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Community Connections



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Spring/Summer 2017



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Public Information Session on Community Use of Epipens in Rothesay

In partnership with Kennebecasis Drugs, Rothesay will be installing Epipens at the following seven (7) public parks and facilities in the Town:

- **The Bill McGuire Centre** - 95 James Renforth Drive
- **The Rothesay Arena** - 65 Hampton Road
- **The Rothesay Common Skate House** - 24 Gondola Point Road
- **The Main Building at Arthur Miller Fields** - 48 Hampton Road
- **In the washroom area at Wells Recreation Park** - 75 French Village Road
- **The Renforth Beach** (when beach is open) - 141 James Renforth Drive
- **The K-Park Beach** (when beach is open) – 5 Princess Place

There will be a public information session about the community use of Epipens on **Thursday, April 27th from 7-8pm** at Rothesay Town Hall. The Sweet Caroline Foundation will help bring awareness to the signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis and provide helpful information about what to do if you are in a situation where the use of an EpiPen is needed. All are welcome!

(Picture to the left—Owner of Kennebecasis Drugs, Jim Hutton, and Mayor Nancy Grant)



Spring Clean Up Weeks

Solid Waste Pick-Up - May 22nd, 2017 (Victoria Day)

- Items must be tied in manageable bundles, weighing no more than 40lbs
- Junked car parts or batteries, appliances, paints/solvents, hazardous waste, containers from hazardous products and other similar items will NOT be accepted

Organic Pick-Up - May 29th, 2017

- Leaves, grass clippings & bundled twigs no longer than 4ft and weighing no more than 40lbs
- Residents are required to use compostable bags, non-waxed cartons, or garbage cans that can be easily emptied into the trucks
- Please DO NOT use your compost cart for this pick-up

All items must be placed curbside by 7am on Monday regardless of your scheduled pick-up day.

For more information on please visit www.rothesay.ca



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Our Popular Sunset Yoga Sessions are back this summer at Renforth

Come relax after a hard day's work while we enjoy the beautiful sunset on the Kennebecasis River at the Renforth Rotary Park. Join us for FREE outdoor yoga classes 7-8pm, provided in partnership with Yoga Haus.

Wednesday, May 31st (Rain date: June 1st)
Wednesday, June 28th (Rain date: June 29th)
Wednesday, July 26th (Rain date: July 27th)
Wednesday, August 30th (Rain date: Aug 31st)

No experience necessary – yoga sessions are for people of all ages. Optional – bring yoga mat or blanket. (overflow parking – down the street at the Bill McGuire Centre)



Canada 150 KV Community Trail Adventure

On **Saturday June 10th, 2017** we invite you to join the adventure! **Walk, run, or bike** the KV Trans Canada Trail! (RAIN or SHINE) You can hop on the trail with friends and family at any of the designated check-in points:

- 8:30am – Gondola Point Ferry
- 9:00am – Quispamsis qplex
- 10:00am – True Life Church
- 11:00am – Rothesay Common
- 11:30am – East Riverside Kingshurst Park

Finish line celebration—Fitzgerald Ball Field 10am-1pm (beside the Bill McGuire Centre) where we will have entertainment, activities, and healthy food!

For more info & to pre-register visit : <https://kvcommunitytrailadventure.eventbrite.ca>

Opening of the Wells Ball Field and Dog Park

Join us on **Saturday, May 13th** at **1pm** to celebrate the

opening of the new ball field and dog park located at the Wells Recreation Park (75 French Village Road).

All are welcome!



Rothesay - An Age Friendly Community

Rothesay, like the rest of New Brunswick, is beginning to experience the effects and challenges associated with a growing population of seniors. Accordingly Council has set as a priority to “develop an age-friendly community strategy” for Rothesay.

An age-friendly community, as defined by the New Brunswick Age-Friendly Recognition Program, is one that distinguishes the great diversity amongst older persons and promoting their inclusion and contributions in all areas of community life. An age-friendly community respects their decisions and lifestyle choices and anticipates and responds flexibly to aging-related needs and preferences. Essentially, they are places that encourage active aging by optimizing opportunities for health, participation, and security in order to enhance quality of life as people age.

To learn more about the New Brunswick Age Friendly Recognition Program please visit: <http://www.wellnessnb.ca/>



The WHO Global Age-Friendly Cities outlines the essential features of an age-friendly community, grouping them according to eight major domains or areas of focus of community life.

