

Scheduled Events

April 4 **SMH Auxiliary Stuffed Roast Pork Dinner:** two sittings, 4:30 to 5:45pm & 6:15 to 7:30pm; take out 4 to 4:40pm, Middleton Fire Hall, Church St., Middleton. Stuffed roast pork dinner with country mashed potatoes, Valley mixed vegetables, applesauce and homemade apple pie with ice cream. Prepared by CFB Greenwood chefs and served by ladies of the SMH Auxiliary. Musical entertainment during the meal. Information: Ruth Brigley, 825-3663; ruthbrigley@ns.sympatico.ca

April 11 to 13 **Easter Weekend Gardens Style:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. Various activities TBA. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

April 13 to 17 **Gardens Spring Clean-up:** 9am to 4pm; Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. Join the Gardens crew to help prepare the Gardens for spring. Rain or shine. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

April 15 **Annapolis West Senior Games Duplicate Bridge:** 7pm, Cornwallis Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. This is part of the Annapolis West Senior zone games. Anyone 55+ is welcome to participate. Participation in zone games is a pre-requisite to participating in the Regional Valley Games. Information: Vivian Wright, 638-8068

April 17 **Annapolis West Senior Games 45's:** 1:30pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: Meredith Hebb, 532-5571

April 18 **Milford Maple Fest:** Two sittings, 12 Noon to 2pm & 4 to 6pm, Milford Community Hall, 5439 Hwy 8, South Milford. Maple Fest is a fundraiser for the community hall and the Milford Baptist Church. Menu includes: pancakes, local maple syrup, baked beans, home-made rolls, old-fashioned baked ham, potato salad and dessert (cream pies). Information: Maxine Townsend or Adele Thompson, 532-5947 or 532-2811; nannymax@ns.sympatico.ca; www3.ns.sympatico.ca/milford

April 24 **Annapolis West Senior Games Bowling:** 1:00pm, Wilson's Bowling Lanes, Digby. Information: Meredith Hebb, 532-5571

April 25 **Annapolis West Senior Games Swimming:** Lifeplex, 1043 Hwy 1, Cornwallis. Information: Pete Nordland, 638-8009

April 25 **Celebrating 50 Plus: Living the Good Life:** 9:30am to 3:30pm, NS Community College, Middleton. This annual event promotes health, active living and having fun. Displays, entertainment, draws, demonstrations on gardening, cooking, recreation and fitness, and much, much more. \$3 admission includes a light lunch. Information: Carol Ward, 665-4161 or 1-888-939-1919; carol.ward@von.ca

April 26 **ZX 10K Road Race & 5k Fun Run:** Run day registration begins at 8am; race starts at 10am, Fitness and Sport Centre, CFB Greenwood. The main event is a 10k road race (the first event of the Timex Series season, sponsored by Run Nova Scotia). A 5k fun run is held at the same time. Both races are open to runners of all levels and ages. Pre-registration can be done by mail prior to race day. Registration forms are available at 14 Wing Fitness and Sports Centre in

All Year Around Events

"45's" - Cards: May 5 to end of October, Tues evenings, 7:30pm, Margaretsville Community Hall. Admission: \$2.00

Acadian Heritage Tour: mid-June through mid-September, Tues & Fri, 2pm, Lighthouse, St George St., Annapolis Royal. Experience Acadian history, dance, music and food recipes first-hand from the family of a 10th generation Acadian in the Birthplace of Acadie. This award-winning tour, now in its sixth fun-filled year, is sponsored by the Historical Association of Annapolis Royal. To commemorate your unique experience, you'll receive an Acadian Heritage Booklet as a special souvenir. Tours weather-permitting. Information: Alan Melanson, 532-3035; tours@ns.sympatico.ca; www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com

Bear Rhythm Coffee House: year-round, "Coffee House Room", Oakdene Centre, Bear River. Bear Rhythm invites you to become part of a long-standing tradition of entertainment excellence. Coffee houses and monthly performances. Festivals and special events. High quality local and not-so-local performers. Memberships available. Look for updates in the Bear River Tributary, Health Clinic newsletter and local papers. Information: 467-3836

Bridgetown Lions Club Community Breakfast: January to December, first Sat of the month, 8:30 to 11am, Bridgetown Lions Hall, Church St., Bridgetown. Get a hot, hearty breakfast for a free will offering. Information: Bill O'Neill, 584-3983; bill.oneill@ns.sympatico.ca; www.bridgetownlions.ca

Candlelight Graveyard Tour: June 1 to October 15, Sun, Tues, Wed & Thurs, 9:30pm, Fort Anne National Historic Site, St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Explore the oldest English graveyard in Canada by candlelight with a costumed

Greenwood and through the Run Nova Scotia website, www.rns.ca. The race is followed by a prize ceremony and a small snack is provided to participants. Information: Eric Travis, 765-1494 ext 3344; eric.travis@forces.gc.ca; www.rns.ca

May 2 **Battle of the Atlantic Commemorative Dinner:** 6:30pm for 7pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Clementsport. Annual dinner commemorating the Battle of the Atlantic and remembering the ships lost and all who served. Guest speaker from Maritime Forces Atlantic. Information: Sam Burton or Pete Nordland, 638-8170 or 638-8009; ml.burton@ns.sympatico.ca or nordland@ns.sympatico.ca; www.cornwallismuseum.ca

May 2 **Bridgetown Lions Fiddle Fling:** 7pm, Bridgetown Regional High School, Granville St., Bridgetown. Old-time fiddling, bluegrass and country music. You spoke - you want fiddles! Come out and enjoy. Information: Lion Len Tedds, 665-4076

May 3 **Battle of the Atlantic Memorial Service:** 10:30am form up for 11am, Cornwallis Military Museum, 726 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Annual memorial service with wreath laying and attended by dignitaries, sea cadets, veterans and members of the public. Information: Sam Burton or Pete Nordland, 638-8170 or 638-8009; ml.burton@ns.sympatico.ca or nordland@ns.sympatico.ca; www.cornwallismuseum.ca

May 3 **Buffet Luncheon:** 11:30am to 2pm, Maitland Bridge Community Hall. Great choices: potato salad, baked beans, corned beef hash, ham, chili, chop suey, sweet & sour meatballs, variety of salads and casseroles, vegetarian dishes, homemade bread and rolls, variety of desserts. DOOR PRIZE – Day Passes to Historic Gardens. \$8/person, children under 10 - \$3.

