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November 2026

Our Hometown Heroes

The Hometown Heroes Banner Program recognizes New Glasgow veterans and active members of the Canadian Armed Forces. Each banner features the name, photo, and service details of a local hero, and is proudly displayed throughout our downtown. This initiative recognizes and celebrates those who have served, or are currently serving, in the Canadian Armed Forces or Merchant Marine, and who have a connection to our community. We are grateful to the families who have shared their loved ones' stories.



Roger Brown



Capt. Brenden MacDonald



Jr. Kenneth MacDonald



John Hugh Lewis

Message from the Mayor



Municipal Awareness Week falls during the first week of November, and New Glasgow is giving us plenty to be aware of! From community events to everyday services, there is much happening around town and behind the scenes. Thank you to the staff, volunteers and community partners who make it possible.

Veterans' Week, November 5 to 11, is a time to honour those who have served and continue to serve our country. Our Hometown Heroes banners remind us of the local people and families connected to that service. I encourage you to join us at Carmichael Park on November 11 for our Remembrance Day service.

With guided hikes, recreation activities and performances at Glasgow Square, there are plenty of ways to get involved and connect this month.

Mayor Nancy Dicks

Our Hometown Heroes



Lloyd Arthur States



Joseph Allan MacLean



Hector Allan MacInnis



Ralph Marshall Fraser



Private Donald Simon Thompson



Justin Gratto



Robert Ashton



Harry Dunbar Jardine



John Frederick "Fred" Morrow

Our Hometown Heroes



Joseph William Carter



Howard Hector White



Charles Rankin Smith



Evan MacDonald



John Hugh MacLean



Keith Kinsman Rawding



Robert E. Priske



Leonard Arthur Paris



Marjorie Elaine (Fraser) MacInnis



Private John Grant Thompson

Our Hometown Heroes



Tyler Casey



Henry John Townsend



Peter Lorne Forsythe Borden Sr.



Gordon Arnold Green



Ben Bowden



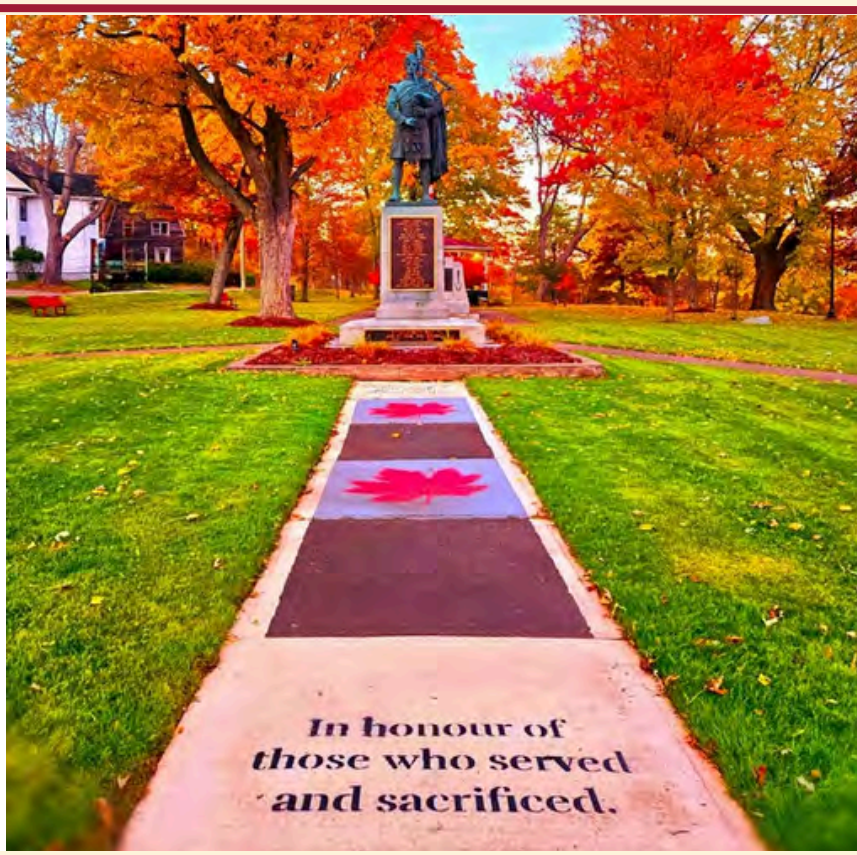
George E. Smith



Remembrance Day Ceremony

A Remembrance Day parade will take place in New Glasgow on November 11, beginning at 10:30 a.m. from the Royal Canadian Legion Normandy Branch 34 and proceeding to Carmichael Park for an 11:00 a.m. service. Community members are welcome to attend and pay their respects.





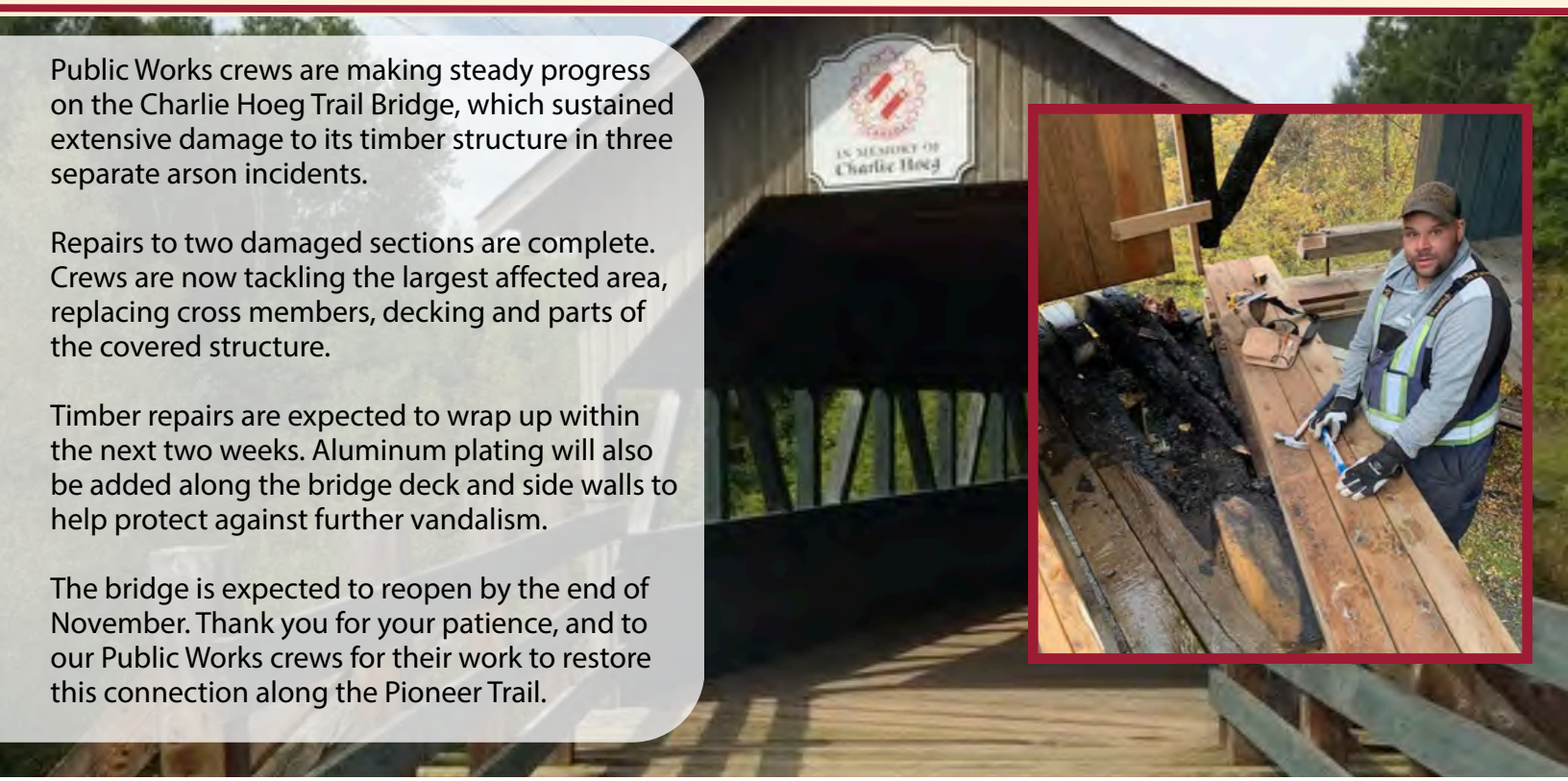
Charlie Hoeg Trail Bridge Repairs Move Forward

