



New Glasgow  
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# New Glasgow **NOW**

March 2026

## 25 Years of Making Moments!

Glasgow Square Theatre's 25th Anniversary show on February 7 was a special evening and a wonderful reminder of how much the space has grown over the past 25 years. With a full house and a night filled with performances, the energy in the room made for a memorable celebration. From the stage to the audience, the evening captured what Glasgow Square Theatre is all about: live performance, community, and shared experiences.



March 8 marks International Women's Day and this year's theme, Give To Gain, reminds us that when we give, we gain. By offering our time, encouragement, mentorship, and support, we help create greater opportunities for women and girls in New Glasgow and beyond.

As your Mayor, and as a mother and retired teacher, I have seen how powerful it is when women are supported and empowered. Women strengthen our community every day through leadership, volunteerism, business, public service, and care.

Together, let us continue building a community where women and girls have every opportunity to thrive.

- Mayor Nancy Dicks



FREE

# March Break Activities

## March Break



03/16

### Glow-in-the-Dark Trail Walk

Join us at Rotary Park this March Break for a 3.3km walk on the Samson Trail followed by a campfire, s'mores and hot chocolate!



03/17

### Intro to Ballet with Grace

Two beginner level introduction to ballet classes for youth ages 8-14.



03/18

### Winter Guided Hike

A 3.5km guided hike along the Roy Island Loop.

### Intro to Ballet with Grace

03/19

### Movie Day at Glasgow Square

Watch the first three Ice Age movies at Glasgow Square Theatre back-to-back-to-back. Bring your own snacks!



03/20

### Plein Air Drawing

Drop by Rotary Park to pick up your free drawing supplies, then head for a walk along the Samson Trail to find your subject!

**For more details, visit [www.newglasgow.ca](http://www.newglasgow.ca)**

**★ = Registration is required, contact [recreation@newglasgow.ca](mailto:recreation@newglasgow.ca) or 902-755-8363**

# Join the Pictou County Hike Club!



## Hike Leader Spotlight: Veronica



Among the dedicated leaders with the Pictou County Hike Club is a familiar face from New Glasgow, Veronica, who works with the Town of New Glasgow and is an Outdoor Council of Canada certified Hiking Field Leader.

Veronica's favourite place to hike is anywhere she can bring her two golden retrievers. She enjoys introducing participants to new trails and helping them experience parts of Pictou County they may not have explored before. We're proud to see one of our own helping people get outside and discover all that our region has to offer.

Looking to get outside and explore Pictou County? The Pictou County Hike Club connects local hikers through guided hike updates, upcoming events, trail photos, and community tips. From wooded trails to coastal walks, it's all about moving outdoors together.



Join the group on Facebook by searching Pictou County Hike Club or visiting: [Pictou County Hike Club](#)

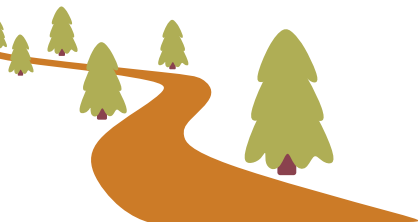
The Pictou County Hike Club is a partnership between the Town of New Glasgow, Municipality of Pictou County, Town of Pictou and Town of Westville.

## Hikes Happening During March

March 4 6:00 p.m.  
Acadia Park, Westville  
3 km, 45 minutes

March 18 6:00 p.m.  
Roy Island Trail, Little Harbour  
5 km, 75 minutes

**Register: [melanie.dash@westville.ca](mailto:melanie.dash@westville.ca) | 902-396-1059**



# Walk-N-Roll Indoor Walking Program

Stop by Glasgow Square Theatre, located at 155 Riverside Parkway, New Glasgow, on Mondays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., starting January 19, for free indoor walking. Walk-N-Roll offers a safe and supportive indoor environment for staying active. This program is free to attend. For more information, please contact 902-755-8363 or [recreation@newglasgow.ca](mailto:recreation@newglasgow.ca)



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## PC Climate Summit- Save the Date!

