



### WATER AUDITS RESUMING

Stratford Utility customers can receive a **FREE** in-home water audit. Call (902) 367-3605 to learn more.



### JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL TOUR!

Watch for our virtual tour of the new Stratford Emergency Services Centre to launch in early September!



### CALL FOR COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

Would you consider volunteering on a Town committee? We will be opening our application process in September.



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FALL 2020 EDITION

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on social media to find out more!*



# MAYOR'S MESSAGE



What a difference a few months can make! Since the last edition of this newsletter, our world has dramatically changed, requiring a sudden refocus of our work in response to the COVID-19 reality. I want to thank everyone for doing their part by adhering to the direction of our public health officials during this time. I also want to assure you that Council and Town staff continue to work hard on your behalf every day to ensure your safety while maintaining access to Town services.

While COVID-19 efforts will remain a priority for the foreseeable future; staff, Council and I have been pressing ahead on Town projects and initiatives:

- The project to pipe wastewater to the Charlottetown Treatment Plant is on schedule and on budget. It is expected that work will be completed by early fall.
- Negotiations are underway to procure the land for the new Stratford High School and Community Campus. We hope to have news to share on this soon.
- Our new state-of-the-art Stratford Emergency Services Centre is now fully operational. Although it isn't possible at this time to have an official opening and tour for residents, a Virtual Tour has been developed so everyone can explore the Centre using a smartphone or computer.
- We are thrilled to learn that the active transportation lane on the Hillsborough Bridge has been moved up by three years and will be completed by the Province in 2020. This will make crossing the bridge much safer for pedestrians and cyclists.
- A new access (MacKinnon Drive extension) to Glen Stewart and Stratford Elementary Schools has been constructed by the Provincial Government. This has been a very high priority of mine since I began on Council 10 years ago. It will provide better and safer access to the schools, and will stimulate development in that area of the town.

Stratford continues to grow, with many new homes being built and businesses opening. Over the longer term, we are following the Town's Strategic Plan and the results of the latest resident survey to guide decision-making. Both documents are available on the Town website or from the Town Centre office.

As we continue to reopen cautiously and safely, I encourage everyone to *Think Stratford!* and support our local businesses that contribute in so many ways to our economy and community. It has been a difficult spring and summer for many enterprises and anything we can do to support them is very important.

The crisp fall air is a perfect time to get out, enjoy and explore everything our Town has to offer – the seashore, trail networks and parks – and to do so safely whether as a driver, cyclist, or pedestrian. Please remember to slow down, move over and think of others.

Wishing everyone a safe and healthy autumn!

Sincerely,

Mayor Steve Ogden

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[@StratfordPEI](https://twitter.com/StratfordPEI)

## INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT

# Thank You

Thank you to our healthcare professionals, including first responders and essential workers across every industry who are at the forefront of fighting this pandemic and risking their lives daily for the safety of our communities.

A big thank you as well to our residents for their incredible spirit in these challenging times. You inspire and remind us every day why we all have to work together to protect the communities we call home.

Please continue to follow the advice of the Chief Public Health Office and let's keep working together to keep our families, neighbours, and the whole community safe.

**WHILE EVERY EFFORT IS MADE TO ENSURE THAT CONTENT IN THIS EDITION IS ACCURATE AT THE TIME OF PRINTING, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THIS ACCURACY AS THE COVID-19 SITUATION EVOLVES DAILY AND MAY IMPACT OUR OPERATIONS AND DECISION-MAKING. PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH US AT (902) 569-1995 OR FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA FOR UPDATES!**

### > Utility Projects

Developers in Stratford are required to install sewer and water systems during development and once tested and approved, these systems are taken over by the Town's Utility. The Utility department recently took ownership of the water and sewer infrastructure for two new subdivisions: Forest Trails Phase 3, located off Hollis Avenue, and Courtney Estates, located on Stratford Road (near the new roundabout).

Several other projects are near completion and they will bring a large number of units to our water and sewer system. They are: APM waterfront (79 units), APM Dale Drive (61 units), Marshall MacPherson Shakespeare Drive (30 units), along with several other buildings which are still being built. We also have some commercial buildings along Hollis Avenue which have been connected this year.

Work by the Province on the MacKinnon Drive and Marion Drive connection will be completed soon. Stratford Utility will take over the water and sewer installed in these extensions as well. These streets will have a paved multi-purpose walkway connecting Glen Stewart Drive to Marion Drive and Kinlock Road.

### > Sewer Lift Station Upgrades

Stratford Utility is in the process of upgrading some of our sewer lift stations and sewer force mains throughout the Town. We have received a preliminary report from our consultants, listing several options. Utility staff will review these recommendations and proceed from there.

### > Water Station Upgrades

The Stratford Utility is also in the process of upgrading some of the Town's water stations. This project has been reviewed by consultants and their recommendations were submitted to staff. This work involves interior pipe and valve upgrades, new chlorination pumps, well pump upgrades along with lightning protection for our stations. The final scope of work will be determined by pricing.

### > Fullerton's Washroom Facility

This project was tendered in early spring and awarded to WM&M. Work has already begun with expected completion this fall. The facility is located just behind the water station along the trail.



### > Waste Water Treatment Delivery System

Work continues on this project with the late fall as the target date to start pumping our sewage to the Charlottetown Pollution Control Plant. Contractors are busy with the new sewer lift station at our lagoon site as well as adding the pipe hangers and pipe under the bridge. On the Charlottetown side, the contractor is completing pipe connections and testing. Once this work is complete, work will begin on the removal and reinstatement of the Town lagoons with completion expected in 2021.

### > Storm Water Infiltration

This is an ongoing maintenance project to reduce the amount of groundwater infiltration into the Town's sewer system. Any water that does infiltrate our sewer system will eventually go to the Charlottetown plant. As the fee which will be paid to Charlottetown is based on the amount of sewage moved to the City, this is a very important maintenance program. Over the last two years, staff have been repairing manholes, adjusting their heights and adding silt catch trays under the covers to reduce water infiltration.

*Please note that per our bylaw, it is illegal to discharge any storm water, surface water, roof run-off, surface drainage, sub-surface drainage, foundation drainage or water used for heating or cooling, including water from sump pumps, into our sewer system. Please contact us if you have any questions or to ensure your setup complies.*

## INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT

### > Public Works

#### MAINTENANCE

Staff are busy with grass cutting, property and building maintenance, installing and relocating temporary speed humps, maintaining trails and other daily duties. When Stratford Town Centre was closed to the public due to COVID-19, staff made use of that time to paint the interior of the gym and complete maintenance repairs that would typically take place at night when the gym is closed. Contractors also completed roof shingling at the Town Centre during the COVID-19 shut down.

#### TOWN ROADS STREET & DITCH INFILLING

All roads, streets and ditches in Stratford are owned by the Province of PEI. Provincial crews are continually cleaning up from winter plow, salt and storm water damage. They are also busy patching potholes and installing or replacing culverts.

The Town of Stratford and the Province of PEI have installed a new crosswalk on Kinlock Road to connect Governors Lane with trail entrance in Kinlock Creek subdivision. Insert photo Crosswalk – Kinlock Creek & Governors



*Please note that any request to infill your ditch or replace a culvert can be directed to the Provincial Department of Highways.*

#### ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

The Province of PEI has just completed the paved multi-purpose trail from the Sobey's intersection to the new roundabout. This paved path connects numerous active transportation routes and allows users to travel safely from the Stratford & Georgetown Roads to the TCH and onto the town centre, or over to Mason Road and Hollis Avenue. We thank the Province or PEI for providing this pathway to connect Stratford's active transportation corridors.



The Town plans to extend the sidewalk, storm and bike lane on the Georgetown Road from Edgehill Terrace to the Georgetown/Keppoch Road intersection. We are also looking at a multi-purpose walkway on Keppoch Road from Kinlock Beach to the Georgetown/Keppoch Road intersection. Both projects are presently in the design phase and installation is dependent on final tender prices and provincial funding. These projects will be completed in partnership with the Province of PEI.

In the last couple of years, the Town has added several private natural trails to our system. We continue to work with landowners to share their natural trails with the residents of Stratford. We appreciate these landowners working with the Town to enhance our active transportation system.

*For more information on our Active Transportation and Trail systems, visit Residents/Maps on the Town's website.*

#### SPEED SIGNS/SPEED HUMPS

In our ongoing effort to reduce speeding in Stratford, the Town purchased six new speed radar signs in 2019 and two more in 2020 located throughout Stratford. These signs will provide data to our Safety Services Committee to determine if there is speeding, and if so, if it is a significant overall speeding issue or limited to a few drivers.

Staff continue to install our temporary speed humps in various locations in Stratford. These humps, as indicated, are temporary and are moved around throughout the summer. A limited number of lawn signs encouraging and reminding motorists to slow down are available to residents. Please contact us to pick one up for your lawn (we would ask that all residents remove these prior to the first snow and reuse the sign next spring).

## FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

PEI DEPARTMENT  
OF TRANSPORTATION,  
INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENERGY  
Snow plow damage, culverts  
in driveways, potholes, storm water  
drainage and catch basins.  
902-368-4770

PEI HUMANE SOCIETY  
Nuisance dog or cat issues.  
902-892-1190 or 902-892-1191

IWMC  
Questions on pick up days, sorting, etc.  
1-888-280-8111

MARITIME ELECTRIC  
Streetlight out, damaged or is staying on.  
1-800-670-1012 or email  
customerservice@maritimeelectric.com

WATER METER INSTALLATIONS  
please call the Town of Stratford  
at (902) 569-4662

PROPERTY AND  
LAND TAX OFFICE  
The Town of Stratford does not take  
payment for property taxes. Please call  
(902) 368-4070 for more information.

The Town of Stratford does not remove  
nuisance animals. Issues in this regard  
are the homeowners responsibility  
and can be directed to a licensed  
pest control company for assistance.

If you would like to request an  
additional street light on your  
street please submit your request  
in writing to the Town of Stratford.

## DID YOU KNOW?

According to our Dangerous  
and Unightly Premises Bylaw,  
grass must be cut regularly and  
maintained at a height not exceeding  
8 inches, including weeds that  
have overgrown the grass.

## PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND HERITAGE

### FIRST CANADIAN TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT TAKES OFF FROM TEA HILL, STRATFORD PART III

*Please head to our website to read Part I and Part II as well as the remainder of Part III (final).*

#### TRANSATLANTIC CROSSING

When they sighted land, Boyd dumped the reserve tank as a precaution against explosion in preparation for a beach landing. Although it was high tide, Boyd set the monoplane down on the sloping beach between two streams on Tresco, one of England's Scilly Islands, stopping within a few inches of the water's edge and only 200 feet from where the landing gear first touched the soft sand. Starting out with over 800 gallons of fuel, only about four gallons of usable fuel remained. Navigator Harry Connor later said, "I didn't think any human being could land a ship on that narrow strip of beach." The following day, after refueling and minor repairs, Boyd and Connor took off for Croyden, just south of London.

#### CELEBRATED HEROES

On October 11, Capt. Erroll Boyd of Toronto and Lieut. Harry Connor landed at Croydon aerodrome at 3:35 pm local time, completing their transatlantic flight. They were met by thousands of cheering on-lookers. Boyd was the first Canadian to pilot an airplane across the Atlantic...



*Continued at  
[www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)*

### > The Building Bylaw and National Building Code

In 2011, the Town of Stratford adopted the National Building Code of Canada (NBC) through the creation of a new Building Bylaw. On March 31st, 2020 the PEI Government adopted the Building Codes Act Regulations, which included the adoption of the 2015 National Building Code of Canada and the 2017 National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings. The Town of Stratford underwent a review and revision of the Building Bylaw over the winter, and a revised version of the bylaw that includes new information from the Building Codes Act Regulations was adopted by Council on March 11th, 2020. In accordance with the Building Codes Act and Building Codes Act Regulations, the Town of Stratford has adopted the 2015 National Building Code and the 2017 National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings.

Some key changes included in the new Building Bylaw are:

- The adoption of the 2015 NBC and 2017 NECCB
- An increased scope for each of the required inspection points
- Provisions to issue partial occupancy permits
- Provisions to issue Orders Not To Cover and Orders Respecting Dangerous Property where a building poses a threat to public safety
- Increased penalties for offences under the Building Bylaw
- Provisions where a resident can appeal a decision of a building official

A Plain Language Guide is available on the Town's website to help residents understand the changes to the Building Bylaw. If you have any questions please contact the Building Inspector at (902) 367-4448.

The Building Bylaw is enforced through a review of the submitted plans prior to a series of inspections at various stages of completion during construction. These inspections verify work against the approved submitted plans and

against the NBC and are completed at various stages of construction.

Any new application for development shall require the following information:

- Application Form
- Floor Plans
- Elevations
- Cross-sections
- Framing information
- Engineer stamped design for structural items outside the scope of Part 9 of the NBC
- Site Plan
- Deck Pamphlet
- Utility Form
- Entrance Permit
- Drainage Plan
- Applicant Authorization
- Grading Plan

If the person making an application for development is not the property owner, a Letter of Authorization must be submitted, in which the property owner identifies the authorized agent who shall represent them on their behalf. To ensure that your permit is ready in time for your project start date, please submit your completed application as early as possible. A copy of the Building Bylaw, Application Forms, and Fee Schedule can be found on the Town's website or you can pick up copies in person from the Planning Department. If you have any questions, please contact the department at (902) 569-6255.

### > Update on Official Plan Review

## UPDATE

The Town has started an ongoing review of the Imagine That! Official Plan, as The Planning Act requires communities with Official Plans to update on a periodic basis.

The framework has been developed for the timeline and phasing of the process. There are four phases, with the entire process taking just under a year. The first phase is to evaluate each section of the current plan for

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changes. This includes updating current text, omissions, or adding new policy. The second phase is creating policy based upon evaluation and the last two phases are for Council approving the draft and final version before submittal to the Province of PEI.

Given ongoing development and continued growth in the Town, it is a good time to be conducting a review and update of the Official Plan. The review will help continue to guide the Town for the future with sound principles, not just in land use planning but other aspects too that will help ensure a framework for a high quality of life in many aspects for Stratford's residents.

## > Deck Permit Requirements

Before commencing work on a deck project, residents are reminded that they must make a Development Permit Application to the Town of Stratford's Planning Department. Applications are only accepted once all required documentation is submitted.



A deck pamphlet is available to residents to assist with completing a Development Permit Application for a deck. The deck pamphlet features easy-to-use tables that include information on joist size and spacing, beam size, required footing size, and ledger anchor sizing along with other important information. REMINDER: deck inspections are mandatory at two stages, and applicants must call to arrange for inspections after footings are poured AND before backfilling deck columns. Full details and application forms, fee schedule, and other relevant documents can be found on the Town's website or copies may be picked up in person from the Planning Department. If you have any questions, please call (902) 569-6255.

## > Development Permits

From January to August 2020, the Planning Department issued a total of 112 development permits. The following table shows a summary of development activities between January and August 2020.

**SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT PERMIT  
January, 2020 to August, 2020**

	Permits	Estimated Value
Single Family Residential	15	\$9,529,804.00
Residential Additions, Renovations	7	\$195,000.00
Semi-detached/Duplex	2 (4 units)	\$1,020,000.00
Townhouse	1 (5 units)	\$850,000.00
Apartment	1 (12 units)	\$1,560,000.00
Accessory Buildings	24	\$183,695.00
Accessory Structures (pools, decks, fences)	42	\$485,425.00
Other (signage, demolition, etc.)	6	\$67,150.00
Commercial (new/renovations/alterations)	9	\$6,159,292.00
Demolition	2	\$163,000.00
Institutional (new/renovations/additions)	3	\$215,600.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>\$20,428,966.00</b>

## STRATFORD HONOUR ROLL PROJECT

The Town has recently received funding approval from Veterans Affairs Canada Commemorative Partnership Program which will allow the Town to proceed with our Stratford Honour Roll project.

The purpose of this project is to ensure that those who died while serving our country while at war are not forgotten. This project will recognize and honour 10 soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice: who did not return from overseas conflicts and those who died at home as a result of the injuries received in those conflicts.

This project will also make the existing cenotaph fully accessible year-round so it can be used as an engagement piece for Veterans, Armed Forces members, and residents. It will also serve as a community learning piece for our youth. It is intended to be a place that people can gather throughout the year for remembrance and reflection.

This project is intended to be completed and available for Remembrance Day this fall.



## COVID 19 RESPONSE

Throughout this year, Town of Stratford staff and council, like others, have been challenged with an ever-changing COVID-19 situation. This summary provides you with a brief outline of just some of the decisions and actions taken during the ongoing pandemic. While we remain optimistic for the upcoming months, we want to assure you that we have learned through this process and are better prepared if restrictions need to be put back in place. The Town was lucky to be able to quickly adapt to a work from home environment having had the technology in place previously, allowing for an easy transition for many of our staff. Staff members required to work outside of their home, due to the nature of their jobs, were quickly provided with the resources and necessary adjustments to be able to do so.

We want to thank our residents for your support, understanding and cooperation within the guidelines of our work, as well as in following the advice of PEI's Chief Medical Health Officer. Let's continue to support and respect each other.

### JANUARY

- Began updating previous flu pandemic plan

### MARCH

- Activated updated pandemic plan. Staff advised to practice good hygiene and use social distancing. Enhanced cleaning put in place and staff travel suspended
- Separated outside staff into two groups, with overlapping skills in each group, so they are never in the same place at the same time. Separated inside staff into two groups and have one group work from home on an alternating basis, again paired so that all skills are covered by each group. March 18, all Town facilities were closed to the public and staff advised to work from home where their job duties permitted
- Vulnerable or isolated individuals were asked to contact the Town if they required assistance of any kind
- Regular communications held with residents through a weekly e-newsletter, website and social media
- All in-person meetings cancelled. Committee meetings suspended with a weekly virtual meeting of council members held in place. Special council meeting held to pass the 2020-21 Town budgets
- Public processes governed by the Planning Act suspended until further notice. Applications continued to be received electronically but permits not able to be issued
- COVID-19 resource page established on Town's webpage including a page to support businesses providing essential services required by residents updated regularly
- Facebook group created to connect residents to one another as a place to share activities, ideas and other more 'lighthearted' information with one another to help occupy and enhance our time at home (Town of Stratford Community Meet-Up & Sharing Group)
- Classes and programming that was able to be moved to an online format was adapted
- Stratford Youth Centre initiated a letter writing program to connect youth and seniors in the community
- Town playgrounds, dog park, and skatepark closed



# COVID 19 RESPONSE

## APRIL

- Celebrated the virtual 25th birthday of the Town of Stratford (April 1) with online resident activities to participate in including a virtual singing of Happy Birthday with council members
- Announced that for the interim COVID-19 period to assist residents with the adjustment to and potential for loss of income and/or additional expenditures they may be incurring, there would be no interest charged on Stratford Utility bills, no-disconnects for non-payment and flexible repayment terms for those requiring them due to COVID-19, upon request of our Finance Department
- A 'Caring Community Calls' program offering check-in as well as simply conversational phone calls to residents established
- Outdoor Town spaces including tennis courts, multi-use courts, etc. closed
- Phased approach to re-opening Town facilities and infrastructure began to be developed (business resumption plan)

## MAY

- Building permits able to be issued, new construction projects can resume
- Extension of the 2019 annual dog licensing program announced to assist residents
- Began to reopen some outdoor spaces such as the skatepark
- Business resumption plan presented to council for approval. Operational plan submitted to Province of PEI for approval to reopen Town spaces.
- Signage prepared and ordered as spaces prepare reopen
- Operational plan submitted to Province of PEI for adjusted Canada Day activities

## JUNE

- Further outdoor spaces reopened including sports fields, playgrounds, etc.
- Office reopen to general public (June 15) with residents asked to call in advance as many staff continued to work from home on a full or part time basis

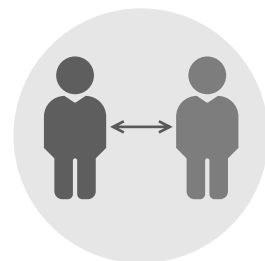
**WASH HANDS**



**WEAR MASK**



**SOCIAL DISTANCE**



## RECREATION, CULTURE & EVENTS

### BABYSITTING COURSE

Friday, November 13, 2020

One day course (9:00am - 4:00pm)

Cost is \$45 per child

Stratford Youth Centre  
(57 Bunbury road)

(Children must bring their own lunch)

Designed for youth a minimum age of 11 (or completion of Grade 5), this course teaches the skills necessary to care for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. It emphasizes safety, dealing with emergencies, and first aid basics, along with hands-on practice that will help build confidence.