Public Works crews are making steady progress on the Charlie Hoeg Trail Bridge, which sustained extensive damage to its timber structure in three separate arson incidents.

Repairs to two damaged sections are complete. Crews are now tackling the largest affected area, replacing cross members, decking and parts of the covered structure.

Timber repairs are expected to wrap up within the next two weeks. Aluminum plating will also be added along the bridge deck and side walls to help protect against further vandalism.

The bridge is expected to reopen by the end of November. Thank you for your patience, and to our Public Works crews for their work to restore this connection along the Pioneer Trail.



Active Aging 10-Week Exercise Program
This welcoming and accessible program is underway at the North End Recreation Centre with Exercise Physiologist Courtney Cruikshank from Mobility Health & Fitness. The program is designed to help older adults build strength, improve balance and mobility, and maintain the confidence and physical abilities needed to stay active and independent. Registration is full.

Trick or Trail
We had a blast at Trenton Park on October 29 for Trick or Trail! An estimated 1,900 attendees (including about 555 trick-or-treaters and their grown-ups) walked the 1 km loop covering an approximate total of 1,900 km. That's about 2,660,000 steps of spooky fun!











Indoor Walking
Walk in a safe and supportive indoor environment on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Glasgow Square Theatre. One lap of the theatre is 45 m. You can walk 1 km in just 22 laps! For more information contact 902-755-8363 or recreation@newglasgow.ca. Indoor walking begins on Monday, November 2.

Go Play Equipment Loan Program

The Go Play Pictou County Equipment Loan Program offers an inventory listing of recreational equipment that is available for FREE loan by the various municipal units throughout Pictou County. The goal of the Equipment Loan Program is to promote an active lifestyle while encouraging people to explore the beautiful outdoor spaces in our community.

Don't let the cooling temperatures keep you inside! Check out the New Glasgow Equipment Guide to see what you can borrow right here in New Glasgow so that you can keep making your move all year round!



Kanata Asoqma'sik Awti'j Signage

Did you know Amasipukwejk (the East River) is part of the Trans Canada Trail?

The Pictou to New Glasgow Water Trail is a 16.3 km paddling route that begins at the public docks outside Glasgow Square Theatre and follows the river toward Pictou Harbour. It's a wonderful way to explore our region from the water!

Thanks to the Trans Canada Trail, new signage has been installed at the public docks and New Glasgow Riverfront Marina, highlighting these locations as part of the Trans Canada Trail network. The signage also features the Mi'kmaq translation, "Kanata Asoqma'sik Awti'j."



Make Your Move on the Ice!



Looking to get out on the ice this fall/winter? Free skating opportunities are available throughout the week at rinks across Pictou County.

Please note: for updates, cancellations or holiday changes, please contact the rink hosting the free skate directly.

CSA-approved helmets are mandatory at some facilities. Please confirm the helmet policy with your local rink before skating. Wearing a helmet is recommended at all times while on the ice.

MAKE YOUR MOVE
New Glasgow

Happening at Ward One

Ramp Replacement
The ramp at the Ward One Social and Recreation Centre is being replaced! While the work is underway, programming will be limited and the playground will be temporarily closed. We appreciate your patience and understanding as these improvements are completed to enhance accessibility and ensure the facility can continue to serve our community. The Town of New Glasgow recognizes the support of the Province of Nova Scotia. We are pleased to work in partnership with the Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage to complete this important accessibility project.



Pumpkin Decorating Contest
The Ward One Social and Recreation Centre held a Pumpkin Decorating Contest from October 8 until October 28. First prize was awarded to Jaxzen Heinsma, second prize to Deacan Gerrior and third place to Alyssa Barron. Congratulations!







Black Health & Wellness Immunization Clinic
Nova Scotia Health is providing a variety of vaccines to those who are eligible on Wednesday, November 18 from 12:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Visit www.nshealth.ca/black-public-health for more information.

Queen's Night - Paint Your Own Doormat
Paint your own doormat at the Ward One Social and Recreation Centre on Friday, November 20 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Ages 19+, cash bar available, bring your own snacks. Contact 902-301-4076 or kieshiadesmond@gmail.com to register.

Halifax Christmas Parade Trip
There are 35 spaces available to attend the Christmas Parade in Halifax with the Ward One Social & Recreation Centre on Saturday, November 21. Youth can attend for free, parents are welcome to join for $25 per person. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by a parent. If you would like to attend, please contact kieshiadesmond@gmail.com.

487 Brother Street, New Glasgow
For updates and additional details, visit Ward One Recreation Centre NG on Facebook

Happening at the WSCC



A Spooktacular Weekend!
The West Side Community Centre had an amazing 2026 Haunted House on October 17 and 18. The board sends a huge thank you to everyone who participated, volunteered, scared and donated.

Annual General Meeting
The West Side Community Centre is run by a dedicated group of volunteers who love giving back, bringing people together, and making our community a great place to live. They're always looking for new board members and volunteers to join! Drop by the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, November 18 from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.!

Sewing Socials
Sewing Socials are back on the last Thursday of the month at the West Side Community Centre! This group teaches beginners how to thread their machines, how to load a bobbin, how to change their needle, and what the different stitches are for. They can help with a project you're working on, and they have practice materials available. This is a welcoming, non-judgemental group who enjoy sharing skills and a good cup of tea. There is a suggested donation of $10 per person to participate. E-mail hello@hodgepodgie.co to register.

WEST SIDE COMMUNITY CENTRE

181 Lavinia Street, New Glasgow
For updates and additional details, visit West Side Community Centre on Facebook

Happening at NERC

NORTH END RECREATION CENTRE
OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD HOME!

North End Seniors Group
Join the North End Seniors Group for a social day of chair yoga, cards, games and crafts with a light lunch. Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Contact northendrec16@gmail.com or 902-616-6296 for more information.

NERC Fall Market
Saturday, November 14 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. If you are a vendor looking to book a table ($10), contact northendrec16@gmail.com or 902-616-6296.



534 High St, New Glasgow
For updates and additional details, visit North End Recreation Centre on Facebook

Pictou County Hike Club

RNS Award Winner!

