

VILLAGE OF KINGSTON Newsletter – Fall 2019

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Village Update - 2019

- The Village Office will be MOVING to the old CIBC building in late 2019 our new address will be 655 Main Street.
- The Kingston Library will expand into the current office location in the new year.
- There will be a new **LED event sign** installed downtown in partnership with the Kingston Lions Club, the Kingston Legion, and the Kingston Fire Department a great addition to promote local events.
- Kingston Public Free Wi-Fi along downtown core Wi-Fi ID: KINGSTON-MESH
- Water Testing The Village office is now a water drop-off site for Envirosphere Consultants call 902-798-4022

Property Tax Bills – Real Estate Requirements

For home buyers or sellers: This is to advise residents that the real estate industry requires you to provide a copy of your property tax bill to your realtor when selling a property and the mortgage companies are using this copy for preapproval of mortgages for buyers. It is advisable that you retain your original mailed copy as there will be a cost involved in getting a duplicate tax bill from the village office and there may also be a delay in receiving a copy.

Valley Waste - Fall Clean Up Day

Fall Cleanup Date - **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15** Check your Valley Waste calendar for details OR contact Valley Waste at: 1-877-927-8300 or email: info@vwrm.com or www.vwrm.com **PINE NEEDLES ARE ACCEPTED YEAR-ROUND AND DURING FALL CLEANUP** in clear bags.

Leaf and Brush Drop Off Site (for Kingston Residents) – Elm St.

The Village of Kingston will once again be providing a **brush bin and a leaf bin starting sometime in October for 4 weeks**. The bins will be located at the red barn on Elm Street next to the tennis courts. The brush bin may include branches, pine needles and grass clippings. Bags **must be emptied** into the proper bin and empty bags discarded in the garbage can provided. This service is limited to **Village of Kingston residents only, no commercial dumping.**

Village Burning Regulations (as part of County of Kings)

What you can burn? Clean, dry, wood ONLY, NO brush, NO grass, NO leaves – County of Kings By-Law #63 When can you burn? www.novascotia.ca/burnsafe

Village Commission Monthly Meetings – (Note New Meeting Dates)

The Village Commission now meets at 7pm on the second Thursday of each month and the public is always welcome to attend. This is the time to ask questions or have input. The budget process will be starting up in the new year if residents would like to have input in how the Village decides on its spending priorities.

County of Kings Dog Registrations

Kings County Dog Registration – All dogs in the County of Kings must be registered annually each January. Tags are available at the Village Office year round. Please pick up after your dog. Animal Control 902-678-3647.

Kingston Sewer Treatment Plant - Be Careful What You Flush!

Toilets and waste water treatment plants are constructed only to deal with organic body waste and toilet paper. Flushing away larger items can cause blockages within the plumbing of your own house and will block the sewer network while reducing the handling capacity of waste water treatment plant. Please do not flush items that include baby wipes, J Cloths, diapers, rags, medicines, face wipes, paper towels or sanitary napkins, etc.

Kingston/Greenwood Visitor Information Centre - 510 Main St.

The Kingston/Greenwood Visitor Information Centre will be open until Friday September 13th. Hours 10am – 5pm.

Seeking Leadership Candidates for 2020 Apple Blossom Festival

The Village of Kingston will be seeking Leadership Candidates (aka Princess Kingston) for the 2020 Apple Blossom Festival. Candidates must be 18-23 years of age by December 31, 2020. Thank you to 2019 Leadership Candidate Katelyn Charlton and her Child Attendant Addison Beardsley for representing Kingston so well this year!! Please contact Village office in Feb. for an application form and details of requirements for this rewarding experience.

Village of Kingston Terry Fox Run/Walk or Wheel – Sun. Sept 15th @ 1pm

The Village of Kingston will be hosting the annual Terry Fox Run/Walk/Wheel for Cancer Research on **Sunday Sept 15**th **starting at 1pm**. Pledge sheets available at Village Office – 671 Main St. We will meet at the GW Sampson parking lot 1488 Park Rd. and go eastward along the Harvest Moon Trail (abandoned former rail bed trail). All are welcome to attend. Registration begins at 12 noon - the run/walk or wheel begins at 1pm. Please contact Kingston Recreation at 902-765-2800 or by email at recreation@kingstonnovascotia.ca

Recreational Opportunities - See also: www.valleyconnect.ca

<u>Kingston Older Adult/Senior Fitness 2019 Fall Session</u> – The first season will start early Sept 3rd and will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 11am at the <u>Kingston Fire Hall on Sparky St</u> Punch Cards at Village Office \$30 <u>Kings County's Grafton Street Dinner Theatre Senior (55+) Bus Trip</u> – Cost \$75 per person - Thursday, November 21st - bus leaves Kingston Fire Hall at 3:30pm. The show will be 'Hard Candy Christmas'. Tickets go on sale at the Village Office on Monday, October 7th.

