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#### **Halifax Transit Departures Line**

Halifax Transit has launched a new Departures Line that will provide more accurate departure times for our residents.

As part of a significant \$43 million transit technology upgrade, the departure line real-time information is sourced from a new GPS-based vehicle location system. The GPS is currently installed on approximately 75% of our conventional buses, and will be fully operational by the summer.

Passengers can call a single phone number - **902-480-8000** – and by entering the bus stop number (printed on each bus stop sign) you can hear which buses are departing, and at what time.

Stay tuned to our <u>website</u> and <u>@hfxtransit</u> on Twitter for more exciting announcements over the coming months

## **Recreation Program Registration**



Registration for summer Aquatics and Beach programs is opening June 8<sup>th</sup>.

Check out our <u>program guide</u> and get ready to register online or in person at your local recreation centre.

## HRM Committee Volunteer Opportunity

Serving on a municipal board, committee or commission allows citizens to positively contribute to the municipal community. We are accepting applications for the <u>Active</u> <u>Transportation</u>, <u>Domestic and Feral Cat</u> Advisory Committees and the <u>Regional Watersheds Advisory</u> <u>Board</u>.

You can find more information about the application process as well as the form <u>here</u>. The deadline for applications is Friday, May 27, 2016.

# Hydrant Flushing and Distribution Program

Halifax Water will be flushing the fire hydrants and water distribution mains for about 4 weeks. This activity will occur between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Friday to minimize the impact for their customers. The hydrant and distribution system flushing program provides a spring cleaning and full exercise of the entire distribution system. Discoloured water and pressure fluctuations may occur during the flushing program. It will not pose a health risk, and should disappear shortly. For additional information, contact our Water Services Department at 490-6940.





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## **Mobile Food Market in Fairview**

A Halifax Transit bus will soon be bringing fresh and affordable vegetables and fruits to five Halifax neighbourhoods in the Halifax region that have limited access to healthy food. The Mobile Food Market is an 21-week pilot project that will sell fresh and affordable fruit and vegetables in five communities across the Halifax region.

Every second Saturday, a Halifax Transit bus will be transformed into a mobile produce market and will setup in Fairview from 11:30am - 1:30pm at Titus Park. The produce will be selected based on residents' preferences, purchased in bulk and sold at costs that are in line with discount grocery operations.

The next Mobile Food Network at Titus Park will be on June 4<sup>th</sup> and the program runs until September 24<sup>th</sup> 2016.

For more information, visit their <u>facebook page</u> or their official <u>website</u>.



Open 7 days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. (except Christmas Day & New Year's day

#### **Recreation Day**

June 4<sup>th</sup> is Recreation Day! Many municipally owned Community and Recreation Centres will be offering free programs to encourage residents to get out and get active.

The <u>Canada Games Centre</u> will be hosting a special \$3 swim from 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., the <u>Lebrun Centre</u> are holding a "Making Tracks Workshop" with morning and afternoon sessions and the <u>Emera Oval</u> will be buzzing with activities like Zumba, music, crafts and more from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Call your local <u>community recreation centre</u> for more details on upcoming events.

## **Fairview Gardens Build Day**

Join Fairview Gardens to help get Fairview's newest community garden up and running.

This <u>Build Day</u> will be held on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

They will be putting together four more garden beds, filling all of the garden beds with soil, building a herb spiral and planting raspberry bushes.

Anyone is welcome to attend. Make sure to wear shoes and clothes that you don't mind getting dirty and bring a hammer or a shovel.

## Halifax North West Trails Hike & AGM

Discover the Mainland Common and Geizer Hill Trails with MLA Diana Whalen and the North West Trails Association.

Meet at <u>Trinity Anglican Church</u> on Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. for the hike then join them for refreshments and an AGM at 4:00 p.m. in the church hall.

Learn more about this great organization and the work they are doing with our trails or find out more about volunteer opportunities.

Details are available on their facebook page.

#### 100 in 1 Day

100in1Day is a global festival of citizen engagement returning to Halifax for its third year on June 4, 2016.

If you have an idea for an "urban intervention" to brighten someone's day, foster change and make connections check out their <u>website</u> to get involved.





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#### **Bike Week**

From June 3 to 12, come ride with us to celebrate Bike Week 2016. Bike Week aims to celebrate the cycling community, educate all residents about cycling safety, and increase participation in cycling throughout our region.

If you're looking for a new ride, check out the Bike Auction tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. in <u>Devonshire Arena</u>. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. for viewing and volunteers will be available for minor tune ups and inspections.

We are hosting several community trail rides including an evening ride Monday June  $6^{th}$  – Friday June  $10^{th}$  from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. starting at the True North Diner. Check out our <u>website</u> for more details and events. Many of these events are suitable for beginners and bikers of all abilities.

### **Doors Open Halifax**

Explore architecturally, culturally and historically significant buildings in our municipality next weekend at the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Doors Open Halifax. On June 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. you will have full access to over 30 venues around our city. There is a lot to explore, so check out a full list of locations here.

#### **Spring Grass Maintenance**

Dandelions are a perennial and occur in a two-to-three week flush (rapid period of growth) at the end of May, early June.

HRM grass mowing standards were developed to maintain grass on municipally-owned property at acceptable heights to encourage healthy turf. However, the Municipality does not have the means to carry out mowing at a frequent, rotational level to keep the dandelions at the height standard for grass. Use of pesticides/herbicides on municipal property is prohibited.

Check out our service standards for mowing <u>here</u>. If you have questions or concerns, please contact 311.





## **Renovate Your Relationships**

Two Week Program

Our lives are full of relationships with other people. Join us for group activities to help you find ways to nurture relationships in your life.

When:	Wednesdays, June 1st, and 8th
	1 – 3 pm
Where:	Fairview Family Resource Centre
	6 Titus Street, Fairview

Registration Required, Please call 902-460-4560 ext. 2



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# Engage Mainland North

Engage Mainland North is a local group promoting increased communication and connection between organizations serving residents and the community at large in Mainland North. Check out their <u>facebook page</u> for important notices and upcoming events in your area.

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