

Spotlight on the East River Valley

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East River Valley Community Development Association

6341 East River West Side Rd. Eureka, NS B0K 1B0

Mission Statement: To promote the sustainability of the East River Valley Communities



Notes from the Chair

I hope by now everyone has had a look at the new Riverton Hall kitchen professionally installed by Gordon Sutherland in January thanks to a grant called "New Horizons for Seniors". Because the East River Valley Community Development Association is set up to support the whole valley, we are lucky to have the backing of two county councillors, Chester Dewar, always supportive of the improvement of his district facilities and Andy Thompson. Andy had supervised the refurbishing of the Sunny Brae Community Center and drew on his experience there to guide us with this project.



With this improvement we hope to see increasing use of the building and need your ideas. The ERVCA Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4th at 6PM and this is a great opportunity to see the updated hall and help plan the future of the facilities. We hope you'll join us. *Photos: The before on top, the after on bottom.

Join Us at the Riverton Hall
5678 Stellarton Trafalgar Rd. Riverton

Tuesday, March 4th 6pm

East River Valley Community
Development Association

**AGM &
Riverton Hall Open House**

Light Refreshments will be served.

Come see our new kitchen and now fully
accessible hall!

East River Valley Community Development
Association &

Plymouth Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary
presents

SPRING MARKET at the

Plymouth Fire Hall

4667 East River East Side Rd. Plymouth

Saturday, April 5th

10am-1pm

Vendor tables available \$20 each by
contacting Kara Allen

902-301-0339 or spotlight.1@hotmail.com

Follow our Facebook page for updates!



Riverton Hall Rentals

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East River Valley Community

Development Association

Presents

CYBER FRAUD PRESENTATION

With Detective Constable David Bowman of the New Glasgow Regional Police Major Crime Unit

Sunday, April 27th

2-4pm

Riverton Hall

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SPRING CLEAN UP

The 2nd annual "Cleaning Up the East River Valley" will be taking place in the last half of April.

Last year numerous groups, and many individuals, pitched in and really made a difference on the amount of litter that was cleaned up from the side of our roads.

This valley is so beautiful to walk, bike or even take a drive through. Let's all pitch in and give the valley a good spring cleaning this year.

Look for details to be sent out in early April. In the meantime, get a small group together, chose an area to clean and get prepared.

Contact Larry at ltyldsley@yahoo.ca for any information or to pledge your commitment to a clean up.



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A 20x20 brass plaque taken from the Dunbar Family Memorial in Lorne a reward is being offered if anyone has any information call Chester Dewar 902 923-2931.

We would like to extend our gratitude to Etta Hirtle for her assistance in making our Meals on Wheels program a great success over the years.

After years of being the first contact for our clients, Etta has decided to retire from the role.

Thank you, Etta!

We would like to welcome Alice Cameron as the new contact for our clients. We know they're big shoes to fill, but we know you'll do a great job.

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The Presbyterian Churches of the

East River Pastoral Charge Springville and St. Paul's
More information phone

Sharon MacDonald (902) 923-2336

First Presbyterian Church, Hopewell

Minister Rev. Bonnie Langille 902-396-6266

bonniejcrockett@gmail.com

Sunday School 9am (in hall)

Sunday worship 9:45am

Coffee hour following worship every 1st Sunday



Volunteer Fire Department Contacts

East River Valley Fire Department:

Kevin Stuart, Chief (H) 902-923-2893
kevinandleisa@hotmail.com
Jason MacIntyre, Deputy Chief 902-759-3588

Eureka and District Fire Department:

Hall 902-923-2751
Roger Caddall, Chief 902-759-6526
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Plymouth Fire Department:

Rod Livingstone, Chief
902-396-9161
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VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS

WANTED

East River Valley Fire Department

Is looking for new Firefighters

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Or attend our Tuesday Training Meetings

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If interested in becoming a volunteer
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Call Rod 902-396-9161 or

John 902-759-0631

Or attend our Monday Training Meetings

7:00pm

At the firehall located at
4667 East River East Side Road

Plymouth

Fire Department INVITATIONS:

**The East River Valley Fire Department will hold the
public portion of our Annual General Meeting at**

**7:30 pm on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at the
Springville Church and Community Hall.**

April 7th Plymouth Fire Department AGM

beginning at 7pm at the Fire Hall



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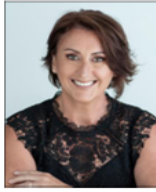
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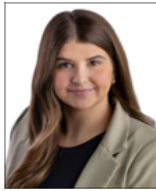
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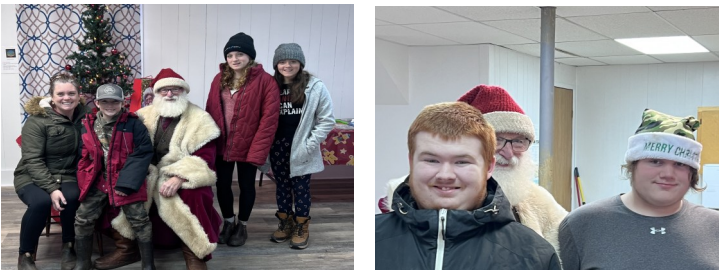
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Business card size (2x3) \$30, 1/4 page \$50, 1/2 page \$100, full page \$200

Classifieds (80 letters or less) \$5.

Email her at spotlight.1@hotmail.com for details.

Santa at the Riverton Hall December 3, 2024



Santa visited the Riverton Hall in December and in spite of snowy weather, there was a good turn out. We thank Santa for spending the afternoon with us once again.

Christmas in Hopewell

The Annual Tree Lighting took place in Hopewell on December 1st. Gene and Cindi from Station Road Flowers, new residences to Hopewell, lit the tree and cut the cake.

Chester Dewar presented a cheque to members of the Hopewell Recreation Association.



Irish Hooley Jam with Mary Batchilder & Friends at the Plymouth Fire Hall

4667 East River East Side Rd. Plymouth

March 16th 2pm

\$5 admission

50/50

Light lunch served

Proceeds to the Plymouth Fire Hall



Meals on Wheels

The East River Valley Community Development is happy to continue the Meals on Wheels program.

Meals are delivered Tuesday & Thursdays, and cost \$8 each.

Most are enough for two meals, as you get soup, roll, entrée and dessert.

You can sign up by phoning
Alice Cameron 902-928-0767

Thank you to Valley View Villa for preparing our meals and to our volunteer drivers who deliver each week.



Colin Chabassol of Springville is participating in the Invictus Games at the time of newsletter publication. Colin served in the Canadian Armed Forces for 15 years in the infantry trade. The army veteran served three tours in Afghanistan before retiring in 2020.

The Invictus Games is a week-long competition for wounded, injured and sick soldiers. Up to 550 athletes from 25 different countries are scheduled to participate when the games are held in Vancouver and Whistler from Feb. 8 to 16.

Colin competed in wheelchair rugby and basketball, biathlon, indoor rowing and skeleton.

We wish Colin the best of luck and can't wait to hear all the details of this exciting experience.

Bridgeville Community Hall Updates

The Bridgeville Hall will be hosting events throughout the year. We will be sharing them on the East River Valley Community Development Facebook.

Watch for upcoming kids movie nights, Yoga and much more.

They hosted their first kids movie night and it was a great success.

Their annual Chicken Burger Take-Out will take place on May 24th from 11am-2pm.

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Important Dates

March 4~ERVCDAGM & Open House at the Riverton Hall 6pm

March 16~ Irish Hooley Jam at the Plymouth Fire Hall 2pm

March 22~ Plymouth Fire Dept. Roast Beef Dinner Take Out 4-6pm

April 1~ ERV Fire Department AGM at the Springville Church Hall 7:30pm

April 5~ Spring Market at Plymouth Fire Hall 10am-1pm

April 7~ Plymouth Fire Department AGM 7pm

April 27~ Cyber Fraud Presentation Riverton Hall 2-4pm

May 5~ Newsletter Submission Deadline

May 24~ Bridgeville Hall Chicken Burger Take-Out 11-2 Pre-Order details in write-up above

Be sure to follow us on Facebook as to not miss out on event details

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