



# NEWSLETTER

## SUMMER 2023



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# THANK YOU!

Our community witnessed the largest wildfire in Nova Scotia's history and, in the face of all the devastation we endured, we also experienced first-hand, the true power, resiliency and strength of our community and our people. We have come together, demonstrating compassion for our fellow neighbours and we should all be proud to call the Municipality our home.



### OFFICE HOURS

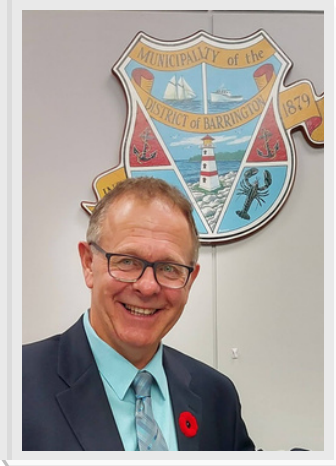
MON - FRI  
8:00AM - 5:00PM

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### ADDRESS

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BARRINGTON, NS  
BOW 1E0



# WARDEN'S MESSAGE

## EDDIE NICKERSON - DISTRICT 4

On behalf of the Municipality, I extend my deepest thanks to the firefighters, emergency responders and all individuals who put their lives on the line to protect us. Your dedication, bravery, and selflessness are a true testament to the unwavering spirit of service that beats at the heart of this community. Words cannot express our sincere gratitude for your extraordinary efforts.

I would also like to express my deep appreciation to the local businesses, organizations, and volunteers who stepped forward in our time of need. Your remarkable acts of kindness and willingness to lend a helping hand did not go unnoticed. From providing shelter to those displaced, organizing donation drives, and offering emotional support to those affected, you embody the true Nova Scotia spirit.

As we continue to recover and rebuild, I ask you to be patient with each other. A community care & recovery centre has been established at 2517 Highway 3, Barrington, to allow for all wildfire recovery-related services to be located in one building. For anyone in need of additional wildfire-related resources, please contact 902-635-2722.

In the midst of recovering from the worst disaster our community has ever endured, we continue to seek opportunities to come together as one community to enjoy our summer traditions including our recreation programs which are now in full swing with both our swimming pool and ballfields reopened. This weekend, our community looks forward to once again, hosting the Nova Scotia Marathon on July 23.

We are also diligently working on advancing other important projects and initiatives including an upcoming tender for the construction of our new Recreation Centre which we hope to issue soon. We have begun our work on developing the detailed design of a new Community Health Centre, we replaced the liner of our community swimming pool, and we are looking at adding utilities to both Stoney Island Beach and North East Point Beach.

I would like to extend congratulations to all students who graduated from high school and post-secondary this year. A sincere wish for much success as you enter the next phase of your life, whether it be the workforce or continuing your studies, the possibilities are endless.

For those coming home this summer, or those visiting for the first time, we extend a warm welcome to the Lobster Capital of Canada and hope you enjoy your time here. Please take advantage of our beautiful trails and beaches, recreation facilities, and local businesses and restaurants. We have something for everyone!

In ending, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy rest of your summer.

*Eddie Nickerson*

# PROPERTY TAX BILLS

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

### AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

CASH  
CHEQUE  
MONEY ORDER  
DEBIT

### AT MOST BANKS

ONLINE BANKING  
TELEPHONE BANKING  
BRANCH BANKING

### PAYMENTUS: (1.75% Service Fee) VISA & MASTERCARD

VISIT  
[www.barringtonmunicipality.com](http://www.barringtonmunicipality.com)  
or call 1-844-804-8083

Property Taxes Reminder notices for property taxes will be sent out the first week of July, 2023. Please note that reminders will not be sent to owners with an account balance of less than \$5.00 and that interest is accruing daily at a rate of 18% per annum on all outstanding balances. Property owners with two full years of arrears (2021 and prior) will receive a Preliminary Notice of Tax Sale during the first week of August, 2023. Once the notices have been sent, the property owner is added to the 2023/24 tax sale list and is required to pay all interest and arrears in order to be removed from this list. The tentative date for the tax sale is February, 2024. The October 2023 final bill will be sent out during the first week of October and the interest date will be after November 15, 2023.



### MAILING ADDRESSES

Due to recent changes in mailing address formats implemented by Canada Post, there has been a large amount of returned bills. Staff are doing their best to find current mailing addresses for the returned bills where possible, but ask that taxpayers contact us to provide their current mailing addresses. It is the property owner's responsibility to ensure that their mailing address is kept up-to-date in order that they receive their tax bill.

### Is your account paid by a mortgage company?

The property owner still receives a tax bill and any address changes should be updated with the tax office. Bill amounts are sent to the mortgage companies once they are issued.

### Recently purchased property?

The mailing address on the new deed will be the address that the tax office will receive. If the mailing address changes with the purchase, please contact the tax office to update.

