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Summer 2025



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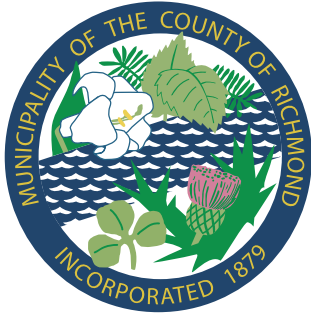
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**MESSAGE FROM THE WARDEN Summer 2025**



The days are getting longer, the ospreys have returned to their nests, and our seasonal take-out restaurants have opened for business. Together, these things signal one thing: summer is finally here!

As you'll see from this edition of the Richmond Reflections newsletter, there are so many things happening around Richmond County this summer! Our volunteers are polishing up schedules for our festivals, events, and activities. We are blessed to live in a region so strongly represented by people willing to put in the work to make our communities

better. Sincere thanks to each and every one of you!

It's been a busy time in the municipality. We've been working on by-laws and policies that impact residents in small and not-so-small ways. We're revising our Dog By-Law and Variance Notification Procedures, and we're revisiting some of our Land Use By-Laws that impact accessory dwellings. We continue to meet with housing developers and others to find ways we can facilitate additional units in Richmond County, particularly housing that is affordable.

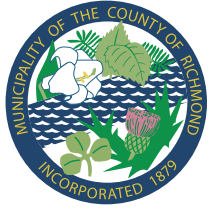
Council has also been busy advocating for issues that matter to Richmond County residents. We've lobbied the provincial government's Department of Health and Wellness to consider a CT Scanner at the Strait Richmond Hospital. We've been actively pursuing solutions to the county's deer population, and we continue to work with the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities to ensure Richmond County's voice is heard in discussions with different levels of government.

We've also been focussed on economic development in the area. We are actively engaged with green energy developers and are looking for ways to participate in studies that lend support to this region's focus on green hydrogen, offshore and onshore wind, and port development. At the same time, our economic development staff are busy supporting new and emerging businesses and not-for-profit groups as they create, solidify, and expand their services to residents.

Summer is a time when you'll see fewer meetings advertised, but more community activity that has councillors out and about in their districts. It's a great time to reach out to your elected officials to let them know about your concerns and priorities. We welcome this opportunity and look forward to meeting with residents and visitors alike.

Enjoy this edition of our quarterly newsletter, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Have a great summer!

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**Committee of the Whole:** Second Tuesday of each month  
**Regular Council:** Fourth Tuesday of each month

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You can live stream council meetings by visiting: <https://www.youtube.com/@RichmondCountyNS>

**Municipal Website**



Council and staff expenses, cheques issued, budget documents, visa statements and recorded Council meetings are all posted on the Richmond County website [www.richmondcounty.ca](http://www.richmondcounty.ca).

# 2025 SUMMER ONLINE REGISTRATION



Signing up for summer fun is easy with our online registration platform!

➔ Visit: <http://www.richmondcounty.ca>

🔍 Browse upcoming programs

🖱️ Choose your activities, sign up and pay in just a few clicks!  
 Spaces are limited, so register early to secure your spot!



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## A Message from Your Summer Recreation Staff:

We're so excited to spend the summer with you! Our team has been hard at work planning activities that bring joy, energy, and connection to every corner of Richmond County. Whether you're trying something new, joining a friendly challenge, or just soaking up the sun, we're here to make this summer safe, inclusive, and unforgettable for everyone.

Be sure to follow us on social media for updates, surprise events, and challenge announcements!

Let's make this a summer to remember—see you out there, Richmond County!



Follow us on **FACEBOOK!!** Search for **Municipality of the County of Richmond** and LIKE our page.



Follow us on **INSTAGRAM!** Search for **Richmond Recreation** on Instagram and give us a follow!

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"Raiders of the Lost Artifact" (Ages 5 - 10)	Isle Madame Historical Society	708 Veteran's Memorial Drive, Arichat	10
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Program/event dates, times and locations are subject to change.  
 To register visit <https://www.richmondcounty.ca/recreation.html> or call 902.226.0663.

# RECREATION PROGRAMMING



## Girls on Boards - Surf Day at Pondville Beach

Girls on Boards is now accepting sign-ups for our upcoming **stand-up paddleboarding** program - designed for **female-identifying and gender-diverse youth and adults** who want to build confidence, connect with community, and have a ton of fun on the water! No experience needed — boards and lifejackets provided! Choose your session time and enjoy **1.5 hours** of mixed instruction and fun on the water.

**Spaces are limited** — save your spot today and join us on the water! Limited onsite registration available

All Ages: Youth 10 years and younger to be accompanied with a guardian on paddle boards during the session.

*Pondville Beach Provincial Park*

Saturday, July 26 (rain date July 27)

Timeslots: 10:00 am, 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm (youth) and 6:00 pm (adults), Fee: \$10 per session

## Junior Guard Program (Ages 10+)

Interested in becoming a future lifeguard? Join the Nova Scotia Lifeguards for their Junior Lifeguard Program. Whether you join us for one session or the whole series, we're glad to have you! **Locate the lifeguard onsite to sign up.**

**Requirement:** Participants must be able to swim 25 meters (one pool length) unassisted.

Offered every Monday and Thursday throughout the summer, beginning July 14 at 11:30 am.

## Youth Surf Club

Youth can join in at any time all summer and participate in as many days as they choose. Youth will receive a beginner surf lesson on their first day joining. After fundamental surf skills are established, youth will participate in a progression of surf skills and manoeuvres with a surf coach. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental all summer in addition to surf board skills. Club members will be introduced to body surf, boogie board, skim board, paddle board, kayak and snorkel.

*Point Michaud Beach Provincial Park, Wednesdays to Sundays, beginning July 2*

10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Fee: \$120

## All Ages Surf Club

Surf club members can join in at any time all summer and participate in as many days as they choose. Surf club members will receive a beginner surf lesson on their first day joining. After fundamental surf skills are established, surf club members will participate in a progression of surf skills and manoeuvres with a surf coach. Includes wetsuit and surf board rental all summer.

*Point Michaud Beach Provincial Park, Wednesday to Sunday, beginning July 2, between 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Fee: \$200*

## Private Surf Lessons

The participant will receive a 1.5-hour private surf lesson. Ratio is 1 participant to 1 surf instructor. This is ideal for beginner youth, adults looking to progress quickly, or those requesting additional assistance on larger surf days. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental.

