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Spring has Sprung in Rothesay!

April 4th, 2023: Thank you for subscribing and we hope you enjoy the spring issue of the quarterly community newsletter.

Mayor's Message

Hello Rothesay Residents,

We are celebrating a major milestone in 2023 - Rothesay turned 25 years old this year! This spring we are excited to see all that blooms in our community. Here is a definite sign of Spring: The Spring edition of R-Insider!

Fundy Winterfest closed out the winter season and was a great success! Outdoor activities were well attended and lots of fun. The return of the in-person Winter Speakers Series was well organized and covered a variety of interesting topics. Extending huge thanks to Rothesay Parks and Recreation Staff for organizing the events and for maintaining the ice on the Rothesay Common so beautifully through what was a very challenging season weather-wise.

The Rothesay HIVE was also very active this winter, with exercise classes, book club, movie matinees, bridge lessons, to name a few of the offerings. The Saint John Newcomers Centre continues to offer programming at the HIVE, with the Future Engage program on Thursday mornings, and conversational English classes on Wednesday afternoons. Things at the HIVE are buzzing!

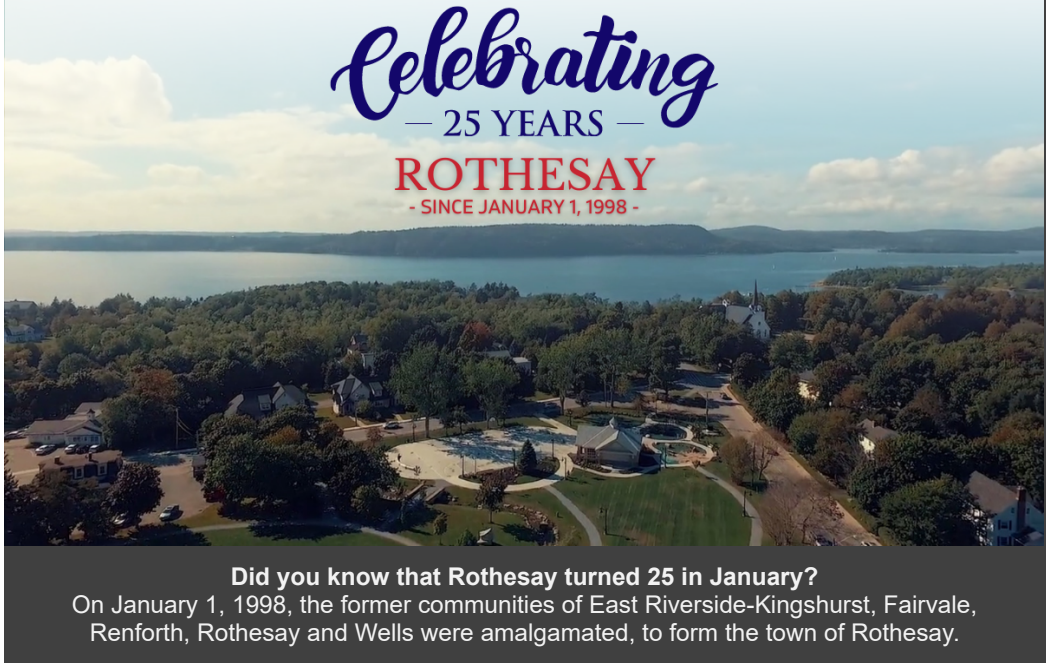
On March 8th, Rothesay again partnered with Quispamsis to present the KV International Women's Day celebration, this year hosted by Rothesay. We were pleased to have our Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Brenda Murphy as our guest speaker, giving many attendees the opportunity to meet her, while enjoying a lovely Continental breakfast.

Looking forward to Summer, we hope to have two new facilities ready for use this season: new pickle ball courts at Arthur Miller Fields, and the new Community Centre at Wells Recreation Park. The new ball field at Wells Recreation Park will be ready for use this season as well!

I would especially like to point out the opportunity for gardening with the HIVE Garden Club, which rents a plot at Scribner Community Garden. Last season the considerable amount of produce they harvested was donated to the KV Food Basket. New members are welcome!

Enjoy the Spring everyone - especially enjoy driving on the resurfaced Rothesay Road - no potholes there this year! Thanks to Operations Staff for organizing the project last fall.

