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## Sammy says: Sambro Sou'Wester Days



Ellie Gray with the Blessing of the Fleet wreath

This year's Sambro Sou'Wester Days was bigger and better than ever, with the addition of a sold out Bingo sponsored by Meade's Year Round Contracting, Crystal Crescent Beach Cottage, Seaside Seniors Home Care

Services, Lynn Saulnier RMT, Cara Todd Ideal Home Team from Century 21 Trident, Southerly Rose Fisheries and Shane William Construction.

Leading up to the event weekend were kids' baseball games sponsored

by Hally Henneberry Fishing, Oceanfront Excavating, Seaside Home Care Services, and Emery & Boys. The Purple team were undefeated during the tournament. MVPs of the championship game were Bruin Ritcey from Purple and Chloe Hunt from Pink. Third place game MVP players were Brooks Frank from Blue and Mairi Sampson from Black.

The Skip Horton Memorial Co-Ed Adult Ball Tournament was sponsored by Paws With Laws Dog Obedience Training & Dog Walking, Lori Hennessy Elite Realty, and Stephanie Napier RMP. Jason Oakley's Blue team were the champions. In second place was John Clarke's Yellow team, followed by Matt Flemming's Orange team and Chad Garrison's Green team. This year's Everything Sambro trophy in Memory of Kyle Mackay was awarded to Brent Gray; Most Sportsmanship in Memory of Kyle Henneberry to Tom Dempsey; and Most Dedicated Player in Memory of Skip Horton to Bob Henneberry.

The Corn Boil & Ceilidh sponsored by Jill Hann and Nicole Pittman Castle & Cove Real Estate Group boasted some great local talent. This year's Sambro Spirit Awards went to Theresa Gray, Aronda Garrison, Susan Feltmate, and Jill Hann who each give tirelessly of themselves to their community.

Crystal Crescent Charters' Sambro Island Lighthouse tours were postponed for a couple of weeks due to inclement weather and safety concerns.

The Parade had 26 entries and was sponsored by Rob Thorne AGC Insurance, Edmonds Landscape, Christopher Sullivan Inc. Chartered Accountant, Coastal Restoration, Armview Restaurant & Sketch Harbour Department of Tourism. Each category



ry had three winners, as follows: Best Commercial: 1st Paws with Laws; 2nd Meade's Year Round Contracting; 3rd Spryfield Lions Club; Most Sambro Spirit: 1st Kitchen Party; 2nd Silver Seas Social Club; 3rd Sambro Fisheries; Best Kids Float: 1st Atlantic View; 2nd Rubber Duck Float; 3rd Grayson and Friends; Most Original: 1st Game of Thrones; 2nd Craig Reiner and the SACA Ladies; 3rd JC Auto Works; Funniest: 1st Vivian Horton; 2nd Isabell and Friends; 3rd Brendan Maguire; Best Crowd Pleaser: 1st Swifties; 2nd HRM; 3rd Hot Country 103.5. Honourable mention goes to Jayce Doucette.

The barbeque sponsored by Dylan's No Frills and the Family Carnival sponsored by Sambro Fisheries were cancelled due to the weather forecast. We plan to reschedule these for a special fall event, so stay tuned!

The Washer Toss Tournament sponsored by Meghan Thorne Your NS Realtor powered on, in spite of the rain. Andrew Claridge and Robert Dawson took first place, with Brian Doucette and Vince De Carlo taking second and Shane Hunter and Shane Juteau taking home third. The washer toss 50/50 draw was won by Steve Clements, who took home \$490.

Kyle's Tailgate Party Sponsored by Clyde Paul & Associates and the family of the Late Kyle MacKay was

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# Sammy says

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packed and the crown enjoyed live music by Kyle's beloved Uncle Ed Oakley.

Sunday began with a delicious breakfast sponsored by Oceanview Fisheries, followed by St. James United Church's Service of the Sea, Blessing of the Fleet, and a fish chowder supper with strawberry shortcake for dessert.

Mandy Hart's duck won \$500 in the Rubber Duck Race Sponsored by Mishoo's Variety and Takeout. John Spearns was the lucky winner of \$1,796 in our overall 50/50 draw.

The Closing Fireworks Display at Crystal Crescent Beach was sponsored this year by James Gray Fisheries, Seaside Seniors Home Care Services, Finn Fisheries, Oland Brewery, Dylan's No Frills, Lynn Saulnier RMT, Shady's Slotz, Anna Slaunwhite in memory of Eleanor Slaunwhite, Port City Ballet, Stephanie Napier RMT, Greenslade Electric, B&G Plumbing & Heating, Sharon & Avery Henneberry, the family of the late Keith "Doc" Gray, Funnel Insurance Group, Miller's Wife Custom Cookies, and many other individual donations.

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Thank you to all our generous supporters, our tireless volunteers, and everyone who came out to enjoy the festival this year. We couldn't have done it without you!

Sammy Sambro is SACA's mischievous mascot. You can follow him on Twitter and Facebook.



Parade spectators



Blessing of the Fleet



Kids ball uniforms

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**City Church** (276 Herring Cove Road)  
 Sunday Family service: 10:30am  
 Nursery and Children's ministry: 10:30am  
 Wednesday night prayer: 7-8pm

**Hill Chapel** (91 Thornhill Dr)  
 Formerly Spryfield Christian Community Church  
 Church services Sunday 11-12 am

**Oromo Gospel Church**  
 Sunday worship service: 3 pm and Tuesday prayer: 10 am.

**Emmanuel Anglican Church** (322 Herring Cove Rd. [emmanuelanglican-church.net](http://emmanuelanglican-church.net), 902-477-1783.  
 Sunday Worship:

8:00 am: Quiet, traditional, contemplative communion service.

10:00 am: Lively, contemporary communion service with music.

Emmanuel Church is an affirming church. Everyone is welcome to our services. Masking is optional but if you are sick, please join us online.

**St. Paul's United Church** (173 Old Sambro Road)  
 11 am on Sunday mornings.

**Stella Maris Roman Catholic Parish at St Michael's Catholic Church**

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4pm  
 Sunday: 8am & 9am

Weekday Masses: Tuesdays: 7pm;  
 Wednesdays: 9am; Thursdays: 7pm;  
 Fridays: 9am (followed by 1 hour of Eucharistic Adoration); 1st Saturdays: 9am

Monthly Tuesday Night Prayer: 7 PM each month

First Tuesday: Healing Mass  
 Second Tuesday: Upper Room Praise and Worship

Third Tuesday: Mass and Adoration

Last Tuesday (Sept-May): Eventide Candlelight Prayer

All are welcome, wherever you are on your faith journey!