*Point Michaud Beach Provincial Park, Wednesday to Sunday, beginning July 2, between 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm, Fee: \$60*

## Group Surf Lessons

Participants will receive a 1.5 hour group surf lesson. Ratio is between 2 - 6 participants to 1 surf instructor. This is ideal for families, groups of friends, or individuals looking to participate within a group setting. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental.

*Point Michaud Beach Provincial Park, Wednesday to Sunday, beginning July 2, between 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm, Fee: \$40*

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# RECREATION SUMMER CAMPS



These camps are active and outdoors-based, with children walking between locations. To help your child have the best camp experience, please send them with: a refillable water bottle, sunscreen and a hat, weather-appropriate outdoor gear (e.g., rain jacket, extra layer, etc.), and comfortable clothing suited for physical activity and changing weather conditions.

## What Parents Need to Know

### Food & Snacks:

- Please pack nutritious snacks and lunch for your child each day.
- Campers will have two snack breaks—one in the morning and one in the afternoon.
- As there is no access to a refrigerator, be sure to pack food in an insulated lunch bag with ice packs if needed.
- Our camps are highly active, so ensure your child has enough food to stay energized throughout the day.

## "Canal Keepers" Camp (Ages 5 - 12)

Bonnie Brae St. Peter's Seniors Club, 14 Toulouse St. St. Peter's

Monday, July 7, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Fee: \$30

Designed for curious and energetic youth, this camp explores the fascinating history, engineering, and ecology of our local canals and lock systems - with visits from special guests from Parks Canada!

Throughout the day, we'll visit special guests from Parks Canada and local storytellers who will share tales and knowledge that bring our shared history to life.

**Canal Keepers Camp** promises a fun, engaging, and educational day that connects children with nature, heritage, and the science behind our waterways!

## Time Travellers Camp (Ages 5 - 12)

Bonnie Brae St. Peter's Seniors Club, 14 Toulouse St. St. Peter's

Tuesday, July 8, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Fee: \$30

This fun-filled camp invites kids to explore the past through stories, artifacts, and hands-on heritage activities that bring local history to life. Campers will travel (on foot) through time as they visit two incredible heritage sites: the Nicolas Denys Museum and the MacAskill House.

Throughout the day, campers will enjoy:

- Interactive storytelling and heritage games
- Hands-on crafts inspired by the past
- A chance to create their own historical character or timeline journal

Join us as we travel through time and uncover the people, places, and stories that shaped our community!

## Young Ocean Explorers Camp (Ages 5 - 12)

Bonnie Brae St. Peter's Seniors Club, 14 Toulouse St, St. Peter's

Monday, August 11, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Fee: \$30

This exciting day camp is all about marine life, ocean science, and the importance of protecting our coastal ecosystems. Perfect for curious young minds with a love for the sea, Young Ocean Explorers combines hands-on learning with fun outdoor adventures. Let's make waves—one explorer at a time!

This day will deepen campers' understanding of the natural world and inspire them to become ocean stewards.



## Youth Wayfinders Camp (Ages 5-12)

Bonnie Brae St. Peter's Seniors Club, 14 Toulouse St., St. Peter's

Tuesday, August 12, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Campers will tap into their sense of direction—literally and figuratively—as they explore the outdoors, learn essential navigation skills, and build confidence through hands-on teamwork challenges. The Youth Wayfinders camp is designed to encourage leadership, curiosity, and connection with the natural world.

With a focus on exploration, resilience, and fun, this day camp invites kids to challenge themselves, support one another, and discover new ways to lead.

# RECREATION SUMMER CAMPS



## River Roots Gardening Day Camps (Ages 5 -12)

Join us for a hands-on summer experience where children learn the joys of gardening and healthy living with the Growers of Richmond River Roots Market Garden Society. Campers will explore:

- Composting, planting, weeding, and harvesting
- Vegetable prep and cooking classes
- Garden-inspired art workshops.

### Special Guests:

Chef Ben Kelly – Kitchen safety and cooking fun  
Elaine Mandrona – Gardening meets creativity in a garden-art session

### Camp Details:

*Richmond River Roots Market Garden Society, 403 Church Point Rd.  
River Bourgeois*

**Week 1:** July 14–18

**Week 2:** August 18–22

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (Lunch included), \$150 per camper per week

Spaces are limited—get your hands dirty and your taste buds tingling with River Roots!

### What to Bring/Wear to River Roots Gardening Day Camp

To ensure a fun, safe, and comfortable experience, please send your child with the following each day:

- Sun hat – To keep cool and protected
- Sunscreen – Already applied before arrival; we'll reapply as needed
- Sturdy shoes or boots – Closed-toe and ready for the garden (no sandals, please!)
- Gardening gloves – If you have them (we'll have extras too)
- Comfortable, weather-appropriate clothing – That can get dirty!
- Reusable water bottle – Staying hydrated is important
- Light jacket or raincoat – For unexpected weather
- Backpack or bag – To carry personal items

### Optional:

- Notebook or sketchpad – For garden notes or art activities
- Sunglasses – If preferred
- Bug spray – If your child is sensitive to bites (applied at home if possible)



## Growing Gardeners (Ages 5 - 12)

*Eastern Counties Regional Library, Petit-de-Grat (Centre La Picasso)*

Wednesday, August 20 and Thursday, August 21, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fee: \$30/day or \$50 for both days

In partnership with the Eastern Counties Regional Library – Petit de Grat Branch, Recreation Summer staff is offering a two-day summer camp for kids aged 5 – 12 focused on gardening, food systems, and environmental care.

### Day 1 – “Grow to Know”

Introduces kids to how plants grow, the role of pollinators, and why food security matters. Activities include planting herbs, composting, garden games, and eco-crafts. Campers will also conduct simple science experiments and explore a pop-up garden.



### Day 2 – “Roots and Resilience”

Features a visit from a local gardening expert and deeper exploration of soil health, composting, and community gardens. Kids will research using the library's resources, build compost jars, and take part in a seed library scavenger hunt.

# COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

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## Isle Madame Historical Society Summer Camps

708 Veteran's Memorial Dr, Arichat 902-226-9364  
All events are on Fridays from 10:30 to 12:00.

### July 4 - "A Bug's Life" Ages 4 - 10

Join us for an exciting time exploring the insect Kingdom! Games, crafts and cool facts!

