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PROVINCIAL BURN BAN

As crews battle multiple fires, there is a **zero-tolerance policy** in effect for burning during the outdoor burning ban. Fines will be issued against those who are burning outdoors, which includes **penalties up to \$25,000** (an increase from \$10,000, as [announced](#) by the Province of Nova Scotia). Any person responsible for fire spread can also be required to pay all expenses related to controlling or extinguishing the fire, and all related fire damages.

The following activities are prohibited:

- Outdoor fires
- Campfires
- Fireworks and other pyrotechnics

Residents are also strongly urged to properly dispose of cigarettes and other smoking materials.



UNITED WAY WILDFIRE RELIEF FUND

United Way Halifax is launching the United Way Wildfire Recovery Appeal to support communities impacted by the wildfires across Nova Scotia as they recover and rebuild.

Communities need a wide variety of supports and services when rebuilding after a climate change disaster such as a wildfire. Although there is not yet a full understanding of community needs, this fund will likely support things like basic needs, groceries, connection and mental health supports.

To make a donation to the wildfire recovery appeal, visit their [website](#) and click on the “donate now” button.

Emera Inc. is making a \$125,000 donation to kickstart the campaign. In addition, Emera will provide up to \$125,000 in matching funds to double the impact of individual donations.



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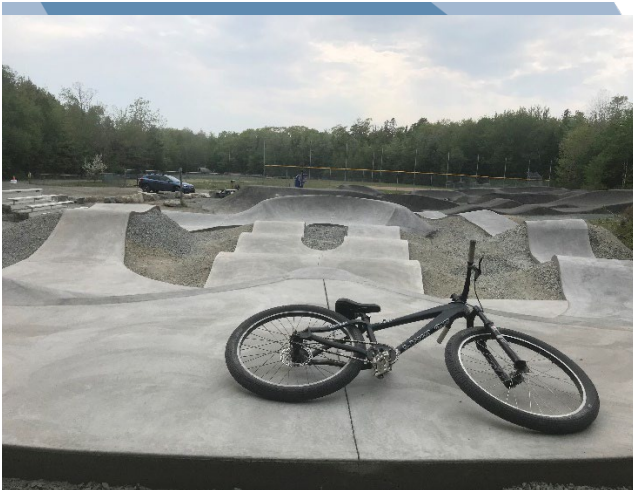
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PARK LIGHTING SURVEY

Did you know the Halifax Regional Municipality has over 900 parks in urban, suburban and rural settings that are used for a variety of recreation and leisure purposes? In some circumstances, parks are also locations through which people travel between destinations.

While parks are typically used during daylight hours, park lighting needs to be considered to accommodate evening use as well. Currently, there is no formal process to evaluate when and where lighting might be installed, and which parks, or areas within parks, should be prioritized. A Park Lighting Strategy is being developed to address the safe use and passageway in parks.

The information gathered through this survey will help shape the process, criteria, prioritization, and design of spaces within parks that could be considered for lighting. Take a moment to share your feedback by taking our [online survey](#). The survey closes June 11.



The new Shubie Pump track expansion is now open!

NORTH GROVE JUNE CALENDAR

Check out all the exciting events happening at the North Grove this month on their new and improved calendar. They will be offering their usual drop-in services and events and also have some special events planned like their Father's Day Hike and Welcome Summer Celebration. Check it out [here](#).

ELECTRIC VEHICLE TEST DRIVE

The municipality is partnering with [Next Ride](#) and the [Clean Foundation](#) to host 18 free electric vehicle test drive events in communities throughout the municipality between May and July.

Our team will be on hand to answer questions and share information about electric vehicles, available rebates and what to expect from the municipality's electric vehicle strategy. They will be at the RBC Centre on June 14th from 3 to 6 p.m. if you'd like to check it out. Secure your spot by registering for a free test drive event near you in advance. Limited walk-in spots will be available. Find out more about the events and other locations and times [here](#).