**St. James United Church** (3811 Old Sambro Rd)

Sunday services held at 11am.

Sunday school held at 11am.

Services are livestreamed on our Facebook page (St James United Church Sambro NS) and Youtube. Our website is [www.sambrojollimorepc.com](http://www.sambrojollimorepc.com) and our email address is [office.sambrojollimorepc@gmail.com](mailto:office.sambrojollimorepc@gmail.com)

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**Open Door Community Church** (11 Aldergrove)

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**Wayfarers' Church** (328 Herring Cove Road)

Sunday Worship 10:30am

website: [wayfarerschurch.ca](http://wayfarerschurch.ca)

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Mel, a life-long member of a small coastal village, has passed away leaving her house and all its belongings, including her special tea kettle, to her grand-daughter Francine (aka Frankie). The whole village, including all of Mel's closest friends, has now descended on the kettle.

How far would some people go to wield the treasured tea? A magical love story in four parts!

Starring: Cathy Cameron as Faye, Eileen Carey as Belles, Rob McIntyre as Paul, Wendy Hutt as Sil, Chana Tikvah as Frankie and Jillian Wrightson as Bea. With a special appearance by Michele Moore as Giselda the

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Director Angela Butler (left) and one of the co-producers, Cheryl Theriault, with the kettle that inspired playwright Troy Louise Renault is the other co-producer).

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## DISCOVERING OUR PAST



### The legacy of Charles W. Fairbanks, civil engineer, inventor and contractor

by Iris V. Shea

Charles Fairbank, civil engineer, inventor and contractor for Halifax Waterworks from 1844 to 1848, petitioned the City of Halifax in May 1874 for compensation for his role in bringing fresh clean drinking water from Long Lake in Spryfield to the residents of Halifax. Fairbanks was the engineer who designed and built Long Lake dam and the pipeline that carried that water to the residents of Halifax.

Fairbanks wrote a scathing report in 1874 about those men on the 1844 Halifax City Council who were skeptical of his plan, treating him with such rudeness and claiming that water would not run uphill. Aldermen Andrew McKinley was in favour of Fairbanks plan and, eventually, James B. Uniacke came on board. On 22 July 1844, the Halifax Water Company was formed. William Black and Samuel Cunard, well known Halifax merchants, were the first to contribute financially to Fairbanks plan.

In his petition to Halifax City Council, Charles Fairbanks described the work of his mechanics, local men by the name of Gooley, McKnight, Whitehead, McNab, John McDonald, Brennan, and his true and trusty assistant, William McKay. William Kline was his second assistant and in charge since the Works commenced. There were casualties, many of whom died of their injuries while others were slightly injured.

Fairbanks wrote of the many valuable instruments he made, such as the drill hammers made of cast steel, a material, he said, that was not used before but now no other is used for the same work. Another of his inventions, the improved form of wooden wedges to join water pipes, became of great



Photo: Long Lake Dam Reconstruction, 1922. From Private Family Collection, courtesy Mainland South Heritage Society

value. The men were always paid in cash. Fairbanks was proud that the work was done for the least cost under his orders. He went on to say, "The work is never done well by contract and the cost is greatly increased. Endless lawsuits are the result of the contract system." The cost of the Works built and designed by Fairbanks was, in all, £19,182, 12 shillings, three pence. The pipe cost £7,587, 16 shillings, six pence. The end result, in 1848, was 10,000,000 gallons of water.

Fairbanks described his "hour of agony" when the water reservoir had reached the outlet of the west weir in the big dam. In Fairbanks' own words, not without humour, "the work was new, no engineer could say that it might not break. I knew if it failed I must fall with it. On the 4th of December, 1847, the rain fell in torrents, the wind blew a gale. There was a great mess of timber in Long Lake. The danger was that the timber would close the outlet, if so all would go. I remained on the dam for hours, the water ebbed. The danger was over so I had no opportunity to die in the debris of the dam or to

mix my bones with those of many others."

In the 1874 petition Fairbanks criticized the original directors of the Waterworks, pointing out that the dam is now much neglected and needs repairs. The drain or canal from the main reservoir into Chain Lakes was never completed because those directors would not believe him...that the extra water gained by the greater depth of the canal would eventually be required. Those directors, according to Fairbanks, discharged the men who were ordered by Fairbanks to finish this important outlet. Fairbanks wrote, "A large pipe has since been installed at great cost and muscle skill, you pay for stupidity and many times over."

Fairbanks, in his claim for compensation from City Council, stated that council owed him money for work ordered and done. The Water Company did not pay him. They gave him £854 towards his expenses. In the presence of Council, a resolution was moved by Edward Starr to pay him but still he got nothing. He was told to wait for better times. Henry Cogswell, William Black and many of

his other friends provided him with money but he had never received any pay or reward up to the writing of this petition. He pointed out that "the water has improved your city, induced factories and as you all know made you what you are today. It was and is a great blessing and I have a right to be proud of my efforts. I now demand your aid and in the name of science and humanity I ask the citizens of Halifax one and all through their council to reward me in my old days for the neglect accorded me in my youth."

In May 1874, at the time of this petition, Charles Fairbanks was 53 years of age. He lived another 11 years without any compensation from the City of Halifax. Following his death on 11 January 1885, a lengthy obituary in the Morning Chronicle reported that Charles W. Fairbanks, in completing the Waterworks, "had worked more for the glory than pay. Indeed he seems to have entirely forgotten the question of remuneration, so did the Company. Besides the Fairbanks were wealthy people in those days". Also in the obituary was the information that the city recognized its obligation to Mr. Fairbanks and presented him with a testimonial in the Works: "That C.W. Fairbanks, C.E., by his unassisted talent and industry, originated the plan of the Halifax Water Works."

Today, the original wooden dam at the outlet of Long Lake at McIntosh Run has been raised in height more than once since it was opened by Fairbanks on that stormy day in December 1847. The dam has also seen many structural changes with the use of more sturdy materials but has stood the test of time and remains part of the legacy of Charles W. Fairbanks for more than 175 years.

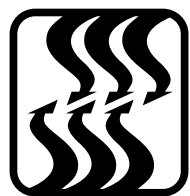
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Bruce has a positive impact on residents on a daily basis. As the founder, president and CEO of the Spryfield Social Enterprise & Affordable Housing Society, Bruce is in negotiations to bring upwards of 200 affordable units to our community.