### July 11 - "Under the Sea" Ages 4 to 10

What lives in the ocean around us? Join us as we take a deep dive into the magic world under the sea!

### July 18 - "Artful Antics" Ages 4 to 10

Get ready for a morning filled with creativity, fun and new friends. Join us for some hands-on art experiences, let your imagination run wild as you explore different art mediums and techniques.

### July 25 - "Raiders of the Lost Artifact" Ages 5 to 10

Get ready for a thrilling morning filled with treasure hunts, obstacle courses, and adventures that will spark your imagination and sense of discovery!

### August 1 - "Robotics Camp" Ages 7 - 12

If you like science and technology, join us for a morning of creativity and learn more about robotics!



## St. Francis Xavier X-Chem Camps (Grades 1 - 4)

Each camp is geared towards the specified age groups with challenges varying from beginner to advanced. Campers can be registered in the camps for the grade which they are going into in September 2025, i.e. a child finishing Grade 2 should be enrolled in a Grade 3-4 camp. Exceptions can be made, within reason. To register visit <https://www.stfx.ca/departement/chemistry/x-chem-outreach/upcoming-camps>.

Felix Marchand Education Centre, Louisdale - July 28-29, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, \$30; Email: [kayla.landry@srce.ca](mailto:kayla.landry@srce.ca)

East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's - July 30-31, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, \$30; Email: [kelsey.bowmanwhite@srce.ca](mailto:kelsey.bowmanwhite@srce.ca)

## Offshore Wind For Kids

OW4Ks is an interactive showcase about renewable energy and offshore wind turbines hosted by COVE and Cape Breton Partnership. Families will have the opportunity to learn about green energy in Nova Scotia and build their own model turbines to deploy in the water. This event aims to inspire youth to consider a career in the wind energy sector and to foster engineering, critical thinking, and teamwork skills. This is a one-time and free event ideal for ages 6+. This is a family event; adults must accompany their children at all times.

**Location:** Point Michaud Beach

**Date:** July 19, 2025 - Rain Date: August 16, 2025

**Session One:** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Session Two:** 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

More details and registration will be available on the COVE website mid-June: [coveocean.com](http://coveocean.com)

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## Bras d'Or Watch, St. Peter's

32 Lions Avenue, St. Peter's

Calling all nature enthusiasts, young and old. Come join the wild quest to explore and tally up the plants and animals on land and in and on the Lake! Bras d'Or Watch is an initiative which introduces residents and visitors to the unique Bras d'Or ecosystem. Scientists and local community members welcome citizen scientists at several sites around the estuary to learn more about the natural environment of the nearshore and develop a 'report card' on ecosystem health at one point in time in several sites around the estuary. Bras d'Or Watch field day is a celebration of our place in the unique Bras d'Or Lake Biosphere. To register email [veronika.blbra.ca](mailto:veronika.blbra.ca) or phone 902-294-0648.

**Date:** Saturday, August 2,

**Time:** 10:00 am - 2:00 pm



## Centre La Picasse Camps

3435 Highway 206, Petit-de-Grat

These camps will take place all in French. Fee: \$15/day.

**Ages 9 - 12 -** Wednesdays, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - July 2, 16, 23, 30

**Ages 5 - 8 -** Thursdays, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - July 2, 17, 24, 31

For more information on camps, including themes, please visit [www.lapicasse.ca](http://www.lapicasse.ca), call 902-226-0149 or email [programmation@lapicasse.ca](mailto:programmation@lapicasse.ca).



## Dundee Junior Golf Program (Ages 5 - 14)

Dundee Resort & Golf Club, 2750 West Bay Rd.

This program offers a fun & unique golfing experience for kids.

Fridays, for 4 weeks, beginning July 4, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

**One Junior Golfer -** \$160

**Two Junior Golfers -** \$285

**Three Junior Golfers -** \$385

Call 902-345-0420 or email [proshop@dundeeresort.com](mailto:proshop@dundeeresort.com)



# POINT MICHAUD BEACH PROVINCIAL PARK

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Point Michaud Summer Surf Program, July 2 - Aug. 23

### PRIVATE SURF LESSONS \$60

Offered Wednesday to Sunday between 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm

The participant will receive a 1.5-hour private surf lesson. Ratio is 1 participant to 1 surf instructor. This is ideal for beginner youth, adults looking to progress quickly, or those requesting additional assistance on larger surf days. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental.

### GROUP SURF LESSONS \$40

Offered Wednesday to Sunday between 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm Participants will receive a 1.5 hour group surf lesson. Ratio is between 2 - 6 participants to 1 surf instructor. This is ideal for families, groups of friends, or individuals looking to participate within a group setting. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental.

### YOUTH SURF CLUB \$120

Offered Wednesday to Sunday between 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Youth can join in at any time all summer and participate in as many days as they choose. Youth will receive a beginner surf lesson on their first day joining. After fundamental surf skills are established, youth will participate in a progression of surf skills and manoeuvres with a surf coach. Includes wetsuit and surfboard rental all summer in addition to surf board skills. Club members will be introduced to body surf, boogie board, skim board, paddle board, kayak and snorkel.

### ALL AGES SURF CLUB \$200

Offered Wednesday to Sunday between 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Surf club members can join in at any time all summer and participate in as many days as they choose. Surf club members will receive a beginner surf lesson on their first day joining. After fundamental surf skills are established, surf club members will participate in a progression of surf skills and manoeuvres with a surf coach. Includes wetsuit and surf board rental all summer.

## RENTAL EQUIPMENT

Rentals available 7 days per week between 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

	2 hour	Full Day
Wetsuit and surfboard bundle	\$40	\$60
Wetsuit	\$25	\$40
Surf board	\$25	\$40
Recreation Kayak	\$25	\$40
Stand-up paddle board	\$25	\$40
Full Face Snorkel	\$10	\$10



To book surf lessons phone or visit the Point Michaud Beach Surf Hut 902.587.2988. Cash only. In person surf lesson start times at beach may vary slightly. Lessons cancelled in extreme beach conditions.

### Facilities

There are change-houses, toilets and parking available. There is also a picnic area to the left overlooking the beach. Point Michaud Beach is located approximately 20 kms from the village of St. Peter's along route 247.

