

THE BEAT

October 2025 Town of Middleton
Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

AS WE WELCOME THE BEAUTY OF FALL IN MIDDLETON, I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS, LOCAL BUSINESSES, AND ONE ANOTHER. THIS SEASON REMINDS US OF CHANGE AND CONNECTION - A PERFECT TIME TO REFLECT ON WHAT MAKES MIDDLETON SO SPECIAL. LET'S KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING AS WE MOVE TOWARD THE BUSY MONTHS AHEAD AND THE COMING HOLIDAY SEASON!

AS WE APPROACH REMEMBRANCE DAY, WE PAUSE TO HONOUR THE COURAGE, SERVICE, AND SACRIFICE OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED, AND CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR COUNTRY. WE RECOGNIZE THE MANY FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO CARRY THIS LEGACY OF SERVICE AND STRENGTH.

MAYOR GAIL SMITH

WILDFIRE SEASON EXTENDED TO OCT. 31



Wildfire Risk Season began on March 15. To keep the public and the environment safe, The Province has extended wildfire risk season to October 31. Watch the provincial burn ban to check if burning is permitted, here: www.novascotia.ca/burnsafe

WOODS BAN LIFTED - BRUSH DUMP, TRAILS AND PARKS NOW OPEN

The Province has lifted the Woods ban in Annapolis County. This means all wooded areas and park trails in Middleton are now open, including:

- Railway Trail
- Riverside Park
- Wetlands Park
- Brush dump

UPCOMING TOWN HALL CLOSURES

Winter holidays during the following dates:

- December 24 @ 12:00PM - January 2
- Reopening January 5 for regular hours

Remembrance Day

- November 11th

FACEBOOK AND EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS

If you don't already, follow us on Facebook. It's the fastest way to get updates: www.facebook.com/townofmiddleton/

We also send updates out through email, to sign up for email updates, email: events@town.middleton.ns.ca

MIDDLETON NEWS



The Town of Middleton is proud to announce that Heather Baxter was nominated for the Provincial Volunteer Award. Heather's dedication, generosity, and commitment to our community inspire us all. We greatly appreciate all of the support that Heather gives to the community. She was recognized at the Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony on September 29 in Halifax.

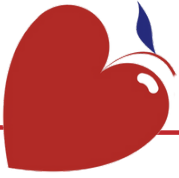
IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: WATER BILLING



Regular water billings will be available by Friday, October 17. Due to the rotating Canada Post strike, bills will **NOT** be mailed. Ratepayers who do not currently receive their bills by email are asked to:

- Pick up their bill at Town Hall, or
- contact us to make arrangements to receive it by email. Please note that payment due dates will remain **UNCHANGED**, despite the postal disruption.

To receive your bill electronically, email: billingclerk@town.middleton.ns.ca



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PUBLIC WORKS



Winter Parking Ban Beginning in December

- Effective dates: either on the first snow storm, or December 1, 2025-April 30, 2026
- 12:00AM-8:00AM daily
- During this period, vehicles must not be parked in a manner that blocks or interferes with snow removal or winter maintenance operations, in accordance with the Motor Vehicle Act.

FALL CLEANUP



The Town of Middleton Fall Clean-ups occur on the opposite week to regular collection.

Collection will take place **on Nov. 17 - Nov. 21** Place your items curbside no earlier than Nov. 16. Please read the Clean-up information at, www.vwrm.com for accepted items.

NO SMOKING OR VAPING

Smoking is prohibited on any town-owned property, this includes, but is not limited to:

- Town Hall, Rotary Park, Riverside Park, Wetlands Park and all parking lots at parks.



MOTORIZED VEHICLES IN PARKS

Motorized vehicles are prohibited in the following areas:

- In parks (beyond the parking lot)
- On trails in Wetlands Park, Rotary Park, or Riverside Park
- On any lawns owned by the Town of Middleton



It is especially important that you respect these rules at Wetlands Park. This is an important ecosystem for wildlife, including turtles, which use it as a nesting ground.

EVENTS

Haunted House - Addams Family Theme

- Step into the spooky, kooky world of the Addams Family
- Macdonald Museum | October 24+25 | 6:00-8:00PM | \$5 per person or \$15 for a group of four

Witch and Warlock Walk

- Beginning at Rotary Park | 4:00PM | Dress Code: Witches and Warlocks | Route: Rotary Park - Across the tracks to GEM - West on North Street - South on Commercial Street - West on Main Street - South on School Street

House Decorating Competition

- Like decorating for Halloween? Please register by October 28th at 4:30PM | Judging will take place on October 29th starting at 7PM | Gift baskets donated by Heather's Independent for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place | To register, email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting

- Nov. 28 | Parade starting at 6:30PM at NSCC | S. on Commercial - E. on North Street to GEM - W. on North Street - S. on Commercial - W. on Main Street, North on Gates Ave. - E. on Church Street - N. on Commercial Street. | Tree lighting beginning at 7:30PM | Centennial Park | Hot beverages | Live music | Food and snacks | Pictures with Santa

Wreath Making Workshop

- December 1 | 6:00-8:00PM | \$55 per person includes everything needed to make a real wreath | Workshop being lead by Valley Rose Flower Shop | To register, email: events@town.middleton.ns.ca

Zumba

- FREE | Every Thursday | At the Firehall | 6:30PM | to register or for more info., email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Core Connections

- \$50 FOR 8 SESSIONS | Every Thursday | At the Firehall | 7:15PM | to register or for more info., email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Titan Training

- \$50 8 SESSIONS | At AEES gym | To register or for more info., email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Learn 2 Run

- FREE | Every Monday & Wednesday @ 5:30PM | Every Saturday @ 9:00AM | At Rotary Park | to register or for more info, email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Senior Walking

- Every Thursday | 9:00AM | At CORAH in the NSCC gym | For more info., email: mpal@town.middleton.ns.ca

Activate Your Neighbourhood

- Watch Facebook and the website for updates

THINGS TO DO:

Holiday Light Show

- Starting November 28 through December.

Snowshoe, Skis and Walking Pole Loans

- Available when there is snow

Free Skates

- 1 hour on the weekends - see the arena website for schedules: www.middletondistrictarena.com

Note: All events are subject to change and cancellation