May 8 **Annapolis West Senior Games Cribbage:** 1:30pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: Leona Grant, 532-2664

May 8 **IODE Rummage Sale:** 1-3pm, NS Community College, Middleton. Bi-yearly sale of goods (clothing, household items, linens, books, etc). Proceeds to assisting those in need in the Middleton area and beyond. Ample parking. Go to rear of college. Information: Rosemary Chapter IODE, Val Davies, 532-2739

May 8 to 10 and May 15 to 17 **Annapolis Royal Celebrates Magnolias:** Two weekends, Annapolis Royal. Did you know that Annapolis Royal has over 100 magnolias? Come and spend the weekend with us. Enjoy private and public garden tours, educational workshops, drawing/painting workshops. Special guests Captain Steele and Jodi DeLong. Information: Sally Burnie, 532-1615; marketing@annapolisroyal.com; www.annapolisroyal.com

May 9 **Mother's Day Supper:** 4:30 to 6pm, Melvern Square & Area Community Centre, 165 Bridge St., Melvern Square. Turkey supper with all the fixings, spice cake for dessert. Take outs available. Everyone welcome. Information: Marilyn Wilkins, 765-8158; mwilkins@ns.sympatico.ca; www.melvernsquare.ca

May 10 **Mother's Day Breakfast:** 9am to 12 Noon, Margaretsville Community Hall. Information: Sherry or Betty, 825-2251 or 825-3290

May 11 **Annapolis West Senior Games Pool:** 1pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Clementsport. Information: Brad Boyd, 638-3303

interpreter. Departs Officer's Quarters 9:30pm rain or shine. 18th award-winning year! No advance reservtaions. No tickets sold in advance. Information: Alan Melanson, 532-2397 or 532-2321; alan.melanson@pc.gc.ca; www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com

Cornwallis Park Community Breakfast: January to December, second Sat of the month, 8 to 10am, Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Eggs, bacon, beans, hash browns, toast, coffee and tea. \$5.00. Information: Marty Felker, 638-3164

Cornwallis Community Pot Luck: October to May, last Sat of the month, 5:30pm, Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Bring your own place setting and a dish to pass. Information: Marty Felker, 638-3164

Farmers' & Traders' Market: May 16 to October 10, Sat, 8am to 1pm; July & August: Wed, 10am to 3pm, Lower St. George St., Annapolis Royal. The largest outdoor farmers' market in Nova Scotia. Baking, crafts, artisans, honey, maple syrup, produce (some organic), quilts, woodworking, pottery, jewelry, farm-raised meat and poultry, eggs, a town crier, summer entertainment. A delight for the senses! Information: Corinne Warner, 245-4824; workshop@ns.sympatico.ca

Historic Cypress Walk (The Blue Line): Begins at Town Hall, 271 Granville St. or Visitor Information Centre, Bridgetown. The Historic Cyprus Walk is a journey past some of the most significant parts of Bridgetown's heritage. With the help of a picturesque guidebook, interpretive signs and a blue line, visitors can learn about many aspects of life in Bridgetown long ago and today. The Walk is a way to get a feeling for that era of prosperity, initiative and comfort, as well as becoming acquainted with nature and the advantages of this location. Guide books available at the Town Hall and the visitor information centre. Information: 665-4637 or 824-0387; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

Historical Walking Tour of Middleton:

May 13 **Annapolis West Senior Games Crokinole:** 1:30pm, Riverview Manor, Annapolis Royal. Information: Leona Grant, 532-2664

May 15 **Annapolis West Senior Games Contract Bridge:** 1:30pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: Vivian Wright, 638-8068

May 15 to 18 **Historic Gardens Season Kickoff:** 9am to 5pm, Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. A Victoria Day weekend celebration of gardens! Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

May 20 **Annapolis West Senior Games Scrabble:** 1:30pm, Riverview Manor, Annapolis Royal. Information: Pat Bishop, 532-2555

May 23 **Historic Gardens Benefit Dinner & Auction:** 6 to 9pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Dinner, raffles, silent and live auction, all in support of the Historic Gardens. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

May 27 to June 1 **Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival:** Windsor - Digby. A Flagship Festival of Nova Scotia. Official Opening, Princess Tea, coronation ceremonies, dances, concerts, barbecues, sports, art show, fireworks, children's parade, Grand Street parade, "Family Showcase" (family entertainment), Family Fun Day, Scotian Gold, Coldbrook (family entertainment) Information: Frances (Frankie) Anderson, 678-8322; frankie@appleblossom.com; www.appleblossom.com

May 29 **Annapolis West Senior Games Skip Bo:** 1:30pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: June Trimper, 638-8805

May 29 to 31 **Bluegrass Weekend:** Port George Regional Recreation Centre, 1225 Shore Road East, Port George. A weekend of "jamming" with a variety show on Sat evening. Meals available. Campers welcome. This event is very rarely, if ever, cancelled - goes ahead rain or shine! Information: Pat & Doug LeBlanc, 825-6530

May 30 **Annapolis West Senior Games Darts (Doubles):** 6pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: Lester Cress, 532-2832

May 30 **Annual Variety Casserole Supper:** 4:30 to 6:30pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. A real crowd pleaser with a great variety of home made food such as various casseroles, baked beans, salads, rolls and all the trimmings, topped off with scrumptious desserts. Advance tickets only, \$8. Information: Loretta, Barb or Freta, 765-6821 or 825-6110 or 825-3674 respectively

May 31 **Annapolis West Senior Games Darts (Singles):** 1pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Information: Lester Cress, 532-2832

May 31 to June 6 **Environment Week:** Annapolis Royal. Enjoy a week's worth of educational workshops and information sessions with special guest speakers. Come and see the natural trail art designed by local artists along the French Basin Trail. Information: Sally Burnie, 532-1615; marketing@annapolisroyal.com; www.annapolisroyal.com

June **100 Years of Guiding in Nova Scotia:** Date and time TBA, Milford House, 5296 Hwy 8, South Milford. In conjunction with the Nova Scotia Guiding Association, Milford House will host and cooperate with various events

Stroll through Middleton and enjoy the fine century homes and historical venues. Our anecdotal information on these properties will help you to explore Middleton's past. Information: Town of Middleton, 825-6611; www.town.middleton.ns.ca

Ice Cream Parlour: June 14 to September, every Sun, 2pm, Margaretsville Community Hall.

Jam Sessions - Brickton: Wed, 7:30-10pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. Mostly country and bluegrass music. If you sing, play an instrument, like to dance or just sit and enjoy the music, come and join us. Everyone gets a turn to do their music. \$2.00 at the door; refreshments at intermission. Information: Loretta Piper, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

Jam Sessions - Cornwallis Park (acoustic): beginning October 13, 2008, second Mon of the month, 7:30pm, Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Everyone welcome. Free will offering. Information: Marty Felker, 638-3164

Jam Sessions - Delaps Cove: September to May, Sat, 7pm, Delaps Cove Hall, Delaps Cove. Join our jam sessions on the shore; and on the third Saturday of the month at 5:30pm for a potluck dinner before the music begins. Bring a dish, everyone welcome. Information: Milton or Juanita Longmire, 532-0114

Jam Sessions - Port George: year-round, Mon, 7pm, Port George Regional Recreation Centre, Port George. Information: Anne Pudsey, 825-6652

Jam Sessions - Youngs Cove: year-round, Tues & Fri, 7pm start, Young's Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Road West, Young's Cove. Wonderful jam session: instruments of all kinds, from electric or acoustic guitars to mandolins, banjos to mouth organs, and singing. Refreshments - Friday night pizza! All are welcome. Information: Barbara Rafuse, 532-2579

designed to celebrate a century of guiding in our province. The Nova Scotia Guiding Association was established by Eddie Breck and others at Milford House in 1909. Information: Elizabeth McMichael, 532-2617; elizmcm@mail.com; www.milfordhouse.ca

June 3 **Annapolis West Senior Games Golf:** Annapolis Royal Golf & Country Club, 3816 Hwy 1, Allain's Creek. Information: Pete Nordland, 638-8009

