



#### KANA'TA DAY - JULY 1st, 2025

Enjoy various Canada Day celebrations with plenty of cultural, musical, and family-oriented events. Here's a list of a few metro events:

- Free admission at the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 and the Halifax Citadel National Historic site.
- Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Parade in downtown Halifax and Band Performances on Halifax Waterfront
- Dartmouth Waterfront free concerts featuring Drumming and ANSMA artists
- Free Halifax Harbour ferry crossings
- Fireworks/pyrotechnics show on a barge in Halifax Harbour

More details at: <https://hrmcanadaday.ca/>

#### MEMORY LANE – 25TH ANNIVERSARY

On this Dominion Day (July 1st) will mark the 25th anniversary of Memory Lane Heritage Village (MLHV) being opened to the public. At 10:00 AM, there will be a re-creation of the 2000 ribbon-cutting ceremony with as many people as possible who attended the first ribbon-cutting. The Lake Charlotte Area Heritage Society recognized the need for preserving the heritage of our rural communities. The vision of the Society is to inspire an enduring appreciation for the heritage of the Eastern Shore in both residents and visitors alike. The purpose of the Eastern Shore Preservation Fund helps to support the following endeavours:

##### **Eastern Shore Archives**

##### **Eastern Shore Oral History Collection**

##### **Eastern Shore Community Photo Database**

##### **Eastern Shore Heritage Research Projects**

##### **Memory Lane Heritage Village**

##### **Regional Artifact Storage Facility**

The Eastern Shore Archives is the repository for all records related to the social, economic, cultural and natural history of all the communities between Lawrencetown and Ecum Secum. Housed within the climate controlled, fire protected Archives are documents, oral histories, photographs, maps and genealogies of the families and businesses of the Eastern Shore. The Heritage Society is overseen by a volunteer board of directors, a paid part-time Executive Director, and over 150 volunteers. Volunteers and community support are essential to the sustainable operation of the Heritage Village and the Archives. Donations to this fund can be done several ways. You can make a contribution through the 'CanadaHelps' website portal at [www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/community-foundation-of-nova-scotia/campaign/eastern-shore-heritage-preservation-fund/](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/community-foundation-of-nova-scotia/campaign/eastern-shore-heritage-preservation-fund/) or by other options available on the MLHV website: <https://visitmemorylane.ca/donate/eastern-shore-heritage-preservation-fund> Please Give !

This being their Silver Anniversary, perhaps a symbolic donation of \$25 could be made to mark this special occasion.

#### SUPERVISED SWIMMING BEACHES

HRM will be providing water quality monitoring at its supervised beaches at various locations throughout the municipality for July & August. However; due to a limited supply of lifeguards, HRM may have to reduce its offerings of aquatic programs and supervised beach locations. These are the local sites designated for lifeguard supervisors:

**Orenda Beach** – Lake Echo

**Kinap Beach** – West Porters Lake

**Petpeswick Lake Beach** – Pleasant Drive Park  
– Gaetz Brook

**Webber's Beach** – Upper Lakeville / Lake Charlotte

**Malay Falls Beach** – Sheet Harbour / Lochaber Mines  
– 497 Malay Falls Road

For up-to-date info on hours of supervision and latest water quality results, go to: [www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/swimming/supervised-beaches-outdoor-pools-splash-pads](http://www.halifax.ca/recreation/programs-activities/swimming/supervised-beaches-outdoor-pools-splash-pads)

#### ESLSC CONTRACT AWARDED

Finally, the contract to build the Eastern Shore Life Style Centre ( ESLSC ) in Sheet Harbour (HRM Tender 2024-0615 ) has been awarded to Avondale Construction at a bid of \$34,270,733.00. It is expected to have a groundbreaking ceremony on Friday, July 11th at the proposed site – the existing DNR / HRM Fire Station in Sheet Harbour.

Feedback from the first round of public engagement, conducted back in Spring 2024, was compiled and captured in a summary document. This information was used to inform the design development submission that was shared with the public and presented during the next stage of consultation held in October 2024.

