

## Clare Acadian Interpretive Centre "Rendez-vous de la Baie" in Church Point: a key tourist attraction

Construction of the "Rendez-vous de la Baie" Acadian Interpretive Centre, to be located on the Church Point campus of *Université Sainte-Anne*, is anticipated to begin in the near future.

Many positive developments have occurred to date and a steering committee of community leaders are working diligently to secure the balance of the required funding to move the municipal project forward.

The "Rendez-vous de la Baie" will be a multi-faceted cultural centre and destination attraction that will offer visitors and locals a comprehensive cultural gateway to the region of Clare.

Such a centre was identified as the number one priority in Clare Tourism

plans produced in 1999 and 2005. The Centre is expected to open in the Fall of 2009 and will become a key anchor attraction of the newly

designated "Yarmouth & Acadian Shores" travel region.

Stay tuned for project updates in our next Municipal Newsletter. ♦



The "Rendez-vous de la Baie" Acadian Interpretive Centre, to be located in the Louis-R.-Comeau library building of *Université Ste-Anne*, Church Point campus.

### Concerns? Questions?

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## CIVIC NUMBERING: IS YOUR CIVIC NUMBER POSTED?

### Why is it important to have my civic number posted on my property?

Without correct signage, the civic addressing system cannot function properly. By having your civic number visible, it can avoid confusion should you require the services of any emergency vehicle (ambulance, fire truck or RCMP). With the proper signs emergency response vehicles can arrive at the emergency destination without delay.



### Is there a proper way to display my civic number sign?

Yes. There are important tips you should follow. Your sign must be clearly visible from the roadway. The numbers must contrast with the background and be large enough so the sign is easy to read. The sign can be on your home or building, or on a post. Having your sign at the entrance of your driveway is also acceptable. For more details contact Médard Comeau, 769-3655.

### Where can I buy or order signs with my civic number?

Civic number signs (blue background with reflective white numbers) can be ordered from the Meteghan Lions Club. Application forms are available at the Municipal Office and in some businesses in Clare. ♦

### What if I don't know my civic number?

Contact the Civic Numbering Coordinator, Médard Comeau, at 769-3655. He has all the resources to tell you exactly what your correct civic number is. His office is downstairs at the Clare Municipal Building.



### Flights out of Yarmouth up and running

The Municipality of Clare has joined the municipal units of Yarmouth and Argyle on the Board of the Yarmouth International Airport Corporation.

With this partnership and with financial support from the provincial government, Yarmouth is now host to the Montreal-based *Starlink Aviation* which offers daily air service between Yarmouth and Halifax, and Yarmouth and Portland, Maine.

The service runs Monday through Friday and offers two round trips daily between these destinations.

For a schedule and rates, contact *Starlink* at 1-877-782-8247 or visit their bilingual website [www.starlinkairlines.com](http://www.starlinkairlines.com).

*Starlink Airlines* began its flights from Yarmouth to Halifax and Portland (Maine) in February. In the photo (left) security personnel are checking passengers' luggage at the Yarmouth Airport. ♦



# Frequently Asked Questions... about garbage, recyclables and compostable material pick-up

**Q. Who is in charge of garbage pick-up?**

A. Roadside collection of garbage, recyclables and compostable materials is a municipal service, with numerous partners involved: the Municipality of Clare, Clare Dumpsters Ltd, Waste Check, Region of Queens Municipality, Scotia Recycling, the Yarmouth Compost Plant and Nova Scotia Department of Environment. The Municipality of Clare has contracted "Clare Dumpsters Ltd" to pick-up waste material from residents and businesses of Clare.

**Q. What is done with my garbage or compostable waste after it is picked-up?**

A. "Clare Dumpsters Ltd" transports waste material to the Clare Municipal Transfer Station. There the garbage and recyclables are separated. Then the garbage is hauled by a trucking service to the Region of Queens Municipality, a second generation landfill. The recyclables are taken by a trucking service to "Scotia Recycling", the recycling plant in Yarmouth.

The compostable waste from your green cart, once picked-up by "Clare Dumpsters", is hauled by them to the Compost Plant in Yarmouth.

