

Mayor's Newsletter

March 2019

Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia

Crosswalk Flags



Have you noticed the crosswalk flag kits placed around Town? It's important to the Town that pedestrians are safe. Tourism season is just around the corner and our roadways will once again become very busy; please consider trying a crosswalk

flag the next time you cross at one of these busy intersections.

Earth Day Litter Challenge



Earth Day, April 22nd, is fast approaching. If you are interested in pitching in on spring litter clean-up, please stop by Town Hall and pick-up a free litter clean up kit. The kit

includes a clear bag, a pair of gloves and a sticker to be placed on the bag so that curbside waste haulers can identify the bags.




There will be a group litter clean up day on the 24th of April. Contact the Community Recycling Centre at (902) 543-2991 to find out more or to register to help out. You can also find information by visiting

www.communityrecycling.ca

Littering is Expensive!

There are three ways that you can be fined for littering.

Hang on to your money and hold on to your garbage until you can find an appropriate place to dispose of it.

	\$100.00 - Bylaw Ticket
	\$387.50 - Motor Vehicle Act
	\$452.00 - Environment Act

Mahone Bay Resilient Community Working Group



This group began as a joint project of REMO (Regional Emergency Management Organization) and the Town of Mahone Bay.

The Town asked REMO to consider Mahone Bay as a pilot project of their "Resiliency" outreach.

The intent of the group is to promote, build and strengthen the resiliency of our community by knowing our neighbours and developing a capacity to help one another in volatile situations.

There have been two meetings of the volunteer group. During these meetings the group has identified the existing community volunteer groups, support services, government agencies and the services offered which may be called upon in a time of crisis.

The next meeting of this group is planned for 10:00am on Saturday, April 6th at the Mahone Bay Centre. The group needs your input...your advice...your participation! Ideally, there would be someone from every street or block in Town choosing to participate to bring the needs of your neighbourhood to the table and to take the message from the group back to your neighbourhood.

Please consider coming out on April 6th to learn more!

Reminder



A reminder that motorized vehicles are prohibited in all Town parks, greenspaces and cemeteries.

Thursday Mornings with the Mayor



Mayor Devenne is available for appointments Thursday mornings from 9:00am – 12:00noon. If you have an issue that you would like to discuss with the Mayor,

please call Town Hall at 902-624-8327 to make an appointment.

VON Transportation and Meals Programs



Did you know that the VON offers Transportation services and a frozen meal program for seniors in need?

The **VON Community Transportation Program** makes it possible for those with

barriers to access transportation at no charge to maintain an independent lifestyle.

The **VON Frozen Favourites Meals Program** offers meals (pick up or free delivery) as a healthy and affordable option (\$7.00 per meal) for clients who aren't able or interested in cooking a full meal for themselves.

For more information please contact VON Program Coordinator Kathy Thomas at 902-624-0318.

Another meal option for seniors is **Meals on Wheels**, a hot meal delivery service run by the Mahone Bay Lions Club. Contact John Biebesheimer for details 902-624-6460.

Survey Winner



Congratulations to Barb Dorey, our newest monthly survey gift card winner!

Fill out this month's survey and you could be the next winner.

Legion Brunch with the Mayor



On March 31st, 2019 the Town of Mahone Bay was incorporated.

The Town is proud to sponsor the March Legion Brunch where we will begin celebrating the Town's Centennial year.

Brunch is served from 9am – 1pm, the price for adults is \$9, Children over 5 \$5 and Children under 5 eat for free!

Join us to help kick off what is sure to be an exciting year.

Together We Can Make Great Things Happen!

Monthly Survey

The Town of Mahone Bay is becoming more of an exciting destination due to the hard work of our business community and community volunteers.

We're growing and with that comes more hustle and bustle. We'd like to know how you feel about daily life in Mahone Bay.

Visit www.townofmahonebay.ca, you will find a link on the home page which will redirect you to the survey.

Complete the survey, and you will be entered into a random draw for a \$100 gift card!

Representative Volunteer Award Recipient



Please join us in congratulating Helen Whitehouse, the Town of Mahone Bay's 2019 Representative Volunteer. Anyone who knows Helen knows what an asset she is to our community.

On April 1st she will join the Mayor at a Provincial event celebrating all of the wonderful volunteers in our Province.

Heritage Awards Dinner



On Saturday, April 20th, the Mahone Bay Founders Society will hold the 8th annual Heritage Recognition Awards Dinner and Silent Auction honouring the following

2019 Heritage Recognition Award Recipients who have made exceptional and lasting contributions to the conservation of heritage in Mahone Bay and area:

The Three Churches Foundation

Volunteer Service dedicated to preserving our heritage

Town of Mahone Bay, Bayview Cemetery Mapping Project

Innovative Techniques of conservation, mapping and restoration

Craig Pottie, Vice Principal – Bayview Community School

Increasing Awareness through educational programs

Nolan Langille, Youth Award

Heritage Fair Project, Wooden Boatbuilding in Mahone Bay

Fran O'Hagan and Ron Himmelman – Owners, Old Mader's Wharf

Restoration and Reuse of a heritage structure

Guest Speaker – Fran O'Hagan

Reception at 6:00pm, Dinner at 7:00pm

Legion Branch 49, 21 Pond Street

Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased on the Mahone Bay Museum website, by calling 902-624-0914, at the Mahone Bay Pharmasave or from any member of the Founders Society Board.

