

The Flyer

December 2024 Edition

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The Hearth Room Cafe Foraged Florals Tina Connors
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Thank you all for your continued support!

NEW ROSS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE

4691 Highway 12, PO Box 106, New Ross
(902) 689-2414

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<https://www.facebook.com/nrfr/>

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9-4

Fridays by chance.

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nrfrdirector@gmail.com

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ON SITE BLOOD COLLECTION every second THURSDAY.

You must call Colleen Hull at **(902) 624-0406** to book your appointment!

BLOOD COLLECTION FEE \$15 For in Centre Collection

Upcoming Dates: Dec 5th & 19th

Jan 2nd, 16th, & 30th

Feb 13th & 27th

2024

December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 PLAYGROUP 10:00 - 11:30	3	4	5 BLOOD COLLECTION 8:30-9:30 11:00-12:00 ANGEL TREE NOMINATIONS DEADLINE <i>No School</i>	6	7 <i>Christmas Festival</i> 11:00 - 2:00 FORTIES COMMUNITY CENTRE TURKEY DINNER 12:00 - 2:00 3:00 - 4:30
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15	16 PLAYGROUP 10:00 - 11:30	17 SPARKS 3:30 - 4:30	18	19 BLOOD COLLECTION 8:30-9:30 ANGEL TREE GIFT DELIVERY TO FAMILIES	20	21
22	23 NRFRC <i>First Day of Christmas Break</i>	24 OFFICE <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 IS CLOSED THIS <i>Christmas Day First Day of Hanukkah</i>	26 WEEK <i>First Day of Kwanzaa Boxing Day</i>	27	28
29	30 NRFRC OFFICE IS CLOSED THIS WEEK	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>	JANUARY 1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	JANUARY 2 BLOOD COLLECTION 8:30-9:30	JANUARY 3 <i>Back to School</i>	JANUARY 4

New Ross Family Resource Centre Programming



for Everyone

Community Closet

MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

The Community Closet is officially open and ready for shopping! Discover a variety of clothing sizes, from newborn to adult. While we appreciate donations, please note that we have temporarily suspended accepting new items at this time.

Community Cupboard

MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM-6:00 PM
FRIDAY 1:30-6:00 PM

Take what you need or leave what you can. We aim to have the Community Cupboard stocked regularly with a variety of food and hygiene items.

Mona Thomarat - Volunteer

Mona can help with any grant applications, photocopying, etc. Call or email below to set up an appointment with Mona.

NRFRCDIRECTOR@GMAIL.COM

(902) 689-2414

New Ross Angel Tree

REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW

We know that there are many reasons why the holidays may be difficult. Nominate yourself or a community member so the magic can stay alive for our children. Registration is open on Facebook now. Please feel free to come in to the Centre or give us a call at (902) 689-2414 for assistance.

for Children & Youth

After School Program

MONDAY - FRIDAY 2:25-6:00 PM

Throughout the school year. The After School Program (ASP) starts at 12:25 pm on embedded days. ASP is closed on days there is no school. For more information and availability, contact Janice.

NRFRCJANICE@GMAIL.COM

(902) 277-1823

New Ross Family Resource Centre Programming



for Parents and Families - always free. childcare available, snacks provided

Play Group

MONDAYS 10:00-11:30 AM

This program is designed for families with children aged birth to 5 years. It features free play, art activities, reading, music, and a healthy snack, along with a chance for adults to connect. Please note that the Play Group will be cancelled when school is not in session.

Birth & Postpartum Support

Lindsay, a trained Birth and Postpartum Support Doula, offers prenatal assistance to prepare families for a baby's arrival. Post-birth, she provides lactation guidance, comfort measures, and household help. She is currently accepting a limited number of clients.

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(902) 689-2414

At Home Learning Kits

These kits offer engaging, educational activities for children aged 1 to 5, promoting family bonding and interactive learning. Prepared monthly, they provide fresh content and new adventures for families.

NRFRCJANICE@GMAIL.COM

(902) 689-2414

Winter Boots & Hats & Mittens

Winter is right around the corner. If you or your family member is in need of winter boots, contact us at 902-689-2414 or email Lindsay at NRFRCdirector@gmail.com.

We also have a wonderful collection of handmade hats and mittens made from some community members with love! These are available in the Community Closet.

In Search Of Instructors!

We are looking for some new instructors! Anything from dance to cooking to art. If you have a skill that you would like to teach, reach out to Lindsay at NRFRCdirector@gmail.com

New Ross Family Resource Centre Programming



Programming in Partnership

Free Meals for Families

A partnership with the Forties Community Centre offers monthly dinners for families with children aged 19 or under living at home. Families can request a local, nutritious meal by calling the Centre. You can enjoy the meal on-site or take it home. The next dinner is during the Christmas Festival on December 7 & 8 between 12-2 pm and 3-4:30 pm. Families will be permitted to attend 1 of the 4 dinners for free.

