

Summer Activities

Community Events

Canada Day - July 1, 2009



Canada Day is always a great day for the whole family! Our traditional events will take place at Bandstand Park at 1pm and will include a flag raising, entertainment, Canada Day Cake and exciting activities for kids.

On Bridge Street at 5pm we will be holding a special concert with great live music! Rain location: Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre.

New Brunswick Day – August 3, 2009

New Brunswick Day in Sackville is a Family Fun Day held at the Civic Centre with lots of local entertainment, face painting, cake, bouncy tents and more. Join us at 6pm to celebrate!

June is Parks & Recreation Month! Celebrate and get active!

We will be holding a special day of activities for the whole family at Beech Hill Park on Saturday, June 13 to celebrate Parks & Recreation month. There will be lots of games, a BBQ and more! Co-organized by the Tantramar Family Resource Centre. Keep an eye out for more details.

Concerts in the Park

Beginning on July 9 and continuing every Thursday night at 6:30pm. during the summer months, free outdoor concerts will be held at the Bandstand on Main Street featuring performances by local musicians. For a schedule or for more information, please call the Visitor Information Centre at 364-4967.

Other events in Sackville

There are many great events taking place throughout the year in Sackville. Current event listings are available on-line www.sackville.com/calendar. Or pick up a copy of the regional events guide entitled "Things to do in South East NB" at the Sackville Visitor Information Centre.

Athletic Events

David MacAulay 5K Folly – Sunday, May 24, 2009

1pm Registration at Mount Allison Athletic Centre, 2pm start time. Shake off the winter blues and enjoy the first 5km run of the season in Sackville. For more information contact John Peters at 364-2403.



Canada Day Multi-K – July 1

Beginning at noon this annual event starts at the Bandstand Park. Complete a 2km, 5km, or 10km, loop. Prizes for those in the most red & white! For more information contact Graeme Stewart, 536-3559.

Sackville Triathlon – Saturday, August 22, 2009

10am start time at Silver Lake. Olympic and Sprint length courses. For more information contact John Peters at 364-2403 or email jpeters@mta.ca

Main Street Mile – Saturday, September 19, 2009

Start time 1pm. One of the many events for the annual Sackville Fall Fair, this 1-mile sprint begins outside Windsor Hall on the MTA Campus and finishes at Salem Elementary School, just prior to the Fall Fair Parade.



Terry Fox Run– Sunday, September 13, 2009

2pm start time at Bandstand Park. 5km loop and 10km loop for bikers and runners and walkers. Pledge forms are available in advance from the Parks & Rec Department, Town Hall local businesses and online. Help find a cure for cancer! Volunteers needed, call 364-4958.

Nordic Walking

Nordic Walking is a unique form of fitness walking that is perfect for taking advantage of the great outdoors. Recommended by cardiac specialists, Nordic Walking burns up to 40% more calories during your walk using specially designed poles to engage your upper body and reduce impact on your knees and joints.

For more information on how to get involved, contact Yennah Hurley at 506-647-6431 or Wanderlust Outdoor Outfitters at 939-3100.

Tantramar Outdoor Club

A newly formed organization in Sackville whose mandate is to promote self propelled outdoor activities such as cross-country skiing, cycling, running and hiking throughout the Tantramar Region. For more information on how to join and participate visit their website: www.tantramaroutdoorclub.com or contact Peter Manchester at 536-0946 or email peterman@nbnet.nb.ca.

Sackville Rod & Gun Club Inc.

The membership of the Sackville Rod & Gun Club is comprised of anglers, hunters, target shooters and those with various interests in the outdoors and the environment. Since its inception in 1979, the Club has been involved in stream enhancement, fish stocking programs, junior fish derbies, hunter education programs, with, at one time, 12 instructors, and has held events during the Waterfowl Celebrations as well as participating in a variety of other outdoor related activities. The Club is a member of the New Brunswick Wildlife Federation and supports Ducks Unlimited and other wildlife orientated organizations.

