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Monthly Newsletter

Town of Sackville

www.sackville.com

February 2021

Important February Dates

Special Council Meeting
February 1, 2021
6:30 pm
Participate or watch at sackville.com

Regular Council Meeting
February 8, 2021
7:00pm
Participate or watch at Sackville.com

Sackville Winterfest
February 18 - 21, 2021
Full schedule and registration at sackville.com/winterfest

Dates and meetings are changing daily. Please visit the Community Events Calendar for the latest updates.

Sackville Home to New COVID-19 Testing Centre

Horizon Health has opened a new, temporary COVID-19 Assessment Centres in Sussex, Sackville and Perth-Andover. The Sackville site is located at the Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St. This site began testing patients for COVID-19 on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

Hours of operation will be based on need, and the site will remain in place as long as there is sufficient demand for this service.

Like all other COVID-19 Assessment Centres in New Brunswick, these new sites will be by appointment only. When requesting an appointment through **www.gnb.ca/coronavirus** or Tele-Care 811, residents of the surrounding areas of these temporary sites should choose the permanent site as their preferred site (i.e. Moncton for Zone 1). When they receive a call to book their appointment, they will be offered testing at the location nearest to them.

The Town of Sackville is committed to keeping our residents up to date on all COVID-19 information that may come up locally or that may be introduced provincially. For the latest local COVID-19 information, please **click here**.



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Sackville's 14th Annual WinterFest

Although some of the traditional favourite activities cannot take place this year due to COVID-19 restrictions, we still have a great schedule of events and activities planned for February 18-21, 2021. From guided snowshoe and cross country ski excursions to a COVID safe Family Day at Beech Hill Park, there is a little bit of something for everyone!



Please note that pre-registration is required for most activities before February 16, 2021. You can find the full schedule of events and activities at **www.sackville.com/winterfest**.

Fireman's Winter Carnival Goes Virtual

Introducing the Sackville Fire & Rescue Online Winter Carnival Photo Contest! This Years Theme: Essential & Front Line Workers! Our Essential Workers have kept our communities running during the pandemic! Let's honour them by dressing up and submitting your photos for a chance to win! ALL AGES welcome!

There are several categories for prizes and your category is determined but the age posted in your entry. A category for families is also available if you'd like to submit your household bubble dressed up together.

For full details, visit the Sackvile Fire & Rescue **Facebook Event**.

Recreation Programming

Our winter program planning is just getting started., and although everything is on hold while we wait for the RED phase of the province's COVID-19 Recovery Plan to pass, there's plenty happening once we are back in the YELLOW or ORANGE. Follow us on **Facebook** for updates on virtual opportunities.

Saturday Trailblazers
Saturday Aquasize Classes
Women's Shinny Hockey
Recreational Pickleball
Senior's Aerobics

For full details or to register for any of the above programs, please visit **www.sackville.com/programs**.

For other community recreational opportunities, please visit **www.sackville.com/calendar**.

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Winter Overnight Parking Notice

The Town would like to remind all residents that winter parking restrictions came into effect December 1, 2020 and will be enforced until May 1, 2021. Remember, keeping your cars off the street will allow us to keep the roads clear and safe!

Parking between the hours of 1:00 AM – 6:00 AM is not permitted on any day, highway, street, portion of a street, or public parking lot owned or maintained by the Town of Sackville. Parking is also not permitted at any time so as to interfere with snow plowing or snow removal.

Violations for a first offense range from $50 – $500, and may also include the vehicle to be towed at the vehicle owners expense.

Winter Snow Clearing

The Public Works Department would like to remind all residents and visitors to Sackville to be careful around our snow clearing equipment. Whether plowing a road, parking lot or a sidewalk, we do our absolute best to keep the snow clear and to keep you all safe. Please do your part and if you see us coming, give yourself plenty of room to avoid an unnecessary accident or injury.



2021 Dog Tags Now Available

It's that time of year again- 2021 Dog Tags are now available at Town Hall, 31C Main Street, 2nd Floor.

