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### Fall Fun is Here!

**September 25, 2024:** Thank you for subscribing to the R-Insider! We hope you enjoy the fall issue of the quarterly community e-newsletter.

#### **Rothesay Town Hall Closures:**

- Monday, September 30th for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
- Monday, October 14th for Thanksgiving Day.
- Monday, November 11th for Remembrance Day.

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

### Mayor's Message

Hello Rothesay Residents, and Happy Fall!

What a beautiful summer here in Rothesay! Perfect weather for our popular Playground Program and Beaches. Our thanks go to our summer students, who are the heart of these programs, and the Recreation Staff who supervise them; also, to the students who assist our capable Parks crew in keeping the Town looking its best.

The Town has seen significant improvements this summer: along with the usual summer street resurfacing, the traffic lights have been installed at Gondola Point and Clark Roads, and the sidewalk from Town Hall to Papa John's has been realigned/improved. Crosswalks have been installed on Hampton Road between Town Hall and Rothesay High School, and at the entrance to Arthur Miller Fields. These crosswalks will significantly improve safety in this very busy area of Town. Work has also been done at the Wells Recreation Park, with paving of the parking lots, and landscaping around the new building. What a great spot that Park is! All-season, always busy, and with the new building also being well-used.

As we move into our Fall programs, here are some dates to keep in mind: Fall Clean-Up Week is November 4th, the Rothesay Arena opens for the season on Sunday, October 6th, and there will be a Halloween event at the Rothesay Arena on Sunday, October 27th. Our two usual Kennebecasis Valley Remembrance Day Ceremonies will be held again this year. The official Kennebecasis Legion Service will be at the qplex on November 11th starting at 10:30am. The outdoor volunteer-led Service, always very well attended, will be held at the Cenotaph on the Rothesay Common on November 11th at 10:45am.

And be sure to save the date for the 26th Annual KV Santa Claus Parade, which marks Santa's entrance into the Valley on November 30th!

Congratulations to this year's winner of our Through the Lens Photo Contest: Michelle Martel's photo of sunset at the Rothesay Boat Club. This photo will be displayed, in rotation with past winners, in the Reception at Town Hall.

Finally, some safety reminders: with our children back in school, please drive carefully and slowly, and observe the reduced speed limits in school zones; excited children may not always be watching for traffic. Wishing all our students, teachers, school staff, and bus drivers a successful year.

And always take care around railroad tracks: stop, look, and listen before crossing the tracks. Rothesay has proclaimed September 23-29 as Rail Safety Week: please do your part to promote rail safety.

A busy Fall ahead - get out and enjoy, as able.

Dr. Nancy Grant Mayor of Rothesay

## **Operations**

### **Fall Clean-Up**

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

#### Organic Waste Pick-Up - Monday, November 4th

This clean-up will be for the collection of leaves and yard waste for composting. Residents are encouraged to compost these materials on their own property for use in landscaping and gardening but if this is not appropriate or desirable, the annual pickup provides an environmentally sound means of disposal.

- 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.
- Construction material, such as plywood, WILL NOT be picked up.

Click **HERE** to add this event to your calendar.

#### **Solid Waste Collection**

Looking for information regarding curbside collection? Our Garbage, Recycling, and Compost website has been updated to provide you with best practices, frequently asked questions, a helpful sorting guide and more. Learn more **HERE** 

#### **Annual Sewer Main Flushing**

The Rothesay Operations Department will be conducting our annual sewer flushing program starting on Tuesday, October 1 and continuing until approximately Friday, October 18, 2024, on a portion of the Town streets as part of a four-year rotational schedule.

This required maintenance program is needed to remove grit, sand, grease, and debris from the sewer mains which reduces potential sewer main disruptions, odour generation and premature wear of mechanical components in lift stations. The Town appreciates your cooperation with any disruptions as a result of this required maintenance. Learn more **HERE** 

### **New Road Markings**



# Painted Bike Boxes have been added at the Clark Road/Gondola Point Road intersection!

A painted Bike Box at an intersection is where cyclists wait ahead of traffic. Motorists stop behind the box. This makes bikes more visible and predictable for drivers. Motorists cannot make a right turn on red if there are cyclists in the box.

