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Monthly Newsletter

Town of Sackville

www.sackville.com March 2021

Important March Dates

March Break Activities
March 1-6, 2021

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

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

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

Mount Allison Students- Deputy Mayor Ron Aiken Thanks You

I am writing on behalf of the Town of Sackville to thank each and every one of you for making the commitment to our community and doing your part to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

During my time at Mount A, I had lots of discussions with students who were feeling lonely and homesick — and that was in normal times. I can't imagine the stress some of you must be feeling with all the restrictions imposed by our current situation.



Just know that all residents of Sackville appreciate the sacrifices you have made to keep our community safe and healthy.

We are now in what we will look back on as the most difficult phase of this pandemic. It has been said that dealing with the pandemic is a marathon and not a sprint. These last few kilometers will be the hardest — but it will be worth it. If we all keep up our efforts, we'll be through this sooner rather than later.

Thanks again for all your hard work to 'Protect the Bubble.' It is truly appreciated.

All the best,

Ron Aiken, Deputy/Acting Mayor
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Sackville COVID-19 Testing Centre

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

The hours of operation are 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, visiting the Sackville site for a COVID-19 test requires an appointment. To request an appointment call Tele-Care 811 or visit **www.gnb.ca/coronavirus** and select 'Sackville' in the drop-down menu when choosing a location preference.

Recreation Programming

Our winter programming is underway and with the move back to the ORANGE level of the province's COVID-19 Recovery Plan we have been able to start programming again. Follow us on **Facebook** for updates on virtual opportunities. Here are some of our programs.

Saturday Trailblazers
Virtual Senior's Aerobics
Women's Recreational Hockey
March Break Activities

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**.

March Break Activities

The Town of Sackville is pleased to offer a wide range of March Break Activities! Due to COVID-19, pre-registration is required before February 28, 2021 (Foodbank Movie is March 5th)You can find all of the details and the registration links for each activity at **www.sackville.com/programs**.

Are you missing out on your trip down south this March Break? Maybe a virtual Disney ride or two will lift your spirits? You can find the links to a variety of Disney rides **here**.



Tantramar Veterans' Memorial Civic Centre

Now that we are in the ORANGE phase of the province's recovery plan, and heading towards YELLOW on Monday, March 8th, if all goes well during March Break, we have several opportunities available at the Civic Centre:

Women's Recreational Hockey
Friday Evenings until March 26, 2021: 6:30-7:30 PM
$30 for the rest of the season
Full gear required
Ages 17+
All skill levels welcome
www.sackville.com/programs



45+ Hockey
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

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Parents and Tots Skates
Fridays, March 12, 19, 26
Free!

Senior Skates
Wednesdays, March 10, 17, 24
Free!

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.

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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.

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**.



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

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Sackville 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 following three classifications: 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.

Candidates may be nominated in any one of four categories: **Literary Arts, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, and Arts Builders.**

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 and full eligibility requirements are available **here**.

Chignecto 4-H Club Fundraiser

The Chignecto 4-H Club is selling garbage bags as their primary fundraiser. The cost is $10 per package of 20 small green bags, 10 medium blue bags and 10 medium clear bags. If interested in supporting the Club, please contact Lori Hall at 536-3616 or visit S. Hall Tire Muffler and Auto Repair Centre.

Sackville Rod and Gun Club Events

Shooting Contest
Sunday, March 7, 2021
1:00 - 3:00 PM
Walker Road Range, Sackville, NB

Rules
Distance-75m
No practice Shots
2 minutes to fire 3 shots from standing
Must use centre-fire single projectile firearm

Cash prizes
Entry Fee: $2 for members or $7 for non-members

Shooting Contest
Sunday, March 28, 2021
1:30 - 4:00 PM
Walker Road Range, Sackville, NB

Rules
3 shots as single 'rabbit' target from standing
.22 calibre rifle or smaller. 4 categories:
1. open sights (20m)
2. peep sights (20m)
3. scopes (20m)
4. bench rest (25m)

Cash prizes
Entry Fee: $2 per category.