Dr. Nancy Grant
Mayor of Rothesay



Did you know that Rothesay turned 25 in January?
On January 1, 1998, the former communities of East Riverside-Kingshurst, Fairvale, Renforth, Rothesay and Wells were amalgamated, to form the town of Rothesay.

Town Hall

Upcoming Town Hall Holiday Closures:

- Friday, April 7 and Monday, April 10 for Easter Weekend.
- Monday, May 22 for Victoria Day.

24/7 emergency service is available by calling 506-848-6600.

Operations

Spring Clean Up

All items must be placed curbside by 7:00am on Monday regardless of your scheduled pick-up day.

Solid Waste Pick-Up - Monday, May 15th, 2023

- 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 Waste Pick-Up – Monday, May 22nd, 2023

- Pick-up will begin on Monday, May 22, even though it is a holiday.
- Leaves, grass clippings, & bundled twigs with twine no longer than 4ft and weighing no more than 40lbs. No trees larger than 4 inches in diameter.
- Residents are required to use brown paper bags for yard waste.
- Yard waste in plastic bags (clear, black or any colour) will **NOT** be collected.
- Please DO NOT use your compost cart for this pick-up.

Clark Road & Gondola Point Road Intersection

Please be advised: major road work will be taking place to complete a reconfiguration of the Clark Road and Gondola Point Road intersection this summer. Dates of work for this project is weather permitting and subject to change. More details to follow in the coming months.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work towards improving the important infrastructure in our community.

Report Street Light Outages

Did you know Rothesay pays for every street light - working or not? Plesae report any that are not working properly to NB Power by filing out the [ONLINE FORM](#)



Parks & Recreation

New Pickleball Courts coming to Rothesay

We are excited to share that Rothesay will be adding two new pickleball courts that will be located adjacent to the Arthur Miller Lower Field parking lot. Phase 2 of the project was awarded at the March Council meeting. The anticipated opening date is this summer!

Additions to Wells Recreation Park

We are excited to welcome players to our new baseball field at Wells Recreation Park this Spring! The new baseball field is located to the right of the existing softball field.

There has been a lot of progress made on the new community building at Wells Recreation Park with windows being installed and the canopy roof taking shape! Construction of the Wells community building began in the Fall of 2022 and is expected to be completed by the end of this summer. Learn more [HERE](#).



Summer Playground Program

Our popular Playground Programs for kids ages 5-12 are back again this summer! (including kids who are 4 years old turning 5 by December 31st, 2023)

The drop-in/punch pass programs will operate out of KPark Elementary School, Rothesay Park Middle School and Wells Recreation Site from June 26th to August 25th. Daily activities include: Co-operative Games, Field Games, Nature Walks, Drama & Singing, Arts & Crafts, Theme Days, Water Days, and much more!

More information regarding registration will be available in May.

Canadian Tire Jumpstart & P.R.O. Kids



Did you know the Canadian Tire Jumpstart and P.R.O. Kids programs are available to children and youth who live in Rothesay? These programs help remove financial barriers to participating in art, culture, sport and recreational activities! These programs enable more children to experience the many benefits of recreation, sport and leisure. Learn more [HERE](#).

Think Green, Keep It Clean - Community Clean Up

We invite schools, businesses, community groups and residents in Rothesay to join the race to make the world a better place! Rothesay is hosting a community clean up from Friday, April 21st to Sunday, April 23rd. Get your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors involved and help make a difference!

Gloves and garbage bags are available for community members to use to clean up litter in our parks, trails and green spaces. Learn more [HERE](#).

Other Town Business



Staff are monitoring river levels during flood season and sandbags will be made available if flooding seems imminent. Learn more: www.gnb.ca/riverwatch

High Water Consumption Checklist

Water leaks happen for many reasons, and any water-using fixture or appliance can eventually have a leak. Leaks can range in size. A small stream of water from a faucet can waste 15 cubic metres (m3) per month. A leak this size could increase your bill by \$18.60 each month. If the water level in a toilet tank is too high and overflowing into the overflow tube, or the flapper is completely lifted, it can waste 1,200 m3 per month. A leak this size could increase your bill by \$2,544.48 each month. The first step in the process is for you to complete this [High Water Consumption Investigation Checklist](#).

Rothesay Artist in Residence

Rothesay resident, Darlene Baker, has received the Bourne Internship in the Arts from Mount Allison University and will be completing her artist-in-residence program in Rothesay this summer. We look forward to working with Darlene soon!

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town of Rothesay, NB

@rothesaynb

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