

# **MAY & JUNE 2020**

# Recreation OROMOCTO

Building a Healthy Community

TO REGISTER: ONLINE at WWW.RECREATIONOROMOCTO.CA OR IN PERSON AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES • 4 DOYLE DRIVE MONDAY TO FRIDAY • 8:30AM TO 4:30PM • 357-3333





# OROMOCTO MAYOR'S MESSAGE - COVID-19

Thank you on behalf of Council for your tremendous efforts to stay home, practice physical distancing and taking personal responsibility to stop the spread of COVID-19. We are extremely grateful for the community's efforts and acknowledge the sacrifices of many during these unprecedented times. We understand that as a community it is through our collective actions and commitment to the safety and well-being of everyone that we will reduce the spread and impacts of COVID-19.

The Town is monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic very closely and has activated its Emergency Operations Centre and continues to follow the directions of the Government of Canada and the Province of New Brunswick. We are extremely grateful for the community's unwavering support of our team who are working tirelessly to provide our essential services.

MAYOR POWELL

Staff are making every attempt to share timely information with you via our website and social media; however, there may be some of our residents who do not have access to this information so I wanted to highlight some of the following measures that have been taken by the Town:

1. Residents have been asked to follow the recommendations by the Chief Medical Officer by staying at home and having no gatherings; maintaining social distancing if you must go out and self isolating if you've travelled outside of the Province. If you believe you have symptoms, call 8-1-1.

- 2. The Town has been following the guidelines for our essential workers and have made the following adjustments to how it operates:
- Our administrative staff are working remotely; public works and tourism and recreation employees are working on an as-needed basis and focusing on essential services only, and additional cleanings of our facilities are occurring.
- All work-related travel for training and meetings is suspended for our employees.
- Fire station administration and operations are open only to on-duty staff.
- Recreational programs and facilities (except our parks and trails) are all closed to the public.
- The library is closed.
- Council meetings are being held remotely until further notice and the May 2020 municipal elections have been delayed until on or before May 2021.

Many of our local businesses and organizations have been forced to close or to change how they do business which is having a huge financial impact on the local economy. We ask that you please help support those businesses and continue to shop local.

We will continue to keep you informed through our website and social media. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 357-4400 or email: gengov@oromocto.ca.

Thank you for your understanding, patience and continued support as we take the necessary measures to respond to this complex situation.

Sincerely,

Robert E Powell Mayor

## TOWN OF OROMOCTO RECREATION AND TOURISM DEPARTMENT Info & online registration at WWW.RECREATIONOROMOCTO.CA

Jackie Dunn - Programs/Special Events Laurie Muise - Facilities/ Culture/ Tourism Bernie Hurley - Arena/Sport Facilities Bill Jarratt - Director

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357-4455	
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jdunn@oromocto.ca Imuise@oromocto.ca bhurley@oromocto.ca bjarratt@oromocto.ca



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# PAYMENT OPTIONS

FOR OROMOCTO RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES

**ONLINE THROUGH YOUR BANK** Add "OROMOCTO" as a Payee to your online banking. Please note that nothing comes up if you try to add "TOWN OF OROMOCTO". Please note that your water/sewer account number is different from your garbage account number.

ONLINE AT WWW.SNB.CA Scroll down the www.snb.ca homepage to "Featured" and click on the text link

called "Water & Sewer Payments & Municipal Services".

CALL (506) 357-4400 Pick option 2 to pay over the phone with a credit card. Please note that our machines do not accept "VISA Debit" or "Mastercard Debit".

MAIL IN A CHEQUE Don't forget to include the account number reference.

OROMOCTO

MAIL 4 Doyle Drive

NIGHT DEPOSIT BOX Use our night deposit box for cheques and cash if you do not wish to mail it. It's located at the lower level entrance to the Service/ Payment Centre. Don't forget to include the account number reference.

Oromocto NB E2V 2V3 PHONE

(506) 357-4400 EMAIL

gengov@oromocto.ca

## **RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES** are essential to the holistic development of children and youth!

To register with Patient Connect NB for a primary care provider, please call **811** or visit **www.gnb.ca/patientconnectNB.** 

- Patients will need to provide their name, address, phone number and Medicare number.
- A number of health-related questions will be asked.

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### MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS CLOSED

In response to the rapidly evolving situation related to the COVID-19 and the advice of the province's Chief Medical Officer, all municipal facilities and buildings will be closed to the public until further notice.

Employees already deemed critical to the Town will report to work as normal, while others will work from home.

This situation is being monitored very closely and service levels may change. We will continue to communicate information on an on-going basis.

PUBLIC INQUIRIES: Please call 357-4400.



Did you still need your parents at age 10, age 12... what about at age 14 or 16?

Social Development invites you to learn about foster care and older child adoption in New Brunswick. There are children and youth in our communities who need a loving, supportive home to grow up in.