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### Bruce's Vision for District 11: Back-to-Basics Platform

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**Rural Transit:** Introducing rural transit solutions for the Sambro Loop, recognizing the need for equal services throughout our district.

**Affordable Housing Initiatives:** Working towards sustainable and deeply affordable housing solutions to address the growing needs of our community.

**Traffic Management:** Addressing the congestion issue, particularly the Herring Cove Road entrance to the Armdale Roundabout, to improve your daily commute.

### MY PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO YOU

is to provide the best representation possible. Ensuring your concerns are heard and your issues addressed will be a top priority. You can have confidence in that your emails and phone calls will receive a prompt response. On issues outside of the municipal mandate, I will work with our local MLA, Brendan Maguire and other elected officials to bring a resolution. I am here to help you, not pass your concerns off to others.

# Heart of the Harbour—Ketch Harbour Community Wharf

by Cathy Vaughan

Hurricane Dorian blew into Nova Scotia on September 7, 2019. Winds up to 155 km whipped along our coast and caused disastrous flooding, prolonged electrical outages, pounding surf and destructive storm surges.

Dorian destroyed the Ketch Harbour community wharf. A neighbourhood hub since 1928, it provided the whole community with public access to the harbour, sheltered moorings for their boats and a safe and fun recreational swimming area for families, kids and residents of the area. The wharf also acted as an important base for search and rescue operations for distressed small craft vessels and their crew along the Chebucto Head coastline.

After Dorian, the Ketch Harbour Area Residents Association (KHARA) rallied to organize and rebuild their community wharf. The new design provided improved accessibility with a level approach from the

road for wheelchairs and baby strollers. The construction included a double rock crib and higher structure to better withstand the worsening impacts of climate change. Then a bigger storm hit – Covid!

While the innovative design added longevity, safety and accessibility it also added budgetary pressures which blew their plans out of the water, temporarily. Not to be deterred, the community re-imagined the project in a two-phase approach and currently they are engaged in their second phase. The changes include ladders to the floats, a 27-foot gangway to a new dock, swimming ladders and a kayak launch.

KHARA is in a unique situation in that it has had ownership of the government wharf since 1999. Besides maintaining the community's access to the harbour, it also owns a small fleet of wooden boats – two large dories and two 11-foot rowboats. Youths in Ketch Harbour participated in a boat build-

ing program at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic in May. Over a 3-day period, teams were guided by experienced boat builders and museum staff to build an 11'6" Bevins skiff. The "Ketchy-Queen" was made by the KHARA kids and lives at the community wharf for everyone to use.

At the regular Tuesday night ice cream social, Ms. Kim Reinhardt, co-chair of KHARA accepted a donation from Spryfield-Sambro Loop Councillor Patty Cuttell to help fund the new gangway, floating docks, and kayak launch for the community wharf. "On behalf of the Ketch Harbour Area Residents Association we thank you for the contribution to the wharf improvements. You can see that the wharf is the heart of our community. Being able to safely access our dories and rowboats means more opportunities for people to get together and enjoy the harbour. We'll put this to good use!"

The World Meteorological Organization recently retired the name "Dorian" from their list of storm names never to be used again to name an Atlantic tropical cyclone.



Ketch Harbour Community Wharf Ice Cream Social, August 2024. Photo: Cathy Vaughan

Learn more: <https://maritimemuseum.novascotia.ca/>



KHARA board members (L-R) Aaron McKenzie Fraser, Anna Lise Domanski, Kim Reinhardt, District 11 Councillor Patty Cuttell Photo: Cathy Vaughan

## September busy at Legion

After a relatively quiet summer, the Earl Francis Spryfield Memorial Legion is preparing for a return to normal in terms of the resumption of regular legion activities. The regular Sunday Bingo as well as the monthly Seniors' Dances will continue. Various sporting events which include Mixed Dart Leagues on Monday and Wednesday nights and a Sunday Night Mixed Pool League along with mini pool tournaments during the week, will return to play this month. Please note that Sporting events are open to Legion members only

Other events which will be taking place

include Crib Tournaments, Saturday Afternoon Kitchen Parties, and Karaoke, as well as dances from time to time.

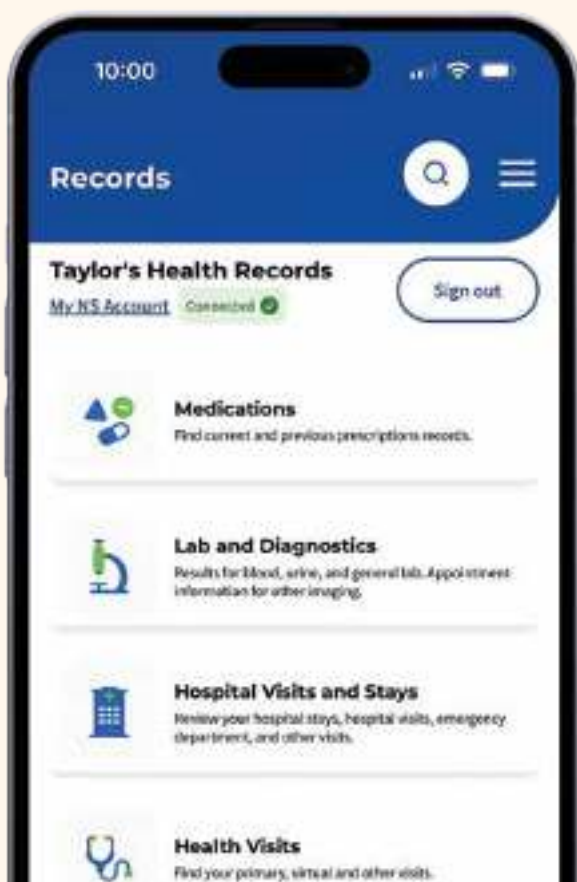
Chase the Ace ticket sales will resume on Sept. 2nd and the first draw will be on Sept. 9th. All draws will take place on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

The Spryfield Legion is always looking for new members who are interested in joining an organization dedicated to assisting veterans, their families and descendants, as well as providing assistance to the community at large. Membership applications are available at the legion.

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# A trip around the world in Spryfield!

**Spryfield Area Multicultural Society Celebrates Diversity** Photos: Carthy Vaughan



Haryanvi Dancers



Spryfield Area Multicultural Society's food table.