Pictou County Hike Club is thrilled to have been selected as this year's Connecting People with Nature Award winner at the 2026 Recreation Nova Scotia Awards Ceremony! This award recognizes efforts by an organization, community, or individual to enhance access to outdoor spaces, encouraging more Nova Scotians to enjoy nature.

Pictou County Hike Club is a collaborative initiative between the Towns of New Glasgow, Pictou, Westville and Stellarton, and the Municipality of Pictou County. The club offers inclusive hiking opportunities, helping participants stay active, build community connections, and explore the natural beauty of Pictou County's trails and outdoor spaces.

The award was accepted at Recreation Nova Scotia's annual Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, October 14, by municipal staff and hike leaders Veronica Deno, Active Living Manager with the Town of New Glasgow; Leighton Hayden, Municipal Physical Activity Leader (MPAL) with the Municipality of Pictou County and the Town of Pictou; and Melanie Dash, Recreation Director with the towns of Westville and Stellarton.





The awards presented to this year's winners are beautiful wool felted land and seascapes created by Nova Scotian textile artist, Ursula Ryle-Gulliver.

Fall Guided Hikes

Discover trails in each community in Pictou County to earn the NEW Pictou County Hiker Badge during Pictou County Hike Club's Fall Guided Hike Series! To register for any of the upcoming hikes, contact melanie.dash@westville.ca or call 902-396-1059. All hikes take place at 6:00 p.m.

November 4 @ Kutawtimnu Trail
November 14 @ Jitney Trail
November 18 @ Old Foster Trail
December 2 @ Samson Trail


Trenton Park - Oct 7


Caribou-Munroe's Island - Oct 21


Acadia Park - Oct 28

Join the club on Facebook!

Pictou County Hiker Summit

Join us on Saturday, November 14, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Town of Pictou Recreation Centre (100 Palmerston Street, Pictou) for an afternoon focused on the people who use and enjoy our trails. This public event is a chance for hikers and walkers from across Pictou County to connect and share what matters most to you. Hope to see you there!

Registration is required. Please register here: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/XKkzgnWpRd

Pictou County Hike Club is hosting a 5 km guided hike along the Jitney Trail at 6:00 p.m. following the Hiker Summit. Contact Melanie.Dash@westville.ca or 902-396-1059 to register.



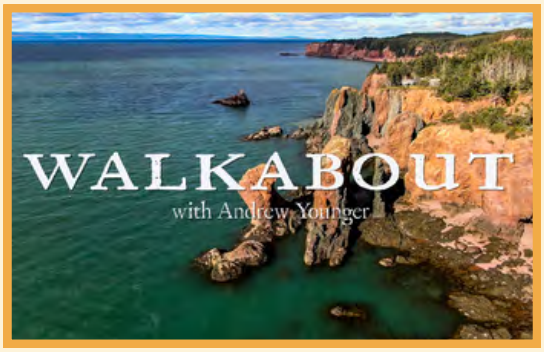
100 km in Spain

Congratulations to Pictou County Hike Club members Cathy & Robert Francis for completing a 100 km section of the Camino de Santiago! The Camino de Santiago is a network of historic pilgrimage routes across Europe that converge at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia, northwestern Spain.



Walkabout

Have you seen the Eastlink TV show, Walkabout? Walkabout is a local Nova Scotia hiking and regional history documentary television series hosted by Andrew Younger. The show features several Pictou County Trails. Check it out at www.whalesong.ca.





Full November Lineup at the Square

NOV 5



JIMMY RANKIN: SONG DOG 25TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

7:30 PM



NOV 8

SONGS FROM THE SQUARE - EPISODE 11 FEATURING T3KILLAH & GEARL FRANCIS

1:00 PM

NOV 13 & 14



TRACY AND MARTINA

7:30 PM



NOV 15

HOLIDAY THEATRE MARKET

10:00 AM

NOV 18



REMEMBRANCE DAY PRESENTATION: RIDGE PERFORMED BY THE FUGITIVES

7:30 PM



NOV 20

COMEDY AT THE SQUARE PRESENTS: OOPS, ALL HEADLINERS!

7:30 PM

NOV 21



RECKLESS: AFTERNOON PUB & DANCE

4:00 PM



NOV 21

GREEN ROOM SESSION WITH ELYSE AERYN

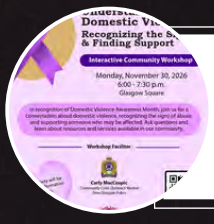
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NOV 24



PICTOU COUNTY POP CLASSICS PRESENTS: AFTER THE HARVEST MOON

7:30 PM



NOV 30

UNDERSTANDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

6:00 PM

For more info, visit glasgowsquare.com

Glasgow Square

The First Week of November is Municipal Awareness Week

In Canada, there are three orders of government:

1. The Government of Canada (Federal Government)
2. The Government of Nova Scotia (Provincial Government)
3. Municipal Government (often referred to as Town Council)

Each order provides services funded by specific taxes, such as income, sales, or property tax. Additional funding may also come from grants or loans.

What are municipal responsibilities?

Municipal powers are defined by the provincial government, and many everyday amenities are provided by these local services. In New Glasgow, we take pride in setting high standards when it comes to the delivery of these services and the stewardship of taxpayer dollars. Many of our employees have contributed to expert panels and trained other municipalities on emerging issues.

- **Transit**
- **Police**
- **Fire Services**
- **Roads & Sidewalks**
- **Stormwater & Wastewater**
- **Drinking water**
- **Economic development**
- **Recreation facilities**
- **Parks, trails, and playgrounds**
- **Development, inspection, and building permits**
- **Property tax & Water bills**
- **Cultural services, events, attractions & tourism**
- **Active Living Programs**

New Website Section: Understanding Local Government

Learn more about how local government works in New Glasgow and how residents can get involved. Explore topics like Civics 101, Council 101, Budget 101, and Public Engagement 101. Visit our website or scan the QR code to learn more.

What is Council?

In New Glasgow, residents elect a Mayor and six Councillors every four years to represent the community.

Council is responsible for setting the overall direction of the Town, establishing policies and bylaws, approving budgets, and helping guide long term priorities for the community.

Municipal government is often referred to as the level of government closest to the people because many of the decisions made by Council directly affect daily life in the community.

How is New Glasgow represented?

The Town of New Glasgow is divided into three wards:

1. Ward One
2. Ward Two
3. Ward Three

Each ward is represented by two Councillors, for a total of six Councillors on Town Council, along with the Mayor. One Councillor is appointed as the Deputy Mayor.

What ward do I live in?

Wards help ensure residents across the community have local representation on Council. Each resident belongs to one of New Glasgow's three wards and is represented by two Councillors.

Residents can use the Ward Map, if they are unsure which ward they live in.

Ward Map

Introducing Our New Electronic Permit Application System!

As of January 1, 2026, the Town of New Glasgow transitioned from paper-based permit applications to a new and improved electronic permitting system. This upgrade is designed to make the application process more convenient, efficient, and accessible for residents, contractors, and developers.

