

The Town of Clarenville

Spring is here!



SPRING 2010 MUNICIPAL UPDATES



Mayor's Message

The winter that wasn't is over. Spring and all that it offers is here and we look forward to summer with great anticipation. The past number of months has been great for our Town. The opening and success of our Events Centre, a good winter for our Alpine Skiing facility and the winning of another Herder championship have created an increased atmosphere of community involvement. Residential development continues at a moderate pace and you can feel an air of vitality and pride in our Town. Lots of great things are happening in our area. There are areas of concern and improvement to be made. Council, our staff, and workers will continue to make every effort to meet these challenges.

This newsletter will outline some of the happenings in our Town. There will be opportunities for our citizens to be involved. We have had a history of community volunteerism and involvement. Let's continue to be the great Clarenville Town and lend support whenever possible.

Have a great summer!!!
Fred Best, Mayor



Photo:
Shannon Oake

**BACK 2 BACK
HERDER CHAMPIONS**

Herder-iffic!!!!

Congratulations from the Town of Clarenville to our Clarenville Caribous on winning the Herder Trophy for the second year. The semi-final playoffs and the finals were events that all of us have to be especially proud of. The games were well attended and the loyal fans, in their usual fashion, rose to the occasion. The outcome of the series was a fitting finale to a most successful season!!

Open Doors Municipal Awareness Day May 19th

Council will be having "Open Doors" in promotion of Municipal Awareness. As part of Municipal Awareness Day, Municipal Buildings will be open to the public between the hours of 1 pm - 4 pm and 6 pm - 7 pm, to give the public an opportunity to meet with Councillors and/or staff, have a tour of the facility or just ask questions about the facility. This will include the Town Hall, Fire Hall, Water Treatment Plant and Events

Centre. Group tours can also be arranged by calling the Town Office (see below for contact info).

There will also be a question/answer period the same evening, from 7 pm - 9 pm, at the Town Hall. Public is invited to drop by the Town Hall, meet your new Council and enjoy a coffee and informal chat.

Should any of the local schools or organizations wish to have the Mayor or a Councillor speak at a function during Municipal Awareness Week, feel free to contact the Town Office at 466-7937 or email marie@clarenville.net, to have it arranged.

Salute to Volunteers

On behalf of the citizens of the Town of Clarendville, I extend my sincere thanks to the numerous individuals and members of our many service organizations for your continued volunteer efforts. You are impacting on the social fabric of our community and are enhancing our day to day living experiences. All residents, from youth to seniors, enjoy the many benefits that the volunteer sector of society provides. During volunteer week April 19 - 23, we should all reflect on the many aspects of community life that are enriched because of the unselfish efforts of many in our society. Please extend a thank you or pat on the back to those in your community that continue to make these contributions.

The federal, provincial and municipal coffers could never realistically provide the level of financial remuneration that would be required to pay for their countless hours of commitment and support! Collecting for a charity, coaching a sport, working with your church, cleaning up the community, assisting a resident of the community, serving on a school councilor service club and the list goes on, are all gracious and charitable contributions to society. On your behalf, I thank each and everyone of these volunteers. If each one of us contributes in even, some small way, then our community will continue to be better for it.

Sincerely,

Fred Best

Fred Best,
Mayor



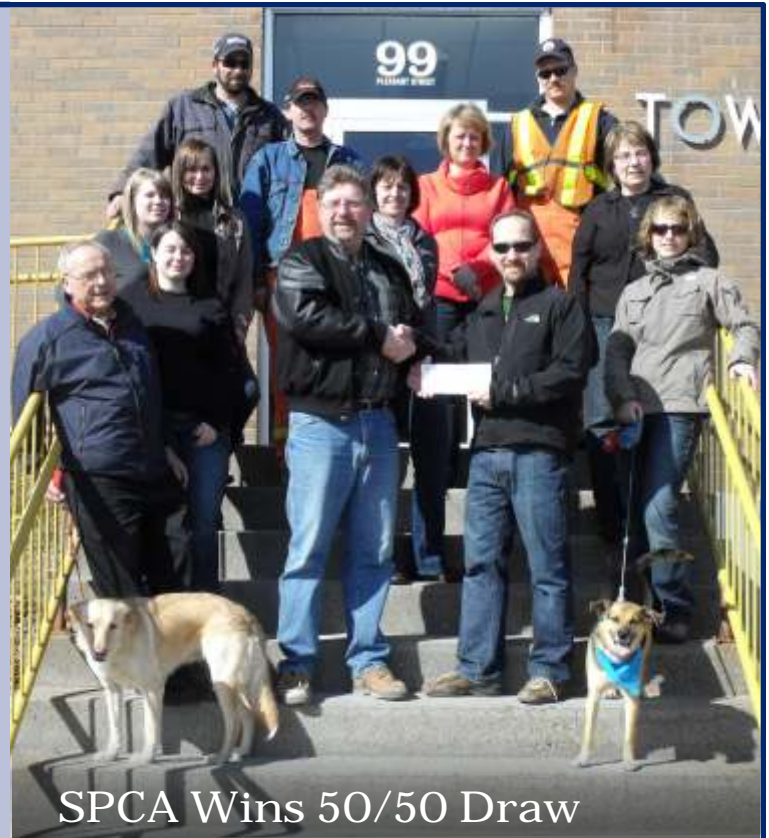
Message from your Clarendville Fire Department

With Spring upon us residents of Clarendville have already begun preparing their gardens and lawns for the summer growing season. As part of that process many people will burn off dead grass and leaves. The members of the Clarendville Fire Department urge everyone to use common sense and be VERY cautious when burning any type of refuse or dead foliage.