Find out how you could be the difference for a child

www.gnb.ca/SocialDevelopment

Aviez-vous encore besoin de vos parents à l'âge de 10 ans, de 12 ans ou encore à l'âge de 14 ou de 16 ans ?

Le ministère du Développement social vous invite à en apprendre davantage au sujet des familles d'accueil et de l'adoption d'enfants plus âgés. Il y a des enfants dans nos communautés qui ont besoins d'un domicile qui offre de l'amour et du support.

Découvrez comment vous pouvez faire la différence pour un enfant







## SERVICE CHANGES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMPLIANCE IS CURRENTLY WORKING REMOTELY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

- You must obtain a building permit if you wish to perform renovations, alterations and/or new construction projects. Visit Oromocto.ca/building-permits for more information.
- If you currently have a valid building permit, self reports or reports prepared by engineers or architects are not a substitute for the mandatory inspections required by the Town's building by-law.
- In the case where the mandatory inspections have not been followed, the inspector may require completed work to be uncovered to determine compliance with the Building Code.



If you have been working with a specific inspector, you may contact them directly.

MAIL 4 Doyle Drive Oromocto NB E2V 2V3 PHONE (506) 357-4500

EMAIL csteeves@oromocto.ca



# DR JESSICA NIELSEN DR JONATHAN GALLANT

202 RESTIGOUCHE RD (506) 446-3300

Keeping active can improve many aspects of a Senior's life including cognitive function, physical strength & social interaction!

## TOWN OF OROMOCTO 2020 SUMMER STUDENT OROMOCTO

Information regarding Summer Student Casual employment with the Town is available. Please check **www.oromocto.ca** for updates.

For most positions, applicants must be a full-time student in the 2019-20 school year and entering/ enrolled (full-time) in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2020. Please attach confirmation to application form.

Applications & Job Descriptions are available in on-line at www.oromocto.ca.

### LINTUHTINE MUSIC ACADEMY Lintuhtine Studio, Oromocto Arts & Learning Centre 137 MacDonald Ave

Info: Helen Mórag McKinnon at eilidhmorag2012@gmail.com

Until the Coronavirus pandemic subsides, there are no practices for our groups. However, as soon as we are able to, we will resume with our rehearsing. Concerts and Cabaret for May and June are canceled. *Please check out our Facebook page as we will be posting great music and fun suggestions to do.* 

# **ARTISTS WHO CARE**

Our art classes are canceled until further notice. We sincerely hope that all of you will continue to feel healthy and keep on being safe!!



Sincerely, Barb, Beth, Jeannie & Helen



# FAY TIDD PUBLIC LIBRARY @ 357-3329

As of March 16, the Fay Tidd Public Library closed until further notice. Library Materials will not accumulate overdue fines during this period. Due dates, as well as the timeframe to pick up library holds, will be extended. The book drop is closed and programming is currently suspended.

The Library may be closed, but the electronic collection at www.gnb.ca/publiclibraries is always available. Now is the time to conquer (and maybe add to) that To Read list!

You can access our online resources from the comfort of your home! No card? No problem! Request a library card through our website: www.gnb.ca/publiclibraries. We'll email you a virtual card so you can access online resources such as eBooks, animated story books, language learning tools, car repair resources, and more!

### For all ages:

**Electronic Library** – Access eBooks and Audiobooks on your computer through our website, or on your mobile device using the free OverDrive app. Check our books with your library card and they will automatically return after three weeks!

**Online Databases** – Learn a language with Rosetta Stone, read a newspaper in Canadian Newsstream, or learn how to fix your car from home with our Auto Repair Source. School-aged children can use reference tools like Britannica Online, Universalis Junior and the World Almanac Kids. Just sign in with your library card number.

**Online Help** – Have a question? Want to know the Canadian Red Book Value of your car? Having a technical problem? Need help with the library's online tools? We're here to help. Ask away using the "Have a question?" link on the website.

### For children ages K-6:

TumbleBooks – a curated database of children's e-books, is FREE with your New Brunswick Public Library card. It includes animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, graphic novels, National Geographic videos, non-fiction books, playlists, and books in Spanish and French. No check-out times or waitlists: the books are always available.



137 MacDonald Avenue, Oromocto, NB E2V 1A6 Phone: (506) 357-7892 Fax: 506-357-4111 www.cvala.ca ~ www.facebook.com/CentralValleyAdultLearningAssn

CENTRAL VALLEY

ASSOCIATION INC.

ADULT LEARNING

General Education Development (GED) Program: Classes are completely Free!