Philippine Bamboo Folk Dancers



The Halifax Multicultural Drummers

by Cathy Vaughan

Scottish sword dancers, African drummers, Philippine bamboo folk dance, Arabian belly dancing, henna body art, sparkly international fashions, and multicultural hip music paired with the exotic fragrances of cumin, cardamon, and saffron from the spicy curry, appetizing patties, delicious samosas and tasty jasmine rice! A trip around the world in Spryfield!

The Spryfield Area Multicultural Society (SAMS) started formally celebrating the unique diversity of Spryfield about 2 years ago. The fun, family festivity is organized and driven by community members, diverse cultural groups and supported by local political representatives who all shared an appreciation of the traditions newcomers bring to Spryfield. Led by Ms. Usha Goel, President of SAMS, with the help of many energetic volunteers the group organized two signature events in Spryfield - the Festival of Colours in the spring and the Multicultural Festival in August.

According to Ms. Kelly Gomes, Vice President of SAMS, "The goal of the society is to highlight and celebrate diversity through music, dance and food. We hope to grow our festival every year and welcome all cultural groups to join us in our celebration. We would like to invite any cultural group that would like to perform in the festival next year or to join our board to reach out to us. We want to continue to grow the festival and make it even bigger and better next year."

District 11 Councillor Patty Cuttall thanked the many volunteers who make these cultural showcase events happen. "Events like this are so important to our communities as we continue to grow. It is important to celebrate and recognize all the different cultures and provide an opportunity for people to learn more about each other. This is what the Spryfield Area Multicultural Society provides. I am very pleased to support SAMS and I hope we can continue to work together for another four years."



District 11 Councillor Patty Cuttall, Ms. Usha Goel, President SAMS

# Emmanuel Players"



Back Row: Steve Lutley, Paula Pottie, Olivia Kiley, Patti Crory-MacKenzie, Sharon MacKenzie, Martha Barnstead, Ed Barnstead. Second Row: Brenda Kirby, Liz Mahoney, Marsha Slounwhite, Dorothy Rudolph, Sarah Durnford, Carol MacDonnell. Front Row: Wayne Pottie, Paul Hunt, Don Cameron, Bert Chestnut

by Carol MacDonnell

Sometimes, I shake my head and say to myself, "Is this really our 15th annual dinner theatre?"

We had so much fun presenting "The Rockingstone" last year that we decided to do a sequel this year. We are bringing back our award-winning characters, including the fan favourite Elvis the Pelvis and our awesome band, The Rockingstones!

The main reasons we are "Returning to the Rockingstone" is the praise we received from our patrons telling us it was the best dinner theatre ever. Sadly, one of our long-time members, Avon Fancy, was not able to join us this year and neither could Ed Coleman.

It is a challenge rehearsing with the heat of the summer however, as usual, the gang stepped up and worked hard to ensure our patrons would not be disappointed, which they will not be, I am certain.

Tickets for a great evening of academy award winning acting, grammy award winning music, along with a gourmet three course roast beef dinner are \$40.00. Show times: Fri., Oct.25 and Nov.1/ doors open 5pm and Sat., Oct. 26 and Nov. 2 doors open 3:30pm. Tickets on sale in the church Saturday, Sept. 21 and Sept. 28, 11am - 12pm or call Roxanne at 902- 880-4006

# Legion donates helmets



L-R: Chuck Martin (Legion President), Cal Clarke (J L Ilsley football coach), April Brine (J L Ilsley football supporter). Presentation by Cal Clarke to Chuck Martin and April Brine in appreciation for their support for J L Ilsley football Photo: Shelley Dean

by Wayne Wile

The J L Ilsley football team required new helmets in order to legally play football this fall of 2024. The helmets cost in excess of \$500.00 each.

The Earl Francis Royal Canadian Legion Spryfield branch 152 stepped up to the plate. The Legion came to the rescue by conducting fundraising through a raffle draw as well as in house activities.

The Legion's efforts resulted in a \$10,000.00 cheque being presented to the J L Ilsley's football coach, Cal Clark, and his football team at the Legion's cenotaph on Sunday 11 August, 2024.

Chuck Martin, the Legion's president, presented the cheque to Cal Clark and team supporters with Legion well-wishers looking on.

In all a great day. The J L Ilsley football team still requires funding for its program to provide safe and legal equipment for its players.

The Earl Francis Spryfield Legion branch 152 is a major supporter of the Spryfield community.

New members are welcomed and with their individual talents will enrich the Legion's community programs.

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# Weed warriors blitz invasive plants in Shaw Wilderness Park

by Cathy Vaughan

Invasive, choking weeds were the target of determined volunteers attempting to clear pernicious plants from the Lawson's Brook area behind the Williams Lake dam in the Shaw Wilderness Park. Japanese knotweed, Japanese barberry, plus Multiflora rose are considered invasive alien plant species by the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) and the Williams Lake Conservation Company (WLCC.)

Knotweed, barberry, and multiflora rose are non-native plants brought to Nova Scotia by early European settlers, and now invade our gardens, wilderness, roads, parks, lakes and streams. These plants grow aggressively on the rocky banks of the stream behind the leaky Williams Lake dam. They are virile and voracious spreaders that choke out our native plants and threaten our local biodiversity. The invasives compete with native plants by taking over space, soil, and light. They also change soil chemistry and suck the moisture out of the land they invade. Native plants don't stand a chance.

"These invasive species are almost impossible to eradicate once established," says Melanie Dobson, a veteran volunteer Weed Warrior from the Williams Lake Conservation Company. "For Japanese knotweed, you have to dig out every piece of the extensive root system and make sure it is disposed of properly, not in your green bin or compost. Even a tiny fragment left behind is enough to regenerate a new plant."

"The Shaw Wilderness Park is an important sanctuary in the city and a haven for nature and for people," says NCC's Doug van Hemessen, Stewardship Manager. "Our ongoing monitoring of the property is essential to maintaining its natural features.



Weed Warriors at Shaw Wilderness Park, August 2024.

Photo: Cathy Vaughan

NCC collaborates with HRM on the management of the park and works closely with partners like WLCC for this stewardship work. We provide opportunities for community volunteers to help with hands-on conservation actions. Removing invasive plants and their threat to the park's biodiversity is a prime example of how professionals and volunteers can work together and preserve the park for future generations."

Citizen-conservationist and avid hiker Michael Herrick joined the Weed Team to hack out the thorny barberry weed. "These conservation organizations do the big job of managing and protecting our wilderness parks so that we all have them to use. It is hard, sweaty work rooting out those horrible plants. But it feels really good to be part of the conservation work they do."