Course materials include a student activity book, a certificate suitable for framing, and a wallet-size certificate.



### STAY SAFE PROGRAM

Friday, November 20, 2020

One day course (9:00am - 3:00pm)

Cost is \$50 per child

Stratford Youth Centre  
(57 Bunbury road)

(Children must bring their own lunch)

The Stay Safe Program is for children a minimum of 9 years of age and older (or completion of Grade 3), who may have to spend a brief amount of time home alone. Students will learn home safety procedures, ways to obtain emergency help and when it is appropriate to call 911 and other related topics.

Both programs are offered by Island First Aid Services. To register for one of these programs, contact the Town of Stratford at 902-569-1995 or visit [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca). Space is limited, register early. Registration opens October 1, 2020.

**Please Note: Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Youth Centre programming, scheduling and participation numbers may be subject to change without notice.**

### STRATFORD YOUTH CENTRE

The Stratford Youth Centre offers youth in Grades 5-12, a safe and supportive environment to participate in at the social and recreational centre, in various clubs, and special events to engage them. In turn, this encourages social growth and helps develop self-confidence and skills to prepare youth for their future. The Centre guides members to focus on volunteering, empowerment, community engagement and provides youth with an opportunity to voice their concerns about the community and show that they can really make a difference.



Membership allows access to the Youth Centre, numerous clubs and events, as well as an opportunity to participate in regular weekly member meetings. There is no cost for youth to join the Stratford Youth Centre. All members must help out with regular fundraising and volunteer opportunities within the community to maintain their membership. Parents are strongly encouraged to become involved with the Youth Centre and attend regular parent meetings.



Members are asked to commit to a minimum of 20 volunteer hours with the Stratford Youth Centre every year to maintain their membership. This may include working at an event, assisting nonprofit organizations, and fundraising. All volunteer hours that are collected by members are recorded and can be used on a resume as a valuable life experience as they approach adulthood.

Upcoming volunteer opportunities will be included in parent emails and weekly member meetings.

Stratford Youth Centre members are also eligible to earn special prizes and awards for their volunteer service with the Stratford Youth Centre.



We are always looking for new youth members and adult volunteers. If you would like to become a Stratford Youth Centre Member, volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Duane at (902) 367-3294 or [dpineau@townofstratford.ca](mailto:dpineau@townofstratford.ca).

### > Stratford Youth Centre Clubs

The Stratford Youth Centre has a number of great clubs for youth to join. The clubs are open to Youth Centre members and are free of charge. For more information about these clubs or to become a Stratford Youth Centre member, stop into the Youth Centre or contact Duane Pineau at (902) 367-3294 or [dpineau@townofstratford.ca](mailto:dpineau@townofstratford.ca).



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## YCAN PROGRAM



The YCAN Youth Program is looking for youth ages 15+ in Charlottetown/Stratford, Three Rivers, and Summerside areas who are interested in working with peers to put on Volunteer Service Projects to better their community! We will identify a social issue the group is passionate about improving and create a project to make that positive impact! Some previous projects include; organizing a Family Fun Beach Day, filming a video to combat online bullying, creating a mental health awareness mural, litter clean-ups, putting on an educational banquet to inform on the growing issue of food waste, and more!

Cohorts runs 2-4 months depending on the project idea and all costs are covered by the program! It is a free and fun way to take ownership of the change YOU want to make! Please contact Joseph Dery at joseph.dery@ymcamoncton.ca or (902) 393-4324 for more information or to register.

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

### > C.H.A.N.C.E.S. Drop In and Play

This program is held on Fridays at Stratford Town Centre. It is an ongoing, weekly program, held from 9:30-11:30am for children from birth to age 6. The C.H.A.N.C.E.S. family resource centre hosts this weekly playtime for caregivers and children. Make new friends and discover all sorts of fun things to do together! This is a free program for families. Registration is required at this time due to Public Health restrictions. To register, or more information, call 902-892-8744 or email chances@chancesfamily.ca

### > Instructional Ice Hockey "Skills and Drills"

Saturday's from October 10, 2020 - March 6, 2021  
 Time: 7:10am - 8:10am  
 Location: Pownal Rink  
 Participants can be Grades K-6  
 Cost is \$60 per participant

The Youth Ice Hockey program is available to children who are not currently involved in a minor hockey program, to enjoy recreational play. Space is limited to 25 participants. Mandatory equipment includes: helmet, neck protector, stick, and skates. Register before October 9 with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online at [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca).

### > Love to Skate Program - "Learn to Skate Program"

Through the generosity of the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Foundation, Go!PEI and our community partners, we are offering another year of the "I Love to Skate" Program, an Island-wide winter initiative designed to give kids the opportunity to get active by learning the fundamentals of skating. This is a no-cost, no-pressure, recreational program to encourage fun physical activity.

Each program runs weekly for a minimum of six weeks for 45 - 60 minutes for children ages 4 - 18 of all abilities. More details will be made available soon on our social media accounts.

Program Location: Pownal Sports Centre  
 Day & time to be determined soon!



### > Brush Stop

Every Tuesday from 10:00 - 11:00am  
 (beginning September 15)  
 Location: Via Zoom  
 No Cost (free program)

Every week, enjoy a story and arts & craft with Island artist, Tricia MacNeil Baldwin!



## PONDSIDE MULTI-USE COURTS



### Pondsides Multi-Use Court is OPEN!

The court features 5 basketball nets, built-in street hockey nets and 2 Four Square courts. The project was completed with the support of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), made possible by the Province of PEI and the Government of Canada.

Special thanks to Island Coastal for leading the construction of the multi-use courts!

## COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

We have recently launched our Community Events Calendar on the website!

On this calendar community groups are permitted to add their community events taking place within the Town of Stratford. All events listed must be open to the general public and not restrictive of belonging to particular clubs, memberships, or other similar groups restricting attendance/participation.

All our community partners are welcome to give the Community Events Calendar a try! We hope to grow this to become a one-stop resource to all residents who wish to know what's going on in town!



## RECREATION, CULTURE & EVENTS

### JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL TOUR!

Plans for a community celebration and open house at our new Stratford Emergency Services Centre were in the works before COVID-19 changed those plans on us. BUT we've changed things up and will be launching a virtual tour in early September! Watch our website and follow us on social media to get your first hand tour inside the facility.

### STORM CLOSURE POLICY

When hurricanes and fall/winter storms arrive and you are unsure whether the Stratford Town Centre is open, please note that cancellations are sent to our local radio stations: CFCY, Ocean 100, CBC, Q93, & Hot 105.5. Notifications are also posted on the Town's website, Facebook and Twitter. Since cancellation notices may be reported by media later than when the doors to the Recreation Centre normally open in the morning, we suggest you call (902) 569-2535 for the latest updates on any storm related event.



Sorry WE'RE CLOSED

### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### > Fundraiser Fitness Classes

##### MONDAY'S BODY FIT

Drop in to Body Fit for this full body muscle conditioning class, 60 minutes of fun for all levels of fitness. You can do all the exercises with weights that work for you or no weights at all!

**Monday's from 6:15 - 7:15pm**

**Location: Stratford Town Centre Stage (online until further notice)**

##### WEDNESDAY'S STEP FIT

It's a step aerobics class (yes - just like in the 80s) that's a great cardio workout for all levels of fitness! Time flies when you're having fun and working up a sweat! Come on out and try it!

**Wednesday's from 6:30 - 7:30pm**

**Location: Stratford Town Centre Stage (online until further notice)**

##### FRIDAY'S DROP FIT

A functional fitness class, it includes muscle conditioning using body weight and/or free weights. A fun class that helps to build endurance, and great for all levels of fitness and abilities!

**Friday's from 6:15 - 7:15pm**

**Location: Stratford Town Centre Stage (online until further notice)**



Stratford Youth Centre greatly appreciates your donations. To donate, you can contact Duane Pineau or Rachel Arsenault at the Town of Stratford at 902-569-1995.

Fit classes are led by volunteer instructor Clare, a CanfitPro Certified Fitness Instructor. "Fit" classes are a great way to be active and contribute to a great program in Stratford. All proceeds go towards purchasing of new equipment for Stratford Youth Centre Programs.

#### > Men's Recreational Basketball

**Sunday's: September - December 27 (start date TBD as soon as Centre opens)**

**Time: 8:15 - 9:45pm**

**Location: Stratford Town Centre**

**Fee: \$20.00**



Min. 12 participants, Max. 24 participants. Players must pre-register to play and drop-ins are not welcomed at this time due to COVID-

19 regulations. If the program is canceled due to COVID-19, program credit or refund will be issued.

Recreational basketball league is for those of 18+ years of age - everyone is welcome to come and play. All levels encouraged in this "for fun" league! Register with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online at [www.townof-stratford.ca](http://www.townof-stratford.ca)

#### > Co-Ed Badminton

**Tuesday's: September to December 22 (start date TBD as soon as Centre opens)**

**Time: 8:15 - 9:45pm**

**Location: Stratford Town Centre**

**Fee: \$20.00**

Min. 12 participants, Max. 24 participants. Players must pre-register to play and drop-ins are not welcomed at this time due to COVID-19 regulations. If the program is canceled due to COVID-19, program credit or refund will be issued.



