

RICHMOND

REFLECTIONS

FALL 2026

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Who Do I Contact For..?

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Home Repair Grants

Housing Nova Scotia (Cape Breton Branch)
1.844.424.5110

Plowing/Road Issues

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure
Renewal
902.625.2540

Potlotek First Nation

902.535.3317
www.potlotek.ca

Property Valuation Services Corporation

1.800.380.7775

Waste Management Facility/Recycling

902.226.2396 | Mon-Sat 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

St. Peter's Recycling Depot

902.535.2795
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
9:00 am - 4:30 pm * **No longer accepting electronics**

Arichat Recycling Depot

902.302.8570
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm * **No longer accepting electronics**

Registry of Deeds (Access Nova Scotia)

1.800.670.4357

Request Water/Sewer Service Connections

902.226.3977

Schedule of Council/Committee Meetings, Meeting Minutes, Requests to meet with or make presentations to Municipal Council

Shelley David, Municipal Clerk, Communications
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Street Light Repairs

Nova Scotia Power
1.800.428.6230
YourBusiness@nspower.ca

Address:

2357 Highway 206 Arichat, NS B0E 1A0

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm



Warden's Message



Since our last edition of Richmond Reflections, Council approved Richmond County's 2026–2027 budget. I'm pleased to say we were once again able to hold both residential and commercial tax rates at their current levels.

We recognize, however, that holding the tax rate does not necessarily mean holding the tax bill. As property assessments rise, many residents are feeling the impact. Affordability remains top of mind for Council as we look for ways to help ease those pressures.

Several programs may help. The provincial Property Tax Rebate for Seniors is already accepting applications, while the Seniors Care Grant and Heating Assistance Rebate Program are typically announced in early fall. Richmond County has also expanded its Low-Income Property Tax Exemption Program, with eligible households earning up to \$35,000 able to receive an exemption of up to \$200 on municipal property taxes. We have also introduced support for residents who have found it difficult to access our recreation programs. I encourage residents who may qualify to take advantage of these programs.

This year's budget also makes significant investments in infrastructure, including a \$5 million retrofit of the Richmond Arena, expansion of our Waste Transfer Station site, water main replacement in Louisdale, cost-shared paving in West Arichat, upgrades to the Arichat Water Treatment Plant, and funding for dry hydrants across the County.

It has also been a busy summer. Festivals, community celebrations, sporting events and other activities simply don't happen without volunteers. Thank you to everyone who gave their time to make Richmond County such a great place to live and visit.

This year, we expanded our Volunteer Recognition Program to include community organizations and a new In Memoriam recognition for volunteers who are no longer with us, but whose contributions continue to be felt. It is another way to recognize how much of what happens in Richmond County is made possible by people who step up and help.

We're heading into what promises to be a busy fall. I hope you have an opportunity to get out and enjoy what is arguably the most beautiful season of the year here in Richmond County.

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Low-Income Property Tax Exemption Program

Richmond County's Low-Income Property Tax Exemption Program provides tax relief to eligible property owners with limited income. Residents who may qualify are encouraged to review the program requirements and submit their application before the December 31, 2026 deadline.

Call for Committee Members

Richmond County is seeking residents interested in serving on agencies, boards, commissions, and committees. These volunteer opportunities provide a chance to share your ideas, knowledge, and experience and help shape decisions and initiatives in our communities.

Regional Emergency Management

Richmond County welcomes Jerron Hawley, Manager of the Western Cape Breton Regional Emergency Management Organization, jerron.hawley@victoriacounty.ca, 902.295.0580

Storm Garbage and Debris: 902.226.2400, extension 3

NS Department of Public Works Hot line: 1.844.696.7737

NS Power Outage Line: 1.877.428.6004

Municipal Council Meeting Schedule



Committee of the Whole: Second Tuesday of each month

Regular Council: Fourth Tuesday of each month

For presentations to Council, contact the Municipal Clerk at 902.226.3971 or clerk@richmondcounty.ca.

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

richmondcounty.ca



Fall Edition

OCTOBER 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2026

NEWSLETTER EDITIONS

Programs are offered in four seasonal editions, making it easy to find something to enjoy throughout the year. Register online through LeagueApps at www.richmondcounty.ca.

Winter Edition January 1-March 31

Spring Edition April 1 - June 30

Summer Edition July 1 - September 30

Fall Edition October 1 - December 31

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Have a great photo of Richmond County? We'd love to see it! Share your high-resolution photos for a chance to be featured in the Reflections of Richmond Newsletter, municipal website, or social media.

Is your community group or organization hosting an event or have news to share? Send us your details to help keep Richmond County residents informed.

Submit your community news, event details or submit an instructor request to:
recreation@richmondcounty.ca



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!

BECOME AN INSTRUCTOR!

The Department of Community Development and Recreation is committed to providing affordable, quality programming for residents of all ages. Our programs include a variety of sports, fitness, arts, cultural activities, and more, with opportunities designed for children, youth, adults, seniors, and families.

Whether you have a talent you'd like to teach, a hobby you're passionate about, or a program idea you think residents would enjoy, let's work together to bring it to our community.

All information needed to become an Instructor for the Municipality of Richmond County is well-defined in a step-by-step Instructor's Booklet. To receive a copy please email recreation@richmondcounty.ca

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Vinyasa Flow Yoga - Class 1	Michelle Juurlink	United Church Hall, St. Peter's	8
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Pickleball (Ages 18+) - Wednesdays	Hazel & Glen Pottie	East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's	9

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Youth Programming

Youth Recreation Hockey Ages 8-14

The Youth Recreation Hockey program is all about having fun on the ice! This program gives children the chance to play hockey, practice new skills, and enjoy being part of a team in a relaxed and supportive environment. Designed for youth not currently enrolled in organized hockey, it encourages active participation, teamwork, and confidence-building while keeping the focus on enjoyment rather than competition. Participants are required to wear a CSA-approved hockey helmet to participate. All other required hockey equipment must also be worn while on the ice. A limited inventory of hockey equipment will be available to borrow during the program. Equipment may be loaned for use during participants' Recreation Hockey Program sessions and must be returned at the end of the program. Participants requiring equipment are asked to contact Recreation staff prior to the program for assistance with borrowing equipment.

