

Dear Residents

Eastern Passage/Cow Bay is a wonderful place to live, and at this time of the year I am sure you'll agree that walks on our boardwalk, on Rainbow Haven Beach, and bike rides on our trails system are just a few of the outdoor pleasures we can enjoy.

The Community Garden/MacDonald Park is also a terrific spot to throw down a blanket and indulge in a picnic lunch. Don't forget the life-size chess and checkerboard pieces that are available to you. You can contact Kathleen Costain at 465-1159 or email at kizmit@eastlink.ca. Just give us a call a few days ahead and we will ensure they are ready for you. It would be a great place for a child's birthday party.

This summer, "let's celebrate our community" !

Take care

Jackie

Community Garden

Do you live in an apartment or condo, and wish you could grow a few vegetables or herbs? We have space available for several personal garden plots at the community garden. We will provide the space and you will plant and tend your own little garden bed. Please give us a call at 465-1159 if you would like to book yours today.

Neighbourhood Cleanup

Well, spring means melted snow, and that means garbage is now visible on the ground. I have had a couple of inquiries about organizing a spring neighbourhood clean up. Clean Nova Scotia and HRM can help. The Great Nova Scotia Pick-Me-Up is a campaign coordinated by Clean Nova Scotia and supported in part by HRM that encourages Nova Scotians to get together to pick up litter. For more information please contact Clean Nova Scotia at 420-3474.

New Location Woodlawn Library

The Woodlawn Library is now located at the old site of the Empire Theatres, 650 Portland St. The new Metro Transit route # 57 will service this area and is a direct connection from Eastern Passage.

RCMP Increasing Foot Patrols This Year

Tuesday, March 16, 2010 Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM), N.S....
Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Halifax District will be increasing the number of foot patrols this year on the pathways, around business, recreation areas and streets.

Supt. Darrell Beaton the Officer In Charge, * Residents in the HRM can expect to see more RCMP officers out of their police cars and walking in the communities, with an emphasis on pathways and higher than normal crime areas. With this effort, it will increase police visibility and enhance community engagement with our citizens*

Foot patrols will ensure the safety of residents who are unitizing these areas and will reduce both the fear of and the incidence of crime. RCMP officers on foot patrols will foster greater rapport and trust between HRM residents to better identify neighborhood problems and potential solutions.

The foot patrols will take place in the follow areas, but not limited to these areas. They are the main areas of concentration:

Eastern Passage Zone

- McCormick's Beach / Boardwalk / Wharf
- Needs Convenience to Tim Horton's
- Cow Bay Strip Mall / Grocery store to Liquor store
- EPEC
- Greenridge Mobile Home Park
- Birchill Mobile Home Park
- Shearwater Flyer Trail (Shearwater to Howard)
- Shearwater Flyer Trail (Near intersection of Caldwell and Hines Road)
- Eastern Passage Legion
- Buffalo Club
- Seaside Elementary
- Fisherman's Cove
- Foot paths from Tallahassee to skate park & field house.
- Foot paths from Thorncrest to Heritage Hills.
- Foot paths from Atikian to Astour Cres.

Cow Bay Zone

- Cow Bay Rd at Moose and the paths to Silver Sands Beach.
- Cow Bay Rd area at Dyke Rd (700 block)

- Rainbow Haven Beach
- Path Astour Drive to Heritage Hills
- Surfers Beach near Cow Bay Church
- Salt Marsh Trail, near barn or at the dyke
- Heritage Trail near Dyke Road
- Spruce Drive / Silver Court

Shore Road Property Purchased by HRM

On March 25th, 2010 HRM purchased the property at 2059 Shore Road. I am pleased to announce that we have acquired this land for parkland.

Hines Road

A public information meeting was held on March 31 to discuss an application by Armco Capital Inc to allow residential development on 66 acres of land on Hines Road. The developer presented a concept showing 180 apartment/condo units in 3 six storey buildings, and 54 townhouses. All driveway access was shown to be from Hines Road. A large wetland on the site would be preserved. Numerous issues were raised by the public such as undesirability for access from Howard Avenue, odour problems from the sewage treatment plant, traffic concerns, noise and safety issues relating to the helicopter base at Shearwater, potential for shadows on existing homes, and school capacity. City staff recognized these concerns.

City planning staff will now be undertaking a detailed review of the developer's application and the public input. Each of the issues raised needs to be addressed. Additional public meetings and public hearings would be necessary before any development could take place. Such meetings will be advertised and nearby property owners will receive notices directly from HRM in the mail well in advance of meetings.

Merchandise Bingo

Sunday, May 2, 2010

2 - 5 PM

Doors open at 1 pm

Canteen on site

North Woodside Community Centre

230 Pleasant St.

Dartmouth

Proceeds in support of the Centre

Fisherman's Cove

World Oceans Day Events June 6, 2010

The Great Nova Scotia Pick-Me-Up
Marine related crafts for children
Scavenger Hunt for Families
Exhibits – related to our delicate coastal environment
Puppet Shows
Musical entertainment

This is a great family-centered event, open to everyone. Although still in the planning stages, it promises to be a wonderful celebration of our seaside environment, with a heavy concentration on environmental stewardship.

HRM's Vision

“HRM is a vibrant, caring, and connected community. Our community is built upon diverse cultures, respects the environment and our heritage, supports economic prosperity, and celebrates active citizenship.”

Constable Mark Larkin and Councillor Jackie Barkhouse in front of City Hall. Maintaining RCMP service in the community of Eastern Passage and Cow Bay was important to both of them, and they thank residents for the kind words of support that they received.