

Cape Forchu - A Light Like No Other

We're excited to share our brand new website! Please visit www.capeforchu.com to learn more about the incredible experiences at Cape Forchu and don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

The Visitor Experience Hosts are available onsite to answer any questions, or call them at **902-740-1680**.

The Municipality of Yarmouth will soon be starting the process of developing a comprehensive master plan for Cape Forchu – watch for your opportunity to participate.

During your visit to the Cape Forchu Lighthouse you will soon discover Cape Forchu, truly is, a light like no other!



Fall 2019 Newsletter

www.district.yarmouth.ns.ca

Hebron Maintenance Building Expansion

At the July 24th 2019 Regular Meeting, Council unanimously approved a motion to award Graham Construction Ltd., a local firm, the contract for an expansion of the Hebron Maintenance Building. The building currently houses the Recreation Department's maintenance activities and will now provide space for the Public Works maintenance activities. Leveraging the existing building will improve operational efficiencies through the additional 3,121 sq. ft. Improvements to the existing facility will also be made. This significant building project will not only create a safer environment for Public Works employees but will also provide indoor storage for their equipment. Substantial upgrades to the existing structure will include additional heating, efficient LED lighting and proper interior finishing.

"Council is very pleased Graham Construction's proposal calls for local sub-contractors and local suppliers to complete the work. This project has been a long time coming," stated Warden Leland Anthony.

While no major disruptions are planned for the Hebron Recreational Complex, users are asked to be cautious in the construction area and follow all advisory signs. Please be watching the Municipality of Yarmouth Facebook page & website as well as the Yarmouth Recreation Facebook page & website for any advisories on service disruptions. The sod turning ceremony for the Hebron Maintenance Building Expansion project took place on Monday, August 12th, 2019.



Left to Right: Dean Fuller, Project Manager; Derek Sutherland, Director of Public Works; Councillor Gerard LeBlanc; Councillor Loren Cushing; Councillor Daniel Allen; Frank Grant, Director of Yarmouth Recreation; Graham Surette of Graham Construction; and Victoria Brooks, CAO, Municipality of Yarmouth.

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MODY is Looking for Your Feedback!

The Municipality of Yarmouth has developed a short Customer Satisfaction Survey in order to collect feedback from individuals and businesses that use our services. To complete the survey, please go to our website at:

www.district.yarmouth.ns.ca

You can also pick up a paper copy at our office at 932 Highway 1 in Hebron or call us at **902-742-7159** and ask to have one mailed to you. The survey is anonymous.

Municipality of the District of Yarmouth

932 Hwy 1 Hebron, NS B5A 5Z5 Phone 902-742-7159 Fax 902-742-3164 Website: www.district.yarmouth.ns.ca
Email: admin@district.yarmouth.ns.ca Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Welcome Jennifer Wilkins Cape Forchu Visitor Experience Coordinator

The Municipality of Yarmouth is pleased to introduce Jennifer Wilkins who has been hired to lead the visitor experience team at Cape Forchu. A former owner/operator of a tourist resort in Ontario, Jennifer spent several winter seasons in Yarmouth before permanently moving last summer.



Jennifer resides in Cape Forchu with her husband Bruce and their dog Abby. Her experience is in both tourism and retail management, having worked as a Regional Manager for Pier 1 Imports and Directors of Stores for Bassett Furniture in the U.S.

After nine years operating a tourism property, she is now applying her extensive skills, experience and aptitudes in her new community.

You can contact Jennifer by calling
the Cape Forchu Lighthouse at: **902-740-1680**
or by emailing her at:

capeforchucordinator@district.yarmouth.ns.ca

Green Energy Committee Community Energy Project

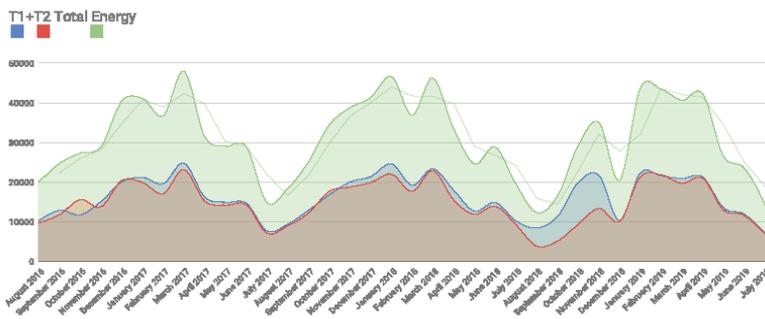
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ENERGY COMMITTEE



Community Energy Project

- The two small wind turbines located on the Rose Rd. in Wellington have been operating since August, 5th, 2016 and have been generating consistent power for just over 3 and a half years.
- The project receives a rate of 0.499¢ / kilowatt hour (kWh).
- Energy generated from the project is sold to NS Power enabled by a twenty year power purchase agreement.
- As of July 2019, the total gross yield has been 1,115,009⁰⁰ (kWs) or \$556,389⁰⁰ in gross revenue.
- The project is currently performing above initial forecasts and providing a very positive rate of return on the initial investment.