This past winter saw very little snow and even though the region has had some heavy rains in recent weeks the ground is very dry and it only takes a couple of days of warm weather to leave the ground dry and in prime condition for rapid fire spread.

The Clarendville Fire Dept. reminds everyone of what happened recently in the area of Chapel Cove where a refuse fire, fanned by strong winds, got out of control and resulted in the evacuation of the community and major property damage.

"Fire can get out of control when people don't practice common sense," says Fire Chief Cory Feltham.



SPCA Wins 50/50 Draw

The Clarendville SPCA received \$1,300 last month from the Employees of the Town of Clarendville. Town Employees pay into a 50/50 fund each week and do a monthly draw among themselves. At the end of each year a draw is made to donate the remaining 50% to a Charitable Organization. This year's contribution went to the local SPCA. This is the fourth year that Town Employees helped out a Charity. Past contributions have gone to Clarendville Hospital, Daffodil Place and Arthritis Society. The 50/50 draw is just one of several things done by Town Employees during the year, to help support their community.

A Sincere Thank-You

Remember all those beautiful hanging flower pots on some of our streets each summer. Have you ever wondered how they get watered? No – Council workers don't do it – volunteers have been doing the watering since we started some years ago. Our sincere thanks and appreciation to Sandy Keel and his wife Jeanette, who volunteer their services each day to provide this great community service. What a great example of pride, interest and involvement in our Town!

We throw a bouquet to Sandy and Jeanette!



Public Works Report

Water System Flushing

Even though we feel that we provide our residents with the best water in the Province, we still have to maintain our water system. Again this year the Town will be carrying out a water line flushing program. The reasons we do this are as follows:

1. To remove dirt that has settled in the line over the past year.
2. To ensure our fire hydrants and valves are working properly.
3. To increase the chlorine levels in dead-end lines.

To ensure that the flushing program causes as little disruption as possible to our residents, flushing will be carried out overnight. Flushing will start in early May and continue throughout the summer.

2010 Capital Works

This year the Town will be undertaking two major Capital Works Programs. These include the widening and upgrading of Harbour Drive and Manitoba Drive. The work includes the installation of sidewalk, curb, gutter and improved storm sewer on both roads, as well as an additional lane on the south side of Manitoba Drive. This will help improve traffic flow and reduce traffic congestion in this area. The total cost of both projects is \$3,265,424, which will be cost shared on an 80% Provincial and 20% Municipal basis.

New Town Plan

After over a year of preparation, review and revision, the new Town Plan is complete. The process officially started in early 2009, when Council awarded a contract to John Baird and Associates in cooperation with Hatch, Mott, Macdonald and Arvo MacMillan to prepare the plan. This should be adopted and become law in May of this year.

Council would like to thank those who provided input into the preparation of the Town Plan by attending Information Sessions and Public Hearings. Your views were very valuable to us as we appreciate your interest in the Town as we plan for the future.

Clareville Clean, Green & Beautiful Tidy Towns Report

We are pleased to announce that the Town of Clareville was the 2009 Tidy Town winner for population over 3500. The judges report had many complementary remarks on the town and our residential properties. Comments like; "Many residents in the town had scores of floral displays in free-standing planters, beds and hanging planters. These were most pleasing to the eye". And; "Trees throughout the Town appear healthy and well maintained. It's obvious that private citizens provide excellent care for their trees". This commentary, along with references to our walking trails, hanging baskets, War Memorial and clean-up program, were among the many things that impressed the judges.

Let's all work together to keep up the great image of "Clareville – Clean, Green & Beautiful!"

Yellow Bag Campaign

Thursday, April 22nd was Earth Day and as part of our Town's support of this international initiative, a community wide clean-up effort was launched, The Yellow Bag Campaign. We are encouraging all businesses, organizations and residents to become active in cleaning up any refuse around your property, open areas and local streets. Councillor's and staff will be out in full force to offer their support of this project which will conclude with the Annual Spring Clean-up during the first two weeks of May. During this period, the Town's Public Works staff will be picking up road side garbage and debris collected by property owners.

Together, we can make our community a more visually attractive place. We cannot control all of the litter, but we can do our small part in ensuring that our community is "Clean, Green and Beautiful!"

