -community development, tourism and small business support

- -offers networking opportunities for local independent businesses and new residents
- -information sessions for living well locally



Navigating Healthcare Services in the MODG

Join GDBP on November 5, 3-5pm at the CLC as we host a panel of local health professionals for a discussion about:

How and where to access timely, practical convenient services speaker panel followed by a question period Nurse Practitioner services, Community Care Clinic, Virtual Urgent Care

"Nor' Eastern Craft Beer Festival



Back for the 4th year in a row!

Celebrate Nova Scotia craft beverage producers right here in Guysborough on November 15th at the Chedabucto Lifestyle Complex! Doors open at 7:00 p.m. \$35.00 gets you a tasting glass, 10 tickets and a heck of a good time! GOOD THINGS BREWING ON THE EASTERN SHORE Live music, food vendors and Nor' Easter swag all available!

NEWCOMER CAFE'S

Whether you're new to the area or a long-time local, you're invited for a casual gathering. This is a great opportunity to meet friendly faces and learn more about the community.

Locals: Do you Know someone who is new to the area? Invite them to come along! Everyone welcome COFFEE & SNACKS PROVIDED!

November 19, 2:30-4pm

at the Goldboro Interpretive Centre for coffee/tea and networking

December 10, 2:30-4pm at the Seawind Landing for coffee/tea and networking

WELCOME BAG PROJECT

For Independent Business or Community Service: This is an opportunity to have us distribute for you a card, brochure, coupon, fridge magnet, pen, calendar or any other promotional item that could help new residents be aware of the product or service you are offering. Drop your items off at 143 Main St. or email bistacey@gdbp.ca to arrange a pickup

For Newcomers: If you are new in town and didn't get your bag yet, or if you have already gotten a Welcome Bag and have questions, or you wish to be added to the "newcomer" list for special offers and special events email bjstacey@gdbp.ca. The bag is full of useful info, coupons and gifts to say "Welcome Home"

SHARE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENTS!

Hosting a community event?

sborough. VisitGuysborough.ca is the perfect place to spread the word! Post your event today and help keep our community connected!

FIND LOCAL A LOCAL BUSINESS

Looking for a plumber, electrician, pizza, haircutter? VisitGuysborough.ca



News From the Municipality

Provincial Volunteer Ceremony

The extraordinary contributions of volunteers in Nova Scotia were celebrated Monday, September 29, at the 51st annual Provincial Volunteer Awards ceremony in Halifax.

Congratulations to MODG's representative Nancy MacLean!

MODG Volunteer of the Year

Nancy MacLean is employed as a Regional Representative - Health & Safety Officer with the Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC). She has been employed with the PSAC for over 30 years while being fully dedicated to her home community of Upper Big Tracadie.

Nancy volunteers with several community organizations; an active member of Tracadie United Baptist Church (TUBC), recently elected Secretary of the TUBC Ladies Auxiliary, member of the Upper Big Tracadie Seniors Action Club, Dancing Grannies and Vice-President of the Birchtown Historical Association.

Nancy has been involved in many outreach projects in the community such as fundraising drives, community vegetable garden project, a champion and community advocate for health and safety of residents in surrounding communities and dedicated time to the interpretation panel project in Upper Big Tracadie





Thank You Nancy!!

Congratulations Nancy MacLean!







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. The new fitness center, located at the Canso Arena will begin construction this summer, with anticipated opening date of late February 2026.

<u>Canso Arena</u>

The Canso Arena is now open for the season. 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: 6:30pm-7:30pm

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



Recreation Report

Guysborough County 55+ Adult Games, Liscombe Lodge

The Guysborough County 55+ Games took place October 1st and 2nd at Liscombe Lodge. This annual event is a partnership between the Municipality of the District of Guysborough, The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, and the Town of Mulgrave. A total of 106 people took part in the two-day event, which featured activities such as walking, crokinole, shuffleboard, cards, scrabble, darts, and carpet bowling.