June 4 **Bridgetown & Area Active Living Fair:** 5:30 to 8pm, Bridgetown Arena, Jeffrey St. A chance to learn about, and register for, many of the recreation programs and activities that will be taking place in the Bridgetown area this summer. View community group displays and demonstrations. For all ages. Information: Steve Raftery, 824-0387; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

June 5 **Relay for Life:** 6:30pm to 7am, Middleton Rotary Raceway Park. Walk with us in this inspirational 12-hour overnight event as we come together to celebrate, remember and fight back! Information: Amanda Bent, 765-4029; amanda.bent@ns.cancer.ca; www.cancer.ca/relay

June 5 & 6 **Annapolis West Senior Games Arts and Crafts:** Register June 5, 9am to 12 Noon. Viewing June 6, 9am to 4pm, Masonic Hall, Church St., Annapolis Royal. Information: Marie Amero, 532-7622

June 6 **17th Annual Fishing Tournament:** Register 6:30am at the Fire Hall, Springfield Lake, Hwy 10. This is an annual fundraiser for the Springfield Fire Department. Information: Ace Veinot, 547-2062; a.veinot@ns.sympatico.ca

June 6 **Annapolis West Senior Games Horseshoes-Washer Toss:** 1pm, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal.

June 6 **International Trails Day:** 10am to 12 noon, Lifeplex, 1043 Hwy 1, Cornwallis (parking lot between Lifeplex and Hollow Spot canteen). Trail walk, cycle, ride to see the *Between the Bridges* section of trail development along the abandoned rail line. Everyone welcome whether on foot, horseback, bicycle, registered/insured ATV (helmets required). BBQ at site. Information: James Frank or Marilyn Wright, 584-3047 or 638-3376 respectively; acts@ns.sympatico.ca

June 6 **Lobster Supper:** 4 to 7pm, Margaretsville Community Hall. Reservations required. Information: Sherry or Betty, 825-2251 or 825-3290

June 12 **Annapolis Royal Walk:** 6pm, Cozy Internet Café, 324 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. A walk through Annapolis Royal and Granville Ferry to include the paths around Fort Anne and the French Basin Trail. 15 and 10km routes. Information: John Rodie, 532-0503; www.valleytrekkers.com

June 12 to 14 **Three-Day Writer's Workshop:** Author Charlotte Gray: Fri evening, all day Sat and half-day Sun, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Springtime writer's workshop with Charlotte Gray, author of numerous popular history best sellers. A rare opportunity to listen, learn and write with a recipient of the Pierre Berton Award for distinguished achievement in popularizing Canadian history. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

June 13 **Annapolis Valley African Violet Society Show, Tea & Sale:** 2 to 4pm, St. John's United Church, 202 Main St, Middleton. Judged show and

King's Theatre Summer Festival: July 1 to September 1, King's Theatre, Annapolis Royal. Reservations encouraged. Information: 532-7704 or 24hour hotline, 532-5466; kingstheatre@ns.sympatico.ca; www.kingstheatre.ca

Margaretsville Ladies Community Breakfast: Fourth Sun of the month, 8:30 to 9:30am, Margaretsville Baptist Church vestry. Good food, good times; meet your neighbour. Information: Laverne Slauenwhite, 825-3775; trees@glinx.com

Margaretsville Men's Community Breakfast: Third Sun of the month, 8:30am, Margaretsville Baptist Church vestry. Meet and greet your neighbour for a delicious breakfast. "Male chefs". Information: Robert Slauenwhite, 825-3775; trees@glinx.com

National Historic District Tour: mid-June to mid-September, Mon, Wed & Thurs, 2pm, Lighthouse, St. George St., Annapolis Royal. "Stroll through the Centuries" in one of Canada's oldest settlements with a costumed interpreter. Explore the country's largest National Historic District, discover four National Historic Sites, and receive a National Historic District certificate as a special souvenir! Sponsored by the Historical Association of Annapolis Royal, it is an excellent orientation to the area and has been a "must" for visitors for over a decade. Tours weather-permitting. Information: Alan Melanson, 532-3035; tours@ns.sympatico.ca; www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com

Port George Men's Club Breakfast: April to December, first Sun of the month, 8 to 10am, Port George Regional Recreation Centre, 1225 Shore Road East, Port George. All you can eat buffet. Information: Doug North, 825-3860

Rug Hooking: Second and third Wed of each month, 10:30am, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. Whether you know how to hook or want to learn, come out, bring your lunch and join us hookers at the hall. Information: Shirley Connell, 825-6627

viewing of African violets. Tea will be served. Plants and leaves for sale.

Information: Valerie Despres, 847-1001; vdespres@av.eastlink.ca;

www.avavs.com

June 13 **Tupperville Falls Walk:** 11am, Tupperville Community Hall, Hwy 201, Tupperville. A walk through trails to Tupperville Falls. 10km, rating 3C. Information: John Rodie, 532-0503; www.valleytrekkers.com

June 14 **Decoration of Commonwealth War Graves:** 7pm, Old Holy Trinity Church Cemetery, Middleton. Since 1946, the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 1, has paid tribute to fallen soldiers from Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand and Canada killed in air crew training during WWII. Reception to follow at the Legion. Information: Ed Eby, 825-6307

June 14 to 21 **Bicycle Annapolis County Week:** Bicycle Week is a county-wide active transportation initiative that raises the awareness of cycling as a healthy, active, simple, low-cost and environmentally-friendly alternative to driving for short trips in your community. This week is full of opportunities to participate in organized bicycle events in a safe and supportive setting. Bicycle Week is designed for all members of the community, with a particular emphasis on encouraging new cyclists and cycling as a means of transportation in Annapolis County. Information: Annapolis County Recreation, 532-2334 or 532-3144; borde@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca (click Recreation)

June 17 **Bridgetown Bike Rodeo:** Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park, Bridgetown. Information: Steve Raftery, 824-0387; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

June 19 **3rd Annual Lifeplex "Swing for Wellness" Golf Tournament:** 12 Noon, Annapolis Royal Golf & Country Club, 3816 Hwy 1, Allain's Creek. Come out in support of the Lifeplex Wellness Centre fundraiser and enjoy a day of challenge, fun and prizes. Information: Darlene Potter, 638-3057; d.potter@lifeplex.ca; www.lifeplex.ca

June 20 **Champlain Garden Club Flower Show & Dessert Tea:** 2 to 5pm, Fire Hall, St. Anthony St., Annapolis Royal. Join the Champlain Garden Club for this popular annual flower show. Everyone welcome to enter. Entry forms available at Historic Gardens. Entries must be submitted by 10am; awards presented at 2:45pm; dessert tea from 2 to 4pm. Admission. Information: Val Davies or Nancy McCabe, 532-2739 or 532-0957

June 20 **Historic Encampment (Atlantic Living Heritage Association):** 9am start, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Experience life in the past by watching costumed re-enactors living the life of our ancestors. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

