

Action on the HILL

Seasons Greetings from the Village

As we approach the end of the year, Village of Bible Hill is hopeful that residents are well and that everyone has recovered from the damage caused by Hurricane Fiona. This issue of Action on the Hill will highlight upcoming events taking place in the Village during the holiday season. Continue reading to learn about our tree lighting, light up Bible Hill contest, cookie decorating, and more!

We would like to thank our staff, members of the Bible Hill Fire Brigade, and the many contractors we have worked with for their efforts surrounding hurricane relief support, and damage clean up. Thank you to the NS Department of Public Works for quickly street-sweeping after the storm.

Village Commissioners extend Seasons Greetings to all residents of Bible Hill! We hope you have a happy holiday season full of great memory-making moments, and a safe, healthy, and happy new year, and look forward to seeing you all at the tree lighting on November 26th.

Celebrate the holidays with Bible Hill's tree lighting!

The Village is hosting its annual tree lighting on Saturday, November 26 at 6:00 PM at the front yard of H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall. There will be outdoor entertainment provided by Bible Hill Junior High School Band, Redcliff Middle School Band, and Redcliff Middle School Choir, as well as refreshments, and a visit from a special holiday visitor to greet children. Come out and enjoy the joy of the season with your friends and neighbours. Donations for Colchester Food Bank will be accepted. All are welcome! See you there!



Light up Bible Hill Contest

Get in the festive spirit this season by decorating your home for the holidays! Starting on Monday, December 5, there will be a Facebook competition for the best lights and decorations. Submissions must be submitted via email to admin@biblehill.ca by the resident, and must include one photo, the address and resident's name. Your submission will be posted on our Facebook page, and the three submissions with the most "likes" on Monday, December 19, at 10 AM will win!

Bible Hill Garden Club Centrepiece Workshop

Please join the Bible Hill Garden Club on Sunday, December 4th at 1:30 PM for their Annual Centrepiece Workshop. Tickets are \$10. Registration is required by calling the Village, and spaces are limited. All festive supplies will be provided, but please bring your own clippers and gloves if you have them. Spaces will be filling up fast so register soon!

The Bible Hill Garden Club meets monthly, on the second Monday of the month from 6:30 PM– 9:00 PM. New members are always welcome. Contact the Village for more information. Hope to see you there!



Holiday Ornament Painting Workshop

In collaboration with Clay Café, Village of Bible Hill is hosting a holiday ornament painting workshop on Tuesday, December 6, at 5:00 PM at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall. Tickets are \$10. All festive supplies will be provided. Contact the office to register.



Holiday Cookie Decorating

Come enjoy the fun – cookies, icing, and decorations will be provided. This free event is scheduled for Thursday, December 15 at 5:00 PM at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall. Contact the office to register.

New Years Day Levee

The Village is hosting a New Year's Day Levee at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road, on Sunday, January 1, at 1:00 – 2:00 PM. This is a great opportunity for residents to meet your Village Commissioners and fellow residents. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Safe Halloween Thank You

Village of Bible Hill would like to thank the many sponsors and volunteers that helped make this year's Safe Halloween event a huge success. Locals generously donated treats so that hundreds of young children could have a safe and familiar place to Trick or Treat on Halloween Night. Thank you!

Parks and Recreation

This winter, get out and enjoy skating at Meadowland Avenue Park. Weather dependent, the ice surface is open to the public and divided for skating and hockey, with lights on until 9:00 PM daily. The ice is unsupervised and available for use at one's own risk. The park is found at 52 Meadowland Ave



and is also accessible from College Road via the Cobequid Trail. Lace up those skates and enjoy the outdoors this winter in the Village! Looking for skates to borrow? The Town of Truro, in partnership with the Colchester-East Hants Public Library, has skates available from the library. A library card is required.

Looking to get out and get active this winter? We can help! Snowshoes are available from the Village office free of charge so you can explore and enjoy all that nature has to offer this winter! Adult and child sizes are available. Call to reserve your pair today!