GRAY ARENA RECREATION PROGRAMS

The Dartmouth North Community Centre will be hosting some new programs at the Gray Arena this summer. Programs include roller skating, pickleball, skateboarding and tennis and could be weekly programs or camps. They begin mid-July.

If you need financial assistance to participate, the Affordable Access Program provides 50% - 100% discounts on the program cost depending on the need. For more information, visit our [website](#).



I was thrilled to visit IKEA in Dartmouth Crossing for the unveiling of some amazing artwork by artist Lorne Alexander Julien, a proud Mi'kmaq artist from Millbrook First Nation. You can find this beautiful piece of art in the restaurant at IKEA.



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JUNE ROAD SAFETY FOCUS – DISTRACTED DRIVING

Distracted driving puts you and everyone on the road at risk. It is one of the leading causes of fatal and serious injury collisions in HRM. From cellphones to loud music and other passengers, there are many distractions that can compete for a driver's attention and affect their ability to drive safely.

Here are some tips to help avoid distracted driving:

- Keep your cellphone out of reach. Reduce the temptation to use it by keeping it out of sight (for example, in a bag in the backseat) and turn the ringer off.
- Plan your route ahead of time. Before you get in the car, know where you're going and how you're getting there. If you use a GPS system, program your route prior to starting the car.
- Avoid eating and drinking while driving. If you need to take a drink, wait until you are stopped at a red light.
- Keep music or radio at a reasonable volume and don't use headphones. Music should never be so loud that you would not be able to hear a siren, or the screech of brakes from another vehicle.
- Offer help. If you're a passenger and notice the driver trying to use the phone, offer to send a text or make a call for them. You can also offer to help navigate the GPS.
- Talk to new drivers. Remind them of the importance of staying focused behind the wheel and the serious risks when driving distracted.

Model good behaviour. Kids are always watching! Quickly checking your phone may seem harmless, but when you find yourself needing to stop suddenly to avoid a collision, every second counts. Stay alert, arrive alive.

EMERA OVAL IS OPEN

The Emera Oval is open for the summer season! The Oval offers in-line skating, roller skating, biking, skateboarding and more. There are free equipment rentals, accessible washrooms and first aid available. Check out our [website](#) for the schedule.



YOUTH POET LAUREATES

The Halifax Regional Municipality is pleased to announce that Damini Awoyiga and Asiah Sparks have been selected as the inaugural [Youth Poet Laureates](#).

The Youth Poet Laureates will serve as literary ambassadors for youth in the region. During their one-year tenure, the Laureates will seek to inspire and engage local youth to share their stories through written and spoken word.

The Youth Poet Laureates will work closely alongside current Poet Laureate, Sue Goyette, who will serve an additional year on her term to provide mentorship and guidance to these young writers. Both Youth Poet Laureates assumed their position on Monday, May 15. For more information, visit [our website](#).



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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN ENGAGEMENT

The Joint Regional Transportation Agency (JRTA) is a new provincial Crown Corporation tasked with addressing transportation issues associated with rapid growth in Halifax and surrounding communities (about a one-hour travel time from Halifax).

To achieve this, the JRTA is developing the Regional Transportation Plan that will establish a long-term, coordinated and strategic vision for a regional transportation system that makes sustainable growth and development possible and improves the safe and efficient flow of people and goods.

They will be hosting a pop up engagement session on June 17 at Alderney Landing Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. if you'd like to learn more or provide your feedback. You can also visit their [website](#) to share your thoughts.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Station 1 Lebanese Kitchen
50 Tacoma Drive

11:30 am to 12:00 - Networking
12:00 to 1:00pm - Lunch & Meeting



VILLAGE ON MAIN REBRAND

The Village on Main Business Improvement District are working with local partner, RoundTable Creative, to update their logo. They have outgrown and outpaced their speech-bubble logo and it's time to refresh. The Village on Main are an association that provide capital improvements, events, beautification and safety initiatives for the main street commercial area to promote local businesses. Check out their [website](#) for updates.

