



## The Town of Flatrock

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### **Volunteer Week**

Volunteer Week is April 23 to 29, 2017. The Town Council of Flatrock would like to thank and to recognize all of the amazing volunteers in our community for their time and talents during the year. You as Volunteers are the heart of our community and without you so many events would not take place. Many Thanks to all our volunteers.

### **Student Summer Employment**

Resumes and Applications are now being accepted for summer employment with the town and it's non – profit organizations. First Aid and Safety Training are offered through Recreation at a date in June.

Positions are available in the following departments:

- Recreation
- Maintenance/Public Works
- Heritage/Museum
- Flatrock Harbor Authority
- Tourism
- Town Office

Residents are advised that **all positions are subject to funding approval** from all sources.

### **Please mail completed applications to:**

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**Hand deliver to:** Town of Flatrock

**E-mail:** [info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com)

**DEADLINE for applications: 3:30 pm on Friday, April 28, 2017.**

Applicants for **recreation positions** are advised that interviews for summer employment will be held on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, starting at 4 pm. Please ensure that you are available for an interview on this day.

## **Garbage**

**Garbage and recycling has to be out by 8 am on garbage day or will not be picked up.** Garbage day is every Wednesday.

The Town Council of Flatrock asks all residents to cover garbage at all times or put in a garbage box. If you are not using a garbage box do not put any garbage out until garbage day. If you are covering with a net or blanket please put weights on to keep crows from getting into your garbage. Garbage bags must be tied. Do not overfill your garbage bag as it may burst open when contractor is picking up your garbage.

The Town Council of Flatrock has received some concerns from residents regarding garbage being left around on properties that is attracting rodents, please try not to leave garbage around and use a garbage box if possible.

## **Recycling**

**Recycling has to be out by 8 am on garbage day or will not be picked up.** Recycling is every second Wednesday, a list is attached. The Recycling plant at Robin Hood Bay will no longer be accepting any loose cardboard. All cardboard has to be broken down and put in blue recycling bags and tied.

## **Garbage**

The Town Council would like to thank the residents for cleaning up the garbage in front of and near their property including ditches. Now that snow is melting the garbage around is visible, it would be a great idea to clean up in your area if possible. Town Council will be holding Environment Day once again this year to clean up garbage on Saturday, June 17 with prizes and BBQ. More details later.

## **Bulk Garbage**

The Town Council will be holding a Bulk Garbage Clean in June 2017. Items must be out by Sunday evening, June 11 and will be picked up at curbside of your property, as there will be no duplication of any roadways. No tires, propane tanks or hazardous products will be accepted. Further details to follow.

## **Parking and Safety**

The Town Council would like to remind residents **NOT to park on sides of any road** so our Emergency equipment can access all emergencies. The Town Council remind you that children and adults will be taking part in walking and other recreation activities now that our winter is hopefully behind us. Please slow down and observe speed limits. Please watch for children especially in the area of our parks.

## **Memory Benches**

The Town Council of Flatrock will be installing three benches at Ocean View Park. If you would like a memory plaque installed on a bench in memory of a loved one at a cost of \$250.00 plus tax [maximum 3 plaques per bench] please contact the town office at [info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com) or 437-6312. If any family would like to have a bench installed at a cost of \$1200.00 plus tax and one memory plaque included in memory of a loved one, you can contact us. The benches are the same type as at Quidi Vidi.

### **Targa**

The Town Council of Flatrock and Targa NL held a public meeting at the Flatrock Community Center on Wednesday, March 8th at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the future participation of Targa NL in Flatrock. No complaints regarding Targa NL were received at the meeting therefore the Town Council of Flatrock will proceed with Targa NL in Flatrock in 2017. Any person having questions can attend the trainings for Targa NL Marshalls in September.

### **Soiree**

The date for the **2017 Flatrock Soiree** is July 28, 29 and 30.

### **Tourism Committee**

Preparations for Come Home Year 2017 are under way. The date for Come Home year celebrations is July 21 to 30, 2017. A detailed schedule will be coming soon.

### **Tourism Committee Bowling**

On Monday, April 17th, the Flatrock Come Home Year Committee held a Family Bowling Night at St. Pats Bowling Alley from 7 - 9 pm. Bowling was free with donations towards Come Home Year Celebrations accepted. Thank you to Fred Hawco for his generous offer of St. Pat's Bowling Alley.