Scotia Pool – Glen W. Smith Community Pool

Scotia Pool is excited to welcome patrons to our warm water pool, located right here in Bible Hill! We offer a full slate of services including lane swims, Aqua Fit, Aqua Therapy, Aqua Zumba, Red Cross swimming lessons, summer camps, parent and tot swims, and open swims.

Did you know you can rent the pool and our outdoor enclosed gazebo for birthday parties and other private events? Just give our helpful staff a call or message us on our Facebook page for details.

Please refer to our Facebook page for the most current information on programs, times and new protocols, or contact Scotia Pool at 902-893-6364 or scotiapool@gmail.com. Our friendly staff look forward to seeing you!

Follow us on Social Media!

Follow the Village on Facebook (Village of Bible Hill) and Instagram (@bible.hill) to hear about new programs and initiatives, Commission news, and local events. In addition to our sign and website, all upcoming programs are posted on social media, as well as pictures from past programs. So 'follow' Village of Bible Hill to keep up on current events in your Village!

Senior Fitness Classes

Stay physically active with our Senior Fitness Classes at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00 AM. Feel free to drop in! Only \$2 per class! Please note, classes are cancelled when school is cancelled due to weather.

Yoga and Zumba with Celeste

It's a new year and we are back to fun and fitness at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall with something for everyone!

ZUMBA! is back starting on Monday, January 9th with classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM. These classes are sure to start your day off on the right foot with one hour of Zumba dance, fun and fitness. Guaranteed loads of giggles, plenty of pop and Latin music (even a few country) and movement, and tons of friendship. All ages and Zumba experience are welcomed, from first timers to experienced Zumbaers.

YOGA - Our Friday morning yoga practice at 9:40 AM will begin on January 13th. You will be welcomed with open arms and hearts into our small group yoga practice. All levels welcome, come just exactly the way you are, enjoy relaxation, stretching, breath awareness and a deeper inner connection.

Registration is required for all classes. To secure your spot or for more information, contact Celeste at 902-814-8000 or cchesal@gmail.com. Or on Facebook, check out "Yoga and Zumba with Celeste" for more information and an online booking site.

Commission Meetings

Did you know, Village Commission meetings are open for observation to the public? Commissioners meet twice per month on the second and third Tuesday at 7:00 PM to discuss village matters, set policy, approve expenditures, and chart the path for Bible Hill. Join us, in the Commission Chambers, at 67 Pictou Road!

Public Notice - Committee Member Recruitment

Village of Bible Hill welcomes applications from Bible Hill residents to serve as a volunteer on its Audit Committee for a two-year term.

The Audit Committee meets the second Tuesday of May and December each year at 5:30pm and whenever circumstances demand such a meeting. The Audit Committee Policy and application form can be found on the Village website or by contacting the office at admin@biblehill.ca or 902-893-8083.

Applicants must be financially literate and not be a Village Commissioner, employee, or immediate family member of either, and must not be a member of any other Committee of the Village.

Applications must be in writing on the prescribed form and may be mailed, emailed, or submitted in-person to the Village office.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2022
Mitchell Bell, CPA, CA, Clerk and Treasurer

Maggie's Place

Maggie's Place Family Resource Centre offers a free DROP IN playgroup at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall each Tuesday from 10:00 AM- 11:30 AM from September to June. Playgroups are a fun play and social time for parents/caregivers and their children from birth to school age to enjoy together. Each session consists of a free play and art time, a healthy peanut-free snack, and ends with circle time – songs, stories, and active fun. All families are welcome to join. For more information, please call Maggie's Place at 902-895-0200, check out www.maggiesplace.ca or Facebook at 'Maggie's Place-Colchester'. Please note that there are no playgroups between December 20 – January 3. Thanks to the United Way of Colchester County for their financial support of this program.