<u>KASA – Kingston Area Seniors Association</u> – Meet the 2^{nd} Wednesday of each month at 10am at the Kingston Legion. Membership is only \$10/Year. Fun Days (\$2) are the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Friday of each month.

<u>Chair YOGA for Seniors</u> – Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am – 10am at the Kingston Legion. Cost \$1/class.

<u>Men's Recreational Basketball</u> – Monday evenings from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. Ages 15 & up. West Kings High School back entrance.

<u>Kingston/Greenwood Minor Basketball</u> - Contact Justin Veinot, KMBA President at 902-760-0906 or email <u>justin@justinveinot.ca</u>

Tai Chi Classes - Details to follow.

<u>1st Kingston Scouting</u> - Scouting is a great opportunity for youth to experience a fun and challenging program where they can explore their community. The group is co-ed and includes: Beavers Ages 5-7, Cubs 8-10, Scouts 11-13 and Venturers 14-17. Email <u>registrar@1stkingston.ca</u> or <u>commissioner@1stkingston.ca</u>

2019 Kingston Fall Community Events – See also: www.valleyevents.ca

<u>(Tentative) Squash CF – Cystic Fibrosis Pumpkin Launch</u> – Saturday, November 2nd, 2019 – Fun for the whole family this fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis is held at the Kingston Recreation Grounds on Elm St. Come launch your own pumpkin from a giant sling shot! <u>Rain Date</u>: Sunday Nov 3rd. Mark your calendar and watch the website: www.squashcf.org

<u>ALS WALK – Sunday Sept 15th</u> – A fun Walk, Run, Wheel – Located at the Kingston Fire Hall 10am – 2pm.

<u>Kingston Lions Community Lunch</u> – 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12noon. Call 902-765-2128 - Delivery available.

<u>FREE Soup Luncheon 12noon – 1pm</u> – Enjoy a delicious bowl of soup and meet some friendly folks at the Kingston United Church each Wednesday at noon. All welcome.

<u>Santa Comes to Kingston</u> – Friday Dec 6th from 6pm – 8pm at the Kingston Credit Union Center - 1490 Westwood St. Free to all – Hot Chocolate, Apple Cider, Hot Chili, Popcorn, a visit from Santa, Face Painting, and Family Skating.

<u>Kingston New Years Eve Celebration</u> – Tuesday Dec 31st from 6pm-8:30pm– Kingston Credit Union Center - 1490 Westwood St. Kingston. Free Hot Chocolate, Warm Apple Cider, Hot Chili, Popcorn, Family Skating and <u>Fireworks</u> at 9pm – (view from the Superstore parking lot).



Kingston Library Update



Big news for the Kingston Library... renovation, renovation, renovation! Our expansion will soon be underway to create a more beautiful space for everyone to enjoy. Fall/Winter schedule begins in September with Kindermusik returning for the autumn as well as Preschool Tuesday Storytime continuing at 10:30am. Our Book Club meets once a month on Wednesday, drop by during open hours and pick up a copy. Special craft days are being added to the online calendar for children ages 5-12 as needed, and watch for adult art evenings. The Kingston Library has DVDs, CDs, e-books, audiobooks, magazines, autism kits, French books, book club in a bag, and of course, books for all ages. Please visit us during open hours behind the Village Office at 671 Main St, side entrance or by phone 902-765-3631 or online www.valleylibrary.ca

Kings County Family Resource Centre

Mission - to strengthen the lives of families and inspire growth by providing quality programs and resources in a respectful and supportive learning environment. Some of the programs include: Preschool, Tumblebugs for ages 3-5, Prenatal Program, Playgroups, Fun with Food (Meal Preparation), Wellness for Women and resources to start your own in-home childcare business. www.kcrfc.ca or 1-902-678-5760



CREDIT UNION CENTRE



The Kingston Credit Union Centre is a year-round recreation facility that has 6 + months of ice-rentals and 5+ months of non-ice rentals. The facility boasts a fully equipped, air conditioned conference room with projection/MS PowerPoint capabilities as well as a full arena floor for usage during birthday parties, community events, car shows, business sales events, etc. Available for rental during year round. Check calendar for free skate times. http://www.creditunioncentre.ca or 902-765-2516