## MOBI-MATS

Point Michaud Provincial Beach has Mobi-Mats that allows those with mobility issues to safely access the beach and water. Mobi-Mats are portable, non-slip beach access mats for people with disabilities that provide beach access for wheelchairs, walkers, and strollers.

## MOBI-CHAIR

Mobi-Chairs are high quality floating beach wheelchairs that is designed with everyone in mind: wheelchair users, people with special needs, or even children can benefit from the convenience, portability and comfort. Visit the Recreation Hut this summer during operating hours to inquire about FREE usage while exploring the beach.



## POINT MICHAUD SURF CLASSIC - August 16, 2025

Richmond County Recreation, in partnership with the Surf Association of Nova Scotia (SANS), is inviting wave riders of all ages to hit the water this summer at the Point Michaud Beach Provincial Park for a day of surf, sport, and seaside fun.

Registration is \$20 and includes use of equipment provided by the Summer Surf Program throughout the day. The event kicks off at 10:00 a.m. with a group photo, followed by divisions running from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Each division lasts approximately 10 to 15 minutes, with multiple participants competing simultaneously.

Participants are encouraged to enter as many divisions as they'd like in pursuit of the coveted Top Water Awards, to be presented at 5:30 p.m. The contest will recognize 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each category. Divisions include: Body Surf, Body Board, Skim Board, Short Board, Long Board, Kayak Surf, Kite Surf, Tandem Surf, SUP Surf, SUP Race, Open Surf, Men's, Women's, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, and Kids Open, Expression Team (costumes with water theatrics) and Surf Team Relay.

Costumes are not only welcome but encouraged — especially in the "Expression Team" division, where creativity and water theatrics take center stage.

Organizers note that the order of divisions may be adjusted based on surf and weather conditions on the day of the event.



## Lifeguard Services at Point Michaud

The NSLS began supervising this beach in a partnership with the Municipality of Richmond County in 2010. Point Michaud Beach's supervised swimming area is marked by red and yellow flags on either side of the beach. It is generally about 100 metres in width, but can vary depending on beach conditions. Point Michaud Beach can also experience rough conditions which create many currents and rips which can be dangerous for swimmers. Point Michaud Beach will be supervised daily from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, from June 28<sup>th</sup> – August 24<sup>th</sup>.



# CONCERTS BY THE SEA



## FREE OUTDOOR SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Join us for Concerts by the Sea, a free summer concert series celebrating incredible talent from across our county. Set against the beautiful coastal backdrop, each performance offers a relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere perfect for all ages. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy!

Each scheduled concert will take place from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

### LENOIR LANDING

708 Veterans Memorial Drive, Arichat  
Thursday Evenings

**July 17 - July 31 - August 14**

#### Rain Venue

Isle Madame New Horizons Seniors Club,  
2373 Highway 206, Arichat

### ST. PETER'S MARINA

35 Lions Avenue, St. Peter's  
Wednesday Evenings

**July 9 - July 23 - August 6**

#### Rain Venue

St. Peter's Lions Hall  
39 Lions Venue, St. Peter's

## CALL FOR PERFORMERS - CONCERTS BY THE SEA 2025!

- Are you a musician, dancer, entertainer, or part of a band from Richmond County? We're looking for talented local performers to take the stage at this year's Concerts by the Sea series!
- Interested performers can discuss their preferred venue and performance dates by contacting Ronalda Boudreau by phone 902-226-0663 or email [rboudreau@richmondcounty.ca](mailto:rboudreau@richmondcounty.ca).

# SANDCASTLE CONTESTS



Let your imagination take shape at the beach! Join our Summer Recreation team for two exciting Sandcastle Art Contests where creativity meets the coast. Open to all ages - whether you're a master sculptor or just looking for some fun in the sun, it's your time to shine (and sculpt)!

Bring your friends, family and your wildest beach ideas. Let's make unforgettable memories - one grain of sand at a time!

**Registration:** 12:30 pm  
**Build Time:** Starts at 1:00 pm  
**Judging:** 5:00 pm  
**Site Fee:** \$10 (Cash only)

## Prizes

**Best Castle**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place:** \$100  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** \$75  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** \$50

**Best Sculpture**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place:** \$100  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** \$75  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** \$50



**POINT MICHAUD BEACH  
 PROVINCIAL PARK**  
**Sunday, July 13, 2025**

**PONDVILLE BEACH  
 PROVINCIAL PARK**  
**Sunday, July 20, 2025**

# PLAYBINS/EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM



Looking for a fun way to spend a day outside? Our PlayBins are treasure chests filled with games, recreation equipment, fun activities and so much more.

Please note, these are shared PlayBin - other community members may be using the equipment at the same time. Be courteous of fellow PlayBin users and visitors.

Playbins locations may change throughout the year based on community needs and interests.

Please be safe and take care of the equipment.

Please also place all equipment back in the PlayBin when you are all played out and lock the bin if you are the last players on-site.

Let us know if a bin needs attention by email [recreation@richmondcounty.ca](mailto:recreation@richmondcounty.ca) or by phone at 902.226.0663.

PlayBins are used at your own risk. Please be sure to play safe and have FUN!  
All equipment is **FREE** to use.



## Playbin Locations

- Pondville Provincial Beach Park, 219 Pondville North Road, Pondville
- River Bourgeois Community Playground 21 Recreation Rd, River Bourgeois
- Little Anse Samson's Cove Social Action Centre Playground 4114 Highway 206, Little Anse
- Our Lady of Assumption Hall Upper Parking Lot (basketball net) Highway 206, Arichat

## Equipment Loan Program

Recreation equipment loan programs are here to stay as our recreation services continue to build inventory varying from ice skates and helmets to larger equipment pieces like portable basketball nets, road hockey nets, ping pong tables, fishing rods, Mobi beach chairs and more! If their is a piece of equipment that you would enjoy, simply reach out to the recreation department at [recreation@richmondcounty.ca](mailto:recreation@richmondcounty.ca) or phone 902.226.0663 to learn more about how to reserve equipment and ask about the various equipment loan pick up and drop off locations.

# RICHMOND COUNTY'S 2025 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

## CHARLIE MARTELL

Charlie Martell is a catalyst of change for his community. Through his generosity, leadership, and vision he donated his time and supplies to help support a community initiative that brought together numerous volunteer efforts in Richmond County.