June 21 **Go Skateboarding Day:** 2 to 5pm, Annapolis Youth Park, Hwy 1, beside the French Basin Trail. On June 21 skateboarders around the world will celebrate the pure exhilaration, creativity and spirit of one of the most influential activities in the world by blowing off all other obligations to go skateboarding! Join ASYPS as they celebrate the day. Helmets will be provided. Bring your board, or just come and watch. Information: André Bouchard, 532-0286; activeliving@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.swimmingmouse.ca/asyps/home.html

June 27 **Milford House Opening Tea & Sale:** 2:30 to 4pm, Milford House, 5296 Hwy 8, South Milford. An annual opportunity to visit rustic, rural and relaxing Milford House and enjoy tea, scones and sweets on our screened verandah overlooking the lake. Local Milford, Annapolis Royal and Digby artisans will be displaying their crafts. Take home a gift for a friend. Information: Elizabeth McMichael, 532-2617; elizmcm@mail.com; www.milfordhouse.ca

July 1 **Annapolis Royal Canada Day:** Fort Anne, 323 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. The day will feature a flag raising, cake cutting, children's games, family picnic, music and more. Information: Sally Burnie, 532-1615; marketing@annapolisroyal.com; www.annapolisroyal.com

Square Dancing with Apple Valley Dancers: September to May, Tues, 8 to 10pm, Melvern Square & Area Community Centre, 165 Bridge St., Melvern Square. A fun evening for square dancers at the "plus" level. Information: Gord Way, 765-8887; colgordon@eastlink.ca

Square Dancing with Four Seasons Squares: Fri, 8-10pm, 77 White Cap Lane, Clementsport. Traditional square dance lessons through workshops and classes. Information: Wayne & Linda Isles, 638-8081

Square Dancing with West Kings Twirlers: Fri, classes 7 to 8pm; dancing 8 to 10pm, Melvern Square & Area Community Centre, 165 Bridge St, Melvern Square. Square dancing, mainstream level. Classes begin each September, all are welcome. Several special dances throughout the year. Information: Bob Amos, 765-3809; bob.amos@hotmail.com

- July 1 **Bridgetown Canada Day Celebrations:** Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park, Bridgetown. The day begins with a pancake breakfast and ends with a spectacular fireworks display. In between are activities for the whole family, including live entertainment. Information: Steve Raftery, 824-0387; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca
- July 1 **Canada Day:** Kejimikujik National Park, Route 8, Maitland Bridge. Celebrate Canada's birthday with free entry to the park and birthday cake at the Visitor Information Centre. Official launch of the Naturalist Program and Friends of Keji photo contest. Information: Kejimikujik National Park, 682-2772; kejimikujik.info@pc.gc.ca; www.pc.gc.ca
- July 1 **Canada Day BBQ:** 11:30am, Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, chips, etc all at a nominal fee. Information: Marty Felker, 638-3164
- July 1 **Canada Day in Bear River:** 11:30am to 7pm, 1 Wharf Rd, Bear River. Attractions include children's games, pet show, live entertainment, pie auction and home-cooked dinner. Information: Teresa Henshaw, 467-3930; teresa_henshaw@hotmail.com; www.bearriver.ca
- July 1 **Canada Day Celebration:** 11:15am to 1:15pm, Melvern Square & Area Community Centre, 165 Bridge St, Melvern Square. 11:15am: Children's parade registration takes place at the Melvern Square United Baptist Church. 11:30pm: parade, flag raising, cake cutting, hot dogs and pop. 12:00pm: soap slide. Everyone welcome. Information: Marilyn Wilkins, 765-8158; mwilkins@ns.sympatico.ca; www.melvernsquare.ca
- July 1 **Canada Day Celebrations:** 12 Noon to 3pm, Annapolis Valley Macdonald Museum, 21 School St, Middleton. The Town of Middleton celebrates Canada's birthday at the Museum! We offer local musical entertainment, children's activities, free museum admission, lemonade and birthday cake. A charity hot dog barbeque is usually held on the museum grounds by the Middleton Fireflies. Information: Sherry Griffin, 825-6116; macdonald.museum@ns.sympatico.ca; www.macdonaldmuseum.ca
- July 1 **Canada Day at Fort Anne National Historic Site of Canada:** 1pm, Fort Anne, 323 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Flag raising and cake cutting with the Town of Annapolis Royal followed by entertainment, including music and fun for the whole family. Information: Alan Melanson or Town of Annapolis Royal, 532-2397 or 532-1615; www.pc.gc.ca/fortanne
- July 1 **Canada Day Gardens Style:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. Children's activities, music and fun in celebration of Canada Day. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com
- July 1 **Canada Day Picnic in the Park:** 12Noon to 2pm, Margaretsville Community Hall. Flag raising at noon, followed by lunch and games for the kids.
- July 1 **Granville Ferry Annual Pig Roast:** Two sittings, 5pm & 7pm, Granville Ferry Community Hall. Lots of fun for the whole family, including live music. The pig is roasted professionally. Salads, desserts, etc are homemade. Information: Michele Hall, 532-0901; michelehall@ns.sympatico.ca
- July 1 **Milford Celebrates Canada Day:** 5pm, Milford & Area Community Hall, Hwy 8, Milford. Pot Luck. Information: Jennifer, 532-5689 or 532-5232
- July 4 **Annual Old-Fashioned Strawberry Supper:** 5 to 7pm, Tupperville Community Hall, Hwy 201, Tupperville. Scalloped potatoes, ham, baked beans, corn and other casseroles, and strawberry shortcake. Information: Dr Jim Inglis, 665-4005
- July 4 **House & Garden Tour:** Annapolis Royal area. Visit the Historic Gardens and special private gardens and houses in and around Annapolis Royal, the World's Most Liveable Small Town and International Winner of Communities in Bloom. All in support of the Historic Gardens. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com
- July 4 **14th Annual Raven Haven Family Fun Day:** 1 to 5pm, 2239 Virginia Rd., Sandy Bottom Lake. Carnival games, competitions and contests, BBQ, music and entertainment for all ages. Lifeguarded beach. Information: Annapolis County Recreation, 532-2334; rec@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca (click Recreation)
- July 8 **NS Tattoo Bus Trip (55+):** Departs 12 Noon, Annapolis Royal to Halifax Metro Centre. This is a bus trip for anyone 55 years or older. The Tattoo begins at 7:30pm and takes place at the Halifax Metro Centre. Information: Annapolis

July 11 **Lobster Supper:** 4 to 7pm, Margaretsville Community Hall. Reservations required. Information: Sherry or Betty, 825-2251 or 825-3290

July 11 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the ampitheatre; however, there is a rain location; the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

July 12 **Artifacts & Interiors:** 10am to 4pm, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Watch local and provincial artists create works based on the museum and its collection. Art is for sale and on display until September 6. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

July 12 **First Nations Day:** 1 to 4pm, Port-Royal National Historic Site, Historic Lane, Port Royal. Come learn about the Mi'kmaq at Port-Royal. Special activities for the whole family including story telling, music and crafts. Information: Wayne Melanson, 532-2898 or 532-2321; www.pc.gc.ca/portroyal

July 17 **Wilmot Garden Club Flower Show:** 2 to 4pm, Family Life Centre, Middleton Baptist Church, 111 Commercial St., Middleton. Flower and Vegetable Show and Tea. Information: Paul Despres, 847-1001; pdespres@av.eastlink.ca; www.wilmotgardenclub.net

