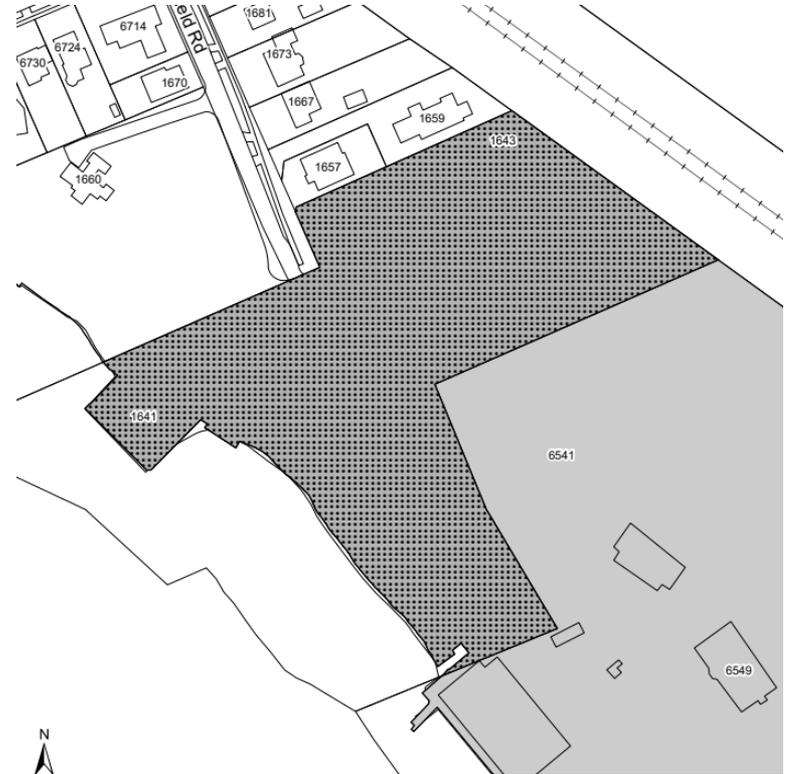


H00531 – 1641 Fairfield Road

Request to Include Property in the Registry of
Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional
Municipality

Location



Registration for Evaluation Criteria – Sites

Criterion	Maximum Score
1. Age of Site <u>or</u> Continuity of Use	25
2. Historical Importance	25
3. Integrity	10
4.[a] Relationship to Surrounding Area <u>or</u> 4.[b] Community Value	10
Total	70

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1. Continuity of Use

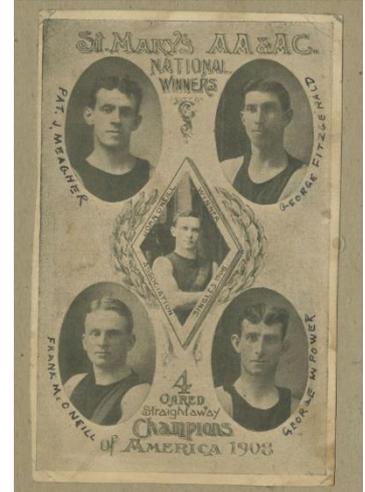
- St. Mary's Amateur Athletic and Aquatics Club founded in 1874 by St. Mary's Young Men's Temperance Abstinence and Benevolence Society
- Rowing and aquatics club at Halifax Harbour, moved to Northwest Arm in 1900
- Constructed a boathouse on Henry Pryor's former 'Hillside' estate circa 1919 on south side of Jubilee Road



Henry Pryor's 'Hillside' Estate,
formerly on south side of Jubilee
Road

2. Historical Importance – St. Mary's AA&AC

- Formed in 1874
- First rowing club to introduce the four-oared shell
- John O'Neill of St. Mary's won the Champion of America Single Scull at the National Championship Regatta, one of few Canadians to win
- Inducted in Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame



St. Mary's
AA&AC

2. Historical Importance – Halifax Rowing



Boaters with St. Mary's Boat Club in the background, ca. 1910

- Connection to Halifax's history of competitive and leisure rowing
- Amateur scull races on Northwest Arm began in 1876
- Led to the construction of several rowing clubs:
 - Northwest Arm Rowing Club (1901)
 - Jubilee Boat Club (1908)
 - Waegwoltic Boat Club (1908)
 - St. Mary's Boat Club (circa 1920)
 - Banook Canoe Club (1903)
 - Mic Mac AAC (1923)

2. Historical Importance – CDEs

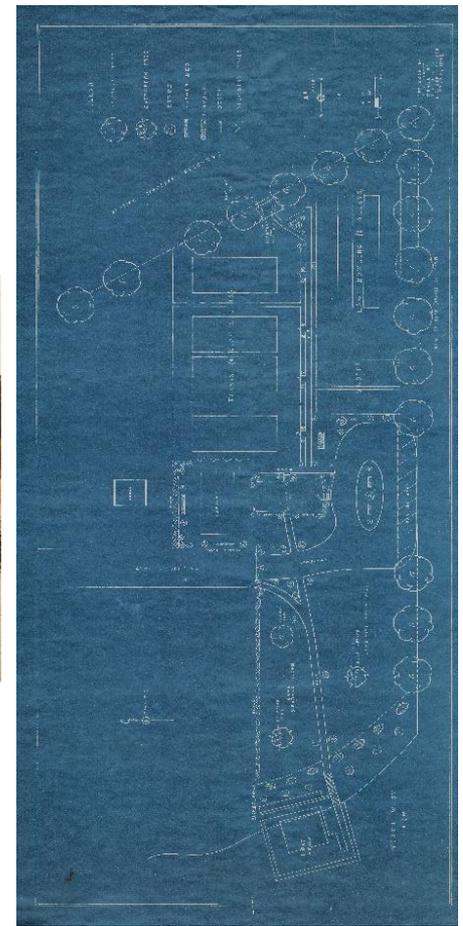
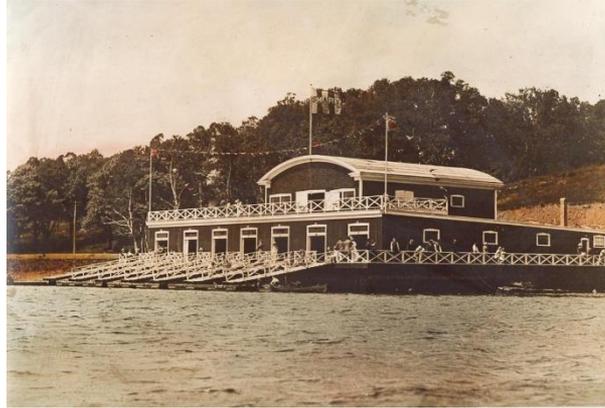
The character defining elements of 1641 Fairfield Road include, but are not limited to:

- Two-storey, wood clad boat club with Colonial Revival influences, including arched roof with returned eaves and diagonal cross balustrades;
- Lawn bowling and tennis court facilities;
- Tree canopy in groupings on slopes and along the south property line; and,
- View of the Northwest Arm and Dingle Tower.



3. Integrity

- Original form remains, including distinctive arched roof
- Original club house demolished
- Of the 1940s expansion, tennis courts and lawn bowling remain



4a. Context

[Relationship to Surrounding Area]



View of Waegwoltic Boat Club and
Dingle Tower from St. Mary's Boat Club
(March 2023)

- Historical, physical, and visual associations with Waegwoltic Club on Coburg Road, and Northwest Arm
- St. Mary's is only one of two remaining boat clubs
- Physical representation of Halifax's rowing and recreational history

HAC Scoring – February 27, 2024, Meeting

Criterion	HAC Score
1. Continuity of Use	21
2. Historical Importance	19
3. Integrity	10
4.[a] Relationship to Surrounding Area	10
Total	60/70

Recommendation

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Approve the request to include 1641 Fairfield Road, Halifax, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 in the staff report dated January 3, 2024, as a municipal heritage area under the Heritage Property Act.

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Thank you