Spryfield is a growing community and with all the new homes, apartments, subdivisions and expanding neighbourhoods we

need to continue to monitor and protect our wilderness parks as well as advocate for more recreational spaces to accommodate our growing community. In July, HRM supersized the Shaw Wilderness Park by purchasing the adjacent 46 hectares of rugged, undeveloped wilderness properties on Williams Lake in Spryfield.

Conservation organizations like the WLCC and NCC will continue to work locally with community volunteers to protect our existing green spaces, urban parks, wildlife sanctuaries and recreational green spaces - because there's no plant B!

Learn More: NS Invasive Species Council - [nsinvasive.ca/report-an-invasive-species](https://nsinvasive.ca/report-an-invasive-species)

Nature Conservancy of Canada - <https://natureconservancy.ca/>

Williams Lake Conservation Company - <https://williamslakecc.org>

# What's happening at the Urban Farm

It's September! Fall is here, vacations are over, students and teachers are returning to school and the biggest event of the year is "happening" at the Urban Farm in Spryfield!!

A special invitation to all students, teachers and their families to join us for our SCHOOL FARM DAY, part of our Harvest Fair event on Saturday, September 21st (rain date Sept. 22nd) 2-4 pm. We were very excited to welcome students from 9 different schools last year and hope to double this number in 2024. Please remember to sign our Guest Book and include the name of your school. Thank You to HRM Special Event Grants which financially supports our yearly School Farm Day.

Farmer Richard and his "Barnyard Bunch" of farm animals will be our special guests. A pair of baby goats have been added to their regular menagerie of sheep, a donkey, rabbits and chickens. Everyone can have a "hands-on" experience in a colorful "barnyard" enclosure.

As part of this event, we will also share a huge birthday cake to celebrate the 28th birthday of our Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield and the 20th year of the "Come Grow With Us" program.

We invite everyone to join us at our Urban Farm to taste the harvest, enjoy a walk through our gardens and Fairy Trail and meet our members, neighbours and friends. You may join as a new member or renew your membership, purchase a copy of our popular "Foods of Spry's Field" cookbook or "Come Grow With Us - A Family Guide to Growing Vegetables" garden book (both reasonably priced at \$15.00 each) and purchase tickets on our "Awesome Basket"

Please join us at our annual

## School Farm Day

Urban Farm of Spryfield

## Fall Harvest Fair

Saturday, September 21, 2 - 4 pm

Special Guests:  
Farmer Richard & the  
"Barnyard Bunch" Mobile Petting Farm




We will have a Birthday Cake to celebrate  
the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield's  
28<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Thank you to HRM Special Event Grant for financial support.

The Urban Farm is located across from 75 Rockingstone Rd.

valued at \$600. Winner will be chosen at 3:45pm!

Looking forward to seeing you and your

family at our Urban Farm (across from Kidston Estates on Rockingstone Road) on September 21st!



# Cuttell Community Update

by **Patty Cuttell, HRM Councillor, District 11, Spryfield-Sambro Loop-Prospect Road**

The past month has been a whirlwind of activity, with many events taking place across Spryfield and around the Sambro-Loop. I've been on the go from the Fun-Duct races at Long Lake and the Strawberry Shortcake Social at the Urban Farm to the Natal Day Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Spryfield Lions, the Crazy Kayak Race during Ketch Harbour Days, and the week-long Sou'Wester Days event in Sambro. It has been amazing to connect with so many residents this summer and to see everyone out having fun and celebrating their communities.

Supporting community organizations is key to fostering strong communities. Our local organizations play a vital role in making our communities healthy, socially connected, and vibrant places to live. From those who worked tirelessly to build the Herring Cove Community Centre and the staff at the Harrietsfield Community Centre, to the parents on the School Advisory Committees, volunteers at the food banks, and the people behind the Spryfield Area Multi-Cultural Society, Jollimore Days, the Backlands Coalition, and the Spryfield Farmers Market—your work is greatly appreciated. There are too many organizations to mention in one column, but it's wonderful to see all the positive changes achieved over the past four years. The energy, engagement, and excitement in our communities is noticeable.

As I knock on doors over the next couple of months, I hope to hear more about how I can further support communities in our District. Together, we have accomplished so much. Over the past four years, I have listened to and responded to residents, worked with community organizations, and advocated for our district. As a result, we have made streets safer with traffic calming measures, new crosswalks, and new traffic lights; improved cleanliness with new by-laws, programs, and enforcement; enhanced playgrounds to be more inclusive; started work on a new arena in Spryfield and renovations to the Captain Spry Centre; invested in community halls; protected more of our environment by stopping infill on the North West Arm, expanding Shaw Wilderness Park, and increasing protection for water resources; collaborated with all levels of government to fund infrastructure; and supported our communities through cultural events, new youth programming, and investments in local organizations. These things make a real difference, and we should all be proud. We did it together.

I'm excited to announce that William King Elementary in Herring Cove will be getting a new accessible playground next summer. This project has been a collaboration between the school principal and parents, HRM, HRCE, MLA Maguire, and myself. The upgraded playground has been made possible by securing additional funding, including capital district funds. Design work has begun.

Over the summer, HRM has been planting trees along residential streets and in parks throughout Spryfield. Trees provide many benefits, including reducing heat effects, improving stormwater management, enhancing neighborhoods, and providing enjoyable outdoor spaces. To maintain a healthy urban forest, the municipality plants a variety of species to ensure tree diversity. Residents may request trees on municipal land by contacting 311. HRM invites residents to share their feedback on the Urban Forest Management Plan to guide the municipality's approach to urban forest management. You can find the survey online at [www.shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/urban-forest-management-plan](http://www.shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/urban-forest-management-plan).

Transit users, take note. Due to work on

the Cogswell Redevelopment, local routes 9A/9B Herring Cove Road and route 127 Cowie Hill will have service adjustments starting August 26. You can find more information at <https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/halifax-transit>. Additionally, Halifax Transit fares will increase by \$0.25 as of September 1. This is the first fare increase in 10 years. At the July 9 Regional

Council meeting, I voted against the fare increase because I could not justify raising fares while transit service remains below standard. Improving transit in Spryfield is a priority for me. I was pleased to vote in support of increasing the number of Affordable Access Transit Passes to support more individuals and families. Expanding the Access program will mean more people can get where they need to go, affordably.

As part of my ongoing efforts to improve pedestrian safety, I'm thrilled that construction has begun on a new crosswalk along Herring Cove Road in front of the Captain

William Spry Centre. Many people have requested a crosswalk in this location over the years, and it will be the sixth crosswalk I've managed to get installed during my term. I call that getting 'er done.