**PICTOU COUNTY**  
*Climate Summit*  
**PICTOU COUNTY WELLNESS CENTRE**

MELMERBY BEACH PARK  
NEW GLASGOW  
STELLARTON  
TOWN OF PICTOU  
PICTOU LANDING FIRST NATION  
WESTVILLE  
TRENTON PARK

**SAVE THE DATE | MAY 29th & 30th, 2026**

The Pictou County Climate Summit will take place May 29-30 at the Pictou County Wellness Centre, bringing together municipal leaders and staff, organizations, businesses, and community members to strengthen collaboration and accelerate collective climate action across the region. Hosted by the Pictou County Partnership in collaboration with the Municipality of Pictou County, Pictou Landing First Nation, and the towns of New Glasgow, Pictou, Stellarton, Trenton, and Westville, the 2026 Climate Summit builds on the momentum of the 2023 event led by Atlantic Infrastructure Management (AIM) Network.

Sign up to learn more and receive updates here: [2026 Pictou County Climate Summit](#)

If you are interested in exhibiting at the event, please contact Monica Rivers at [comms@pictoucountypartnership.com](mailto:comms@pictoucountypartnership.com) to learn more.

# Busy Month Ahead at the Square!

## GLASGOW SQUARE MARCH EVENTS



**MAR  
4**

**JIMMY RANKIN'S KITCHEN  
PARTY SONGWRITERS EDITION**

7:30 PM

**YUK YUK'S 50<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY COMEDY TOUR**

7:30 PM

**MAR  
7**



**MAR  
8**

**SONGS AT THE SQUARE  
SONGWRITER CIRCLE**

1:00 PM

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY WITH  
THE IRISH DESCENDANTS**

7:30 PM

**MAR  
13**



**MAR  
20**

**COMEDY AT THE SQUARE**

7:30PM

**KELLIE LOADER**

7:30 PM

**MAR  
26**



**MAR  
27**

**TAYLOR SWIFT DANCE PARTY NEON  
PARTY TOUR**

8:00 PM

**ALEX MACKENZIE NEVER BEEN  
BETTER COMEDY TOUR**

7:30 PM

**MAR  
28**



**MAR  
29**

**A TRIBUTE TO JOHN PRINE**

3:00 PM | 2<sup>nd</sup> show: 6:30 PM

**Glasgow  
Square**

155 RIVERSIDE PARKWAY, NEW GLASGOW, NS

# Free Shows with Your Library Card



We're excited to introduce a new partnership between the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library and Glasgow Square Theatre, making live entertainment more accessible in our community.

With the Moments for Everyone Arts Pass, library cardholders can borrow a pass from any PARL branch and receive two free tickets to select Glasgow Square performances. Simply borrow a pass or place a hold through the SamePage catalogue, then exchange it at the Glasgow Square Box Office for tickets to the show printed on the pass. Passes are released two weeks before each performance and should be redeemed at least 48 hours in advance.

Passes are available to anyone with a valid PARL library card, with one pass permitted per show.



## Volunteer Awards Nominations Now Open

Do you know someone who goes above and beyond to make New Glasgow a better place? The Town of New Glasgow is now accepting nominations for the 2026 Volunteer Awards. This is your opportunity to recognize the individuals who give their time, talent, and energy to strengthen our community.

Submit a nomination online using this link: [Volunteer Awards Microsoft Forms](#) or complete a nomination form in person at the Town Hall office. The deadline to submit nominations is March 17, 2026.

- Provincial Volunteer of the Year
- Carlton Munroe Music & Events Memorial Award
- Cultural Heritage Award
- Scott W. Weeks Community Service Award
- Social Justice Award
- Youth Volunteer Leadership Award