Richmond Arena, Louisdale
Saturdays, for 4 weeks, beginning November 28
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm, Fee: \$50
Instructors: Brandon Boudreau and Dylan David
Start dates subject to change

Music for Tots

A gentle and playful music and movement class designed for babies and toddlers ages 0-3 and their caregivers. Through simple songs in both French and English, gentle movement, stretching, sensory play, and interactive activities, families can connect, play, and enjoy special moments together. The class supports early childhood development through music, rhythm, movement, and sensory experiences while introducing little ones to both languages in a fun and engaging way.

Centre La Picasse, Petit de Grat
Fridays, 4 weeks, beginning October 23
9:00 am - 9:45 am, Fee: \$40 or \$10 per class **Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.
Instructor: Krista Norman

Learn to Skate

We welcome beginners as well as those wishing to improve their basic skills. This learn-to-skate program focuses on fun, participation, and basic skill development. Skaters progress at their own rate, and instructors make sessions active using teaching aids, upbeat music and a wide variety of activities that create a motivational environment and promote learning. Participants are required to wear a CSA-approved hockey helmet to participate. Long pants, mittens, and a warm sweater or jacket are strongly encouraged. Participants are also asked to bring a water bottle. A limited number of helmets and skates will be available to borrow during the program. Equipment can be loaned for use during participants scheduled skate time and must be returned at the end of each class. Please see an arena attendant for assistance with borrowing equipment.

Richmond Arena, Louisdale
Instructors: Shanna Burke and Kendra Burke

Ages 5 - 7
Mondays, for 4 weeks, beginning November 30
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm, Fee: \$40
Start dates subject to change

Ages 8 - 14
Mondays, for 4 weeks, beginning November 30
6:15 pm - 7:00 pm, Fee: \$40
Start dates subject to change

Rocks & Fossils Program with Parks Canada

Join Parks Canada for a fun, hands-on exploration of rocks and fossils! Children will learn about the three main types of rocks, examine real specimens, play Rock Bingo, and discover how fossils are formed and what they reveal about life long ago. This interactive program is designed for children ages 5 to 12, with activities adapted to participants' ages. Come enjoy an hour of learning, discovery, and fun!

Petit de Grat Public Library, Petit de Grat
11:00 am - 12:00 pm, October 17
Instructor: Liz MacMillian, Public Outreach Education Officer with Parks Canada

Adult Programming

Adult Line Dancing

If you can count to 8, you can line dance. The best steps you will ever take! Belinda invites you to a fun and rewarding way to exercise and work on your total body wellness, both physically and mentally. You will learn many line dancing steps and dance to various music genres and choreographed dances all while gaining confidence on the dance floor and improving your whole-body wellness.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Tuesdays, 8 weeks, beginning October 6
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Fee: \$40
Instructor: Belinda LaRoche

Sound Journey Meditation

Transport your mind and rest your body in an immersive, 60-minute sonic landscape. Using global instruments and intuitive, non-verbal vocalization, this live improvisational journey surrounds you with comforting vibrations tailored to clear stress and deepen relaxation. Rather than telling a story, the music creates space for your own imagination to wander freely offering a powerful blend of sound massage, deep meditation, and intuitive visioning. Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat. Blankets and yoga blocks are optional and may be used for added comfort and support.

Centre La Picasse (Grand Salle), Petit de Grat
Instructors : Adele Boudreau and Ann-Marie Boudreau

Wednesday, October 21
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$40

Wednesday, November 25
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$40

Wednesday, December 9
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$40

Vinyasa Flow Yoga

In this class, you'll move through a variety of standing, balancing, and stretching poses in a rhythmic sequence, encouraging both strength and flexibility. The focus is on cultivating mindfulness through breath while building stamina and promoting a sense of inner calm. Ideal for those looking for more active practice, Vinyasa Flow offers a perfect balance of fluid movement and steady grounding, helping you to release stress and deepen your connection to your body. Each session will be tailored to challenge your body while maintaining a sense of flow and ease, leaving you feeling both energized and centered. Lots of instruction will be given during class, so it can be suitable for a beginner, but be prepared to move with a greater emphasis on strength and balance of sequences. Ideal for those looking for a challenge while still including a warm-up and cooling down sequence. Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat. Blankets and yoga blocks are optional and may be used for added comfort and support.
Instructor: Michelle Juurlink

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Thursdays, 5 weeks, beginning October 15
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$50 or \$10 per class **Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Thursdays, 5 weeks, beginning November 19
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$50 or \$10 per class **Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.

Slow Flow Yoga

In this class, we'll move through a series of poses at a slower pace, allowing for deeper exploration of each posture. The focus is on alignment, as well as improving mobility, strength, and balance. Whether you're new to yoga or looking to deepen your practice, this class offers a welcoming space to unwind, release tension, and enhance both physical and mental well-being. Each session includes moments of stillness and relaxation, making it an ideal choice for those seeking a restorative yet energizing experience. While lots of options will be given to make this class accessible, the nature of a flow class will be kept including standing sequences and movement from the floor to standing. A great opportunity to build strength and mobility. Join us to restore your body, clear your mind, and nurture your spirit with this accessible and calming yoga practice. Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat. Blankets and yoga blocks are optional and may be used for added comfort and support.
Instructor: Michelle Juurlink

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Tuesdays, 5 weeks, beginning October 13
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$50 or \$10 per class **Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Tuesdays, 5 weeks, beginning November 17
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, Fee: \$50 or \$10 per class **Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.