On December 29, 2024, a long-time L'Ardoise community member lost their home to a devastating fire. Without hesitation, Charlie stepped forward, offering support to help rebuild.

His efforts inspired local contractors, community members, and business owners to come together to make this new home a reality. Charlie's ability to unite others, in a time of need, did not go unnoticed; he is a true community champion.



Please join us in recognizing Charlie for his hard work, dedication, and commitment to his community.

We thank you for all you do for Richmond County!



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# How Do I Compost?

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## CHOOSE YOUR COMPOSTER

While you do not need a container, it can help keep your compost tidy and manageable. A composter will prevent your organic material from blowing around and keep it from getting too wet from rain, which can cause it to smell. You can purchase a ready-made container or find instructions online to make your own.

2

## PICK A LOCATION

Choose a spot in your backyard on bare ground with a fair amount of shade, such as under a tree or at the edge of a wooded area. This will prevent your compost from drying out in the sun. Your composter should be easy to access in all seasons.

3

## BUILD YOUR PILE

A successful compost pile is made from alternating layers of browns (e.g. leaves and paper) and green (e.g. kitchen waste and grass clippings). Start with browns and then switch between layers, ending with brown on top. Breaking large materials, such as twigs, into pieces will help them decompose more quickly. Never put meat, fish, bones, fat, dairy, or pet waste in your backyard compost pile. These items take a long time to decompose and can attract rodents and create odours.

4

## ADD MATERIAL TO YOUR PILE

Greens add nitrogen and moisture to the pile while browns help air circulate and also add carbon. Keeping greens sandwiched between browns helps everything break down faster. Keep browns close to the pile so you can add them on top of any greens.

5

## MAINTAIN YOUR PILE

Your pile should always be damp but not too wet, like a squeezed sponge. If the pile is too damp, add browns to help absorb the moisture; if it's too dry, add more greens. Every two or three weeks, turn the compost using a pitch fork or shovel to help air circulate.



# Voluntary Vulnerable Persons Registry

The Municipality of the County of Richmond is proud to support the launch of a Voluntary Vulnerable Persons Registry on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

## What is a Voluntary Vulnerable Persons Registry (VVPR):

The VVPR is a voluntary, self-referral list of individuals who may require support during emergency situations.

It provides important information to Emergency Management staff, volunteers, and first responders to help appropriately respond to resident needs in situations such as sustained power outages, severe storms, and more.

## Who should consider being part of the list:

Individuals who reside in Richmond County who experience severe difficulty with any of the following :

- Mobility
- Vision loss
- Hearing loss
- Developmental disabilities
- Cognitive impairment
- Mental health conditions
- Persons who require electricity for life-saving equipment such as oxygen and dialysis

## How to Register:

- Forms can be picked up from the Municipal Office in Arichat
- Requested by email contact: [vvpr@richmondcounty.ca](mailto:vvpr@richmondcounty.ca)
- Download from the Municipal website, <https://www.richmondcounty.ca/documents/documents-for-seniors/3357-vpr-registration-form/file.html>
- Over the phone at (902) 226-2400
- Scan the QR code below



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## Water, Sewer and Tax Bills

### Department of Finance and Taxation

The Finance Department is responsible for coordinating all the financial activities of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. The major areas of responsibilities of the Department are property taxation, other source revenues, accounts payable, payroll, budgeting, accounting and financial management. **The Municipality of the County of Richmond's fiscal year runs April 1 - March 31.**

#### Property Tax Bills

Billing date:



Due date:



Please allow three business days for processing.

#### Water and Sewer Bills

Water and sewer bills are sent quarterly with billing dates of April 1, July 1, October 1 and January 1.

Next Billing date:



Next Due date:



Please allow three business days for processing.

#### Tax Payment Methods

Tax payments may be made at the Municipal Tax Office located at 2357 Highway 206, in Arichat, by presenting your tax bill to the Tax Clerk. The office is open Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm.

The Municipality offers Debit Card payments.

**PLEASE NOTE: VISA, Mastercard, American Express, etc. are NOT accepted.**

Online and telephone banking are other alternatives for paying property tax bills through most financial institutions.

Your payment can also be made by mail. Please send your cheque or money order to:

Municipality of the County of Richmond - Tax Office,  
P.O. Box 120,  
Arichat, NS,  
B0E 1A0

Please remember to enclose the remittance stub of your tax bill with your payment and indicate your property account number(s) on your cheque or money order.

#### Land Transfer Tax

The Municipality of the County of Richmond has a Deed Transfer Tax of 1.5%. The Deed Transfer Tax is collected on the Municipality's behalf by the Province of Nova Scotia at the Registry of Deeds.

#### Tax and Area Rates

The 2024-2025 Residential tax rate for the Municipality of the County of Richmond is \$0.85 per \$100 of assessment.

The Commercial tax rate for 2024-2025 is \$2.15 per \$100 of assessed value. Area rates are also added. See our website for a detailed breakdown.

#### Property Tax Billing and Interest Rates

The Municipality's tax bills are issued on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April and September and are due on the first working day of June and November.

All taxes not paid by the due date accrue interest at a rate of 18% per annum (1.5% per month). The Municipality sends out approximately 12,000 annual tax bills.

If you have any questions in regards to your tax bill, please contact the Tax Office at 902-226-2400 or 902-226-3976.

#### Finance Summer Tips

- \* The 2025 Dog Tags are still available
- \* 2025 Seniors property tax rebates will be available in July for your 2024 paid taxes and need to be submitted by December 31, 2025. If you have any questions, please call Kristina at 902-226-2400.

#### Did you know?

- \* July is National Ice Cream month! There are 12 types of ice cream and over 1,000 flavours around the world.
- \* Summer break for students is global, but length of summer vacation varies worldwide. The longest school break is 13 weeks and the shortest is 4 weeks.
- \* Every four years, the Summer Olympics become a top travel destination for sports fans. People travel from all over the world to cheer on their country!



**\*\*Online payments can take 1-2 business days for processing, so please take this into consideration when paying your bills online.**

## St. Anne's Mission July 24 - July 28



The Mi'kmaq has celebrated the annual feast of Saint Anne in Potlotek First Nation, Nova Scotia, on a tiny island called Miniku since 1742. The Saint Anne's Mission has been recognized as a National Historic Site of Canada since 2002.