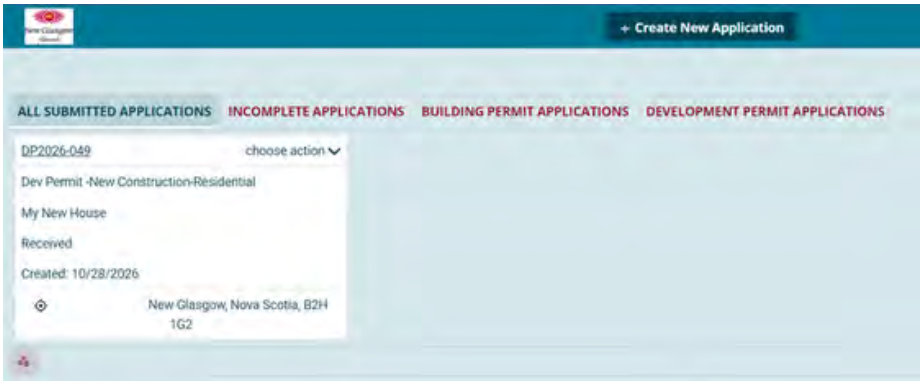
What's New?
The Town is using Trimble Unity Permit, a GIS-based solution that helps streamline permitting, planning, and licensing processes. The new system supports a variety of services, including:
Permit Applications - Submit and manage permit applications electronically.

Plan Submissions - Submit plans and supporting documents.
Inspections - Support inspection scheduling and tracking.
Utility Permitting - Support utility-related permit applications.

Online Payments
As part of this transition, permit application fees and payments will now be processed online through the new system. This change will allow applicants to conveniently submit payments electronically as part of the permitting process.

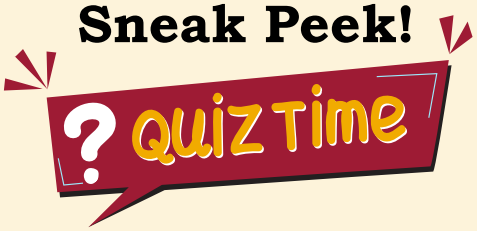
This transition is part of the Town's ongoing efforts to improve service delivery and modernize its processes.

Stay informed! Visit the Town of New Glasgow's website for updates, instructions, and more information about the electronic permit application process.





The Perks of Being a Newsletter Reader: A Trivia Sneak Peek!



November 1 to 7 is Municipal Awareness Week! We're putting your local knowledge to the test with seven trivia questions on the Town's social media pages.

Newsletter readers get a sneak peek and a little extra thinking time. No Googling, though!

1. What year was New Glasgow incorporated as a town?
2. How many wards does New Glasgow have?
3. Council has seven members, including the Mayor. What is the minimum number needed for quorum, the attendance required to conduct Council business?
4. Does the lowest bid always win a Town contract?
5. A Council vote ends in a tie. What happens to the motion?
6. In what year was Forbes Lake developed into a reservoir?
7. The Town purchases a new fire truck. Which budget would normally cover that investment?

Keep track of your guesses and follow along on the Town's social media pages. We'll reveal all seven answers at the end of the week!



New Municipal Services & Working Within The Right Of Way Forms

In September 2026 Town Council approved the NEW Municipal Services and Working Within the Right of Way forms that will be used by anyone requiring construction or repair of a service from the Town (water, sewer, storm sewer, driveway, curb, or civic numbers). These forms will be used for any new services from the street to the property or the rehabilitation of any existing services that require upgrading. Property owners / Developers should be aware of the following changes:

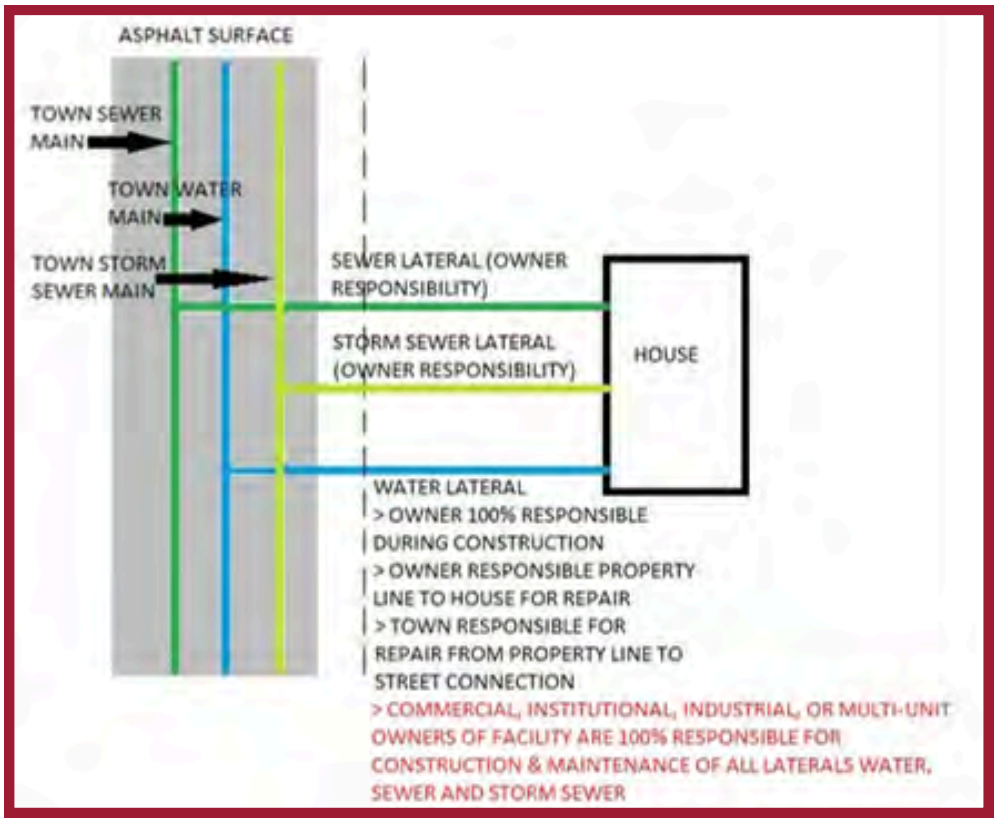
New Service Lateral Construction:
All new water, sewer, storm sewer services are to be constructed at the full cost of the Property Owner / Developer from the connection at the Town main in the street to the property (house). All work in the street (Street Right of Way) including asphalt, sidewalk, etc. reconstruction is to be completed by the Town of New Glasgow with all costs paid in advance by the Property Owner / Developer to the Town of New Glasgow.
**Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, and multi-unit buildings with more than four units are additionally required to pay a $5,000 warranty deposit to the Town of New Glasgow prior to construction that will be held for 1 year following construction completion to address any site settlement. This warranty deposit will be refunded provided all Town of New Glasgow requirements have been met.

Rehabilitation of Service Laterals:

- Rehabilitation of existing water services from the property line to the main in the street is the responsibility of the Water Utility to repair including the replacement of curb, sidewalk, and street asphalt in the repair area only.

- Rehabilitation of existing sewer and storm sewer services from the house to the Town main is the full responsibility of the Property Owner to repair including the replacement of curb, sidewalk and street asphalt in the repair area only within the street right of way and on private property.

Service Lateral Responsibility



Driveway, Curb, Curb Cuts, or Sidewalk:
Installation or repair of driveways, curbs, curb cuts or sidewalks is the responsibility of the property owner and must follow Town of New Glasgow standards and permit approvals.

More Information:
The New Municipal Services and Working Within the Right of Way Forms can be located at the Town of New Glasgow website www.newglasgow.ca or by contacting the Engineering Department at (902)755-8351.