Registration fees until March 30, 2021:
· $20.00 for a spayed or neutered dog
· $20.00 for any dog who is not spayed or neutered up to 12 months (proof of age required)
· $40.00 for any dog who is not spayed or neutered over 12 months (proof of age required)



Tags issued after March 30, 2021 will be subject to an additional $20 fee.

Proof of rabies vaccination must be shown at the time the dog tag is purchased.

Copies of By-Law 218 regarding dog tags are available at Town Hall or visit www.sackville.com

Tantramar Veterans' Memorial Civic Centre

Although the Civic Centre is closed to the public during the RED phase of the province's COVID-19 Recovery Plan, we do have several opportunities available when we are in the YELLOW or ORANGE:



45+ Hockey (When we're in the YELLOW)
9:00 – 10:00 am, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
$8.00 drop-in

Public Skates
Weekdays from noon – 1:30 pm.
Sundays from 2:30 - 3:30 pm
$8 per family of 4, $3 per adult, or $2 per senior/child under 12.

Please be sure to follow COVID-19 rules posted at the rink and always check the Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre **Calendar** for the most up-to-date schedule as times are subject to change.

Women's Shinny Hockey (When we're in the ORANGE or YELLOW)
Friday Evenings until March 26, 2021: 6:30-7:30 PM
$8.00 drop-in fee per ice time
Full gear required
Ages 17+
All skill levels welcome

Bibliothèque publique de Sackville Public Library

(506) 364-4915
spublib@gnb.ca
sackvillepubliclibrary

Monday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm	Lundi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h
Tuesday	12-4pm & 5-7pm	Mardi	12h-16h & 17h-19h
Wednesday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm	Mercredi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h
Thursday	12-4pm & 5-7pm	Jeudi	12h-16h & 17h-19h
Friday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm	Vendredi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h

Closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Fermée les samedis et les dimanches.

www.gnb.ca/publiclibraries

New Brunswick Public Library Service / Service des bibliothèques publiques du Nouveau-Brunswick

www.gnb.ca/bibliothequespubliques

Sackville's Arts Wall Now Accepting Nominations

The Sackville Arts Wall recognizes and honours achievements of Sackville and area artists who have attained international, national or regional prominence and distinction in the three classifications of Literary Arts, Performing Arts, and Visual Arts. It also honours a Sackville and area citizen (or group) who has been instrumental in the cultural and artistic development within our community.

Initiated in 2008, the year of Sackville's designation as a Cultural Capital of Canada, its first members were named in 2009. At least one and up to a maximum of four new members (one per category) may be added to the wall biannually, as chosen by a jury from among candidates nominated by the public.

Nominations and Eligibility

Candidates may be nominated in any one of four categories:
Literary Arts - eminent writers of poetry, novels, short stories, essays, dramas and screenplays, distinguished works of non-fiction and serious journalism.
Performing Arts - outstanding musicians, actors, dancers, and other performing artists.
Visual Arts - artists who have achieved distinction in painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, film and other visual media.
Arts Builders - individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the artistic life and cultural development of the community as champions, supporters, patrons, administrators, teachers and mentors.

To be considered for selection to the Sackville Arts Wall, candidates must meet the following criteria of nomination:
Residency: The candidate shall have resided in Sackville or the immediate surrounding area for a significant portion of his/her formative years and/or working life.
Achievement: The candidate shall have achieved a sustained level of excellence and recognition in his/her chosen category of endeavour.

The next induction ceremony will be held in fall of 2021. To nominate an artist, please download our 2021 Nomination Form and submit by **May 14, 2021**. If you have any questions about the Sackville Arts Wall, please contact Recreation Programs and Events at 364-4930.

Nomination forms are available **here**.



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EOS Offers Sump Pump Bulk Purchase

EOS Eco-Energy is happy to announce they are partnering to offer a sump pump bulk purchase. Homeowners in the Tantramar-Memramcook region can sign up starting today until February 24th, 2021.

