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Slow Down Hanwell

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YOUR COUNCIL



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

As I am sure many of you have noticed, work has begun on the new fire hall for Hanwell. The ground has been cleared and work is now underway to determine the exact location of the building on the land. We are in the final stages of the building design and the project will be going to tender soon. This fire hall was identified as a need for Hanwell in a report commissioned in 2015. We are thrilled that it is becoming a reality – a reality that came from partnerships between our community, the Upper Kingsclear Fire Department, the Regional Service Commission 11, and the Province of New Brunswick.

Also, relative to fire protection and public safety, we strongly encourage you to visit hanwell.nb.ca and sign up for Sentinel, Hanwell's Emergency Alert Service. This service will allow us to quickly notify you and your family by email or phone, of a potential emergency such as flooding, fire, a severe storm, or other similar events which may affect you. If you have any questions about the registration process, please call the Municipal office at 460-1177.

Finally – spring is here! Get out and enjoy the warmer weather. There will be lots to do in our community in the coming months. There are lots of details in this edition of the newsletter. Also, please watch the website, social media, and our electronic sign. I hope to see you soon.

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Slow Down Hanwell

By Jennifer Houle

Hanwell is a community with many long, tree-lined roads and neighbourhoods ideal for riding bikes, jogging, or taking your dog for a walk. But the sad fact is, many Hanwell residents don't feel safe doing so. Doug Johnson is one of them. He lives on Milky Way Drive, and says he noticed a problem with speeding immediately when he moved to the area in 2010. Johnson says the problem has become worse in recent years. "If I'm out with the kids in the driveway or working in the yard, one or two vehicles always go blasting by. It's a straight, narrow road with no shoulder and no sidewalk. It's an accident waiting to happen."

Johnson is especially concerned about children riding their bikes and waiting at the bus stop, and he is not the only one. Hanwell council has received complaints from residents in every subdivision about speeding. Mayor Chris Melvin says it's become a community-wide problem, and it's one council is taking seriously. He says residents can expect to see several community-based initiatives aimed at getting drivers to slow down and respect speed limits.

"Speeding is probably the most common concern I've heard from residents about safety in Hanwell. Parents are worried their kids will be hit. Families are worried about something as simple as taking their dog for a walk. We have to come together as a community and agree that this is unacceptable and call on each other to slow down."

Hanwell council has approached the RCMP for help. "We have received a number of complaints and have spoken with Hanwell community leaders about the issue," says Sgt. Andrea Gallant of the Keswick RCMP. "Speeding is always dangerous and Hanwell is an active community with families and children. The consequences of someone having delayed reaction time because they were speeding could be deadly."

In addition to working with the RCMP, Hanwell Rural Community will be launching a full-scale *Slow Down, Hanwell* campaign during the spring and summer months. The initiative will focus on educating people about the dangers of speeding and will also include a safe driving video campaign featuring local children. Mayor Melvin hopes the video will appeal to the public's sense of right and wrong. "Hanwell is a very safe community, and we're fortunate to live in an area where we can all enjoy the outdoors, but speeding on our roads puts us all at risk. We're all neighbours here, and we need to call on each other to slow down and be careful."

Speeding infractions carry fines ranging from \$172.50, for driving less than 25 km over the speed limit, to up to \$604.50 for driving 50 km or more above the posted speed limit. "Fines are one consequence," says Sgt. Gallant, "but imagine how you would feel if you harmed someone's pet or even worse, a child out playing. Even at relatively low speeds, a child hit by a car can be severely injured or killed. As police, we see these things happen and they are some of the worst calls we ever respond to."

The RCMP encourages anyone who sees a driver speeding to note as much information as possible and to call the Keswick RCMP at 506-453-4300 to report what they have seen. Although police may not be able to respond to the scene right away, information gathered will help the RCMP to identify trends and hot spots or problem areas



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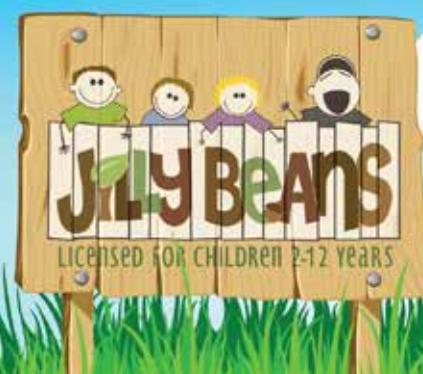
HANWELL

DATE	TIME	WHAT	LOCATION
May 1	9-11:30 AM	Clothing Swap	Hanwell Community Church
May 6	11 AM-2 PM	A fundraiser Event for A School For Hanwell	1757 Hanwell Road
May 13	8 PM	Stargazing in the Park	Hanwell Recreation Park
May 20	8-11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
May 26-28		HANWELL DAYS	Hanwell
May 27	8-11 AM	Hanwell Days Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
May 27	11 AM-3 PM	Fun Fair	Hanwell Community Church
June 5	9-11 AM	Clothing Swap	Hanwell Community Church
June 10	8 PM	Stargazing in the Park	Hanwell Recreation Park
June 10 & 11	9 AM-4 PM	Workplace Standard First Aid Course	Hanwell Municipal Office
June 17	8-11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
June 24	4 & 6 PM	Salmon Dinner	St. James Presbyterian Church
June 26		Summer Camp Opening Day	Kingswood Entertainment Center
July 1		CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS	Hanwell Municipal Office
July 1	8-11 AM	Canada Day Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
July 8	4-6 PM	Strawberry Social	St. James Presbyterian Church
July 10	7-8:30 PM	Summer Concert Series	Hanwell Recreation Park
July 10-14	6-8:30 PM	Vacation Bible School	St. James Presbyterian Church
July 22	FAMILY DAY	Kingswood Entertainment Center	Kingswood

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HAPPENINGS

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July 22	8-11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
July 24	7-8:30 PM	Summer Concert Series	Hanwell Recreation Park
August 7	7-8:30 PM	Summer Concert Series	Hanwell Recreation Park
August 21	7-8:30 PM	Summer Concert Series	Hanwell Recreation Park

WEEKLY

Monday (until June 19th)	10-11:30 AM	Playgroup	Hanwell Community Church
Sunday, May-June	11 AM	Worship	St. James Presbyterian Church
Sunday	11 AM	Worship	Hanwell Community Church
Sunday, July-August	10 AM	Worship	St. James Presbyterian Church
Monday and Wednesday	1-4 PM	Seniors' Coffee House	St. James Presbyterian Church
Tuesday (March 7-April 4)	7:00 PM	Lenten Worship/Bible Study	St. James Presbyterian Church
Wednesday	6:15-7:30 PM	Awana Group	Hanwell Community Church
Wednesday	7:30-9:30 PM	Youth Group	Hanwell Community Church

MONTHLY

2 nd Wednesday of the Month	6:30 PM	Council Meeting	Hanwell Municipal Office
1st Friday & 3rd Saturday		Recycling	



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HAVE YOU HEARD...

POTHOLE SEASON IS UPON US!

April showers might bring May flowers, but April also brings pothole season. Like many other municipalities, Hanwell has its fair share of potholes and rough roads. But unlike other areas, Hanwell is different. As a municipality, we do not take care of or have control over our roads. That is a service we are not yet prepared to take on. However, what we do have is a great working relationship with the provincial Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DTI). They are the ones ultimately responsible for the care and maintenance of our streets, avenues, drives, etc...

Early last winter, we met with DTI to talk about the challenges some of our areas faced with snow removal. There was a free exchange of information and good dialogue. After that, some saw an improvement in snow removal, while others still needed work. We plan to do the same for road conditions for this summer. But we need your help. If you have an area of concern: potholes, poor shoulders, or general rough conditions, please contact DTI at 453-2611. But please, also let us know by calling 460-1177. We want to track these issues so we can talk about them with DTI at our next meeting. – **Chris Melvin, Mayor**

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LOCK YOUR CARS

A Spring reminder, to help deter theft, lock your car at night and don't leave any valuables inside. If you see anything suspicious please contact the RCMP at 506-357-4300.



The Hanwell Rural Community needs volunteers. Whether you are looking for a short or long term commitment, we would appreciate your help.



WORKPLACE STANDARD FIRST AID COURSE

June 10th and 11th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
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HANWELL DAYS

Mark your calendar folks!! Hanwell Days are coming the weekend of May 26th-28th. We will officially be three years old! The organizing committee has been hard at work planning the events and there is sure to be something for everyone. Opening ceremonies will be held Friday evening, with a Ceilidh to follow. Once again, there will be a magnificent firework display! A host of activities will take place on Saturday from interactive demos, to a community breakfast, fun fair, and beer gardens. The ever-popular Rick Reissner and his band will perform at the dance on Saturday evening. Come and dance the night away to some great 80's rock music. The Hanwell Days radio station will be up and running for the month of May. The full schedule is available at local businesses and on our Facebook page. It is subject to change, so please like the Hanwell Days/Community Events-2017 page for the most up-to-date information.

If you would like to volunteer at any of the events, please email Holly at hbhyslop@hanwell.nb.ca or Dave at dmorrison@hanwell.nb.ca. All volunteers will receive a Hanwell Days t-shirt. Please join us in this community-wide celebration!
- Holly Hyslop, Recreation Chair

HANWELL GETS PUMPED!

Bring your 2017** septic pumping invoice to Hanwell Municipal Office by September 30th and have your name entered to WIN one of the following:

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- reimbursement of 2017 pump invoice from Hanwell Rural Community

*Address must be within the Hanwell Rural Community

** Must have been pumped between January 1st – September 30th, 2017



Now that spring is finally here, it's time to start thinking about the condition of our septic systems! Do you know where yours is located?

Everyone in Hanwell has one. Maintenance is important, for several reasons, everyone should plan to inspect and maintain theirs every few years. A failing septic system is bad for the environment, is expensive to fix, devalues your property, and puts you and your neighbour's water supply at risk.

The Department of Environment recommends that you have your septic system inspected and cleaned every two to three years, keep a record, and know where your clean out is. It is also recommended to conserve water whenever possible, fix dripping faucets, and use water conserving taps. Make sure washing machines and dishwashers are full. Do not pour cleaners and other chemicals down the drain that could kill the beneficial bacteria needed to make your system work well. It is also important not to throw things like paper towels, diapers, wipes, and dental floss in the flush. Keep downspouts and drains pointed away from your septic and never drive or park on your field. Trees or shrubs could grow into your system and clog it, so a grass covering is best. The GNB website has lots of valuable information, just search septic system maintenance.

When you have your septic system cleaned out this season, don't forget to bring your invoice to the municipal office and enter the Hanwell gets Pumped contest. Good luck and thank you for helping to make our community healthier! – Susan Jonah, Ward 1



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