1st New Ross Sparks Unit

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30 PM

Do you have a girl aged 5-6? Join Sparks this fall for a fun group where she can make friends, build confidence, and learn valuable life skills. Meetings every Tuesday will include singing, games, crafts, and more, all while being part of a global community.

Help her create a better world through this enriching experience!

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE ON THEIR FACEBOOK PAGE

SSRCE Job Fair

MONDAY DECEMBER 9 9:30-11:30 AM

Interested in working with the SSRCE? Stop by to learn more about current opportunities including Teacher Assistants (TAs), Child & Youth Care Practitioners (CYCPs), Food Service Workers, Janitors, & Bus Drivers

NRFRC CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

4691 Highway 12

11 am - 2 pm

Join us for some fun activities! Visit Santa and give him your christmas wish list. We will have Christmas crafts, seasonal drinks, and treats for the whole family!

Forties Community Centre

~ Where Old Friends Meet! ~



1787 Forties Road

Phone:

902-689-2000 Centre

Or 902-689-2612

Or 902-689-2147

Email: fortiescc@gmail.com

Rental Info & Bookings:

Ervin Broome 902-689-2782

Follow us on Facebook!

no crib tournament in December

Crib Tournament Sunday January 5th 2025

Doors open at 12 noon. Registration starts 12:30

Play starts 1 pm \$20.00/team

For more information call 902-689-2147

Canteen, wheelchair accessible (ground level)

Tournaments are the 1st Sunday of each month



Card Parties – Tuesday Evenings at 7pm

\$3/person. For information, call 902-644-3359

No card parties Dec 24th + 31st. We resume Jan 7th.



Christmas Festival Turkey Dinner with Local Vendors

Sat & Sun Dec 7th & 8th Turkey Dinner, dessert, tea / coffee. 12-2 & 3-4:30

Adults: \$17, Under 12: \$7.50, Under 5: \$3.50 Eat in or Take-Out.

Fully accessible facility. For more info call 902-689-2147

Proudly part of the New Ross Christmas Festival

***new date* Breakfast with Santa**

Sat Dec 14th - 8-11 am Eggs, Pancakes, Hashbrowns, Bacon, Toast,
Juice, Tea + Coffee

Adults: \$10, Under 12: \$5.00, Under 5: free! Eat in or Take-Out.

Fully accessible facility. For more info call 902-689-2147



New Ross Legion Events



Open Monday, Thursday, and Friday at 4:00.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE STARTS AT 8:30 pm cover charge \$5.00 member \$7.00 non-member. Bring your dancing shoes!

DEC. 6: NO LIVE MUSIC

DEC. 13: McCARDY

DEC. 20: 3AM "WEAR YOUR UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER"

DEC. 23-JAN. 2: LEGION CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

JAN. 1: LEVEE with YESTERDAY'S DAY DAND

JAN. 3: REOPEN

2025 Membership dues are now being accepted at New Ross Legion Branch 79. The renewal fee is \$45.00 and may be either paid on line at www.Legion.ca or at the bar. On January 1, 2025 Membership will increase to \$50.00. All branch 79 members whose 2025 dues are paid prior to December 31st will have their names entered for a free 2026 Branch 79 membership. The draw will be held at the Levee.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL EVENTS AT THE LEGION:

Community Christmas Festival Supper: Friday Dec 6, 4:00-6:00 pm. Ham, scallop potatoes, baked beans, roll and homemade pies. Adults \$17.00 children 5-12 \$8.00. EAT IN

Christmas Festival Craft Fair at Legion: Saturday Dec 7 10:00-3:00

Christmas Festival Dance with "Hal Bruce"- Saturday Dec 7 9:00-12:00 \$20.00 pp advance \$25.00 at the door if not sold out.. Tickets can be purchased at Gina's or the Legion.

Remembrance Day 2024:

On behalf of our Legion, Veterans and our membership we would like to thank everyone who made a donation, purchased a wreath or cross during this year's Poppy Campaign. It was truly inspiring to see the support the Legion received from our community and businesses.

Our little community stood tall to ensure that we honoured our Fallen and to show our appreciation to the men and women in uniform during our Remembrance Day ceremony. There are so many people who made this year's ceremony a success, but first and foremost is you, the community. Our community has a long standing history of military service in times of war and that history was in the forefront during these times of uncertainty of what the future will hold for us all. Nevertheless, like so many of our fallen men and women in uniform our community demonstrated determination and valour, ensuring that we upheld the Legion's motto "Lest We Forget" proving they are more than just words, rather they are heart felt and hold true value to all Canadians young and old.

General Meeting: December 18 at 7:30.

To all Legion Members, We are looking to add to the Executive Team! Interested? Come to the General Meeting to see what we are all about. Or call the Legion at 902-689-2650 and leave a message. Someone from the Executive will call you. Being a part of the New Ross Legion Executive Team could be a great fit for you!

NEW YEAR'S DAY LEVEE- 1:00 Music from 2-5 with **"YESTERDAY'S BAND"** No cover charge. Celebrate the New Year with music, food and good conversation.