# March Programs at the New Glasgow Library



- Scavenger Hunt: All month
- Babies and Books: Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Family Story Time: Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Crafternoon: Fridays, 3:00 p.m.
- Seated Stretch: Mondays, 10:30 a.m.
- Viola's Place Outreach: Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Tech Help: By appointment
- Community Volunteer Income Tax Program: Thursday afternoons in March
- Make T-shirt Bag: Tuesday, March 3, 2:00 p.m.
- Pictou County Roots Society General Meeting: Wednesday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.
- Open Maker Space and 3D Print Club: Wednesday, March 11, 6:00–7:30 p.m.
- Wicked Little Letters: Movie Matinee: Friday, March 13, 1:00 p.m.
- Pi Day Fun with Jessica: Saturday, March 14, 2:00 p.m.
- Teen Jam: Monday, March 16, 2:00 p.m.
- East Currents Music Circle: Tuesday, March 17, 10:30 a.m.
- Jessica's Book Club: Tuesday, March 17, 7:00 p.m.
- Make a Bracelet for Tweens: Wednesday, March 18, 2:00 p.m.
- Bill's Book Club: Wednesday, March 18, 2:00 p.m.
- Felting Workshop: Friday, March 20, 10:30 a.m.
- My Mom Thinks I'm Funny: An Introduction to Stand-Up Comedy: Saturday, March 21, 3:00 p.m.
- Homeschool Hub: Wednesday, March 25, 2:00 p.m.
- Open Makerspace Teen Night (13–18): Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.
- Return to Seoul: Foreign Language Film: Thursday, March 26, 6:00 p.m.
- Create a Collage: Friday, March 27, 1:30 p.m.
- Family Movie, Mummies: Saturday, March 28, 1:00 p.m.
- Bermuda: Armchair Travel: Monday, March 30, 3:00 p.m.

**For details or registration, contact the New Glasgow Library at 902-752-8233.**

## Read Coast to Coast Reading Challenge

From February 21 to April 30, 2026, readers of all ages are invited to explore books from five regions across Canada for a chance to win a prize. The Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library is excited to take part in the Read Coast to Coast Reading Challenge, celebrating Canadian authors from across the country.

Pick up a free contest map at your local library branch or print one from [SamePageNS.ca](http://SamePageNS.ca). Read one Canadian book from each region, then bring your map to the library after each book to receive a travel stamp sticker and a ballot entry. Youth and adult reading lists, including English and French titles, are available through the online catalogue.

Read Coast to Coast is a Same Page initiative, supported by the Province of Nova Scotia.

# Happening at Ward 1



## Adult Mixed Darts

Adult Mixed Darts takes place Saturdays from 2:00–6:00 p.m. This is a 19+ event with a \$5 cost and includes bar service, music, and a 50/50 draw.

## Adult Crafts and Social Connections

Adult Crafts and Social Connections runs weekly on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Participants are invited to bring their own craft supplies. Board games and cards are available, and everyone is welcome.

## Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga is offered every Friday from 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at the Ward 1 Recreation Centre. No registration is required. For more information, call 902-755-4647.

## Paint & Sip Night

Paint & Sip Night takes place Friday, March 27 from 6:00–9:00 p.m. at the Ward 1 Recreation Centre. This is a 19+ event with a \$30 fee. To register, contact Kieshia Desmond at [kieshiadesmond@gmail.com](mailto:kieshiadesmond@gmail.com).

487 Brother Street, New Glasgow

For updates and additional details, visit [Ward 1 Social and Recreation on Facebook](#).



# Happening at the WSCC

## Community Volunteer Free Tax Program

The Community Volunteer Free Tax Program runs Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in March and April. Individuals with a modest income and simple tax situation can have their taxes prepared at no cost.

## Easter Chocolate Bar Bingo

Easter Chocolate Bar Bingo takes place Saturday, March 28 from 3:30–5:00 p.m. at the WSCC. Each card is one chocolate bar or \$2 and is good for all rounds. Enjoy an afternoon of bingo, sweet prizes, and family fun.

181 Lavinia Street, New Glasgow

For updates and additional details, visit [West Side Community Centre on Facebook](#).

# African Heritage Month 2026

Today, the Town of New Glasgow proudly proclaimed African Heritage Month 2026 during a meaningful ceremony held at Summer Street Industries. The program featured musical performances, the reading and signing of the official proclamation, the unveiling of the 2026 African Heritage Month poster, greetings from community leaders, and a special tribute honouring the legacy of Henderson Paris and the Run Against Racism. Thank you to our community partners, performers, speakers, and everyone who joined us in celebrating the history, contributions, and continued impact of African Nova Scotian communities in New Glasgow and across Pictou County.

