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Spring/Summer 2016



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## 2016 Capital Projects

The 2016 Capital Works program for the Town is focused on improvements to the sanitary sewer system, extension of sidewalks and road resurfacing. The largest project is the construction of five new wastewater pumping stations and associated pipeworks to redirect wastewater from the lagoons in K-Park to Sagamore Point, the eventual location of a bio-mechanical wastewater treatment plant. This project, at an estimated cost of \$7.5 million, is supplemented by \$5M in capital funding from the federal and provincial governments. Discussions with the two levels of government regarding funding for the treatment plant are ongoing.

A complete rebuild of the water, wastewater and stormwater systems on Almon and Peters Lanes is underway at an estimated cost of \$1.2M. This will renew and improve some of the oldest infrastructure in the municipality. Curb and sidewalk will be extended from Chapel Hill Boulevard to Hampton Road including Parkdale Ave at an estimated cost of a \$0.25M. The following streets are scheduled for resurfacing: Acre, Barbara, Galway, Highbrook, Lori, Progress and Wendy Courts, Ballpark Avenue, Birchview Terrace, Esther, Grist, James, Luke, Naomi and Kent Streets and Wells Lane. Rothesay Road from Rothesay Corner to East Riverside-Kingshurst Park is also included in the total contract price of \$2.4M, partially offset by a Provincial designated roads grant of \$0.73M.

New pedestrian crosswalks will be installed at the bus stop near Riverside Golf course and on Gondola Point Road at River Road.

The Wells Trail is to be paved this spring and the dog park completed this year. Construction on the ball field will be completed this construction season and the field will be playable in 2017. Reconstruction of the parking lot at McGuire Centre is included in the streets resurfacing project.

## Spring Cleanup Weeks

### Solid Waste Pick-Up - May 23rd, 2016

- 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 30th, 2016

- Leaves, grass clipping & 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](http://www.rothesay.ca)

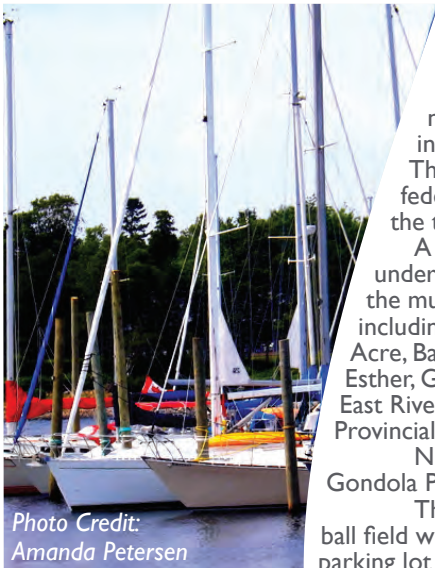


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## Playground Programs

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 - \$4.00 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.saintjohnny.com](http://www.saintjohnny.com) or call 693-9622



## Swimming Lessons

**Renforth & K-Park Beaches will open on June 27, 2016.** K-Park Beach is lifeguarded Monday to Friday 11am-5pm and Renforth Beach is lifeguarded Monday to Sunday 11am-5pm. Canadian Red Cross Swim Kids Programs will be offered at both beaches. Early Bird Registration will take place at the Bill McGuire Centre June 20th-24th 11am-1pm. The cost is \$30.00 per two-week session (Mon-Fri). Classes run in 30 minute intervals from 10-11am. Times will depend on registration. For more info visit [www.rothesay.ca](http://www.rothesay.ca)

## Kennebecasis Public Library

Where they have what you need to learn how to build a house or bake a cake, learn about computers, travel to distant lands, blast to the moon, or solve a murder. Stay up-to-date on all that is taking place at your local library. Visit their Facebook page to find all the details on the fun, enriching programs and events happening now.

[www.facebook.com/kennebpl/](http://www.facebook.com/kennebpl/)

## 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!

No registration required - all activities are FREE and open to the public.

Healthy snacks will be provided courtesy of Cochran's Country Market.

**June 2nd 6:30pm – East Riverside-Kingshurst Park Trail & Sunset Yoga Session**

**June 9th 6:30pm – Rothesay Common & Steele Kennedy Nature Park Trail**

**June 16th 6:30pm – Hillside Trail**

**June 23rd 6:30pm – Bi-Centennial Park Trail & Arboretum Walk**

**June 30th 6:30pm – Wells Recreation Park Trail**

Visit [www.rothesay.ca](http://www.rothesay.ca) for more details.

## Congratulations to Rothesay Residents - Curbside Recycling Update

Congratulations to Rothesay residents!

The success of your participation in curbside recycling is evidenced by the total tonnage collected since the program began in September, 2015 – 244 tonne of fibre, plastics and tins has been diverted from the landfill! Did you know? You can purchase lids and dollies at the Town Hall (848-6600).

The success of the program means less solid waste is being collected so the contractor is able to complete garbage collection routes much quicker than in the past. To ensure the continued efficiency of collection, **all items must be curbside by 7:00 am** on your scheduled collection day. Residents will see a different type of truck collecting recyclables in the next few weeks. These are operated by a single worker and easily distinguishable from the truck used for compost pickup.

Thanks to you, our residents, for your active participation in this green initiative! In the words of David Brower: "We don't inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children."