July 17 to 19 **Middleton Heart of the Valley Days Walks:** Check the website for places. In conjunction with Middleton's Centennial celebrations and Heart of the Valley weekend, the Valley Trekkers will host five to 10 km walks in and around town during the weekend. Information: John Rodie or Lynda Kanne, 532-0503 or 847-1772; ricklynda.kanne@ns.sympatico.ca; www.valleytrekkers.com

July 18 **Dessert Cabaret:** 8pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. Come to our first Dessert Cabaret where you will be treated to entertaining music and skits accompanied by a delectable variety of home made desserts. Advance tickets only; cut off date April 2. Information: Loretta, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

July 18 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the ampitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

July 18 **Strawberry Supper:** 4:30 to 7pm, Maitland Bridge Community Hall, 701 Hwy 8, Maitland Bridge. Baked beans, scalloped potatoes, chop suey, sweets, brown bread rolls, tea, coffee and strawberry shortcake with REAL cream. \$8 adults; \$4 children 5 to 12 yrs; FREE under 5 years. Information: Mary Logan, 682-2807; littlemudpie@hotmail.com

July 20 to 24 **Tent Dwellers Canoe Adventure for Teens:** 10am Mon to 1pm Fri, Milford Lakes, Annapolis County. Boys and girls ages 13 to 17, join us for a trip of a lifetime! You will paddle, swim, camp out overnight, and cook delicious meals on this self-sufficient canoe expedition (that means we bring everything we need with us). Bring a friend or meet new ones you'll never forget. Cost \$100; pre-registration is required. Information: André Bouchard, 532-0286; activeliving@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca/club400

July 24 to 26 **BandFest 2009:** Community Band Festival: Annapolis Royal. Community bands from across Nova Scotia and beyond gather in Annapolis Royal for a weekend of learning and performing. Public concert Sunday afternoon. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7694; www.annapolismusic.ca/bandfest

July 24 to 26 **BandFest Weekend Gardens Style:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. A weekend of children's activities, music and fun in celebration of Annapolis Royal's Community Bandfest. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

July 25 **3rd Annual Bellydance Extravaganza:** 8pm, Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffrey St., Bridgetown. An evening of bellydance featuring special guest Elizabeth Strong, as well as a variety of dancers from across the maritimes. Wholesome, fun entertainment for all ages. Admission: \$10 advance; \$12 at the door. Information: bellyzap@live.com; www.bellyzap.com

- July 25 **7th Annual Annapolis District Board of Trade Fundraising Golf Tournament:** 10am, Annapolis Royal Golf & Country Club, 3816 Hwy 1, Allain's Creek. Fundraising golf tournament - register teams of four, lowest team score wins! Lots of prize draws and giveaways. Lobster and steak dinner included in price of registration. Putting contest. Information: Tina Halliday, 526-0944; info@tradeannapolis.com; www.tradeannapolis.com
- July 25 **27th Annual Port George Country Jamboree:** 9am to 8pm, Port George Regional Recreation Centre, 1225 Shore Road East, Port George. 11 hours of live country music; giant all-day flea market; Lions Kiddie Train; face painting; great food: pancake breakfast, ham-bean-potato scallop supper; entertainment for the kids. Admission: \$4, children under 12 - free. Information: Lion Bob Lyle, 765-3225; bobbarb@eastlink.ca; www.countryjamboree.ca
- July 25 **116th Bear River Cherry Carnival:** 9:30am to 10pm, Bear River. Children's Parade at 9:30am, followed by the Grand Parade at 10am. Booths, canteen, games of chance, water sports, greased pole, canoe races, woodsman show and giant canoe display. Dinner and supper at the Fire Hall, followed by fireworks later in the evening. Information: Jim Nixon, 467-3633 or 467-3521; b.r.f.d.deputychief@hotmail.com
- July 25 **Canoes with a Story (Antique Canoes Show):** 10am to 5pm, Bear River Waterfront Park. Showcasing antique and classic canoes; canoe builders and dealers; canoes from Digby and Annapolis Counties. Displays of articles from the time when guiding in the backwoods was more common. Information: Duff Wilson, 638-3438; 467-0233; 245-8319; bearriverplastic.@ns.sympatico.ca
- July 25 **Flower and Craft Show + Dessert Party:** 2 to 5pm, Forester's Hall, Clementsvale. This is a first-time event for the community and visitors to join the Clements Garden Club at a flower, plant and vegetable show, with no judging. Also on display will be various crafts made by club members. Coffee, tea and all sorts of desserts available. A goodwill offering will go towards club expenses. Please come and join us. Information: Freda Gammon, 467-0427; fredaxbrit@yahoo.ca
- July 25 **North Hills Museum Community Picnic:** 2 to 4pm, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. A pot luck gathering open to everyone. Bring a salad or dessert and we provide the rest. Enjoy music, food and the museum! Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com
- July 25 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the amphitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com
- July 25 **Tupperville School Museum Ice Cream Festival:** 1 to 6pm, Tupperville School Museum, 2611 Hwy 201, Tupperville. 10-12 flavours of homemade ice cream; BBQ hot dogs and hamburgers and cold drinks; children's games, facepainting and live music. Information: Janie Barkhouse, 665-2427; alanbarkhouse@hotmail.com
- July 25 **Inglewood Community Day:** 1:30 to 8pm, Inglewood Community Centre. Games for every age group; horseshoe tournament (12-100 yrs); BBQ at 4:30pm includes baked beans, brown bread, hamburgers, hot dogs, Blueberry Grunt and ice cream. Get ready for the Peanut Scramble. Information: Hazel I. Johnson, 665-2725
- July 29 to 31 **ARRA Reunion 2009:** Open to people who attended Grades 9 to 12 at ARRA between 1960 and 1965. Registration deadline is May 31, 2009. Forms available from Town Hall, 2009blastfromthepast.blogspot.com or contacts. Check the blog for updates and attendees. Information: R. Ringer; J. Fox; B.Hogan, 876-2871; 678-1756; 532-2761 respectively
- July 31 to August 2 **31st Annual Riverside Rally:** 74th Crusaders Club House, 104 Bike Club Road, Moschelle. International motorcycle rally; various facilities and events. Information: Sid Burrell, 584-3618
- July 31 to August 3 **Annapolis & District Natal Days:** Town of Annapolis Royal and surrounding communities. A four-day celebration for the people including music, parades, fishing derbies, tractor show, mini golf tournament, lobster trap races, children's party, dances, karaoke contest, scavenger hunt, fireworks, farmers' market, encampment at the Fort grounds. Information: Angela Amero, 532-7688; annapolisnatalday@hotmail.com
- July 31 to August 3 **Natal Day Weekend Gardens Style:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. A weekend of children's activities, music and fun in celebration of Annapolis Royal's Natal Day. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

July 31 to August 9 **Local Artists Show & Sale:** 9am to 4pm daily, Masonic Hall, Church St., Annapolis Royal. Come and experience the "JOY of ART". Free admission. Information: 532-7622