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Recreational badminton league is for those of 18+ years of age. Fun and social co-ed badminton program is open to all skill levels and ability. Register with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online via Town of Stratford website [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)

### > Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball

**Monday's: September to December 28**  
(start date TBD as soon as Centre opens)  
**Time: 8:15 - 9:45pm**  
**Location: Stratford Town Centre**  
**Fee: \$20.00**

Min. 12 participants, max. 24 participants. Players must pre-register to play and drop-ins are not welcomed at this time due to COVID-19 regulations. If the program is cancelled due to COVID-19, a program credit or refund will be issued.

net) is provided by the Town of Stratford. All you need are your pickleball racquet and runners! Beginners are welcome to come and try the program. Every level of ability is welcome, ages 16+.

**Monday's to Thursday's:**  
**8:15am - 12:30pm**  
**Friday's: 12:00pm - 3:00pm**  
(Start date TBD as soon as Centre opens)  
**\$40.00 (under age of 55 years)**  
**\$30.00 (over age of 55 years)**  
**Max 32 players per 2 hour time slot**

Players must pre-register to play and drop-ins are not welcomed at this time due to COVID-19 regulations. If the program is cancelled due to COVID-19, a program credit or refund will be issued. Register with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online at [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)

### > Poster Art Club



**Thursday's:**  
**October 1 to December 3, 2020**  
**Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm**  
**Location: Via Zoom**  
**Cost: \$20/person**  
**(Supplies not included)**  
**Ages: Adults 16 +**

For all levels and abilities! Register with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online at [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)



Recreational volleyball league is for those of 18+ years of age. Fun and social co-ed volleyball program is open to all skill levels and ability. Register with the Town Centre Attendants at the Recreation Reception Desk or online via Town of Stratford website [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)

### > Pickleball

Come try a new fun sport! Pickleball is a mix of tennis, badminton and ping pong. This sport is for all skill levels.

Pickleball is a growing racquet sport that's kind of like playing table tennis on a badminton court! The basic equipment (ball &

## ONLINE PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Visit our website to see upcoming programs and registration dates.

You can even create a personal account to register and pay for programs online at

[www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)

REGISTER



## PERMISSION TO USE TOWN FACILITIES

The Town of Stratford owns and operates a number of parks, playgrounds, playing fields and facilities. Groups and individuals who want to use Town facilities for any reason must fill out an application and obtain permission from the recreation department.

Town parks include all neighborhood parks and playgrounds, as well as our major parks; Tea Hill Park, Pondsides Park, Kinlock Park, Robert L. Cotton Memorial Park, and Fullerton's Creek Conservation Park. Town facilities include the Stratford Town Centre, MacNeill Community Centre, Bunbury Rink Building and Cotton Park buildings. Town facilities are available to groups or individuals on a priority basis.

## RECREATION, CULTURE & EVENTS

### NO WIPES IN YOUR PIPES!

Municipal sanitary sewer system pumps are not designed to handle woven fabric such as disinfecting wipes, baby wipes, or so called “flushable” wipes.

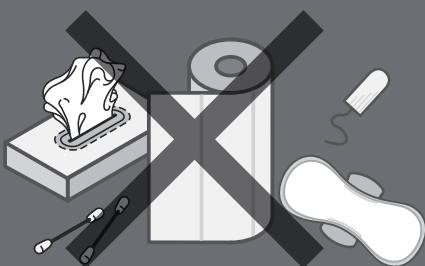
Please do not flush anything **BUT** toilet paper (and bodily waste) down your pipes. This even includes dental floss, tampons and condoms. These items may even clog your home pipes which will require plumbing services and become an expense to the home owner.

**ONLY** toilet paper will break down in our sewer system!

*Yes!*



**No!**



### FITNESS WITH BENCHES

This summer, the Town of Stratford added 18 full body exercises to nine benches along a popular stretch of trail in the Town. This area was selected because of its ease of accessibility and high volume of active transportation users. If unable to walk to this area, residents can park at Stratford Town Centre and continue along the path completing as many of the exercises as they wish.

The nine benches each have two workouts on signs mounted next to the benches. These workouts are simple to follow, using stick figures to demonstrate the positioning. Most importantly, they require no equipment, have no cost and are available to everyone, regardless of their fitness level and ability. They are a great addition in providing residents the opportunity to have fitness options and making fitness friendly for all.

The workouts and images were selected in consultation with Allison St. Pierre from Reactive Wellness in Stratford – we thank her for her input and assistance with this project! The nine benches run along Shakespeare Drive (5 total), one at Stratford Town Centre, two located at the benches at the “Y” in the trail just off of Shakespeare and Heron Drives, and one on the trail near Glen Stewart Drive and Reactive Wellness.

The Town of Stratford would like residents to provide feedback about these new bench workouts as they begin to use them. Feedback can be provided to [info@townofstratford.ca](mailto:info@townofstratford.ca) or (902) 569-6924.

Funding for this project was provided through the Province of PEI's PEI Wellness Grant.



## WELCOME TO OUR ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

**Great news - the Town of Stratford now has a staff member dedicated entirely to working on environmental sustainability!**

The Environmental Sustainability Coordinator position was created this year to help the Town achieve its environmental commitments and to respond to continued support from residents in our annual survey for more investment in our local environment. Environmental sustainability is an important part of all decisions and departments, and the Town recognized that human resources were needed for the Town to be a true environmental champion.

The Environmental Sustainability Coordinator will work to:

- implement the Community Energy Plan and its many recommendations for Stratford’s sustainable energy future
- develop tree planting and protection programs and engage residents on how they want to see their urban forest protected
- increase the efforts of the Town to conserve our precious freshwater resources
- restore natural areas and develop plans for protecting and enhancing natural areas
- enable Stratford to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change
- achieve many, many more environmental sustainability goals!

Madeleine Crowell has been selected for this position and comes with a master’s degree in resource and Environmental Management, and a passion for making environmental sustainability a priority. Most recently, Madeleine was the Coordinator for the Stratford Area Watershed Improvement Group (SAWIG). To contact Madeleine email [mcrowell@townofstratford.ca](mailto:mcrowell@townofstratford.ca) or call 902-218-3336.

## 25TH ANNIVERSARY

On April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020, we celebrated the Town’s 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. With the community celebration that was planned on hold due to COVID-19, we came up with the idea of listing ‘25 ways to celebrate the Town’s 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday’ and organized this virtual celebration to mark the day. A virtual singing of ‘happy birthday’ was also held and we know many residents decorated their windows and enjoyed birthday cake that day. In the last 25 years, the Town

has seen a lot development in its landscape and demography and here are a couple of images that bear witness to those changes that have been happening in our community.



Stratford Transit Coach 2009



Town Centre in 2004

**CAN YOU NAME THE ORIGINAL COMMUNITIES THAT NOW MAKE UP THE TOWN OF STRATFORD?**

Hint: there are five (answer page 24)

**WE ARE EXCITED TO OFFER E-BILLING TO OUR RESIDENTS!**



Signing up for this service now will allow you to receive your utility bills electronically and provide you with a historical overview of all your transactions with the Town.

You will also be able to make online credit card payments and view your receipts online from your e-billing account. More services will be rolled out in the coming months!

### HOW TO REGISTER?

To complete the signup process, you will need to locate the unique key code on your latest utility bill. It can be found around the middle of the bill and on the right hand side under the ‘Message’ section. Visit the E-Billing tab on our website and select the ‘Ready to Sign Up’ link when you have your key code and are ready to sign up in a few simple steps!

To make it easier we’ve created a step by step sign up guide to help you navigate the sign up process. Visit [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca) for more information.

## 2020 TOWN OF STRATFORD SENIOR, ADULT & YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Volunteers are - and always will be - an essential part of our community. On Canada Day 2020, the Town of Stratford acknowledged and recognized the efforts of some of our volunteer citizens who have contributed to our community.



### MARY HUGHES

(SENIOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR)

Mary was awarded our 2020 Everett MacDougall and Walter MacIntyre Senior Volunteer of the Year Award. While she began her lifelong volunteer service in grade 8 at Birchwood Junior High School as a member of the Library Club, Mary went on to devote her time and energy with various groups and non-profit organizations, including a long-standing career in nursing. Mary has also served on a number of Town Committees and is an active member of the Stratford and Area Watershed Improvement Group.

*Thank you Mary! We are glad to have you on-board!*

### CLARE CUDMORE

(VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD)

Clare was the recipient of our 2020 Neil and Gail MacDonald Volunteer of the Year Award. Clare is well known to many in the community. She has been offering affordable fitness classes to residents at just \$3 per class from 2017 to date, with all proceeds going to the Stratford Youth Centre programs. So far, Clare has donated over \$4000 to the Stratford Youth Centre programs. Even the COVID-19 shutdown could not stop Clare as she continued to offer three classes per week by video from her home.

*We are proud and thankful you call Stratford home!*

### TYLER BEAVER-HOUNSELL

(YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR)

Tyler was presented with the 2020 Stephen J. McQuaid Memorial Youth Award. He has been a member of the Stratford Youth Centre and Stratford Youth Council since 2015 and has been involved in many projects with the Stratford Youth Council and youth centre. Tyler is not only a great mentor to the younger volunteers but with his positive attitude towards volunteerism, he is also an exemplary role model to other youth in his pursuit to give back to his community.

*We can't wait to see how far Tyler will go!*

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### *Presentation to* **RYAN LLEWELLYN**

Mayor Ogden recognized the work of Stratford resident Ryan Llewellyn who as a member of the Culinary Youth Team Canada earlier this year competed at the IKA Culinary Olympics in Stuttgart, Germany. The Canadian team won 2 golds, placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall & ranked the highest ever for a Canadian Junior team.



### *Presentation to* **JORDAN KOUGHAN**

In early March, Mayor Ogden recognized Jordan Koughan, son of Town of Stratford employee Charlie Koughan, for his accomplishments at the Special Olympics Canada Winter Games in Thunder Bay. By the end of the week, Jordan had earned a gold and three silver medals from his outstanding efforts on the rink.





