



## *A Message from Warden John Cunningham*



It's incredible to think that the current term of Council is almost over. The past four years have gone by quickly, and I've felt incredibly honored to represent everyone in our growing Municipality. Looking back, I remember the moment I first joined Council in 2008. I wanted to make a positive difference in the community and placed my name on a ballot. Reflecting on my journey, I realize that before stepping into the role of a municipal councillor, I didn't fully understand the breadth of responsibilities it entailed. It's important for anyone considering running for office to do their research. Since all municipalities in Nova Scotia are a creature of the provincial government, legislated through the Municipal Government Act, there is

thankfully a wealth of information available on the provincial government website, which covers everything from the basics of municipal government to council procedures, conflicts of interest, and more: <https://nslegislature.ca>. In the coming months, there will also be plenty of resources shared on the Municipality of Yarmouth's social media and website. I encourage anyone interested in local governance to take the time to learn and engage. My door is always open for questions, discussions, and to share my own experiences in serving the public. Remember, this year's municipal elections across the province are scheduled for Saturday, October 19th. The next councillor for our Municipality may very well be you!



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## New REMO Website

Check out Yarmouth County Regional Emergency Management Organization's newly updated website! Packed with important information on emergency preparedness, including the location of comfort centers, contact information, where to obtain essential updates during crises, and more, this website ensures you're always equipped to handle the unexpected. Stay informed, stay safe – explore the website today to learn more.

<https://remoyarmouthcounty.com/>

## Congrès mondial acadien 2024



TOWN AND MUNICIPALITY OF  
**YARMOUTH**

The Town and Municipality of Yarmouth are excited to be the Presenting Partner of the Congrès mondial acadien 2024 (CMA 2024). This event aims to celebrate and preserve Acadian culture locally and globally. Yarmouth will host flagship events such as the National Acadian Day Concert and L'Ultime Tyme, alongside various community activities during the week of August 10-18, 2024. With over 300 events and 50 family reunions across 28 communities in Southwest Nova Scotia, CMA 2024 promises a vibrant celebration of Acadian heritage. For more details, visit [www.cma2024.ca](http://www.cma2024.ca).

## Beware of Scammers!

Beware of common scams:

1. **Romance Scam:** Scammers create virtual relationships through emails or fake profiles on social media, asking for money under false pretenses like emergencies or investments.
2. **Grandparent Scam:** Fraudsters impersonate loved ones in distress, urging immediate financial assistance for scenarios like bail or accidents, often via email or text.
3. **Door-to-Door Scam:** Be cautious of upfront payments for services offered at your doorstep; always ask for credentials and multiple quotes before committing.
4. **Unavailable Scam:** Scammers may refuse to meet or show products/services but demand payment or a down-payment.
5. **Gift Card Scam:** Fraudsters request payment in the form of gift cards or offer services in exchange for them, using anonymity to take advantage and ease of use of gift cards like Apple or Google.

For more information on frauds and scams you can contact the Canada Antifraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501 or the Yarmouth County Senior Safety Program at 902-881-4099.



## Spend Your Summer with Yarmouth Recreation!

Join us for an unforgettable summer adventure at Yarmouth Recreation's summer day camps! From July 2nd to August 23rd, children aged 5 to 14 can immerse themselves in fun-filled activities every Monday through Friday. With age-appropriate groups for 5-7, 8-10, and 11-14 year olds, there's something exciting for everyone!

## Receive Updates Through Text!

Introducing a new way to stay up to date on what is happening in the Municipality! Our texting service allows you to sign up to receive text messages from us on a variety of topics. Signing up is simple! All you have to do is text one of the three keywords below to our toll-free number: (855) 737-2186.

**Government updates:** Keyword is 'government'

**Cape Forchu Lighthouse updates:** Keyword is 'lighthouse'

**Recreation updates:** Keyword is 'recreation'

Please note that you can't send a text to the number as this service is to receive notifications. If you wish to speak to someone from the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth, please call us at 902-742-7159 or email [admin@munyarmouth.ca](mailto:admin@munyarmouth.ca).

## MODY Momentum Business: Kerr's Take-Out & Ice Cream Shop Ltd.

In 2013, Angie Kerr had a small farm market business where she sold eggs and baked goods on a weekly basis. The love of feeding people and having them enjoy the food drove the desire to one day have a location that people could visit, chat, and get a good meal. The dream of having a small business became a reality in February 2024, with the creation of Kerr's Take-Out & Ice Cream Shop Ltd. The shop offers take-out meals such as lasagna, pulled pork, mac-n-cheese, chili, soups, pizza, and calzones. There is also a grab-n-go cooler for those on the run, which is stocked with subs, sandwiches, and baked goods. The ice cream shop is open daily from 1-8pm, with a 9pm close closer to summer. A daily special is offered on ice cream for all to enjoy. Check out the Facebook page (Kerr's Take-Out & Ice Cream Shop) daily for what's on the menu! You can call in an order at 902-881-2252 or stop by 360 Hardscratch Road.



## Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

The program provides eligible homeowners with a rebate (determined by the Provincial Government) on their municipal property taxes paid the previous year. Application forms are available in July of each year at Access Nova Scotia in the Provincial Building on Starrs Road, as well as the Municipal Office in Hebron. The deadline to apply is December 31st of each year. For more information, please contact us at: 902-742-7159.

## MODY Heritage Map

Did you know that the Municipality of Yarmouth has 36 Registered Heritage Properties? With our new interactive Heritage map, you can easily see where each property is and navigate directly to it! You can also filter the map by type of property, including churches, cemeteries, residences, and public/businesses. To view all registered properties within the municipality and check out our new interactive map, please visit the Heritage & Museums section of our municipal website: <https://munyarmouth.ca>.

# Welcome to Team MODY!



Please join us in welcoming Chris Weatherby, MODY's Waste Water Technician. Chris grew up in Tatamagouche, before moving to Yarmouth several years ago. He attended community colleges in Nova Scotia and Alberta for mechanical, plumbing, and electrical trades. Chris spent the majority of his career with the YMCA, before helping the Town refurbish the building and reopen Mariners on Main. In his spare time, Chris enjoys spending time with family, motorcycling, golfing, fishing, and being outdoors.

We are pleased to welcome Derek Robertson as the Municipality's Director of Development Services. Derek is from Bedford and a proud graduate of Dalhousie University, where he earned his Bachelor's degree with Honours in Urban Planning within the field of Community Design. He gained valuable experience at Tri-Star Industries, before taking on the role of Co-Owner and Planner at C+D Community Design. In 2015, Derek and his wife moved to Yarmouth, and have grown their family with the addition of three daughters. As an avid cyclist, Derek dedicates his time to working on bicycles and riding them alongside his daughters. Derek also enjoys exploring the great outdoors, reading, drawing, camping, and hiking.



We are excited to welcome Marc McNeil as the Municipality's newest Building Official. Born on the west coast of British Columbia, Marc moved to Ontario as a teenager and spent the last 30 years as a construction site supervisor. Near the end of the Covid-19 pandemic, Marc and his wife travelled to the east coast for the very first time and fell in love with the people, the scenery, and a more relaxed way of life. It was something that they had longed to return to. Marc is an active member of the Nova West Kennel Club here in Yarmouth and owns and shows a beautiful standard poodle. He also enjoys golfing, fishing, canoeing, and is a huge Star Wars fan!

Please join us in welcoming Molly Spinney, Yarmouth Recreation's Active Living Coordinator. Molly, a native of Yarmouth, pursued her education at Saint Mary's University before spending the past decade in Saskatchewan. She has a background in addiction counseling, dedicating the past 8 years to helping others. With a profound love for nature, she often seeks solace in spending time outdoors. In her leisure time, Molly enjoys activities like CrossFit, kayaking, and savoring a good cup of coffee. Recently returning to Yarmouth to be near her family and enjoy the better weather, Molly continues to embody her passions and values in both her personal and professional endeavours.