Free Cat Tags Now Available

Did you know that the Municipality of Yarmouth is now offering one time cat tags at no charge to the residents of the Municipality? These tags could help reunite you with your cat if he or she is lost! This is not mandatory, but a free service the Municipality of Yarmouth is offering. Tags can be picked up at the municipal office in Hebron, at the SPCA on the Hardscratch Road, or through Friends of TNR (Trap, Neuter, Release).



Team MODY Gets Active on Asset Management with AIM Network and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Members of Team MODY are **actively** engaged in the development of a structured asset management program aimed to improve **active** management of the municipality's built infrastructure. As part of a cohort from South-West NS, Atlantic Infrastructure Management Network (through funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities) and senior leaders are developing skills in best practices looking after your parks, buildings, sidewalks, street lights, waste-water systems and more.

Part of the learning is around **actively** engaging you – our community. Yarmouth Recreation led MODY's community engagement project through the "Let's Get Moving Yarmouth!" campaign this spring - part of the process for updating the Physical Activity Strategy. Led by Frank Grant, Director Yarmouth Recreation, the community was encouraged to incorporate physical activity into their daily routines. Mediums **actively** used included direct mail, social media, radio media, events and community presentations.

The results of the community engagement project were **actively** shared with members of the cohort by Frank Grant and Alix d'Entremont, GIS technician. **Actively** seeking to build best practices into our service delivery and stewardship is a priority. It is expected Municipal Council will approve an asset management policy this fall. Watch for more details. Oh – and get **active** with Yarmouth Recreation!

<http://yarmouthrecreation.ca/>



Spotlight on Local Business Family 1st Medical - Yarmouth Branch

Continued Growth for a Local Respiratory Business

Family 1st Medical's Yarmouth Branch underwent major renovations this spring to better serve the healthcare needs of the local community. Additional workspace has been created for future employment opportunities. Family 1st Medical is a company where local employees can work and serve in their own communities. This Nova Scotian family owned and operated business has made its home in Dayton for the past 11 years.

Medical and administrative professionals who work in this office help support the needs of our communities with home and portable oxygen, sleep testing and CPAP services. They also provide homecare products such as home elevators, stairlifts, and many other mobility related products. If you have questions or require information as to how Family 1st Medical may assist your health related needs, their friendly staff are ready to help! Visit their website or find them on Facebook.

316 Highway 1 in Dayton
Phone: **1-800-565-2021**
Email: yarmouth@family1st.ca
Website: www.family1st.ca

Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Thursday 8:30 am to 7:00 pm.

Family  *Medical*

To be included in our Spotlight on Local Business section, please contact **Mark Blinn, Economic Development Officer** for the Municipality of Yarmouth at **902-742-7159** or email mark@district.yarmouth.ns.ca

Congratulations to the 2019 Municipality of Yarmouth Leaders of Tomorrow Student Bursary Recipients!

Congratulations to **Kira Hattie of Rockville**, a graduate of Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School and **Chloe Donaldson of South Chegoggin**, also a graduate of Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School who were the recipients of the two \$1000 Municipality of Yarmouth Leaders of Tomorrow student bursaries in 2019.

To be considered for one of the student bursaries, you must be a resident of the Municipality of Yarmouth or have a parent who is a residential rate payer for a property within the Municipality of Yarmouth.

If you wish to apply for a Municipality of Yarmouth Leaders of Tomorrow student bursary, the application form is available on the Municipality of Yarmouth website and facebook page. A resume will be required, a transcript of your first semester grade 12 marks, as well as a 150 word essay describing how the Leaders of Tomorrow Bursary will impact your access to post-secondary education. The application process opens on February 15th and closes on April 30th of each year. Good Luck!



Welcome Ashley Rhyno Senior Safety Coordinator

The Municipality of Yarmouth is pleased to introduce Ashley Rhyno who has been hired as the new Municipality of the District of Yarmouth Senior Safety Coordinator.