CHASE THE ACE IS BACK! From your last support of Chase the Ace the Legion was able to purchase a much needed storage shed from Kyle's Sheds! Tickets can be purchased at Gina's, Home Hardware, Post Office, Harley Bears and the Legion.



All Is New Again Frenchy's



Come join us for an exceptional shopping experience. We have an wide selection of winter wear! Coats, boots, hats, scarves, purses, and more! If holiday parties are on your list, come find your outfit and accessories. We have an amazing selection for everyone!

Our last day open for 2024 is
Friday, December 20th.

We are reopening on Friday,
January 24th, 2025.

January-March 2025 Hours:

Monday & Tuesday - closed


Wednesday - 10-4

Thursday - 10-4


Friday - 10-4

Saturday - 10-4

Sunday - 12-4



Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season shared with family and friends. Thank you for your tremendous support!
Janet & Staff



We would like to say a Big Thank You to the wonderful Volunteers who helped us with our functions this year. Also we have another one coming soon, the ChristmasFest Breakfast on December 7th. It is great to know you are always there to give us a helping hand! Secondly, we would also like to say a Big Thank You to our Community and the surrounding areas who Supported us by attending our events, purchasing the 50/50 Fire Department Tickets and giving monetary Donations! We greatly appreciate your continuous Support! In saying this we would like to take this time to wish everyone a Joyous Holiday Season! May the year 2025 bring you good Health and Happiness!

New Ross Volunteer Fire Department and Committee

🌲 Firefighters' Christmas Festival 🌲

🌲 Breakfast & Bake Sale 🌲



December 7, 2024

7:00am - 10:00am

New Ross Firehall

Menu: eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, pancakes, juice, tea, coffee

Cost: Adults - \$10, Children (Ages 5-12) - \$5, Preschoolers - free

Anyone wishing to make a donation of baked goods or who would like to donate some time to help at the breakfast, please call Linda at 689-2477 or Janice at 689-2018.

Your support is greatly appreciated!




CHRISTMAS *Festival*

THE RON BARKHOUSE
RESEARCH CENTRE WILL
BE OPEN FROM 10AM - 4PM
ON DECEMBER 7TH




OPEN FOR QUESTIONS



Come visit us during your trip to Ross Farm Museum to ask us any questions you may have about genealogy or the history of New Ross. We will do everything we can to provide you with any and all information and assistance you need.

FAMILY TREE KITS

Don't forget to come pick up a Family Tree Kit. We will be selling the kits for the low price of \$5.00. The Family Tree Kits make the perfect stocking stuffer for any child. The kits provide a fun craft activity that encourages children to take an interest in their ancestry, as well as making a lovely wall hanging once framed.

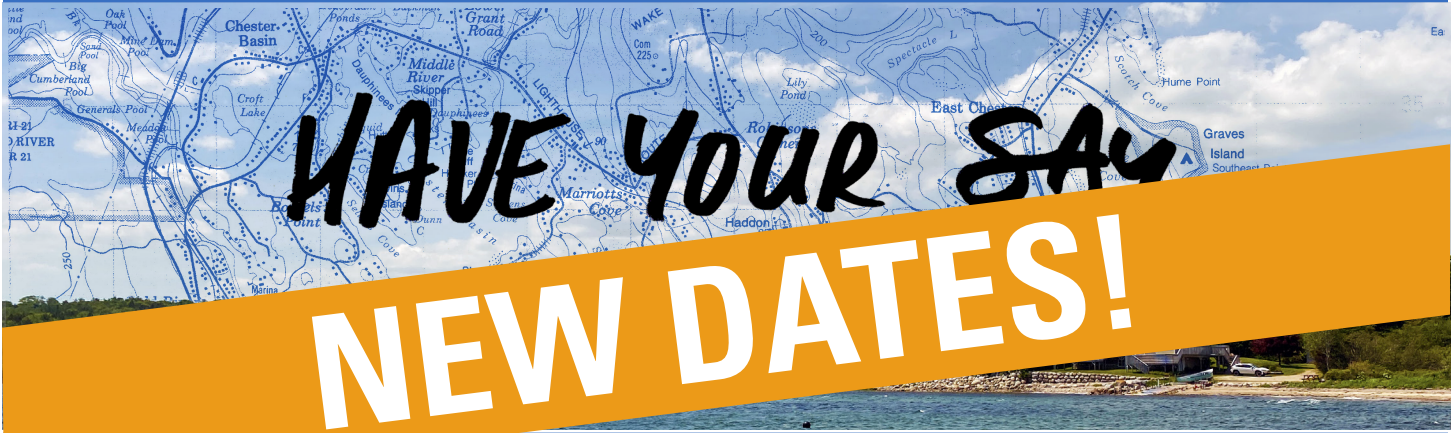


CALENDARS

Be sure to purchase some of our calendars that we have available. We have a large selection of calendars put together by the society using photos donated by members of the community. The wide variety of photos range from snow clearing to wreath making to family photos.