The Club meets the first Wednesday of every month except during the summer months. From May to the end of Sept the club holds clay bird shoots every Monday night at Landing Rd. For more information contact Wayne Berry at 536-0627.

Sackville Golf & Country Club

Located at 42 Fairfield Road, one of the oldest courses in New Brunswick, the 9-hole Sackville golf course is very playable. Club rentals, power carts available. Licensed clubhouse has a snack counter, which operates on weekends. Call 536-3437

Canoeing & Kayaking

The Sackville area boasts both lakes/ivers and coastal canoeing and kayaking opportunities. Lake and river opportunities include Gaspereau River, Silver Lake and Tintamarre National Wildlife Area. For more detailed information on these areas, contact the Sackville Visitor Information 364-4967. Coastal canoeing and kayaking can take place in Shepody Bay, Baie Verte and the Northumberland Strait. Please note that our coastal waters have strong currents in some places.

Safe Boating Tips

1. Carrying alcohol in any type of boat is illegal.
2. PFDs (Personal Flotation Devices) should be worn by everyone in the boat.
3. All boats should be equipped with a water bailer, flashlight, first aid kit, and whistle in cases of emergency.
4. Be sure to check the weather before heading out.
5. Be sure to inform a friend or relative as to where you will be boating and the approximate time you will be returning.

Safety in our waters begins with being a responsible boater. Being responsible means educating yourself with boating safety & rules, boat operations, and required safety equipment. Smart boaters know that drugs and alcohol do not mix with safe boating. Please make responsible decisions.

Fishing

Try fishing at the Jolicure Lakes near Jolicure (on the way to PEI) and at Joe Brook, on Mountview Road. Fishing on the Tantramar River in Sackville will also provide opportunities for catching trout and perch. Ice fishing on Silver Lake will reward the patient fisherman with Brown Trout. The local trout season extends from April 15 to September 30. Non-residents must acquire a valid NB Sport Fishing License. Three-day, seven-day and seasonal licenses can be obtained at the Service New Brunswick office in Sackville. Once purchased, these licenses may be used at any NB location.

Parks
&
Trails

Lillas Fawcett Park – Silver Lake



Join in the fun, splash in the sun and take advantage of Sackville's own sandy beach, playground and boat launch! Below find all the info you'll need to have a safe, sunny day at the beach without leaving town.

Park Hours

Daily - 9:00am - 9:00pm

Supervised Swimming

The Parks & Recreation Department is pleased to provide lifeguard supervision in the designated swimming area at Silver Lake DAILY from 11am-7pm.

This service will be offered from **July 2 - August 26**.

Park Rules

1. An adult **MUST** accompany children under 12 years of age.
2. The supervised swimming area is within the buoys. Anyone who swims outside of the marked area will be doing so at his or her own risk.
3. We strongly advise against individuals swimming during thunder and lightning storms. Those who wish to do so will be swimming at their own risk.
4. All dogs must be kept on a leash. Unleashed dogs will be reported to the dogcatcher and removed at the owner's expense. Park users are advised that the Town of Sackville By-Law #138 (Establishing control of dogs in the Town of Sackville) will be enforced in the park.
5. Foul language and alcoholic beverages are not permitted on park property.
6. There will be no loitering or jumping off the bridge just past the park property.

This is your park. Please keep it clean.

Sackville SkatePark

Hours of operation:

Sunday-Thursday - 8:00am-9:00pm

Friday-Saturday – 8:00am-11:00pm

Don't forget:

All skateboarders using the park must sign a waiver form (page 28)



Quick Facts:

- The Sackville SkatePark is located on Dufferin Street.
- This is not a supervised facility – use at your own risk.
- Safety equipment (helmets, knee pads, elbow pads) is strongly recommended.
- The Town will not be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury rising from the use of the SkatePark.
- No skateboarding when the surface is wet.
- This is YOUR Park – Please keep it clean

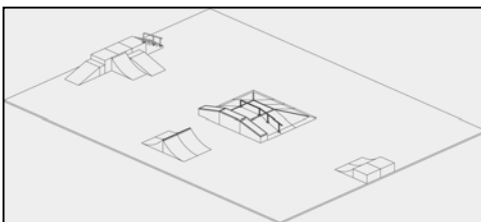
Park News:

We're adding some new equipment to the SkatePark! Three new pieces of mobile equipment will be added to the park in May, and we're hoping for at least one more piece in June.

