



Kings County **RECREATION GUIDE**

Winter 2017

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PORT WILLIAMS



Information about all Village organizations and activities can be found on the Port Williams website www.portwilliams.com. Click *Life in the Port* and choose *Recreation* from the side menu. If you have any questions please contact Recreation co-ordinator Joseph Memet at (902) 692-9383 or email pwrecreation@ns.aliantzinc.ca.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY SPRING CLEANUP

The Port Williams and District Lions Club conduct their annual Adopt-a-Highway Spring Cleanup of Hwy 358 from Greenwich Corner to the Canard River in April. The Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup began in the village in 1997 by the Women's Institute and continues today under the leadership of the Lions Club. Village residents are welcome to participate.

KEN-WO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Ken-Wo Duplicate Bridge Club holds four ACBL sanctioned games a week at the Village of Port Williams Community Centre:

Monday:

7 pm in the Multi-purpose Room (MPR)

Tuesday:

1 pm in the MPR from October 1st to April 30th and 7 pm in the Hall from May 1st to September 30th.

Wednesday and Thursday:

1 pm - Multi-purpose Room

Classes are offered periodically. For information, email or call the Manager, Brian DeLong at (902) 765-4182 or goose231@eastlink.ca. New players are always welcome. If you need a partner, please call Joy Cavazzi at (902) 678-6738.

DANCETIME AT PORT WILLIAMS

DanceTime at Port Williams is a social dance club comprised of people interested in both Standard and Latin ballroom dancing. They meet to dance Sunday afternoons from 3 - 5 pm at the Port Williams Community Centre. The club has been in existence since 2003, with members coming from all over and different levels of dance experience. They are a club, not a school, but do occasionally have guest instructors offering workshops for club members and club members are always willing to share expertise. Pre-existing knowledge of ballroom dancing is a requirement to join the club.

In addition to their regular practice sessions, they also host several dances throughout the year: a Christmas and Spring Dance and some other theme dances in between. DanceTime invites you and your dance

partner to drop by and see what they are all about. The regular season runs from September to May. **If you would like further information, please email DanceTime_PortWilliams@hotmail.com.**

LAUNCHERS ATHLETICS

Launchers Athletics is a throws club in the sport of track and field. The field events include the discus, shot put and javelin events. Established in 2001, the aim of the club is to give specialized training in throwing events and promote fair play, skill development and to have fun throwing. With all young athletes, goals are different with each person. The club's main goal is to prepare athletes for several competitive opportunities: **1)** The 2017 Canada Summer Games **2)** National Junior and Senior Championships **3)** Team Canada Opportunities **4)** Provincial Legion team and **5)** Students who would like to get ready for the school track season.

Interested individuals are asked to contact Steve Wohlmuth at (902) 542-4848 or email him at launchers_canada@yahoo.com to answer any questions you may have. Additional information and photos can be found on their website www.launchers.ca.



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MURDOCH C. SMITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The library is located at 1045 Main St, beside the fire hall. They are open Mondays and Fridays from 2 - 5 pm and 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Wednesdays from 10 am - 5 pm and Saturdays from 10 am - 2 pm. The library is part of the Annapolis Valley Regional Library enabling items to be borrowed from and returned to, any of these branches.

What kind of items does the library carry? You name it. They have fiction and non-fiction for all ages and all reading abilities including a children's area with books, toys and DVDs and a teen corner. They have extensive collections of large print books, graphic novels, magazines and Book Club in a Bag kits. They have audiobooks on CD as well as a wide variety of music CDs. For all those with devices, we have an incredible selection of downloadable eBooks and audiobooks. And don't forget the staggering variety of movies, TV shows and documentaries on DVD and Blu-ray®, or their Wii® and X-box® games. They even have pedometers and energy meters.

In addition to six public computers, they have open wi-fi and offer colour printing for 50 cents per sheet, black and white printing for 20 cents per sheet and free scanning.

At various times throughout the year the Library offers special events for all ages. These can include film shows, magic shows and reptile shows! The library's winter/spring programming offers programs for babies and pre-schoolers: from 10:30 - 11:30 am is the Bookworms Story time for children ages 3-5, at Busy Babies there will be reading, singing and playing for little ones from birth to age 2 and their caregivers on Fridays from 11:30 - noon. They hope to be able to offer 'tech help' programming in the new year.

For more info about these programs visit www.valleylibrary.ca or call (902) 542-3005.



PORT WILLIAMS AND DISTRICT LIONS CLUB'S ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

The seventh annual Valentine's Day dinner will be held on Tuesday, February 14th, 2017, starting at 7 pm at the Port Williams Community Centre. The menu consists of complimentary champagne and a roast beef dinner (3 vegetables, coleslaw, pickles, roll), dessert, tea and coffee. There will be bar services, door prizes and entertainment. It is sponsored by the Port Williams and District Lions Club in support of their many community service activities. **For tickets, contact any member of the Lions Club or call (902) 542-3933. (Storm date: February 15th, 2017).**

PORT WILLIAMS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE TUESDAY CRAFT TIME

The Women's Institute hosts a Craft Time in the Multipurpose Room of the Port Williams Community Centre on Tuesdays from 9 - 11 am. All are welcome. Bring a craft that you are working on or come to learn a new craft. The winter session starts on January 10th, 2017 and runs until the end of June.