By participating in the bulk purchase, you get a 15% discount off a sump pump or battery back-up sump pump. The battery back-up design protects your home from costly flood damage even when the power goes off. Intended to evacuate flood waters, sump pumps are a useful investment especially if you live in a low-lying area or a flood zone. Due to increasingly severe rain events, even homes on high ground are susceptible to flooding and would benefit from a sump pump. Many insurance companies require battery back-up sump pumps now. The installation must be completed by a local plumber to be provided by EOS to be eligible for the discounted sump pump.

EOS has been awarded New Brunswick Environmental Trust Fund funding to coordinate this program. Please contact EOS Eco-Energy (506-536-4487 or info.eos@nb.aibn.com) for more information or to register for the bulk purchase.

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Tantramar Senior's College Winter Online Courses

TSC TANTRAMAR SENIORS COLLEGE

The Tantramar Seniors College is offering free online courses to any senior who is interested in taking part. Although the deadline to register for courses has come and gone, there is still some spaces available. You can see the full list of opportunities on the Senior's College **website**.

Interested seniors (over 50) should contact John Wales, the TSC coordinator at tsccoordinator@gmail.com if they are interested.

The Sackville Farmer's Market

The Sackville Farmers Market remains open during the red phase with rigorous precautions in place. We're stepping up our game with online ordering & home delivery, including the option to special-order any product ordinarily available at the market. Visit **sackvillefarmersmarket.ca** for ordering information.

Sackville FARMERS MARKET

Ticket sales have been launched on our website for the Winterfest after-market feast; featuring Little Shemogue Oysters, local beef chili from Pi By Crow, and beverages from Bagtown Brewing. COVID precautions will be in place and the feast can be converted to a take-home affair if required. If we move to Yellow Phase (fingers crossed!) the event will take place on a special winter edition of Bagtown's patio.

9th Annual Tantramar Climate Change Week: January 30 – February 5, 2021

EOS Eco Energy and our community partners are proud to present our 2021 Climate Change Week schedule of events, free all week!

Saturday, January 30th
Official Launch of Climate Change Week
Sackville Farmer's Market Booth
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
43 Main Street, Sackville

Monday, February 1st
Eco-Action virtual Lettuce Eat for Meatless Monday

Energy Transition Webinar
7:00 - 8:00 pm
Dr. Brad Walters

Tuesday, February 2nd
Lunch and Learn – PCP Milestone 5
12:00 – 1:00 pm
Lauren Clark
Online webinar

Exploring Flood Risk and Vulnerability in Tantramar Local Service Districts (LSDs)
7:00 – 8:30 pm
New Brunswick Southeast Planning Commission
Online webinar

Wednesday, February 3rd
Vermiculture
12:00 – 1:00 pm
John Castell and Michael Freeman
Online webinar

Waste Sorting Webinar
7:00-8:00 pm
Patrick Langis - ECO360 & Southeast Regional Service Commission

Thursday, February 4th
National Sweater Day

Lunch and Learn - Climate Reality
12:00 – 1:00 pm
Tracey Wade
Online webinar

Food Sustainability in a Changing Climate
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Dr. Holly Abbandonato
Online webinar

Trivia Night
8:00 – 11:00 pm
Zoom link + Locations TBA

For links to any of the virtual events, please contact Lauren Clark, Energy Projects Coordinator/Coordinatrice des projets d'Énergie

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506-536-4487

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Heritage Week February 8th -15th

Do you know where Porcupine Rocks is located? What about Plaster of Paris? Join your Tantramar Heritage Trust to celebrate Heritage Week! Follow them on **Facebook** and **Instagram** for daily postings.

Click **here** on Saturday, February 13th at 2:00 p.m. and join the Heritage Trust for a celebration of Heritage Week. Discover Porcupine Rocks, Plaster of Paris and plenty of other lesser known place names in Tantramar.

Finding these hidden treasures has never been easier after you have been introduced to the Heritage Trust's interactive Google Map.

Book an Ad in Sackville's Visitors Guide

We are once again selling advertising to local businesses to be included in our Visitor Guide, which is distributed throughout the province. To book an ad in the 2021 guide, or to update an event or business listing from the 2020 guide (see the 2020 guide **here**, contact Ron at r.kellyspurles@sackville.com or at 364-4938.