The Saint Anne's Mission is also a traditional meeting place for the Mi'kmaq Grand Council (Sante Mawiwomi) – They come together and discuss issues affecting the Mi'kmaq Nation. The Grand Council (represents the 7 districts) and gives a yearly address on Sunday during the Saint Anne Mission. Miniku (the little island) is the oldest reserve in Cape Breton Island.

## Annual Pow Wow July 19 - July 20

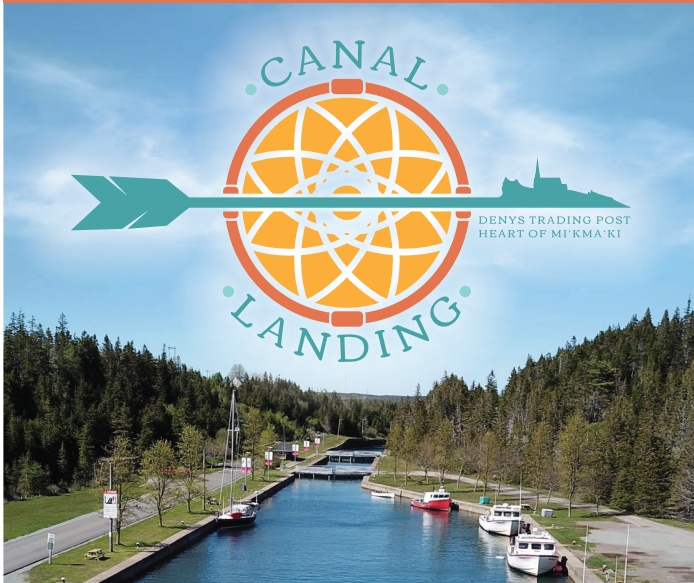


Details to be announced at a later date.

Contact: Mary Lafford, 902-535-3317

### Food • Gifts • Tours • Rentals

[www.canallanding.ca](http://www.canallanding.ca) [f/canallandingcb](https://www.facebook.com/canallandingcb)



### Experience Authentic Mi'kmaq Culture

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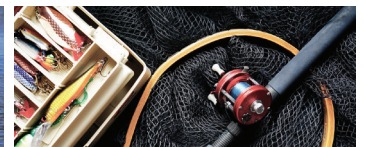
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### Tours



#### Traditional Medicine Display 10am & 1pm Daily \$40/person

Take a leisurely stroll to discover the medicinal plants and methods traditionally used by the local Mi'kmaq people in their day to day lives. Weather permitting.



### Rentals

	Hour	1/2 Day	Full Day
Kayak	\$20	\$40	\$80
Double Kayak	\$25	\$50	\$100
Canoe	\$20	\$40	\$80
Pedal Boat	\$20	\$40	\$80
Eclipse Pedal Board	\$20	\$40	\$80
Bicycle	\$15	\$25	\$40
Fishing Equipment	-	-	\$25

160 Toulouse St, St. Peter's



## Meet your Regional Enterprise Network



### Cape Breton Partnership – providing tools and supports to build a thriving Unama'ki - Cape Breton.

As Unama'ki - Cape Breton's private sector-led economic development organization, we apply our Island-wide perspective of economic development to everything we do as we work with businesses and communities across our Island!

#### Supports and Services the Cape Breton Partnership can help you with:

- Investment Attraction Services
- Economic Development Planning
- Business Planning
- Labour Force Development
- Immigration Services
- Business Advisory and Growth Services
- & More!



*If you have a business idea, want to start a new business, or have an existing business that you need support with, or are looking to grow, we want to hear from you!*

Call us for more information at **902-562-0122**  
 or email us at [info@capebretonpartnership.com](mailto:info@capebretonpartnership.com)  
[www.capebretonpartnership.com](http://www.capebretonpartnership.com)

## Excited about the booming film industry?

## Want to be a part of the action?



Unama'ki - Cape Breton  
**CREATES**  
 FUTURES IN FILM PROGRAM

By signing up for the Cape Breton Futures in Film Program, you'll get access to workshops, networking events, job opportunities, and much more.



[capebretonpartnership.com/futuresinfilm](http://capebretonpartnership.com/futuresinfilm)



**Invitation to join us on the Board of Directors for Seniors Take Action Coalition**



Are you interested in the health and well-being of older adults and promoting an age-friendly community in Richmond County?

Join our Team, and make a difference!

We share information on our FB group, monthly calendar, Better with Age Newsletter. We engage with seniors clubs to offer programs. We advocate for important issues. We celebrate the contributions of older adults and much more...

Please contact us at [seniorstakeaction.info@gmail.com](mailto:seniorstakeaction.info@gmail.com) or 902-471-0317



**Check out our new program called Age-Friendly Community Conversations on Telile Community Television**



Seniors Centre Without Walls is possible due to the financial support of the Province of Nova Scotia's Age-Friendly Community Grant.

# Canada Day

## Celebrations

**St. Louis Parish Hall, Louisdale**

11:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Bbq, Candy Bar, Sundae bar, Cake, Face tattoos, Beach volleyball, Badminton, Ring toss, Mini putt, Lego station, Colouring station, summer fun station, Music, Prize giveaways for every age and much more! Raising of the flag and singing of O' Canada at noon. This is a free event! Fun for the whole family!!

**Tara Lynne Community Centre, River Bourgeois**

June 28, 2025  
 Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm - Music, Baked Goods Auction, Café Luncheon, Chase the Ace, and Canada Day Cake  
 Contact Doreen Boudreau 902-535-2756

**St. Peter's Lions Club**

St. Peter's Marina  
 11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
 Rain location, St. Peter's Lions Hall  
 Music, bounce castle, BBQ, Cotton Candy, Ice cones and more. This is a free event!