Municipality of Chester Growth Plan

Public engagement opportunities



Communities throughout Nova Scotia are experiencing a housing shortage that is causing hardship and hindering economic growth. The Municipality is working on a Growth Plan to ensure that our communities can prepare for growth in an informed and intentional way.

We invite you to join an upcoming public engagement session to share your input and insights.

Join an upcoming public engagement session:

Tuesday, 7 January 2025

Canaan Community Ctr	3:00–5:00 pm
East Chester Rec Centre	6:00–8:00 pm
Black Harbour Distillers	6:00–8:00 pm

Wednesday, 8 January 2025

Western Shore Improvement Assoc.	3:00–5:00 pm
Ravens Roost (Chester Rink)	3:00–5:00 pm
Chester Basin Legion	6:00–8:00 pm
New Ross Fire Department	6:00–8:00 pm



For more information, scan the QR code
or visit engagechester.ca and click
Charting a Course for Growth



Update from Tina Connors Councillor – New Ross (District 6)

The 47th Council, Municipality of the District of Chester, was officially sworn in on November 7 for a term of office 2024-2028. Allen Webber was elected as Warden, for a 4-year term. Abdella Assaff was elected as Deputy Warden for a 1-year term, 2024-2025. (During the upcoming 4 years, the term of Deputy Warden is four, 1-year terms; an election to be held annually in November.)



Municipal Tax Exemption: Do you qualify for a property tax exemption? You may IF: the total income from all persons who have an interest in your property (listed as owners or co-owners or who contributes to household expenses) was less than \$32,251 in the 2023 calendar year; the property is your principal dwelling (the principal dwelling of one of the listed owner. (The exemption is based on total income, and applies to the residential and waste collection portion of your property tax. The deadline to apply ('received' at the municipal office), for the current taxation year, is March 31, 2025. Contact me with any questions.

Update to Code of Conduct, as required by the Province: All municipal units in Nova Scotia have been mandated by the Province to adopt a new Code of Conduct, which includes such things as: respect; honesty; transparency; rules of procedure; use of municipal property, equipment, services; confidentiality; integrity; no municipal business to be conducted while impaired by drugs or alcohol; personal or private financial benefit; business relations; improper use of influence; etc. By and large, it is very much 'similar in spirit' to our own existing Code of Conduct Policy (P-102).

I am concerned about the provision related to: "involvement or membership with organizations and groups." The Municipality is seeking further clarification, but at this time it is the understanding of staff that councillors can assist organizations/groups, but not be involved with, nor a member of, the organization/group if we wish to sit at the Council table when then making decisions which could benefit said organization/group. We would be required to declare conflict of interest and remove ourselves when discussions take place. So, basically it seems we have two choices: 1) to be involved/be a member and not be part of Council deliberation and any decisions that could be seen as a benefit, or 2) step away from involvement with our groups, except 'to assist.'

Included in recent correspondence from the Office of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, "As Minister, I will prescribe that all municipalities (and villages) must adopt the model code of conduct within 60 days following the October election and provide confirmation of their notice of adoption. Should a municipality (or village) fail to meet the above requirements, municipal funding will be withheld pursuant to the Municipal Grants Act. I trust this will bring an unequivocal understanding of the conduct to uphold as an elected official in Nova Scotia."

Being 72-Hour Ready/Disaster Preparedness: Nova Scotia EMO - Emergency Management Office - and the Red Cross recommend that you keep a disaster preparedness kit in your home with enough supplies to meet your family's needs for at least 72 hours. Being ready for any type of disaster makes good sense. A basic kit would include such items as: non-perishable food; manual can opener; water; crank or battery-operated radio; flashlights; batteries; extra keys (house and vehicles); first-aid supplies; medication for everyone for 3 days; a plan for pets (as well as food & medications); and make sure to have some cash in smaller bills.

See you soon,

Tina C.

Greetings from Gina's Hairstyling,

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me over the years; we have shared many laughs and many tears. I'm sorry it has taken me a while to admit and let everyone know I am no longer able to work as I have in the past.

Thankfully, I have had my daughter, Tracy, filling in and I am pleased to say that she will continue to work for the following days and times:

Tuesday 8:30am-5:00pm

Thursday 8:30am-7:00pm

Friday 8:30am- 5:00pm

(Please note I will fill in when I can)

Thank you for your understanding, and again I would like to thank all the wonderful people in our community and beyond for their continued support.

Happy Holidays

Gina and Tracy

902-689-2011



**Laura Mulrooney
Liberal Candidate
Chester-St. Margaret's**

Today is November 20th, just six days until the Nova Scotia election, and it's also the deadline for the New Ross Flyer. I wanted to take a moment to write to you and share my heartfelt gratitude. Thank you to everyone who greeted me with kindness and warmth when I knocked on your door. Your support and encouragement have meant the world to me. A special thank-you to those who have cast their vote for me—I truly appreciate it. Although I wanted to do more visits, it was great delight to me as I walked around your neighbourhoods finding all the nooks and crannies I didn't know about even after 30 years of exploring. While I don't yet know who will be serving as the next MLA for Chester-St. Margaret's, I do know that this journey has been one of the highlights of my life. Meeting so many incredible people and being welcomed so graciously into your lives has been an unforgettable experience.