### **St. Patrick's Colouring Contest**

The Town of Flatrock held a St. Patrick's Coloring Contest. The winners are: 2 years and under Iliana D.; 3 to 5 years Luke M.; 6 to 8 years Cameron A. and 9 to 12 years Karlie O. Congratulations to the winners, they each received a gift card from Chapters. Thank you to all who colored pictures. Watch for our next coloring contest later this summer.

### **Flatrock Soccer**

Flatrock and Area Soccer program registration will be held Tuesday, May 2 and Thursday May 4 from 7 to 9 pm at the Flatrock Town Hall. If you are interested in helping out or have questions please call Marion at 437-6945.

### **Torbay Volunteer Fire Dept. Awards**

The Town Council of Flatrock extend congratulations to the Torbay Volunteer Fire Department on their 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary on April 9, 2017. Congratulations to Fire Chief Mike McGrath on your 43 years of service. On April 8, 2017 at the Torbay Volunteer Fire Department Fire Fighters Ball the following Service Awards were presented: John Callahan – 15 years of service, John Coady – 15 years of service, Jerry Dunphy – 15 years of service, Jim Auchinleck – 10 years of service, Rodney Gaudet – 5 years of service and Mark Konechny – 5 years of service. The 2016 Fire Fighter of the Year went to Greg Power – Public Relations Officer. Thank you to all the brave men and women who volunteer to protect our beautiful town.

### **Town of Flatrock Karate Champs**

The Town Council of Flatrock extend Congratulations to **Emily Reglar** and Chris Coady of Flatrock:

Newfoundland recently participated in the Canadian National Karate Championships in Quebec City, sending eleven elite athletes from two clubs to battle against the finest Canada has to offer. Out of 441 competitors from nine Provinces, Newfoundland placed fourth in the overall medal standings and the top Atlantic Provinces, taking home two Gold, three Silver and one Bronze. Amazing for a small team to place so highly. It speaks to the Coaches, Quality of Training and the Athletes themselves. All share a desire and commitment to excel.

Among the medalists is Emily Reglar, who, at the age of six started Karate classes with Avalon Karate in the Chito-Ryu style. Through her career she has won several Newfoundland Provincial and Atlantic Region gold medals in Kumite [fighting]. Topping her achievement is her Gold Medal in the Nationals this year establishing her National Champion for her division [Youth, Female, under 35 kg.] Small but mighty.

Emily wishes to thank her coaches [Derek Ryan and Nathaniel Besso] and the other Provincial Team Athletes [John Shea, Matthew Whelan, Andrew Au (1 Silver), Christopher Au, Samantha Au, Nathaniel Besso (1 Bronze), Tyson Besso, Chris Coady (1 Gold, 2 Silver), Matthew Whelan, John Shea] for all their support. These great people make them the team they are today.

The Town Council of Flatrock extend Congratulations to Emily Reglar and **Chris Coady** of Flatrock:

Newfoundland recently participated in the Canadian National Karate Championships in Quebec City. Chris competed in 3 different divisions. Among the medalists Chris won the following:

Silver medal in Junior Male + 76 kg Kumite

Gold medal in U21 Male – 84 kg Kumite [this win places him on the U21/Jr National Karate team where he will represent Canada at the Jr. Pan American Championships in Buenos Aires, Argentina in August 2017.]

Silver in Sr. Male – 84 kg Kumite [this win places him on the Sr. National Karate team where he will travel to Curacao next month to represent Canada at the Sr. Pan American Championships].

Congratulations to both Emily and Chris on your achievements from the Town of Flatrock. Best Wishes on your future endeavours.

### **Town of Flatrock Group email**

The Town Council of Flatrock ask that any resident who would like their email added to a group email for the purpose of sending information such as changes in garbage day, bulk garbage notification, recreation activities and any other information concerning the town, to please send your email, name and street to the town office at:

[info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com) Your email will not be shown or used by anyone else.

### **Holidays**

Please be advised that the Town Hall will be closed on Monday, April 24 for St. George's Day and Monday, May 22 for Victoria Day.