August 1 **30th Annual Fun Run:** Limited run day registration from 8:30 to 9:15 am; run begins at 9:30 am SHARP! 752 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. 3km fun run in historic Annapolis Royal. Prizes awarded to runners of all ages. **With over 150 participants, it is necessary to pre-register.** Pre-register online at www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca, click on Recreation link. Admission is a free will donation to the KidSport and Jump Start programs – look for the donation box at the registration desk. Information: Annapolis County Recreation, 532-2334; rec@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca (click Recreation)

August 1 **Coverall Bridgetown Triathlon - Kids of Steel Races:** 2pm, Bridgetown Pool. Information: Michael Parker, 665-4819; msrparker@ns.sympactico.ca; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

August 1 **Keji's Birthday:** Kejimkujik National Park and National Historic Site, Route 8, Maitland Bridge. Join in to celebrate Keji's 40th birthday with cake at the Visitor Reception Centre, family games and activities all day, evening bonfire and sing-along. Information: Kejimkujik National Park, 682-2772; kejimkujik.info@pc.gc.ca; www.pc.gc.ca

August 1 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the amphitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

August 1 & 2 **Military Encampment:** Aug 1: 9am to 6pm; Aug 2: 9am to 2pm, Fort Anne, 323 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Fort Anne National Historic Site will host a weekend full of Natal Day events. Step back in time! Explore the encampment area, listen to the stories of enthusiastic, costumed re-enactors and observe period firing demonstrations created by the 84th of Foot Regimental Association. Information: Alan Melanson, 532-2397 (May 15 to Oct 15); www.pc.gc.ca/fortanne

August 1 to 3 **Margaretsville Days:** Aug 1: Round the Square Yard Sale early Sat; Children's Parade at 11am, followed by hot dog lunch; Wharf Society Scallop Dinner, 4-7pm, reservations required. The long weekend will include the popular Antiques Roadshow, as well as concerts at The Evergreen Theatre, featuring "Tidal Funk". Watch for local announcements. Information: Betty or Sherry, 825-3290 or 825-2251

August 2 **Coverall Bridgetown Triathlon:** 6am to 2pm, Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Park, Bridgetown. 2009 is the 8th year for the Bridgetown Triathlon. We are the largest race in Nova Scotia and one of the two largest in Atlantic Canada with athletes coming from across Canada and internationally to participate. Approximately 250 people from five yrs to 70+ years will select one of the six race distances to test their skills. Come watch! Come participate and increase the success of this county event! Information: Michael Parker, 665-4819; msrparker@ns.sympactico.ca; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

August 2 **Bubble Blowing Contest:** 2pm, Action Jax Family Fun Park, 4708 Hwy 1, Granville Ferry. Join the fun and enter a contest where chewing gum is not only allowed, but is provided for your chewing pleasure. Kids five to 15 can compete within three age divisions for lots of fun, gum and prizes. FREE to all that try. Information: 532-0911; info@action-jax.com; www.action-jax.com

August 3 **Action Jax Mini Putt Tournament:** 3:30pm, Action Jax Family Fun Park, 4708 Hwy 1, Granville Ferry. Two-person team play. Bring your own partner or one can be found for you. Kids ages five to 105 can join the fun and have a chance to win a prize and maybe even beat the champs. FREE to all that play. Information: 532-0911; info@action-jax.com; www.action-jax.com

August 4 to 7 **Valley Senior Games:** 9am to 8pm daily, Annapolis East Elementary School and other venues, Middleton. Both active and sedentary activities for those who are 55 or better. Information: Leona Grant, 532-2664; aleonagrantsympactico.ca

August 5 to 9 **Digby Scallop Days:** five-day event, Town of Digby. A festival full of events for all the family: woodsman competition; fishermen's scallop shucking and net knitting contests. Information: Mike Bartlett, 308-0950;

August 7 to 23 **Historic Gardens Photo Contest & Exhibit:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. A wonderful look at the Historic Gardens through the eyes of amateur photographers. Includes various competitive categories. Submission deadline: August 5. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

August 8 (rain date August 9) **Moonlight Concert:** 7:30 to 11pm, Ellenhurst, 10252 Hwy 1, Paradise. Hear the Annapolis Big Band, featuring singer Donna Holmes, perform the great tunes of the 30's and 40's outside under the stars for your listening and dancing pleasure. Bring lawn chairs and perhaps a picnic and enjoy the fabulous music as played by the Big Bands of the time such as Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Glenn Miller and others. A donation in support of the Paradise Community Hall will be appreciated. Free parking is available on the grounds at Ellenhurst and on site transportation is provided for people needing assistance. Information: Linda Hankinson, 584-3570; david.hankinson@ns.sympatico.ca

August 8 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the amphitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

August 8 **Pot Luck Barbeque & Jam:** 6pm start, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Bring a salad or dessert, enjoy our barbeque and then join in or watch talented local musicians. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

August 8 & 9 **5th Annual Lobster Crate Run:** 1pm Sat; 2pm Sun, Parker's Cove Wharf. Watch contestants brave the cold Bay of Fundy waters, while trying to race across the most floating lobster crates. Or enter the contest yourself and see if you have the skills required to remain upright while running across a string of lobster crates. Information: Lindsay Longmire, 532-1393; info@fundycommunities.com; www.fundycommunities.com

August 12 **International Youth Day:** First observed in 2000, this day celebrates the achievements of the world's youth (15 to 24 years of age) and encourages their participation in enhancing society. For more information, visit the website. Information: www.un.org/youth

August 15 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the amphitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

August 15 **Tent Dwellers Canoe Festival:** Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site, Route 8, Maitland Bridge. A fun-filled day of canoeing activities, demonstrations, canoe displays, outfitters equipment and more. A great day for the whole family. Information: Kejimikujik National Park, 682-2772; kejimikujik.info@pc.gc.ca; www.pc.gc.ca

August 15 **Paint the Park:** Lower St. George St. Playground, Annapolis Royal. As part of Paint the Town, children will create art at the town's playground. Materials will be provided. Information: Annapolis Royal Recreation, 532-7667; www.annapolisroyal.com/recreation

August 15 & 16 **Paint the Town:** Annapolis Royal. Artists paint, sketch and sculpt at various venues in Annapolis Royal. Silent auction each day on works created. Information: Annapolis Region Community Arts Council, 532-7069; arcac@ns.aliantzinc.ca; www.arcac.ca

August 16 **Delaps Cove Walk with Nature:** 1pm, 2077 Shore Road West, Delaps Cove (approx. 24 km (15mi) northwest of Annapolis Royal. Join recreation staff and the Annapolis Field Naturalists for a guided, interpretive tour along Bohaker Trail and the Bay of Fundy shore. There's no charge; just put on sturdy footwear and bring smiles and heaps of enthusiasm. Information: Annapolis County Recreation, 532-2334; rec@annapoliscounty.ns.ca; www.annapoliscounty.ns.ca (click Recreation)

August 16 **First Nations Day:** 1 to 4pm, Port-Royal National Historic Site, Historic Lane, Port Royal. Come learn about the Mi'kmaq at Port-Royal. Special activities for the whole family including story telling, music and crafts. Information: Wayne Melanson, 532-2898 or 532-2321; www.pc.gc.ca/portroyal