## Thank you John Ashton!

As African Heritage Month comes to a close, the Town of New Glasgow thanks local historian John Ashton for his dedication to sharing our community's history.

Throughout February, John prepared a special four part series highlighting the journey of Andrew Izzard, which we published weekly on our social media and in the Advocate. His ongoing work to research and preserve local history helps recognize the legacy and contributions of African Nova Scotians in our region.

We are grateful for the time and care he puts into ensuring these important stories continue to be shared.



# Tribute Video Released for Henderson Paris

During the African Heritage Month Proclamation Ceremony, a special tribute video documentary was shared in honour of Henderson Paris and the lasting impact of the Run Against Racism. The film reflects on Mr. Paris's powerful vision of bringing people together to stand against racism and promote understanding, inclusion, and respect within our community.



The Run Against Racism became more than an annual event. It was a meaningful call to action that encouraged education, dialogue, and unity. Through his leadership and dedication, Henderson Paris helped create space for important conversations and inspired generations to continue building a community where everyone feels valued and respected.

Produced by RavenMedia, the tribute documentary highlights personal reflections, community voices, and the enduring influence of this important initiative. It serves as a reminder of how one person's commitment can spark lasting change.

The video is available to watch on YouTube: [Henderson Paris Documentary 2026](#)

## NGA's African Heritage Month Assembly

Thank you to New Glasgow Academy for hosting a meaningful African Heritage Month Assembly. The event featured student leadership and a guest speaker, creating an opportunity for reflection, learning, and celebration.

We appreciate the effort and thoughtfulness shown in recognizing African Heritage Month and the importance of honouring this history within our community.



# Honouring Sgt. Darryl Paris with the Heart and Hands Award

During the African Heritage Month Proclamation Ceremony, New Glasgow Regional Police recognized Sgt. Darryl Paris as the inaugural recipient of the Cst. Anthony Cordeel Thomas Heart and Hands Award.

Created in partnership with the Town of New Glasgow, the award honours the legacy of Constable Anthony Cordeel Thomas and recognizes individuals who embody values of kindness, compassion, teamwork, humility, and a genuine commitment to serving others.



As the first recipient, Sgt. Paris sets the standard for what this award represents. He was selected for the way he leads, supports his colleagues, and consistently shows up for the community. Please join us in congratulating Sgt. Paris on this well-deserved recognition.

## NGRP Profile Fridays



New Glasgow Regional Police recently highlighted Cadet/Constable Lance Emery as part of its Profile Fridays series.

Lance is completing the on-the-job training portion of the Police Sciences Program at the Atlantic Police Academy. As part of his training, he has been assigned to D-Platoon, working with Cpl. Kyle Watters as his Field Training Officer.

Born and raised in Pictou County, Lance continues to call the area home. He brings experience from working with Correctional Service Canada, along with extensive first-responder experience as a member of the West River Fire Department.

Cadet/Constable Emery is currently in the middle of a three-month on-the-job training process. Congratulations to Lance on completing the in-service portion of his training at the Atlantic Police Academy, and best wishes as he continues the next phase of his training with NGRP.

# NGRP Taking the Polar Plunge

Members of the New Glasgow Regional Police will be heading to Halifax this spring to take part in the 8th Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run Halifax Polar Plunge in support of Special Olympics Nova Scotia.

The event takes place on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at Queen's Marquee on Lower Water Street in Halifax, where officers and supporters from across the province will brave the icy waters for a great cause.

D/Cst. Kris Young shared:

"I am proud to share that several fellow officers, friends, and I will be participating in the event once again in support of Special Olympics. This event raises awareness and important funds to provide year-round sports training and opportunities for local and provincial athletes. Last year Cst. Donnie Wadden, Napoleon and I raised \$706 in support of the event. We're seeking support to reach our fundraising goal. Any contribution, big or small, will make a meaningful impact."

Community members who would like to support the team can make a donation with the QR code below or using this link: [Freezin' for a Reason \(NGRP\)](#).