### **2017 Property Taxes**

2017 Property taxes are in the mail. If you did not receive your invoice please contact the town office even if your taxes are paid by a bank, you would still receive a copy of the invoice. Tax payments can be made by monthly instalments. Payments are accepted by Visa, Debit, MasterCard, cheques and cash as well as post - dated cheques. The town office is open between the hours of 8:30 to 4:15, Monday to Friday. The office does not close for lunch. Online banking is available with RBC, TD, Scotia Bank and Bank of Montreal. The Town Council has a ten percent seniors discount in place, if you are a homeowner and 65 or older you need to bring identification to the town office with your date of birth on it. If you are already the registered home owner and paying taxes, you will only need your ID. If you are not the registered home owner then you would need a copy of your deed showing you as the owner plus your ID.

### **Suspicious Activity**

The Town Council of Flatrock ask if any residents witness any suspicious activities in your neighbourhood, you should call the [RNC] Royal Newfoundland Constabulary immediately at 911 or 729-8000. We have been hearing from some residents regarding high speeds on our side roads, strange vehicles congregating in cul- de- sacs and reckless ATV driving. If someone goes through your car and takes any items you should notify RNC as there may be other property in your area having the same issue. The town has contacted the RNC and they suggest that any residents with concerns should call the above numbers to file a confidential complaint.

### **East Coast Trails**

The East Coast Trails have walking trails in Flatrock. There is signage at Hickey's Lane and near the wharf for anyone who would like to avail of the trails. You can get more information on the trails at [www.eastcoasttrail.ca](http://www.eastcoasttrail.ca)

### **Torbay Volunteer Fire Dept.**

The Torbay Volunteer Fire Department has requested that if possible all residents have **visible house numbers** placed on their homes **in case of emergency**. Thank you to the many residents who already have their house numbers on display.

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department would like to remind residents if any alarms even **Carbon Monoxide alarms** activate in your home to exit your home immediately and call 911. Gather all family members and pets at a predesignated safe place, whether it is in a vehicle, detached building or a point outside. Make sure everyone is accounted for. Call 911 and do not re-enter the house until it is deemed safe to do so. Torbay Volunteer Fire Department ask residents to check the batteries in their **smoke detectors**.

### **Emergency Plan**

The Town of Flatrock has an Emergency Plan in place. The Council is always available during emergencies. The office phones are monitored if you need to contact Council. Please contact the town hall if anyone has health issues and would like to be checked on during an emergency. Emergency supplies – the full print out of information can be found at [www.gov.nl.ca/fes](http://www.gov.nl.ca/fes) [Fire and emergency services] \*\*after hours contact information for Council is below.

### **Permit to Burn:**

Residents preparing to burn brush as part of clean-up activities around their properties should note that the 2017 forest fire season will start May 1 and end October 15, 2017. A permit to burn is required under the Forestry Act and can be obtained at no cost at Paddy's Pond office, phone 729-4180. Materials prohibited from burning include: tires, plastics, treated lumber, asphalt, drywall, demolition, hazard, domestic and biomedical waste, manure, rubber, tar paper, railway ties, paint and paint products, fuel, lubricant containers, used oil, Styrofoam, animal cadavers etc., A toll free number is available to report forest fires during forest fire season. The number is 1-866-709-3473. Information on the forest fire season and regulations are available at:

[www.nr.gov.nl.ca/nr/forestry/fires/index.html](http://www.nr.gov.nl.ca/nr/forestry/fires/index.html)

Please call fire department at 722-1234 to notify them when you are burning brush.

### **No Dumping:**

There is no dumping anywhere in the Town of Flatrock. It has been reported that people are dumping garbage, such as building materials in the areas of Martins Point, Red Head soccer field, Medalsis Pond Road and Flatrock cemetery. Garbage should be brought to Robin Hood Bay. The town holds a bulk garbage pickup twice a year.

### **Town plan update**

The Town of Flatrock Municipal Plan and Development Regulations 2015-2025 are now officially adopted and are currently in effect.

### **Town Council Meetings**

Deadline for applications or correspondence for Flatrock Town Council meetings are noon on the Thursdays before the meeting. The Town Council meets every second Monday and is open to the public at all times. If you wish to speak to Council on a matter, please call ahead of time so we can put your name on the agenda. The next council meetings are Monday, May 8 and Tuesday May 23.

### **Municipal Elections**

Municipal Elections will be held in Flatrock on Tuesday, September 26, 2017.