August 17 to 22 **Annapolis Valley Exhibition:** Mon to Sat, 8am until late evening, 570 Hwy 1, Main St., Lawrencetown. Agricultural fair; family entertainment at an affordable price; livestock shows and displays; commercial exhibits; professional music entertainers. Information: Linda M. Wood, 584-3339; valleyex@ns.sympatico.ca; www.annapolisvalleyexhibition.ca

August 22 **Park After Dark:** 6 to 11pm, Upper Clements Parks. Evening concert and fireworks. The night is best experienced under the stars at the amphitheatre; however, there is a rain location - the show must go on! Check the website for more information. Information: Cindy Goodwin, 532-7557; marketingmanager@upperclementspark.com; www.upperclementsparks.com

August 22 & 23 **Celebrating Paint the Town Gardens Style:** Historic Gardens, Annapolis Royal. Watch artists at work painting their favourite scenes; a wonderful opportunity to view the Gardens through the eyes of an artist! Head down to the Legion to have a look at all the day's artwork and to buy a treasure or two in support of the Arts Council. Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com

August 26 to 29 **Digby County Exhibition:** Bear River Exhibition grounds, 854 Riverview Road, Bear River. Agricultural fair featuring daily oxen and horse pulls; horseback riding; exhibits of livestock, cooking, art, handcrafts, flowers and vegetables. Information: Jean C. Marshall, 467-3752; frankjeanmarshal@eastlink.ca; www.eans.ca

August 27 **Bishop Park Gala Day:** 8am start, Bishop Park, Round Hill. A fundraiser for the Round Hill & District Recreation Commission. The day begins at 8am with a breakfast at the Round Hill Hall, followed at 12 Noon by activities at the park and a BBQ. Information: Allen Cress, 532-7988

August 29 **Annual Summer's End Dinner:** Margaretsville Community Hall. Theme to be Pirates of the Caribbean. Reservations required. Information: Sherry or Betty, 825-2251 or 825-3290

August 29 **3rd Annual Fundy Coast Classic Car Show:** 11am to 4pm, Cove Oceanfront Campground, bottom of Parker Mountain Road, Parkers Cove. Come and see classic vehicles displayed on the rolling hills of the campground. Free registration for show vehicles; 14 prize categories. Admission: \$2 adult; \$1 child. Music, great food, prizes and fun for all! Information: Lindsay Longmire, 532-1393; info@fundycommunities.com; www.fundycommunities.com

September 2 **Wharf Rat Rally (Motorcycle Rally):** 9am start, daily, Digby and area. Motorcycle rally in its fifth year, the Wharf Rat Rally plays host to international bike builders, street vendors, live entertainment and more. A must-be-experienced event. Information: Peter Robertson, 247-5117; t.robertson@ns.sympatico.ca; www.whafrat rally.com

September 6 **Tea at Two:** 2 to 4pm, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Enjoy tea and sweets while chatting with the artists who attended the Artifacts & Interiors day in July. Last chance to purchase one of their lovely creations. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

September 11 **Annapolis Royal Walk:** 6pm, Cozy Internet Café, 324 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. A walk through Annapolis Royal and Granville Ferry to include the paths around Fort Anne and the French Basin Trail. Five and 10km routes. Information: John Rodie, 532-0503; www.valleytrekkers.com

September 12 **Loggerman's Supper:** 4:30 to 6:30pm, Springfield Seniors Hall, Falkland Ridge Road, Springfield. Enjoy a Loggerman's Supper of ham, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, rolls and dessert. A chance to meet old friends and make new ones. Information: Andy Hustoft, 547-2063; andyhustoft11@gmail.com

September 13 **2nd Annual Swing into Autumn with the Annapolis Big Band:** 2 to 4pm, Hillsdale House Inn, 519 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Enjoy the sounds of the Annapolis Big Band in the beautiful gardens of the Hillsdale House Inn. Bring your picnic lunch, non-alcoholic beverages, blanket or chair. Information: Val Peterson or Paul Stackhouse, 532-2345; info@hillsdalehouseinn.ca

September 13 **Terry Fox Run:** 2pm, Town Hall, 285 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Whether you walk, run, jog or bike, any level of participation is gladly accepted. Pledges are always welcome, but not required to take part in the run. 100% of all pledges and donations go towards cancer research. Come out and support a great cause! Information: 532-7667; recreation@annapolisroyal.com; www.annapolisroyal.com/recreation

September 16 to 20 **Ciderfest**: This five-day festival celebrates the fall harvest with over 30 events, featuring parades, dinners, cardboard Boat Regatta, fitness challenge, family street party and much more. Information: Bronson Rafuse, 665-2915; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

September 18 & 19 **Quilt & Rug Show**: 10am to 5pm, St. James Anglican Church, Bridgetown. As part of Ciderfest activities, the Anglican Parish of Bridgetown holds a show of handmade quilts and rugs as a fundraiser for the church. Admission at door. Information: Connie Hannam, 665-2277

September 18 to 20 **Sister Fair**: Fri, 4 to 11pm; Sat, 10am to 11pm; Sun, 11am to 2pm, Cornwallis Park. Sister Fair is a festival to celebrate women's expression through music and the arts. This is a fundraising event with all proceeds going to the Frances Mills Clements Bursary Fund: a fund which assists women who are pursuing post secondary education. Information: Wendy Knowlton, 638-8566; womensplace2@ns.aliantzinc.ca; www.sisterfair.com

September 19 **1ST Annual SaveEasy Golf Tournament for King's Theatre**: registration, 9:30am (shotgun start, 11am), Annapolis Golf & Country Club, 3816 Hwy 1, Annapolis Royal. Join us and CBC's Don Connolly for a day of golf and fun. Shotgun start, 4 ball scramble. Cost for this event is only \$75 per player/\$300 per team. Price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, barbeque supper and prizes. Come and participate in the A.M. Jazey's Furniture and Appliances \$10,000 Hole in One Shootout. Information: Lesley Crysler, 532-1932; golfkingstheatre@gmail.com

September 19 **Fall Auction**: 10am start, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. Time to get your produce, pickles, jams, baking, as well as some other items of interest. Look for more information in the Annapolis Spectator closer to the date. Information: Loretta, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

September 19 **Harvest Festival**: 1 to 4:30pm, Melvern Square & Area Community Centre, 165 Bridge St., Melvern Square. 1 to 2:30pm: Giant Pumpkin Weigh-In & Decorated Pumpkin Contest. Cash prizes for first, second and third in adult category and child category. Treats for all children participants in the decorated or carved pumpkin contest. 2:30 to 4:30pm: Tractor Skills Competition for all ages. Prizes for all children participants, and for most skilled adult tractor drivers. Pumpkin and apple pies with tea, coffee and juice throughout the afternoon. Information: Marilyn Wilkins, 765-8158; mwilkins@ns.sympatico.ca; www.melvernsquare.ca

September 19 & 20 **Bridgetown Ciderfest Co-ed Ball Tournament**: Bridgetown Memorial Ball Field. Information: Chad Graves, 665-4788

September 20 **North Hills Museum Roadshow**: 10am to 4pm, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Join Roger Crowther and fellow specialist for a day of antique appraising. Pre-registration recommended. \$5 per item, limit of two items per person. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