# STRATFORD AREA WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT GROUP

*SAWIG is a not-for-profit group dedicated to preserving and enhancing Stratford's diverse landscape and fostering interest and participation in watershed planning.*

## > Summer Field Season Wrap up

This summer SAWIG students were very busy! Over 1,500 trees were planted along streams and coast-lines, three kilometers of beach were cleaned up, and fish habitat was improved over two kilometers of stream. Also, water quality monitoring took place every week in eight locations. Invasive species such as Japanese knotweed, wild cucumber, and bittersweet nightshade, were removed from many locations. Overall it has been another successful field season!



Have you thought about how much you use, and how you might use less?

Through a partnership between the Town of Stratford, the Stratford Area Watershed Improvement Group, and Environment and Climate Change Canada the program provides free of charge water audits to Stratford residents who have a water meter in their home.

If you are interested in this program email [wateraudits@townofstratford.ca](mailto:wateraudits@townofstratford.ca) or call 902-367-3605

## > Fall Reminder

As you complete your fall clean up, please remember to prepare your rain barrel for the winter by placing it upside down or storing it in a location that will not collect water. Rain barrels left in place will fill with water, freeze, and then likely crack when temperatures warm again.



## > Fall Tree Sale

The SAWIG Annual Tree Sale is planned for September 2020! This event is aimed at making it easier for Stratford

residents to plant trees on their property. Planting trees around your home can greatly reduce the impacts of hotter summers and colder winters. We could all use a few more trees and this is a great way to get your hands on native species.

Please check our social media for an official date and a list of available species.

## > Reduce your water consumption

The Stratford Water Audit Program launched in 2020 was temporarily paused due to COVID-19 but we are working to resume this water-saving program!

The average person on PEI uses 220 litres of water per day – that's a lot of water.

## BIG THANK YOU

to the PEI Wildlife Conservation Fund for their generous support.

Did you know that when you purchase a PEI Conservation License Plate the proceeds support the work of environmental groups on PEI?

## BECOME A MEMBER!





Memberships are only \$10/year for Individuals, \$20/year for Families, and \$100/year for a Business Corporate Membership.

Pick up a membership at Town Centre, call (902) 367-3605 or find it online at [sawig.wordpress.com](http://sawig.wordpress.com)

Your membership fee goes directly to helping SAWIG complete projects in your community!



**If you'd like to learn more about SAWIG's projects you can find us on all social media platforms:**

-  @stratfordwater
-  Stratford Area Watershed
-  @stratfordwatershed
-  [sawig.wordpress.com](http://sawig.wordpress.com)



# RESPECT

IT'S A TWO WAY STREET



## It's back to school time!

Watch for those big yellow buses; they are easy to spot and they give motorists plenty of warning with yellow and flashing red lights. Be prepared to stop!

Kids are out and about—take note of crosswalk locations, and be extra careful during school hours.

## Cycling!

It's good for you and good for the environment! Know the rules of the road and practice safe cycling.

## Did you know?

Did you know that the three main causes of fatal motor vehicle accidents are **speeding, drunk driving, and driver distraction?**

So always respect the road and other travellers. Slow down, be attentive, and drive sober!

## JAMES AYLWARD, MLA

**COVID-19.** A clinical term defining our world both large and small over the past 7 months. A sudden viral onslaught, a pandemic raising societal fear and anxiety to a level few of us have ever witnessed or experienced.

Our Island, our community has weathered this storm with enviable success. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize those who have contributed to that success. First among us, Dr. Heather Morrison, PEI's chief health officer, whose leadership balanced scientific rigor with an understanding and compassion for the realities of upended family life and uncertain economic stability. Further, front line workers in hospitals, testing sites and the emergency service sector and educators thrown into uncharted territory, all who exceeded our expectations. Not the least, all Islanders for realizing early on, that 'We're all in this together'. **We are forever indebted!**



On a more optimistic note! If ever it can be said this pandemic has a 'silver lining', I have been heartened by the number of residents who have remarked to me in casual conversation over the past few months, how blessed they have felt by the opportunity to slow down their families' lives, reconnect and develop deeper and stronger bonds. Seniors and those living alone have appreciated unexpected offers of companionship and assistance from neighbours. This gives me the confidence that our community will emerge from this with renewed energy and purpose.

An important reminder! In order to secure the success of our renewal and future, now is the time to BUY LOCAL! When purchasing groceries or pharmaceuticals; dining out, choosing entertainment, personal or property care, health related or automotive services, please consider our

local businesses. Our commercial sector is integral to a healthy, vibrant community and Stratford is competitive with the best!

An update on a couple of local projects I have actively endorsed and advanced. As I write this, the MacKinnon Dr. extension linking Glen Stewart Dr. with Kinlock Rd., bringing much needed relief to the congestion on the TCH and, more importantly, the safety of an additional egress for our school population, is nearing completion. Construction of a much-requested Active Transportation Corridor over the Hillsborough Bridge, providing safe transit for our cycling and pedestrian community, has been moved up by 2 years and is now scheduled for start this Fall. **Great Progress!**

**Coming soon!** This November a Collaborative Health Centre will be opening in the Kinlock Crossing building, a welcome addition to our local healthcare network.

A special word of congratulations goes to Stratford resident, Julia Larkin, a recent graduate of the Charlottetown Rural High School. Julia is the well deserving recipient of the Dr. David McKenna Award, recognizing her academic excellence and intention to further her studies in the sciences. **Bravo!**

# CONGRATS!

As always, please contact me with any issues or concerns. Please follow all health directives, remain vigilant, and **Stay Safe!**

*Sincerely,*  
**James Aylward**

**Hon. James Aylward,**  
**MLA Stratford-Kinlock**  
**Email: jsaylward@assembly.pe.ca**  
**Office: 902-368-5250**  
**Home: 902-569-1615**

## MICHELE BEATON, MLA

Our world changed significantly over the past six months. More than ever, I am so grateful to live in Prince Edward Island, especially in District 5. We live in one of the lowest COVID impacted areas in Canada. This is a testament to all Islanders and their desire to take care of each other. Thank you for your hard and considerate work. We are now in a crucial stage of recovery. Students are going to back to school, families are adjusting to their new normal. It is now more important than ever to look after each other.

The Spring session of the Legislative Assembly started as an emergency sitting in May. Predicted to last two days, the sitting continued for eight weeks. There was a lot of important work completed during the sitting.

In June, I sponsored my first bill. This legislation grants the Auditor General the authority to audit the use of taxpayer funds by third party organizations. It also allows the Office of the Auditor General to report more frequently.

I was disappointed to watch government backtrack on their commitment to consult with Islanders on draft land use and ownership legislation. Government and the Minister are instead choosing to delay doing any work by establishing yet another advisory committee to review land use. This is an area that has been studied extensively. It is time to act on the extensive recommendations of the previous reviews.

I was very pleased that government has moved the construction of the active transportation corridor across the Hillsborough Bridge into this current year. This will make it safer to commute between Charlottetown and Stratford.

Recently, I had the opportunity to meet with Stratford and Area Water and Improvement Group. It was great to see some of the excellent work they are doing to remove invasive species and tree planting in the buffer areas of streams in and around Stratford. This work is so important to the water quality in our district.



It was wonderful to see so many residents lining the streets for the Canada Day Motorcade! Town of Stratford staff did a fantastic job developing innovative ideas to celebrate the day while observing public health guidelines for COVID-19. Congratulations to all the organizers.

The pandemic has changed a lot, including how we socialize and celebrate as a community. It means this year we are not able to get together for those wonderful strawberry socials, community picnics and other summertime celebrations. While things may be different, one thing remains the same. I am still at work for you.

Please reach out to me anytime. I am available to schedule meeting times to catch-up and to hear your concerns and ideas.

*Sincerely,*  
**Michele Beaton**

**Michele Beaton**  
**MLA Mermaid -Stratford**  
**Email: mlbeatonmla@assembly.pe.ca**  
**Telephone: 902-620-3977**

## BACK TO SCHOOL

For the safe return of all students and school staff to in-class learning, please refer to the 2020 Return to School Guidelines on the Province of PEI's website at <https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/topic/back-school>

School buses will be back on our streets beginning September 8th and now is a good chance to remind ourselves to leave additional time as we head to work in the morning or travel in the mid-afternoon. Please watch for students entering or exiting their school buses, crossing streets and walking or riding their bike to/from school and remember to adhere to speed limits in school zones. Let's make this year a safe year for those travelling to and from school on our Island streets!





## BE NEIGHBOURLY AND ENSURE YOUR PET IS NOT BEING A NUISANCE TO YOUR NEIGHBOURS!

Pet owners should refrain from letting their pets visit the yards of those around them, whether while on a walk or by leaving them to wander on their own. We have received some reports about cats and dogs defecating in gardens/flowerbeds on private property, using children's sandboxes as an outdoor litter box and in some cases, bothering other indoor pets.

Please respect your neighbours and find ways to keep your pet on your own property, especially if you know it is unwanted nearby. Don't forget that it is against our bylaw to allow your dog to be off leash anywhere except for the owner's property or the Town's dog park. This includes all of our parks and trails.

Thank you for your cooperation!

## STRATFORD DOG PARK

Located next to the Stratford Town Centre, the Stratford Dog Park is available for all residents free of charge. The Dog Park is open from dawn to dusk with agility toys, benches and a picnic table for your enjoyment. All users are asked to clean up after their pets and to respect park rules. Remember, dogs are **NOT** permitted on any Town sport field at any time!

## STRATFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY



### HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday: 9:30am - 8:30pm  
 Wednesday: 9:30am - 8:30pm  
 Thursday: 9:30am - 5:30pm  
 Friday: 9:30am - 12:30pm, 1:00pm - 5:30pm  
 Saturday: 9:30am - 5:30pm  
 Sunday: Closed

It's a great time to discover Libby, the Overdrive app that gives you access to our ebook and audiobook collection. Check out [pepls.overdrive.com/](http://pepls.overdrive.com/) to check out some of the thousands of titles that are available without a trip to library!

Get your FREE library card in person, or online anytime!

Did you know you can borrow radon detectors, mental health information kits, instruments (ukuleles, guitar, violin, drum kit), a telescope, snowshoes and more at the library?

Check out our Facebook page "**PEI Public Library Service**" or website "[library.pe.ca](http://library.pe.ca)" for event details, collection information, book recommendations and so much more!