Feeding Wildlife

When thinking about feeding wildlife, first consider their safety and welfare of yourself, your family and neighbours. Backyard feeding often means animals travel near and across roadways, sidewalks and around houses. Wildlife fed in residential areas lose their natural fear of people and become vulnerable, while young animals fail to learn the skills required to secure their natural diets. Please do not feed deer and other wildlife in the Village. To learn more about living safely with wildlife, please visit <https://novascotia.ca/natr/wildlife/living-with-wildlife/>.

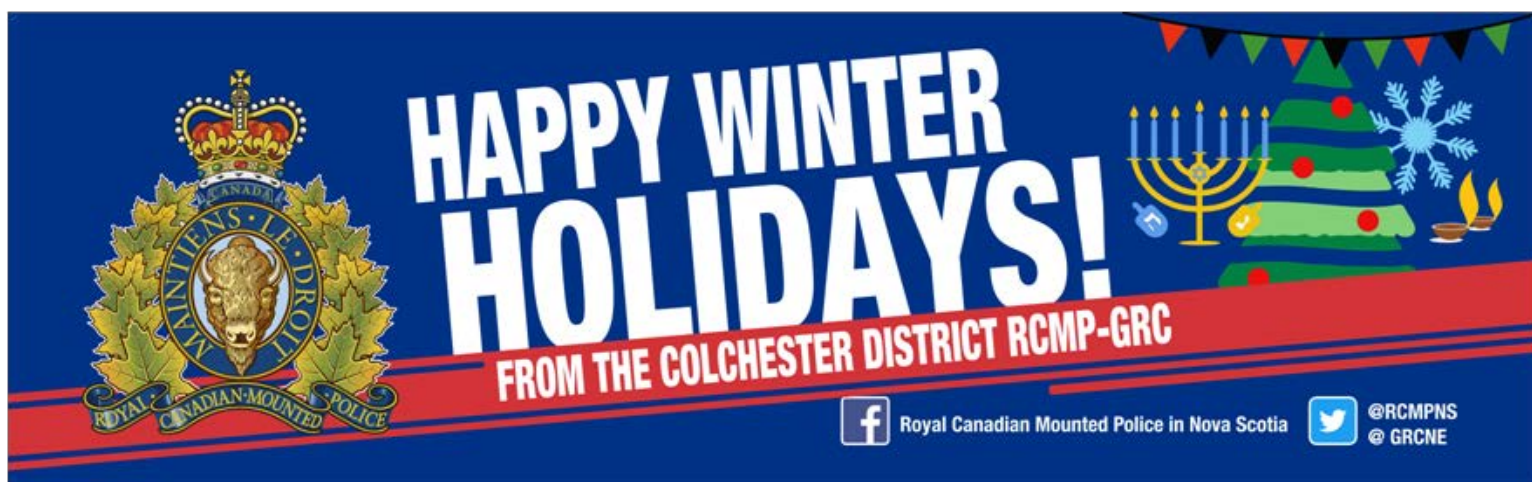
Bible Hill Fire Brigade - A Holiday Safety Message

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade wishes everyone a very happy and safe holiday season. Did you know that electrical distribution or lighting equipment was involved in almost half (45%) of home Christmas tree fires? In more than one-fifth (22%) of the Christmas tree fires some type of heat source, like a candle or equipment, was too close to the tree.

While fire safety is always important, keep these Christmas tree safety tips in mind to keep your holiday safe:

- Choose a tree that is fresh and green, and the needles do not drop off when touched
- Cut 5cm off the bottom before putting in the stand to allow for water uptake, and water regularly
- Place the tree at least one meter from heating sources, and never block an exit with a tree
- Use only certified lights, dispose of any damaged strings of lights, and turn off and unplug lights and electric decorations when not home

Have you ever thought of volunteering with our Fire Service? Are you interested in learning new skills, and taking on new challenges? We are recruiting new members and providing all the training, join us! Email: recruitment@biblehillfire.ca for details. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram at 'biblehillfire' or on Twitter '@BHFB'.



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