

TOWN OF STEWIACKE

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215 MEMORIAL

The Town of Stewiacke remembered the 215 victims and celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21st). On June 12th a sacred fire and perpetual light burned until 9:04 pm on Monday, June 21st to remember in honor. And a Harlequin Maple was planted at the park.



MAYORS MESSAGE

Hello Stewiacke:

It has been a positive and productive spring for the Town of Stewiacke.

We continue to experience unprecedented growth in the housing and business sectors. Building permits are at an all time high reaching \$3,224,306 for 2021.

Big River Café in the down town sector is nearing completion. I am looking forward to stopping in for a coffee or ice cream.

The Stewiacke Groundwater Supply Investigation is entering the pivotal phase three stage this summer. Stewiacke Town Council recently approved the funding process which is essential as we explore a new water supply for our town.

Stewiacke has experienced exceptional growth and has been issued a low risk rating through the Financial Condition Indicator by the Province. This is a testimony to the dedicated staff and town council governance which strives to ensure financial accountability combined with sustainable growth.

I had the privilege of attending virtually the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities spring conference in May and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference in June with Deputy Mayor Rosanne Chapman. I am looking forward to attending in person next year. I also attended the virtual Mayors & Chief's breakfast hosted by Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce.

I am pleased to report the Town of Stewiacke will be engaging in the process of strategic planning for our town in the upcoming months. Council has participated in two strategic planning training offered by Jason Haughn, Municipal Advisor with the Province of Nova Scotia. Additional sessions are planned for the fall. The training is essential as we enter long term planning for our town.

Once again the beauty of our town becomes evident as we see the hanging flower baskets, planted flowers and groomed grounds throughout our town. We are fortunate to have dedicated staff and Public Works Department. Our Recreation Department continues to offer activity based programs for various age levels and summer day camp programs.

Unfortunately, the decision was reached by Council to postpone The Rhubarb Festival and Town Days due to the Pandemic. These events will be back bigger and better in the future.

Summer 2021

MAYORS MESSAGE

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Ongoing initiatives include the solar for community buildings project, continued planning for a splash pad at Dennis Park and expansion of the Stewiacke River Country Trail.

It is important to recognize our Fire Department, first responders, business leaders, volunteers and residents of Stewiacke who have demonstrated an amazing resolve to support each other during the ongoing Pandemic. The determination to remain diligent and forward thinking has been remarkable during these unprecedented times.

I want to recognize the Class of 2021 graduating students. I trust your future is challenging and rewarding. You are the leaders of tomorrow.

I had the privilege of recognizing, on behalf of Council, Andrea MacDonald of Abalone Retreat who is a nominee for RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur for Women of Influence 2021 and Ethel McKillop, who was a resident of Stewiacke, and celebrated her 100th birthday June 22, 2021. These are remarkable achievements.

June 21st in collaboration with Elder Joe Michael, Deputy Mayor Rosanne Chapman, Town Council members and CAO Dale Bogle, we attended the 215 perpetual light ceremony at Dennis Park and recognized the National Indigenous Peoples Day.

I am looking forward to the upcoming months in Stewiacke. I am hopeful the Pandemic will come under control and we all get back to the new normal. As this unfolds we need to remain diligent and continue to support local business. Please stay positive, support those in needs and be kind to one another.

Have a wonderful and safe summer.

George Lloy
Mayor Town of Stewiacke



Summer 2021

100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Born on June 22, 2021 in Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, Burnopfield, England the 6th of 8 children, Ethel McKillop celebrated 100 years on June 22, 2021!

She left home at 16 to work in a hospital in London. At 20, she enlisted in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force (W.A.A.F.), serving until August 1945. One of her jobs was repairing instruments on airplanes.

When serving in Birmingham, she met my dad, Walter McKillop (N.N.S.H.) who was also posted there. A romance began and they were married on March 2, 1945. Dad came home in August and Mom followed in March, 1946.



For the next years, she was a Mom to 3 and a devoted wife and housekeeper.

She spent 56 years in the choir at St. Andrew's United Church rarely missing a Sunday service!

