

# Sandringham Quarterly Quorum



As we approach the holiday season, I am pleased to share several updates from our community. This fall, we welcomed our new Town Council, and together we remain committed to serving all residents with dedication and transparency. Our focus continues to be on strengthening communication, enhancing community spaces, and fostering a Town that we are all proud to call home.

Significant progress has already been made, including the cleanup and improvements at Chuff Bight Day Use Park and beautification efforts throughout our community. Council extends sincere appreciation to the government-funded CEEP program and to our three dedicated workers whose hard work and commitment have greatly contributed to these achievements.

As the festive season approaches, I look forward to the many opportunities for us to gather as friends and neighbors. I encourage everyone to join us for our upcoming Adults Christmas Tea n' Treats and Children's Christmas Party. These cherished events bring our community together in the spirit of celebration, friendship, and goodwill.

On behalf of Council, I wish to extend heartfelt thanks for your continued support, kindness, and community pride. May the holiday season bring you peace, joy and good health in the year ahead.

-Mayor Meletta Harvey

principal residence

Deadline to Apply: January 15, 2026

Apply online gov.nl.ca/fin/home-heating-supplement-program

## **Sewer Upgrades**

We're excited to announce that the much-anticipated sewer upgrades will begin this Spring!

Our goal is to continue this important work each Spring until all properties are connected to the sewer system and water lines are fully upgraded.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we make these essential improvements to our community's infrastructure.



# **Garbage Collection Notice**

Please note that this holiday season there will be no disruption in garbage service.

Please ensure you have your garbage out before 8:00 am on Saturdays.



### residents of the province whose adjusted family income for 2024 was \$150,000 or less and have directly incurred costs for the purchase of furnace or stove oil to heat their

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to the right supports.

211 can assist with:

- Food, housing, and financial assistance
- Mental health and addictions support
- Services for seniors, families, and caregivers
- Employment, transportation, and accessibility resources

Here's the 211

211 is a free, confidential, 24/7 information and referral service that connects people with thousands of community, so-

cial, health, and government resources across NL. 2-1-1, or visiting nl.211.ca, residents can speak with trained Service Navigators who will listen, assess needs, and connect people

- Government programs and community initiatives

When in doubt, dial 2-1-1—help starts here





Voyent Alert! is a multi-purpose communication service and alerting app that is designed to support the Town of Sandringham. By signing up for alerts you get the most accurate, up-dodate, news that may impact your daily lives. evacuation be issued, you will know the second the informatioan is released. If you need assistance signing up, call your Town Clerk





Can you see the difference? Chuff Bight, along with other areas in the community, received some TLC thanks to some hard workers and the CEEP grant!

to remove dead and overgrown trees and shrubs, stain the boardwalk, upgrade and repair privies, cook shelter, picnic tables, and benches.

#### Tax Arrears

Please be advised that the Town will be initiating firm collection procedures on all overdue tax accounts. If you are unable to pay the full amount on your taxes, you must contact the Town Office at 677-2317 to arrange a payment plan.

Payment arrangements already in place will continue to be honored provided payments are made as agreed. The Town remains willing to work with residents to resolve outstanding balances.

Failure to make payment or contact the Town by December 15 will result in enforcement action, which may include:

- Disconnection of water and garbage services (where applicable)
- Referral of the account to a collection agency
- Sale of the property to recover tax arrears , in extreme cases

To avoid these actions, please contact the Town Office before the deadline.

# **Turkey Tips**

Thaw Completely: Ensure your turkey is completely thawed before cooking to ensure even cooking.

Brine the Turkey: Brining is the top tip from chefs for juicy, flavorful meat because salt changes the protein structure to help the meat retain moisture.

Dry Brine (for Crispy Skin): Rub the turkey inside and out with a salt and herb mixture 24-48 hours before roasting, then leave it

uncovered in the refrigerator to air-dry the skin.

Prep the Skin: Gently loosen skin over the breast and thighs with your fingers. Rub softened herb butter underneath the skin and all over the outside for moisture and a golden color. Monitor Internal Temperature: The turkey is done when an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the thigh reads 165°F and the breast is around 160°F (the temperature will continue to rise as it rests).

Avoid Basting (Mostly): Frequent basting requires opening the oven door, which drastically lowers the temperature and increases cooking time, leading to a dry bird. The butter under the skin and liquid in the pan provide enough moisture.

High then Low Heat: Start the turkey at a high temperature (450°F) for the first 30-45 minutes to crisp the skin, then reduce the oven to a lower temperature (325-350°F) to finish cooking. Foil Tent: If the breast begins to brown too quickly, loosely tent just that area with aluminum foil to protect the white meat from overcooking.

Rest the Turkey: This is a crucial step. Transfer the turkey to a cutting board and tent it loosely with foil. Let it rest for at least 30 minutes before carving. This allows the juices to redistribute throughout the meat, ensuring a moist carved turkey.

Use the Drippings: The pan drippings are essential for making a flavorful gravy. Pour a cup of wine or stock into the pan before roasting to create rich pan juices.



Through this funding, we were able

As the Christmas season approaches, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude and warmest wishes to you all.

December 7, 2025

Sandringham Community Center

Adults Christmas Tea n' Treats

Serving as your Town Clerk has been a privilege I am sincerely thankful for. It has been a busy time learning my new role, and I appreciate the patience, support, and encouragement so many of you have shown over the past seven months. I remain committed to serving this community and to seek opportunities, programs, and initiatives that inform, support, and bring enjoyment to residents of all ages.

May this Christmas season bring you peace, comfort, and joyful moments with those you cherish. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with hope, good health, and happiness.

- Darlene Tuck, Town Clerk



**DECEMBER 6, 2025** 1:00 - 3:00 SANDRINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTER **CRAFTS. GAMES AND VISIT WITH SANTA** RSVP BEFORE DECEMBER 1

TOWN OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE