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 DISTRICT 14 ONLINE NEWS
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WELCOME OCTOBER!

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Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Halloween! Fall is officially here and brings with it the time for thanksgiving. I am thankful

this year that we will be entering Phase 5 of the provincial re-opening plan very soon! I also give thanks for our amazing health care professionals and front-line workers who continue to provide exceptional service during this most trying time. I am especially grateful for the celebration of the first Federal Statutory Holiday for [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#) that took place on September 30th, 2021. Formerly known as Orange Shirt Day, this day provided an opportunity to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools and provided a day of quiet reflection.

I hope to soon be able to resume my monthly office hours at Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre.

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OCTOBER VIRTUAL MEETING DATES

Regional Council:

Tuesday, October 5th at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 19th at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 26th at 10:00 a.m.

North West Community Council:

Monday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting dates/times are subject to change, please confirm on our municipal [website](#)

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

On September 13th the North West Community Council (NWCC) considered the following:

[Case 23495](#): Amending Development Agreement for 3009 Highway 2, Fall River (PIDs 00526871 and 40500449):

Public hearing was held and closed. **Motion passed to extend development agreement.**

[Case 21639](#): Margeson Drive Master Plan - Margeson Drive and the Highway #101 Interchange, Middle Sackville – Public Participation Program.

Motion passed to create a Public Participation Committee for Case 21639.

[Improvements to Lucasville – Hammonds Plains Intersection](#)

Motion passed to request Regional Council request a staff report on the intersection of Hammonds Plains and Lucasville roads to:

- upgrade intersection to ease congestion of east / west bound traffic.
- Appropriately plan for transit
- Increase pedestrian safety

DID YOU KNOW...

There are a variety of events occurring this month across HRM that may interest you:

- [Patio Lanterns Festival](#) running to October 11th
- [Halifax Mooseheads Hockey Season](#) October 2nd to April 2nd, 2022
- [Nova Scotia Forest Festival – Lake Charlotte](#) October 2nd
- [Stars on Ice Tour 2021](#) October 8th
- [Nocturne](#) October 13th to 16th
- [Hal Con](#) October 22nd to 24th

OCTOBER IS MI'KMAQ HISTORY MONTH

Treaty Day

Every year on October 1, Nova Scotians mark Treaty Day to celebrate the rich history, proud culture and important contributions of Mi'kmaq people. These centuries-old treaties honour the enduring bond of friendship and respect between Nova Scotia's Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities and reaffirm the historic presence of the Mi'kmaw who have occupied the land for thousands of years.



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October 1 also marks the beginning of Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia with the following ceremonies and events:

- Flag raising (in partnership with Treaty Day committee) | October 1, 11:30 a.m. at the Grand Oasis Stage
- Patio Lanterns festival featuring Indigenous artists
- Waterfront events [coordinated by the Mi'kmaq Native Friendship Centre.](#)

SACKVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION'S MEET & GREET – OCTOBER 7TH

Join us for an October Meet & Greet with local Sackville business people on Thursday, October 7th from 8:30am - 9:30am. The event will be held at the Sackville Sports Stadium, 409 Glendale Drive. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Attendees will need to show proof of double vaccination, with ID, to enter.

The October Meet & Greet is sponsored by Councillor Lisa Blackburn (HRM District 14) & Councillor Paul Russell (HRM District 15).

Note: *The SBA adheres to the directives of Public Health to ensure the safety of event attendees.*



YOUTH LIVE PROGRAM RECRUITING

[The Youth Live Program](#) is recruiting! This HRM program offers 24 weeks of paid job and life skill-building for youth with barriers to employment.

Applications are being accepted until midnight, October 3, 2021.





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Email donna@macdondm@eastlink.ca for more information.

SPRINGFIELD LAKE RECREATION CENTRE



Halloween Family Fun Night – October 22nd

TIME: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION: 266 Lakeview Avenue.

COST: \$10 per family of four

A night filled with games, dancing, face painting, crafts and more! Wear your Halloween costume and join the fun!!!



Christmas Craft Market – November 27th

Do you like to craft? Better yet, do you like to BUY handmade crafts? Join in the fun at the Springfield Lake Recreation Centre for a Christmas Craft Market, 266 Lakeview Avenue.

- Rent a table for \$10
- Admission: \$3.00

Local crafts, gifts, baked goods, hot drinks, raffle tickets and more!



Pancake Breakfast – December 19th

Save the date and join Santa and his Helpers on December 19th for a delicious pancake breakfast! Meet and Greet Santa himself at the Springfield Lake Recreation Centre! More details to come!





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SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION



Do you have questions regarding school transportation? If so, contact the [Halifax Regional Centre for Education's](#) (HRCE) at 902-464-2000 or visit the [HRCE website](#).



BEAVER BANK KINSAC COMMUNITY CENTRE

If you would like to be added to the casual volunteer email list for events and other opportunities at the BBKCC, please send email to: bbkcc@eastlink.ca.

The following openings are available on their Board of Directors:

- **Bar Manager** - The Bar Manager is responsible for the operation and management of all bar operations for the BBKCC
- **Secretary** - The Secretary is responsible for general correspondence and for internal communication within the Society.

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- **Youth Rep** - To coordinate youth events at the BBKCC.

If you are interested please email: bbkcc@eastlink.ca or call 902-865-5114.

SACKVILLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE



The gymnasium is now available for rental to host your birthday/anniversary parties. Please review the re-opening plan from the Government of Nova Scotia at: novascotia.ca/reopening-plan/phase-five/

NOTE:

- Masks are mandatory until October 4, 2021.
- Proof of vaccinations will be required after October 4, 2021.

Contact Heather for more information at: 902-869-4764.

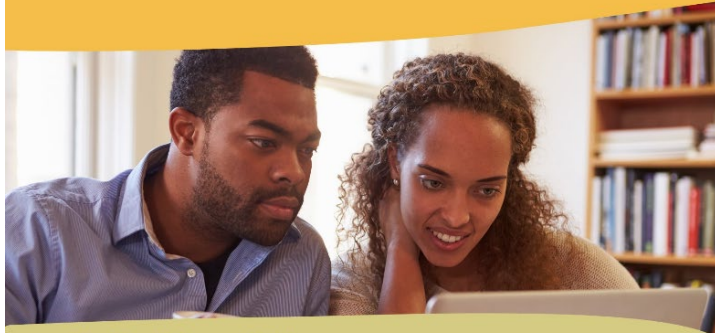


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WALLACE LUCAS COMMUNITY CENTRE


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- Employer services to facilitate their needs and connect them with job-ready qualified candidates.

Go to www.opportunityplace.ca for more information.



KINSMEN CLUB FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - DELEGATES SEEK VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Kinsmen Club Atlantic is holding their Fall Leadership Conference from **Friday, October 22nd to Saturday, October 23rd**.

As part of the conference, delegates are looking to help out in the community from 1-4 pm on Friday, October 22nd.

If you or any organization you know could use a helping hand to complete a project or task, please reach out to Patrick by email patrick.bowers59@gmail.com, or by telephone **902-222-9536**.





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RCMP DATA FOR AUGUST 2021

MIDDLE-UPPER SACKVILLE/BEAVERBANK/LUCASVILLE RCMP Data for August, 2021

283 calls for service
...a decrease of -9.87% over the same period in 2020

17 Summary Offence Tickets (SOTs) issued
...up from the 13 issued during the same period in 2020

1 Aggressive Driving, 5 Other MVA (No Insurance, Fail to Yield, etc.), 11 Speeding.

16 Cellphone/Seatbelt/Speeding, etc. checkpoints **49 Traffic stops**
...up 1 from 48 conducted in the same period in 2020

40 Proactive Assignments
...down from the 85 reported over the same period in 2020

0 Impaired Driving Charges
...down from 1 charge in August, 2020.

1 Impaired Suspensions
...compared to none issued in August, 2020.

PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY.

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL - GENDER PARITY



Halifax Regional Council reached gender parity in Fall 2020.

Gender parity is an equal contribution and representation of men and women in a group.

ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THESE SIGNS?



NO PARKING - images 1, 2 and 3.

NO STOPPING – image 4.

With school now back in full swing we are reminded of the challenges that can come along with parking by-law compliance in school zones.

At the forefront of the parking rules in school zones is the safety of our children – and the safety of others, including parents dropping off their children, school bus drivers, teachers, and others who may happen to be walking or driving through the area. The rules are also in place so that buses and others can maneuver in the area as they need to.



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HRM's Parking Enforcement and Compliance team have been putting a special emphasis on parking by-law enforcement in school zones this month through compliance and educational efforts.

Here are some stats provided from Parking Enforcement and Compliance from the first two weeks of this school year in HRM:

- 29 Schools on list for proactive patrol
- 54 Patrols
- 47 Tickets
- 111 Warnings

It is key for those who frequent school zones – particularly parents – to be informed on how to drop off kids safely, and legally. Here are some **Park Safe** tips shared with me from Parking Enforcement and Compliance:



No Parking signs: This means a vehicle CAN stop in these areas to drop off and pick up school children. It does not, however, mean that the driver can arrive 15 minutes before school is dismissed and wait for their child. In many cases, the No Parking areas around schools are for specific periods of time such as from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. No Parking areas are normally located where it is safest to **momentarily** stop a vehicle to drop off and pick up children.



No Stopping signs: These areas are likely to be found at intersections, school crossing guard locations or crosswalks where there is a high concentration of students

crossing the street. Drivers who park in these areas are jeopardizing the safety of students walking to and from school. **Your vehicle cannot park OR stop within this signage.**

Stop signs: Parking within 10 meters of a stop sign is not permitted. Parking there can obstruct the view of people crossing and driving.

School Bus Zone: School bus signage must be kept clear so that children can step off the bus and onto a curb instead of exiting on the street.

Blocking driveways: Be a good neighbors. Watch out not to block entrances to garages or driveways

Double parking: Do not double park when dropping off and picking up students from school

Crosswalk: leave 5 meters between your vehicle and any crosswalk marking to ensure children can be visible when crossing the street.





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HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES

On November 22nd, there will be large-scale service changes, primarily affecting Dartmouth communities but will also reach to Halifax, Spryfield, Cole Harbour, Porters Lake and Seaforth. These changes are part of the [Moving Forward Together Plan](#) (MFTP).

A new West Bedford Park & Ride will also open requiring minor route modifications to four (4) routes to service the Park & Ride.

Click [here](#) for more information.

SACKVILLE AREA WARMING CENTRE – VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

The [Sackville Area Warming Centre](#) is hosting a Volunteer Information and Recruitment night on Thursday, October 14th from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m..

Sackville Area Warming Centre (SAWC) is a grassroots program which offers a safe, warm space for friends and neighbours to come overnight during the winter.



HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES
Starting **November 22**

THE FOLLOWING ROUTES ARE CHANGING:
5, 7, 14, 32, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 68, 78, 79, 90, 91, 159, 194, 401, 433

INTRODUCING NEW ROUTES:

5	6 A/B/C	7 A/B	24	26	53	54	55	57
58	59	61	62	63	65	67	68	127
158	159	161	165	168 A/B	178	179	401	

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER Find your changes at halifax.ca/transit or call 311

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IN THE COMMUNITY



Had a blast cooking with the Lucasville Greenway Association in support of their wing night fundraiser at the Wallace Lucas Community Centre.



Here I am with Councillor Paul Russell, Walter Reagan of the Sackville Rivers Association, MLA Braedon Clark and Fisheries and Aquaculture Minister Steve Craig.



Great to get out and help support the Lucasville Greenway project by volunteering at their wing night fundraiser. Thank you Councillor Lovelace for popping in for a bite!



Steve from the Sackville Rivers Association shows me how to cast a rod as part of International Rivers Day celebrations.



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HRM 2022 VOLUNTEER AWARD NOMINATIONS

2022 Volunteer Award Nominations

Do you know an outstanding volunteer who gives back to your community? The deadline to nominate an individual, youth or group for the 2022 volunteer awards is **Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2021**.

Successful nominees will be invited to attend a ceremony and reception in the spring to receive their award with the Mayor and members of Regional Council.



halifax.ca/volunteerawards

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PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES



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- **MP Elect Darrell Samson**
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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
- Board of Police Commissioners
- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee
- Executive Standing Committee
- Special Events Advisory Committee
- Women’s Advisory Committee

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY’S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Land Acknowledgement

The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi’kma’ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi’kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

Halifax is committed to strengthening its relationship with Indigenous communities and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous peoples. Another way the municipality has demonstrated this is by formalizing the official Land Acknowledgement: *“The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi’kma’ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi’kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.”*

Historically, a Land Acknowledgment is a traditional practice shared amongst Indigenous groups to recognize the Indigenous land and territory they are visiting. Now, making a respectful Land Acknowledgement remains a way to express gratitude and respect to Indigenous peoples for being stewards of the land we live and work on. It is an important step in reconciliation.

A land acknowledgment is an important statement that acknowledges we understand the long-standing history that has brought us to reside on this land and that we seek to understand our place with that history. In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities.