


Things To See and Do

Meet You in Annapolis Royal

Video Series

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O'Dell House Museum



Victorian Stagecoach Inn
ca. 1870

Exhibits on Annapolis Royal's History

AHS Genealogical Centre


Annapolis County's Genealogical Resource

Microfilm, church records, vital statistics, family files, etc.

Local Archives

136 St. George St., Annapolis Royal
Annapolis Heritage Society
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Visitor Info Centre
at North America's first Tidal Power Station
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Visitor Info Centre

Located at Tidal Power Plant. Operated by the Annapolis Board of Trade. Seasonally. 902-532-5454

Tidal Power Plant

Annapolis Royal is home to the only tidal power plant in North America. Since the Bay of Fundy has the highest tides in the world, Annapolis is an ideal location with its average tide of 7 metres. It uses the world's largest straflo turbine to generate up to 30 million kilowatt-hours per year, electricity for about 4,500 homes. Nova Scotia Power is also experimenting with new in-stream tidal technology in the Bay of Fundy. To learn more about Nova Scotia Power's commitment to increase the mix of renewable energy used to provide power across Nova Scotia visit www.nspower.ca Down Under Tours may be available. For info: 902-532-0502

Fort Anne NHS

Fort Anne was designated a National Historic Site in 1917 and is Canada's oldest. It houses the Nova Scotia Charter and is located in the heart of Annapolis Royal's National Historic District. See pages 5 and 19.

St. Luke's Anglican Church

Tours offered in July and August, Tuesday to Saturday, 11 am - 2 pm. annapolis.parish@ns.aliantzinc.ca

O'Dell House Museum (1869)

The O'Dell House Museum is a remnant of the economic prosperity brought to the community by the railroad and also international shipping interests during the Victorian period. Built by Cory O'Dell, a former Nova Scotia Pony Express rider, it was originally used as a stagecoach inn and tavern and the first stop for many travelers getting off the ferry from Granville Ferry. Remains of the old ferry slip can still be seen at low tide.

The museum is displayed as a Victorian inn/tavern on the main floor with contemporary museum exhibits on the second floor. For more info call 902-532-7754 or click www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

Farmers and Traders & Winter Markets

Farmers and Traders Market, across from the wharf, is open Saturdays, 8 am to 1 pm, May 19 through Oct. 6. It is also open on Wednesdays from 10 am to 2 pm during July and August. It served as a public meeting place and market square during colonial times and is often the site of entertainment events. Visit with the friendly local farmers and tradespeople, sample fresh produce and tasty home-baked treats and search for collectibles. annapolisheroyalfarmersmarket.com

Enjoy the Winter Market from October 13 to May 11 on Saturday mornings inside the Historic Gardens' Gazebo. 902-532-7018

Port-Royal Habitation, Melanson Settlement & North Hills Museum

These three unique attractions are located along Canada's Oldest Settlement Road. See pages 18 & 29.

King's Theatre

King's Theatre has been a popular area landmark since 1921. Its roots, however, go back to 1606 when Marc Lescarbot produced "The Theatre of Neptune", mainly as a diversion for the band of adventurers at Port-Royal. It was followed in later years by various performances by traveling troupes and roving thespians in this bustling seaport town.

A vital force in the life of the community, historic King's Theatre entertains the area year-round with an impressive schedule showcasing local, national and international talent in a delightful mix of live theatre, music and dance. It also features current movies and classic films. During the summer months, King's Theatre spotlights local artists in their King's Theatre Art Gallery, located in the lobby. The 24-hour event hotline is 902-532-5466. 902-532-7704, www.kingstheatre.ca

Historic Gardens & Tours

Tours of the Historic Gardens are offered at 11 am four to five days a week from mid-June through September. See the special feature about the Gardens on page 31. Call 902-532-7018 to confirm tour days. www.historicgardens.com

Annapolis Marsh Tours

Annapolis Marsh Tours are offered at 10 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays or by appointment. Discover the natural beauty and history of the Annapolis Basin on a 2 hour, 3.5 km guided interpretive tour of the Annapolis River Marsh and area. Tours are \$10 and depart from the Clean Annapolis River Project office at 314 St. George St. Contact Susan Lane, 902-532-7533, susanlane@annapolisriver.ca

National Historic District & Tours

Annapolis Royal is the smallest incorporated town in Nova Scotia, but with over 130 registered heritage properties, it is one of the largest National Historic Districts in Canada. Be sure to plan to stay long enough so you can enjoy all the region has to offer. Walking tours depart the Annapolis Royal Lighthouse every weekday at 2 pm from late-June through early-September. Private tours also available. 902-532-3035, www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com

Bay of Fundy

The Bay of Fundy, renown for the world's highest tides, awaits you only 10 minutes from the heart of the National Historic District. Mi'kmaq folklore claims the tides are caused by the splashing of a giant whale. See p. 10, 27 & 28 for more on the Bay of Fundy.

Annapolis Heritage Genealogical Centre

Housed in the O'Dell House Museum, the Genealogy Centre is open all year. It offers resources for people looking for families who may have lived in the Annapolis Royal region over the past 400 years. Hard copy, microfilm and digital resources include Annapolis and the Granville township books, cemetery records, both published and unpublished genealogies, local newspapers, the Annapolis County deeds, vital statistics, funeral home records, an extensive photographic collection and an outstanding variety of on-site Acadian/Cajun files for genealogical research. For info: 902-532-7754, www.annapolisheritagesociety.com

Upper Clements Parks

See page 31 for special feature article. www.upperclements.com



Fort Anne National Historic Site
Lieu historique national du Fort-Anne

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A Message from the Warden


Welcome – Bienvenue – Pjila'si!

2018 promises to be full of excitement, adventure and fun in Annapolis County; from parades and festivals to traditional community gatherings. There is something for everyone in our beautiful corner of Nova Scotia.


Come and fall in love! The breathtaking natural beauty of the Bay of Fundy shoreline, the lush Annapolis River valley, and hundreds of lakes and waterways will capture your heart and challenge your skills at hiking, biking, canoeing, kayaking and a dozen other outdoor pursuits.

Come and be captivated by our coastal communities, towns, villages, historic properties and the stunning parks that are the pride of our county. In gardens, theatres, and community halls, we celebrate the rich tapestry of our history, traditions and diverse cultures. They are on full display throughout the year, thanks in no small part to the efforts of our many dedicated volunteers.

Come and discover Annapolis County and see why we are so proud to call it home! Hope to see you soon.



Timothy Habinski
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Municipality of the County of Annapolis



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