The MOPC Spotlight

E-newsletter



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Warden Robert Parker attended the annual Davis Day ceremony in Stellarton on June 11.

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Municipality of Pictou County releases new alert system: MOPC Alert

PICTOU – The Municipality of Pictou County has added a new tool to communicate with residents, MOPC Alert.

"MOPC Alert was created as a tool for us as a Municipality to be able to connect with residents to send important information prior to, during and after adverse weather events, or other EMO related information," explains Director of Emergency Services Evan Hale. "MOPC Alert will be used to send our residents alerts about upcoming severe weather, comfort center locations and operating times, as well as any other information we deem relevant for citizens to be aware of."

MOPC Alert will also be used for to inform Municipal water customers when there boil water advisories, or other waterrelated issues that may be relevant.

Hale said it is important to note that MOPC Alert will only be used to provide precautionary information.

It will NOT be used to convey information that would otherwise be sent through the Nova Scotia Public Alerting System (Alert Ready).

MOPC ALERT

Stay in the know with the Municipality of Pictou County's new notification system, MOPC Alert. You chose what notifications you receive and how. Scan the QR code to sign up today.





"We believe MOPC Alert will greatly improve our ability to communicate with residents to provide them with more information surrounding EMO related issues, so that they are able to prepare with more notice," Hale said.

Residents can choose what they

want to be notified about and how they would like to be notified.

Notifications can be sent by email, text message and/or by phone call. Only those who sign up will receive notifications.

To sign up scan the QR code above

Contact the Municipality of Pictou County

Physical Address

46 Municipal Drive Pictou, N.S. B0K 1H0 Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Office Hours

P.O. Box 910 Pictou, N.S

B0K 1H0

Call Us

902-485-4311 902-752-1530

MOPC celebrates Pride month



Carissa Ainslie with Pictou County Pride joined Warden Robert Parker for a flag raising at the Municipality of Pictou County Administrative Building on June 17 in recognition of Pride Month.

Warden Parker spoke about the importance of making Pictou County a welcoming community for all.

Ainslie shared some information about the activities they have planned.



Federal funding will benefit Pictou County Comfort Centres

Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, and Member of Parliament for Central Nova, announced funding recently to help upgrade comfort centres in the counties of Pictou and Antigonish. The Municipality of the County of Pictou will receive \$174,500 to perform facility upgrades and purchase readiness supplies to ensure effective provision of 28 emergency centres.

"I am thrilled to see ACOA support our efforts. This funding is vital to ensuring our county's comfort centers are fully equipped to operate effectively," said Evan Hale, Director of Emergency Services for the Municipality of Pictou County.

"With these resources, we can enhance our centers with necessary supplies, improved communication systems, and better training and resources for our volunteers. These improvements will significantly boost our capacity to provide essential services, safety, and comfort to our communities during emergencies."

The Pictou County Wellness Centre Building Authority will also receive \$382,556 to perform accessibility upgrades to its building, and purchase and install a generator. The Wellness Centre coordinates with municipal units to support the region during high alert weather events and evacuations, and this project will better prepare the facility to be used as a comfort centre during power outages and other emergency situations. The 28 Comfort Centres within the Municipality of Pictou County that will receive funding are:

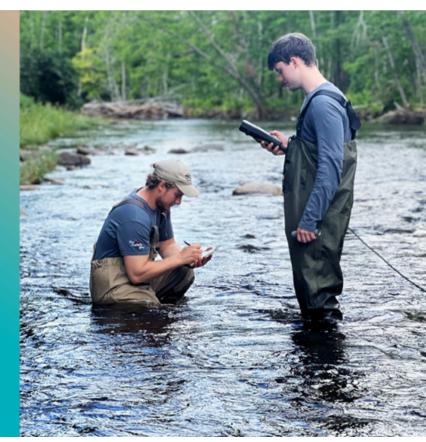
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- Blue Mountain Fire Department, Blue Mountain
- Caribou Fire Department, Caribou
- Dalhousie Mountain Snow Club, Scotsburn
- Scotsburn Fire Department, Scotsburn
- East River St. Mary's Fire Department, St. Mary's
- East River Valley Fire Department, East River Valley
- Eureka Fire Department, Eureka
- Garden of Eden Community Hall, Garden of Eden
- Hillside Community Hall, Trenton
- Linacy Fire Department, Linacy
- Lismore and District Recreation, Lismore
- Little Harbour Community Center, Little Harbour
- MacDonald Rebekah Lodge and Springville Community Hall, Springville
- Merigomish Community Centre and Merigomish Fire Department, Merigomish
- Pictou Landing Fire Department, Pictou Landing
- Plymouth Fire Department, Plymouth
- River John Fire Department and River John Legion, River John
- Thorburn Fire Department, Thorburn
- Toney River Community Centre, Toney River
- Union Center Community Hall, Westville
- West Branch Community Hall, West Branch
- West River Fire Department, West River