Adult Floor Yoga

Gentle Yoga offers a relaxed and welcoming opportunity for adults and seniors to enjoy movement at their own pace. Classes focus on gentle stretching, balance, flexibility, breathing, and relaxation, with movements that can be adapted to suit individual comfort and ability. Whether you are new to yoga or have practiced before, this class is a comfortable way to stay active, release tension, improve mobility, and take some time for yourself. No experience is necessary. Simply come as you are, move at a pace that feels right for you, and enjoy the benefits of gentle movement in a supportive and relaxed environment. Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat. Blankets and yoga blocks are optional and may be used for added comfort and support.

Centre La Picasse, Petit de Grat
Thursdays, 8 weeks, beginning October 8
Please note: There will be no Adult Floor Yoga class on October 22. For this week only, the class will take place on Wednesday, October 21, instead.
10:00 am – 11:15 am, Fee: \$80 or \$10 per class
**Participants choosing to attend classes on a drop-in basis must register and submit payment online prior to attending.
Instructor: Krista Norman

Corespin

Corespin is a trio of workouts combining Cardio, Strength, Core conditioning for the whole body, it is low impact yet a sweaty and intense workout as per your ability. Modifications can be given for all fitness levels. **7 bikes with modified options available (recumbent bike, upright bike and mini health riders)
Instructor: Sonia Morris

Corespin 1
Centre iFit, Arichat
Mondays and Thursdays, 4 weeks, beginning November 2
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Fee: \$68

Corespin 2
Centre iFit, Arichat
Mondays and Thursdays, 4 weeks, beginning November 30
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Fee: \$68

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Adult Programming

Strength & Stretch – Move, Breathe, Restore

Strength & Stretch is a movement class designed for those who do it all—but rarely take time for themselves. This gentle and low-impact class helps release everyday tension, improve mobility, and reset the body and mind. Using mindful breath work, controlled movements, and functional stretches, we'll focus on building strength, balance, flexibility, and stamina. No high intensity, no complicated choreography—just space to slow down and reconnect with yourself. Light resistance and/or bodyweight movements are used to support joint health and improve posture. Perfect for anyone who spends long hours sitting, juggling family life, or feels the physical effects of stress and fatigue. Participants are asked to bring a yoga mat.
Instructor: Sonia Morris

Isle Madame iFit Centre, Arichat
Mondays, 6 weeks, beginning October 5
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Fee: \$50

Anne Sampson Building, River Bourgeois
Saturdays, 6 weeks, beginning October 10
10:00 am – 11:00 am, Fee: \$50

Louisdale Lions Waterfront Park, Louisdale
Tuesdays, 6 weeks, beginning October 6
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Fee: \$50

Learn to Jive

This fun and energetic dance course is for everyone who loves Boogie Woogie and Rock'n'Roll music. Over four sessions of 60 minutes each, you'll learn the basics of Jive, playful foot work, and dynamic partner moves. We focus on musicality, rhythm, and enjoying the groove together on the dance floor. No previous experience is required – just bring your enthusiasm and love for music. Get ready to move, smile, and dance to timeless beats!

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Wednesdays, 4 weeks, beginning October 21
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Fee: \$25
Instructor: Gerd Stiller

Salsa Solo – Latin Fitness

Dance solo to Merengue, Bachata, ChaChaCha, and Salsa rhythms while learning stylish moves and easy-to-follow choreographies. This class is a dynamic mix of Zumba, line dance, and Latin dance. Over four sessions of 60 minutes each, we focus on fitness, coordination, and musical expression. No partner and no previous dance experience required.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Wednesdays, 4 weeks, beginning October 21
6:15 pm – 7:15 pm, Fee: \$25
Instructor: Gerd Stiller

Scottish Country Dancing

Richmond MacAdian Ceilidh Dancers Sociable invites all ages for an enjoyable afternoon of Scottish Country Dancing. Dancers are normally grouped in sets, typically three, four or five that are arranged either in two lines (partners facing each other) or in a square. They work together to dance a short sequence of formations that provide a particular dance with its identity. The originality of the formations ensures each couple gets the chance to experience the dance from different positions. Scottish Country Dancers mainly dance for pleasure, finding the shared experience of dance both physically and mentally enjoyable. Participants are asked to wear soft shoes or slippers.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Sundays, 10 weeks, beginning October 4
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Fee: FREE
Instructors: Dianne and Conrad Landry

Activ8 28 Day Challenge

Tabata-Style Training for Total Body Strength! Join us for an energizing 4-week program focused on form, breathwork, core stability, strength, and balance training — using tools like resistance bands, dumbbells, kettlebells, and barbells.

Isle Madame iFit, Arichat
Mondays and Thursdays, 4 weeks, beginning October 5
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Fee: \$65
Instructor: Sonia Morris

Adult Sports

Adult sports create great opportunities for adults, co-workers, family and friends to stay active, spend time together, meet new people, and have fun while playing their favorite sports! All sports played at a Strait Regional Centre for Education facility will begin the week of September 14, 2026. Start dates for sports taking place at the Richmond Arena, Louisdale will be announced once confirmed. Program and event dates, times, and locations are subject to change.