Oh Deer! Please Don't Feed the Wildlife

Help Keep Deer Wild
Deer are a familiar sight in Pictou County, but feeding them encourages large groups to gather in residential areas. Although they may seem harmless, both male and female deer can become aggressive. Please avoid feeding deer and other wildlife.

Why Feeding Wildlife Is Harmful

- Increases exposure to ticks that may carry Lyme disease.
- Attracts predators, such as coyotes, and unwanted rodents.
- Causes damage to gardens and local vegetation.
- Increases the risk of deer-vehicle collisions.
- Encourages deer to gather in unnaturally large groups.

Protecting Your Garden
Protect individual plants with mesh cages or fencing. Wind chimes, reflective objects and motion-activated lights may also help discourage deer from visiting your yard.

Report Deer Feeding
To report someone feeding deer, contact New Glasgow Town Hall at 902-755-7788 or visit 111 Provost Street, New Glasgow.

Serious Wildlife Concerns
For serious wildlife concerns during an after-hours emergency, contact the Department of Natural Resources at 1-800-565-2224.



Fall Tick Safety

Nova Scotia is home to several kinds of ticks, but only blacklegged tick bites can cause illnesses like Lyme disease. You can reduce your risk of tick-borne illness if you wear long pants and long sleeves, light coloured clothing, enclosed shoes, tuck your pants into your socks, walk on well-travelled paths (avoiding long grass and vegetation) and apply insect repellants approved by Health Canada.

After enjoying the outdoors, you should have a bath or shower within two hours of coming inside, complete a thorough tick check of yourself, family members and pets and wash and dry your outdoor clothes.

For more tick safety information including removing, identifying and disposing of ticks as well as signs and symptoms of tick-borne illness, visit: www.novascotia.ca/ticksafety.



Stay Connected with Pictou County REMO

REMO PC stands for Regional Emergency Management Organization Pictou County. This agency leads emergency management work in the six municipal units of Pictou County: preventing or mitigating hazards and risks, preparing for hazards that can't be prevented, responding when an emergency happens, and recovering afterward.

REMO PC works with first response agencies like fire and police departments, critical infrastructure partners like Nova Scotia Health and Nova Scotia Power, volunteer groups like Ground Search & Rescue and local comfort centres, and local residents. REMO brings everyone together before, during, and after an emergency to make communities safer.

We all have a responsibility to be as prepared as possible for hazards. REMO shares basic preparedness tips for all hazards, and information about preparing for and responding to some of the common hazards in Pictou County. For more information or to learn more, check out the REMO PC website or social media pages:
REMO Website
REMO Facebook



Home for the Holidays

Join us on December 2 from 4-8 p.m. for Home for the Holidays, a festive evening with Coastal Nova Scotia, the New Glasgow Farmers Market and the Town of New Glasgow.

Browse local vendors at the Farmers Market Night Market and enjoy live music, firepits, hot chocolate and s'more kits through Coastal Nova Scotia's Evergreen Festival. Santa will be there too!

At Glasgow Square, celebrations run from 5:30–6:30 p.m. with the Town's tree lighting, live music, hot chocolate, Town Crier Jim Stewart and a holiday message from Mayor Nancy Dicks. Families can visit Santa, drop off letters to the North Pole and learn about the Christmas Kindness Project.



Christmas Kindness Project

The Pictou County Christmas Kindness Project is bringing neighbours together to spread kindness and support local causes this holiday season. With 300 kindness shirts sold, donations from the fundraiser will go to a local organization, which will be announced at Glasgow Square on December 2, during the celebrations from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Anyone who purchased a shirt is encouraged to wear it for a group drone photo!



The project is also collecting Christmas cards for seniors in nursing homes and throughout our community. Bring your cards to Glasgow Square that evening, or pick up cards to write at home and return later. A few thoughtful words can help brighten someone's holiday season.





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Domestic Violence: Know the Signs, Find Support



Following sessions on suicide prevention and understanding mental health, New Glasgow Police's community workshop series continues with its third session, focused on domestic violence. Led by Carly MacCuspic, Community Crisis Outreach Worker with New Glasgow Police, these workshops bring people together to talk about important issues and learn about the support available in our community. This session will explore how we can recognize abuse and support someone who may be affected. Community members are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and take part in the conversation.

Understanding Domestic Violence:
Recognizing the Signs & Finding Support

Interactive Community Workshop

Monday, November 30, 2026
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Glasgow Square

In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, join us for a conversation about domestic violence, recognizing the signs of abuse, and supporting someone who may be affected. Ask questions and learn about resources and services available in our community.

Tearmann Society will be there to share information and resources.

Workshop Facilitators

Carly MacCuspic
Community Crisis Outreach Worker
New Glasgow Police

Sgt. Kelly Moore-Reid
New Glasgow Police

Scan Me

Registration is not required but is encouraged.
Scan the QR code to register

Bringing Health Supports Closer to Home



New Glasgow Police is partnering with the Pictou County Community Health Centre to host a community health event on November 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Community Police Station, 90 Provost St., New Glasgow.

Drop in for a general health checkup, blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, health information, or direct referrals to primary care clinics.

Support will also be available for Canadian Dental Care Plan applications, Pharmacare, Nova Scotia Health Card applications and renewals, and replacing a birth certificate.

A limited number of bagged lunches will be available on a first come, first served basis.

Whether you have a health question or need help accessing services, stop by and connect with the team. No appointment required!

Pictou County Community Health Centre

PAWS for a Milkshake

Napoleon stopped by Jaggers Jungle for a milkshake and was far too busy enjoying it to pose for a photo!

You can find Jaggers Jungle inside the Downtown Mini Mall on Provost Street in downtown New Glasgow.



Outsmart the Scammers

John Kamphuis of Maritime Cyber recently joined us at Glasgow Square for an informative session on staying safe online. Thank you to John for sharing his knowledge and to everyone who attended.

Protecting your personal information starts with small, everyday habits. Visit Get Cyber Safe for practical tips you can put into action.

Interested in attending a session with John? Email john@maritimecyber.ca to learn more.







Celebrating Sergeant Darryl Paris's Career

Retired Sergeant Darryl Paris was recently honoured by New Glasgow Town Council following a career of more than 37 years with New Glasgow Police. His leadership and care for the community were recognized during a special presentation at Town Hall.

Darryl received a framed piece by local artist John Ashton, originally illustrated for the 1990 booklet Native Born, A Brief History of the Black Presence in Pictou County. The artwork offered a meaningful way to celebrate his contributions while highlighting a piece of local Black history.



Congratulations, Darryl, and thank you for the many years you devoted to serving our community. Wishing you all the best in retirement!





Remembering Nova Scotia's Fallen Peace Officers

Members of New Glasgow Police joined colleagues from across the province in Halifax on October 18 for the 44th Annual Nova Scotia Fallen Peace Officers' Memorial Service. Inspector Bannerman, Cst. Wadden, Cst. Young, and Cst. Desmond represented the department at the service and parade, paying tribute to peace officers who lost their lives in the line of duty.

The annual gathering honours their service and sacrifice while offering support to the families, friends, and fellow officers who carry their memory forward.





Congratulating Sergeant Kelly Moore-Reid

Congratulations to New Glasgow Police Sergeant Kelly Moore-Reid, who received the 2026 Atlantic Women in Law Enforcement (AWLE) Community Service Award at the association's conference awards banquet in Prince Edward Island. The award recognizes her commitment to serving the community and the positive difference she makes through her work.