## MEET OUR

## Tourism Ambassadors

Meet Hayley and Abigail, our Tourism Ambassadors for 2023! You will spot them out and about this summer in various locations throughout the Municipality, and in our Visitor Information Centre (2447 Hwy 3, Barrington), counselling visitors and residents and sharing the top things to see and do in the **Lobster Capital of Canada!** They will be running various contests all summer long and will have some fun giveaways! Be sure to stop by and say hi to them! Keep up to date on their location of the day and all things Visit Barrington on our social channels!



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# WELCOME SUMMER



## SUMMER CAMPS!

Check out our series of special interest camps! Sessions are available each week and offer age-appropriate specialty camps in a welcoming, active environment for children from age 5 (entering grade primary) to 14. Do you love science, nature, sports, performing? We have the right camp for you!

Check our website for calendars and more details.

<https://barringtonmunicipality.com/Recreation/summer-programs>



## COMMUNITY BEACH DAYS EVERY FRIDAY!

Join the summer Rec Crew at Stoney Island Beach every Friday from 11am - 3pm!

Games, scavenger hunts, dino digs, sports, bocce, washers, disc golf and more!

Different activities each week and something for every age and ability!



FREE Try it Stand Up Paddle boarding sessions for ages 10 and up in the month of July!

Girls on Boards Returns! On a mission to empower girls to love their bodies, trust their core and lead the way. Ages 10-14



Kayaking Try-it sessions for kids and families (age10+)! FREE with instruction and all equipment provided.

**For more information on our programs phone 902-637-2015**

Find us on 

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# AT THE *pool*

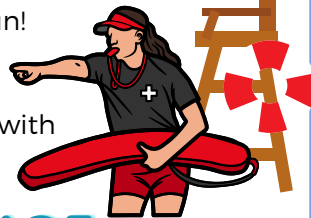


## SWIM TEAM

swim development program focused on learning new skills and fun!

## LIFESAIVING COURSES

become a lifeguard or swim instructor and start with our entry level courses.



## AQUA DANCE

fitness class where you stay cool!



## MERMAID SCHOOL

don your tail and learn specialty swim skills to swim like a mermaid/ merman.

## Plus



- SWIMMING LESSONS
- PARENT & TOT SWIM LESSONS
- SENIOR SWIMS
- OPEN SWIMS
- PARENT & TOT SWIMS
- BUBBLE RENTALS



## BARRINGTON CURLING CLUB

### PICKLEBALL

Monday & Thursday 2PM - 9PM  
Tues, Wed. & Friday 9AM - 4PM  
\$99 Unlimited Play or \$5 session



### TRIVIA NIGHT

July 15th - 7PM

### AN EVENING OF CLOSE UP MAGIC

July 29 7PM

Tickets - 902-320-1359

### DJ Sidewayz Dance Party

August 26 9PM - 1AM 19+

Find us on 

## BARRINGTON *Farmer's* MARKET



27 PARK LANE, SHEROSE ISLAND

EVERY OTHER SATURDAY

9AM - 12PM

July 8th & 22nd

August 12th & 26th

September 9th & 23rd

OVER 20 VENDORS

LIVE MUSIC!

SPECIAL EVENTS!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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## EMO SERVICES

We always need to be prepared for a wide variety of emergencies. You can find a wealth of information on preparing for emergencies at: <https://www.getprepared.gc.ca>

### FOR LOCAL EMO INFORMATION AND UPDATES

FIND US ON FACEBOOK  
@BarringtonEMO

## DID YOU KNOW?

Students who join a fire department and complete firefighter 1 training qualify for a personal development credit from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. This credit can be used as one of the 5 elective credits high school students need to graduate

## CIVIC NUMBERING

**HOW CAN WE FIND YOU WHEN YOU NEED US?  
IT'S THE LAW – POST YOUR REFLECTIVE CIVIC NUMBER TODAY.**

During the wildfire, it became very clear to emergency services that there were many properties that are still without proper civic number signage.

Civic numbers must be posted in accordance with the civic numbering by-law. Please contact our office if you are unsure on where to get yours.

### BUILDING PERMITS - WILDFIRE UPDATE

Structures that were lost as a result of the wildfires will still require a building permit to be replaced. The Municipality has **waived any fees** for these replacement permits. Please contact the Building Inspections Office for further details.

### SHORT TERM RENTALS

Airbnb's are becoming very common in our area. Any lodging accommodations are required under the Fire Safety Act of Nova Scotia to have fire inspections completed on them. If you are the owner of an Airbnb or Inn, please contact our office to schedule an inspection if one has not already been completed.