Playground Programs

We have 3 different locations for our playground programs this summer for children ages 5-12: Wells Recreation Site, K-Park Elementary School, and Rothesay Park School. The morning sessions run 9am-12pm and the afternoon sessions are from 1pm-4pm. Don't miss out on a summer filled with Games, Crafts, Theme Days, Day Trips & MORE! Register at Town Hall - \$5.00 per 3 hours session (tax included). 5, 10, 20 session cards are available.

Day Camps

This summer Rothesay and the YMCA are partnering again to bring new and exciting Day Camp Programs to the Bill McGuire Centre. For more information or to register visit the YMCA of Greater Saint John website www.saintjohnymca.com or call 693-9622.



Rothesay Beaches

Located on the shores of the beautiful Kennebecasis River, Rothesay has two supervised beaches that are open to the public during the summer months. K-Park beach is lifeguarded Monday - Friday 11:00am-5:00pm and Renforth Beach is lifeguarded Monday-Sunday 11:00am-5:00pm. For more info visit www.rothesay.ca

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Concert in the Common 2017

Take your evening walk, bring your blanket/chair, and enjoy free outdoor music on the Rothesay Common stage 7-8pm. If the weather is inclement, the concerts will be held at Rothesay Park School.

Thursday, July 6th

Thursday, July 13th

Thursday, July 20th

Thursday, July 27th

Thursday, August 3rd

Thursday, August 10th

Thursday, August 17th

Thursday, August 24th

Thursday, August 31st

Micah Barnes (Jazz)

Thom Swift (Roots, Folk, Blues)

Christina Martin (Pop, Classic Rock)

Chris Cummings (Jazz/Blues)

Unforseen (Blues, Country, Rock)

Jared Lutes (Roots, Folk)

TBA

Joel Leblanc (Roots, Folk, Blues)

TBA (KV Jazz and Blues Festival)

Jumpstart / P.R.O. Kids

Did you know P.R.O. Kids & Canadian Tire Jumpstart are two programs that are available to Rothesay children & youth who, due to financial limitations, would otherwise be unable to participate in art, culture, recreation or sporting activities.

You can now apply online for both programs.

Visit our website for more information
www.rothesay.ca

JULY 1st - Canada Day Celebrations

Come out and celebrate our Nation's 150th Birthday

ROTHESAY - Saturday, July 1st, 2017

Activities begin at noon and events include a flag-raising and cake-cutting ceremony on the Rothesay Common*

After the ceremony enjoy:

- Live Entertainment! • Popcorn & Cotton Candy!
- Sparkle Tattoos! • New Giant Inflatables!
- Kids Games! • A BBQ by Rothesay Staff!

*Rain location will be the Rothesay Arena

Saint John Dragon Boat Festival

Saturday, August 26th, 2017
at the Renforth Wharf.

The Saint John Dragon Boat Festival is an exciting fundraising event that combines the thrill of team dragon boat racing with a unique cultural festival.

For more details visit:
www.sjdragonboat.ca

June is Parks and Recreation Month

Join us every Thursday at 6:30pm this June to explore our parks and trails right here in Rothesay! Every trail you explore with us earns you a ballot in the draw for a \$100 River and Trail Outdoor Company gift card! Healthy snacks will be provided courtesy of Cochran's Country Market.

June 1st 6:30pm – East Riverside-Kingshurst Park

June 8th 6:30pm – Steele Kennedy Nature Park

June 15th 6:30pm – Hillside Trail

June 22nd 6:30pm – Bi-Centennial Park Trail

June 29th 6:30pm – Wells Recreation Trail

Visit www.rothesay.ca for more details.

Attention Dog Owners

Please remember dogs MUST be on leash at all times when on any public property (any property not privately owned by you), unless you are using the Town dog park. Picking up after your dog, whether big or small, is required under Town By-laws. You CAN be fined for failing to clean up after your pet. Please remember being a good pet owner and citizen means cleaning up after your pet – in all seasons. Did You Know? Rothesay provides dog waste disposal bags and bins on all of the Town's walking trails. Please do your part in keeping our trails and public areas enjoyable for everyone!

**Please
PICK UP
AFTER
YOUR PET**



\$50 FINE

Rothesay Animal Control By-law, No. 1-12



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Utility Invoices & Statements

The Town operates a water and sewerage utility servicing approximately 4,000 residences. Sewerage invoices are issued annually at the end of March. For 2017, the base annual charge is \$370.00 per "equivalent user". Water invoices are issued quarterly in March, June, September and December. For 2017, there are two components to the water invoices for a typical single family residence; 1) a fixed charge of \$50.00 every three months; and 2) a variable charge of \$1.15 per cubic meter of water usage. We encourage utility customers to receive their invoices and/or monthly statements electronically. To apply for this service please forward an email to utilities@rothesay.ca. Should you have any questions our Treasurer, Doug MacDonald, CPA CA, can be reached at 848-6663.

