



## INFORMATION ON THE 2024 MUNICIPAL AND CSAP ELECTIONS IN THE CENTREFOLD.



### ADOPTION OF A POLICY AGAINST ABUSIVE INTERACTIONS

On July 17, 2024, the Municipality of Clare adopted a policy against abusive interactions towards its staff. This policy applies to all municipal employees (including those at the administrative office, the Clare Health Centre and the Transfer Station), Council members, volunteers and contract workers who perform work for the Municipality. The objective of this policy is to ensure that everyone working on behalf of the Municipality has a safe and healthy workplace. To consult the policy, please visit our website under the “policies” tab. Thank you for your understanding and respect for our staff.

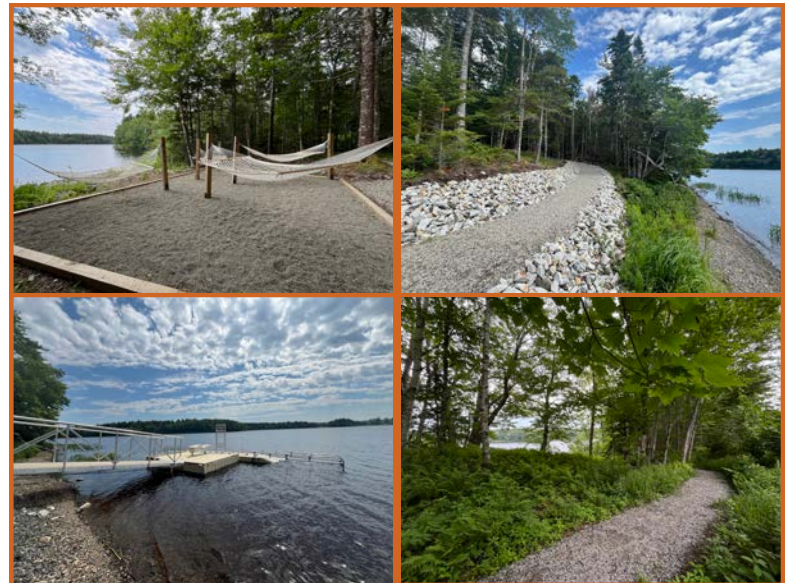
### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE



Are you a finance professional looking for a new career opportunity? The Municipality of Clare is seeking applications for the position of Director of Finance. As a member of the senior management team, the Director of Finance provides strategic advice to the CAO and Council for all things finance related. They will contribute to the overall success of the Municipality by effectively managing all financial responsibilities, including day-to-day financial activities, supervision of staff, operational budgeting, and interim and annual financial reporting. More information about this opportunity is available on the “Employment Opportunities” page of our website. **The deadline to apply is Friday, October 4, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.**

### PROJECT COMPLETION: WENTWORTH PARK

The Wentworth Park improvement project came to fruition at the beginning of the summer. If you haven't visited yet, fall is a great time to check out the recent improvements and stroll the new Wentworth Park trails!



### A LOOK BACK AT THE CMA 2024

As a host region, the Municipality of Clare has been looking forward to the Congrès mondial acadien (CMA) 2024 since its announcement in 2019. From August 10 to 18, we saw over 300 events celebrating the rich Acadian culture of our communities, and of the world. The Municipality of Clare had the pleasure of hosting numerous events, including the opening ceremony, among many others. It was an honor to be one of the host municipalities, and we hope you all enjoyed the CMA! Congratulations and thank you to the entire CMA team, as well as to the volunteers, artists, participants and everyone else who made the Congrès mondial acadien a success. Vive l'Acadie !





## UPDATE: MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY AND LAND-USE BY-LAW

The “What We Heard” report, the background report, information on the five provincial statements of interest, and plain-language summaries of each are available on our website under the “Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law” tab. We invite you to consult these documents for more information, but here is a brief summary:

- Residents don't want exhaustive zoning regulations that would complicate or restrict private land use.
- However, there is a need for **basic zoning**. This requirement stems primarily from the province, but also to avoid dangerous and undesirable growth in our community, especially in residential areas. Rest assured that our goal is not to impose strict and complex zoning regulations, but rather to protect your properties from the effects of undesirable development.
- Housing and affordable housing are paramount needs in our municipality and will be treated accordingly.
- Other popular topics include attracting and retaining young families, planning for the effects of climate change and coastal erosion, and preserving the Acadian culture that characterizes us.