Thank you for making this time so meaningful.

NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

followed by

CELEBRATION ON THE HILL

Join us at the Bandstand for carols, hot chocolate and visit with Santa Claus. Then head up to Ruby's Trail for a bonfire and more singing.



Friday, December 6

6:30 PM

Lighting at 7 pm



NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

O CHRISTMAS TREE EXHIBIT

100 years of the Christmas Tree industry in New Ross

Explore this display of historical photos of all aspects of the Christmas Tree industry in this area. Hosted by Marty Murphy

Saturday, December 7

10 am - 3 pm

Ross Farm Museum





NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

CRAFT & GIFT FAIR

Our popular **Festival Fair** offers an array of crafts and gift items made by talented artisans and crafters. Light lunch and raffle tickets available.

Free admission

December 7

10 am - 3 pm

New Ross Consolidated School

Sponsored by Heritage Canada



NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

ART SHOW

Come view the works of our local artists. Bring your Christmas list to pick out that unique gift for that special someone

December 7 & 8

10 am - 4 pm

Ross Farm Museum
across from the Hearth Room Cafe





**FESTIVAL
CONCERT**

SAVE THE DATE!!

THE NEW ROSS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY IS EXCITED TO
ANNOUNCE THAT THIS YEAR'S CONCERT WILL BE FEATURING

**RUTH MANNING AND THE
PROSPECTORS!!**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024
7:00

CHRIST CHURCH, NEW ROSS
*** FREE WILL OFFERING ***

SPONSORED BY: HERITAGE CANADA

NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Christmas Tree Decorating contest



December 6 - 8
Lobby at
Ross Farm Museum



Come see all the fun and beautiful ways to decorate a tree as our local businesses get creative! From bobbles and ornaments to pipe and wire, vote on your favorite and show them some Christmas love



NEW ROSS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL
ECUMENICAL SERVICE



December 8
11 am
Christ Anglican Church





Anglican Parish of New Ross For December 2024



Sunday, December 01, 2024

9AM: St. Augustine's, The Forties - Service of Morning Prayer
2PM: St. Cyprian's, East Dalhousie - Service of Holy Eucharist
7PM: Christ Church, New Ross - Blue Christmas Service with Holy Eucharist. A service for those who are grieving the loss of someone during this time of the year, find the Holidays difficult and/or to support those who are feeling "Blue."

Saturday, December 07, 2024

7PM: Christ Church, New Ross: Ruth Manning Concert

Sunday, December 08, 2024

11AM: Christ Church, Ecumenical Service with Holy Eucharist
Celebrant: Rev. Dawn-Lea
Preacher: Pastor Rick Small

Sunday, December 15, 2024 - Service of Morning Prayer

9AM: St. Augustine's, The Forties
11AM: Christ Church, New Ross
2PM: St. Cyprian's, East Dalhousie

December 19, 2024

7PM: Stories and Music, Christ Church, New Ross

December 21, 2024

1-3PM: Special Children's Party: Celebration of the Birth of Jesus @ Christ Church Rectory/Church

December 22nd, 2024- Service of Holy Eucharist




9AM: St. Augustine's, The Forties
11AM: Christ Church, New Ross
2PM: St. Cyprian's, East Dalhousie

December 24, 2024: Christmas Eve Service with Holy Eucharist

2PM: St. Cyprians, East Dalhousie
4PM: St. Augustine's, The Forties
7PM: Christ Church, New Ross

Sunday, December 29, 2024

9AM: St. Augustine's, The Forties, Service of Lessons and Carols



Christmas Festival Ecumenical Church Service

Christ Church, New Ross
Sunday December 8 at 11:00

Holy Eucharist with Rev. Dawn-
Lea Greer officiating
Pastor Rick Small Sermon

Second Week of
Advent



Everyone Welcome !

A collection of blue Christmas ornaments, including a large solid blue ball, a smaller blue ball with a white grid pattern, and a blue ball with white snowflake patterns. There are also gold snowflake ornaments, gold stars, and gold pine needles on a dark blue background.

BLUE
Christmas
SERVICE

CHRIST CHURCH DEC. 1, 7 P.M.
HOLY EUCHARIST WITH REV. DAWN-
LEA GREER

**A special service of
hope and healing. Week 1 of Advent.**

An advent wreath made of green pine branches and gold pinecones, with four purple candles in the center and a red bow at the bottom.

Hope - Peace - Joy - Love

December 01, 2024

To: The Community of New Ross and area,

Here we are, embracing Advent 2024. Advent is a journey, with every journey there is a destination. Our first stop in Advent is, Advent 1, a destination of 'Hope.' Hope is a pillar in our spiritual health, without hope we lose our sense of meaning and get lost. Hope is the one log of wood that we need to fuel our fire within when life gets difficult and goals feel unreachable. Hope requires, 'belief,' belief in self and belief is something existential. Without hope it is difficult to achieve desired outcomes and propel forward.