As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 situation, all dog licenses issued in the Town of Stratford in 2019 are being extended through 2020 at no additional cost.

The existing bylaw remains in effect requiring all dogs in the Town to be licensed. Anyone with an unlicensed dog, a license that expired before 2019 or with a new dog in their family, should contact the Town at (902) 569-1995 to arrange to have a license issued.

## RCMP IN STRATFORD

### New and Improved RCMP Service for Stratford

As most Stratford residents are aware, the RCMP detachment which was previously located on the Mason Road has moved across the Trans-Canada Highway in Stratford and is now located in the new consolidated first responders building just off of the roundabout at Georgetown Road.

“We’re happy to be fully integrated into the new building which is more reflective of our policing efforts in the community of Stratford. The new, modern, integrated and efficient environment houses our Stratford RCMP members and will accommodate, for the first time, an administrative support person providing counter services to residents. The new space will also allow for service from specialized units such as Traffic Services, Police Dog Services and Major Crimes when required,” says District Commander, Staff Sergeant Shane Hubley. “Housing RCMP with the other first responders for our community will provide improved communications and service delivery. It’s a great improvement and we’re happy to be here.”

**Hours of operation:**  
**8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
**Monday to Friday**  
**Public Phone number:**  
**902- 367-9300**  
**Mailing address:**  
**4 Georgetown Road,**  
**Stratford, PE C1B 1H4**

A reminder to the public that front counter service for RCMP detachments is not available until further notice, due to COVID-19 temporary arrangements.

RCMP looks forward to taking part in a larger open house along with our first responder partners and the Town of Stratford when possible.



### New 3-way Stop in Stratford

The town has a new 3-way stop at the intersection of Skye Lane, Celtic Lane & Creekside Drive.



## CITIZENS ON PATROL NOW RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

Citizens on Patrol Stratford is a volunteer program established in 2008 where residents help to keep the community safe by volunteering to patrol the community and provide an “extra set of eyes and ears” for the RCMP. The program is funded in part by the Town of Stratford and works closely with the RCMP. Citizens on Patrol volunteers observe and report suspicious events to the RCMP – they do not intervene in any way, to ensure their own safety.



If you would like to learn more or go for a ride along with volunteers to try it out for an evening, please call the Town Centre at (902) 569-1995.

You can also follow them on Twitter @COP\_Stratford and on Facebook [www.facebook.com/copstratford](http://www.facebook.com/copstratford)

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Pedestrian collisions are common close to a bus stop, a school zone, or a multi-lane road.**

*(Traffic Injury Research Foundation, Canada)*

**RESPECT**  
 IT'S A TWO WAY STREET





Refuse, rubbish, garbage, papers, packages, containers, bottles, cans and other waste must not be left unattended on your property. Owners who are away and not residing at the property are still responsible for its upkeep! Refer to our Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Bylaw for more info.

## DIGITAL SIGNAGE

The Town's digital sign is operational again! It was previously removed to facilitate the wastewater delivery project, but is now active again. To stay to up-to-date with all Town information, consider subscribing to our e-newsletter, watch our social media pages or check out [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca) anytime!



## STRATFORD AND AREA LIONS CLUB

Hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer! Our Stratford and Area Lions Club activities have been less visible over the past several months due to the COVID-19 pandemic but we have continued to serve our community. We were able to do a shortened version of our cooked market lobster sale where all proceeds were donated to QEH, IWK, and the Charlottetown Rural Bursary. Steve Chapman was the recipient of the bursary. We also participated in the Community Champion program where we partnered with local MLA, Michele Beaton, to distribute much needed food gift cards on behalf of the Government. We miss seeing everyone at our Ceilidh and weekly Crib nights. When we are able to start these projects again, all information will be posted on our Facebook page. Stay tuned!



We are currently in the midst of our apple pie project and bagged apple sales. This project can't happen without the dedication of our members as it takes countless hours to make these pies from scratch! Half of our members peel and slice apples all afternoon, then early in the evening the rest of our members turn the service building into a pie assembly line! Our 9 inch deep dish apple pies are available freshly baked, frozen, or uncooked for your convenience. We also sell 5 lbs. and 10 lbs. bags of fresh apples at a great price! Just

watch for the flashing amber light at our sales building conveniently located on the Stratford roundabout, to know when we are open. We are open Thursday to Saturday, so drop by to pick up a pie to enjoy and don't forget to pick up a few for the freezer for you to enjoy during the winter months.

Have you ever wondered where the funds that we raise go? We have a list up on the wall at our building to show where the funds go. They include organization such as QEH, IWK, Diabetes Foundation, Cancer Society, Camp Gencheff, CNIB, local youth sports teams, youth organizations, senior-orientated groups, and many more worthwhile causes! We also financially help individuals who have to seek off-island medical treatment as well as those needing a helping hand in our community. We hold their information in confidence and if you are a resident of Stratford and surrounding area needing assistance, we can be contacted at [Stratford.area.lions@hotmail.com](mailto:Stratford.area.lions@hotmail.com) or on Facebook.

Do you have some extra time in your life and a passion to help others? We would love to talk to you about becoming a Lion! Contact us for more information and we will get you involved in the community. Whether you are male or female, everyone is welcome. Trust us, you can expect to feel an overwhelming sense of self-satisfaction, generosity, and pride when you know YOUR contribution helped to make a difference in your community and all while having FUN doing it! Please feel free to contact our president, Cathy Martin, at (902) 367-8949 or any Lions member.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Respectfully submitted by,  
Mae Bovyer, Club Secretary**

## STRATFORDS OF THE WORLD



CVOID-19 has impacted all of our lives in many different ways, including the postponement of the Stratfords of the World Reunion in Ontario until July 2021. Those who had registered have their registrations pushed ahead but if anyone else wishes to attend please contact me at [dxcampbell@live.ca](mailto:dxcampbell@live.ca) or the conference chair, Joan Ayton, at [riversedge160@gmail.com](mailto:riversedge160@gmail.com) (Reunion tentatively scheduled for the last week of July).

These Reunions, which occur every second year in one of the six Stratfords (Ontario, Connecticut, New Zealand,

Australia, England and Prince Edward Island), provide a wonderful opportunity to explore another Stratford, experience its culture, and form/renew friendships.

The upcoming Reunion in Ontario features organized tours of the city and surrounding area, a tour and performance at its new theatre, a banquet, a variety concert, and an optional day tour to Niagara Falls. Delegates are billeted with local families and most meals are provided. Reunions are great educational and cultural experiences and also lots of fun - please consider attending next summer for your Canada Staycation. Meanwhile, be well, stay well!

*Respectfully submitted by  
Daphne Campbell, Chair  
Stratfords of the World Committee-PEI  
[dxcampbell@live.ca](mailto:dxcampbell@live.ca)*



## REMINDER TO DOG OWNERS

As you enjoy the trails and sidewalks in the Town, please be a responsible dog owner by cleaning up after your dog and taking the dog poop bag with you to dispose of in the garbage (these DO NOT compost and are NEVER to be left along the side of roads, trails and sidewalks).

### REMEMBER:

Not everyone is a dog person, so please keep your dog on a leash at all times when off your property. Whether you're out on a walk with your pet or heading for a good run at the dog park, always keep the leash on and keep everyone safe!

Dogs are only permitted off leash on the dog owner's property or at the dog park.



## TRIVIA ANSWER FROM PAGE 15

Battery Point  
Bunbury  
Crossroads  
Keppoch-Kinlock  
and  
Southport

## TAKE T3 TRANSIT!

Prior to COVID-19, we were seeing record ridership numbers in Stratford and over the past few weeks, we are seeing a steady increase in those numbers again. We hope that you will continue to support the bus service in our community as a connection, and viable option, to get you into to Charlottetown for work, school or other appointments.

Riders are required to practice social distancing on the bus and encouraged to wear face masks. Take transit today!



## COMMUNITY GROUPS

### > Make a "Big" difference with Big Brothers Big Sisters



What if every child fulfills his or her potential? You can help a child build the confidence to achieve more. Sign up to be a Big Brother, Big Sister, or Big Couple and help a child reach their full potential! Making a difference in the life of a child is easier than you think. Be the spark that ignites their potential – volunteer today! For more information, call Big Brothers Big Sisters of PEI at 569-KIDS (1-877-411-3729), e-mail [info@bbbspei.ca](mailto:info@bbbspei.ca) or visit [www.bbbspei.ca](http://www.bbbspei.ca)

### > Cadets from 20 (Stratford) RCACC



Youth, between the ages of 12 and 18, who are interested in learning more about Army Cadets are encouraged to check us out. There is no cost to join! We participate in orienteering, sports, marksmanship, leadership, citizenship, community service, geo-caching, hiking, canoeing, abseiling, and more! For more info, contact us at 902-626-5159 or [curtis.doucette@cadets.gc.ca](mailto:curtis.doucette@cadets.gc.ca)

### > Definitely Not The Symphony (DNTS)



DNTS is an all-comers orchestra and welcomes musicians of all skill levels and ages. Meetings are on Saturdays from 10:00am - 11:15am from September to June. Cost is a toonie each week. For more information concerning venue and any other COVID-19 related changes, please contact Jenny at 902-368-3576 or [dnts.pei@gmail.com](mailto:dnts.pei@gmail.com) or visit [dntspei.blogspot.com](http://dntspei.blogspot.com)

### > Stratford Community School



Due to the uncertainty and restrictions with the COVID-19 virus, the Stratford Community School will be cancelled for 2020 and expected to return in 2021. For any questions or information, please contact Kathy Livingstone at (902) 569-3098 or [stratfordcommunityschool@gmail.com](mailto:stratfordcommunityschool@gmail.com)

### > Canadian Tire Jump Start



Canadian Tire Jump Start is a charitable program created by the Canadian Tire Jump Start Charities to help kids in need (ages 4 to 18), participate in organized sport and recreation pro-



## COMMUNITY GROUPS

grams. This program is national in scope, but local in its focus. Canadian Tire Jump Start helps by providing funds to help offset the cost of registration fees and equipment for recreation like swim passes, bowling passes, dance lessons, Scouts and Girl Guides, etc.