Here are the results of some of the games:

Walking Event (Male)

1st place: Gerry Smith 2nd place: John Watson 3rd place: Brian Pace

Scrabble

Three way tie for 1st Place: Diana Williams & Patsy Moser Cora Pollard & Brenda Garrity Genievieve Gaudet & Joan Lewis

Crokinole

1st Place: Billy Polson & Allan MacKeen 2nd Place: Patsy Moser & Diana Williams 3rd Place: Lynda MacIntosh & Wendy Paquette

Auction 45's

1st Place: Yvonne Breen & Diane Keeping 2nd Place: Rita Kennedy & Doreen Lombardo 3rd Place: Barbara Pace & Sharon Pye

Indoor Shuffleboard

1st Place: Christine Spears & Diane McMullen 2nd Place: Lynda Worth & Rosalie McAuley 3rd Place: Mary Tarbox & Wilda Jewers

Carpet Bowling

1st Place: Juanita Dort, Debbie Padmore, Joyce Pinkham, Marie Parker, Martha Rhynold, Helen Casey, Donna Horne, Beatrice Greencorn

2nd Place: Brenda Garrity, Valerie Hape, Laverna Alexander, Susan Bezanson, Diana Williams, Connie Langille, Dianne Johnson, Brenda Chase, Cora Pollard

3rd Place: Dianne Cooke, Dianne Polson, Elaine Crathorne, Barb Mason, Pat Farnell, Allan MacKeen, Gloria MacKeen

Walking Event (Female)

1st place: Cora Pollard 2nd place: Marg Halloran 3rd place: Genievieve Gaudet

Ladder Golf

1st Place: Denise Grant and Alvina Snow 2nd Place: Mary Tarbox & Wilda Jewers 3rd Place: Juanita Dort & Helen Casey

Darts

1st Place: Allan MacKeen & Gloria MacKeen 2nd Place: Martha Rhynold & Marie Parker 3rd Place: Fay Tarbox & Ellen Boutilier

Crib

1st Place: Barbara Pace & Sharon Pye 2nd Place: Fay Tarbox & Ellen Boutlier 3rd Place: Juanita Dort & Helen Casey





PUBLIC NOTICE • MUNICIPAL BUS SHELTERS



The Municipality is asking any residents no longer using a bus shelter to please contact the office: 902-533-3705 ext. 242 to arrange pickup, so that unused shelters can be allocated to current and future SRCE students. Thank you!

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

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.

Square Roots Guysborough

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

Upcoming dates: November 8 & 22, December 6 & 20

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



Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

Quilt Tickets for Sale - Up Coming Bazaar

Our 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 the many surrounding communities.

Once again the Auxiliary is selling tickets on an 86" by 86"quilt, called "Moon Glow" in beautiful shades of blue. Second Prize is a lovely cross-stitched cushion. You can buy your tickets from any Auxiliary member. The Annual Fall Bazaar and Luncheon will take place on Saturday November 08 - 1100-1:00pm at the Royal Canadian Legion in Guysborough.

Help Support you Local Hospital by making a financial donation and/or prizes to the auction, Stick Pick or Bake Table. We appreciate and thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

We have recently purchased a Bladder Scanner for \$25,000 as well as an Ultrasound and Electrotherapy Combination Machine \$5500 for the very busy Physio department.

We continue to provide the hospital with cable TV, personal care items, and support for the foot clinic. We are always interested in attracting new members. Both men and women are welcome to join. Reach out to Maureen at 902-533-4068 or email mmp.landry@gmail.com

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

Guysborough County Home Support Agency

Congratulations to Patricia L.(25 years), Helena L.(10 years), & Mary MM.(10 years) for recently receiving your Years of Service award. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to home support in Guysborough County.

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





Eastern Light Lodge #72, A.F. L.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!

<u>Club 7</u>

Weekly Wednesday Games Day, 10:00am - 12:00pm. Tea/Coffee served. Come join us for fun, laughs and friendship. Open To All. Will take place on the following Wednesdays:

November 5 - Port Felix Hall

November 12 - Larry's River Brad Pellerin Rm

November 19 - Whitehead Hall

November 26 - New Harbour Hall

December 3 - Port Felix Hall

December 10 - Larry's River Brad Pellerin Rm

December 17 - Whitehead Hall

(Christmas Break until January 7, 2026)

Wreath Making Workshop

THURSDAY, November 27, 10:00am - 1:00pm at Larry's River, Brad Pellerin Room.

Lunch will be served. All materials will be supplied. (bring protective gloves for working with boughs) Registration required. Book early for a seat.

RSVP to 902-525-2534 to book your space as numbers are limited.



