



News Release

COVID-19 Update #4

22 May 2020

ST. GEORGE – Today, the Government of New Brunswick announced that the province is moving into the “yellow” phase of recovery of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As part of the ongoing directives of returning to some normalcy, the Town of St. George has reopened its recreation areas. Those areas include ball courts (tennis, pickle ball), skate park and playground. Remaining closed are baseball fields and the basketball court. Canal Beach remains closed for the season (June 6 to Sept 6) however all boat ramps are open. In addition, Walking Trails continue to remain open.

Earlier this month, Council has declared a number of events cancelled:

- Town-wide Yard Sale (May 23) has been cancelled.
- 2nd Annual 5k Marathon (May 30) has been cancelled.
- Canada Day events are cancelled.
- Summer Concert Series (Thursday evenings, July-August) is cancelled.
- SummerFest (scheduled for July 17-19) is cancelled.

The following are current situations within the Town of St. George:

- The Town Hall is limited to the public. Water & Sewage payments are being accepted.
- The Fire Hall is closed to all, unless there is an active fire call, then only fire fighter members are permitted in the fire hall.
- All water and waste water (sewage) services continue uninterrupted.
- Trash and Recycling collection continues as scheduled.
- The Magaguadavic Place Civic Center is closed to the public and all activities/rentals until the end of May have been cancelled. YMCA Day Camp is schedule to open in mid-June.
- Those retail stores still open are limiting access, enforcing social distancing and have altered hours of operation:
 - LeBlanc’s Independent Grocer, Country Market, Great Canadian Dollar Store, Terry’s Beef n’ More, Vances Auto Supply, Granite Town Farms are open.
 - Both of the two (2) local pharmacies are open with controlled access.
 - Pete’s Dairy Bar is open with limited hours.
- Restaurants - limited access to eat in however take-outs are open.
- Banking, Accounting & Insurance - Bank of Nova Scotia, Bayview Credit Union, ANR Accountants, and H&R Block are open as well as local insurance firms.
- Barber shops, beauty/hair salons are permitted to open.
- **Please wear a face mask/covering when visiting local businesses!**

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Update (Monday, May 25):

It was earlier stated that the basketball court and sports fields have reopened. They have not, and will remain closed until Provincial directives change.

In addition, though not previously stated, playgrounds are being sanitized throughout the day.

If the Province reverts to earlier Phases (Orange, Red) then the Town will once again close recreation areas. Furthermore, if Provincial directives become an operational challenge in achieving, then the Town may choose to close a recreation area.

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