To apply, please contact one of the following organizations: Kidsport PEI at (902) 368-4110 or Recreation PEI at (902) 892-6445 or visit <http://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/en.html>

### > Kidsport Fund



The Kidsport Fund is a program offered through Sport PEI to ensure that no child is left out of organized sport due to lack of finances. For more information or to apply call 902-368-4110 or 1-800-247-6712; visit <http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/prince-edward-island/> or drop into the Sport PEI Office at 40, Enman Crescent in Charlottetown.

### > Special Olympics PEI



Special Olympics PEI is a non-profit, charitable, sport organization. We provide year-round opportunities for individuals with an intellectual disability to participate in sport. Programs are available for athletes of all ages (starting as young as 2 years old) and abilities in either the Community Sport Program stream (non-competitive) or the Competitive Sport Program stream (various sports offered). If you or someone you know is interested in

getting involved as an athlete, coach or volunteer, or for more information, contact us at our Charlottetown office at (902) 368-8919 or by email at [sopei@sopei.com](mailto:sopei@sopei.com) or check out our website at [www.sopei.com](http://www.sopei.com)

### > ElderDog PEI



ElderDog is a national non-profit organization dedicated to ageing people, ageing dogs and the important connection they enjoy. If you or someone you know could use some help with dog walks, travel to vet appointments, temporary or permanent pet rehoming, Elder Dog PEI volunteers might be able to help - at no cost. Contact (902) 969-2926 or [elderdogpei@gmail.com](mailto:elderdogpei@gmail.com) for more information.

### WATER AUDITS TO BEGIN AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER!

The Town of Stratford and the Stratford Area Watershed Group are collaborating to provide residents with a FREE in-home water audit. To schedule your FREE in-home water audit or to find out more about the program, contact Emily at [wateraudit@townofstratford.ca](mailto:wateraudit@townofstratford.ca) or call (902) 367-3605.

## WINTER HOURS

Please note that our Winter Office Hours are:  
**8:00am – 4:30 pm**  
 \*Beginning October 5<sup>th</sup> 2020



## WASTE WATCH FALL CLEAN UP DATES



Compost: Weeks of Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

Waste: Week of Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>

Learn more at:  
[www.iwmc.pe.ca](http://www.iwmc.pe.ca)

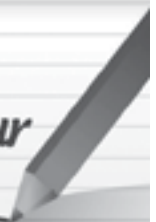
## STRATFORD BUSINESS LISTING

*Is your Stratford business listing up to date?*

Check it out at  
[www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)  
 and send any edits by email to  
[wwatts@townofstratford.ca](mailto:wwatts@townofstratford.ca)

If your business hasn't been listed, please contact Wendy at the same email address to get the listing completed and added in.

*We want your Feedback.*



# HEALTH & WELLNESS

## "SLOW DOWN, MOVE OVER, THINK OF OTHERS"

Since the installation of six speed radar signs in the Town of Stratford, they have recorded data from 1,000,000 vehicle trips past them! We are happy to report that 85% of these data show motorists within posted speed limits!

We ask the remaining 15% who continue to travel above the posted speed limit, or drive dangerously in any other manner, to please stop and to slow down.

### SPEEDING ENDANGERS EVERYONE ON THE ROAD.

We ask and encourage everyone to drive responsibly. Please show respect to everyone on the road.

Residents can help the RCMP by reporting speeders with the following information:

Time and day of the incident

Description of vehicle

License plate number

Description of the driver

Please call the Stratford RCMP at (902) 367-9300 (non-emergency line).



### > Island Karate Club

The Island Karate Club is pleased to be able to offer karate classes again this year. We will be conducting classes following the guidelines set forth by Karate PEI which were approved by Sport PEI and PEI Department of Health and Wellness.

Our classes are at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall located at 145, Stratford Road. Classes are Monday and Thursday nights with returning students beginning Thursday, September 10. Returning students will be contacted prior to that date outlining our return to play policy.

We will be creating a list for beginners based on a first come first serve basis. Beginner classes will commence Thursday, October 01. Beginners can register by contacting Sensei Kirk Dalziel at [kdalziel@upei.ca](mailto:kdalziel@upei.ca) or you can contact us through our Facebook page at Island Karate or website at [www.islandkarate.com](http://www.islandkarate.com)

### > Shake It Up Line Dancers



Shake It Up line dancing plans to resume this fall. Classes are Tuesday evening 6:30-8:00pm and Wednesday morning 10-11:30am. All classes are on the stage area of Stratford Town Centre. Your requirements to participate: a love of music (which we offer through a mixture of rock 'n roll, country, pop, Latin, and everything in

between). Come out and meet new friends and we promise you'll have a good (fun) workout. Everyone is welcome! There is a small fee charged. For more information or to register, contact Karen at 902-569-8516 or [carynhop@hotmail.com](mailto:carynhop@hotmail.com). A maximum number of participants will be accepted at either class time. You can also find Karen on her YouTube channel by looking up 'KareBear line dancing'.

### > S.O.S. (Seniors on Strength) for 50+

Geared to the active VP (vintage person)! Have fun and listen to music



while challenging and improving your strength, balance, mobility, and agility. Workouts include use of a stability ball and light equipment. These classes will help you become stronger to lift, carry, climb stairs, avoid falls and do the things in life you wish to do. Sessions are 4 weeks. Contact Joan at 902-213-6187 or email her at [bfit-jv@gmail.com](mailto:bfit-jv@gmail.com).

Tuesday's at 9:30am

Session 1: starts October 27, 2020

Session 2: starts November 24, 2020

Session 3: starts January 2021

### > Chair Yoga/Stretch & Tone for 50+

A four week session open to VPs (vintage persons) of all levels. The class is geared to promoting body awareness, balance, functional strength and flexibility. We will work on gentle stretching, strengthening and balance movements, combined with breath work while sitting in a chair and/or standing using the chair for support. Part of each class will include use of light



## HEALTH & WELLNESS

equipment. Contact Joan at 902-213-6187 or email her at [bfitjv@gmail.com](mailto:bfitjv@gmail.com)

### Tuesday's at 11:00am

**Session 1: starts October 27, 2020**

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### > Cardio Pump for 50+

Have fun, burn calories, tone and strengthen your body! This workout is geared toward active

VPs (vintage persons). Class initially starts

with low impact cardio moves to oldies music before moving to using light equipment to help create endurance, strength, balance to improve your overall energy. Class ends with a relaxing stretch. Sessions are 4 weeks. To register, contact Joan at 902-213-6187 or email her at: [bfitjv@gmail.com](mailto:bfitjv@gmail.com)



### Thursday's at 9:30am

**Session 1: starts October 29, 2020**

**Session 2: starts November 26, 2020**

**Session 3: starts January 2021**

### > Gentle Flow Yoga for 50+

Gentle Yoga movements on the mat to warm up and loosen your muscles with focus on breath. Standing movements are also included to promote ease of movement, balance, functional strength and flexibility in the body. This class will leave you feeling relaxed and energized. Suitable for all levels. Sessions are 4 weeks. To register, contact Joan at 902-213-6187 or email her at: [bfitjv@gmail.com](mailto:bfitjv@gmail.com)

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### > Privateers Football Club

The Privateers Football Club fields numerous teams playing tackle football in age-specific divisions. The Privateers tackle program includes youth from the Charlottetown and Stratford areas. Last year over 100 youth participate in the combined programs. Football is unique as it allows players of all shapes, sizes and abilities to participate in a team sport. Each of the teams have a knowledgeable and caring coaching staff dedicated to, not only teaching sport specific skills, but valuable life lessons such as teamwork, leadership, and self-confidence. NO experience is required. Registration fees include health insurance coverage and the necessary equipment with the exception of a pair of cleats and a mouth guard.

The Privateers Club is dedicated to developing tackle football at the following levels:

#### Atom (ages 9-11)

**Season: August-November, Charlottetown & Stratford Residents**

#### Peewee (ages 12-13)

**Season: August-November, Charlottetown & Stratford Residents**

#### Bantam (ages 14-15)

**Season: August-November, Charlottetown & Stratford Residents**

#### Varsity (ages: 16-17, + some 18)

**Season: August-November, Charlottetown & Stratford Residents**

For more information, visit [www.peiprivateers.com](http://www.peiprivateers.com). Register by contacting David Henderson at [PrivateersFlag@gmail.com](mailto:PrivateersFlag@gmail.com) or (902) 367-8962.



### > Stratford Minor Basketball

We are a non-profit volunteer organization with a mission to provide opportunities for youth from kindergarten to Grade 6, to play basketball at recreational and competitive levels. We presently have over 125 players enrolled in the program, which runs from mid-October to early March. We have excellent coaches in all divisions but are always looking for more volunteers to coach or help with our Executive. For more information, please visit our website [www.stratfordfoxes.ca](http://www.stratfordfoxes.ca) or contact Stratford Recreation Administrator at 902-569-6250.



### > Dance Stars Academy

Dance Stars Academy will be running two 8-weeks sessions through the fall season, offering recreational dance lessons for all ages! Daytime class offerings include parent and tot sessions for 18mos to 3 years, weekday evenings and weekend lessons for ages 3 and up! Private instruction is available upon request for both daytime and evening appointments, available in all offered styles! Classes for Fall Session 1 will begin Monday, August 31st!

For information regarding our studio COVID-19 strategy, as well as class schedule and registration, please visit us on our website at [www.DanceStarsAcademy.com](http://www.DanceStarsAcademy.com) or email [info@DanceStarsAcademy.com](mailto:info@DanceStarsAcademy.com)

**THINK!**  
STRATFORD!

## ATTENTION STRATFORD BUSINESSES!

We are currently seeking materials for our Town of Stratford Welcome Packages for new residents.

If you have anything to contribute (business cards, brochures, etc.) please contact **Audra** at 569-1995 or [abulger@townofstratford.ca](mailto:abulger@townofstratford.ca).

**Let's make sure our new residents are aware of all that our community has to offer!**



*Imagine that!*

## STRATFORD BUSINESS



### > Welcome New Business!

The Town of Stratford is pleased to welcome many new businesses to our community over the past few months. Please support businesses in our community whenever you get a chance as you shop, play and explore!