WINDMILL ROAD PAVING

An asphalt overlay will happen this summer on Windmill Road from Dawson Street to Fernhill Drive. This involves removing and replacing the upper layer of existing asphalt pavement. This work will also include some curb replacement and will involve tie-in to driveways and some lawn slopes, but it is expected that most work will be within HRM's right-of-way. Any fences, hedges, shrubs and/or gardens within the street right-of-way may have to be moved or removed before construction by the property owner. Please note, HRM will remove any items in conflict with construction. There will be several stages of construction taking place during this project. During construction, parking access may be impacted both on street and in driveways to complete the work.

Further notice of impacts for driveway access will be given at time of construction. Please contact Ben Corkum at 902-399-4924 or email ben.corkum@halifax.ca if you have any questions.

FUNDRAISING EVENT

IN SUPPORT OF

autism NOVA SCOTIA

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ATLANTIC CHAMPIONS CUP

Cricket Tournament

Date: **June 24 & 25** **10 TEAMS**

Venue- Don Bayer Sports Field
(in association with Halifax Regional Municipality)

Winners - \$750 & Trophy
1st Runners Up - \$300 & Trophy
2nd Runners Up - \$150 & Trophy
And Other exciting prizes.

Register Now for \$250

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We had wonderful turn out for a Guided Bird Walk in Shubie Park. Thank you to the Bird Friendly Coalition for organizing the bird walk

INCLUSIONARY ZONING

Regional Council has established process to amend the [Regional Municipal Planning Strategy](#) and other planning documents to create a new Inclusionary Zoning Program.

Inclusionary zoning regulations will allow the municipality to require on-site affordable housing in every new development as a condition for developers to obtain a development permit.

Staff have engaged a planning consultant to conduct research, which helped inform the implementation of the program. The proposed process will include engaging with the development community, non-profit housing providers, members of the public and other key stakeholders.

An analysis on fiscal impacts will be conducted to help determine the variables of an inclusionary zoning program, including the most effective affordability standard and the amount of affordable housing that should be set aside in each new development.

To learn more, read the [report](#).

ANNUAL TREE PLANTING PROGRAM


The Municipality has begun our annual tree planting program and aim to plant approximately 2,500 trees throughout the right of way this season. The tree planting program ensures the continued health of our urban forest and contributes to our climate action goals. Requests will be considered for planting in a future season but are not guaranteed. To maintain a healthy urban forest, the municipality plants a variety of species to ensure tree diversity and resiliency. Residents may request trees on municipal land by contacting 311.

PARKS 2023/2024 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The budget has been approved for 2023/2024 and these are some of the upgrades we plan to make to the parks and fields in district 6:

Don Bayer Park – Off Leash Dog Park
Ira Settle Park Ball Diamond – Rehabilitation
Pinecrest Park – Playground
Red Bridge Pond Park – New floating dock
Shubie Park – Pump track expansion, Garshan Road parking lot paving
Beazley Park – Kinsmen ball diamond protective netting
Ellenvale Junior High/Brookhouse Elementary Park – Sport field drainage, sport court rehabilitation
Grassy Brook Park – Bridge rehabilitation

More information on these projects will be made public as projects begin.



Emergency Service's Career Fair

Female & gender diverse focused, but everyone is welcome.

Halifax Regional Municipality Police Officer or Firefighter

Emergency Health Services Paramedic

Canadian Coast Guard

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officer

Department of National Defence Firefighter

Nurse

Conservation Officer

Canadian Armed Forces Regular or Reservist Force Police Officer, Firefighter Medic, and more.