## **Through the Lens Photo Contest Winner**

We are pleased to announce the 2024 Through the Lens Photo Contest Winner is:

#### Michelle Martel!

Her photograph of sunset at the Rothesay Boat Club received 141 "likes"! Michelle was recognized at the September 9th Council meeting.

Congratulations Michelle!

Learn more **HERE** 



### **Parks & Recreation**

### **Rothesay Arena Opening**

The Rothesay Arena will be opening on Sunday, October 6th, 2024, for its 53rd year! Learn more **HERE** 



### **Halloween Skating Party**

Join us on Sunday, October 27th from 2:30-4:00pm at the Rothesay Arena (65 Hampton Road) for a Halloween Costume Skating Party! There will be Face Painting, Story Telling with David Goss, Hot Chocolate, Treats and more! This is a **free**, family friendly event. Learn more **HERE** 





**Halloween Safety:** It's important to be safe this Halloween, whether you are handing out treats to little ghouls and goblins or going trick-or-treating with your friends and family. Check out these great safety tips **HERE** so that everyone has a fun and safe Halloween night!

#### **KV Santa Claus Parade - SAVE THE DATE**

The 26th Annual KV Santa Claus Parade will be on Saturday, November 30th with a storm date of Sunday, December 1st. The parade starts at 6pm from KVHS and travels along Hampton Road to Clark Road.

The parade committee is working hard to prepare for this year's parade and will have the application forms out soon! This year's parade theme is "Christmas Treasures". Learn more **HERE** 



### Canadian Tire Jumpstart, P.R.O. Kids & KidSport

Did you know the Canadian Tire Jumpstart, P.R.O. Kids and KidSport programs are available to children and youth who live in Rothesay all year long? 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** 



### **Other Town Business**

#### **UMNB: Voter's Guide – Election 2024**

The Union of Municipalities of New Brunswick (UMNB) has released its Voter's Guide to Municipal Issues – Election 2024. This guide highlights key issues affecting municipalities, including funding for essential services, property taxes, housing, and public safety.

As we approach the provincial election, it's crucial to understand how these issues impact our community. Check out the guide <u>HERE</u> to learn more about what municipalities are asking from candidates this election.

### **Employment Opportunity**

The town of Rothesay is seeking resumes from qualified individuals to fill the Director of Planning & Development Services role. For more information, click **HERE** 

### **Receive your Rothesay Utility Bills Electronically**

Did you know Rothesay sends over 11,000 utility invoices each year? Of course, each invoice must be printed and requires postage. We offer a solution to make it more convenient for our residents to receive their invoices and also save the Town time and money. Learn more **HERE** 

### **Rothesay Grant Application**

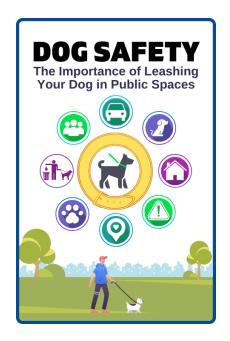
Rothesay is in the process of drafting the 2024 operating budget. Organizations seeking grants and/or donations are encouraged to submit funding requests on or before September 30th to be considered as part of the budget process. The town Grants and Donations policy and the application form are available **HERE** 

### **Attention Dog Owners**

Please remember dogs MUST be on a leash at all times when on public property (any property that is not privately owned by you). Picking up after your dog is considerate and is **the law**. Being a good pet owner and a good citizen means picking up all year long. Your neighbours gratefully thank you! Learn more **HERE** 

Also, did you know, Rothesay provides dog waste disposal bins and bags on all five of our walking trails? Please do your part in keeping our trails enjoyable for one and all!

Don't forget to license your dog or cat at Town Hall. It is free with proof of vaccinations and the tag is valid for the animal's lifetime or until change in ownership.





This year, the Official KV Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held at the Quispamsis qplex (20 Randy Jones Way) on Monday, November 11th. The qplex front doors will open at 9:00am with the ceremony beginning at 10:30am. All those planning to attend are asked to be in the building and seated by 10:15am.

The outdoor, community-led Remembrance Day memorial service, will once again take place at the Cenotaph on the Rothesay Common, starting at 10:45 a.m.

Thank you to the many volunteers who make these important ceremonies possible.









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