Sackville's Newest Public Art Installation

Featured at the new trail system surrounding the Lorne Street Naturalized Retention Pond, "The Chignecto Balance" is a 15 foot high public art installation by Canadian sculptors Mary-Ann Liu and Paul Slipper and was installed in January 2021.



The installation encompasses rain and kinetic movement in considering the effects of climate change on the delicate balance of human activities and nature, focusing on local plant life, bird life and industry.

The two upper elements of the sculpture highlight the Chignecto region's highway transportation corridor and migratory bird routes. The cattail represents plant life and serves as a balance point on which these two elements pivot.

Allowing the transport truck and heron to each turn in the wind exposes the viewer to the constant struggle between human force and nature.

Interpretive signage will be installed this spring to further enhance the display. We encourage you to enjoy the fresh air and check it out!

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Get to Know Your Town Staff

The Town of Sackville is lucky to have amazing staff that work hard to make our community a great place to live for all of our residents. That is why we would like to introduce you to our hard working staff. Each month we will feature a different staff member in our newsletter. This month we are pleased to introduce you to Rebecca Allen.

Rebecca is happily married to Cory Allen, who operates a popular plumbing company in town, and together the have three daughters: Taelynn, Quinnley & Millie. Of course, their family would not be complete without mentioning their black lab, Coy. In her spare time, Rebecca enjoys spending time at the family cottage in Murray Corner, going for a run, exploring the woods and just being outside with her family.



Being a born and raised Sackvillan, Rebecca loves the small town feel of the community, has always enjoyed the people who live in Sackville and is a big fan of the Waterfowl Park. When she does feel the urge to head out of Town, the Allen Family enjoys Murray Corner or a road trip to PEI.

Rebecca has worked for the Town off and on since working as a summer student in 2008. She has been in her current position as the Accounts Receivable and Payroll Clerk for the past five years. She has a diploma in Business Administration with an accounting concentration from NSCC, as well as her Payroll Compliance Practitioner certificate from The Canadian Payroll Association. Interestingly, she is also a Licensed Esthetician/Nail Technician.

Rebecca says that she is... "very proud to be from Sackville and so fortunate to be able to settle here with my family."

Have you Explored our Amazing Trails?

The research is clear, getting outside is great for our mental health. This fact cannot be overstated and is especially important given that today's environment of mask wearing and social distancing. Luckily, you live in the Tantramar Region and Sackville is home to some amazing trail systems where social distancing is easy, getting a breath of fresh air is guaranteed and a little boost to your mental and physical health is a bonus.

The Crooked Tree and Ogden Brook Trail systems at the top of Walker Road are great for snowshoeing and cross country skiing. They are groomed and maintained by the Tantramar Outdoor Club. Beech Hill Park, the Waterfowl Park and the new Retention Pond Trail on Lorne Street all have sections that are plowed for walking. Beech Hill Park also has great snowshoeing, cross country skiing, geocaching and disc golf.



What are you waiting for? Get outside and explore the natural beauty of Sackville.

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16TH ANNUAL SPORTS RECOGNITION

Council would like to congratulate the following athletes for their sporting accomplishments in 2020

Titan Mini Girls Basketball U12 Division 5
2020 Provincial Championship
Sophia Wilson Lily Wilson Ella Snowdon
Beth Snowdon Chloe Wortman Ashley Kay
Hannah Beal Caroline Tucker Abby Wright Claire Arseneau
Head Coach: Jennifer Duskocy
Assistant Coach: Clay Wortman, Livia Gallant
Team Manager: Dave Beal

Atlantic Disc Golf Champion
Duncan Dixon

Sackville Sharks
2020 N.B. Open Cup Short Course Championships
Reuben Smith Ella Tucker
Grace Farella Sebastien Emmerson
David Puddicombe Laine Acton Kenzie Power
Hunter Emmerson Zachary Tucker
Coach: Brenna Rothfuss

Visit www.sackville.com for a detailed list of accomplishments.

A very special thank you to all the coaches, volunteers, officials, dedicated fundraisers and association board members who contribute to the advancement of athletics in Sackville. Thanks to your tireless efforts, Sackville has a vibrant athletic community to be proud of!