Pickleball (Ages 18+)
East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's
Mondays, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Supervisors: Hazel & Glen Pottie

Basketball (Ages 16+)
Felix Marchand Education Centre, Louisdale
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Supervisor: Jimmy Bungay

Baseball (Ages 18+)
Felix Marchand Education Centre, Louisdale
Fridays, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Supervisor: Jimmy Bungay

Badminton (Ages 18+)
Tuesdays, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's
Supervisor: Sharon Hall

Volleyball (Ages 18+)
Thursdays, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's
Supervisor: Melanie Paul

Pickleball (Ages 18+)
Wednesdays, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's
Supervisors: Hazel & Glen Pottie

Pickleball (Ages 18+)
Fridays, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
East Richmond Education Centre, St. Peter's
Supervisors: Hazel & Glen Pottie

Co-Ed Hockey (Ages 18+)
Tuesdays, 9:00 pm – 10:00 pm, \$10 drop-in fee
Richmond Arena, Louisdale
Supervisor: Brayden Marchand

Women's Hockey (Ages 18+)
Mondays, 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm, \$10 drop-in fee
Richmond Arena, Louisdale
Supervisor: Rochelle Heudes

Senior Shinny Hockey (Ages 55+)
Wednesdays, 10:00 am – 11:00 am, \$5 drop-in fee
Richmond Arena, Louisdale
Supervisor: Andre Samson

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Senior Programming

Gentle Yoga 55 +

For seniors who are looking for a safe, effective way to enhance their physical health and overall wellness, the stretching, breathing, and meditation practices of yoga can be a great solution. In fact, as you will see, yoga regularly can result in many benefits for older adults, from greater flexibility and balance to lower stress and better sleep. Participants are asked to bring a Yoga mat
Instructor: Lynne Doucette

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Mondays, 8 weeks, beginning October 5
10:00 am – 11:30 am, Fee: \$30

United Church Hall, St. Peter's
Wednesdays, 8 weeks, beginning October 7
10:00 am – 11:30 am, Fee: \$30

Red Islands Fire Hall, Red Islands
Wednesdays, 8 weeks, beginning October 7
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm, Fee: \$30

Chair Strength & Stretch – Move, Strengthen, Restore

A gentle, supportive movement class designed to help older adults feel stronger, steadier, and more comfortable in everyday life. Using a chair for seated and supported standing exercises, we'll work on mobility, balance, flexibility, strength, posture, and coordination in a safe and welcoming environment.

Through simple, controlled movements, light resistance, stretching, and mindful breathing, this class helps keep joints moving, muscles active, and the body feeling its best. Exercises can be adapted to different abilities and comfort levels, with plenty of time to move at your own pace. Perfect for seniors and anyone looking for a gentle, low-impact way to stay active, improve mobility, build strength, and support everyday independence.

Acadiaville Community Centre, West Arichat
Tuesdays, 6 weeks, beginning October 6

Please Note: There will be no class on October 27. The final class will take place on December 1.
10:30 am – 11:30 am, Fee: \$50
Instructor: Sonia Morris

Chair Yoga 55+

Chair yoga is a great way for older adults to get the wonderful health benefits of yoga. It also makes yoga accessible to more people. Staying seated while doing yoga means that even frail seniors or those who aren't flexible can safely do the exercises. The benefits of chair yoga for older adults include loosening and stretching painful muscles, reducing chronic pain, decreasing stress, and improving circulation. It also reduces anxiety, helps lower blood pressure, protects joints, and builds strength and balance.
Participants are asked to bring a Yoga mat
Instructor: Lynne Doucette

Louisdale Loins Club, Louisdale
Mondays, 8 weeks, beginning October 5
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm, Fee: \$30

United Church Hall, St Peter's
Tuesday, 8 weeks, beginning October 6
10:00 am – 11:15 am, Fee: \$30

Red Islands Fire Hall, Red Islands
Wednesdays, 8 weeks beginning October 7
2:00 pm – 3:15 pm, Fee: \$30

United Church Hall, St Peter's
Thursdays, for 8 weeks, beginning October 8
10:00 am – 11:15am, Fee: \$30

Chair Fitness 55+

Chair Fitness classes are performed while sitting in the chair or using the chair as an adaptive device. Designed to improve muscle tone, flexibility, and endurance. Chair Fitness is ideal for those with arthritis, osteoporosis, or those starting an exercise program. This class is so much more than having a chair available if you need to improve your balance or for some exercise. This class requires hand weights to help you become stronger and healthier.

Participants are asked to bring 2lb or 3lb weights, an exercise belt/band, and a yoga mat for this program.

Riverdale Community Centre, Lower River
Wednesdays, 8 weeks, beginning October 7
10:00 am – 11:00 am, Fee: \$50
Instructor: Debra Cooper

Please note: There will be no class on October 14. The final class will take place on December 2.



RICHMOND ARENA

2026/2027 ICE SEASON

Facility Rates

Prime Time \$200/hr.

Monday - Friday, 4:00 pm - 11:00 pm; All day
Saturday & Sunday

Non-Prime Time \$170/hr.

Monday - Friday, 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Skating Parties \$120/hr.

Saturdays, minimum 2 hour booking, available to
non-profit organizations

Birthday Parties \$175/hr.

Includes Hospitality Room for 1 hour before or
after ice time.

Arena Memberships and Day Passes

Arena Membership \$120/person

Family Arena Membership \$200/family

Day Pass \$10/adult

Family Stick and Puck \$120/family

Family Stick and Puck Day Pass \$10/family

Weekly Skate Schedule

Please note that all weekly skate schedules are subject to
change. To view the most up-to-date schedule and
availability, please visit: www.rectimes.app/richmondarena

For additional information or assistance, please contact the
Department Administrator at 902.226.0663.

Richmond Arena Upgrades Project Update

We are pleased to report that the Richmond Arena Upgrades Project, which includes the replacement of the ice surface and ice plant, is nearing completion. This significant investment will help ensure the arena continues to provide a safe, reliable, and high-quality facility for residents and user groups for years to come.