For more information, contact Wayne Ward at 364-3890 or president@sackvillerodandgun.ca

Cheers for Volunteers: Promoting Healthy Outdoor Living

Submitted by Susan Amos



This month, in our "Cheers for Volunteers" series, we cheer Cy Bernard for his volunteer work with the Tantramar Outdoor Club (TOC), established in 2007 to promote healthy outdoor living through skiing and snowshoeing.

The TOC has established an extensive system of snowshoe and cross-country ski trails right here in our own backyard. Just take the TransCanada Highway towards Moncton, get off at the Walker Road exit and turn left. Soon, you will come to a parking area on the right which gives you access to both snowshoe and ski trails. And, if you just want to snowshoe and take your dog with you, you can cross over the road to the Ogden Loop Snowshoe Trails.

Cy has been involved with the TOC from the very beginning and even before. In fact, he built the original snowshoe trail. "There's a lot of grunt work," says Cy, "cutting new trails, trail trimming and building bridges over bad spots."

According to Cy's daily journal, he logged 300 hours of volunteer work with the TOC in 2015 when he assisted the club in constructing its second building, Sugar Brook Lodge. The TOC recognizes Cy's contribution to the club; one of the ski trails is called 'Cy Pass' and Ross Thomas, who Cy says has been a driving force of the TOC since its beginning, calls Cy 'Saint Cyrus'.

Many will know Cy from Tantramar Regional High School (TRHS) where he taught Math, Physics, Computer Science and was Vice-Principal for several years before retiring in 1998. Growing up in McAdam where his father worked for the railroad, he played all sports so it was natural Cy would also take on a coaching role at TRHS with both the hockey and volleyball teams.

Why does Cy volunteer with the Tantramar Outdoor Club? "I really enjoy being outdoors," he says. "I get the benefit from it and I get to see the benefits for everybody." The TOC has over 300 members and runs the Jackrabbit learn to ski programme which has close to 90 youth enrolled this season. Parents help run this programme and, for those who don't own skis, they can be rented for a nominal fee.

What is special about the Tantramar Outdoor Club? "It has a lot of dedicated volunteers," says Cy. "If there's work to be done, Ross Thomas sends out an email and people show up."

If you would like to learn more about the TOC, check out their website (**www.tantramaroutdoorclub.org**) where you can get maps of their snowshoe and ski trails, make a donation or become a member.

Cy, on behalf of our community, thanks to you, Ross and the countless other Tantramar Outdoor Club volunteers who have worked so hard over the years to establish and maintain this Tantramar treasure.

Tantramar Lacrosse Association Seeks Board Members

For many years, a small group of individuals have managed to facilitate the Tantramar Lacrosse Association (TLA). However, the time has come for new volunteers to step up and continue promoting the game of lacrosse, and the health benefits and skills that come with it.

Due to restrictions in place because of COVID-19, the TLA will complete the Annual General Meeting virtually in the coming weeks.

The following positions are available for the upcoming season:

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer

If interested in any of the positions above please contact tantramarlacrosseassociation@yahoo.ca by Friday, March 5th, 2021.

Sackville Minor Baseball Seeks Board Members

Sackville Minor Baseball Association has experienced tremendous growth in the past few years. In 2019, over 120 children registered, the highest number of children to have ever played baseball locally. Even with an abbreviated season in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there were still approximately 75 children playing baseball, the majority being under 10 years old.

Unfortunately, at the recent Annual General Meeting several executive members had to step down. Many members of the executive served in their roles in 2020 despite not having children in the program. Their service was much appreciated.

Currently, Erin Allen and Matt Estabrooks have volunteered to serve as Treasurer and Field Coordinator respectively. However, unless the following positions are filled it will be very difficult to offer baseball programming for local youth in 2021:

President
Vice-President
Umpire Coordinator
Secretary
Uniform/Equipment Coordinator

If you are interested in playing a role on the Sackville Minor Baseball Board in 2021, please contact SackvilleBaseball@gmail.com.

