



Colchester District RCMP held a Town Hall meeting in Great Village at Faith Baptist Church on Feb. 19th. The meeting was lead by Staff Sergeant Marc Rose, Colchester District RCMP-District Commander and was well attended by local Councillors, with about a dozen community members also in attendance. The meeting covered many topics, focusing on Operations and current staffing with lots of opportunities for questions from the audience. If you see these Town Hall meetings in your community be sure and attend. (Harrington Photo)

Neptune Theatre Announces Spectacular 2025-2026 Season Featuring Blockbuster Hits and Timeless Classics

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Some upcoming performances...



Mamma Mia!

Music & Lyrics by Benny Andersson and Björn Ulvaeus, Book by Catherine Johnson
Directed by Jeremy Webb
Tag: Here we go again... •Dates: July 1 - August 31, 2025

On the eve of her wedding, a daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago. The story-telling magic of ABBA's timeless songs propels this enchanting tale of love, laughter and friendship, creating an unforgettable show. A mother. A daughter. Three possible dads. And a trip down the aisle you'll never forget!

Bear Grease

•Written and Created by LightningCloud (Crystle Lightning and Henry Andrade)
Co-presented with Prismatic Festival
Tag: Bear Grease is the Word! •Dates: September 30 - October 5, 2025
•Get ready for a jaw-dropping, toe-tapping spectacle! Bear Grease takes the 1978 musical, Grease, on an Indigenous joyride, with fashion that slays, humour that tickles your funny bone, and music that makes you groove! It's a rez makeover for the beloved characters, keeping the authenticity alive while adding a burst of cultural flair.
Buckle up for an electrifying experience that celebrates Indigenous cultures and dances its way into your heart—Bear Grease is a one-of-a-kind adventure you don't want to miss.

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New Guidance on Erosion, Sediment at Construction Sites

A new planning guide released January 31, as part of Red Tape Awareness Week, will help protect the environment from sediment and prevent erosion at construction sites.

"Nova Scotians want more homes faster, growth and a strong economy, but not at the expense of keeping our lakes, rivers and streams pristine and protected," said Timothy Halman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Minister of Service Efficiency. "We know citizens care about the water quality of their lakes, rivers and streams. We also heard from developers who want user-friendly tools to help them comply with environmental protection requirements."

The new Guide to Developing Erosion and Sediment Control Plans will provide regulatory clarity on preventing erosion and sedimentation at work sites, making it easier to comply with Nova Scotia's rules for erosion and sedimentation.

The Province is continuously reviewing its regulations and approaches to make requirements clearer, and easier to understand, with a minimum amount of red tape.

Red Tape Awareness Week, organized annually by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, highlights the work of people and governments to reduce red tape for businesses across the country.

Province Serves Two Million School Lunches

As of January 30, more than two million lunches have been served through the new Nova Scotia School Lunch Program.

"This is an exciting milestone for our school lunch program," said Brendan Maguire, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development. "With rising costs impacting many Nova Scotians, I'm pleased that our government has been able to deliver free, healthy lunches for children."

More than half of eligible Nova Scotian students are benefiting from healthy, affordable lunches. In some schools, up to 100 per cent of students are ordering and enjoying school lunches.

Since ordering began in October, the most popular meal has been mini cheese pizza with vegetables. Other favourites have been pasta with tomato and beef sauce and the beef burger with vegetables and fruit.

Online ordering for the school lunch program happens in two-week cycles where students can choose between two options (one is vegetarian) for each school day. Families can choose to pay the full cost of the meal, the partial cost or nothing at all.

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Mischief

•By Lisa Nasson

A Co-Production by Neptune Theatre, Native Earth Performing Arts, & Tarragon Theatre

Tag: What does it mean to live in two worlds?

Dates: September 23 - October 12, 2025

Between mystical visits from an ancient ancestor, everyday life at her job at her Uncle's convenience store on the Rez, and her community rallying to tear down a statue of her city's founder, Brooke feels torn. She is struggling to reconcile her Mi'kmaw heritage and living in a place founded by a British military officer hell bent on destroying her ancestors.

This gentle comedy asks the question - how can a woman whose family lives in a society placed under a microscope of stereotype, carry the resilience of her ancestors to embrace their existence?

How the Other Half Loves

By Alan Ayckbourn •Co-Produced with Thousand Islands Playhouse •Directed by Jeremy Webb

Tag: Love is chaos

Dates: October 21 - November 9, 2025

How The Other Half Loves follows three married couples whose lives are hopelessly entwined.

Frank employs Bob and William and is considering William for promotion. Bob is having an affair with the boss's (Frank's) wife and argues constantly with his own wife, Teresa. Frank and Fiona's marriage by contrast is polite and distant. Mary thinks (incorrectly) that William, her husband, is having an affair. The plot thickens when each of the adulterous parties, plays host to William and Mary at dinner parties on successive nights, both of which dinners end in disaster.

As relations between partners deteriorate, matters become more confused and only the truth can restore order to chaos.

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