Deputy Chief Nick Hirtle, Sergeant Claire Corkum-Timmons, Detective Constable Trudi MacPherson, Constable Destiny Merriam, and Constable Lauren Stiles also attended the conference, joining colleagues from across Atlantic Canada to share experiences, learn, and support women in policing.







Remembering Michael Bonvie

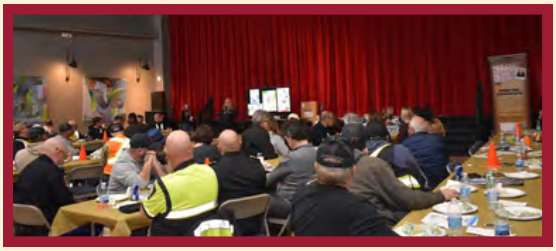


2026 marks 20 years since Michael Bonvie, a Town of New Glasgow Public Works employee, lost his life in a preventable workplace accident. Town employees gathered on October 26 for our Annual Health & Safety Day to remember Michael and reaffirm our shared commitment to workplace safety.

Thank you to Rev. Donna Tourneur for leading the remembrance and prayers, and to our guest speakers, Lee Russell from Threads of Life and Carly MacCuspic, Community Crisis Outreach Worker with New Glasgow Police, for sharing their knowledge and experiences.

As we remember Michael, we also remember that every employee deserves to return home safely at the end of the workday. Keeping one another safe is a responsibility we all share.





Working Together for a Safer New Glasgow

The Town of New Glasgow has been selected as one of three pilot communities in Nova Scotia's new Community Safety and Well-Being Initiative, announced September 17. The initiative brings together government, community organizations, service providers and residents to help prevent harm and crime by addressing their root causes.

Through the pilot, New Glasgow will develop a local plan tailored to our community's needs and priorities. Partners and residents will help identify concerns, build on existing strengths and determine actions to improve safety and well-being.

What Is Community Safety and Well-Being?
It means people are safe, feel a sense of belonging and can participate in community life. It also includes access to housing, health care, education, food, employment and social and cultural opportunities.

The approach connects four areas:

- Social development: Improving conditions that support healthy, safe lives.
- Risk prevention: Creating programs and policies that prevent future harm.
- Risk intervention: Identifying concerns and acting before they become emergencies.
- Incident response: Providing immediate help during a crisis.



Turning Priorities Into Action
New Glasgow's plan will identify specific actions, partners, responsibilities and ways to measure progress. Lessons from New Glasgow and the other pilot communities, Queens and East Hants in partnership with Halifax Regional Municipality, will help shape a provincial strategy.

Over the next two years, the project will also develop training and tools to support this work across Nova Scotia. Supported by $550,000 in federal funding, the initiative advances the Mass Casualty Commission's call for coordinated efforts focused on prevention and shared responsibility.

Learn more at speakupland.ca/nova-scotia-cswb-framework.

Share Your Voice on Inclusion

The Town of New Glasgow is looking for community members of different ages and abilities to take part in a short video for International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3. Participants will share a brief thought about inclusion, accessibility or belonging, with simple prompts provided to help them get started.

Interested in taking part? Contact Emma at Emma.Proudfoot@newglasgow.ca by November 10. Filming will take place before November 20, and spaces are limited.



Stay Connected with Breaking Barriers

Interested in accessibility news from across Nova Scotia? Breaking Barriers, the Nova Scotia Accessibility Directorate's newsletter, shares accessibility and disability-related announcements, upcoming events, resources and more.

Subscribe to have future editions delivered straight to your inbox.

Learn more and subscribe.

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Calling All Elves: Help Fill Tearmann's Shelves

Tearmann's Elves Filling the Shelves donation drive returns on Saturday, November 28, from 1–3 p.m. in the New Glasgow Starbucks parking lot. Community members are invited to help fill the CHAD Transit bus with essential items for women and their children experiencing abuse.

Local businesses can also join Tearmann's Elf Teams, a friendly challenge to collect donations and earn points using the list below. The business team with the highest point total will win lunch, courtesy of Tearmann! Bring your team's donations to the event, where volunteers will take a photo of your representatives to share with a thank-you on Tearmann's Facebook page.

For more information, email fundraising@tearmann.ca or call or text 902-396-6906.

WISH LIST	POINTS PER ITEM
Personal hygiene products	5
Notebooks/journals	3
Colouring books (adult or child)	3
Towels	20
Face cloths	5
Cleaning supplies	15
Totes/laundry baskets	5
Tampons (10 per package)	10
Toilet paper/paper towels/tissues	10
Gift cards/monetary donations (1 pt per $)	1
Chargers and blocks (USB-C/iPhone)	10
Lucky Mobile SIM cards	5

Join their fundraising committee!

Tearmann is looking for new members to join its Fundraising Committee! Help plan events, share ideas, and raise funds to support women and their children experiencing abuse. Interested in getting involved? Email fundraising@tearmann.ca to join.

November at the Library

- Scavenger Hunt: All month
- Tech Help Appointments: By appointment
- Book Clubs: Contact the library for details
- LEGO: Mondays at 3:00 p.m.
- Babies and Books (up to 18 months): Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.
- Family Story Time (18 months and up): Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.
- Pictou County Roots Society General Meeting with Bruce MacDonald: Wednesday, November 4, 2:00 p.m.
- Clyde MacDonald Book Launch, Still More Tragedies and Triumphs: Saturday, November 7, 2:00 p.m. (No registration required)
- Hypnotherapy Talk: Thursday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.
- Movie Matinee, Slow West: Friday, November 13, 2:00 p.m.
- TLC, The Library Club: Monday, November 16, 1:00 p.m. (Registration required; transportation available)
- Fall Book Centerpiece: Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 p.m. (Registration required)
- Storyverse Teen Book Club, Of Mice and Men (ages 13 to 16): Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m. (Registration required)
- No School Movie, The Call of the Wild: Friday, November 20, 1:00 p.m.
- Teen Movie, Footloose: Saturday, November 21, 2:00 p.m.
- Sew Fun (ages 8 to 12): Tuesday, November 24, 6:00 p.m. (Registration required)
- Homeschool Hub, Making Kinetic Sand: Wednesday, November 25, 2:00 p.m. (Registration required)

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

Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library

Help Write the Library's Next Chapter

The Library Revitalization Project will transform the New Glasgow Public Library into a welcoming and accessible community space for people of all ages. The project will include updated library areas, flexible meeting and programming spaces, creative and community spaces, and important building upgrades.

Ways to Donate

Community members can support the Library Revitalization Project through donations by cash, cheque, or e-transfer. Payments can also be made in person or over the phone by calling 902-755-6031. Cheques should be made payable to Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library. Sponsorship opportunities are available at a variety of levels, including the opportunity to sponsor spaces within the library, as well as Community Pillar sponsorships. All donations over $10 will receive a tax-deductible receipt. Donations between $50 and $499 will be recognized with an individual book plaque. Donations $500 and over will be recognized in the library in a permanent way.