**Q. How many bags am I allowed to place at roadside on collection day?**

A. Ten. The maximum number of bags for residential garbage is **10** (ten) bags or pieces of regular garbage & recyclables combined, per household, and **10** (ten) bags or pieces, per commercial establishment, biweekly.

For the collection of compostable material **1** (one) green cart per household and **2** (two) green carts per commercial establishments is allowed. Note: if your commercial establishment has a dwelling or an apartment unit on the property, an additional cart can be placed, for a total of **3** (three) green carts.



**Q. How should I sort my garbage for roadside pick-up?**

A. (a) **Garbage:** Garbage must be in clear bags; however one black/brown/green garbage bag is permitted for personal waste, per collection for each household or business. Anything above that goes in clear bags.  
 (b) **Recyclables:** Recyclables are collected in blue bags (paper products separated from plastics, cans and other recyclables).

Note: **household** corrugated cardboard boxes should be dry, flattened and tied securely in bundles when placed at roadside.

**Q. When should I put my bags at roadside?**

A. All refuse (regular garbage bags & recycling bags) should be placed by the roadside on the **same** morning as pick-up, before 8:00am. One of the reasons for this is to avoid animals, rodents and birds scavenging through the bags and scattering the contents on roads, lawns and in ditches.

When compostable material is picked-up the alternate week, the green cart should be placed by the roadside on the **same** morning as pick-up, before 8:00am, and if possible the cart should be removed from roadside soon after pick-up has occurred. In snowy conditions, set the cart about six feet from the roadside, if possible.

**Q. Why is garbage pick-up late today?**

A. It may happen that due to circumstances beyond the control of the garbage collectors pick-up may be late. Bad winter weather, severe winds, poor road conditions, and mechanical difficulties will slow down collection services. Listen to CIFA 104.1 FM for updates or changes in the pick-up service schedule. Your patience and understanding are very much appreciated.

**Q. My green cart was not completely empty after dumping. Why?**

A. In the winter months, the contents of your green cart can freeze to the cart, making it difficult for all the contents to be emptied during dumping.

Wrapping food waste in paper products and using balled up paper on the bottom grate of the cart can help to prevent material from freezing to the cart.

Note: In snowy conditions, set the green cart about six feet from the roadside, if possible.

**Q. My garbage hasn't been picked up. -or- Some of my bags were left behind.**

A. Contact the Municipal Office by phoning 769-2031. Also, listen to CIFA 104.1 FM for any changes in the pick-up service.

*IMPORTANT MESSAGE: The Municipality of Clare appreciates everyone's cooperation in making solid waste collection services run as smooth as possible, especially this time of year. ♦*

**From the Tax Collector's desk**

Questions about Property Assessments? Contact the Nova Scotia Assessment Office toll free at 1-800-380-7775.

Did you know that you can pay your municipal taxes on-line?

For more information contact **Anne Downing** at 769-2031; via email at [taxation@municipality.clare.ns.ca](mailto:taxation@municipality.clare.ns.ca) or come in to get instructions on how to set up paying your taxes on the Internet. ♦



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  - under normal situations 769-2031
  - once emergency is declared 769-0884
- Farm Zoning 769-3655
- Fire Inspector 769-3655
- Garbage pick-up inquiries 769-2031
- Library – Clare Branch 645-3350
- Subdivision Regulations 1-902-742-1337
- Transfer Station (former landfill) 645-2993
- Visitors Information Centre 837-7100
- Waste Check (recycling) 1-902-742-1312 (toll free number) 1-800-569-0039

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**Illegal Dumping: a serious offence**

Dumping garbage in the forest, on the beach, or in other natural environments is illegal. Those responsible for illegal dumping can be charged under the Environment Act and face a substantial fine, as well as having to pay the cost of clean-up. Fines can range from \$500 to \$5,000 and up to 90 days in jail.

Along with causing a concern for public safety, illegal dumping affects the quality of life within a community.



When rainwater filters through garbage, harmful chemicals can be produced. These chemicals contaminate fish habitat and groundwater from which many people get their drinking water.

Wildlife can be injured, poisoned, or killed as a result of foraging through garbage. Children face these same risks when they play in the area.

Garbage also attracts rats and other rodents. As well water trapped in tires and other receptacles can become breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

And illegal garbage dumps depress the value of land in the surrounding area. ♦

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