**From West to East the Officers of the Fire Departments are as follows:**

**Woods Harbour Shag Harbour:** Chief – Jody Goreham, Dpty Chief – Jason Shand, Dpty Chief – Gordie Stoddard

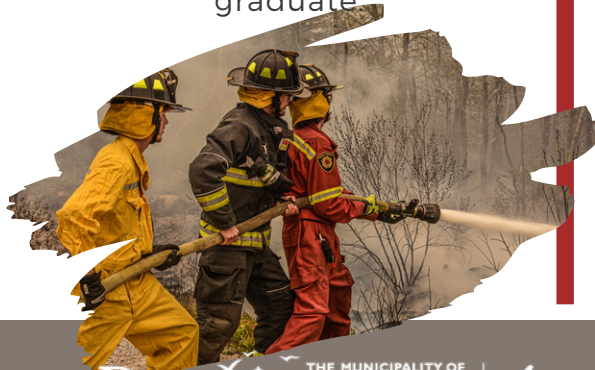
**Island & Barrington Passage:** Chief - Walter Scott, Dpty Chief – Greg Duggan, Dpty Chief - Brian Nickerson

**Barrington/Port La Tour:** Chief - Paul Thomas, Dpty Chief – Craig Hutchinson, Dpty Chief – Arthur Doane

# BECOME A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TODAY!



The fire departments are always in need of volunteers to maintain the excellent service they provide. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter, please stop by your local fire department or fill out an application online on our website (look under fire services).





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## COMMUNITY CARE & RECOVERY CENTRE

As we enter a recovery and rebuilding phase, the Municipality is working with its community partners to ensure that those affected by the wildfires are supported.



We understand that this has been a difficult time for many members of our community. In an effort to ensure the much-needed supports and assistance that our community will need have a home for the foreseeable future, Council has decided to repurpose the former VIC building as the Municipality's Care and Recovery Centre.

This Centre will be a place that provide not only disaster recovery services, where individuals and organizations will gather, and where folks can come to get information about the recovery phase, but also community connection and a space to heal.

More information on hours of operation and specific supports will be released in the coming days through the Municipality's website and social media pages and those of our partners.

## COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS SERVICE

**2648 Main St., Clark's Harbour**

To make an appointment, please call the Mental Health and Addictions Intake Service Line (toll-free) at 1-855-922-1122 to be connected to an Intake clinician from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with extended hours until 8 p.m. on Tuesdays. Please note that this line has voicemail only on evenings and weekends.

## BE WILDFIRE PREPARED

The wildfire our municipality endured has forever changed our community. There are numerous things residents can do to make their properties more resilient to the threat of wildfire and there is a wealth of information to help with that at the link below.

[FIRESMARTCANADA.CA](https://firesmartcanada.ca)

## FOOD BANKS



### VILLAGEDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

716 Villagedale Road  
Barrington  
support@villagedale.ca  
[VILLAGEDALE.CA](https://villagedale.ca) OR [FIND THEM ON FACEBOOK](#)

### CENTREVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

800 HWY 330, Centreville, CSI  
Monday & Wednesday  
10:30AM - 1:30PM Bring your own bag

# Our Senior Services

Designed to help our seniors improve their quality of life!

## FREE SENIOR PICNICS



THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH

11:30AM - 1:30PM

GUILD HALL, 11 MAIDEN LANE, SHELBURNE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH -

11:30AM - 1:30PM

SHEROSE ISLAND REC CENTRE, 27 PARK LANE, BARRINGTON

PRE-REGISTER BY PHONE OR EMAIL OR 902-903-0494

SENIORSERVES@BARRINGTONMUNICIPALITY.COM

JOIN US FOR FOOD  
MUSIC, PRIZES &  
FELLOWSHIP!



### UPCOMING EVENTS!

July 23

[Nova Scotia Marathon](#)

August 3-6

[Hawk Dayze](#)

August 12

TIDEKITE (12-3PM)

at North East Point Beach

August 13

[Cape Day](#)

August 17-20

[Barrington Exhibition](#)

Sept 29 - Oct 1

[Shag Harbour UFO Xpo](#)

Visit [SHELBURNECOUNTY.CA](http://SHELBURNECOUNTY.CA)  
for a full schedule of events!

## Shelburne County Youth Health and Support Association

Our House Youth Wellness Centre is pleased to bring back the "Pack The Sack" School Readiness Program for its 4th year. This program is designed for students gr. 7-12, attending one of Shelburne County's three high schools. We recognize and appreciate that many families are struggling. With high seasonal unemployment, and the increased costs of essential goods, there can be a lot of stress associated with looming back to school purchases. Our House would like to help ease that stress. We know students are more successful and confident when they feel prepared on that first day. Registration will open for this program July 3rd, 2023. Please contact us for more information @ 902-875-3337 or through any of our socials.



### How you can help?

- **Follow us** and share our Social Media posts to help spread the word.
- Referring someone you know who may be in need of this resource.