We appreciate the patience and support of the community throughout the construction process. Further updates, including the official reopening date, will be shared and advertised as soon as they are confirmed. Stay tuned for more information as we prepare to welcome everyone back to the Richmond Arena.

****NOTE: All arena programs start dates are subject to change****

Program/event dates, times and locations are subject to change.
To register visit <https://www.richmondcounty.ca/recreation-program-registration.html> or call 902.226.0663.

Funding Opportunities



Positive Recreation for All (PRO-Recreation) Program

Up to \$200 per person, up to \$500 per household per year

For eligible residents and families who meet the program criteria and are seeking support to participate in recreation, physical activity, and wellness programs. Approved funding is applied directly to the registration fee and/or equipment costs.

For more information, contact the Recreation department via email at recreation@richmondcounty.ca or call 902.226.2400 ext. 5



Jumpstart's Individual Child Grant Program

Jumpstart's Individual Child Grant program provides financial assistance to help children from low-income families participate in sport-focused activities.

Grants cover eligible registration costs of to \$300 per year, per child.

https://jumpstartgrants.smartsimple.ca/s_login.jsp



KidSport Nova Scotia

Applicants must be aged 18 or younger. Grants are awarded for registration fees and equipment costs only. Total grant will not exceed \$500.

This fall, many more will dream of participating in sport and, once again, KidSport will be there to help.

To apply for assistance with equipment or registration, contact KidSport Nova Scotia by phoning 902.425.5450 ext. 350 or by emailing : kidsport@sportnovascotia.ca

Richmond County's Volunteers of the Month

Wayne Bona



March 2026

Donald Kehoe



April 2026

Marvin MacLean



May 2026

Ian McKinnon and
Philip Landry

June 2026

Joe McNamara



July 2026

Ella Samson



August 2026

The Municipality of the County of Richmond would like to thank Wayne, Donald, Marvin, Ian, Philip, Joe, Ella and all of the dedicated volunteers who call Richmond County home. These influential individuals generously give countless hours to their communities, supporting and uplifting people of all ages. Their commitment, compassion, and volunteer spirit are vital to what makes Richmond County such a great place to live. Volunteers truly are the heart of our community.

We invite you to nominate an outstanding volunteer from Richmond County for Volunteer of the Month recognition. To learn more and submit a nomination, please visit the link below.

richmondcounty.ca/volunteers.html



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Municipal Volunteer Recognition

Volunteers are the foundation of our communities and of Richmond County as a whole. Their passion, dedication, and selfless commitment strengthen our communities, support local organizations, and enrich the lives of those around them.

To recognize the many volunteers, groups, and organizations that help shape Richmond County, we are pleased to expand our recognition program to include the following.

To learn more and submit a nomination, please visit the link below.

richmondcounty.ca/volunteers.html

In Memoriam Volunteer Recognition

This recognition honours individuals who have passed away but whose passion, generosity, and selfless dedication continue to inspire and strengthen the community organizations they served.

Their legacy lives on through the lasting impact they made and the lives they touched.

Kathryn Ann
"Katie" LeBlanc



Gloria "Jean" Pottie



Annette Fougere



Richmond County Group/Organization Recognition

Community groups and organizations play a vital role in the strength, well-being, and vibrancy of Richmond County. Through their collective commitment, compassion, and service, they foster connections, address local needs, and enhance the quality of life for residents. This recognition celebrates the invaluable contributions these groups and organizations make to our communities every day.

The L'Ardoise Jolly Club



Telile Community Television



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Residential Curbside Collection Guide

Waste Wizard

Download the WASTE WIZARD by scanning the QR Code below



www.richmondcounty.ca/recycling-composting.html

Richmond County Solid Waste Management Facility

634 Highway 206, West Arichat
Mon - Sat: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Blue bag 1 — Paper/fibre

Boxboard (cereal and tissue boxes)

Corrugated cardboard (flattened and bundled)
No bigger than 2 ft x 2 ft

Egg cartons

Envelopes

File folders

Flour bags

Laminated paper

Laundry detergent boxes
Magazines, catalogues, newspapers, flyers

Muffin, burger, and sandwich wraps

Paper carryout trays (must be clean and dry)

Paper bags

Pet food bags

Phone books

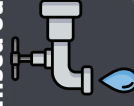
Pizza boxes

Shredded paper (bag separately)

Toilet paper and paper towel tubes

Used printer/writing paper

Make sure everything is rinsed out!



Paper must be clean and dry.



Blue bag 2 —Plastics & containers

Aluminium pie plates and trays

Bags (bread, grocery, shopping, freezer, etc.)

Cans (aluminium, steel, tin)

Candy dispensers (Kinder eggs etc.)

Cosmetic containers (mascara, lip balm, lip gloss, eyeshadow palette, cream, etc.)

Deodorant (roll-on/tubes)

Drink containers and tetrapaks

Foil lids (yogurt, sour cream, etc.)

Garden pots/seedling trays

Glass bottles and jars (lids and caps off)

Hand cream tubes

Hot and cold beverage cups (ex: disposable coffee cups)

Ice cream containers

Laundry detergent jugs

Milk containers, cartons, and bags

Plastic containers and packaging

Plastic trays (fruit, veggie, cookie, cake)

Plastic tubes

(hand cream, toothpaste, ointment, sunscreen, etc.)

Plastic wrap and aluminium foil

Shampoo, conditioner, and body wash bottles

Spiral containers (frozen juice, chips, cookie dough, ex: Pringles can)

Tea light candle holders

Wire clothes hangers

Yogurt and pudding cups

Yogurt/sour cream lids

For more information contact the

RICHMOND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY AT 902 226-2396

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:



Please allow three business days for processing.