Ashley was born and raised in Yarmouth County. She is a host mom with the Nova Scotia International Student Program.

Ashley holds a diploma in Mental Health Recovery and Promotion from Nova Scotia Community College - Burrige Campus.

The Senior Safety Coordinator works out of the Yarmouth Rural RCMP Detachment on Starrs Road.

You can contact Ashley by calling **902-881-4099** or send her an email at:

ashley.rhyno@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Did You Know?

Municipal Council meetings are streamed live on the Municipality of Yarmouth Facebook page. Meetings take place twice a month, Committee of the Whole on the second Wednesday of each month beginning at 10:00 am and Council on the fourth Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. To watch live, please go to the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth facebook page:

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

Senior 50+ Expo

Yarmouth County
Seniors 50+ Expo 2019

When: Saturday, October 5th, 2019

Where: École secondaire de Par-en-Bas, Tusket

(The venue site is at the school in Tusket which is 10 minutes from Yarmouth)

This event begins at 9:00 am and ends at 3:00 pm

Participants will have an opportunity to attend workshops, visit with exhibitors, share a hot lunch and win some prizes.

Please pre-register no later than
Friday, September 27th, 2019
by contacting:

Karen Morton (902) 742-3542 Ext. 1925

karen.morton@nshealth.ca

Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

(for Seniors receiving the Guaranteed Income Supplement or The Allowance)

The Property Tax Rebate for Seniors Program, administered by Access Nova Scotia on behalf of the Department of Community Services, is designed to help eligible seniors remain in their homes by providing them with an annual rebate on their municipal property taxes. The program provides eligible homeowners with a rebate (determined by the Provincial Government) on their municipal property taxes paid the previous year. Application forms are available in **July of each year** at Access Nova Scotia in the Provincial Building on Starrs Road as well as the Municipal Office in Hebron. The deadline to apply is December 31st of each year. For more information, please contact:



Access Nova Scotia at 1-877-296-9338

or the Municipal Office in Hebron
902-742-7159 or email:

linda@district.yarmouth.ns.ca

Seniors Café Healthy Living Lunch & Learn Series

The South Ohio Community Centre presents:

Seniors Café Healthy Living Lunch and Learn Series 307 Lake George Road



Wednesday, Oct 2nd - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Wednesday, Oct 9th 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Wednesday, Oct 16th 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Wednesday, Oct 23rd 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Join us for lunch and presentations on healthy living. Stay tuned to the Vanguard, CJLS and Facebook for more details.

For more information you can also contact Ashley Rhyno, Senior Safety Coordinator by phone at 902-881-4099 or by email:

ashley.rhyno@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Yarmouth Recreation

Yarmouth Recreation is looking forward to a great fall filled with recreational activities!

To find out more check out the Yarmouth Recreation website at:

<http://www.yarmouthrecreation.ca>

and find them on Facebook

http://www.facebook.com/yarmouth_recreation

Information is being collected for the 43rd Yarmouth County Athletic Awards Ceremony. Yarmouth Recreation needs information about sports teams, athletes, and officials from Yarmouth County who have won at provincials (or higher) since November of 2018.

They are also accepting nominations for Special Awards (male and female) for the following annual awards: Athlete, Youth Athlete, Sport Volunteer, Coach, Fair Play Award, and Official of the Year.

Please send your sport information or nominations to Yarmouth Recreation at the following address:

Yarmouth Recreation
932 Highway 1
Hebron, NS B5A 5Z5
Or call: 902-742-8868



You can also send Yarmouth Recreation an email:

frankg@district.yarmouth.ns.ca

Important Information on Feeding Wildlife

The Nova Scotia Department of Lands and Forestry Provides Facts You Need to Know if You Feed Deer and Other Wildlife

When we experience an especially harsh winter it is often assumed that we can and should help deer survive the rigors of winter by feeding them. However, this practice may cause more harm than good to the health and safety of both animals and humans.

The following links provided by the Nova Scotia Department of Lands and Forestry explain the problems of feeding deer in the winter.

<https://novascotia.ca/natr/wildlife/living-with-wildlife/feeding-wildlife-full.asp>

<https://novascotia.ca/natr/wildlife/conserva/Feed-deer.asp>



The Department of Lands and Forestry generally discourages feeding deer except in special circumstances, and then it must be done properly if our efforts are to actually be of overall benefit to the deer.

Don't Miss Out!

Check out and like our Facebook page for public notices, live council meetings, upcoming community events, requests for proposals, employment opportunities, important information for seniors, municipal programs, media releases and much more!

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