I want to wish all the kids and parents a good year ahead as you head back to school. It is an exciting time for everyone. It's a privilege to be your District 11 Councillor. Please follow my updates on Facebook @pattycuttell11 and sign up for my regular updates at [www.pattycuttell.com](http://www.pattycuttell.com). You can reach me at [patty.cuttell@halifax.ca](mailto:patty.cuttell@halifax.ca) or by calling 902-221-6893.

## Premier's Message

by **Tim Houston, Premier of Nova Scotia**



Premier Tim Houston

### Our Healthcare Commitment

It's been three years since our government was elected on a promise to fix healthcare. That is a commitment that we have not wavered on – even for one day.

We knew fixing healthcare wouldn't be easy, but we are facing the challenge head on. My motto quickly became more, faster.

I'm excited to share some of the progress we've made.

We knew coming in we needed more doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals of all types. We were watching our population grow while recruitment lagged, and retention wasn't a focus of past governments.

I'm proud that since September 2022 we have 226 more physicians – 65 family doctors and 161 specialists – working in the province. This is the net number, meaning this is over and above replacing those who have retired or left.

On top of that, we have 2,225 more registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and nurse practitioners in the system. Since January 2024, 65 paramedics and 11 emergency medical responders have joined our ranks and many more are in training.

We also need to keep our current hard-working and dedicated professionals. That's why we negotiated new agreements with higher pay for doctors, nurses and paramedics, as well as making retention a key priority in our Action for Health plan.

And we're seeing the benefit. Access to care is increasing across the province. Through pharmacy primary care clinics, VirtualCareNS, mobile primary care clinics, urgent treatment centres and more, over 840,000 appointments were added to the system in the last year. That's 70,000 more appointments every month available to any Nova Scotian in need.

We put healthcare in the palm of your hand with YourHealthNS. The app helps Nova Scotians find the nearest health services, and book blood work, X-ray and other appointments. And since this summer, any Nova Scotian who wants to can access their own health records.

Nova Scotia is also leading the country in healthcare innovation. From a first-in-the-world radiotherapy system to pinpoint and treat tumors more precisely than ever before – which means quicker recovery times and better outcomes – to robot-assisted spinal, hip and knee surgeries, this technology is offering patients better care, faster and Nova Scotia is at the forefront.

Our hybrid operating room – the first in Atlantic Canada – is where patients having cardiac or vascular surgeries can get diagnostic tests right in the room.

And we've reduced our surgery wait times by 20 per cent. There are now an additional 2,000 surgeries being performed every year.

There is so much more! I invite Nova Scotians to sign up for our Action for Health newsletter at <https://actionforhealth.novascotia.ca/news> to get updates every month.

We've made a lot of progress in the last three years. But we can – and will – do even more to get Nova Scotians the best possible healthcare.

## The Maguire Report

by **Brendan Maguire, MLA for Halifax Atlantic**

### Sou Wester Days

I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all the volunteers whose dedication made this year's event a tremendous success. While we enjoy the events and activities, we often do not see the countless hours of effort invested behind the scenes. Your contributions are deeply appreciated. Thank you all. I am always thrilled to attend the Sou Wester Days Parade with my family.

Throughout my years in government, I consistently invited past Premiers of Nova Scotia to join me at this cherished community event. It truly embodies the spirit of community and volunteerism. Each year, the response was the same: "Sorry, the Premier is busy." However, when I approached Premier Houston for the first time, he responded enthusiastically, "Absolutely, I would love to walk in the parade and talk with the people." Despite less-than-ideal weather and many choosing not to attend, he remained committed. It is commendable to see a leader who is willing to connect directly with our communities. I love to work with leaders who believe in engagement!

### Free Tuition for Paramedics, Emergency Medical Responders

Nova Scotia will cover full tuition costs for more than 460 people who want to become a primary care paramedic or emergency medical responder. In return, paramedics must work in the province for four years and emergency medical responders must work here for two years. This recruitment initiative includes approximately 180

emergency medical responders who will receive a \$1.9 million investment to cover their tuition. Additionally, around 150 new primary care paramedics will benefit from a \$3.58 million investment. For approximately 135 primary care paramedics currently in training or recent graduates, the Province will cover the remaining half of their tuition for an additional year of service, following a previous 50 percent tuition coverage in exchange for a three-year service commitment.

### Rockingstone Heights School update:

I am pleased to share that Rockingstone Heights School will receive upgrades to its roof. Work on this project has started and is expected to be completed in the summer. Please be assured that once school begins, the majority of any remaining work will take place after hours to minimize any impact on learning.

As summer ends and school resumes, please remain vigilant for children walking along roads and crossing streets in the mornings and afternoons. It is crucial for all drivers to exercise caution and be aware of their surroundings.

Lastly I hope you enjoyed the summer and you got some downtime. As of this writing, I have not taken a single day off this summer. I preach that life goes by fast and we need to spend more time with our children and loved ones. Please do as I say and not as I do.

Cheers!

I am so proud to be your MLA

## New Boundaries for Municipal Elections October 2024: District 11

Municipal elections are on their way to a polling station near you in the Spryfield – Sambro Loop. On-line voting is available too.

New electoral boundaries for District 11 will be used for the 2024 Municipal and Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) elections.

Are you on the Voters' List? Check out this link! <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/elections>

Election choices, in alphabetical order are current District 11 Councillor Patricia (Patty) Cuttell; Bruce Holland and Nathan Parker.

Vote dates: e-vote October 8 – 16, 2024; Election Day October 19, 2024.



# LOCAL OBITUARIES

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## Russell Boyle

September 20, 1945-August 12, 2024  
Determined to witness another season of his beloved blueberries, Russ fulfilled that wish before peacefully succumbing to his long battle with cancer on Monday, surrounded by his family at home.

A gifted and dedicated math teacher, Russ spent his career at Halifax West High School and Halifax Grammar School, where his sharp mind and dry sense of humour left a lasting mark on countless students. His gruff exterior was well known, but those who knew him best knew that beneath it was a man with a heart of gold.

His influence went beyond the classroom, with many former students keeping in touch, sharing their lives with the man who had helped shape them. He was a fierce competitor at bridge and a dedicated basketball referee and assignor; roles through which he made many lifelong friends.

Russ appreciated the simple things in life: the Yankees, ice cream, fishing and gardening in Smith's Cove, where his legendary blueberry bushes will forever symbolize his love for his cottage. He often said that the three best decisions in his life were planting blueberries, buying the cottage, and marrying Cathy – though he was quick to add, “not necessarily in that order”.