Due date:



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:



Please allow three business days for processing.

Next Due date:



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 2026-2027 Residential tax rate for the Municipality of the County of Richmond is \$0.85 per \$100 of assessment.

The Commercial tax rate for 2026-2027 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 1st 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 Fall Tips

Heating Assistance Rebate Program Open for Applications



* The 2026/2027 Provincial Heating Assistance Program has started! Apply by March 31, 2027, to qualify. You can apply online, print a form at home or call/visit our office to obtain a form.

* The 2026/2027 Provincial Seniors Care Grant is out. Apply by March 31, 2027, to qualify. You can apply online, print a form at home or call/visit our office to obtain a form.

* Don't forget your Lifetime Dog tag! \$45.00 for dogs aged one year or older, this is a onetime fee.

Did you know?

* Arctic reindeer change their eye color from gold in the summer to deep blue in the winter to see better in the dark.

* Snowflakes are clear and see-through. They look white only because light bounces off their many surfaces. Snowflakes have six sides because of how water molecules bond.

* Fresh snow absorbs sound waves. This makes the outdoors feel very quiet and still when you walk outside.

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



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CAN EMERGENCY RESPONDERS FIND YOU?



Your civic number helps fire, police,
and paramedics find your home or
workplace during a **911** call.



Post your civic number in front
of your home or workplace.



Make sure it is **clearly**
visible from the road.



Ensure the sign has
enough light to be seen at night.



EVERY MINUTE MATTERS.

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BE HALLOWEEN Safe

Halloween is a fun and spooky time of year for kids. Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips.



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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- **When choosing a costume**, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so he or she can see out.
- **Provide children** with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper catch fire easily. **Keep all decorations** away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- **Use a battery-operated** candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns. If you use a real candle, use extreme caution. Make sure children are watched at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways, and yards.
- **Remember** to keep exits clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes.
- **Make sure** all smoke alarms in the home are working.
- **Tell children** to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them. Be sure they know how to stop, drop, and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)

If your children are going to **Halloween parties** at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency.

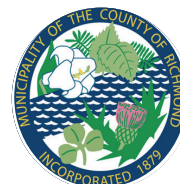
Did you know?



Decorations are the first thing to ignite in more than **800** reported home fires each year. Nearly one-third of these fires were started by a candle.



YOUR SOURCE FOR SAFETY INFORMATION
NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169





VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Are you interested in volunteering in Richmond County?

Did you know Richmond County has over 100 Community Organizations?

Why Volunteer?



Make an Impact



Grow & Learn



Gain Experience



Build Connections

Contact Danielle ✉ danielle.martell@richmondcounty.ca ☎ 902.226.2400

Family Place — Richmond County

www.familyplace.ca

FAMILY PLACE

What's Happening in
Richmond County?

2026

www.familyplace.ca

Prenatal/Postnatal Support & Home Visiting

BABY BUILDING CLUB:

Are you pregnant? Need extra support? Want to meet other pregnant people? Join us to learn from and talk with others, sharing experiences along the journey into parenting.

Call Lorie at 902.258.3002 or 902.345.2250.

PARENTING JOURNEY (Home Visiting):

A friendly, experienced home visitor supports families with children from birth to 18 years. Topics include stress management, parenting challenges, housing, food security, behaviour guidance, budgeting, and accessing community resources.

Call Mitch at 902.577.4833 or Christina at 902.345.2250. New families always welcome!



Play Groups & Baby Talk/Wee Ones

For little ones (birth to school-age) - come play with neighbours and new friends!

- **BABY TALK/WEE ONES** (birth-2 yrs): Tuesdays, 10:30 am - noon. Drop in anytime. 12 Industrial Park Road, Lennox Passage.
 - **PLAY GROUP - ST. PETER'S**: Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 11:30 am. 39 Lions Avenue, St. Peter's.
 - **PLAY GROUP - LENNOX PASSAGE**: Thursdays, 9:30 am - 11:30 am. 12 Industrial Park Road.
- All drop-in - no registration needed. Join any time!



Parent Talk Want to Know More?

PARENT TALK - Chat, snack, and feel supported in your parenting role:

Mondays, 10:00 am - noon: 12 Industrial Road.

Tuesdays, 10:00 am - noon: Women's Group, 264 Chapel Island Rd, Potlotek.

Fridays, 10:00 am - noon: Men's Group, 264 Chapel Island Road, Potlotek.

New families welcomed to participate. Transportation supports are available upon request. Healthy snacks for all!

*Open your home.
Change a life.
Build community.*



HomeShare Nova Scotia connects adults with disabilities to safe, supportive homes where they can live with dignity, independence, belonging.

As a HomeShare Provider, you offer stability, shared daily life, and meaningful support — with training, 24/7 on-call assistance!



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Receive training, support and monthly compensation

Learn more about HomeShare

HomeShare Coordinators – ROC Society

Tiffany Coffin • HomeShareCoordinator@rocsociety.ca • 902-227-8329

Tanya Bungay • HSCoordinator@rocsociety.ca • 902-631-2615



Become a Home Provider

ROC Society is seeking caring individuals, couples, and families who can offer a safe, welcoming home to a person with a disability.

HomeShare is a supported, community living option where a person with a disability lives and shares the home of an approved provider. Supporting someone with a disability in HomeShare is not a placement. It is a thoughtful matching of the supported person and their self-directed plan and the HomeShare Provider. Each match is unique! A Provider could be supporting to cook meals, transportation to work, developing a routine, personal care etc. It helps people build independence, develop life skills, stay connected to community, while enjoying safe, stable, and affordable housing.