Did you change your phone number? Do we have your email address? Please make sure that Town Hall has your current contact information. Call us at 902-624-8327 or email clerk@townofmahonebay.ca

Dogs in Mahone Bay

Mahone Bay is a dog friendly town. You don't have to walk very far to meet up with a neighbor out enjoying a walk with their dog. The Town Hall office issues dog licenses free of charge to dog owners in an effort to encourage everyone to have their pet registered. This information helps us get your dog back to you in the event that he or she gets loose.

The Town's Dog Control Bylaw explains the need for a restraint to keep dogs on owner's properties or to keep the dog under control when off property. The Bylaw also stipulates that the person who has control of the dog is responsible for cleaning up after it.

I have recently received calls and emails from citizens concerning dog feces on the sidewalks and trails of Mahone Bay. There have also been postings on social media of similar complaints. The problem is becoming even more obvious as the snow melts revealing six months of "deposits" by our canine friends.

Most owners are quite diligent in cleaning up after their dogs. I keep a roll of "doggie-doo" plastic bags on hand for those occasions when we are lucky enough to be able to dog-sit a friend's pooch. After the cleanup, the bag should be deposited in a suitable receptacle. If there is no receptacle located nearby, respectful dog owners take the bag home and dispose of it in their own garbage, they do not leave it for someone else to clean up.

Help our Town maintain a friendly relationship with our canine friends and the people who care for them:

- Get a free dog tag for your dog from Town Hall
- Always keep your dog on your own property or on a leash when you are walking it
- Respect other people's preference to not have to get too close to a dog
- Clean up after your animal every time, regardless of where it chooses to defecate
- Dispose of the bag properly

- Mayor Devenne



Making Connections from the South Shore to Halifax

Connect to Maritime Bus' one trip in, one trip out **daily service 7-days/week** to Halifax using local services like VON "ON the Move", Queens Transit, Bridgewater Senior Wheels, Bridgewater Transit & Chester Community Wheels. All this makes our connected transportation links perfect for medical & other appointments, visiting friends, commuting,

shopping, airport connections, university travel, sightseeing—or for whatever you want to do. *Schedules can change, please check to ensure times, etc., are up-to-date. Listed pricing includes all fees and taxes.*

For more info: www.maritimebus.com; 1-800-575-1807

LUNENBURG/HALIFAX

LEAVE Lunenburg Esso 9:00 am
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
Sample fare (Same day return)
Adult \$58.11; Student/Senior \$49.99

BRIDGEWATER/HALIFAX

LEAVE Bridgewater Mall 9:18 am
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
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Sample fare (Same day return)
Adult \$58.11; Student/Senior \$49.99

MAHONE BAY/HALIFAX

LEAVE Lutheran Church Parking Lot... 9:38 am
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
Mahone Bay is a **flag stop**. Purchase tickets at least 3 hours before departure time.
Sample fare (Same day return)
Adult \$46.91; Student/Senior \$40.47

CHESTER BASIN/HALIFAX

LEAVE Exit 9 carpool 9:48 am
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
Chester Basin/Exit 9 is a **flag stop**. Purchase tickets at least 3 hours before departure time.
Sample fare (Same day return)
Adult \$34.13; Student/Senior \$29.59

HUBBARDS/HALIFAX

LEAVE Hubbards Mall 9:58 am
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
Hubbards is a **flag stop**. Purchase tickets at least 3 hours before departure time.
Sample fare (Same day return)
Adult \$34.13; Student/Senior \$29.59

STOPS IN HALIFAX

Young & Robie, Halifax Infirmary, Scotia Bank Centre (**flag stops** that require 3 hours notice)
Maritime Bus Terminal (Westin Hotel)

LEAVES HALIFAX FOR SOUTH SHORE

LEAVE Halifax Maritime Bus Terminal... 3:55 pm
ARRIVE Hubbards Mall, 4:45 pm
ARRIVE Chester Basin (Exit 9 carpool) . . 4:55 pm
ARRIVE Mahone Bay..... 5:05 pm
ARRIVE Bridgewater Esso..... 5:20 pm
ARRIVE Bridgewater Mall 5:25 pm
ARRIVE Lunenburg Esso 5:45 pm

AIRPORT CONNECTION to Stanfield International Airport

See departure times from your community.
ARRIVE Maritime Bus Terminal 10:50 am
LEAVE for airport..... 10:55 am
ARRIVE airport..... 11:40 am
LEAVE airport.... 9:40 am, 12:35 pm, 2:15 pm
LEAVE for South Shore 3:55 pm
Sample fare (One way) from Bridgewater.
Adult \$33.96; Student/Senior \$29.43



Use Maritime Bus to connect with the world. Catch a bus to the airport, or one of many Maritime destinations: 30 stops in Nova Scotia, 6 in PEI, and 42 in New Brunswick.

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United Way
Lunenburg County

The United Way of Lunenburg County is one of the groups that helped bring this service to Lunenburg County. It's a way to reduce social isolation and helps connect people to the services and support networks that they need.

It's the Bus for Us.
Be a rider and help support us.