We travel from Advent 1 to Advent 2 which is 'Peace.' Peace is simply found, which Reinhold Niebuhr outlines in, 'The Serenity Prayer:'

'God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen.'

From Advent 2 we travel to Advent 3, 'Joy.' Joy is one of the pillars to happiness. Joy is part of the recipe to great health. Joy is something that is found deep within that can lead to happiness. Finding the gift of 'Joy' leads to happiness. Joy is found in the simplest of things.

Advent 3, leads us to Advent 4 - 'Love,' the greatest gift of all. Loving self, loving God and loving others is the great gift you can share and receive. One of the easiest yet hardest things to grasp is the reciprocity of Love. Love is simple, Love is God, God is love. "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:12-13). God's greatest commandant is to, "Love."

My prayer for you as you journey this Season of Advent that you not only find: "Hope, Peace, Joy and Love," but that you **be** it!

With every blessing to you during this Season of Advent and always,

The Reverend Dawn-Lea Greer

Priest-in-Charge

The Parish of New Ross,

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❄️❄️ Christmas Gift Ideas ❄️❄️

Each Item Listed is \$6.00 each

Jams and Jellies

Raspberry Jam, Strawberry Jam, Strawberry-Rhubarb Jam, Wild Blueberry Jam, Bumbleberry Jam, Black Currant Jam, Red Pepper Jelly, Habanero Pepper Jelly, and Merlot Wine Jelly.

Pickles & Sauerkraut

All 500ml except 750ml Sauerkraut

Dill Pickles, Pickled Beets, , Brenda's Gourmet Relish, Yum Yum Pickles, Chow Chow, Bread & Butter Pickles, Kimchi, and 750ml Sauerkraut.

Spices

NO SALT: Brenda's All Purpose Seasoning, Taco & Nacho Seasoning, Garlic Scape Powder, Sweet & Spicy Chicken 7 Rib Spice, George's Garlic Chipotle, George's *Mild* Garlic Chipotle.

SPICES: Lemon Pepper, Green Garlic, Taste of India Seasoning and George's *Hot* Garlic Chipotle.

George & Brenda's

700 Highway 12, Blue Mountain

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All orders are pick-up from our address

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Pick the items you want and we will make a Gift Basket for you!



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www.newrosscreditunion.ca

There are no
stupid questions.

Financial advice to help you budget and beyond.



2024 Holiday Season Branch Hours

Mon, December 23	regular hours
Tues, December 24	9:30am – 12:00pm
Wed, December 25	closed
Thurs, December 26	closed
Fri, December 27	regular hours
Mon, December 30	regular hours
Tues, December 31	9:30am – 12:00pm
Wed, January 1	closed
Thurs, January 2	regular hours resume



New Ross Christmas Festival

Come out to the 31st Annual Christmas
Festival on December 6, 7 & 8!

For more information about the Festival
follow the Facebook group at NEW ROSS
CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL or visit their
website at <https://newross.ca/things-to-do/christmas-festival/>

*Wishing you and your loved ones all the
wonder and magic of the Holiday Season
and a healthy and prosperous New Year!*



METAL & ELECTRONICS DROP OFF


Are you looking for a place to drop off metal and/or electronics rather than having to drive them outside of New Ross? Well now you can! Thomas Dorey has a drop off for these items at:
143 Leville Road (white house by the road)


EXAMPLES OF ITEMS ACCEPTED

- All Computers, tablets, laptops
- All Phones
- Tvs (tubes not broken)
- Sattelite Receivers & Dishes
- Stereos
- Car Parts
- Freezers, Fridges, Microwaves
- Ga** Water Coolers, A/C units



MORE INFORMATION

 902-799-9007

 Facebook: Thomas Dorey

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flower farm & wedding venue

Holiday Gifts

Swags \$25 • Centrepiece \$35 • Fox in Moss Garden \$20
Garland \$10/foot • Plus more!



pre-order
now!!!

Call 902-209-3638 or go to
foragedfloralsnewross.ca/shop.

Visit us at one of these events!

NRRDS Christmas Market
New Ross Community School

Saturday, December 7, 10-3 pm

Ross Farm Museum Craft Market
Sunday, December 8, 10-3 pm

Foraged Florals Holiday Sale
Saturday, December 14, 11-1 pm

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CHRISTMAS TREES IN NEW ROSS

Saturday & Sunday - Check location for hours of operations.

Bar M Ranch U-Pick #2

Glengarry Road

Follow the signs on Glengarry Rd. to our Christmas Tree lot and find the perfect balsam fir tree. Please visit our website for full details, times, prices, offerings, etc. www.barmranch.ca. For info, call (902) 277-1782. Follow us on Facebook.

Hughes U-Pick #11

Red Shirt Road (look for our sign off New Russell Rd.)