Bronze Sponsor
$500 - $9,999

Silver Sponsor
$10,000 - $49,999

Gold Sponsor
$50,000 - $99,999

Platinum Sponsor
$100,000 +

Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library

New Glasgow flourish

From Guysborough to New Glasgow: A Shared History

A new cenotaph in Lincolnville, Guysborough County, will honour more than 100 African Nova Scotian veterans who served in the First and Second World Wars. The monument will provide a place to remember their service, with connections to families here in New Glasgow and throughout Pictou County.

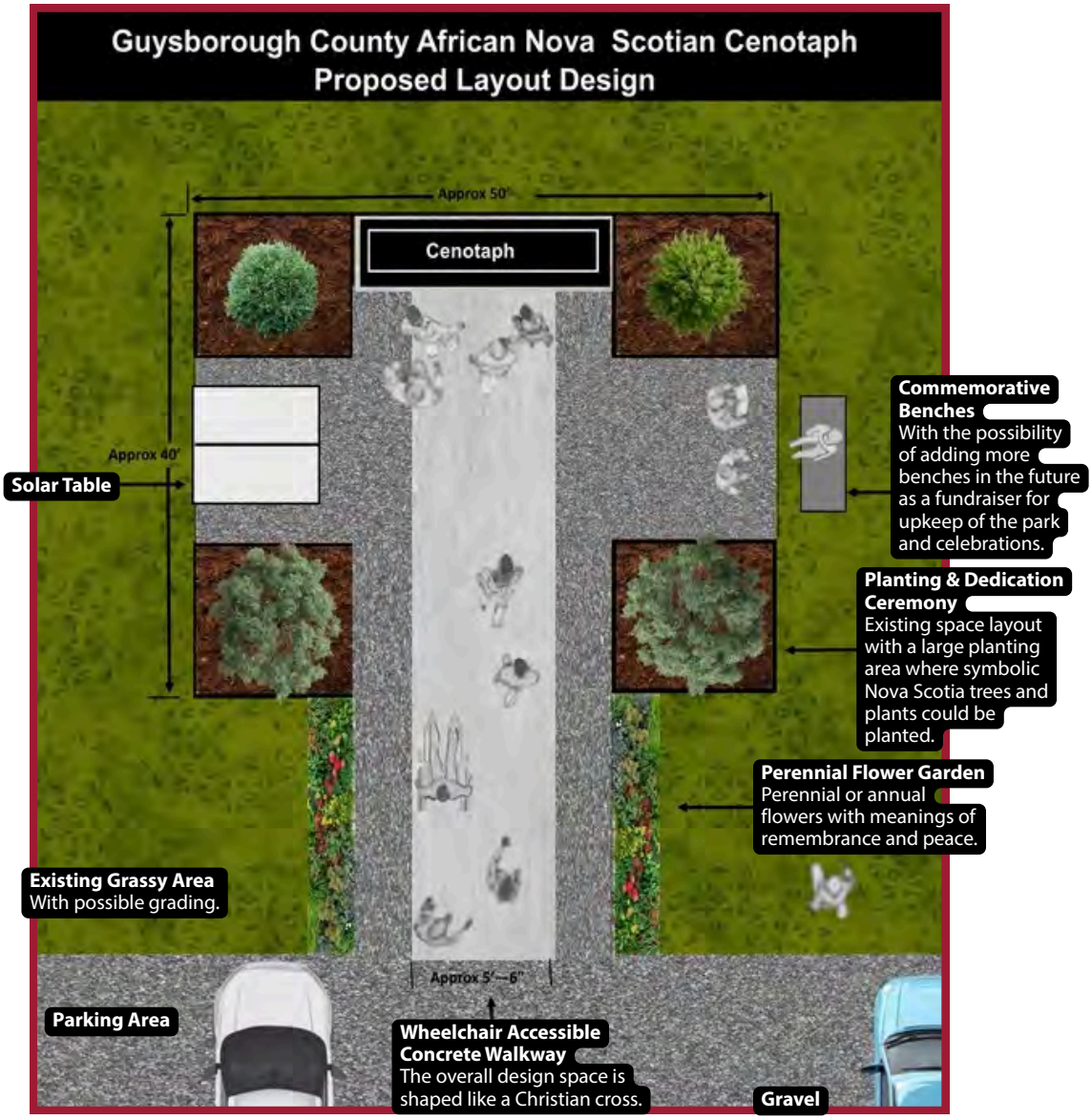
The African Nova Scotian Cenotaph of Guysborough County will be unveiled on November 9 at 10:45 a.m. in Lincolnville North, on Highway 16 at the entrance to the Lincolnville Loop.

Many local African Nova Scotian families have roots in Guysborough County. Beginning in the 1840s, people moved to our area seeking work and better opportunities while facing racial discrimination and segregation. Today, those connections remain strong, with generations of relatives living in both counties.

Designed by John Ashton of Ashton Creative Design, the cenotaph will recognize the veterans' service and incorporate African symbols reflecting their ancestral and cultural heritage.

John has also contributed historical research to New Glasgow's Viola's Way Placemaking Project, which honours Viola Desmond's legacy and local African Nova Scotian history. The projects recognize different parts of that history but are connected through the families and communities whose stories they share.

As Remembrance Day approaches, the Lincolnville cenotaph project offers an opportunity to recognize these veterans and learn about a history shared by many families in our own community.



Preliminary Design Note
This is a preliminary rough draft of the Guysborough County African Nova Scotian Cenotaph site layout. The measurements and layout are not final. The design and implementation will change as the project develops. This draft concept is intended to encourage discussion and idea development for the project.

From Guysborough to New Glasgow: A Shared History

The Canadian maple leaf on the cenotaph represents Canadian identity, patriotism, and the service and sacrifice of Canada's military personnel.

On the side listing the veterans' names, two Adinkra symbols represent "Courage and Valour" on the left and "Bravery" on the right. Originating with the Akan people of Ghana, Adinkra symbols express concepts, proverbs, and values. Traditionally stamped onto cloth for funerals and special occasions, they also appear in art, architecture, jewelry, and carved objects.

The accompanying site layout shows the proposed design for the space surrounding the cenotaph.



November Events with the Pictou County Historical Society

The Pictou County Historical Society has several events coming up this month.

On November 7, a painting by Rachel Smaldon featuring museum artifacts will be part of Creative Pictou County's silent art auction at the deCoste Centre in Pictou. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with the event beginning at 7:00 p.m. Proceeds from the painting will be shared equally between the museum and Creative Pictou County.

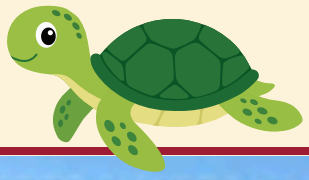
On November 11, the Society will join the Barney's River School House Museum at Barney's River Presbyterian Church for a Remembrance Day event. Readings of letters written by local soldiers during the First and Second World Wars will offer a chance to remember them through their own words.

Enjoy a creative afternoon with Rachel Smaldon's card making workshop on November 21, followed by the launch of A Wondrous Gift on November 22, written by Dr. Laurie Stanley-Blackwell and published by Nimbus Press. Both events run from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., with locations to be confirmed.

Watch the Pictou County History Museum's Facebook page for further details and location updates.