[www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/recreation/facilities-fields/cc\\_planninganddevelopment/easternshorelifestylecentre\\_8.5x11-web.pdf](http://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/recreation/facilities-fields/cc_planninganddevelopment/easternshorelifestylecentre_8.5x11-web.pdf)

You can review these concept boards for the Eastern Shore Lifestyle Centre. These designs reflect the ideas that were shared during the public engagement sessions in October 2024 and provided a vision for this future community space. [www.halifax.ca/parks-recreation/programs-activities/recreation-centres-your-community/sheet-harbour-recreation](http://www.halifax.ca/parks-recreation/programs-activities/recreation-centres-your-community/sheet-harbour-recreation)

#### ROSS ROAD REALIGNMENT DESIGN

HRM is seeking proposals to evaluate the concepts of modifying the intersections of Ross Road and Lake Major Road, with Highway #7 - Main Street into one signalized intersection or into a round-about. HRM issued Tender 2025-0299 back on June 3rd and was to close on the 16th but later extended to June 30th. The general intent of this RFP is to select a consultant to complete the designs, specifications, and tender preparation for the realignment. The Concept Report will discuss the benefits/restrictions of a signalized intersection versus a roundabout. Detailed design drawings and specifications suitable for issuing for tender purposes will also be required because HRM is looking to accelerate the design process to reach possible construction in the Spring of 2026.

#### MAIN STREET FUNCTIONAL STUDY

HRM has issued a Tender 2025-0234 which closed on June 10th. The purpose is to have a functional design study of Hwy #7 - Main Street which is an arterial roadway connecting Highway #111 to Highway #107, which serves as the primary connection between HRM's urban centre and the Eastern Shore with approximately 30,000 vehicles of traffic daily. The project study area: Main Street between Forest Hills Parkway to Ross Road; is a 3.0km long section of suburban arterial roadway and a full-time truck route. Recapitalization has been planned for significant portions of this roadway between Forest Hills Parkway and Ross Road, but it was recognized during early

design stages for sidewalk recapitalization that some property acquisition would likely be required to bring the sidewalks up to HRM standards. As well the possible need to widen the roadway to have a left turning centre lane capacity along two stretches of this roadway. (Cherry Brook Road to Riley Road / Montague Road to MacLaughlin Road). It is expected that there will be some opportunities for community engagement later this summer and early autumn. More details to follow once a consultant has been determined.

#### TRUNK 7 MUSIC FESTIVAL – JULY 18 & 19

The Trunk 7 Music Festival will be held again at the Porters Lake Superstore Parking Lot. Great music with plenty of bands and local talent. More details at: [www.trunk7musicfestival.com](http://www.trunk7musicfestival.com) or on their Facebook & Instagram pages. Get tickets: [https://tproatlantic.ticketpro.ca/en/pages/Trunk7\\_2025?aff=T7](https://tproatlantic.ticketpro.ca/en/pages/Trunk7_2025?aff=T7) or at the gate during the weekend.

#### REVISED GREEN CART COLLECTION

As a part of the 2025-26 HRM Budget there will be the resumption of weekly organic green cart collection but with a revised timeframe. These changes come into effect the week of July 21st and remain until September 12th. These reductions in service was part of the budget reduction to keep general tax rate flat and remain the same as the previous year. This may cause some concerns such as smelly carts, so here is a link to some helpful tips to reduce that problem and some other nuisances. [www.halifax.ca/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/green-carts-leaf-yard-material#GCTips](http://www.halifax.ca/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/green-carts-leaf-yard-material#GCTips)

#### BLUE-GREEN ALGAE AWARENESS

Watch for blue-green algae from May to October. It is also called cyanobacteria which occurs naturally in surface waters like lakes, ponds, rivers and streams. The toxins in the algae can make people sick and be fatal for pets if ingested. Blue-green algae tends to develop when a period of hot, dry weather is followed by a heavy rainfall. If you think you see blue-green algae, you should treat it as potentially toxic. Report it to your local NS Department of Environment and Climate Change office or call 1-877-936-8476. For more information, go to: <https://novascotia.ca/blue-green-algae>

#### SWIMMING POOLS & FENCING RULES

Residents with an above-ground or in-ground swimming pool are required to obtain a permit. To obtain these permits, details of pool location, fencing and security must be identified as specified in HRM By-law S-700: [www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/legislation-by-laws/By-lawS-700.pdf](http://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/legislation-by-laws/By-lawS-700.pdf) This applies to all swimming pools with a diameter of 11 feet or more and a depth of 2 feet or more. And they should be completely enclosed with a 5-foot-high fence. For more information, please go to: [www.halifax.ca/home-property/building-development-permits/house-home-permits/develop-your-property#Swim](http://www.halifax.ca/home-property/building-development-permits/house-home-permits/develop-your-property#Swim)



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