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DISTRICT 14 ONLINE NEWS
 MIDDLE/UPPER SACKVILLE - BEAVER BANK - LUCASVILLE

WELCOME APRIL!

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Happy April Fool's Day!
 Ramadan Mubarek, Happy
 Passover and Happy Easter
 too!

Spring 2021 sees us still
 impacted by COVID-19,
 however; we can be grateful

that the vaccine has arrived and soon this
 pandemic will be over. Many changes occur in
 spring – a time when thoughts turn to hope for
 the future – blooming flowers and new growth
 assures us that nature is taking care of us. A
 good reason for us to celebrate Earth Day on
 April 22nd and the Nature Challenge. Maybe
 look into the online courses being offered by the
 Sackville Rivers Association on River Rangers
 and Fish Friends. Keep reading for more great
 information.

My monthly Beaver Bank Hub office hours are
 suspended until further notice. Contact me via
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APRIL FOOL'S DAY – POISSON D'AVRIL!

Wednesday, April 21st at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)

Regional Council:

Tuesday, April 6th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 13th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 20th at 10:00 a.m.

North West Community Council:

Monday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Please check our [website](#) to confirm meeting dates and times as they are subject to change.

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

On March 8th, the North West Community Council approved amendments to the [Sackville Community Bursary Awards](#) clarifying the qualification criteria. Click [here](#) for more information on the March meeting.

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY – April 2nd



Since 1967, on Hans Christian Andersen's birthday of April 2nd, International Children's Book Day (ICBD) is celebrated to inspire a love of reading and to call attention to children's books.



April 1st is known in many countries as April Fool's Day – Poisson d'avril in France, Belgium, Italy and parts of Canada. Playing harmless practical jokes on friends and families before midday is common. Mass media sometimes get involved to play a hoax on the public such as the 1957 BBC incident where a film was shown celebrating a [successful spaghetti harvest in Switzerland](#). The station received so many calls from people asking to purchase a spaghetti plant that they had to confess to it being an April Fool's hoax.

APRIL VIRTUAL MEETING DATES

Budget Committee:

Thursday, April 1st at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)

Wednesday, April 7th at 9:30 a.m.

Friday, April 9th at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)



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Each year a different National Section of IBBY has the opportunity to be the international sponsor of ICBD. IBBY United States is the sponsor for [International Children's Book Day 2021](#).

The host country decides upon a theme and invites a prominent author from the host country to write a message to the children of the world and a well-known illustrator to design a poster. These materials are used in different ways to promote books and reading.

IBBY is a non-profit organization founded in Zurich, Switzerland in 1953. Today, it is composed of 80 National Sections all over the world. It represents countries with well-developed book publishing and literacy programmes, and other countries with only a few dedicated professionals who are doing pioneer work in children's book publishing and promotion.



CITY NATURE CHALLENGE 2021



Help put Halifax Regional Municipality on the global nature scene by participating in the City Nature Challenge!

From April 30th to May 5th, cities around the globe will compete for the title of the most Biodiverse City.

Whether you are an avid naturalist or a dog walker, everyone can participate: it's easy, fun, and will encourage you to get outdoors.

iNaturalist – Sackville River Watershed -
<https://inaturalist.ca/projects/the-sackville-river-watershed?tab=species>

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ROAD SAFETY – SHARED RESPONSIBILITY



Road safety is a shared responsibility amongst all road users.

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Whether you're walking, cycling, rolling, or driving, avoid all distractions while travelling. Distractions put all road users at risk.

FISH FRIENDS AND RIVER RANGERS



Due to COVID-19, the annual education programs, [Fish Friends and River Rangers](#), offered by the Sackville Rivers

Association, have been

combined into one and now available online in both French and English.

The goal is to help students develop watershed stewardship through a better understanding of natural habitats and fish life cycles. Each video lesson is 15-30 minutes long and includes additional classroom resources such as art activities and worksheets.

Seven main topics are explored over 10 lessons: the Mi'kmaq concept of Netukulimk, watersheds, river and ocean habitats, fish life cycles, food chains, developing observation

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skills and natural and human impacts on the environment.

In the first lesson, students are introduced to the Sackville Rivers Association, watersheds and habitats.



