

Annapolis County Recreates



news you can use ...

There's a distinct crispness in the morning air, the days are getting shorter, students are back in school, and the lazy days of summer are giving way to the more organized days of autumn.

There's a definite timeline to be met as crops are harvested and the winter's wood is stacked and covered.

As the season has deadlines, so do applications for funding and grants; nominations for Volunteer Week; and contributions for free promotion of your festival and community event.

It's also a time to re-energize and reflect. Perhaps you're wondering how to recruit volunteers to your organization, or how to engage youth in the community.

To help with all of the above, we've got news you can use. Read on.

April 15th to April 21st, 2012 is National Volunteer Week

This year's theme is Volunteers: Passion, Action, Impact. As you prepare to nominate a deserving individual you may want to keep this theme in mind. ***The deadline to submit nominations is Thursday, February 16th, 2012.*** Forms are available by contacting your local recreation department or online at:

www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca

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Recruiting Volunteers Workshop – November 1st, 2011

Is your organization struggling to find ways to recruit volunteers? If you answered YES, this is the workshop for you!

Participants will learn how to attract and place new volunteers in ways that best utilize their abilities and benefit the group as a whole.

The workshop takes place at the NSCC in Lawrencetown

from 6:30 to 9:30pm. A minimum of 8 people is necessary for the workshop to take place. **Registration deadline: October 27th.**

Call Brian Orde at 532-3144 or 825-2005 to register.

Brought to you by the Valley Volunteer Coalition and Recreation Services of the County of Annapolis.

Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart. ~ Elizabeth Andrew

All meetings begin at 7pm

Oct 18 – Granville Ferry Hall, 5350 Granville Road, Granville Ferry (District 4)

Oct 19 – Moschelle Community Hall, 718 Hwy 201, Moschelle (District 4)

Oct 26 – Litchfield-Delaps Cove Community Hall, 2792 Shore Rd., Litchfield (District 5)

Nov 9 – Lower Granville Hall, 3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal (District 5)

Nov 16 – Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Hwy 201, Centrelea (District 7)

Nov 21 – Cornwallis Community Centre, 734 Broadway Ave., Cornwallis (District 6)

Nov 29 – Oakdene Centre, 1913 Clementsvale Rd., Bear River (District 8)

Dec 5 – Maitland Bridge Community Hall, 701 Hwy 8, Maitland Bridge (District 8)

Community Recreation Engagement Process Meetings

The Municipality of Annapolis County is undertaking a community recreation engagement process to find out the recreation interests of the residents of Districts 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. We encourage you to attend the meeting offered in your District. (To find out what District you live in, go to www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca, click on Council, then District.)

These community meetings are open to people of all ages. Come out and share your ideas with us; tell us what recreation/sport opportunities **YOU** think should be offered or provided in the community.

Can't attend the meeting, but want to participate? No problem. You can:

- visit www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca and download the survey.
- call 532-3139 to request a survey be mailed to you.
- completed surveys can be mailed to Annapolis County Recreation, P.O. Box 100, Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0; faxed to 902-532-2096; or emailed to Debra Ryan

For more information contact Debra E. Ryan, Recreation Manager, 532-3139 or 825-2005 or dryan@annapoliscounty.ns.ca

Note: this process is complete for Districts 1, 2, 3, 9, 10 and 11.



2012 Festivals & Community Events Calendar

Each year Annapolis County Recreation Services produces a booklet highlighting festivals and events hosted by towns, villages and small communities across Annapolis County. Most events are organized by volunteers contributing countless hours so that we have quality-of-life experiences. Also showcased are facilities that fit the following categories: Arts & Entertainment; Heritage & Culture; and Parks & Recreation.

This calendar is distributed to every household in Annapolis County via Canada Post (unless the homeowner has otherwise requested), is provided to all VICs in Annapolis County as well as selected VICs across the province, and is posted on the County's website.

It's a great way to promote your event(s) or facility (ies) at no cost other than the time it takes to complete an information sheet and return it to us.

The deadline for submissions is December 1st. There are no extensions☺. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

For more information or to request a submission form, please contact Wanda Atwell at 532-2334 or 825-2005.

Please pass this information along to others who may benefit from the service.



Community Halls & Centres Assistance Program

Recognizing a need to streamline granting of funds to community organizations and charities, Municipal Council approved a new Community Grants Policy on April 19th, 2011.

Formerly known as the Community Recreation Grant Program, Recreation Services is responsible for the administration of the Community Halls & Centres Assistance Program. This program is to provide funding to non-profit / charitable organizations or to trustees for property held for public use, to assist with: capital maintenance or repairs; facility upgrade or development; installation or replacement of fixtures, appliances or equipment; or to leverage senior government funding. The facility must be used for activities of a recreational, educational, environmental, cultural, community or social nature and be accessible for use by the general public. Maximum grants shall not normally exceed \$1,200 (\$2,000 for regional facilities). Apply early – limited funds.

For more information, contact Debra Ryan, 532-3139 or 825-2005.

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Funding Programs

The NS Department of Health and Wellness has the following capital grants:

COMMUNITY RECREATION: the objective is to assist in the development of small scale indoor and outdoor capital recreation projects, less than \$20,000. Funding must be used for public, community recreation purposes; items of a permanent, non-consumable nature; and where a need for financial assistance is demonstrated. Applicants are eligible for up to one-third of the total capital cost of the project to a maximum of \$5,000. **Groups may apply anytime during the year**, but can only apply once in a four-year period.

RECREATION FACILITY DEVELOPMENT: for projects over \$20,000 this program can pay up to one-third of the total cost of your renovation. The group must raise the remaining two-thirds costs and may use donated materials and labour as part of their contribution. **Deadline for applications is generally February 1st** in any given year. Groups should prepare a strategy, including capital improvements, because they can only apply for this grant once every four years!

Call Debra, 532-3139 or Mike Trinacty, 679-4390, for more information.

COMMUNITY ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM: this plan is designed to improve access to community facilities for folks with disabilities. The program can contribute up to 66.6 per cent of eligible costs of renovations, installations or equipment. Priority is given to applications that demonstrate the improvement is part of an overall plan and commitment to inclusiveness. Inquiries should be directed to Georgina Dimock at 424-5695 or dimockgm@gov.ns.ca. Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis and as funding permits. **Deadlines are March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st.**

NEW HORIZONS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM GRANTS: Inquiries about these programs should be directed to Jackie Aiken, Service Nova Scotia, at 426-9410 or Jackie.aiken@servicecanada.gc.ca.

YOUTH FUNDING: Canadian Tire JumpStart® is a community based charitable program that helps kids in financial need participate in organized sport and recreation, such as hockey, soccer, football, swimming. KidSport™ is a national children's charitable program that helps kids overcome the financial barriers preventing or limiting their participation in organized sport. Both funding programs are administered by the Annapolis /Digby KidSport JumpStart Committee. **Upcoming deadlines for both programs are: November 1st, 2011 and January 1st, 2012.** For more information, visit www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca, click on Recreation, then Programs. Or call Brian Orde, Annapolis County committee rep, at 532-3144 or 825-2005.