A dedicated family man, he was always present for his children's activities growing up. Over the past year, he

especially cherished every moment with his loved ones. Russ will forever live in the hearts of his loving wife, Cathy, and their three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. His daily check-ins, encouragement, and unflinching honesty will be missed by his children, Jennifer (Jason) Branton, Cindy (Matthew Foot), and Matthew (Kate). He will be fondly remembered by his sister, Marilyn Boyle, and his lifelong friends. He was predeceased by his father, Philip Boyle and mother Vola Derbyshire, brother, Terry, and sister, Carole.

Russ, the perpetual teacher, taught us to pause, to savour and to invest in the things that truly matter: learning, love, and family. He will be dearly missed.

Funeral service will be held Friday, August 16, 2024 at 4pm at Saint Benedict Parish, 45 Radcliffe Dr., Halifax, NS; officiated by close friend Father Keith Billard. Reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family has established a scholarship in Russ's honor for high school students who demonstrate both financial need and a deep passion for mathematics. Donations can be made via email transfer to russboyle-scholarship@gmail.com.

Interment will take place at a later date at Soulis Cemetery in Smiths Cove —Russ' favourite place in this wonderful world.

## Robert 'Bob' Richey

It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of Robert 'Bob' Richey, of Fall River, at the well-lived age of 100. Formerly of Spryfield and Halifax's North End, Bob was a resident of Camp Hill Veteran's Memorial Building for the past 5 years and we are forever grateful for the incredible care and compassion provided by the VMB staff of 5 West.

Born in Halifax, Bob was the youngest son of Christine Mathilda (MacPherson) Richey and Vivian Praul Richey. He is predeceased by his wife, Shirley; eldest son, David; brothers, James, Earl, C. Douglas; sisters, Maude, Louise (Irene) Crockett and Ethel Crockett. He is survived by children, Brian (Denise), Karen, Carol (Gordon), James (Heather), Janet; daughter-in-law, Lorraine, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In 1952 he married the love of his life, Shirley Katherine MacLeod of Port Dufferin, and they were blessed (his word!) with six children. Shirley and Bob had a wonderful life together, buying their first home in Thornhill Park, Spryfield, in 1955. As the family grew, so did the horizon, and, in their camper, they traveled across Canada and the United States on numerous occasions. Retirement brought the fulfillment of a long-time dream, building their home in Fall River on property purchased in 1949 as a post-war get-away.

A veteran with the Canadian Armed Forces West Nova Scotia Regiment, Bob served overseas during World War II. Wounded in Italy, he spent time recovering in England where he made lifelong friends. After the war, while working in the blacksmith shop at the Halifax Shipyards, he attended night school courses. Further correspondence courses taken through Chambers College (U.K.) ultimately resulted in his employment in the Drafting/Design Office at H.M.C.

Dockyard, where he worked until his retirement in 1986 as a Design Officer.

In 2022, Bob was awarded The Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medal for significant contribution to his community. For many years, he volunteered his time to Scouts Canada and the Emmanuel Anglican Church Cemetery Committee. He had a love for horseshoe pitching and was a long-time competitive player, further developing this passion by being a founding member of the Halifax Horseshoe Club and, eventually, President of the Nova Scotia Horseshoe Players Association. He was instrumental in helping to develop the horseshoe courts and playground at the Graves-Oakley Memorial Park in Spryfield. He was honoured in 1998, for his many contributions to the sport, by being Nova Scotia's first inductee into the Horseshoe Canada Hall of Fame.

Bob enjoyed a wonderful life and is remembered as a loving father and kind gentleman who will be greatly missed by his family and friends. His final wish to support medical research was fulfilled with the donation of his body to the Dalhousie University Faculty of Medicine.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to Emmanuel Church or a charity of your choice would be greatly appreciated.

## Cheryl Anne Bourgeois

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Cheryl Anne Bourgeois (née Bennett) on August 6th, 2024, just weeks before her 76th birthday. Born and raised in Halifax, Cheryl was a loved member of the Spryfield community and a proud alumnus of BC Silver High School. She was a devoted mother and grandmother, finding her greatest joy in her family. Cheryl had a profound love for animals, a passion for cooking, and cherished spending time with friends. Whether it was savouring peppermints, indulging in chocolate popsicles, or enjoying the simple pleasures of life, Cheryl found beauty in the small things.

Predeceased by her parents, Stanley and Agnes Bennett; husband, Brian Bourgeois; siblings, Arlene Doherty, Stanley Bennett, Agnes “Bunny” Smith; and her beloved son, Glenn Bourgeois. Cheryl is survived by her partner, Rene Mills; her children, Tara and Ricky Bourgeois; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; her cats, Freya and Buddy; extended family and many dear friends.

## Harold Arthur Whalen

December 6, 1964-July 18, 2024

It is with great sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our dear Son, Brother, Father, Uncle, Great Uncle and the nephew to many Aunts and Uncles and many cousins.

Harold Arthur Whalen was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on December 6, 1964. Harold was the first born and survived by his father Harold Joseph Whalen and Lorraine Gail Whalen (Fitzpatrick). He is the oldest sibling of his sisters; Lisa Whalen and Leanne Dawn Beaumont (Whalen).

As a young, rambunctious child and teenager; Harold was the daredevil of our family. His love of dirt bikes, and four wheelers kept his mother worried for his safety and his father worried about the cost of repairing his “mis-haps”. When he became a licensed teenage driver, he often spent hours racing “the Family car” with the friends that were known to him and to many as “his brothers”. His natural abilities to handle dirt bikes, four wheelers, and cars at

excessive spends was a joy he loved and often bragged about. His other natural passions included fishing, boating and hunting, indeed he was an avid fisherman and outdoorsman.

Upon graduation from JL Ilesley, Spryfield, Harold moved to Toronto, Ontario where he attended College and graduated with many new friends. He spent some of his adult life in Toronto where he worked on the construction of the SkyDome, before returning to Nova Scotia as a skilled tradesman.

After returning to his birth place, Halifax, Nova Scotia, he purchased his own camp, where he often enjoyed his family time with his son, Luke Harold Whalen. He passed along to his son, the same passions, love and respect of nature, fishing, hunting and four wheelers and together they enjoyed many hours of adventures and laughter, creating amazing memories.

