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## Council NEWS



### Town Budget 2022



At the January own meeting, the 2022 Budget was presented by the Finance Committee. We are happy to announce a balanced budget was achieved, approved and adopted by council without having to increase municipal taxes for residents or local businesses. Ongoing analysis of expenditures will take place monthly going forward to ensure our fiscal responsibility to the Town and its residents. A further breakdown can be found in the January Council Meeting minutes which are available at the Town Office or online at [www.eastport.ca](http://www.eastport.ca)

### HERITAGE WEEK FEB 2022



Mayor Arthur Crisby signing the Proclamation of Heritage Week 2022

Heritage NL (Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador) is a not-for-profit Crown agency of the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation. Established by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador in 1984, Heritage NL is managed by a government-appointed board of directors with representation from across the province.

#### Our Heritage Minute

Information courtesy of: <https://www.heritage.nf.ca/articles/society/eastport-peninsula-neck.php>

"The Neck", a parcel of land used for inter-community and peninsular activities, located between Eastport, Happy Adventure and Sandy Cove, represents a most remarkable feature of the Peninsula's settlement geography and cultural landscape. It is indeed a settlement characteristic which may be unique not only to Newfoundland but to Canada and perhaps to North America. Although "The Neck" is, in legal terms at least, a piece of church land, its functional use makes it effectively a public reserve and an inter-community commons.

In the early 1870s, during the fledgling stages of Eastport, Happy Adventure and Sandy Cove, a decision was taken by the Anglican Church to build a school-chapel to serve all three communities.

The building was constructed on a centrally located rise, or elevation, near the present site of Holy Cross Anglican Church (which was built in 1890 to replace the earlier chapel). The Church also acquired title to a 30 acre block of land. Over the years this central area, "The Neck", has provided the space needed for cemeteries, schools, playgrounds, and other public buildings.

Today in 2022, "The Neck" contains a parish hall and rectory, Holy Cross School Complex which still serves the whole Eastport Peninsula, an Anglican cemetery, a war memorial, a community garden, sports and recreational facilities, a fire hall, a fraternity lodge (SUF) and other structures. "The Neck" remains today a well utilized and important part of our community.



Holy Cross Anglican Church, "The Neck", 1985. Photo by Gordon Handcock, ©1985. Reproduced by permission of Gordon Handcock



### Newsletter Contribution

We encourage any and all residents to contribute to the success of our monthly community newsletter by sharing ideas, adding events, sending pictures, writing articles, offering suggestions and volunteering any expertise you may have. **We kindly ask that information be submitted by the 25th of each month in order to be shared in the following month's issue.** Any and all contributions would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to any member of the Public Engagement Committee listed here. Amanda Handcock: [amanda.handcock@eastport.ca](mailto:amanda.handcock@eastport.ca), Roger Bull : [thesailorsinn@gmail.com](mailto:thesailorsinn@gmail.com) and Ben Patey : [benwpatey@gmail.com](mailto:benwpatey@gmail.com)

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Town of Eastport

**TOWN HALL Office Hours**  
Tuesday - Friday 9-4pm  
The office will temporarily be closed on Mondays to the public until further notice.  
We apologize for any inconvenience.

**Town of Eastport Regular Council Meeting minutes are available at the Town Office as well as online at [www.eastport.ca](http://www.eastport.ca)**



## ZUMBA is BACK!

**WHEN: Wednesday @ 7PM**

**Where: Happy Adventure**

**Seniors Club (council office)**

Beginner friendly, take it at your own pace.

Just \$30 for 6 classes. Class space is limited. Private message Cayla Turner on Facebook for more details!

## School House Pond Trail

Using the Community Enhancement Employee Program, improvements are being made to the Schoolhouse Pond Trail. Boardwalk will be added to wet areas and the trail will have new crushed stone. It will soon be ready for everyone to enjoy!

Another great step in the right direction!

## Running & Walking Club

### Re-Boot

Info Session: March 14th, 2022 @ 6:30pm Eastport Rink

Begin Date: Monday March 21st, 2022

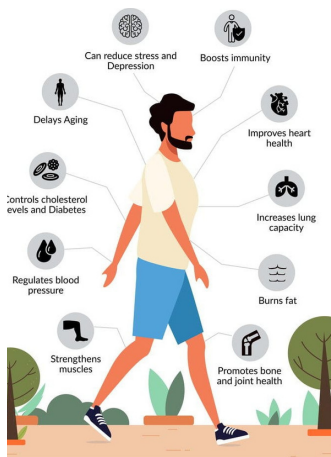
Running and walking is an easy and simple way to boost your physical, mental and emotional health. Learn to run 5k over 8 weeks with an easy to follow beginner program.