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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's 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 Deanna Cadman.

Deanna and her late husband, Boyd Cadman, had one daughter, Denise, who works for the IT Department at Mount Allison, and three grandsons: Jason is a member of the Canadian Armed Forces and is stationed in Manitoba; Dustin is currently working for Master Packaging in Moncton; and the youngest grandson, Zachary, works for 180 Marketing. Deanna now lives with her loving partner of 13 years, Benny Estabrooks, and has two step-children, eight step-grandchildren and six great-grandchildren with another on the way.

Born and raised in Sackville, Deanna has been a dedicated employee of the Town of Sackville for the past 33 years, starting as the Special Populations Coordinator before transitioning to her current role as the Coordinator of Programming and Special Events. She loves working in Sackville and talking to all of the friendly people in and around town. Deanna appreciates how close everything is and that she is just a short drive from just about everything she needs.

When Deanna is not at work, she enjoys a good game of darts and has been known to be quite the card player. When the weather is right, Deanna spends her weekends at her cottage in Tidnish, Nova Scotia, and when the weather is not at it's best she enjoys an escape to Cuba.

Deanna's favourite thing about working for the Town is organizing programs and events where she is able to get out and gather with people of all ages. She says there is nothing better than seeing the smiles on the faces of the parents and kids when they are enjoying one of the Town's activities.

Tantramar Senior's College Spring Registration

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SENIORS COLLEGE

The Tantramar Seniors College invites you to register for their wide variety of both online and outdoor activity courses (social distancing regulations apply), running April 26, 2021 until the end of June. You can register between April 12-15, 2021 by emailing tsccoordinator@gmail.com

For a full list of our Spring offerings (which will be posted Wed. Mar. 24), consult the **TSC website**.

New members are welcome.

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Bibliothèque publique de Sackville Public Library

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

Tuesday	12-4pm & 5-7pm
Wednesday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm
Thursday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm
Friday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm
Saturday	10am-12pm ; 1-5pm

Mardi	12h-16h & 17h-19h
Mercredi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h
Jeudi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h
Vendredi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h
Samedi	10h-12h ; 13h-17h

Closed on Sundays and Mondays.

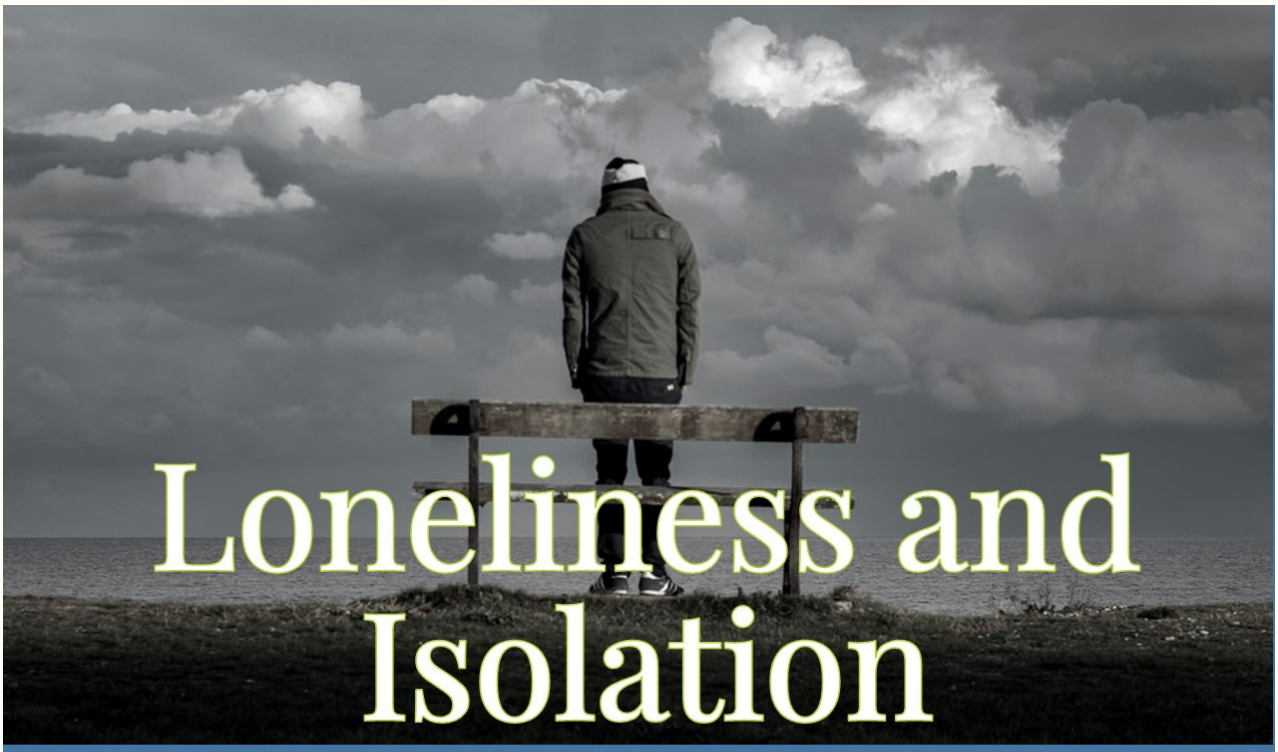
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Loneliness and Isolation