Covers the 5 Major subject areas: Math, Science, Social Studies, Reading, and Writing

- Widely recognized as high school equivalency
- DAY and EVENING classes available; Full or Part-time options
- Continuous enrollment so get started at any time

Getting your GED is a great first start to bigger and better things — many of our graduates are already completing college diplomas. We currently have day and evening classes at the Oromocto Arts and Learning Centre and day classes at our Oromocto Hazen Centre location. Monthly GED Testing is also happening in Oromocto now! Contact us to apply to write your GED tests.

Don't wait – contact us today at 357-7892 or admin@cvala.ca to get started!

"Like" us on Facebook to receive news, stories and upcoming events from Central Valley Adult Learning



### Public Information Notice Temporary Storage Shelters

Please be advised that the Town of Oromocto's Zoning By-Law 422, Section 32. (2) requires "Temporary Storage Shelters" assembly be permitted from November 1 to April 30 annually.

"Temporary Storage Shelter" means a commercially manufactured collapsible assembly used for temporary storage.

The cooperation of all property owners, to obtain a permit for their Temporary Storage Shelter, will be appreciated.

If you have any questions , please contact the Planning and Compliance office at 357-4500.



# ATTENTION PET OWNERS

As per Town By-law 417 **dogs & cats** "running at large" or an animal unleashed or unharnessed on any property other than the owner's, excepting those participating in a sanctioned show or event or at a designated off-leash park, is prohibited within Town limits.

Please leash your dog & cat in public spaces.

DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS RELATED TO COVID-19, THE OFF-LEASH DOG PARK IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.



## Problems with your computer? We will help!

Full support for home or business needs Servers / Networking / Wireless Virus cleanups Hardware and software support Remote assistance or onsite support New & Refurbished Computers

24 Hour turnaround on most issues

# **Community Notices**



As the COVID-19 situation continues and causes much uncertainty, the Oromocto Pioneer Days Committee, with the support of Town Council, have decided to cancel the 2020 Oromocto Pioneer Days Festival including Canada Day activities normally planned by the Committee.

While we cannot predict the future regarding the current emergency declaration, we do know that the significant planning and organizing responsibilities associated with these activities are not feasible under the current restrictions.

The safety of the community, volunteers and staff are our number one concern and was the leading factor in our decision to cancel. We are following Public Health advisories in coming to this difficult conclusion and trust that you understand our decision.

Although very disappointed, we will continue to plan for an exciting event in 2021, and look forward to seeing you all then!

## LOCAL RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS

NB MILITARY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE - 422-3352 PSP GAGETOWN - 422-2749

Oromocto Minor Hockey Association - www.omhahockey.ca Oromocto Ringette Association - oromoctoringette@gmail.com Oromocto Skating Club - www.oromoctoskaters.yolasite.com Oromocto Area Minor Football - www.capitalareafootball.nb.ca Oromocto Baseball Assoc.- visit their Facebook page Oromocto Softball Association - oromoctosoftball@gmail.com Oromocto Area Soccer Assoc. - www.oromoctosoccer.ca Oromocto Dragons Judo Club - info@dragonsjudoclub.com Oromocto Boxing Club - oromoctoboxingclub@gmail.com Base Gagetown Recreation Association - www.pspgagetown.nb.ca Oromocto Youth Bowling (YBC) - rodnitz@rogers.com Piranhas Youth Volleyball - nic.boucher@nbed.nb.ca Gage Curling Club - shawn.riggs@forces.gc.ca or 999-2311 Oromocto & Area Pickleball Club - visit their Facebook page

### **OROMOCTO & SURROUNDING AREA COMMUNITY GARDENS**

The Oromocto Community Gardens has available beds for anyone wishing to dabble in growing their own produce, herbs, or flowers. If interested, please message us directly from our Facebook page.

THE OROMOCTO MARKET, a community co-operative. JUNE 14, 10am-2pm. Stop by for lunch, get some shopping done, and meet other members of this wonderful community! Both rooms of the Hazen Centre are full of vendors.

### **OROMOCTO SPORTS WALL OF FAME**

Nomination Forms are available at the Town of Oromocto Municipal Building, 4 Doyle Drive, 3rd Level. For additional info, please call Jerry McCann at 687-4420.



### **Oromocto Pioneer Gardens Cemetery Company Inc.**

Please visit our website at www.oromoctopioneergardens.ca Contact us at 292-2477 or at info@oromoctopioneergardens.ca Sales can be arranged by contacting us either at the above number or through e-mail.

### HOSPITALS SEEKING HELPING HANDS

Oromocto Public Hospital is currently looking for energetic & outgoing individuals to volunteer a few hours a week. Please consider donating your time and contact Tracey Fraser at 506-452-5322.

### MEALS ON WHEELS OROMOCTO & AREA (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)

For more info, please contact: Nancy Nitz-Ashby (Coordinator) 357-0950 Murry Parlee (President) 357-2543

# Town Notices

### COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS MARCH-APRIL 2020

### **Council Holds its Committee and Council Meetings Remotely**

Due to the provincially declared State of Emergency, the Town of Oromocto Council will be conducting its Council in Committee Meetings and its Regular Session of Council remotely until further notice. If an individual would like to attend in Council Chambers to view the meetings, the social distancing and group aggregation laws will apply.