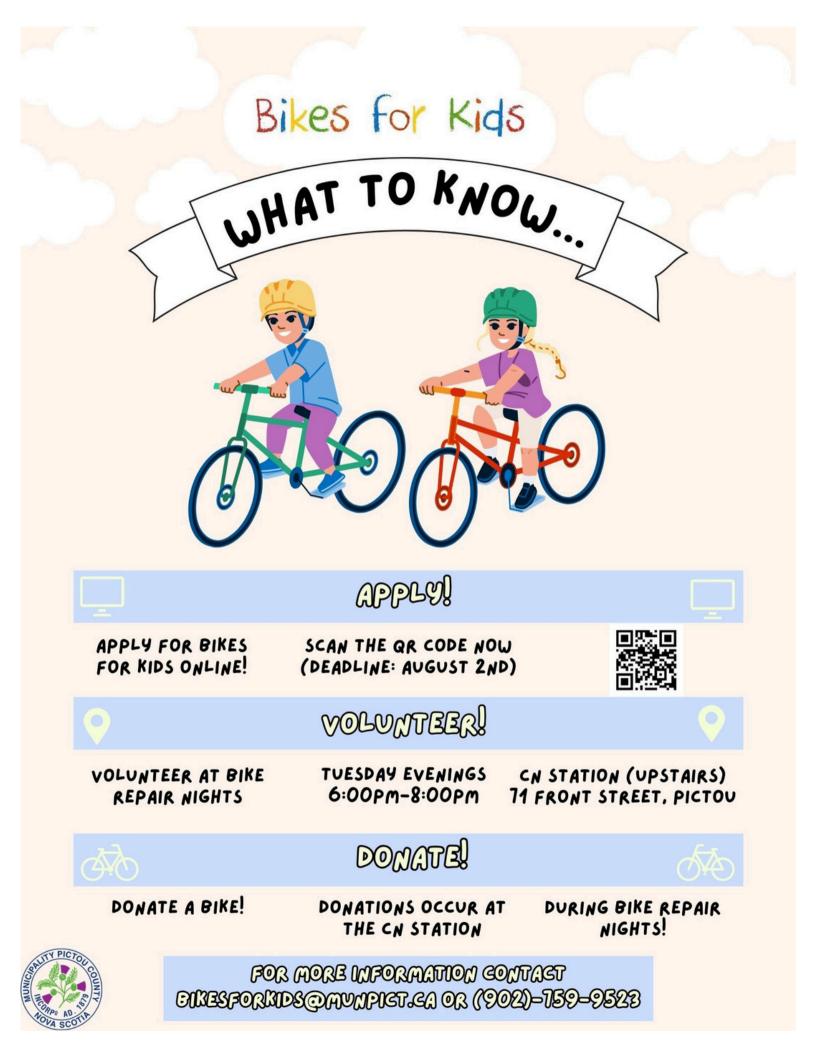


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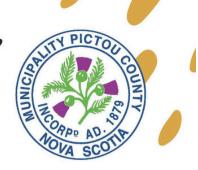
Thursday, June 20th
3 PM - 5 PM and 6 PM - 8 PM
West River Fire Department

