




Recreation Services

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

Looking for ways to get active? Join Clare Recreation Services! Please note that drop-in programs held in schools are cancelled when the school is closed (vacations, storm days, pedagogical days).

DROP-IN BADMINTON

Where? École secondaire de Clare gymnasium
When? Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m.
Cost? Free!



LINE DANCING

Where? École Stella Maris gymnasium
When? Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. (advanced dancers) and
Fridays at 6:30 p.m. (beginners)
Cost? Free!

ADULT SKATE

Where? Université Sainte-Anne skating rink
When? Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.
Cost? \$3 or pay what you can



WOMEN'S DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL

Where? École secondaire de Clare gymnasium
When? Mondays at 8:00 p.m.
Cost? Free!



INDOOR WALKING

Where? École secondaire de Clare
When? Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Cost? Free!

*Please use the gym entrance and bring clean indoor shoes.

FOLLOW US!

Scan the QR code to the right or search for our "Loisirs de Clare - Clare Recreation" page and follow us on Facebook. All Clare Recreation activities will be shared here!



PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Join us for our winter activities. They're sure to be a lot of fun!

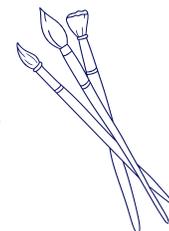
TRIVIA NIGHT

Where? Venue to be determined*
When? February - precise date to be determined*
Cost? \$2 donation to the food bank
Ages: 19 +
*Check the Clare Recreation Facebook page or the community calendar for details.



PAINT NIGHTS

What? Winter Scenes
Where? Meteghan Fire Hall
When? Wednesday, January 17 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$30



What? Winter Scenes
Where? Rendez-Vous de la Baie
When? Thursday, February 1 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$30

What? Love theme - wine bottle painting
Where? Meteghan Fire Hall
When? Wednesday, February 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$30 each or \$50 for two people

What? Watercolour theme
Where? Rendez-Vous de la Baie
When? Thursday, February 29 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$30



What? Family rock painting
Where? Meteghan Fire Hall
When? Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$20 for adults, \$5 for children
*Ages 6+. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

What? Easter / Spring theme
Where? Rendez-Vous de la Baie
When? Thursday, March 28, 6:30 p.m.
Cost? \$30



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Come and enjoy our community events! Please note that these events are not managed by Clare Recreation Services. Do you have a community event you'd like us to promote? Don't hesitate to contact us!

HOT YOGA

Where? Université Sainte-Anne pool balcony

When? Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Cost? \$10 per session or \$60 for eight (8) sessions

*Free for Université Sainte-Anne students

BOWLING FOR SENIORS

Where? Seaside Bowling Lanes and Lounge

When? Fridays, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Cost? \$10

Ages? 50 +



SCOTIAN SHORES BEACH CLEAN-UP

Where? Grosses Coques - parking, registration, and beach access at the end of Bourneuf Wharf Road

When? Sunday, January 21, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*Volunteers will be provided with bags and gloves. Everyone is encouraged to dress warmly and bring water and a snack.

PICKLEBALL

Where? Université Sainte-Anne gymnasium

When? Mondays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Cost? Free!



Where? École secondaire de Clare gymnasium

When? Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cost? Free!

SHUFFLEBOARD

Where? Clare Columbus Club

When? Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Cost? \$4



JUNIPER HOUSE SPONSORED FAMILY SKATING

Where? Université Sainte-Anne rink

When? Saturday, February 17, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Cost? Free!

DARTS

Where? Clare Columbus Club

When? Thursdays, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Cost? \$2



SCRAPBOOKING CLUB

Where? Senator Ambroise H. Comeau Memorial Library

When? Tuesdays, 6:00 to 7:45 p.m.

Who? Adults and teens

*Bring your own projects and join a group eager to share ideas and achievements. Bring your own supplies.

CHAIR YOGA

Where? Clare Columbus Club

When? Mondays, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Cost? \$2



EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM

Did you know that we have an equipment loan program? We have kayaks, skates, game bags, bocce ball games, tennis rackets, life jackets, GPS units, washer toss games, a variety of balls and much more. Contact our Recreation Manager, Jessica, by phone at 902-769-2031 or by e-mail at recreation@munclare.ca to arrange a loan!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Have you seen our community calendar? Visit the "Recreation" menu on the municipal website or scan the QR code on the right to view it! It's the best way to keep up with community events. Do you have an activity or event open to the public? Contact us to add it to the community calendar!





NEW RECREATION MANAGER SETTLES IN WELL

If you haven't had a chance to meet Clare's new Recreation Services Manager, we're pleased to introduce Jessica Martin. Jessica joined us on November 6, 2023.