### Land Sales/Building Permits and Inspections

During COVID-19 restrictions, the Planning and Compliance report building permits and inspections are still essential. Please call 357-4500 to arrange an appointment to discuss your upcoming construction and/or renovation project before you start.

#### **New Visitor Information Centre**

Bids for tender of the base building were received, and are currently being reviewed.

**Multi-Use Facility** The feasibility study regarding recreational facilities is underway.

#### **Sculpture Saint John**

Council has been advised that artist Valerian Jikia from the Republic of Georgia has been selected to create a second granite sculpture for the Town in 2020. Mr. Jikia lives and works in Tbillisi-Rustavi, where he and his brother run a sculpture studio at the Academy of Fine Arts. He has created pieces for exhibitions and symposiums in Georgia, Russia, Ukraine, Czech Republic, Egypt, Turkey, China, Australia, Israel and the USA. It is expected the sculpture will be completed in the Fall. To find out more about this project, please visit scuplpturesaintjohn.com

#### **Committee Appointments**

Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Aislinn McKellar for serving her term as a youth representative on the Recreation and Tourism Committee. Her appointment was extended for an additional six months and will expire on 30 June 2020.

#### **Oromocto is a leader in Organics Management**

Did you know that Oromocto is part of the world-class organic management program in partnership with the Fredericton Region Solid Waste Commission? This project is mostly invisible to our citizens, but we are excited to share this news. The landfill gas program converts our organic waste to green electricity through a series of extraction wells. What does that mean? This program removes the equivalent of about 15,000 cars from the road each year in terms of greenhouse gases and creates enough green and renewable energy to power 2000 homes! More information can be found at <a href="https://frswc.ca/landfill-gas-plant/">https://frswc.ca/landfill-gas-plant/</a>

The COVID-19 pandemic has temporarily altered our recycling program. Recycling can either be kept for future disposal, or disposed in your normal curbside collection. Once the Fredericton Region Solid Waste Commission re-starts processing recycling, we will follow suite.

#### **Annual Spring Yard Waste Cleanup**

This year's annual yard waste cleanup is scheduled for 4 – 15 May 2020. The COVID-19 situation may or may not impact these dates. Please stay informed at <u>www.oromocto.ca</u>.

### Notice of Meetings Town of Oromocto

**Council in Committee:** 19 May - 5:30PM 16 June - 5:30PM **Regular Session:** 21 May - 7:00PM 18 June - 7:00PM

### **RECREATION & PARKS**

build strong families & healthy communities!

### **RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

are essential to the holistic development of children and youth!

## NB MILITARY HISTORY MUSEUM BASE GAGETOWN

Tours by appointment only. Please contact us at 506-422-2000 ext 1304 or info@nbmilitaryhistorymuseum.ca



www.nbmilitaryhistorymuseum.ca Base Gagetown, Building A5

### TOWN OF OROMOCTO MILLENNIUM AWARD



This award is presented to a deserving Volunteer who has made an outstanding contribution to arts & culture, community service, sports or recreation in Oromocto.

Nomination Forms available at: Online at www.oromocto.ca/grants-amp-awards



# NAPA OROMOCTO

LOCALLY OWNED 273 Restigouche Rd, Oromocto

# 506-357-8883

WWW.NAPACANADA.COM



Assisting adults with an intellectual disability

### FUNDRAISING BREAKFASTS Cancelled for May & June

OTEC remains committed to it's participants by offering Work Essential Skills activities through virtual methods such as YouTube and Facebook

OROMOCTO TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT CENTRE 286 Restigouche Rd Unit D, Oromocto NB, E2V 2H5 Monday-Friday 7:30am-4:00pm

Lorie Mitchell, Executive Director @ 357-3397 ext 3 Email: lmotec@nb.aibn.com

## NEED A VENUE FOR YOUR "SPECIAL OCCASION"?



The Town has several facilities & various meeting spaces available for rent.

For additional info or to book your event, please call Laurie at 357-4459 or email Imuise@oromocto.ca.



Owner: Chris Warren

# Girl Guides

Everything she wants to be.

Looking for a place where girls are empowered to take the lead, jump into awesome activities and explore what matters to them?

girlguides.ca/jointoday

1-800-565-8111

### OROMOCTO ROTARY CLUB "Service Above Self" www.oromoctorotary.ca



## 2020 Calendars are available. \$20/ each.

A chance to win weekly 104 draws with 4 x \$250.00. Help Rotary support Local! There are **Goldmine draws** every Monday for **\$2.00 weekly**.

Any Rotarian can help you with calendars or the Goldmine.