**L'Ardoise Men's Club**

L'Ardoise Community Centre  
 Time: 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm  
 Celebratory BBQ - Including flag raising with national anthem, cake, ice cream, popcorn, and live music.  
 Free event

**Riverdale Community Services Society**

Riverdale Community Centre  
 Time: 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

- BBQ - Hot dogs, snow cones, popcorn, and drinks
- Crafts for kids
- Teddy Bear Clinic
- Fire truck tours
- Face Painting
- Mini Putt
- Games for kids (Fishpond for prizes)
- Live music

**Isle Madame New Horizons Seniors Club, Arichat**  
 BBQ - Hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks

**D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society, D'Escousse**  
 Time: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
 Canada Day Cake, Coffee, Tea, Bingo with prizes

**Fireworks to begin at dusk - subject to provincial fire restrictions. Details will be shared on our social media platforms.**

St. Peter's Battery Provincial Park  
 Lennox Passage Provincial Park



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# FESTIVALS & MARKETS

## Open Mic

Every Wednesday  
Bras d'Or Lakes Inn  
Seating reservations recommended by calling  
(902)-535-2200

## Isle Madame Community Market

July 5, July 19, August 16 and August 30 from  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm  
Rocky Bay Irish Club

## Strawberry Festival

July 6 from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm.  
Lots of strawberries, biscuits, bonnach,  
oatcakes and tea  
Johnstown Parish Hall

## Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Outdoor Mass

July 6 at 2:00 pm  
Richmond Men's Choir will be singing at the  
mass. Please bring your own chair.  
Behind Sacred Heart Church in Johnstown  
15338 Highway 4

## KitchenRackets Summer Jam Sessions

Join us for our weekly acoustic jams every  
Thursday evening from July 10 to September 4  
St. Peter's Lions Marina.  
Sessions start at 7:30 pm.  
Visiting players are invited to sit in with local  
musicians. Singers, dancers and listener's  
welcome! All ages. Family friendly. Free  
admission, free-will donations gratefully  
accepted. Bring your instruments, beverages  
and snacks if you like.  
More info on-line at [www.kitchenrackets.org](http://www.kitchenrackets.org)  
or email us at [greg@kitchenrackets.org](mailto:greg@kitchenrackets.org).

## Duck Race

Mariners Dock on the Lower Road, River  
Bourgeois. Tickets are now being sold.  
For more info website: [riverbourgeois.ca](http://riverbourgeois.ca) or  
contact Sharon Chilvers 902-535-2512

## Potlotek Powwow

July 20 – 21, Potlotek  
Contact: Mary Lafford, 902-535-3317

## St. Anne's Mission

July 24 – 28  
Chapel Island

## Funday held at the Framboise Hall

Saturday, July 26 from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
There will be games for the kids, games of  
chance for young and old to play. We will  
have a BBQ on site.

## Nicolas Denys Days

July 28 – August 3  
St. Peters

## Lennox Passage Yacht Club Harbourfest

July 31 - August 3  
Lots of local entertainment, food, poker run,  
flea market, kids' day and more  
Lennox Passage, D'Escousse

## Swim the Canal

August 3

## Festival acadien de Petit-de-Grat

August 7 - August 10

## Grand River Daze

Saturday, August 9  
Poker Run on the River at 10:00 am  
Duckless Duck Race at 2:30 pm  
BBQ Pork Chop at 4:00 pm at the Fire Hall  
with Cash Bar and live Entertainment, \$15,  
(free hot dogs for kids.)  
Sponsored by the GRVFD

## Luminary Celebration

August 15  
Little Harbour

## Harbour Wars

August 16  
Little Harbour

## 16<sup>th</sup> Annual "Luck of the Draw" Boat Run

River Bourgeois Mariner Society  
Registration begins at 10:00 am at the  
River Bourgeois Floating Docks  
Saturday, August 30 (Rain/Wind date –  
August 31) - Fee: \$20.00 per ticket  
Contact: Peter Baccardax at (902)-302-5992

## Surprise Bag sale at the Framboise Hall

August 16 from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Admission \$5. Includes lunch and door  
prize ticket  
Bags will be from \$1.00 - \$5.00

## Louisdale Summer Fest

August 21 – 25  
Celebrating 175 years of community!

## 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Milling Frolic and Sqaure Dance

Friday August 22 from 7:00 pm – 12:00 am.  
Gaelic Singing, Milling, Bingo, Lunch, Fancy  
Booth, Children's Game and a square dance.  
Johnstown Parish Hall

## River Bourgeois Community Festival

August 23 to August 31  
Tara Lynne Community Centre  
Dance, Antique Car Show, Card Play, Poker  
Walk, Music Circle, Trivia Night and Men's  
Breakfast and Merchandise Bingo  
For more info website: [riverbourgeois.ca](http://riverbourgeois.ca) or  
Contact Rose Merrick 902-535-2141 or  
Sharon Chilvers 902-535-2512

## St. Peter's Pirate Days

September 11 - 14



# Community News & Events *Come out and support your community!*

## Richmond Rainbow Alliance

Over the years, the **Richmond Rainbow Alliance** has grown into a strong, community-driven initiative in Richmond County, committed to promoting social justice, inclusivity, and safe, welcoming spaces for 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals and their allies. Our mission is to foster connection, education, and celebration of diversity so that everyone in Richmond County feels seen, supported, and valued.

Follow us on Facebook at @Richmond Rainbow Alliance to learn about upcoming events, ways to get involved.

## River Roots

Please register on our website for all events at [www.richmondriverroots.ca](http://www.richmondriverroots.ca)  
Email [riverroots2020@gmail.com](mailto:riverroots2020@gmail.com) or phone (902)-785-7918

**River Roots "Root Seller" Farm Stand**  
Tuesdays 10:00 am - 7:00 pm (additional days to be added as the season grows)

**River Roots Weekly Meals with Friends Lunch**  
Tuesdays - Two seatings - 11:30 am - 12:30 pm and 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm - by donation  
July 8, July 22, July 29, August 5 and 12, September 2, 9, 16, and 23

**River Roots Community Learning Garden**  
Wednesdays ~ FREE 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Want to play in the dirt? Join River Roots this summer in our community learning garden! We'll plant, grow, harvest and share food together. Rain or Shine. July 2, 16, 30, August 13, 27, September 10 and 24.

**River Roots Open House ~ FREE**  
Tuesday, August 26, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Live Music, Garden Tours, River Roots made snacks.