She learned to drive at 50 and practically memorized the handbook.

After breaking her hip at 86, life slowed down but she continued to live in her apartment on her own until she fell at 96. This meant she needed care and is now in Cedarstone in Truro.

100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Although in a wheelchair and with limited vision, she still enjoys listening to stories on her iPad and helping with the weekly lexicon. She still has her mind and her sense of humor.

Ethel McKillop celebrated 100 years on June 22, 2021!
Happy Birthday!





CONGRATULATIONS!

Andrea MacDonald at Abalone Retreat is a nominee for RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards for Women of Influence 2021



Congratulations
GRADUATES!
FROM COLCHESTER DISTRICT RCMP



Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Nova Scotia



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SOLAR PANELS

The Solar for Community Buildings Program enables eligible community groups and organizations to generate up to 75kW of solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity on their roofs or properties and sell it to their utility under a 20-year contract. The program aimed to:

- support community participation in renewable energy generation
- learn more about how solar electricity can help Nova Scotia continue its clean energy transition

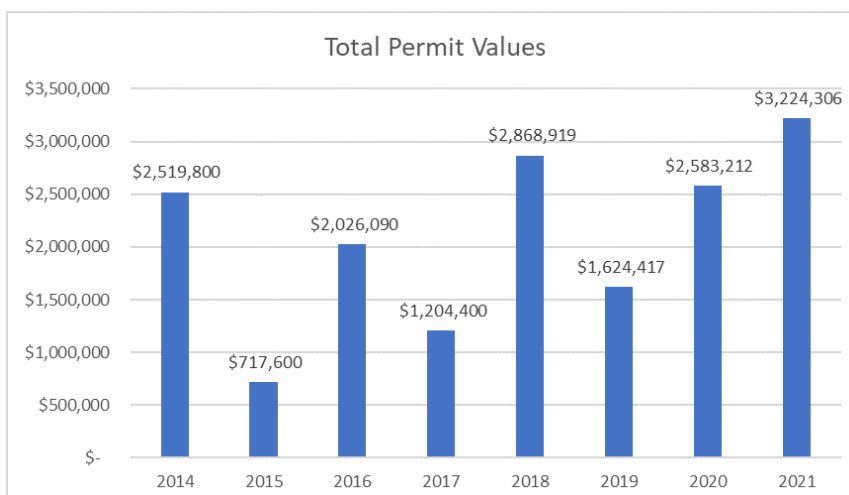
Stewiacke is an approved participant in the program and anticipates completion of the Solar array, located on the community center grounds, by the end of September 2021.

for more information about the solar program visit:
<https://novascotia.ca/solar/solar-electricity-community-buildings.asp>



TOWN GROWTH

Building permits are on the rise!





Looking for help with sport registration and equipment fees?

HOT WEATHER TIPS

Watch for weather alerts with summer here.

- #1 - stay hydrated!
- Limit your time outdoors, especially midday when the sun is hottest!
- Wear sunscreen; reapply often.
- Wear loose, lightweight clothing.
- Take cool showers or bath to cool down.



KIDSPORT NOVA SCOTIA

KidSport Nova Scotia provides grants to help cover the costs of sport registration and equipment fees so that all kids aged 18 and under in Nova Scotia can play a season of sport. Managed and operated by Sport Nova Scotia since 1994, KidSport Nova Scotia has assisted over 31,000 children by granting over \$7.7 million.

For the next two years, KidSport grant amounts will increase from \$300 to \$500. The \$500 total applies to the combination of registration and equipment fees. If you're interested in learning more about KidSport, or applying for funding, please go to kidsportcanada.ca/novascotia for more information.



Newsletters are published by clubs, churches, societies, associations, and businesses—especially companies—to provide information of interest to members, customers, or employees. Google's definition of a newsletter is, "a bulletin issued periodically to the members of a society, business, or organization." Newspapers and leaflets are types of newsletters.