Harold easily made friends and was a fan favorite amongst his family and peers. His natural sense of humor was brilliant. His kindness, remarkable. His integrity, genuine. His love of family and friends honorable, devoted. Everyone that knew Harold, has at least one, if not hundreds of funny, adventurous stories. He himself was a great storyteller and made many laugh. Harold's own personal life stories seemed to have a slight embellishment from time to time to enhance the impact of his tale tails.

His absence in our lives will forever be missed. His spirit now soars as natural as his larger-than-life presence was shared on earth. Harold's life was cut short but his memories we will always hold dear.



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# The Jason Doherty Memorial COMMUNITY EVENTS PAGE



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## COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER Food Banks:

- St. Paul's Family Resource Institute (173 Old Sambro Rd). Food Bank clients call the Food Bank line, 902-477-5090, on Tuesday and leave a message. Those messages are answered on Tuesday and then the food orders are filled with pickup on Wed. between 9 am and 10 am
  - Chebucto Family Centre (3 Sylvia Ave) has an Emergency Food Cupboard which can be accessed every two weeks.
  - Emmanuel Food Bank: If you would like help with food, please call 902-477-1954 before 10 am and leave a message with your name and phone number. Our volunteers will call you back on Tuesday. Pick up time is Wednesday, 9:00-10 am, at the lower church hall behind the church.
- If you would like to donate food, please drop it off on Tuesday morning before 10:30 or Sunday morning at the church.

## Free meals for those in need:

- Salvation Army offers Breakfast To-Go Bags Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am-10:00am
- Twelve Baskets, Stella Maris Parish outreach ministry, will provide a free, light take-out meal every Friday evening, between 5:30 and 6:30 PM, out of the St Michael's Church Hall site. (while supplies last).

## Spryfield Legion Events:

- Bingo Every Sunday 1:00 pm Doors open 11:30
- Mon. Sept 2, NEW Chase the Ace tickets go on sale.
- Tues. Sept 3 Executive Meeting 6:30 pm
- Fri. Sept 6, Forever Young Seniors Bingo 6:30 pm, Doors open 5:00 pm, Kitchen Open
- Mon. Sept 9, Seniors' Dance 1- 4 pm, Music by Joe MacKinnon Admission \$6.00, Lunch served
- Mon. Sept 9, 7:00 pm, Chase the Ace Draw
- Tues. Sept 10, General Meeting 7:00 pm
- Fri. Sept 27, Karaoke 7 – 11 pm, Admission \$6.00

## Harrietsfield Williamswood Community Centre events:

- We currently have full time spots in our After School Program! Please email [hwcc@outlook.com](mailto:hwcc@outlook.com) for information.
- Our Christmas Craft Fair will be November 23, 2024 from 9am-1pm We are looking for vendors! \$30/ table Please email at [hwcc@outlook.com](mailto:hwcc@outlook.com) ATTENTION: NATASHA
  - Currently taking bookings. Please call, email or message us through our FB page (902) 446-4847 email [hwcc@outlook.com](mailto:hwcc@outlook.com)

• We are always looking for new Board members and volunteers!

## City Church (276 Herring Cove Road) events:

- City Church Tel #: 902-479-CITY [c.citychurch@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:c.citychurch@ns.sympatico.ca) [www.citychurchhalifax.ca](http://www.citychurchhalifax.ca)
- City Church Christian Radio Station Life 94.7 FM

## Emmanuel Anglican Church (322 Herring Cove Rd) events:

- [emmanuelanglicanchurch.net](mailto:emmanuelanglicanchurch.net), 902-477-1783.

## Salvation Army (328 Herring Cove Rd) events:

- Family Services by phone call or walk in 902-477-5393 ext 0.
- Immigration Support by limited appointments call 902-477-5393 ext. 226

## Stella Maris Roman Catholic Parish events:

- Twelve Baskets, Stella Maris Parish outreach ministry, will provide a free, light take-out meal every Friday evening, between 5:30 and 6:30 PM, out of the St Michael's Church Hall site. (while supplies last). For further information contact Stella Maris Parish office at 902 477-3530 or email [stelaristwelvebaskets@gmail.com](mailto:stelaristwelvebaskets@gmail.com)

## St. Paul's United Church (173 Old Sambro Road) events:

- Now that the temperatures are warming up, we have turned on the outdoor tap for those of you who rely on us for clean drinking water.

## Spryfield Legion/Forever Young Seniors Club Chase the Ace draws on Mondays at 7 pm. Ticket sales at the bar during Legion open hours as well as Mondays by volunteers from 5 pm to 6:45 pm. Tickets \$5.00 each and support programs that are offered to members of the community at large. Please Note: Tickets must be clearly filled in with just one person's name and phone number. You are not required to be present at the draw in order to win.

- Summer dates for the Forever Young Seniors Club bingo. Held at the Spryfield Legion. June 7, July 12th, August 9. Doors open at 5pm. Canteen is open. Hope to see you all there.

Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield 2024 memberships are now available - Individuals \$10.00, Students & Seniors \$5.00, Families \$15.00 and Groups & Organizations \$25.00. We look forward to sharing our ideas and hearing your suggestions for the future. For more

information, please call Pat at 902-497-3683 or email [urbanfarmspryfield@gmail.com](mailto:urbanfarmspryfield@gmail.com)

Upcoming Events at the Urban Farm

- School Farm Day / Harvest Fair Sept. 21, 2-4pm (raindate Sept 22)
- Spooky Halloween at the Farm Oct. 26, 5-7:30pm (raindate Oct 27)

**Forever Fit for Seniors.** Mon, Wed, and Fri from 10 to 11am at Emmanuel Church Hall. Punch cards available from the YMCA. First class free.

**Crafts and Conversation** Tues and Thurs from 1:30 to 3:30 pm in the Shared Program Room at 16 Sussex Street. Free drop-in. Refreshments. For more information, check out [info@halifaxweddingchapel.com](mailto:info@halifaxweddingchapel.com). Funding by the Community Links Association and the NS Dept of Seniors and Long-term Care.

**Spryfield Lions Club** invites you to get involved with the community by joining your Spryfield Lions! Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Phone 902-479-2917 for more information.

**TAG's AGM** will take place on Monday, September 16 at 7:30pm. All members in good standing are invited to attend. Annual reports, including financial statements will be read and Elections will take place for the 2024/2025 Executive Board. If you do not wish to attend in person, you may join the meeting online. Details will be posted closer to the AGM date.

**To have your Community Event listed call or fax us at 902-477-NEWS or email [chebuctoeditor@gmail.com](mailto:chebuctoeditor@gmail.com). Check our Facebook page for updates & late arrivals**

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