Bring your family to pick out the perfect tree! Wreaths and brush for sale. Tree baler on site. For info, call (902) 689-2733 or (902) 277-0010. e-mail: admin@gchughes.com Follow us on Facebook.

Karl Veinot's U-Pick #18

189 Forties Rd.

A great selection of sheared trees for your seasonal enjoyment. For info, call (902) 689-2484.

Keddy's U-Pick #20

130 Ben Keddy Rd., Fraxville

For Sale: Trees, Wreaths, and Brush. Homemade cookies, hot chocolate, tea & coffee. For info, call (902) 689-2460.

Outdoor Facilities

#4 and #14

Across from school in picnic park, and near Post Office. Provided for your convenience by the Municipality of Chester and the New Ross Regional Development Society.



31st NEW ROSS Christmas Festival

December 6 - 8, 2024

Begin your adventure by visiting the
Festival Welcome Post



Ross Farm Museum entrance

4568 Hwy 12

9am - 4pm Saturday

10am - 4pm Sunday

Celebrating 100 Years
of the Christmas Tree
Industry in New Ross

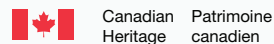


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 **New Ross Christmas Festival**

Our volunteers have updates and directions for lots of New Ross Christmas family fun

We thank our sponsors



The *New Ross Regional Development Society* thank our Festival partners who are hosting events.

List of event sites:

1. Ross Farm Museum
2. Bar M Ranch
3. Peasant's Pantry
4. Lions Park
5. New Ross Consolidated School
6. New Ross Family Resource Centre
7. Vittles Restaurant
8. Scotian Ironworks
9. Sanders Tree Farm Supplies
10. New Ross Volunteer Fire Department
11. Hughes U-Pick
12. Anglican Church
13. Christmas Tree/ Bandstand
14. Community Parking Lot - Post Office
15. All is New Again Frenchy's
16. Ruby's Trail
17. New Ross Legion Branch #79
18. Karl Veinot's U-Pick
19. Stephe's Woodburning and Crafts
20. Keddy's U-Pick (Ben Keddy Rd)
21. Forties Community Centre



Come see our local display of Holiday Carollers, in various locations.

Thanks for services offered by Nova Scotia Power, Linda Hiltz, Charing Cross Garden Club, and New Ross Volunteer Fire Department.

Raffle tickets on an Acrylic Painting by local artist, Sylvia Dodge, are available from members, at the Festival Info table at the Craft Fair and throughout the Festival. Help support our Christmas Festival.

Draw Sunday, Dec 8 at 4 PM.

RESTAURANTS

Vittles Cafe #7

4821 Hwy 12

Family restaurant, home cooking. Open for take-out or eat in. Check our hours and specials on our Facebook page or For info, call (902) 689-2236.

The Hearth Room Café #1

Ross Farm Museum 8:30am -3:30pm

Come enjoy a meal at the Farm. Home cooked meals, with special menu items featured. Eat in or take out. Check hours and specials on our Facebook page or call (902) 300-4090.

Peasant's Pantry #3

4491 Hwy 12


Enjoy Peasant's Pantry food for take out or eat in plus sample and purchase vodka and wine from Beaver Creek Vineyard. Check our website www.peasantspantry.ca and fb/Instagram @peasantspantry for details.

Curbside Eats NS #14

Community Parking Lot by Post Office, Forties Rd.

Come get your fill of "Trucking" Good food. Home-made street food that hits the spot. Menus and times found on our Facebook Page - (Curbside Eats NS)

COMMUNITY TRAILS

Enjoy the natural beauty of our very own community trails.  New Ross Trails Society or www.newross.ca.

- Lions Park Trail
- Larders Lane Trail
- Ruby's Trail
- Popner Trail



FRIDAY EVENING

Food Drive for Food Bank and Community Cupboard #14

Community Parking Lot by Post Office Drive through and drop off your donation at the back of the parking lot. Follow signs.

Christmas Tree Lighting Bandstand at the 'Cross' #13

Come listen to our LOCAL talent, beginning at 6:30PM and stay for the TREE LIGHTING at 7PM, as we celebrate 31 wonderful years. Enjoy the carol singing, and Santa's arrival to hear children's wishes, as elves help Santa hand out his gift bags. SWEET BETTY'S STREETSIDE BITES will be serving hot chocolate.

Celebration on the Hill #15

Following Santa's visit, you are invited to walk up Ruby's Trail for music and singing at Ruby's Spot. Bonfire and snacks. Bring a flashlight.

SATURDAY

Festival Craft & Gift Fair #5

New Ross Consolidated School, 4689 Hwy 12, 10 am - 3 pm
Our popular Festival Fair offers an array of crafts and gift items made by talented artisans and crafters. Light lunch and raffle tickets are available here. Free admission. Sponsored by Heritage Canada.

O Christmas Tree Exhibit #1

Ross Farm Museum, 4568 Hwy 12, 10 am - 3 pm
Explore this display of historical photos of all aspects of the Christmas Tree industry in this area. Get updates on the progress of Smart Trees which will soon be available for growers to plant. Hear how weather affects the trees. Recent photos and articles give an overview of the current state of the industry. Host: Marty Murphy.