Tuesdays, March 16 - April 20

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A six-week program that will focus on Loneliness and Isolation and how it impacts individuals.
It will look at the challenges to work through, negative self-talk and the acceptance and processing of our feelings towards loneliness and isolation.

Must preregister - Capacity of 12 participants

@cmhanb Space is limited. Preregister by **clicking here**.

Canadian Mental Health Association New Brunswick
Mental health for all

Association canadienne pour la santé mentale Nouveau-Brunswick
La santé mentale pour tous

MindCare
Funding Hope and Understanding
Pour le mieux-être de l'esprit

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Town Hall Updates

Our second Regular Council Meeting of 2021 was a busy one. Here are a list of the key motions that were presented:

Deputy Mayor, Ron Aiken proclaimed February 2021 Black History Month in the Town of Sackville!

Council appointed Melanie Chaisson and Josee Vautour as Building Inspectors for the Town of Sackville.

Council awarded RFQ 2021-03 Planting & Maintenance of Flower Baskets, Planters & Beds to Farmer Brown's Greenhouse in the amount of $32,954.40 HST included for years 2021 and 2022.

Council approved the purchase of 5 black cast iron flower pots with "Sackville" in raised white lettering from Black River Casting in the amount of $12,937.50 HST included.

Council awarded 2021 Community Development Grants to a variety of community organizations, totalling $79,050

Council granted the temporary street closure of Main Street from Morice Drive to Church Street & Church Street from Main Street to Folkins Drive on Aug 21/21 from 8am-noon for the Sackville Triathlon. Council also waived the rental fees of a variety of town owned property to support the event.

Council approved several motions for the Levee on the Lake (Aug 21/21, rain date Aug 22): closing Main Street from Morice Drive to Church Street & Church Street from Main Street to Folkins Drive from 8am-8pm, waived a variety of rental fees and the operation of a beer tent in Lillas Fawcett Park.

Council approved Policy 2021-01, Sign Rental Policy, with regards to renting space on the new digital sign at the Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre. Council gave first reading of By-law no. 262B, a By-law to amend By-law no. 262, to Regulate Street Traffic. This By-law would allow skateboards to be used on Town streets as a mode of active transportation.

Council authorized the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal a new 24-year lease agreement with Mount Allison University for the Sackville Waterfowl Park.



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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 **clicking here** or by calling 364-4930.

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. If your organization is no longer operational or if you need to update your information, please email info@sackville.com