As far as next steps go, Stantec is currently working on a draft of the revised Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law, which will then be made available to the public. Then, another public consultation will be held to discuss the findings and review the draft. After this, the draft will be revised and modified according to feedback before it is tabled for approval at Council.

## UPDATE: CLARE VETERANS CENTRE

After several exhaustive assessments, the decision was made to demolish the Clare Veterans Centre building and proceed with the construction of a brand-new community centre, a decision that promises improved facilities for our residents - at a lower cost. It became clear that the originally planned renovation project was not viable when the tendering process closed. Despite additional efforts on the Municipality's behalf, the tender received only one bid, which was more than double the amount budgeted for the project.

This situation prompted the Municipality to step back and analyze viable options for moving the project forward. It was determined that the best solution was to proceed with the construction of a new building, largely to offer a better-quality product at a lower cost, as well as for accessibility and sustainability reasons.



The Municipality of Clare recognizes the importance of having a public space where various community groups and residents can come together to organize events and activities. We look forward to the construction of the new Clare Veterans Centre, and to providing our residents with a brand new public space.

## A REMINDER FOR THOSE WITHOUT A FAMILY DOCTOR

If you don't have a family doctor, please call 811 or visit [needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca](https://needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca) to be added to the registry so you can be added to a doctor's patient list at the Clare Health Centre (CHC). Doctor's will soon be rostering more patients as the CHC expansion project is nearing completion.







## CLARE RECREATION SERVICES

### SUMMER REPORT CARD:

Clare Recreation Services offered our community another summer full of fun activities. Here's a snapshot:



QUICK STATISTICS	
Summer staff	4
Total number of events	47
Total types of events	26
HIGHLIGHTS	
Burger d'la Baie	<i>Le Ptit Robicheau wins Burger d'la Baie for the second year running!</i>
Canada Day	<i>Canada Day celebrations drew our biggest turnout yet for our carnival, Slip n' Slide and music with Faultline, followed by a fireworks show in the bay.</i>
Cape to Cliff Beach Run	<i>The Cape to Cliff beach run kicked off a busy CMA week with a sunny day at Mavillette beach.</i>
Trivia and Photo Hunt	<i>A fan favorite event, our Trivia and Photo Hunt had one photo that made the difference between first and second place!</i>

In addition to these events, we enjoyed spending many sessions with all of you at our washer toss tournaments, poker walks, Slip n' Slides, Beats by the Bay, paddle nights, yoga on the beach and community soccer. What a great summer!

### CJA DAY CAMP SUMMER REPORT CARD:

Clare Recreation Services was also able to offer a partial day camp for youth this summer. Here's an overview:



QUICK STATISTICS	
Summer staff	2
Young instructors	7
Camps	47
Weeks of camp	7
Pop-up play days	7

Although this year was a little different, the CJA spirit was kept alive through engaging activities and community partnerships. A big thank you to everyone who helped us deliver a great summer of camp to our youth!



**NEW**

### DISCOVER XPLORE RECREATION

Clare Recreation Services has worked hard to launch an online space that will allow you to easily manage your recreational activities, and we're happy to introduce it to you: Xplor Recreation. You can now manage your registrations, payments, emergency contacts and everything else related to Clare Recreation Services directly in the Xplor Recreation platform! To create your profile and learn more about our fall activities, visit the Recreation Services page on the Municipality's website or scan this QR code.

For help with creating your profile and using the new software, you can stop by the municipal office, call us at 902-769-2031, or e-mail us at [recreation@munclare.ca](mailto:recreation@munclare.ca).



## DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

Do you enjoy physical activity, but can't find anyone to accompany you? Join us for our drop-in activities starting October 1! **Please note that school activities are cancelled when the school is closed.**

### BADMINTON

**WHEN?** Mondays from 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

**WHERE?** École secondaire de Clare

**COST?** Free!

### SHUFFLEBOARD

**WHEN?** Tuesdays from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**WHERE?** Clare Columbus Club

**COST?** \$4

### ADULT SKATE

**WHEN?** Tuesdays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**WHERE?** Université Sainte-Anne

**COST?** \$3

### PICKLEBALL

**WHEN?** Mondays and Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

**WHERE?** Université Sainte-Anne

**COST?** Free!

### PICKLEBALL

**WHEN?** Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** École secondaire de Clare

**COST?** Free!

### LINE DANCING

**WHEN?** Thursdays (advanced) and Fridays (beginners) from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** École Stella Maris  
**COST?** Free!