Jessica has already organized several successful events for the community, including a Dumping Day party, tree lighting ceremony, Christmas in Havelock, RBC Skate with Santa and more. We can't wait to see what other activities Jessica plans for our municipality!

Did you know that Jessica has already hiked on an active volcano? Cool!



NEW FIRE HALL IN HECTANOOGA

The Municipality of Clare has acquired a new building for the Hectanooga fire hall. In addition, we have renovated many aspects of the building, including interior and exterior elements. There is still some work to be done, such as the installation of a new generator, but the project is nearing completion. The new fire hall will eventually also serve as a comfort centre in emergency situations.



IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ACADIAN SHORES INTERPRETIVE TOUR

The municipalities of Clare and Argyle continue to collaborate on tourism initiatives as they prepare to welcome thousands of visitors to the Congrès mondial acadien (CMA) in August 2024.

The Acadian Shores Interpretive Tour will be upgraded for 2024 by updating interpretive panels at existing locations and adding new panels at nine other locations. Also new for 2024, vignettes will be created for each site and integrated into each interpretive panel.

This project is made possible by funding from the following partners: Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA), the municipalities of Clare and Argyle, Nova Scotia Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Nova Scotia Department of Acadian Affairs and Francophonie, and Yarmouth & Acadian Shores Tourism Association.



2024 TAX SALE

The Municipality of Clare's 2024 tax sale will take place on Saturday, March 2 at 10:00 a.m. at the Little Brook Fire Hall (361 Little Brook Road, Little Brook). The list of properties can be viewed as of January 19, 2024, in local newspapers, on the municipal website and at the municipal office during regular business hours. Any questions? Please contact us by phone at 902-769-2031 or by e-mail at taxes@munclare.ca.



REVIEW OF OUR MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGIES AND LAND USE BY-LAW

Mark your calendars! The review process for our Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-law is about to begin. Join us from **7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at the Little Brook Fire Hall** (361 Little Brook Road, Little Brook) for a public participation workshop with representatives from Stantec to discuss the future of our community. Stay tuned to our social media channels for more information.



GRAN FONDO BAIE SAINTE-MARIE WINS TOURISM CHAMPION AWARD

The Gran Fondo Baie Sainte-Marie (GFBSM) organizing committee's tireless work and countless volunteer hours were rewarded on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, when the GFBSM team was presented with the Tourism Champion Award at the Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia (TIANS) Tourism Summit.

The award is presented to an organization that defends, promotes, and supports the interests of Nova Scotia's tourism industry. The recipient must contribute to the competitiveness of Nova Scotia's tourism industry through innovation, community or business excellence and service.

A well-deserved award, since the GFBSM team recognizes the importance of these values and puts them into practice every time it organizes this remarkable event. Congratulations!



UPDATE: EXPANSION OF THE CLARE HEALTH CENTRE

The expansion of the Clare Health Centre (CHC) is progressing. Exterior and interior construction is taking shape, and carpenters are aiming to make the expansion climate-resistant soon. We're pleased to report that the project remains on budget and on schedule, with partial handover of the CHC scheduled for early April.

The proposed expansion measures a total of 8,141 square feet over two floors. The upper floor will include five new physician offices (with two exam rooms per office), a classroom for medical residents and a second procedure room.

Remarkably, each newly created office space is already reserved and will bring the total number of doctors practicing at the CHC to twelve, eight of whom are bilingual.

As a reminder, for **those who don't have a family doctor**, you can **visit needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca** or **call 811** Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. to join the registry.



PROJECT COMPLETION: WENTWORTH PARK

Improvements to Wentworth Park are complete! The project included composite washrooms, improvements to the boat launch, a floating dock with access to the parking lot, an accessible boardwalk, picnic tables, hammocks, and a playground.

The grand re-opening will take place when warmer weather arrives.



INCREASE IN COMMERCIAL TIPPING FEES - CLARE TRANSFER STATION

Due to increased operational costs, the Municipality of Clare must increase its commercial tipping fees at the Clare Transfer Station. Please note that effective April 1, 2024, commercial tipping fees will be as follows:

- \$145 / metric ton for garbage,
- \$145 / metric ton for recyclables,
- \$100 / metric ton for sorted construction debris,
- \$200 / metric ton for unsorted construction debris.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT NOTICES FOR 2024 ARE ONLINE AND IN THE MAIL

Clare homeowners should have received their 2024 property valuation notices from Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC). For more information on the 2024 property assessment, please visit pvsc.ca.

If you have any questions about your property assessment, you can contact PVSC by phone at 1-800-380-7775 or by e-mail at inquiry@pvsc.ca.