Join the Eastern Shore Citizen Science **Coastal Monitoring Network!**

We know surprisingly little about how our coastline is changing and how local weather patterns shape life along our shores. The best way to be prepared for coastal and climate risks is with data we collect ourselves — from our own communities.



ESCOM invites residents across the Municipality of the District of Guysborough to join this growing effort. Our members receive free training on how to monitor beaches and coastal conditions, install and manage personal weather stations, and share data that supports local conservation and emergency preparedness.

Two active teams already exist — one in the Canso Area (four weather stations, two beaches) and another in the Acadian Area (one station, two beaches). A new team is forming in Port **Shoreham** — and we'd love for you to be part of it!



Scan the QR code to register your interest today!

Canso Area Development Association (CADA)

Annual General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 7pm Location: Canso Library & Resource Centre

The Public is cordially invited to attend our Annual General Meeting (AGM). Our Guest Speaker will outline perspectives on economic development initiatives in our area.

Light refreshments will be served.



The Miles MacDonald Performance Centre

ONLINE TICKET PURCHASES NOW AVAILABLE at: www.chedabuctoplacetheatre.com

HEATHER RANKIN & JENN SHEPPARD

Sunday, November 2 @ 2:00pm

Originals, Covers & Classics...heavenly harmonies and boundless energy.

An afternoon of great music!

Advance tickets: \$35 (at the door \$40)

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 7 @ 2 - 3:30pm

Come and enjoy the festive sounds of the season!

Admission: PAY WHAT YOU CAN

All monies collected, will be donated to a local charity.

MMPC would like to acknowledge a sponsorship donation made by Stephanie Cook in loving memory of Robin (Bobby) Cook.

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



Project Prep Fund 2025

Does your business require financing to prepare for future Projects within Guysborough County?

Maximum Loan \$20,000 Maximum Term 3 years Low interest rates

For additional information email us at:

wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca



Cubs/ Scouts Information

It starts with Scouts!

Time: Monday evenings 6 pm-7:30 pm

Location: Fanning Education Centre/ Canso Academy

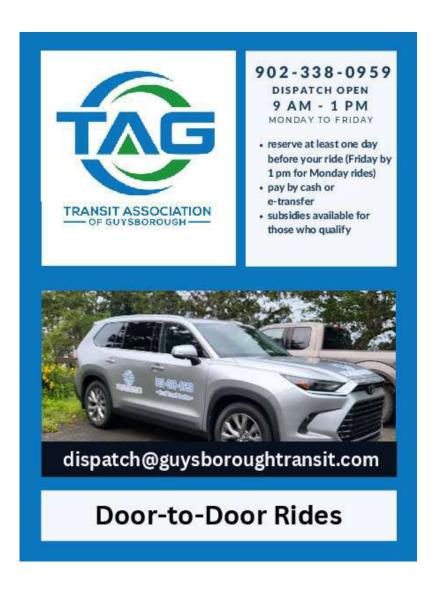


Parents and Youth ages 8-14 are invited to an information session on the Canadian Path Scouting Program. Outdoor activities include cooking, camping, hiking and some water events.

Subsidies are available with registration confirmation: Go to the link myscouts.ca

Contact: Harold Roberts (Phone# 902-366-2287) or email: harold.m.roberts@gmail.com

New youth joining are offered free registration from September to December 31, 2025.





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!

Goldboro Interpretive Centre

Auction 45's

The Centre hosts card night every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The admission is \$5 per person, partner not required. Come join the fun!

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.

Remembrance Day Service

A service will be held at the Centre at 11:00 on Tuesday, November 11th, followed by a light luncheon.

Christmas Dinner

The annual Christmas dinner will be held on Saturday, December 6th. Dine-in or take-out meals will be available. Call 902-387-2635 to reserve your seating.





Antigonish Women's Resource Centre (AWRCSASA)

The Antigonish Women's Resource Center and Sexual Assault Services Association- Guysborough Office

Located in the Chedabucto Mall in Guysborough Nova Scotia. For more information or to book an appointment with the Outreach worker or other staff, please call 782-452-6221.

Office hours:

Monday 9-4 Sherbrooke and surrounding area Outreach

Wednesday 9-4 Canso/Little Dover and surrounding area Outreach
Thursday 9-4 Guysborough and surrounding area Outreach
Friday 10-3 Immigration Support Service Bi Weekly

Natalie Sangster- Women's Rural Outreach and Community Engagement Worker for Guysborough County 902-318-7679/

Community Engagement Guysborough County

Working with partners and women in Guysborough County to offer programs and workshops that engage and connect women to their communities and resources available to them. Community engagement promotes ongoing connections through workshops, presentations and partnerships.