SACKVILLE AREA WARMING CENTRE



Thank-you to Mike Poworoznyk, Director, Sackville Area Warming Centre, and to all the volunteers who do such wonderful work

providing a safe, warm shelter for those in need. I was honoured to provide a donation from the District 14 District Activity Fund to support the services of the Sackville Area Warming Centre.



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Walkways

337 Millwood Dr to 99 Waterwheel Cres
407 Millwood Dr to 172 Loggen Rd

Bridges

Lucasville Rd Bridge – Repair Design
(Carryover)

Traffic Calming

Fenerty Rd – Sackville to Springfield Lake
Lakeview Ave – Sackville to End
McCabe Lake Dr – Magenta to End
Newbury Rd – Waterstone to Cranley
Waterstone Run – Lucasville to End

Planer Patching

Fenerty Rd – Sackville to Springfield Lake
Sackville Dr – Margeson to Patton

Proposed Crack Sealing

Beaver Bank Rd – Windgate to Tucker Lake
Brackendale Lane – Maplewood to Ravenwood
Fenerty Rd – Sackville to Springfield Lake
Hamilton Dr – Sackville to Strathmore (N)
Kernwood Dr – Rhodora to End
Lakecrest Dr – End to End
Laurel Ridge Dr – End to Heatherglenn
Ledgeview Dr – Garrard to End
Lindforest Crt – Old Sackville to End
Maplewood Crt – Rivendale to End
Noria Cres – Beaver Bank Ross to Beaver Bank Cross
O’Leary Dr – Cardinal to End
Patton Rd – Sackville to Sackville
Rebecca Dr – O’Leary to End
Rhodora Dr – Wilson Lake to End
Rivendale Dr – Forestview to End
Sackville Dr – Millwood to Margeson
Sackville Dr – Hamilton to Patton
Tucker Lake Rd – Beaver Bank to End
Westwind Rg – Bambrick to Loops Itself

DISTRICT 14 - 2021/22 PLANNED CAPITAL WORK

The following is a list of proposed 2021/22 capital road work and active transportation projects for District 14. The projects are subject to budget approval. Regional Council will finalize the municipal budget in May.

Street Recapitalization

Millwood Dr – Beaver Bank Cross to Beaver Bank

Asphalt Overlays

Lucasville Rd – Sackville to Sackville River
Lucasville Rd – Hammonds Plains to Cranley

Sidewalk Renewals

Beaver Bank Cross Rd – Sawyer (S) to Noria (S)



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SUMMER DAY CAMP REGISTRATION

Detailed information on summer registration and programs will be viewable [online](#) as of Thursday, April 22nd. Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. each day for the following:

Day Camps & Dryland Programs

- Wednesday, May 5th – for July programs
- Wednesday, June 2nd – for August programs
- Registration begins at 10 a.m. each day for all ages.

Indoor & Outdoor Pool and Beach programs
(Indoor/Outdoor pools include Sackville Sports Stadium, Needham Centre, Captain William Spry indoor pools and Bedford, Cole Harbour outdoor pools)

- Thursday, June 3rd – for July programs
- Wednesday, July 14th – for August programs
- Registration begins at 10 a.m. each day for all ages.

Public Health is currently allowing for multiple cohorts of 15 children in day camps. Camp activities can be provided in both an indoor and



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outdoor settings while maintaining physical distancing protocols. Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) "Return to Day Camp" guidelines follow the Nova Scotia "COVID-19 Return to Day Camp Guidelines" found at: <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/docs/COVID-19-Return-to-Day-Camp-Guidelines.pdf>.

- Board of Police Commissioners
- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee
- Executive Standing Committee
- Special Events Advisory Committee
- Women's Advisory Committee

Both full-day and half-day camps will be offered throughout this summer.

Inclusion Support (one-to-one support)

If your child requires inclusion support, register your child in course #00027543. During registration, please identify your choice of location and preferred weeks. Program fees will only be charged once support has been confirmed. For more information, [Visit our Inclusion and Accessibility page](#).



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I currently serve on the following Boards and Committees along with Halifax Regional Council and the North West Community Council:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Accessibility Advisory Committee