This is a great addition to the park as many of our wooden structures are getting worn.



If there are any skateboarders out there who would like to work as a steering group for the Park, the Dept would be happy for some input. This group will help find solutions to some issues, develop some programs for the park (classes, events, competitions, etc) and just work to make the SkatePark a better place for all skateboarders to hang out.



Contact Rebecca at 364-4957 if you're interested in helping or if you have any suggestions. You can be added to a group email list that will keep you up to date on any new developments.

Sackville Waterfowl Park

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Park open from dawn to dusk

Free admission

Guided tours available May 15 - August 30

Tour rates: \$5/person, \$10/family (2 adults, 2 children)

Tour includes:

Use of binoculars

A 1 1/2 hour walk with historical and natural interpretation

Ginger snaps and lemonade served on the cedar deck



Call 364-4967 for more info

Discover a wetland world beneath your feet! Focus your camera on the antics of fuzzy ducklings dabbling in the shallows. Listen to a sunset chorus of marsh birds, the eerie cries of rail, grebe, and bittern.

From dawn to dusk, the entertainment never stops at the Sackville Waterfowl Park, a 55-acre park located in the heart of Sackville, and winner of Environment Canada's National Award for Environmental Achievement.

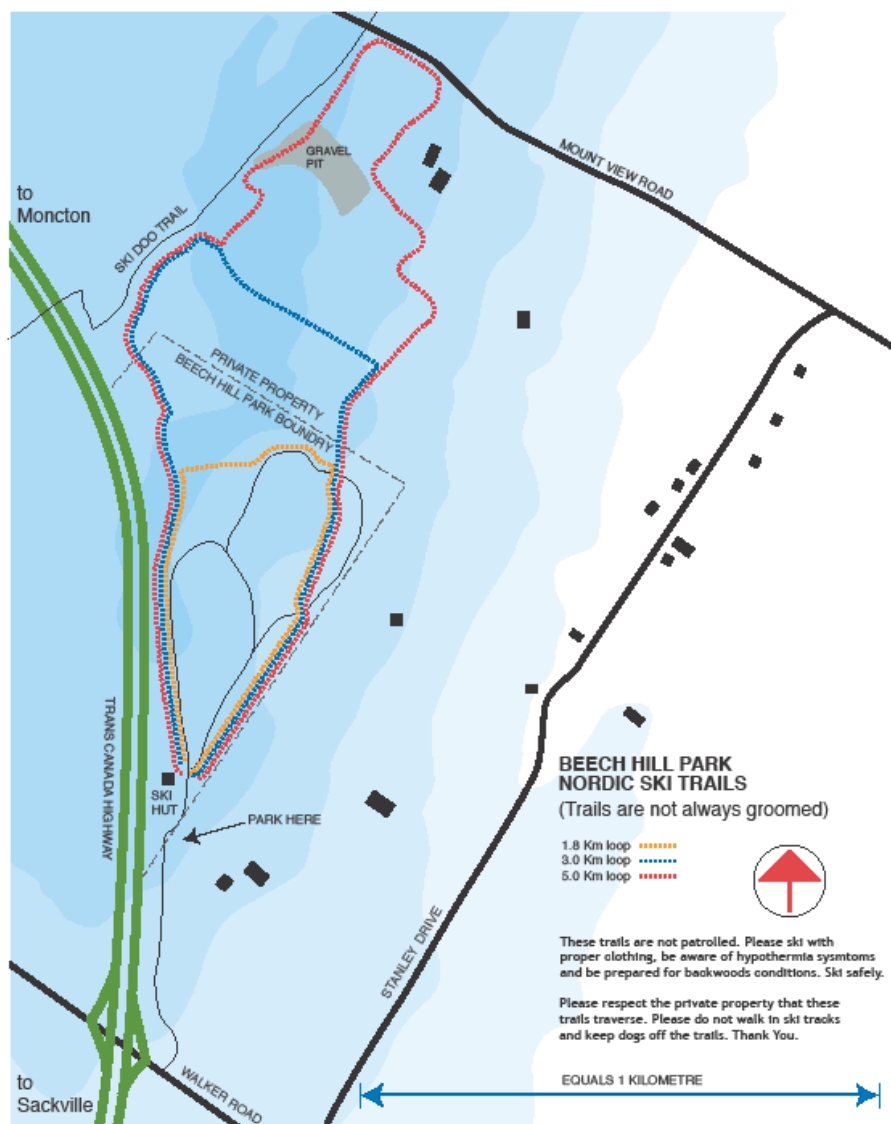
Over three kilometres of trails, boardwalks and viewing platforms lead you, dry shod, through lush stands of alder and cattail and across broad expanses of open water, revealing the private lives of dozens of wetland wildlife species. Bird watching in the Waterfowl Park is best during the dawn and dusk hours of the day.