## FALL ACTIVITIES



### TERRY FOX RUN

Get ready to lace up your sneakers and walk or run for a cause! We're inviting everyone to come together to raise funds for cancer research.

**WHEN?** September 28, at 2:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** Université Sainte-Anne track and field

**COST?** Donations accepted!

### PUMPKIN PAINTING

We'll supply the pumpkins and craft materials; all you need to bring is your creativity. All the pumpkins will then be placed in the Petit Bois.

**WHEN?** October 26, from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** Inclusion Clare

**COST?** Free!



### TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Bring the whole family to our Trunk-or-Treat community event for a safe and fun Halloween evening. Come in your best costume and enjoy the festive atmosphere.

**WHEN?** October 31, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**WHERE?** Parking lot of Cultural Hub (Radio CIFA building)

**COST?** Free!



### FALL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Whether you're an experienced photographer or just enjoy taking pictures, enter our fall photography contest and showcase the amazing colors, landscapes and moments that make fall in Clare so special. Send your photos to [recreation@munclare.ca](mailto:recreation@munclare.ca)

**WHEN?** October 1st to 31st

**WHERE?** We look forward to seeing!

**COST?** Free!



### GHOST HUNT IN LE PETIT BOIS

Take a stroll through the Petit Bois and count the hidden ghosts. Let us know how many you've counted, and the person who comes closest will win a prize. Take the walk at your own pace.

**WHEN?** October 25 to November 1

**WHERE?** Le Petit Bois

**COST?** Free!



## WINTER ACTIVITIES

### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

Join us for snacks, photos with Santa and our outdoor Christmas tree lighting ceremony!

**WHEN?** December 1, from  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** Municipal office

**COST?** Free!



### CHRISTMAS IN HAVELOCK

Celebrate Christmas with the whole family! Join us for games, sweets and even a visit from Santa!

**WHEN?** December 14, from  
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** Havelock Community  
Centre

**COST?** Free!



### RBC SKATE WITH SANTA

Come and spend some quality time with Santa on the ice! Santa will lace up his skates and join you for some fun on the ice! All ages welcome.

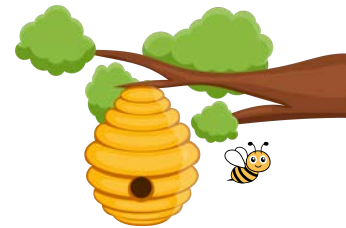
**WHEN?** December 15, from  
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE?** Université  
Sainte-Anne Arena

**COST?** Free!



## THE HUB HIVE: A NEW COMMUNITY SPACE



The Hub Hive is a new community space we're opening on the main floor of the Cultural Hub in the Madeleine-LeBlanc Building (795 Highway 1, Comeauville - previously known as the Radio CIFA building) that will be open to all to encourage community and creative expression. Clare Recreation Services is joining forces with *Communauté francophone accueillante de Clare* and the Clare Health Board to bring this new space to life, offering new and exciting programs and activities. This year's creative theme is "Spark!". New conversations, friendships, hobbies and interests - join us and "Spark!" something new this year at the Hub Hive!

Starting in October, join us for games, music, creative challenges and opportunities to unwind with your neighbors! We'll be hosting jam nights and singer-songwriter circles with Vickie Deveau, board and video game nights, and much more! Follow the Hub Hive on Facebook or check out our new Xplor Recreation portal for more details.

## EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM EXPANDS TO INSTRUMENTS

With the announcement of the launch of the Hub Hive, we're delighted to share that our equipment loan program is expanding to include musical instruments! Starting November 1, 2024, instruments will be available to borrow and use free of charge (refundable deposit required). We hope this will encourage people to try out new instruments without having to make the initial purchase. As part of this new program, we are now accepting donations of musical instruments to help us increase our stock. If you would like to donate, please contact our recreation team at [recreation@munclare.ca](mailto:recreation@munclare.ca) or 902-769-2031. Visit our website for more information!