PICTOU COUNTY HISTORY MUSEUM

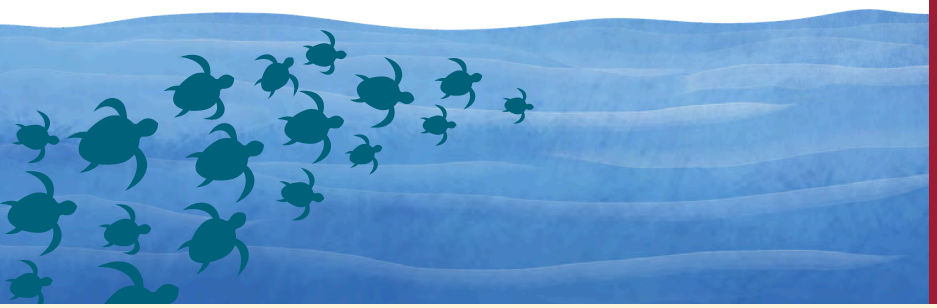
Help Save The Sea Turtles!



The Canadian Sea Turtle Network is looking for volunteers across Atlantic Canada to help locate and rescue sea turtles that wash ashore during the colder months. These turtles can suffer from severe hypothermia and need immediate assistance.

If you find a stranded sea turtle, do not return it to the water. Contact the Canadian Sea Turtle Network immediately at 1-888-729-4667.

Interested in volunteering? Visit www.seaturtle.ca/sea-turtle-patrol to learn more and register!





Fresh Perspectives at the Museum



The Museum of Industry's Voices & Views Speaker Series brings people together for engaging talks on a variety of topics, with different speakers sharing ideas and perspectives throughout the series.

Sessions take place every second Wednesday until December 2, with talks beginning at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy free museum admission from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on speaker evenings.

Visit the Museum of Industry at 147 North Foord Street, Stellarton, and become part of the conversation.

Scan the QR code to view the schedule of speakers on the Museum of Industry website



More Than Just A Game

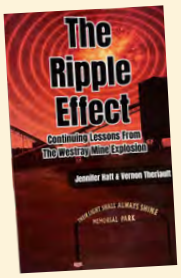
On October 1, the community gathered at the Pictou County Wellness Centre for Orange Jersey Day with the Pictou County Weeks Jr A Crushers. The evening included a performance by Emma Stevens and a pre-game ceremony honouring residential school Survivors and remembering the children who never returned home. Thank you to everyone who attended and to the supporters who helped bring the event together, creating an opportunity for our community to learn, honour and support the ongoing work of reconciliation.







Keeping Westray's Lessons Alive



Vernon Theriault and Jennifer Hatt recently launched their new book, The Ripple Effect - Continuing Lessons From the Westray Mine Explosion, at North Nova Education Centre. The gathering gave attendees an opportunity to hear Vernon share his experiences at Westray and speak about the lasting impact of the tragedy.

The book honours the memory of the 26 men who lost their lives and highlights the importance of workplace safety and accountability.

Order books for your classroom, or yourself, here: https://jenniferhatt.ca/ripple-effect/





A Little Colour for Fall

Residents at High Crest Home enjoyed an afternoon of creativity, painting clay leaves during a recent craft day. Each leaf was a chance to add a personal touch and bring a little fall colour indoors!



New Glasgow Town Crier Takes First Place at World Tournament!



Congratulations to New Glasgow Town Crier Jim Stewart, who recently travelled to Chester, England, to compete in the World Town Crier Tournament, held September 22 to 26, 2026!

The international competition brought together 25 town criers from eight nations to showcase their vocal power, clarity, showmanship and audience engagement.

Jim proudly represented New Glasgow and Canada, earning first place in the Hometown Cry competition! During his visit, Jim also had the opportunity to present a gift from Mayor Nancy Dicks and the Town of New Glasgow to the Lord Mayor of Chester, Margaret Parker. His experience was even featured on CBC's The National!

We couldn't be prouder of Jim and this wonderful accomplishment. For many years, Jim has been a familiar face and voice at Town events, generously volunteering his time and contributing so much to our community. We are incredibly fortunate to have him as our Town Crier.

Congratulations, Jim, and thank you for all that you do for New Glasgow!

Watch Jim's feature on CBC's The National



Tree Planted in Memory of Lynn MacDonald



On October 7, a tree was planted in memory of Lynn MacDonald, who passed away on June 2, 2026.

Born and raised in New Glasgow, Lynn had a great love for nature, especially birdwatching and spending time outdoors. She was also passionate about art and dedicated much of her career as a Registered Dietitian to helping others.

The tree is a special way to honour Lynn's memory and her love of nature. As it grows, it will serve as a lasting tribute for her family, friends and the community.

Our thoughts are with Lynn's family and friends as we remember her.



National Fire Prevention Week

STATION 33

During Fire Prevention Week, members of the New Glasgow Fire Department visited local schools to teach students about fire safety. These visits are a great opportunity for students to learn important fire safety tips and ask questions. A big thank you to the New Glasgow Fire Department for taking the time to share their knowledge with our youngest residents!







Charge Smart

- Use manufacturer-approved cords and chargers.
- Charge larger devices outside when possible. Keep exits clear.
- Charge on hard, flat surfaces, away from beds and blankets.
- Unplug devices when fully charged.
- Stop use and turn off devices that overheat, smell strange, smoke, pop or hiss.

Elks Offering Support After House Fires

The Elks of Canada is a national, volunteer-based charitable organization dedicated to supporting children, families and communities in need.

Through the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children, the organization offers a Crisis Assistance Program to help families who have lost their homes due to a fire. The program provides emergency financial assistance for essential needs such as temporary housing, clothing, food and medical equipment, with a focus on supporting affected children.

Families in need are encouraged to contact their nearest Elks Lodge as soon as possible. Lodge representatives will assess the situation, work with local emergency services to verify the circumstances, and help complete and submit an application. Fire-related applications are prioritized, allowing financial assistance to be provided as quickly as possible.

Get Involved with the New Glasgow Elks! The New Glasgow Elks Lodge is always welcoming new members and hosts a variety of community events throughout the year. The Lodge also has venue space available to rent for private gatherings, celebrations and other events. Interested in becoming a member, attending an event or booking the space? Visit the New Glasgow Elks Lodge Facebook page to learn more!

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Lights, Camera, Safety!

Nova Scotia high school students are invited to get creative in the Safety Branch Youth Video Contest. Make a video about safety using drama, comedy or animation for a chance to win cash prizes up to $1,000. The Nova Scotia winner will also move on to the national competition for a chance to win additional prizes.

Videos must be no longer than two minutes and can be submitted in English or French. The deadline to enter is March 1, 2027.

Learn more at SafetyBranch.ca.



Safety Branch Youth Video Contest

Are you a high school student and like to make videos?
Think Safety!

- **Cash Prizes** up to $1000. and more
- NS winner will compete nationally for more cash prizes
- **Deadline date:** Monday, March 1st, 2027
- **Style:** drama, comedy, animation
- **Length:** 2 minutes maximum
- **Languages:** Enter in either English or French

More details at SafetyBranch.ca

Have questions? contact - SafetyBranch@novascotia.ca
or 1-800-952-2687

NOVA SCOTIA

Help Keep Our Community Cozy



Have winter gear your family has outgrown? Coats for Kids is collecting winter outerwear in sizes from infant to adult, along with hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and boots. Donations should be free of tears and stains, with working zippers.

Items can be dropped off at Stone's RV in New Glasgow or Pictou County United Way, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., until November 25.

Distribution will take place at the Pictou County Wellness Centre on Saturday, November 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Your donations can help keep someone in our community warm this winter!





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