**Additional Workshops**  
September 3, **Salsa Making** 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm, includes a bottle of salsa, Fee: \$20

September 9, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm **Beeswax Wrap Making Workshop** with Jenna Jameison, you'll go home with a beeswax wrap, Fee: \$20

September 21, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm **Dried Herb Workshop** with L'Ardoise Farmer, Maker, Baker Misha Siirala-Reed, Fee: \$20

## D'Escousse Civic Improvement Hall

**Sunday Night Bingo**  
Jack it up sales start at 6:45 pm  
Mini games start at 7:45 pm  
Regular Bingo starts at 8:00 pm

**Regular Thursday Night Card Play**  
Starting at 7:30 pm  
Only 1 jackpot can go each night!  
1st- \$100.00 /2nd - \$60.00 /3rd- \$40.00

**Sunday Hungryman's Breakfast**  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month)  
From 8:00 am to 11:00 am  
\$12.00 for adults, \$6.00 for kids 10 and under

**Monday Mass**  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 9:30 am

**High Society and the Privateers!**  
Friday September 19 from 9:00 pm to 12:00 am  
\$25.00 per ticket  
Shamrock Store 902-226-2954  
Ronnie LeBlanc 902-227-8069  
Daphne Campbell 902-631-3957  
Davey Sampson 902-631-6382

## Isle Madame Historical Society

708 Veterans Memorial Dr., Arichat  
Email: [islemadamehistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:islemadamehistoricalsociety@gmail.com)  
Phone: (902) 226-9364

**Summer Learning Series**  
July 20, 2:00 pm. - Book Reading & Signing - "We Are Who They Were" A Samson & Bourque Families Pictorial Genealogy by Garvie Samson  
August 23, 2:00 p.m. - "The Dash - Stories from Our Lady of Assumption Cemetery" facilitated by Odilon Boudreau

**Tea in the Museum**  
Every Wednesday afternoon from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, July 2 to August 27. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, treats and conversation. \$8.00 per person, \$6.00 for members

**Blacksmithing**  
Demonstrations: Tuesday & Thursday afternoons, July & August, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Full 2 Hour Workshops: available by request.  
Adults: \$85.00, Youth \$35.00 Materials included, all participants will produce a forged piece to take home. Pre-registration required.

**August is Living History Month**  
Join us Friday, August 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm as four community interpreters bring four areas of the museum to life.

**Annual Book Sale**  
September 6 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Boat Barn on the Lower Site, Arichat

## Royal Canadian Legion Branch 150, Arichat

**Fish Fry** - Friday, July 18, August 15, September 19 - 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Eat in or Take out.

**Breakfast** - Sunday, July 6, August 3, September 7 - 8:00 am - 11:00 am. Eat in or Take out  
General Meeting - Wednesday, September 10 @ 2:00 pm

**Music Circle** - Saturday, September 6 @ 2:00 pm. Free Admission - Bring your instrument.

## Richmond Artists Alliance

Are you an artist living or working in Richmond County? The Richmond Artists Alliance is welcoming new members! We're a vibrant community of local creators dedicated to supporting, showcasing, and connecting artists of all mediums. Be part of Richmond's thriving art scene—join us today!  
[RichmondArtistsAlliance@gmail.com](mailto:RichmondArtistsAlliance@gmail.com)

## Eastern Counties Regional Libraries

**St. Peter's Library**  
Wednesday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm & 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Petit de Grat Library**  
Wednesday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm & 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

## Richmond County Literacy Network

Available courses include:

- \* Basic Digital Literacy
- \* Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC)
- \* Digital Wellness

For more information, please contact:  
Office: 902-535-3304  
Email: [executivedirector@rcln.ca](mailto:executivedirector@rcln.ca)

## Other Community Events

**Merchandise bingo**  
Fourchu Community Hall  
July 27, August 10, August 24, September 7, September 21 - Starting at 2:00 pm

**2842 L'Ardoise Legion Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps** will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - July 18 to July 20, 2025, L'Ardoise Legion - Events Friday through to Sunday. For more information, please visit the Facebook page - 2842 L'Ardoise Legion Army Cadets 50<sup>th</sup> Year Reunion. **Contact information:** Allison Martell, Commanding Officer, 902 595 4202, or Terry Clements at (902) 587 2511.

**Become a Host Family** - Open your home and heart to an international student  
Learn More: [nsisp.ca/host](http://nsisp.ca/host)  
Email: [chris.penny@srce.ca](mailto:chris.penny@srce.ca)

**Estate Planning Session**, September 6 at 1:30 pm  
Anne Sampson Seniors Building at River Bourgeois. Haley Sampson will be giving this session, everyone is welcome, sponsored by St. John the Baptist CWL.

**La Picasse, centre communautaire culturel Acadian Bistro**

Tuesdays, July 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 5:00 pm  
• Chicken fricot & strawberry shortcake  
• Meat pie, green salad et coconut Cream pie  
• Fish cakes, beans & chocolate fruit trifle  
• Fish chowder and blueberry square

**National Acadian Day**  
Friday, August 15 at 5:00 pm  
Community dinner and music

**Cape Breton South Recruiting for Health**  
Focusing on: Recruitment | Retention | Community Engagement  
Get involved by contacting the Program Director to learn more by phone 902-631-6480 or by email [gmacdonald@capebretonrecruiting.com](mailto:gmacdonald@capebretonrecruiting.com)  
[facebook.com/CBSouth4Health](https://facebook.com/CBSouth4Health)  
[www.capebretonrecruiting.com](http://www.capebretonrecruiting.com)

**United Church 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
Friday, August 1st, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Bonnie Brae Club, St. Peter's  
Celebrate the United Church of Canada's centennial anniversary with us! Local music talent, BBQ, cake, and more.  
The event is hosted by the St. Peter's United Church Anniversary Committee

**Three for All: Guitar Trio**  
Scott MacMillan, Daniel MacNeil and Emma Rush  
Friday, July 4 at 7:00 pm  
St John's Centre for the Arts, Arichat  
902-227-8303

**Tuesday Island Tunes**  
Join us for some local music, Tuesday evenings: July 8, 15, 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19, 26 - 6:30 pm  
St. John's Centre for the Arts, Arichat  
Donation at the door - Refreshments served

**Storytelling at the Beach**  
Saturday, August 23, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Pondville Beach Provincial Park  
Bring your chairs and stories to share!  
Contact: 902-227-8303  
Sponsored by Friends of Isle Madame Provincial Parks  
Rain date: Saturday, August 30

## Provincial Visitor Information Centres

**10259 Grenville St., Highway 4, St. Peter's**  
Phone: (902) 535-2185  
**96 Highway 4, Port Hastings**  
Phone: (902) 625-4201



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