Virtual Home Alone Program



Help your child build valuable skills for a lifetime!

The program will cover:

- Basic safety tips
- Home safety procedures
- When to call 911
- Fighting boredom
- Overcoming fears
- Fire safety
- Obtaining emergency help
- Healthy eating
- Basic first aid
- Much more!

Ages 9-11
$25 per participant
Includes an e-reference guide

February 20, 2021
10:00am - 12:30 pm
Virtually through Zoom

Register by February 14, 2021 at sackville.com/programs

Participants must have access to a laptop/Ipad and floor space for practical exercises

Questions? Contact m.pryde@sackville.com or 364-4930

St. John Ambulance
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at work, home and play

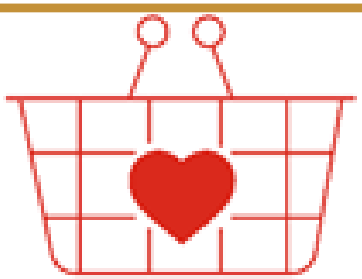
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Help Starts Here

211 services ensure no one is left behind or alone as Canada battles #COVID19. Dial 2-1-1 for support with housing, food, or navigating new COVID-19 relief programs.

When you're looking for community supports and services, but don't know where to turn, help starts at 211. Dial 2-1-1 to be immediately connected with a 211 Navigator. The service is available 24/7.

#HelpStartsHere #COVID19Canada



When you need access to food.

Dial 2-1-1 or visit 211.ca

211

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United Way Centraide

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Town Hall Updates

Despite the first Regular Council Meeting of 2021 being a little quieter than usual, Council still addressed several items. Here are a list of the key motions that were presented:

Council gave second and third reading of by-law 243-C, a by-law to amend by-law 243, along with a series of additional motions that permit an abattoir to operate at 72 Crescent Street.

Council gave first and second readings of further amendments of by-law no. 243 and by-law 244 to rezone a property on Reservoir Road from Industrial to Rural Residential.

Council voted to support an application for funding consideration to the province under the Integrated Bilateral Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to support Phase III of the Lorne Street Storm Water Mitigation Project should the application be successful.

Council authorized the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal all related documents for the Town of Sackville to sell a portion of the lands for public purposes in the form of a land swap with the property located off Fawcett Ave, PID 70290499.



Municipal Elections

After a year long delay, Municipal elections are set to take place in May 2021. If you have an interest in running for municipal politics, nominations will become available on March 20, 2021. You can find full details about the process at **www.electionsnb.ca**.

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Follow us on Social Media

The best way to stay up to date on municipal events, updates and news is to follow our various social media platforms. Staff work hard to update them all regularly and are quick to respond to questions.



The Town has various accounts:
Facebook (www.facebook.com/SackvilleNB)
Instagram (@SackvilleNB)
Twitter (@SackvilleTownNB)

You can even subscribe to our Youtube Channel for video of our Regular Council Meetings!

Community Calendar

Do you regularly host public events or know others that do? Are you looking for a great way to get the word out? Our calendar on the Town of Sackville website is by far the most popular feature on the site.

You can easily submit your events to the Town Calendar by visiting **www.sackville.com/calendar**. Your submission will be reviewed by staff and published in short order for anyone visiting the website to see!

Emergency Public Alert System

The Emergency Public Alert System has been established in Sackville to make residents aware when major emergency events take place. To receive a text, voicemail and/or an email when a major emergency is taking place in the Town, we encourage all residents to register for the system by visiting https://sackville.com/residents/resident-services/ and clicking on the link on the right-hand side of the page. **Click here for a direct link**. If you do not have a computer to register, please call 364-4960 to get yourself registered.

Sign Up With the Community Directory

The Town of Sackville's website has many great features, but one that we are particularly proud of is the Community Directory. Here, local organizations and businesses can submit a directory listing with their contact information, website, and so forth. This easy to use directory makes it much easier for potential customers and users to find your information.

To submit a business or organization, or if you're trying to find one, simply visit **www.sackville.com/directory**/ and follow the instructions.