# Coffee with a Cop

Community members stopped by McDonald's on East River Road to take part in the New Glasgow Regional Police Coffee with a Cop event. It was a great opportunity for conversation and connection within the community.

Thank you to the McDonald's staff for their hospitality and for hosting the event. Stay tuned for details on the next Coffee with a Cop event and location.



## Safe Seniors Police Academy Launches Successfully



Thank you to everyone who attended the first Safe Seniors Police Academy session on February 17 at the Pictou County Wellness Centre. It was a great afternoon of learning, conversation, and connection with members of the New Glasgow Regional Police.

This free program gives seniors helpful information on crime prevention, scams and frauds, personal safety, and how local policing works, all in a relaxed classroom setting.

There are still spots available for the March 31 session. For more information or to register, please contact New Glasgow Regional Police at 902 755 8322 or email [mary.langley@newglasgow.ca](mailto:mary.langley@newglasgow.ca)

# Creating Nature Shadow Boxes at NERC



We had a lovely time at the North End Recreation Centre creating nature shadow box crafts together. There was lots of creativity, plenty of smiles, and some beautiful pieces made along the way. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make it such an enjoyable program.



# Sweet Learning at Glasgow Square



We had a wonderful afternoon at Glasgow Square learning all about maple syrup production with Creekside Farm Maple. From tapping trees to bottling the finished product, they walked us through the entire process, sharing their expertise and answering plenty of thoughtful questions along the way. It was an engaging and informative session, with a few laughs mixed in, and we're grateful to Creekside Farm Maple for taking the time to share their knowledge with our community.



# Nova Scotia Quality of Life Survey

It Starts with You!

You are invited to complete the Nova Scotia Quality of Life Survey.

Watch your mailbox for an invitation containing your unique user code to participate!

What makes this different? This survey will give us a fuller story about what is really going on in our province. That's why Engage Nova Scotia asks in-depth questions – questions not asked elsewhere – like, Do you have enough time for your family? Can you pay your bills? Do you experience loneliness?

This is how our stories become interconnected and ultimately a force for change in advocacy, decision-making, and community-led and government solutions that lead to a better quality of life in Nova Scotia.

The more of us who participate, the more representative the data will be of everyone who lives in the province. That's why 100% of Nova Scotia households are being given the chance to participate in the survey (as well as those without fixed addresses).

Please share your story!

Learn more and access the survey at: [engagenovascotia.ca](https://engagenovascotia.ca)



## Win a Trip for Two Anywhere WestJet Flies

Tearmann Society is hosting an exciting fundraiser with an incredible prize that could take you anywhere WestJet flies. The grand prize includes one roundtrip flight for two guests to any regularly scheduled and marketed WestJet destination, along with \$2,500 in spending money. Tickets are \$20 each, offering a wonderful opportunity to support the important work Tearmann Society provides to women and families experiencing abuse in Pictou County. Every ticket purchased helps strengthen local supports and services. Thank you for considering taking part in this important fundraiser.

Draw Date: April 1, 2026

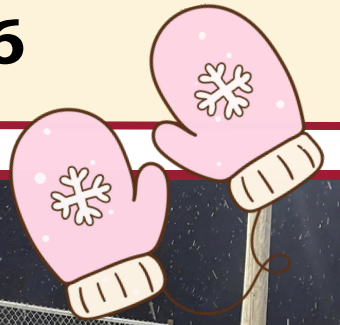
Travel must take place before December 1, 2026

Lottery License #: AGD-365091-26

To purchase tickets, please email [secretary@tearmann.ca](mailto:secretary@tearmann.ca) or call 902-396-6906.



# WSSC Winter Carnival 2026



# Kin Canada Day and Kin Canada Week Proclaimed

At a recent Council meeting, Mayor Nancy Dicks proclaimed February 20, 2026 as Kin Canada Day and February 15 to 21, 2026 as Kin Canada Week in the Town of New Glasgow. Kin Canada has been serving communities across the country since 1920 and continues to demonstrate excellence, integrity, inclusiveness, and compassion through its service work. As the organization celebrates its 106th anniversary this year, the Town recognizes and thanks local members for their ongoing commitment to strengthening our community.



## Seedy Swap Success!





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