PORT WILLIAMS PARK

The Port Williams Park is located on Hwy 358, adjacent to Centennial Drive. The park was established in 2010 and was a community effort with the end goal being a safe and friendly place for kids of all ages to gather and play. In addition to having plenty of parking, the park includes an amazing play structure for children 2-12 years. There are FIVE awesome slides, climbers and stepping-stones. The equipment is rounded out with swings (for babies as well), some stationary pieces and most recently, a tire-swing that was donated by a local resident.

There is a hard-surface court that is used for basketball and ball hockey (a local resident donated hockey nets!). There is a sun shelter built by local business, Wise Owl Joinery and sponsored by the Port Williams & District Lions Club, as well as a wonderful walking trail that is lined with trees and benches donated by residents.

As of July 2012 the Park is also home to StoryWalk – an interactive initiative that combines the benefits of physical activity, time outdoors, literacy, art, community and family time. Picnic tables and waste receptacles are in good supply and there is even a porta-potty! Visit our donor garden and take a peek at all those who made this park possible. The Port Williams Park – built by the community for all to enjoy.

PORT WILLIAMS RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

(For the latest information on all programs, see the Recreation page of the village website www.portwilliams.com).

Skate Under the Stars!

Family night at the outdoor rink on the tennis courts by the PWES. Music, hot chocolate, fire pit, BBQ. Every Friday evening.

Happy Feet!

Dance mini-camp with our after school dance instructor Jessica Cherry. December 28th, 29th and 30th at the Port Williams Community Centre. Ages 5-12. 11 am - noon. Cost: \$20 for all 3 days.

Holiday Break Children's Camp

Outdoor/Indoor activities, games and play. Hours: 8:30 -5 pm, December 27th to 30th. \$100 for 4 days.

Adopt a grandparent/grandchild Game Time!

Part of the Monday after school program starting after Christmas. Each Monday from 3 - 5 pm. Bring your favourite board game or play cards and social games: Pictionary, Balderdash, etc. Afternoon tea, milk and cookies served.

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OTHER AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

EVERY TUESDAY

“LET’S DANCE” WITH JESSICA CHERRY

Grades P-5. Starts January 5th, 2017
Cost: \$60 for 10 weeks

EVERY WEDNESDAY

“POUND!”

Fun fitness session for children grades P-5 using weighted drum sticks and rock music. Followed by 30 minute “Yoga for Children” session. Instructor: Michele Lapointe.
Cost: \$60 for 10 weeks

EVERY THURSDAY

TRAILBLAZERS AND OUTDOORS PLAY

Cost: \$30 for 10 weeks

PORT WILLIAMS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT – BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR SPARKY THE FIRE DOG

The Port Williams Volunteer Fire Department will be holding a party to celebrate the birthday of Sparky the Fire Dog in the spring. This Open House will feature a birthday cake, games and an opportunity to examine the fire trucks and fire fighting equipment.

PORT WILLIAMS PLAYGROUP

The Port Williams Playgroup runs during the school year (from September to June) from 10:30 am - 12 noon every Tuesday morning at the Port Williams United Baptist Church. The group is open to infants up to preschoolers and their caregivers and there is no charge to attend. The morning is set up with unstructured playtime and snacks for the children and adults! **For more information please contact the church at (902) 542-3495 or office@pwubc.org or Martha Dill at martha-west@hotmail.com.**



PORT WILLIAMS SOCCER REGISTRATION

Registration for the Port Williams Soccer Association, U3 to U10, for children born January 1st, 2007, through December 31st, 2014, will be taking place in early April at the Port Williams Community Centre. This season will run 12 weeks from May 23rd (after Victoria Day) to August 9th, 2017. Children born in 2006 and prior should register with the East Kings Soccer Association. **For coaching information and questions about the PWSA, email Jack Simpson at: jacko241009@gmail.com.**

TOWN AND COUNTRY QUILTERS’ GUILD

Town and Country Quilters’ Guild meets at the Port Williams Community Centre



in the multi-purpose room at 7 pm on the second Wednesday of each month from September to June. All quilters, beginner to expert, are welcome to join the guild for meetings, monthly workshops, charity projects, guest speakers, show and share, and a biennial retreat. Membership is \$20 yearly. **For more information call Ruth Butler at (902) 542-5805 or visit our blog at www.townandcountryquilters.blogspot.ca.**

VICTORY TAEKWONDO

Victory Taekwondo is located at the Port Williams Community Centre. There are two instructors so everyone gets the attention they need to succeed. Offering two FREE classes to everyone! Come in, give this dynamic sport a try and find out what you can really do. If you are looking to learn Taekwondo for fun, self defence, become more flexible or just keep fit, this is the class for you! **Check out our website for more info at www.victorytkd.ca and visit us on Facebook to see updates and pictures.**

WINTER FROLIC

The Port Williams Recreation Committee will hold its 18th annual Winter Frolic on Sunday, January 22nd, 2017 at the Port Williams Elementary School from 3 - 5 pm. After coasting on the hill behind the school, snowshoeing (snowshoes provided) and/or skating at the new skating area in the tennis court behind the school (or the outdoor rink), relax, get warm and enjoy free hotdogs, hot chocolate and Timbits in the lunchroom.

Storm date is January 29th, 2017.