A walkers program will also be available for those who wish to join in on the fun.

We all will start moving together on March 21st!!!

## Wellness Minute

### THE BENEFITS OF WALKING



*An early morning walk is a blessing for the entire day.*

*~Henry David Thoreau*

## Social News

### Beaches 50 plus Club & S.U.F

#### St. Patrick's Day Supper & Dance

Sat. March 19th @ 6 pm.

Stew with rolls, dessert, tea, coffee for \$12.00 a plate.

For tickets call Julia 677-3153 or Len 677-3491

Also open mic 7- 9pm

Dance starts at 9:30 w/ DJ. Jerry Penny \$5 cover charge

Deadline to order supper Saturday March 12

Come enjoy some great music, dancing with friends and great food!



### Welcome Committee

The public engagement committee would like to be able to offer new residents moving to the Town of Eastport a warm welcome. We are hoping to form a small group of individuals to gather local information and various local items such as crafts, bottled goods, fresh vegetables, books, gift cards, etc to help introduce newcomers to the town and surrounding areas. If you would like to be a part of this group or have a contribution to make please contact Roger Bull: thesailorsinn@gmail.com

### SOCIAL DAY

Church of the Resurrection Sandringham

Thursdays

9:30am - 3:30pm

Come out to visit us! We would love to see you!

Coffee and muffins are available to purchase for \$1 each.

Our craft table has expanded to two tables!

# Local Spotlight



This month's local shout out goes to:

### Holy Cross Student Council!

Teacher Appreciation week was Feb 13-14th, Feb 17th was National Kindness Day and Feb 23rd was National Pink Day (an anti-bullying awareness day across Canada). The Student Council of Holy Cross went above and beyond to spread kindness to their fellow classmates, teachers and entire school community!



With the help of their fabulous teacher Mrs. Shelley Stead, the students, which include Hannah Babstock, Miya Burden, Arianna Lowery, Cassie Saunders, Emma Vatcher and Carleigh Robinson pulled off some amazing acts of kindness! They organized personalized gratitude notes for every staff member, completed a beautiful painted mural that included each and every persons hand print at Holy Cross School and if that wasn't enough, they produced an amazing video that showcased how a little kindness can go a long way. Set to the song "Be a Light", the students of Holy Cross Student Council knocked it out of the park! Go check out their video on the Holy Cross School Facebook page or at the link : <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=656164888455523> Way to go HCS student Council, keep on spreading the light!



## The Beaches Library

Happy to announce The Beaches Library is now re-opened to the public.

The revised hours are:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

2-4 pm

Saturday 1:30-3:30pm



\*\*\*Want to shine a light on a local resident, volunteer, group/organization or business from our community?

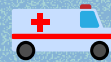
Feel free to share a good news story with us so we can publish it right here in our community newsletter.

Lets celebrate all the wonderful people that make our Town what it is!

## Events/Meetings

Our Emergency Action Plan is under review and we would appreciate your involvement. New members are always encouraged to join the Emergency Action Committee. This is a requirement of the province and is important for the safety of our communities.

For more info please contact Councillor Ben Patey @ 526-2033



Do you have a passion for healthy living and an interest in helping others ?

The Eastport Peninsula Recreation and Wellness Committee will be holding a

meeting at

**Sandy Cove Hall on**

**March 29th @ 7:00 pm**

New members are welcome and encouraged to join!

## Holy Cross School Winter Carnival

**March 14-18th**

Student Council is looking for help to collect the following items for our 94 students.

1. Firewood (Splits and junks)
2. Empty spray bottles for snow sculptures.
3. Donations of marshmallows, wieners and hot chocolate.

If you can help, please contact the school at 677-2120.



## Safety Minute

### Minimum Ice Thickness

Guideline for loads parked for more than 2 hours but less than 7 days on clear, good quality ice



## YOUR MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS:

MENTAL HEALTH

CRISIS LINE:

**1-888-737-4668**

CHANNAL:

**1-855-753-2560**

BRIDGE THE GAPP:

is an online resource designed to support mental wellness.

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