Adopt-a-Street

As part of our Clean, Green and Beautiful Campaign, Council would like to encourage groups, residents and businesses to get involved in their community and Adopt-a-Street/Area that requires clean-up. We ask residents to support our efforts by maintaining the ditches in front of your property by cutting grass/alders along your property line and picking up any garbage that may accumulate during the summer. We invite groups and organizations to adopt a public area or street and keep the ditches clean of debris.

To maintain a Clean, Green and Beautiful Town will require a Community effort.
Let's all do our part!

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"Arts Under the Stars" will be celebrating its 5th Anniversary this summer! This free series of arts performances on Thursday nights throughout the summer has been a real hit, thanks to the volunteers and sponsors who work together to make it happen. This year, "Arts Under the Stars" will be overseen by a Sub-Committee of the Town's Arts Advisory Committee. Performances will take place on Thursday's at 7 pm at the Elizabeth Swan Park. The Theatre at the Events Centre will be the new indoor location in case of rain. Information about "Arts Under the Stars" will be on the Town's Website, Facebook account as well as our information line (beginning in July) at 466-1944.

SPRING CLEAN UP SCHEDULE

Spring Clean Up for residential properties in the Town of Clarendville will take place during the weeks of May 3rd and May 10th. The following schedule for each area will be strictly adhered to:

Monday, May 3rd: Cormack Drive and all streets off Cormack Drive including Park, Prince, Emerald & Viking.

Tuesday, May 4th: Memorial Drive from Clarendville Inn to bridge, Jubilee Court, High Birchy area including side streets, Bayview Road, Maple Avenue and all side streets.

Wednesday, May 5th: Memorial Drive and Marine Drive from the bridge up to and including Vardy's Avenue and all side streets in between, including Moore's Road and Pleasant Street.

Thursday, May 6th: North of Vardy's Avenue on Memorial Drive and Marine Drive up to the intersection of Memorial/Marine Drive including all side streets in between.

Friday, May 7th: Intersection of Memorial/Marine Drive up to and including Gardner Place including side streets.

Monday, May 10th: Hibernia Drive area including all side streets, Clearview Subdivision, Clearwater Subdivision and Harbour Drive from the bridge to Hunt's Hill.

Tuesday, May 11th: Bridge on Harbour Drive to Shoal Harbour Causeway and all streets in between including Huntley Drive and all side streets.

Wednesday, May 12th: Balbo Drive from the Causeway up to and including Islandview Drive, Wiseman Road and all streets in between.

Thursday, May 13th: All streets north of Islandview Drive to the end of Shoal Harbour.

Friday, May 14th: Picking up of vehicle wrecks. Scheduling of the vehicle to be picked up must be done prior to this date by calling the Town Office at (709) 466-7937 with the model and colour of the vehicle for pick up.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Sunday, June 12th: Drop off all your hazardous waste material today between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm, directly across from the old CN Station off Stanley Crescent/Masonic Terrace.

CLEAN UP POLICY

- ❖ Clean up will take place only as outlined and in the week designated.
- ❖ Garbage must be out by 8 am of the day designated for that area.
 - ❖ All items must be placed near the roadside.
 - ❖ Under no circumstance will any street be revisited.
- ❖ There will be absolutely no pick up of trees, limbs off trees, tires, or hazardous materials such as paint cans, thinners, propane tanks, etc.
- ❖ No regular household garbage will be taken away by clean up crews. The removal of household garbage will be the responsibility of the contractor.
- ❖ Vehicle wrecks must be easily accessible by the Town's heavy equipment.
 - ❖ All dates and regulations listed above will be strictly adhered to.

EVENTS CALENDAR

May 2nd

SPCA Sale

May 7th & 8th

Caribous' Herder Celebrations

May 15th

ALS Benefit Concert

May 20th

Middle School Concert

May 27th

Balbo School Production

May 29th

The "Split Peas"

May 30th

Newfoundland Symphony Philharmonic
Choir & The Ladies Chorale

June is Recreation Month.

For further information visit

www.clarendville.net

June 1st & 2nd

"Annie" by Clarendville Middle School

June 3rd to 6th

Nancy Stanford School of Dance

June 10th

Middle School Drama Production

June 11th & 12th

Relay for Life

June 20th

Isla Grant in Concert

June 28th

Start of Summer Program

July 1st

Canada Celebrations

(Elizabeth Swan Park)

July 3rd

CEC Concert – "Ben Sands"

July 9th

"Camp Hollywood" production

July 16th-18th

Invitational Softball Tournament

July 27th

Clarendville Day Dance

July 28th

Clarendville Day (Civic Holiday)

August 20th-22nd

Provincial Softball Tournament

September 3rd-6th

Labour Day Softball Tournament

September 15th

TARGA Car Show

September 24th – 26th

Chamber of Commerce Trade Show

October 27th

CEC Concert "Tommy Sands"

Visit www.clarendville.net for details on these and other upcoming events.