### **Home Renovations**

The Town Council of Flatrock now has a **Renovation Permit** for all renovations to any buildings on your property in the Town Of Flatrock. You will need to fill in an application stating what renovations you are having done. The application does not need to go to a Council meeting. Renovation Permits are \$25.00.

### **Permits**

Permits are needed for all sheds even movable sheds, please contact Town Office for details. If you have a shed on your property the permit application is \$10.00 and permit costs 20 cents a square foot with a minimum cost of \$30.00. You can be asked to remove a shed if you do not have a permit for it.

### **BizPal**

BizPaL is an online service, [www.bizpal.gov.nl.ca](http://www.bizpal.gov.nl.ca) providing permit and licence information to help entrepreneurs start and grow their business. BizPal provides integrated information on permits, licences and other regulatory requirements across three levels of government. BizPal's web-based, self-service application is practical, free and easy to use. Using a question and answer format, BizPal generates an accurate, timely and customized list of permits and licences that entrepreneurs may require for starting or growing a business.

**DVD. Mugs, Ornaments:** The Town of Flatrock has 2 DVD's for sale. One DVD is of the 1989 Soiree and the other is a video done by the Town of Flatrock in 1990 \$10.00 each. Mugs: \$5.00 each. Deck of Cards with Flatrock Logo - \$5.00.

### **Food Bank**

The Town Council will accept non-perishable food items for the local food bank year round. You can bring non-perishable food to the town office Monday to Friday between 8:30am and 4 pm or anytime the town hall is open for functions.

### **Compost Bins**

Compost bins are available for anyone interested in having one. Cost is \$21.99 plus \$2.86 tax, total \$24.85 each. If you would like to have a compost bin you can drop by the town office and pick one up.

### **Diabetes Containers**

There are two red containers for clothing donations to the Diabetes Association located at the Flatrock Town Hall.

### **Gobag Flyers**

The GoBag flyers will not be delivered to a property unless a gobag box for your flyers is installed on your property, this is free of charge. An outside box is set up at the Flatrock Town Hall [in the porch] and Wilkinson's Convenience for anyone who would like the flyers and do not have a gobag tube.

**Contact information:** [gobag@transcontinental.ca](mailto:gobag@transcontinental.ca) or 748-0888.

### **ReThinkWasteNL**

Eastern Waste Management has a list of waste categories on this site: [ReThinkWasteNL](http://ReThinkWasteNL).

### **eWaste NL [Electronics Waste]**

There are electronics recycling depots for TV's, computers, etc. in St. John's. The contact information is: [eWasteNL@gmail.com](mailto:eWasteNL@gmail.com).

### **Household Hazardous Waste**

The Household Hazardous Waste drop-off is at the Regional Facility located at Robin Hood Bay. For more detailed information on the materials accepted there, please visit: [www.curbitstjohns.ca/?Content=Residents/Household\\_Hazardous\\_Waste](http://www.curbitstjohns.ca/?Content=Residents/Household_Hazardous_Waste)

### **Dog Tags**

If you would like your dog or even your cat registered in the town, so we would know who owns the pet if it should get out, then just drop by the town office and get a license for your pet, they are **FREE OF CHARGE**.

### **Animal Control**

Meagan Battersby is the animal control officer for The Town of Flatrock. If you need to contact Meagan regarding an animal issue you may contact her at 437-6532 (ext 285), or call the Flatrock Town Hall at 437-6312.

### **Recreation news**

#### **2017 Summer Camp**

Members of Flatrock Recreation are pleased to announce that our summer program will begin on July 4<sup>th</sup> and operate until August 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration for our summer program will be held on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm for residents of Flatrock. Non-residents of Flatrock can register on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm (should space be available). Weekly registration fees are \$90 for one child and \$60 for each additional child.

*As an organization, we are continuing to make enhancements with our summer program by providing a wide variety of activities, outings and ensuring our staff have the tools and training to provide a positive and safe environment for your child/ren.*

The tentative schedule of camp activities, along with all registration information and forms, will be posted on [www.townofflatrock.com](http://www.townofflatrock.com) prior to registration night. For additional information regarding this program, please call 335 2848 ext. 4 or email [recreation@townofflatock.com](mailto:recreation@townofflatock.com).