Beech Hill Park

This wooded area just off the Transcanada Highway exit 500 provides an excellent spot for picnicking and a good rest stop. Picnic tables and outdoor washrooms are available. The park also has walking trails and a panoramic view of the Tantramar Marsh.

In winter, Beech Hill Park becomes the main area for cross-country skiing. Enjoy three trails covering 1.8, 3.0, and 5.0 kilometres through the forest area. Start at the signpost in the park and follow the coloured trail markers for a delightful scenic winter-escape.

Map of Beech Hill Park Trails



Tantramar Wetlands Centre

Experience Wetlands!! Visit the Tantramar Wetlands Centre and experience everything the wetlands have to offer. This award-winning educational centre offers hands-on activities for the whole family. Mom and Dad can leave the kids for a fun-filled hour with experienced staff and enjoy some time alone or they can join in the activities. The



Tantramar Wetlands Centre was developed as a teaching and learning centre for the school and community. Guided walks and educational programs can be arranged by calling 364-4257 or by visiting the website: www.weted.com.

Walking Tours

Enjoy a walking tour of downtown Sackville and learn about heritage sites, artworks, and some of the many famous and interesting people who have lived in Sackville. The Sackville Arts Walk and the Historical Downtown Sackville walking tour map guides are available at accommodations and shops as well as at the Sackville Visitor Information Center, 34 Mallard Drive.

Tantramar Rail Trail

This trail links Sackville with the Village of Port Elgin following the route of the Trans Canada/New Brunswick Trail. The Trail begins at the dyked wetland behind Tantramar Regional High School, skirting the Tantramar Marsh. The trail crosses several working farms near Midgic, and then passes through an isolated stretch of boreal forest, before emerging at Highway 16 near the community of Baie Verte. The trail ends at a working fishing wharf on the Gaspereau River in Port Elgin.



Moose, deer, fox, and other woodland creatures can be observed from the trail route, as well as colourful wildflowers and a variety of songbirds, waterfowl and shorebirds, eagles, osprey, hawks and great blue herons can often be seen feeding on the Baie Verte Marsh and along the Gaspereau River Estuary.

<u>Type:</u>	Linear
<u>Length:</u>	33 km (8 hours one way)
<u>Surface:</u>	Crushed stone, raised rail bed
<u>Difficulty:</u>	Moderate (long distance hike)
<u>Marking:</u>	Follows abandoned railway line; route obvious
<u>Access:</u>	Tantramar Regional High School (Highway 2, Exit 504) Folkins Drive turn-around (Highway 2, Exit 506) Church Street Middle Sackville Route 940, Midgic Sackville.
<u>Parking:</u>	Tantramar High School parking lot Folkins Drive (side of road) Lillas Fawcett Park Parking Lot