A reminder that if you decide to appeal your property assessment, **your appeal must be received by Thursday, February 8, 2024.**

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Clare Recreation Services will soon be looking for summer students to fill the following positions:

CJA Day Camp positions:

- **Camp Coordinator** - one (1) position for a duration of sixteen (16) weeks
- **Camp Leaders** - five (5) positions for a duration of ten (10) weeks
- **Specialized Care Coordinator** - one (1) position for a duration of ten (10) weeks

Positions with Clare Recreation Services:

- **Recreation Team Leader** - one (1) position for a duration of sixteen (16) weeks
- **Marketing and Events Coordinator** - one (1) position for a duration of twelve (12) weeks
- **Equipment and Events Coordinator** - one (1) position for a duration of twelve (12) weeks
- **Programs and Events Coordinator** - one (1) position for a duration of twelve (12) weeks

Position with the Community Development Department:

- **Parks Maintenance Assistant** - one (1) position for a duration of sixteen (16) weeks

The hiring process will open on March 11, 2024. Stay tuned to the municipal website and our social media for more details. We look forward to meeting our new team of summer students!

**All positions are subject to grant approval.*

RETURNING OFFICER APPOINTED FOR 2024 MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The Municipality of Clare's Director of Community Development, Pam Doucet, has been appointed as the Returning Officer for the 2024 Municipal and School Board Elections. The format adopted will be a hybrid election with electronic voting during early voting, from October 12, 2024, to October 19, 2024, inclusively, and paper ballots on election day, October 19, 2024. If you are interested in running in the next election or have any questions, please contact Pam by email at directorcd@munclare.ca or by phone at 902-769-2031.



CLARE COMMUNITY EXPO

Where? Rendez-Vous de la Baie

When? Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cost? Free!

Stay tuned for registration details!

We're thrilled to be hosting our first-ever community expo! Take a tour of Clare and discover what life in Clare looks like in 2024 and beyond. Explore the different groups, teams, community organizations and recreational business partners that are part of this unique and wonderful place we call home. Get information, join a team or group that interests you, find out about the recreational partners you can support and the volunteer opportunities available to you. The above organizations can sign up to set up a booth to present their services and activities to the residents of Clare.

VOLUNTEER WEEK

From April 14 to 20, 2024, our volunteers will be in the spotlight! Volunteer organizations in Clare will soon be receiving nomination forms to submit the name of a volunteer from their organization. Interested in nominating a volunteer? Contact the municipal office at 902-769-2031. The deadline for nominations is **February 23, 2024.**

DUMPING DAY PARTY

The team from Clare Recreation Services and Communauté francophone accueillante (CFA) got together to host a Dumping Day party. An ode to all the fishers who would soon be setting sail for the opening of Lobster Fishing Area (LFA) 34, the event featured a campfire, tasty snacks, and the decorating of the Belliveau Cove gazebo.



SEEKING SHORT-TERM RENTALS FOR THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN (CMA) 2024

Do you have a room, cottage or house to rent during the CMA 2024 on August 10-18, 2024? Due to growing demand for the event, there is a need for additional accommodations for participants who wish to stay in the area. If you would like to offer a private accommodation, please contact :

Marcel Saulnier, Manager, Rendez-vous de la Baie
bienvenue@munclare.ca or 902-769-2345

BOARD GAMES DAY

Another fun activity organized by CFA de Clare was our Board Games Day. For an entire day, residents were able to visit the Rendez-Vous de la Baie to enjoy hundreds of free board games of varying styles and difficulties. There were also free snacks and drinks! Join us next time for endless board game fun.



A LOOK BACK AT NATIONAL FRANCOPHONE IMMIGRATION WEEK (NFIW)

From November 5 to 11, 2023, we celebrated NFIW with a series of events. Let's take a look!

TRIVIA NIGHT

Marcel organized a fun-filled trivia evening at the Château as part of NFIW. Topics included: Clare and Acadians, Canadian generalities, geography, monuments and points of interest, statistics and flags. The winning team received some great CFA swag!



APERRO AND TAPAS

To get into the spirit of the evening, CFA organized an Apero and Tapas event before the Flamenco in Red concert. Residents joined CFA de Clare for informal chats before the concert. It was an event not to be missed!

FLAMENCO IN RED CONCERT

The Flamenco in Red show we hosted was a great success and our most popular NFIW event, with over a hundred spectators.

Deeply committed to the purity and elemental intensity of flamenco music and dance, Flamenco in Red brings together artists who share a unique creative vision.

In a highly emotional style of flamenco, dance closely reflects and integrates song, and gives expression to words. It was an absolute pleasure to welcome such talent!



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