Women's Health and Wellness

Allison Grady- Women's Health and Wellness Coordinator for Antigonish and Guysborough Counties
The Women's Health and Wellness Coordinator addresses women's wellness through a variety of partnerships and activities held throughout Guysborough County that engage women to participate and learn about various topics related to their health and wellness. 902-863-6221.

<u> Harbourview Community Centre – New Harbour</u>

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

Come out to our Pre-Christmas Dinner on November 22 at 4:30pm (eat-in or take out)

Children's Christmas Party – December 6th 1-3pm
(Register your child by November 15 – register by Facebook or by calling the phone number below
Watch our Facebook page for updates and upcoming events
For Bookings call 902-387-7997

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



New Harbour & Area Fitness Center

Fall is just around the corner. Our hours: (subject to change)

Mornings

Tuesday & Thursday – 6-7am & 7:00-8:00am (2 different supervisors)
Wednesday – 7-9am
Friday 6-7am

Evenings 6pm-8pm Monday to Thursday

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

We are closed on Holidays. Times are subject to change

Ocean Lake Riders ATV Club

Our meetings are at the Harbourview Community Centre - New Harbour, first Monday of the month at 7pm. (unless it is a holiday – then it's the following Monday) (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 our "Fall Rally "on October 4 – great success. Thank you to all those who helped with the Rally and those who donated door prizes as well. Thank you to Dept of Recreation, Municipipality of District of Guysbrough for your support.

When out on the trails enjoying the beautiful fall weather, adhere to OHV Rules and Regulations.

Our motto 'Pack it in – Pack it Out!"

New Harbour Dart League

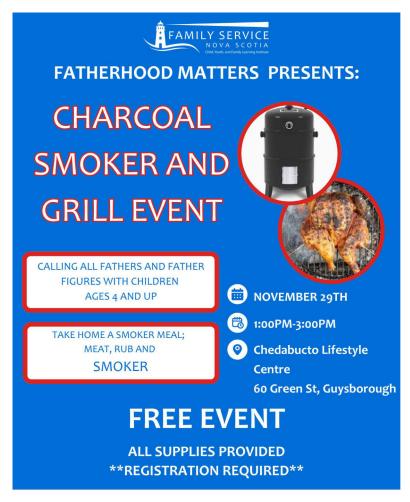
9503 Harbourview Community Centre

November 7^{th} will be our first night of darts for the 2025/2026 season. Same time, same rules, same place.

Friday nights
Meat / prize Darts
register to play @7pm, play starts 7:30pm
19 and over

Come out and spend the evening with friends and have a few laughs.





LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLEREGISTRATION REQUIRED**
CALL/TEXT OR EMAIL BY NOVEMBER 22ND
902-870-4096 JMACDONALD@FAMILYSERVICENS.CA

Country Harbour Marina Update

With another successful boating season wrapped up at the Country Harbour Marina we'd like to thank everyone for their support - our clients, staff, people who stopped by for an ice cream or just to enjoy the view and most importantly the volunteers who work tirelessly to manage this facility. The docks are removed for another season and we are thankful and appreciative to all who come out and help with this labour intensive task! Our AGM will be in the first quarter of 2026 and we are always looking for members so keep an eye on our facebook page for updates on date/time. It is our intention to hire a student for the 2026 season and we'll be updating on that over the winter months as well! If you're interested in a berth please contact us via messenger on facebook or email at salsmanmarina@gmail.com - as always we have season launch passes available which make great stocking stuffers!

Wishing all a safe and healthy winter!



Well, the fall session of the Nova Scotia Legislature is behind us- I'm very proud of our government for passing several important pieces of legislation that protect families ad strengthen our communities, while growing the economy, modernizing services and creating opportunities, not just here in Guysborough-Tracadie but right across Nova Scotia! Of course, now that this session is finished, I'm very happy to back in the constituency to meet with the people I represent and visit various events. I recently had the opportunity to attend the 50th anniversary of the Harbourview Volunteer Fire Department in New Harbour. A huge thank you to these volunteers- and all volunteer fire departments in Guysborough-Tracadie- for all you do to protect our communities!