Christmas Country Craft Fair #16

New Ross Legion Hall, 64 Forties Rd., 10 am - 3 pm
Come to find a variety of crafts and other goods. Wheelchair access available via the new lift. Free admission. Info/Booking (902) 689-2668.

New Ross Family Resource Centre #6

4691 Hwy 12, 11 am - 2 pm
Join us for some fun activities! Visit Santa and give him your Christmas wish list. We will have Christmas Crafts, seasonal drinks, and treats for the whole family! For info, call (902) 689-2414.

Sanders Tree Farm Supplies #9

4923 Hwy 12, 9 am - 5 pm
Drop by and pick up a homemade Christmas wreath in a variety of sizes, along with many other homemade crafts for you to choose from. For info, call (902) 689-2938.

Scotian Ironworks #8

4843 Hwy 12, 10 am - 4 pm
Artistic blacksmith, Scott Hamlin, welcomes visitors the forge. See Scott's ironwork and custom creations in his gift shop. scotianironworks.com. For info, call (902) 279-1446.

Festival Concert #12

Christ Anglican Church, 4 Forties Rd. 7 pm
This year we will feature the music of RUTH MANNING AND THE PROSPECTORS. Come enjoy some seasonal music. This is a delightful venue to enjoy music of the season. Sponsored by Heritage Canada. Free admission. Donations accepted at door.

Dance #17

New Ross Legion, 64 Forties Rd 9 pm - 1 am.
Dance the night away with Hal Bruce. Tickets: \$20 advance / \$25 at door. For info, call (902) 689-2650.

NEW!! New Ross Historical Society #1

Ross Farm Museum, 10 am - 4pm.
The Ron T. Barkhouse research centre will be open to assist with any questions. Don't forget to pick up 2025 calendars and a Family Tree Craft kit. Great for stocking stuffers.



SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Ross Farm Museum #1

4568 Hwy 12, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm.
Experience Christmas in the Country. At Rosebank Cottage sample sugar cookies & cider. There will be crafts in the schoolhouse and farm workshop. Have fun finding all the gnomes located around the museum site. Father Christmas will be on hand both Saturday and Sunday. Weather permitting there will be horse-drawn rides. www.rossfarm.novascotia.ca. For info, call (902) 689-2210.

NEW!! All Is New Again Frenchy's #15

45 Forties Rd., Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm, Sunday, 12 - 4pm
Fine quality women's clothing in a personalized shopping experience. Come pick out that special holiday outfit or gift for a loved one. We also have seasonal décor available. Follow us on Facebook or call (902)-689-2766.

Festival Art Show #1

Ross Farm Museum, 10am - 4 pm each day.
Come view this new art show featuring the work of local artists. Bring your holiday gift idea list and pick out something for that special someone. For info, call (902) 689-2210

Christmas Tree Decorating Contest #1

Ross Farm Museum
Come see all the fun and beautiful ways to decorate a tree as our local businesses and organizations get creative! From bobbles and ornaments to pipe and wire. Vote on your favorite and show them some Christmas love.

Stephe's Woodburning and Crafts #19

398 Forties Rd. 9 am - 6 pm.
Looking for a unique gift? Pre-order your personalized wood burned gifts! stepheswoodburningandcrafts@gmail.com

Twig's Chalet #16

Located on Ruby's Trail - come visit the woodland cottage of #TwigtheElf, caretaker of all the Balsam Fir Christmas trees in Nova Scotia.

SUNDAY

Ecumenical Church Service #12

Christ Anglican Church, 4 Forties Rd. 11 am
An ecumenical service for all New Ross to celebrate the season. Visitors welcome.

Craft & Gift Market - #1

Ross Farm Museum
4568 Hwy 12. 10 am - 3 pm.
Traditional crafts by talented vendors are available here. www.rossfarm.novascotia.ca. For info, call: (902) 689-2210.

FESTIVAL FOOD EVENTS

FRIDAY

Community Supper #17

New Ross Legion Branch 79, 64 Forties Rd 4:30 - 6 pm.
Enjoy as Eat-in or Takeout. Ham, Scalloped potatoes, baked beans, and dessert. Adults \$17. Children 8 and under \$8. Everyone is welcome back at Legion after the Tree Lighting.

SATURDAY

Firefighters' Breakfast #10

New Ross Fire Hall, 4929 Hwy 12. 7 - 10 am.
Delicious home style breakfast to start the Festival weekend off right. Bake table. Adults \$10, 5-12 \$5, under 5 free.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Forties Community Centre #21

1787 Forties Rd. (902) 689-2000.
12 - 2 pm & 3 - 4:30 pm, both days.
Eat in or take-out. Traditional Christmas dinner and dessert. Check Facebook for menu and updates. Adults: \$17; 5 to 11 Years: \$7.50, under 5 Years: \$3.