We are pleased to welcome Paul Rae as Cape Forchu Lighthouse's new General Manager. In the fall of 2021, Paul and his wife decided to go on a scouting trip to Nova Scotia where they fell in love with the southwestern region immediately. The wonderful people, incredible history, shorter winters, and fantastic beaches were all selling features for them. Paul's previous background includes sales and marketing for over 20 years, working on their boutique marketing agency. Prior to that, he had worked for 17 years at his family-owned resort near Algonquin Park. Having had a love affair with lighthouses since his childhood cottaging on Lake Huron, Paul looks forward to overseeing the evolution of this incredible Nova Scotian landmark, meeting others in the community, and welcoming visitors from far and wide.

## Public Comments at Meetings

Residents can now provide comments, up to a maximum of 15 minutes (3 minutes per person), during Regular Council and Committee of the Whole meetings. Up to 5 residents may sign up to speak per meeting. If you wish to speak, you must write your name on the sign-up sheet on the Council Chambers door. The opportunity to provide comments is on a first-come, first-served basis.

## Joint Police Advisory Committee Corner NS Police Officer Program



Law enforcement agencies are working with Department of Justice to increase the diversity of trained police officers in Nova Scotia. Tuition, meals, and accommodation costs will be waived by the Atlantic Police Academy for a maximum of eight positions in the 2024-2025 academic year for individuals who:

1. Self-identify as a member of one or more of the following groups: Indigenous, African Nova Scotians and Other Racially Visible Persons, Persons with Disabilities, Women;
2. Currently live in Nova Scotia or have lived in Nova Scotia within the past five years; and
3. Have an expressed interest in returning to work in Nova Scotia in law enforcement after completing the Police Science Cadet Program.

For more information, contact:  
[2024policetraininginitiative@novascotia.ca](mailto:2024policetraininginitiative@novascotia.ca).

## How to Contact Your Councillor

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**District 4: Councillor Patti Durkee**  
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**District 7: Councillor Nick Hilton**  
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*Further information on the Councillors and the districts they serve can be found on our website.*


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*Visit us at [munyarmouth.ca](http://munyarmouth.ca)*

# Municipality of Yarmouth - Residential Organics and Waste Collection

 Residual Garbage (Clear bags– No black bags)

 Compostables Pickup (green cart)  
No plastic in green carts please!

Recyclables (2 blue bags) pickup takes place every week on your pickup day.

## These items will be included for pickup with your residual garbage every two weeks.

- Household furniture
- Mattresses / box springs
- Bulky household items
- Rugs / Carpets (rolled & tied)
- Small household items should be bagged in clear garbage bags

## Municipal residents will have three opportunities throughout the year to deliver their metals to roadside for collection.

- Metals
- Appliances/white goods
- Oil tanks (cut in half)
- Push lawn mowers
- Swing sets & trampolines (dismantled)
- Basketball systems (dismantled)
- BBQ's
- Hot water heaters

If your residual pickup is normally Monday ..... November 1, 2024, April 4, 2025 & June 6, 2025  
 If your residual pickup is normally Tuesday ..... November 8, 2024, April 11, 2025 & June 13, 2025  
 If your residual pickup is normally Wednesday ..... November 15, 2024, April 18, 2025 & June 20, 2025  
 If your residual pickup is normally Thursday ..... November 22, 2024, April 25, 2025 & June 27, 2025

## Items NOT accepted for curbside pickup, but are not limited to:

- All construction/renovation/demolition debris
- Explosives, combustibles, toxic materials
- Lobster traps
- Ride-on lawn mowers
- Propane tanks
- Car bodies, batteries, heavy car parts
- Household hazardous wastes & motor oil
- Electronics not included in NSEPRa recycling program (computers, TVs, monitors, printers, telephones, DVDs, stereos, digital cameras)
- Paint & empty paint cans
- Garden and yard waste

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## Waste Check Back to the Basics

What color bags should you use to have your waste picked up at the curb?

Recyclables require 2 blue transparent bags - one for paper and one for plastic, metal and glass. Blue bags will not be picked up if they are mixed both paper and plastic.

Residual garbage requires a clear bag (no color).

For inquiries concerning solid waste, please call Waste Check at 902-742-1312.