Canadian Border Services

Department of Justice Sheriff

Department of Natural Resources Wildland Officer

Date : Sunday July 9th, 2023

Location : 3 MP Regiment, 255 Damascus Road Bedford

Website : campcourage.ca

Come early and join our celebration of 25 amazing youth graduating from Camp Courage

Graduation Time : 1:00 - 3:30

Career Fair Time : 3:30 - 5:00

RSVP by June 30th : campcourage@gmail.com

The career fair is hosted by Camp Courage in collaboration with the above listed agencies, schools and support services. If the agency can't attend, we will have recruitment information.



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MACPASS STICKER SWAP

After 25 years, it's time to say goodbye to the classic hard-shell MACPASS. Halifax Harbour Bridges is no longer giving out the hard-shell transponder many of us have come to know. Instead, it is offering a new, free and more effective sticker pass.

The sticker MACPASS is smaller, works faster at the toll lanes, and will interact with new tolling technology coming soon to HHB. Get your new sticker [online](#) or by visiting the MACPASS Customer Service Centre on Princess Margaret Boulevard. You can also call the MACPASS office at 902-436-3100.

More information and videos on using, installing and updating your MACPASS can be found on the [HHB website](#).

BRAEMAR DRIVE MURAL



Many folks have reached out to me about the condition of the mural near Braemar Dr. There are a couple issues when it comes to this artwork. When the art was originally created, the rules stated only the original artist could adjust the piece. The original artist has quoted us a cost almost triple the original price to do the upgrades. For this reason, we are considering having a new piece created.

The wall belongs to the province. They have looked at the condition of the wall and some structural work is needed. It will be two years before they get to the work so we will review the options once the structural work is complete.

PETS IN VEHICLES

We're excited to welcome the warm, summer-y weather! However, the heat is not so enjoyable for pets – it can prove to be deadly when they're left behind in your vehicle. Police and the SPCA are encouraging all motorists to think twice before leaving your pets in your vehicle for any amount of time. Leaving your window cracked or parking in the shade makes almost no difference. Even during a quick trip into the grocery store, the inside of your vehicle can heat up quickly and become intolerable for pets. Please leave your pet at home or only visit pet-friendly businesses.

If you come across an animal in a vehicle that appears to be in distress:

- Look for the owner of the car. Go to nearby stores and have the owner paged.
- If you cannot locate the owner, call your local police and stay at the vehicle until police arrive. Do not contact police unless the animal is obviously distressed.
- If you are unsure if an animal is in distress, call the Nova Scotia SPCA at 1-888-703-7722
- Follow up by filing a report with the Nova Scotia SPCA either online or by phone and ensure that you obtain a license plate of the vehicle.

Let's keep our four-legged friends safe this summer!

NORTH DARTMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTRE AND LIBRARY

The Dartmouth North Community Centre renovations are looking great, and we are hoping to be able to open this month! We are waiting on some final safety system testing and inspection, so keep an eye on our website for more details. The renovations include moving the main entryway to Pinecrest with a new reception area, universal washrooms, larger programming rooms, and installing energy efficient technology like an HVAC system and converting the heat source to natural gas.

The Dartmouth North Public Library are also back to full service after dealing with a damaging pipe burst and flood over the winter.



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Thank you to Royal Canadian Legion Somme Branch #31 for organizing and inviting me to the annual D-Day memorial service.

We gathered to honour the more than 14,000 Canadians who fought in France on D-day, including many who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Lest we forget.

READY FOR REC PROGRAM

Register now for Ready for Rec summer programs! This fun summer program is designed for youth with disabilities aged 13-18. Participants will explore the community and learn new things along the way. The focus is healthy living through fun recreation activities. Participants should be able to be in a group of two or three campers to one staff.

To register for Ready for Rec youth programs, please contact inclusion@halifax.ca. You can find out more [here](#).

YELLOW BENCH PROGRAM

You may have noticed the new yellow bench at Albro Lake Beach, these benches have been installed in a few locations around the municipality to promote connection, community and conversation. The benches encourage residents to sit and talk or sit in stillness for mental wellness. They are a meeting place where people can share stories, listen and heal. Thank you to Dartmouth North resident and Invictus Games athlete Darrell Ling and staff for your work to bring this asset to Albro Lake Beach!