FUNDY CONNECT

Looking to get out and explore the Fundy Region this summer? Be sure to check out fundyconnect.ca

Fundy Connect is a one-stop online spot to find things to do in Colchester County and Cumberland County which includes:

- funding programs for all abilities activities
- community, arts and culture
- COVID resources
- facilities
- parks
- trails

Visit Fundy Connect to try something new, meet new people and explore outside. You can also suggest new listings for the database!



September 2021



NOVA SCOTIA TRAILS GUIDE

If you are looking to get out and explore new trails around the province this summer, be sure to check out the Nova Scotia Trails Guide <https://novascotiatrails.cioc.ca/>

Here you will find a large database of trails around Nova Scotia and not just walking and hiking trails. The trails guide also lists, has maps and directions for designated ATV and Equestrian trails and everything in between including trails in our fantastic national and provincial parks! You may even discover one in your backyard you had no idea about!

AND LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST...HOCKEY NIGHT IN STEWIACKE...IN JULY!

GO HABS GO!



What does a typical day of camp look like?



- 8:30am Arrival of Campers
- 9:00am Free Time for children to run and connect with other campers
- 9:30am Ice Breaker Games
- 10:00am Snack Time
- 10:30am Large planned game with all campers
- 12:00pm Lunch & Free time
- 1:00pm Large game/activity
- 2:00pm snack time
- 2:30pm Large group activity
- 3:30pm circle games / pick up

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TOWN OF STEWIACKE

SLAM INTO SUMMA' 2021



Town of Stewiacke
Recreation Department



TOWN OF STEWIACKE SUMMER DAY CAMP PROGRAM



Join us for a fun filled summer!
Our Day Camp Leaders will make sure everyday at programming is something new and exciting!

What to bring to camp:

- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Water
- Snacks
- Lunch
- Shoes & extra clothing

Registration Info

The Town of Stewiacke is pleased to offer registered day camps this summer for ages 5-12years. To register for the day camps listed below please contact Josh Hilton at jhilton@stewiacke.net or 902-489-1550

Week 1: Sports Week July 12-16
@Stewiacke Community Centre.
8:30am-4pm

Week 2: Games Week July 19-23
@Stewiacke Community Centre
8:30am-4pm

Week 3: Trailblazers July 26-30
@Stewiacke River Park 8:30am-4pm

Week 4: Outdoor Fun
August 3rd-6th
@Stewiacke Community Centre
8:30am-4pm

Week 5: Crafts & Creativity
August 9-13
@Stewiacke Community Centre
8:30am-4pm

Week 6: Disney Week
August 16-20th
@Stewiacke Community Centre
8:30am-4pm

CAMP FEES

- Week 1: \$75.00
- Week 2: \$75.00
- Week 3: \$75.00
- Week 4: \$60.00
- Week 5: \$75.00
- Week 6: \$75.00

Please note we are not taking drop ins because of COVID-19, but if we have spaces throughout the week that are available contact Josh and we can possibly fit you in. Cost per day is \$20.00.



Please ensure that the Town of Stewiacke Recreation Department is fully prepared and ready to welcome all campers despite the challenges of COVID-19. We have developed a COVID-19 Return to Camp plan that sets out protocols and guidelines for us to follow in cleaning, sanitizing and dealing with possible exposures.

PROPERTY TAX REBATE FOR SENIORS

The program provides eligible homeowners with a 50% rebate of the residential municipal property taxes paid the previous year, up to a maximum of \$800.00 per year. The rebate is always based on the property taxes paid in the previous year.

Who Qualifies for This Rebate

You are eligible to receive the rebate if you meet ALL of the following criteria:

You were receiving either the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or The Allowance in January 2020. To find out if you qualify for the GIS or The Allowance, call Service Canada at 1-800-277-9914.

You own and are living in your home at the time you apply for the rebate and continue to reside in your home and;

Your previous year's property taxes were paid in full.

Deadline is December 31st.



Garbage Pick Up & Composting



Your garbage collection schedule can be found here
- <https://www.colchester.ca/collection-schedule>

Reminder: The weekly Compost pick up will start July 16 and end on September 17 – the Fall Clean Up day.