Speaking of our volunteer fire departments, I was very pleased to announce several have been approved for funding through the province's Emergency Services Provider Fund- a total of nearly \$219,000 for eight departments in Guysborough-Tracadie, including Milford Haven, Chedabucto, Harbourview and Canso and Hazel Hill here in the MODG.

Since this is the last newsletter of 2025, I would like to say how much of an honour it truly is to represent you as your MLA- I have not, and will not, ever take it for granted. From myself, my wife Sue, our two girls Kate and Lucy, our wonderful dogs Charlie and Gus and of course my Constituency Coordinator Charla, we want to wish you a very Merry Christmas, and all the best in 2026!

Thank you, Greg

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🎓 9996 HWY 16, Guysborough

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.

Remaining 2025 Meeting Dates: November 3, December 1

Upcoming 2026 Meeting Dates: January 5, February 2, 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 <u>ursularyan55@gmail.com</u>



Community News <u>Updates from ArtWorks East</u>

"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. We've already started with a Lantern Making Workshop highlighting a German tradition, a Samhain Mask-Making Workshop highlighting a Celtic tradition, a Chinese Arts & History Workshop that highlighted aspects of Chinese artistry and traditions, and a kids workshop series celebrating Acadian Heritage. We plan on introducing more workshops that will touch on Métis, Eastern European, African-Canadian, and other cultural traditions from various backgrounds.

For upcoming workshops visit:

artworkseast.ca/events

Christmas Tree Decoration Workshop

ArtWorks East members Sandy Winter and Kathy Gosbee will be working with Cast Away Cafe to host a Christmas Tree Decoration Workshop where participants will create an ornament for the tree at the cafe along with one to take home for their own tree. The workshop is open to all ages and will take place on November 15th from 1-3pm at the Cast Away Cafe in Guysborough. The workshop and registration link will be posted on our social media page or you can visit: artworkseast.ca/events

ArtWorks East in the Community

We are continuing our art classes with GOALS which started again in October. We have several 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. The GOALS members will also be preparing some Christmas pieces in one of the classes to sell at the Guysborough Christmas Market taking place at the CLC in Guysborough on Sunday, November 30th from 11am to 3pm.

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.

We also have some of our artists selling their works on our online shop where we offer free shipping within Canada.

You can learn more at artworkseast.ca

Email: info@artworkseast.ca

Facebook: facebook.com/ArtWorksEast.Guysborough



Canso Lions Club

The Canso Lions Club holds is 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. TV Bingo is steamed at the Canso Lions club web site.

Drop In Darts are held each Tuesday at 7:30 PM everyone is welcome. Card plays are held every Thursday at 7:30 PM

Canso Lions Club Executive

King Lion Wayne Sullivan 902-366-2950, Treasurer Lion Marie Sullivan 902-366-2950, Secretary Lion Catherine DeRabbie 902-366-2721, Hall bookings Lion Juanita Dort 902-366-2639, Membership Chair Lion Donna Grant 902-302-7259.

The Canso Lions donated \$8,116.67 to Eastern Memorial Hospital for a patient lift. This donation is from the TV Bingo project which has strong community support.

The Lions collect used glasses, hearing aids.

The Lions Club needs new members to continue helping individuals and groups in our community if you are interested contact any Lions Club member.

Rising Sun Taekwondo

Child and adult classes.

Tuesdays & Thursdays Tiny Tigers (ages 4-7): 5:45- 6:15pm Family Class (ages 8- Adult): 6:15- 7pm

Pricing
Tiny Tigers- \$40/month
Family Class- \$50/ month
* Family discounts for 2 or more.

All classes held at the CLC Gymnasium.

Gain confidence, athleticism and community. Contact us for more information.

risingsuntaekowndo@gmail.com



Beaches Project Underway - your input needed!

Your Tourism Guysborough County Association is looking to position Guysborough as a distinctive coastal destination. This project aims to identify and promote select local beaches as tourist destinations, with a strong focus on sustainable and responsible tourism. While it's natural for communities to feel protective of their beaches, this initiative is built on the idea that by being proactive now, we can help safeguard these natural spaces for the future.

Rather than leaving the growth of tourism to chance, taking an active role in how our beaches are promoted and managed allows us to propose and promote clear standards for environmental care, visitor behaviour, and community benefit. It gives us the opportunity to protect and tell the story of what makes these places special—before unmanaged visitation puts that at risk.