Seniors Take Action Coalition

...promoting age-friendly communities



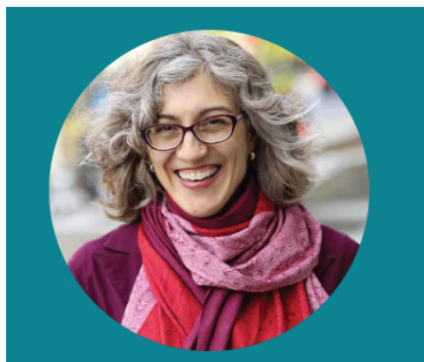
Coalition des aînés en action

...soutien aux communautés amies des aînés

Good Life, Good Death Conference

To support individuals, families and communities navigate the many complex topics of grief and death.

**Meet our
Keynote Presenter
Mary Ellen
Macdonald**



Grief 101:

Understanding Why Grief Matters in Our Communities

Join us for an engaging presentation featuring Mary Ellen Macdonald, anthropologist, Professor of Palliative Medicine at Dalhousie University, Co-Founder of Grief Matters, a Canadian charitable organization working to help all of us - from individuals to all of society - to better understand and make room for grief, through creative, community-based activities.

Mary Ellen holds the J & W Murphy Foundation Endowed Chair in Palliative Care. She has been researching death, dying, and bereavement for two decades, and is especially committed to supporting death and grief literacy across our diverse communities.

Come learn how grief affects us all and explore ways to create more supportive, grief-aware communities.



**Grief and Death
LITERACY**

Friday, October 23, 2026

9:30 am to 4:00 pm

**Location
École Beau-Port
2359 NS-206, Arichat**

Featuring These Workshops and an Expo

Advanced Care Planning:
Take Charge of Your Future,
Make Your Wishes Known

Comfort Tea: Come for Tea

Death Café

Grief and Growth:
Through Life Transitions

Honouring Love:
Pet Loss and Grief

My Journey with Grief:
Personal storytelling and
Mi'kmaq teachings



Healing Pathways
COMMUNITY FUNDING GRANTS

2026 Celtic COLOURS INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Presented By



Guiding Lights of Isle Madame

Friday, October 9, 10:00 am
Lennox Passage Provincial Park, \$25

Blacksmithing Workshop

Friday, October 9, 2:00 pm
The LeNoir Forge Museum, Arichat, \$90

Guiding Lights of Isle Madame

Saturday, October 10, 10:00 am
Lennox Passage Provincial Park, \$25

Blacksmithing Workshop

Saturday, October 10, 10:00 am & 1:30 pm
The LeNoir Forge Museum, Arichat, \$90

S.A.M. - Saturday Artisans Market

Saturday, October 10, 10:00 am
St. Peter's United Church Hall, Free

Blacksmithing Workshop

Sunday, October 11, 1:30 pm
The LeNoir Forge Museum, Arichat, \$90

Après-Midi en Acadie (A Matinee in Acadie)

Sunday, October 11, 2:00 pm
L'Ardoise Community Centre, \$45

Guiding Lights of Isle Madame

Monday, October 12, 9:00 am
Lennox Passage Provincial Park, \$25

Blacksmithing Workshop

Monday, October 12, 10:00 am & 1:30 pm
The LeNoir Forge Museum, Arichat, \$90

Doors Open for Churches

Monday, October 12, 1:00 pm
Notre Dame de l'Assomption, Arichat, Donation

Scottish Country Dancing Workshop

Monday, October 12, 1:30 pm
St. Peter's Lions Hall, \$10

Tales & Tunes

Monday, October 12, 2:00 pm
St. John's Centre for the Arts, Arichat, \$10

Kitchen Rackets Afternoon Jam Session

Monday, October 12, 2:00 pm
Bonnie Brae Seniors Club, St. Peter's, Donation

Acadian Meat Pie Supper

Monday, October 12
1st Sitting - 4:00 pm, 2nd Sitting - 5:15 pm
Our Lady of Assumption Parish Hall, Arichat, \$30

The Golden Hands of Time

Monday, October 12, 7:30 pm
D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society Hall, \$45/\$35

Guiding Lights of Isle Madame

Tuesday, October 13, 10:00 am
Lennox Passage Provincial Park, \$25

Blacksmithing Workshop

Tuesday, October 13, 10:00 am & 1:30 pm
The LeNoir Forge Museum, Arichat, \$90

Kitchen Rackets Afternoon Jam Session

Tuesday, October 13, 2:00 pm
Bonnie Brae Seniors Club, St. Peter's, Donation

Traditional Irish Stew Supper

Tuesday, October 13, 4:00 pm,
Rocky Bay Irish Club, \$25

Kitchen Rackets Afternoon Jam Session

Wednesday, October 14, 2:00 pm
Bonnie Brae Seniors Club, St. Peter's, Donation

Sounds & Supper by the Sea

Friday, October 16, 1:00 pm,
L'Ardoise Community Centre, \$50

Bienvenue en Acadie (An Acadian Welcome)

Friday, October 16, 2:00 pm
La Picasso, Centre communautaire culturel, Petit-de-Grat, \$45

Kitchen Rackets Afternoon Jam Session

Friday, October 16, 2:00 pm,
Bonnie Brae Seniors Club, St. Peter's, Donation

Spaghetti Supper in West Arichat

Friday, October 16
1st Sitting - 4:00 pm, 2nd Sitting - 5:00 pm
Acadiaville Hall, West Arichat, \$30, Call 902.623.1402

A Good Crowd at the Hall

Friday, October 16, 7:30 pm,
St. Peter's Lions Hall, \$45/\$35

Community News & Events

Louisdale Ladies Auxiliary Annual Fall Fair

Louisdale Parish Hall, Louisdale
Sunday, October 4
Parade at 10:00 am, bingo at 2:00 pm, turkey dinner, kids' game, bouncy castle, bake table and 50/50