Paying Provincial Tax Bills

Provincial tax assessment bills are mailed each spring to property owners in New Brunswick. You can pay your tax bill online at www.snb.ca, at your local SNB office, or through your bank.

Payments are made directly to the province ("Minister of Finance") and cannot be accepted at the Rothesay Town Hall.

Have questions about your assessment or the payment process? Call the Hampton SNB office at 832-6002.



Happy Spring and Summer to all Rothesay Residents!

We have successfully navigated another winter, all in all a not-so-bad one. The January freeze/thaw cycle kept Town crews busy dealing with road and sidewalk ice; followed by the challenging week of successive blizzards in February. Crews worked long hours, in dangerous conditions, and did a great job keeping snow cleared and people mobile. Sincere thanks to our Operations crews and our emergency responders for keeping us safe.

Spring is a busy season for the Town gardeners; with plants arriving at our greenhouses in preparation for planting the 58 flowerbeds and 22 hanging baskets found throughout Town. The result of this work is a beautiful municipality of which we are all justifiably proud.

The wastewater work on Rothesay Road has been largely completed; there is some remaining restoration work to be done behind the curbs, and five lift stations to be built or upgraded, but traffic disruption should be minimal. The new lift station at the East Riverside-Kingshurst Park will have public washrooms, sure to be appreciated by walkers and cyclists. Again, thank you to residents in the Rothesay Road area for your patience with last year's construction. We can now enjoy the river view again on our commute.

Council has budgeted \$1.385 million for street resurfacing this year; streets are chosen for resurfacing from a prioritized list that categorizes streets by their condition on a 1-5 scale. Streets in the worst conditions are generally chosen for resurfacing before those in better condition.

The rink on the Common saw many users over its second winter in operation - we are so pleased with the number of people who are enjoying the skating and that so many people are out being active. We look forward to seeing you there through the spring and summer - it truly is an all-season, multipurpose park. The new Wells trail has been enthusiastically received by walkers, cyclists, skiers and snowshoers, and also is an all-season facility. We are hoping that this year will see a pedestrian connection to Grove Avenue. The dog park in Wells has also been popular and the new ballfield is expected to be ready for use in early summer.

Work has started on our Seniors Strategy, and we are pleased that a good number of residents have come forward to help identify issues of concern and find solutions. We hope to align with the Province's Age-Friendly Strategy.

Enjoy all the spring and summer activities Rothesay has to offer; whether it's sailing, rowing, golfing, walking or cycling! Keep active and remember to keep your dogs on leash and to clean up after them. Bags and trash receptacles are provided throughout the community.

Dr. Nancy Grant
Mayor

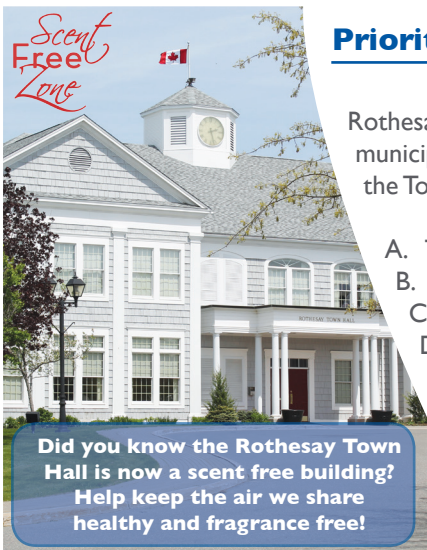


Priorities of Rothesay Town Council 2016-2020

Rothesay Council believes that its decisions and initiatives will be most effective and the resources of the municipality most productive if carried out within a framework of goals that clearly articulate the direction of the Town during this Council's term in office. The following are the goals Council has adopted for the term.

- A. To adopt a long term, sustainable fiscal strategy based on sound principles
- B. To plan & execute capital projects on time and budget
- C. To adopt a comprehensive Municipal Plan
- D. To revisit the Recreation Master Plan
- E. To develop an age-friendly community strategy
- F. To develop more effective communication channels with its citizens, neighbours and governments

Please see the Rothesay website for more details on the Priorities and time frames.



Did you know the Rothesay Town Hall is now a scent free building? Help keep the air we share healthy and fragrance free!