Sustainable and regenerative tourism can bring real benefits: it supports local businesses, creates jobs, and encourages investment in conservation. With thoughtful planning and community involvement, this project can help ensure that our beaches remain beautiful, accessible, and well-cared-for—not just for tourists, but for current residents and generations to come.

We're inviting your input to help identify beaches that could be included in this project. Guided by Dr. Camilo Botero, resident of Little Dover and leading expert in integrated coastal management, we will assess and select beaches that have the potential to be sustainably promoted to visitors and the wider community. While not all beaches can be included in this initial promotion—each site will be carefully evaluated against a set of criteria to ensure that any promotion supports responsible tourism, environmental protection, and community values - all beaches identified by the community will be included in our portfolio of beaches considered for future sustainable and regenerative activities.

Any questions at all, please reach out to any of our steering committee members (Scott Beaver, Jack Leonard, Bill MacMillan, Brian Gary, Ashley Cunningham Avery, or myself). We would like to thank the Guysborough District Business Partnership for partnering with us on this worthwhile endeavour.

Follow this link to add your favorite hidden gem beach. The link will continue to be open as an ongoing source of information, but for this project, we'd really appreciate your input by October 31, 2025.

https://tinyurl.com/HiddenGemsGTCA



Guysborough County Tourism Association is a volunteer driven organization with a vision of sharing with visitors our sense of sanctuary for vibrant rural communities in a wild and healthy coastal environment. Membership is open to Guysborough County based organizations or individuals with an interest in tourism. The Association can be contacted at tourismguysboroughcounty@gmail.com

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. Registration for this year has already started and the season will begin in early November, but If you would 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.

We have a stick league (no sliding required) usually Wednesday afternoons, a day league usually Monday and Wednesday mornings, a night league usually Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings, a potential commercial league on Friday evenings, and many bonspiels throughout the season.

Equipment such as curling brooms, sliders, stabilizers and delivery sticks are provided free of charge by the Chedabucto Curling Club.

If you have questions about curling at the Chedabucto Curling Club please inquire by calling, texting or emailing us:

Byron Grady 250-263-7916

Email: chedabuctocurling1963@gmail.com

Website: www.chedabuctocc.ca

Like us at www.facebook.com/ChedabuctoCC

Shamrock Club- Canso

We hold a card play every Sunday and Tuesday evening starting at 7:30.

A 5 cent bingo is held every Thursday at 1:00 PM. This is open to the general public.

Our Christmas Bazaar is on November 22. A poster will be put on Facebook with the details.

We have a tentative date of December 6th for our member's Christmas Dinner.

Music nights/ kitchen parties are held the 3rd Friday of every month @ 7:00 PM until around 9:30 PM. All local talent. Doors open @ 6:30. \$5 at the door. Even split tickets will be sold. A light lunch is served around 8:30.

Our hall is available for rental for a minimum charge of \$75 for craft sales, birthday parties, receptions, meetings, etc. Please contact Coleen @ 902-366-3071

Our meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of every month except July and August, and December. If you think you would like to join, just come to a meeting and check us out. Dues are \$20 per year.



JULY 20 - 26, 2026 TICKETS: STANFEST.com







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

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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

BULK WASTE

COLLECTION

MAXMUM 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.

AUTO TIRES UNDER 20"

(ITEMS TOO LARGE FOR

A REGULAR CLEAR BAG)

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

AUTO TIRES WITH RIMS

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

FURNITURE

APPLIANCES

TOYS

NO COLLECTION THURSDAY, JANUARY 1st. COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE FRIDAY, JANUARY 2nd



PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE Waste Sorting Guide www.erswm.ca

WE RECYCLE PLEASE DO YOUR PART!



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 DepotTM 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)

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS: · Aerosols (Hair Spray, Lysol)

- · Propane & Butane Tanks of any size
- -These items must be taken to the GFL Waste Facility-

Download the Eastern NS Waste Info















 CLOTHING ELECTRONICS

AUTO PARTS

YARD WASTE

The Municipality will collect the items below, properly sorted into separate blue bags:

Blue Bag #3 - empty oil and glycol (antifreeze) containers with caps on

Blue Bag #4 - clean clothing, other fabrics, footwear, purses and belts

Blue Bag #5 - metal pots and pans