#### **Cape St. Francis Minor Softball**

We are pleased to announce that our Minor Softball program will be returning for another season. Minor Softball is open to youth between the ages of 5 and 16. Registration will occur on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 pm, at the Pouch Cove Recreation Office and Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 pm at the Flatrock Town Hall. Registration fee is \$50 for one child and \$35 for each additional child. For more information, please contact [CSFMSA@outlook.com](mailto:CSFMSA@outlook.com).

#### **2017 Killick Coast Games**

The Towns of Bauline, Flatrock and Pouch Cove will be co-hosting the 2017 Killick Coast Games from August 21 to August 25, 2017. The Killick Coast Games are open to youth between the ages of 11 and 17 (within the 2017 calendar year). Youth are given the opportunity to participate in Ball Hockey, Basketball, Cross Country Running, Soccer and Softball. Registration information will be posted on our website and facebook page in late May. If you wish to volunteer for this event, please email [recreation@townofflatrock.com](mailto:recreation@townofflatrock.com) or call **Matthew Cooper B. Rec** Regional Recreation Coordinator Avalon Regional Director – Recreation NL (p) 335-2848 ext 4



### **After Hours Emergencies**

Town staff is NOT to be called after hours; they can be reached through the Town office Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:15 pm.

**For after hour emergencies the Town Council can be reached at the following numbers:**

Mayor Darrin Thorne	Finance/ Roads/ Arena/ North East Avalon Joint Council NEAJC	437-5654
Deputy Mayor Terry Humber	Tourism/ Planning/ Community Center/ Soiree/ Killick Coast Games	437- 6634
Marion McCarthy	Recreation / Heritage / Soiree/ Killick Coast Games	437-6945
Michelle Martin	Recreation / Heritage / ICSP/ Volunteer Fire Dept liaison/ Killick Coast Games	437-5016
Paul Burton	Tourism/ Streetlights/ Roads/ Animal & Garbage Control/ Killick Coast Games	727-6640
Catherine Houlihan	Environment/ Heritage/ Soiree/ Stewardship Association Of Municipalities SAM/ North East Avalon Joint Council NEAJC	437-1452
Bob Schmiedendorf	Environment/ICSP Integrated Community Sustainability Plan	685-7341

### **Kevin Parsons MHA**

Kevin Parsons MHA contact information: phone 729-6979, fax 729-5774,  
Email: kevinparsons@gov.nl.ca

### **Nick Whalen, MP:**

Nick Whalen MP contact information: Phone 772-7171  
Email: nick.whelen@parl.gc.ca

### **Facebook and Twitter**

Like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/townofflatrock](http://www.facebook.com/townofflatrock) or follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/townofflatrock](http://www.twitter.com/townofflatrock)

### **Matthew Cooper Recreation:**

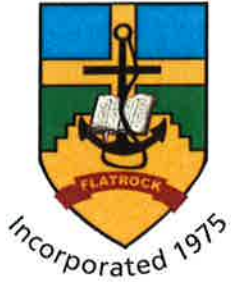
Regional Recreation Coordinator, Matthew can be reached at:  
335-2848 ext. 4 or [recreation@pouchcove.ca](mailto:recreation@pouchcove.ca)

### **St. Michael's Parish:**

Phone 437-6628 email: [holytrinity@bellaliant.com](mailto:holytrinity@bellaliant.com)

### **Kids Help Line 1-800-668-6868 or KidsHelpPhone.ca**

Call 24 hour Province Wide Crisis Phone Line 737-4668 or 1-888-737-4668.



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## RECYCLING DATES 2017

**JANUARY 11**  
**JANUARY 25**

**FEBRUARY 8**  
**FEBRUARY 22**

**MARCH 8**  
**MARCH 22**

**APRIL 5**  
**APRIL 19**

**MAY 3**  
**MAY 17**  
**MAY 31**

**JUNE 14**  
**JUNE 28**

**JULY 12**  
**JULY 26**

**AUGUST 9**  
**AUGUST 23**

**SEPTEMBER 6**  
**SEPTEMBER 20**

**OCTOBER 4**  
**OCTOBER 18**

**NOVEMBER 1**  
**NOVEMBER 15**  
**NOVEMBER 29**

**DECEMBER 13**  
**DECEMBER 27**