

Special Events



Town Criers' Championship



First Fridays



Natal Days

HOUSE & GARDEN TOUR & THE DAY AFTER

July 8 - 9 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Visit the Historic Gardens and special private gardens and houses in and around Annapolis Royal, July 8. Explore other aspects of the community with a series of Sunday activities on July 9. 902-532-7018, www.ExploreOurGardens.com

RAVEN HAVEN FAMILY FUN DAY

July 8 (1 - 5 p.m.)

Play on the beach! The 22nd Anniversary of Raven Haven's Family Fun Day offers an afternoon of fun including carnival games, BBQ, live music and entertainment for all ages. Lifeguard on duty. Take Exit 22 off Hwy 101, follow Rt 8 towards South Milford, then turn right onto Virginia Rd., and head for Sandy Bottom Lake. 902-665-3022, nchisholm@annapoliscounty.ca www.AnnapolisCounty.ca

MI'KMAW CULTURE DAY AT PORT ROYAL NHS

July 9 (1 - 4 p.m.)

Experience the history and traditions of the Mi'kmaq, a culture that has been here for thousands of years. Sing a Mi'kmaq song, accompany the song with a drum, participate in the ancient game of "wates" and interact with the Mi'kmaq craftspeople. Through demos, singing and drumming, you will gain an appreciation for the unique culture of the first people of this land. 902-532-2898

MUSIC AT PORT-ROYAL

July 13, 27 & Aug. 10 (1 - 3 p.m.)

If you like traditional music, mark Thursdays at Port-Royal National Historic Site on your

calendar. Come clap your hands, tap your feet and enjoy the fine singers and musicians in this special traditional musical series to commemorate Canada 150.

PARKS DAY WEEKEND

July 15 - 16 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Relax, take part in celebratory interpretive programs at Fort Anne or play Edwardian Croquet. Enjoy guided grounds tours (English at 10 a.m., French at 2 p.m. daily) and a unique behind the scenes "white gloves tour" of the museum. (Bilingual tours - 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.) Guided tours are ticketed events. www.pc.gc.ca/fortanne

ANNAPOLIS RIVER FESTIVAL

July 15

This day-long event at Jubilee Park in nearby Bridgetown celebrates the historical, cultural, environmental and recreational values of the Annapolis River, in support of the non-profit Clean Annapolis River Project to enhance the ecological health of the river and its surrounding watershed. Enjoy day-long dragon boat races, guided tours of the Annapolis River, canoe races, sprints, canoe obstacle course, portage + paddle, live music, children's games, touch tank and a food and beverage tent. Learn knot tying, tea making, basket weaving and more at the "Skill Sharing Expo". For details see CARP's Annapolis River Festival page on Facebook or <https://www.annapolisriver.ca/annapolis-river-festival>

FLOWER SHOW & DESSERT TEA

July 15

Champlain Garden Club's annual show at the Legion, 2-5 p.m. (Tasty tea, sandwiches and sweets 'til 4 p.m.) \$7 entry. 902-532-0834.

CANADA 150 POOLFEST

July 17 - 22

Enjoy six days full of Canada 150 fun activities at the Annapolis Royal Pool. www.annapolispool.ca

BANDFEST 2017

July 21 - 23

The 22nd annual Bandfest will welcome community bands from across Nova Scotia and beyond for a weekend of learning and performing. Enjoy music, fun and children's activities at the Historic Gardens plus a Massed Band Concert on Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. at Fort Anne. Bring a picnic lunch and a lawn chair or blanket. 902-532-8148

VICTORIAN CRICKET MATCHES

July 29 & 30 (1 - 4 p.m.)

Fort Anne will host the 5th Annual Cricket Tournament. The crack of willow on leather will once again be heard in the Ancient Home of Cricket in Nova Scotia. The matches, complete with a traditional players' tea break between innings, will be contested wearing 1890's uniforms. Cheer your favourite team! 902-532-2397. www.pc.gc.ca/fortanne

CONSTRUCTION TRADITIONS

July 30 (1 - 4 p.m.)

Interact with craftspeople who will share their skill and knowledge of some of the traditional techniques used to reconstruct the Port-Royal Habitation. Enjoy demos in hewing timbers, making shingles and handles for tools, turning wood and blacksmithing. You will appreciate the architecture of this unique structure. 902-532-2898.

MORE EVENTS (p. 18 & 19)

RESTAURANT COMPOSÉ

DINING BY THE SEA

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TUESDAY & FRIDAY

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