RSVP to Laura Baker at laura@carbonrun.io





PICTOU COUNTY RECREATION Summer Program Guide 2024



Any questions regarding these programs please contact Pictou County Recreation at 902–759–3686 or email us at summer@munpict.ca



Special Events

- Discovery Centre and Zatzman Sportsplex
- Movie theatre, bowling, and games at the park
- Shubenacadie and Victoria Park
- Trenton Park
- Melmerby beach days
- Themed days



IF YOU REQUIRE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, OR WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE GO PLAY FUND, CONTACT CLARE.STEELE@MUNPICT.CA

Locations



• Lismore

Shelley MacDonald 778–883–0781 shelleyltta@gmail.com

Plymouth

Janet MacDonald 902–752–1018 plymouthrecreation@gmail.com

• River John

Ashely Langille 780–920–8696 langillea@hotmail.com

• Thorburn

Randy Palmer 902–922–2277 randy.palmer@novascotia.ca



LARK: Leisure and Active Recreation for Kids

- Low organized games, arts & crafts, and sports for children
- Ages 5-12
- \$10 per child or \$25 per family (CASH ONLY)
- Caribou Fire hall July 4th –August 22nd, Mon and Thu 9am–12pm
- Scotsburn Fire Hall July 4th-August 22nd, Mon and Thu 1pm-4pm
- Little Harbour Community Center July 2nd-August 22nd, Tues and Thu 9am–12pm
- Salt Springs Elementary School July 2nd–August 20th Tues 9am– 2:30pm
- Registration: Little Harbour Community Centre, June 17th 6–7pm Scotsburn Fire Hall, June 18th 6–7pm Salt Spring Elementary School, June 19th 6–7pm Caribou Fire Hall, June 20th 6–7pm
- 902-759-0262 or lark@munpict.ca

Life Saving Society





- Caribou Beach: July 15th-26th
- Lismore Beach: July 29th-August 9th (holiday on August 5th)
- MacDonald's Cove: August 12th-23rd
- \$10 per child or \$25 per family
 - Registration: Caribou Fire Hall, June 20th 6–7pm Lismore Community Center, June 26th 4:30–6:30pm

MacDonald's Cove: Online (QR code above)

902–759–3943 or swimming@munpict.ca

Bikes for Kids

Do you know a child in need of a bike? Apply to Bikes for Kids to get matched with a new-to-you bike! For more information about application or volunteering please contact 902–759– 9523 or email bikesforkids@munpict.ca





PICTOU COUNTY RECREATION SWIMMING LESSONS

CARIBOU BEACH: JULY ISTH-JULY 26TH, 2029

LISMORE BEACH: JULY 29TH-AUGUST 9TH, 2024

MACDONALD'S COVE: AUGUST 12TH-AUGUST 23RD, 2024

\$10/CHILD OR \$25/FAMILY Ages 5 and Up!

REGISTER TODAY!

SCAN QR CODE OR CONTACT PICTOU COUNTY RECREATION 902-259-3943 MOPC.SWIMI@MUNPICT.CA



Tick Check Basics

Conseils relatifs aux tiques

Check your body and clothing for ticks Vérifiez votre peau et vos vêtements after spending time outside. après avoir passé du temps à l'extérieur. Ticks like warm places on the body. Les tiques aiment les endroits bien au chaud. In hair and hairline Cheveux et contour de la chevelure Behind ears Derrière les oreilles Back of neck Nuque Armpits Aisselles Elbows Waist Coudes Taille Groin Aine Back of knees Derrière les genoux Between toes Entre les orteils Don't forget to check your pets N'oubliez pas de vérifier vos animaux

- A bath or shower within two hours of being outdoors makes it easier to spot ticks
- N'oubliez pas de vérifier vos animaux de compagnie.
- Il est plus facile de voir les tiques si vous prenez un bain ou une douche dans un délai de deux heures après avoir passé du temps à l'extérieur.

For more information, including how to remove a tick safely, visit **novascotia.ca/ticksafety**

Pour obtenir plus d'information, y compris sur la façon d'enlever une tique de façon sécuritaire, consultez le **novascotia.ca/ticksafety** (en anglais seulement).





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