September 20 **Nova Scotia Open Farm Day**: Nova Scotians have an opportunity to enjoy a day in the country and learn about life on the farm. Farms that have confirmed their participation are posted on the website, with a link to a hot button with a map to each farm. Information: Judy Grant, 893-6598; grantjd@gov.ns.ca; www.gov.ns.ca/agri/agaware

September 24 to 26 **Nova Scotia 55+ Games**: 9am to 9pm daily. Physical games: golf, track and field, bowling, slowpitch. Seated games: cards, board games, mind games, etc. Social activities. Information: Vivian Wright, 638-8068; vivwright@ns.sympatico.ca

October 2 to 4 **Fall Three-Day Writers Workshop (Author TBA)**: Fri evening, all day Sat and half-day Sun, North Hills Museum, 5065 Granville Road, Granville Ferry. Fall Writers Workshop with a writer (to be announced). The event features seminars, readings and writing sessions. Advance registration required. Information: Janice Slauenwhite, 532-2168; thurbejl@gov.ns.ca; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

October 2 to 4 **2nd Annual Women Only Weekend**: Various locations. Tons of activities geared towards women! Spa treatments, great meals, discounts on accommodations, theatre event and much, much more. Pamper yourself: you ARE worth it! Information: Tina Halliday, 526-0944; info@tradeannapolis.com; www.tradeannapolis.com

October 3 **Christmas Tea & Sale**: 1 to 3:30pm, Milford House, 5296 Hwy 8, South Milford. Enjoy tea, scones and delicious desserts at rustic, rural and relaxing Milford House in the seasonally-decorated dining room. Local artisans will display their crafts in front of the library and living room fireplaces. A great opportunity for gift shopping. Information: Elizabeth

October 3 & 4 **A Celebration of The Mountain and the Valley:** Various locations. A festival celebrating local literature, locally grown food, locally produced crafts and art, and the fall splendour of the area. Information: Steve Raftery, 824-0387; www.town.bridgetown.ns.ca

October 3 & 4 **17th Annual Middleton Christmas Dreams Craft Show:** 10am to 4pm, Sat and Sun, Middleton & District Arena, Gates Ave., Middleton. This event features and highlights the creative work of many crafters with over 90 exhibits. Great care is taken in selecting the exhibitors and the caliber of the work being shown at the craft show is second to none. This craft show has been an unforgettable shopping experience to thousands of people in search of the unique, the fantastic and the handcrafted! Information: Vanda Dow, 679-6676; edow@eastlink.ca

October 10 **Annapolis Royal Fire Department Annual Harvest Pantry Sale, Fire Prevention & Musical Evening:** 9am to 2pm; Annapolis Royal Fire Hall, 5 St. Anthony St., Annapolis Royal. The Fire Department Auxiliary hosts a harvest sale of baked goods, produce and preserves, a Chinese Auction and 50/50 draw. The firefighters demonstrate fire prevention methods and take young folks on fire truck rides. The evening (7 to 10pm) features three-hours of local musical talent (country and gospel), 50/50 draw and sales of ticketed items. Information: bloliver@ns.sympatico.ca

October 10 to 12 **Thanksgiving Weekend:** Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site, Route 8, Maitland Bridge. Enjoy the brilliant colours of fall and the annual pumpkin carving contest. A great time to come together with family and friends for one of the best camping weekends of the season. Information: Kejimikujik National Park, 682-2772; kejimikujik.info@pc.gc.ca; www.pc.gc.ca

October 17 **Annapolis Community Health Auxiliary Variety Show:** 7pm, King's Theatre, Annapolis Royal. Held in support of the ACHC auxiliary to buy equipment for the health centre. Tickets can be purchased at the door the night of the event - all rush seating. Information: Jan VanZoost, 532-2031; jvanzoost@ns.sympatico.ca

October 24 **Dessert Cabaret:** 8pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. Come to the Dessert Cabaret where you will be treated to entertaining music and skits accompanied by a delectable variety of home made desserts. Advance tickets only! Cut off date October 10. Check the local paper and posters for the special guest entertainers. Information: Loretta, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

October 31 **IODE Rummage Sale:** 1-3pm, NS Community College, Middleton. Bi-annual sale of goods (clothing, household items, books, shoes, bags). Proceeds to assisting those in need in the Middleton area and beyond. Ample parking. Go to rear of college. Information: Rosemary Chapter IODE, Val Davies, 532-2739

November 1 **31st Annual St. Andrew's Half Marathon:** 12 Noon, Annapolis East Elementary School, Marshall St., Middleton. Runners pick up registration package at AEES and then travel to Clarence to begin. Half marathon ends at the Town Clock in Middleton. Information: Tom Ross, 825-6906 (after 6pm)

November 11 **Remembrance Day Service:** 2pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. 57 men and women from the community of Brickton have served in world conflicts since 1914. A commemorative stone was erected at the community hall and each November 11th a service is held to further remember them. A time of reflection observed by the laying of wreaths and roll call. Open to the public. Refreshments following the service. Information: Loretta, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

Mid November until Christmas **Annual Christmas Promotion:** Various locations, Annapolis Royal. Santa, free horse-drawn wagon rides, crafts for the whole family, scavenger hunts, walking Parade of Lights, late night shopping and much more. Check the website for updated information. Information: Tina Halliday, 526-0944; info@tradeannapolis.com; www.tradeannapolis.com

November 20 **International Children's Day:** In Canada, November 20 marks the anniversary of the enactment of Bill C-371, known as the Child's Day Act, in 1993. For more information, visit the website. Information: www.canadiancrc.com/Canadas_national_Child_Day.aspx

November 21 **Auction:** 6pm, Community Centre, 734 Broadway, Cornwallis Park. Fundraising auction of previously

owned items. Dessert for a free will offering. Information: Marty Felker, 638-3164

November 28 to 30 and December 5 to 7 **Victorian Christmas:** O'Dell House Museum, 136 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Christmas really is the most wonderful time of the year at the O'Dell. Costumed animators, hot mulled cider, homemade cookies and carols all add to the festive atmosphere. Information: Ryan Scranton, 532-7754; www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

December 5 **32nd Annual Farmers' & Traders' Christmas Market:** 10am to 4pm, Legion Social Centre, Annapolis Royal. Over 75 vendors including: arts & antiques, pottery, botanical soaps & cosmetics, jams, jellies, festive baking, quilting, knitting, jewellery, nautical items, chocolates, stained glass, dried flowers, teddy bears, dolls, photographic cards, Christmas decorations, linens, and more.

December 6 **Old Fashioned Christmas Concert:** 2pm, Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1, Brickton. The annual concert is always a time to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas, with skits, old time country Christmas music and involves people of all ages, mostly from the community, and a visit from the man in red. Look for more information in the Annapolis Spectator nearer the date. Freewill offering at the door, so you are encouraged to give generously since the proceeds at the Christmas concert are always for a local charity. Information: Loretta, 765-6821; georgepiper@eastlink.ca

December 31 **Blue Moon New Year's Eve Gala:** 9pm to 1am, Royal Canadian Legion, Annapolis Royal. Dance the night away to the swing sounds of the Annapolis Big Band. New Year's nibbles and midnight merriment! Information: Trish Fry, 532-7018; www.historicgardens.com