### > New Business Profile

#### POWERHOUSE REALTY PEI

Since opening in 2019, Powerhouse Realty PEI has strived to enhance the quality of life on PEI through community involvement. This year, the team took on 2 initiatives in response to the effects of COVID-19 and recently achieved their goal of 100 "Helping Hand" bags provided to those in need as well as for families financially impacted, 50 "Power Packs" filled with school supplies for students of all ages were given out.



If you are a new business in the Town of Stratford, please let us know by sending an email to [info@townofstratford.ca](mailto:info@townofstratford.ca)! We'd love to welcome you in a future edition of Town Talk and include you in our online business directory available at [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)

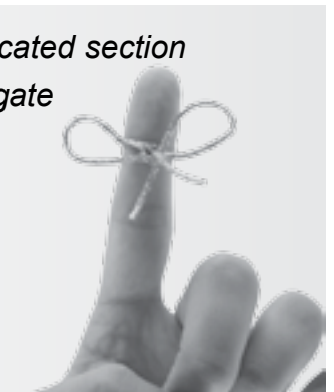
### > Stratford Business Group



The Stratford Business Group welcomes all Stratford businesses, new or established, to become a member and get involved in our community. Whether you want to attend the monthly planning meetings, have an opportunity to meet and network with fellow Stratford businesses, attend learning opportunities or just support the growth of the Stratford business community, there is something for you! Contact [stratfordbusinessgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stratfordbusinessgroup@gmail.com) to learn more or find them on Facebook.

The group is looking forward to offering more activities and learning opportunities in 2020 and hope to see more of our business community out at these in the future. We welcome your ideas and topic suggestions at any time. As always, we encourage all residents to Think Stratford when you shop, play and explore!

*Did you know that the Town has a dedicated section on the website to help businesses navigate their way through useful business and investment information in Stratford? Discover more, including tips, insights and local data on [www.townofstratford.ca](http://www.townofstratford.ca)*





# YOUR TOWN OF STRATFORD QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

INQUIRY	WHO SHOULD YOU CALL...	CONTACT INFORMATION	NOTES
Road repairs and conditions, snowplow inquiries and to report damage caused by a snowplow	The Provincial Government - Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy	902-200-6649, 902-368-5100 or go to <a href="mailto:roads@gov.pe.ca">roads@gov.pe.ca</a>	
Culvert and Ditch Inquiries	The Provincial Government - Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy	902-368-4770	
Wildlife Related Inquires	The Provincial Government - Department of Forest, Fish and Wildlife	902-368-5000 and select option 3	The Town of Stratford staff is not trained in wildlife removal
Public Transit Services and Schedules	T3 Transit	902-566-9962	Passes can be purchased in Stratford at: Murphy's Pharmacy, Shoppers Drug Mart and the Town of Stratford Office
Garbage Collection inquiries and to request garbage bins	Island Waste Management (IWMC)	1-888-280-8111	
Animal Control	PEI Humane Society	902-892-1190	
Safety concerns, speeding, noise issues and trespassing	RCMP	902-367-9300	Please call the RCMP when the situation is happening. Provide helpful information such as; License plate numbers, vehicle descriptions, name of company on a vehicle, house numbers, specific times and locations.
Program Registration, Facility Bookings and Inquires	Town of Stratford - Recreation Department	902-569-6250	
Stratford's Public Library	Provincial Government - Stratford Public Library	902-569-7441	
Utility Bill Inquires and payments	Town of Stratford - Finance Department	902-367-3228 or 902-569-6258	
Building Permits and Inquiries	Town of Stratford - Planning Department	902-569-6255	
Maintenance inquires related to: Parks, Trails and Outdoor Rinks	Town of Stratford - Recreation Department	902-626-6834	
Property Tax Inquiries	The Provincial Government - Property and Land Taxes Office	902-368-4070	
Streetlight not Working	Maritime Electric	1-800-670-1020 and select option 5	You will be required to provide a pole number
Requests for additional streetlights	Town of Stratford - Public Works Department	E-mail: <a href="mailto:ckoughan@townofstratford.ca">ckoughan@townofstratford.ca</a> or 902-569-4662	Residents are required to submit these requests in writing. Please provide reason for the request, name, address and phone number
School Related Inquiries	Public School Branch, PEI	902-368-6990	The Town and the Public-School Branch share building space but they are separate offices
Pesticide Spraying Inquires	The Provincial Government - Department of Water and Climate Change	902-393-5285	Pesticide usage is regulated by the Province
Speed Bump Requests	Town of Stratford - Public Works Department	E-mail: <a href="mailto:ckoughan@townofstratford.ca">ckoughan@townofstratford.ca</a> or 902-569-4662	Residents are required to submit these requests in writing. Please provide reason for the request, name, address and phone number

# STRATFORD COMMUNITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

## PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS:

Drop In & C.H.A.N.C.E.S	(902) 892-8744
Stratford Playschool	(902) 569-2535
Intro To Sports	(902) 569-2535

## YOUTH PROGRAMS:

After School Programs	(902) 569-2535
Girl Guides of Canada	(902) 894-4936
Stratford Youth Centre	(902) 367-3294
Stratford Minor Basketball	dougnewson@gmail.com
Stratford Soccer Club	president@stratfordsoccer.pe.ca
Art Programs	(902) 569-6925
Stratford Minor Baseball	scottjtaylor10@gmail.com
Instructional Ice Hockey	(902) 569-2535
Pownal Minor Hockey	(902) 676-2182
Pownal Can Skate	(902) 569-5866
Speed Skating PEI	info@speedskatepei.ca
Red Cross Water Safety	(902) 628-6262
Scouts Canada (Stratford)	(902) 569-2353
Flag Football	(902) 368-4262
Stratford Army Cadets	(902) 569-4699
Stratford Softball Association	info@stratfordstealers.com

## ADULT/SENIOR PROGRAMS:

Badminton	(902) 569-2535
Carpet Bowling: Shirley Cleveland	(902) 569-3306
Co-Ed Soccer: Pat Martel	(902) 569-3830
Co-Ed Volleyball: Dianne Lidstone	(902) 892-3784
Crossroads & Area Lion's Club	(902) 569-2409
Intro to Fitness Centre	(902) 569-2535
Mayflower Seniors Club	(902) 569-2732
PEI Wildfowl Carvers Club: Moe Wood	(902) 569-3591
Recreational Basketball	(902) 569-2535
Stratford Area Watershed Improvement Group	(902) 367-3605
Yoga/Sweat & Pump - Varacalli Fitness	(902) 213-6187

## FAMILY PROGRAMS:

Community School: Kim Stewart	(902) 569-4258
Table Tennis: Najam Chishti	(902) 368-2360
Cricket: Ross Dwyer	(902) 817-4404

## SUPPORT PROGRAMS:

Canadian Tire Jump Start	(902) 892-6445
KidSport Fund	(902) 368-4110
ParaSport & Recreation PEI	(902) 368-4540
Queens County Residential	(902) 566-4470

## STRATFORD RECREATION FACILITIES:

Stratford Youth Centre	(902) 569-3305
Cotton Centre Seniors Room	(902) 569-3424
Stratford Recreation Centre	(902) 569-2535
MacNeill Community Centre	(902) 569-4987

## TOWN ADMINISTRATION:

Reception Desk	(902) 569-1995
Chief Administration Officer	(902) 569-6251
Infrastructure	(902) 569-4662
Finance	(902) 569-6254
Utility Billing Inquires	(902) 367-3228
Planning, Development & Heritage	(902) 569-6255
Recreation, Culture & Events	(902) 569-2535

## STRATFORD RECREATION STAFF:

Jeremy Pierce, Director	(902) 367-4288
Rachel Arsenaault, Recreation Coordinator	(902) 569-6924
Tanya Craig, Recreation Program Leader	(902) 569-6925
Recreation Administrator	(902) 569-6250
Duane Pineau, Youth & Family Coordinator	(902) 367-3294

## SCHOOLS:

Glen Stewart Primary School	(902) 569-0550
Stratford Elementary School	(902) 569-7750
Birchwood Junior High School	(902) 368-6870
Charlottetown Rural High School	(902) 368-6905

See your business here in the next issue.

Contact Wendy at [wwatts@townofstratford](mailto:wwatts@townofstratford) to learn more about advertising in Town Talk!



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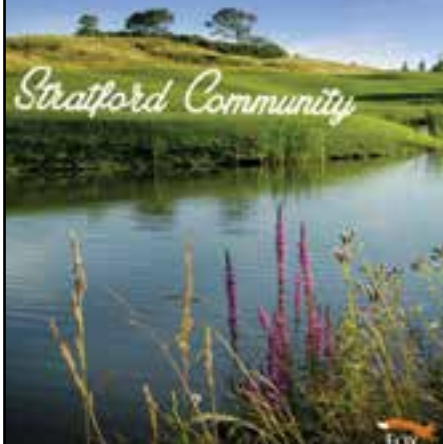
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# VOLUNTEER ON A TOWN OF STRATFORD COMMITTEE!

Stratford Town Council has established a number of committees and sub-committees to provide advice, offer resident perspectives, and to carry out functions and events. This fall we will be accepting applications to all of our committees and we hope you will apply to serve on a Town of Stratford committee. You can help make a difference in our Town. All Stratford residents are eligible and no previous experience is required. Committee terms are for two years beginning on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Committees include:**

- Stratford Seniors Complex Management Sub-Committee
- Planning, Development & Heritage Committee
- Accountability & Engagement Committee
- Recreation, Culture & Events Committee
- Diversity and Inclusion Sub-Committee
- Active Transportation Sub-Committee
- Finance & Technology Committee
- Arts and Culture Sub-Committee
- Safety Services Committee
- Heritage Sub-Committee
- Infrastructure Committee
- Sustainability Committee
- Events Sub-Committee

Follow us on social media and check out our website to learn more and to apply (opening mid-September).  
If you have questions please reach out to [info@townofstratford.ca](mailto:info@townofstratford.ca) or call (902) 569-6921.

***We look forward to seeing your application!***