LAKEWATCHERS PROGRAM



Get involved in monitoring the quality of our local lakes! The municipality's LakeWatchers program launched last year and is a great way to help keep our lakes safe and clean.

The program will involve community teams to conduct environmental monitoring in 76 lakes across the municipality, collect data, such as pH levels, to inform future actions to maintain/improve a lake's health and share that data with residents through future staff reports to Regional Council and through the municipality's [Open Data Portal](#).

Data collection will take place twice yearly. The municipality will leverage existing water quality community groups and welcomes new volunteers to collect data in support of this program.

Interested in getting involved? Learn more [here](#).

HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE INPAIRED DRIVING STATISTICS

Halifax Regional Police charged 33 drivers with impaired related offences during the month of April.

Of the 33 drivers charged, 18 came from calls from people who suspected impaired drivers. We thank the public for reporting suspect impaired drivers and encourage anyone to call 911 immediately if they suspect someone is driving impaired.

If you see a potential impaired driver, call 911 immediately and give the call taker your location along with a description of the vehicle, including the licence plate number, colour, make and model, the direction of travel for the vehicle and a description of the driver.



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HOURLY PAY STATION PARKING INCREASES

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that effective May 29, hourly pay station parking has increased by 25 per cent, or up to 75 cents per hour. This increase is a result of budget considerations and is motivated by the goals of the municipality's [Integrated Mobility Plan](#), which aims to create connected, healthy, affordable and sustainable travel options.

Where on-street paid parking is available, it is divided into parking zones. Parking rates are based on time-of-day demand within the parking zones. Rates vary by zone and time can be purchased in 15-minute increments. On-street pay stations allow for payment by coin, debit card, credit card, and [HotSpot](#). For more information, visit our [website](#).



We had a very good townhall meeting with residents of Ocean Breeze Village.

Thank you to HRM staff that attended the meeting. We discussed sidewalks, transit, traffic, affordable housing and community safety.

NEW OPEN DATA SETS

We've released two new datasets on Open Data as part of an ongoing commitment to provide public access to data created and managed by the municipality.

Food and Artisan Vendors and LakeWatchers Lab Results data sets have now been added to the 211 available data sets on Open Data.

A wide range of data can be sourced for free through the catalogue, such as transit routes and schedule data, solid waste collection schedules, and area rates. For more information on the municipality's Open Data program, and to access all the datasets, visit our [website](#).

TRAFFIC CALMING ASSESSMENTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAP

The municipality has just released a new traffic calming map on our website that enables public users to check in on the status of any traffic calming assessment.

This new map replaces the previous lists posted online and will be updated on a frequent basis.

To view the new map, visit our [website](#).



I want to express my sincere gratitude and congratulations to Davian Bonnick from John Martin Junior High for being chosen as the 2023 Citizenship Award recipient.

The citizenship award is awarded to one grade nine student from each school who has high academic standing but also contributes to bettering their community through participation in extracurricular programs, leadership and service. Thank you to all our amazing 2023 citizenship award recipients! The future is bright!



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LAWN HELPERS PROGRAM

Lakecity Works are offering discounted lawn mowing for seniors and people with mobility barriers this summer.

The Helpers program is up and running, so please reach out to Tim at (902) 465-5000 for more information.



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Environment and Sustainability Standing
Committee

Halifax Regional Library Board

Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council

Solid Waste Regional Chairs Committee

Regional Centre Community Council

Shubenacadie Canal Commission

Special Events Advisory Committee



Congratulations to Dartmouth's Declan Younger, who was recently awarded the Lord Strathcona Medal.

The Lord Strathcona Medal is the highest award which can be bestowed upon a Canadian cadet in recognition of exemplary performance in physical and military training.