4th annual Witches/ Warlocks paddle

(paddleboard and kayaks)
Government Wharf, Petit De Grat October 31 at 10:00 am; Treat bags for the kids; Contact Jessica at 902.302.0746

Washer Toss Tournament

Louisdale Community Waterfront Park
Saturday, October 3, from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm; Pre-registration required:
brlandry1960@gmail.com; Prizes awarded

Army cadets

Tuesdays - L'Ardoise Legion, 6:15 pm - 8:30 pm. No Registration fees, Free uniforms; Contact - Capt Allison Martell 902.595.4202 for more information

Strait Area Community Curling Club

2026 – 2027 Curling Season
October – April; For more information contact: saccc.curling@bellaliant.com

Oktoberfest

Port Hawkesbury Civic Center
October 17 from 6:30 pm - 10:30 pm

Fall Awards Dinner & Gala

Port Hawkesbury Civic Center
November 19 from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Falls Prevention and Memory Cafe Info session

New Horizons Seniors Club, Arichat
October 27 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Adult Drop-in Centre 20th Anniversary Celebration

St. Peters Lions Hall; October 22; 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm; All welcome, no registration

Kji Mawita'mk|The Big Gathering|Le Grand Rassemblement

Saturday November 14, 2026
Tara Lynne Community Centre, River Bourgeois; 12:30 pm - 5:00 p.m.: Free all-ages and abilities activities. Come connect and explore! A light meal will follow. Evening: 16+ bilingual Drag Trivia. Want to volunteer, donate, or learn more?
belonging4all@gmail.com 902.302.4002

Brown Bag Sale & Tea

Grand River Fire Hall, Saturday, October 17, 2:00 pm, fun begins at 2:20 sharp; Door Prizes
Sponsored by the Grand River Seniors' Club

Meeting, Music and Buffet

L'Ardoise Jolly Club, L'Ardoise
3rd Thursday of month; 3:00 pm – 6:30 pm
New members welcome!

Christmas Bingo

Johnstown Parish Hall; Sunday, November 8 at 2:00 pm; Special games and door prizes

The Richmond Artists Alliance

FREE Workshops for kids ages 6 - 12
D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society Hall
October 18 and 25, November 8 and 15 - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
To enroll contact Elaine Mandrona at elainemandrona@gmail.com

Kids' Art Show

D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society Hall
December 15 - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Eastern Counties Regional Library

Petit de Grat Public Library

3435 Highway #206
Wednesday-Saturday, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm;
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

St. Peter's Public Library

9992 Grenville Street
Wednesday-Saturday, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm;
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

St. George's Channel Hall

Monthly Breakfast

3rd Sunday of month 8:30 am – 11:00 am; Adults \$15.00, special price for children

Music Circle

October 12, November 9, December 7, 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm; Tea/coffee; Singers, musicians are welcome

L'Ardoise Community Centre

Cribbage Tournament

Sundays, 1:00 pm; October 25, November 22 and December 27; Teams of 2; \$25.00

Annual Children's Christmas Party and Parade of Lights

December 5, starting at 5:00 pm

Food drive to support Sally Anne's Pantry;

Saturday, November 28; 10:00 am – 2:00 pm;
Drop off nonperishable items

Breakfast

Sunday, November 29;
8:00 am – 11:00 am; Bake Sale from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm; Ham and Turkey Bingo at 2:00 pm

La Picasse, centre communautaire culturel

3435 route 206, Petit-de-Grat

Oct 1; Journée des Aînés/Seniors Day with Music & Jeudis Art

Nov 1; Spectacle avec Zachary Richard Show

Dec 13; Marché, ateliers et souper de Noël

For more information call 902.226.0149

D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society

Sunday night bingo – Jack It Up 6:45 pm Mini games 7:45 pm, regular bingo 8:00 pm

Thursday night card play/Chase the Ace

Ticket sales, 6:00 - 7:25 pm, draw at 7:30 pm, card play starts at 7:30 pm

Hungryman's Breakfast

2nd Sunday of month; 8:00 am – 11:00 am

D'Escousse Square Roots & Community Holiday Market

October 24 from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Family Halloween Party

October 31; 4:00 – 7:00 pm; Treats, games, prizes

Tyson Bowen Unsung Hero Award Fundraiser

November 14 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Local entertainment, guest speakers, vendor tables, bake sale, chance auction, 50/50 tickets. Kitchen will be open.

Kids Holiday Bingo

November 28, 1:00 pm; Kids play free, 16 yrs & under. Cookies, hot chocolate, visit from Mr. and Mrs. Clause.

Angel Fund Holiday Market Fundraiser

December 5, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Crafters, Bake Sale, Chance Raffle, Music & More

Saturday Night Sociables 19+

December 26, 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm Live music

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 150, Arichat

Legion Breakfast; 1st Sunday of the month; 8:00 am - 11:00 am. Eat in/ take out

Legion Fish Fry; 3rd Friday of the month; 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Eat in or take out

Legion General Meeting; 2nd Tuesdays of the month; 7:00 pm.

Legion 45 Card Game Poppy Fund Fundraiser

Saturday, November 21, December 19 @ 7:00 pm. Prizes awarded

St. John's Centre for the Arts

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Marg Herdman, 902.227.8303
Visit website for details: www.sjcaim.ca

Seasonal Art Show and Sale

Saturday, November 21, 10:00 – 3:00 pm
The Richmond Artists Alliance

Mary Beth Carty: A Christmas Show

Sunday, November 29. 2:00 pm
\$20.00 advance/\$25.00 door
Contact: friendsofstjohnsarichat@gmail.com

Seasonal Sing-a-long

Sunday, December 6; 3:00 pm; Donation