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## Remember to license your Dog or Cat. You can get a tag for your pet from the Town Hall (Rothesay Animal Control Bylaw 1-12)

- It's free and you only need to provide proof of vaccination
- The tag is valid for the lifetime of the animal or until change in ownership



## Concert in the Common 2016

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

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>

Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

**Christina Martin** (Pop, Classic Rock)

**WeBe3** (Bluegrass)

**Mike Biggar** (Roots, Country)

**Tom Easley** (Jazz/Blues)

**Shampers Bluff** (Folk Rock/Pop)

**St. Mary's Band** (Big Band Style) RENFORTH PARK

**Brent Mason** (Roots)

**Thom Swift** (Roots, Folk, Blues)

**Jared Lutes Trio** (Roots, Folk)

**Bill Stevenson** (KV Jazz and Blues Festival)

## JULY 1 - Canada Day Celebrations

Come out and celebrate our Nation's 149<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**ROTHESAY - Friday, July 1, 2016**

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!
- Face Painting! • New Giant Inflatables & Kids Games!
- A BBQ by Rothesay Staff!

\*Rain location will be the Rothesay Arena.

## Saint John Dragon Boat Festival

**Saturday, August 27, 2016**  
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](http://www.sjdragonboat.ca)

## 3rd Annual Through the Lens Photo Contest

Located on the beautiful Kennebecasis River, Rothesay is a picturesque community rich in history and well known for its people and quality of life. Rothesay boasts parks, beach sites, wharves, playgrounds, hiking trails, biking lanes, and many recreation sites throughout the Town.

We would like to showcase the beauty of Rothesay by gathering photos captured by community members. Through the lens of Rothesay residents, this photo contest will allow us to demonstrate that Rothesay is a great place to live!

You can submit up to 5 photos for the contest prior to the submission deadline of **Aug 26, 2016**. Submitted photos will be uploaded to the Rothesay Facebook page on **Aug 29, 2016**. Voting will begin on **Wednesday, Aug 31, 2016** and close on **Wednesday, Sept 7, 2016**. You can vote by "liking" your favorite photo on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/RothesayNB](http://www.facebook.com/RothesayNB). The contest winner will be determined by the most number of likes on the Rothesay Facebook Page.

Photo submissions from the 2014 and 2015 contests have been showcased throughout the newsletter.

Visit [www.rothesay.ca](http://www.rothesay.ca) for full details on the Through The Lens Photo Contest



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## Kennebecasis Regional Police Force



To learn more about your Kennebecasis Regional Police Force please visit their website at [www.kennebecasisregionalpolice.com](http://www.kennebecasisregionalpolice.com) or follow them on Facebook and Twitter.

## Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department



To learn more about your Kennebecasis Valley Fire Dept. please visit their website at [www.kvfire.ca](http://www.kvfire.ca) or follow them on Facebook and Twitter.

## KV Walkers Present 12 Weeks/12 Walks

KV Walkers will once again be offering 12Weeks/12Walks this summer. This program is a volunteer-led free walking program that explores existing trails and popular routes in the KV. This summer's schedule will be posted on the KV Walker Facebook site in early June. The walks start the week of June 20th, with walks Monday evenings at 6:45pm and Tuesday mornings at 9:30am.

Special Spring Training Walks (3 week session) will be offered on Friday afternoons at 1pm on May 20th, 27th and June 3rd. Come along and start walking with us earlier this year and pick up some tips for summer walking!

Sign on to the Facebook site for more information.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/433214643396217/>

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.



**Jumpstart**

Giving kids a sporting chance



For more info:  
**Call** 642-7529  
**E-mail**  
[prokids@saintjohn.ca](mailto:prokids@saintjohn.ca)  
**Apply Online:**  
[www.prokidsnj.ca](http://www.prokidsnj.ca)

## Japanese Knotweed In Rothesay

### Impact & Identification of Japanese Knotweed

- Spreads quickly, creating dense thickets that degrade wildlife habitats
- Aggressive plant with a strong root system that has been known to break through asphalt and concrete
- Plant populations are extremely persistent. Can survive severe floods and recolonize areas
- Semi-woody perennial plant (1-3m tall) Stems are round, reddish-purple, smooth, bamboo-like appearance
- Leaves are ovate with a flat base, reaching 3-6 inches long and 2-5 inches wide with pointed tips
- Flowers are greenish-white. Fruit is small and white with wings that help to disperse seeds to new sites

### What Rothesay is Doing

- Consulting with an Integrated Pest Management Specialist, Weed Management at New Brunswick AAF
- Removing the plant through mechanical means on a seasonal basis
- Planning an assessment of the extent of the infestation. Actions will be coordinated with property owners
- Continually exploring methods of removal including: physical removal, developing physical barriers, biological control, and steaming/burning

**\*The Town has a self-imposed ban on the use of chemical pesticides on Town properties so any use of herbicides to control this species must be approved**

### What You Can Do

- Learn how to properly identify Japanese Knotweed and to effectively manage invasive plants on your property
- Avoid using invasive plants in gardens and landscaping
- Purchase non-invasive plants from reputable suppliers. Consider the use of native plants which provide habitat and food sources for wildlife
- Do not dispose of invasive plants in the compost pile – discard them in the regular garbage or check with the Town Hall for disposal information
- If you find Japanese knotweed or other invasive species in the wild, please contact Town Hall at (506) 848-6600 or [rothesay@rothesay.ca](mailto:rothesay@rothesay.ca), or the Invading Species Hotline at 1-800-563-7711 to report the sighting.

## Did you know Rothesay is on Facebook and Twitter?

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## You can help keep your waste collectors safe!

Did you that know waste collectors are three times more likely than the average New Brunswick worker to get hurt on the job? You have an important role to play in keeping them safe by properly preparing your garbage and making sure the end of your driveway is free from hazards. Some other tips include:

- Keeping your garbage bags light.
- Putting broken glass in a box labelled "broken glass."
- Driving carefully near waste collectors as they work.

For more tips to help keep collectors safe, go to [www.worksafenb.ca](http://www.worksafenb.ca)

