



# HCM News

## THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

### Welcome 2016. 2015 Year in Review.

2015 has left us with some significant changes: we welcomed Crystal to the Township team, obtained funding to improve our boat launches and funding to host a seniors/intergenerational recreation project which will continue into 2016, obtained a permanent liquor license for the hall and had one full year of operations of our Recreation Committee.

We have suffered some losses; due to circumstances mainly outside of our control we lost our agreement with the Towns of Deep River and Laurentian Hills for auto-extrication services (more on this later) and we lost a number of our beloved longtime residents.

In December Council passed its 2016 budget, repeating its 2015 goal of no increase with a zero percent change for municipal purposes. For 2015 – a 4.49% decrease in the municipal tax rate. For 2016 budget a 0% change.

The County has not yet approved their budget numbers for 2016 and we will likely see some increase from that corner. Additionally, individual residents may see increases based on property value assessments completed by MPAC, beyond Council control. Council and staff do consider your tax dollars in all spending decisions; they are our tax dollars too. (MR)

Year	HCM Estimated Residential Rate	Amount taxes per \$100,000 Value	Increase/decrease over previous year	% increase/decrease in taxes/\$100,000 value	Total Taxes Raised for Municipal Purposes	Total Budget
2012	0.00273903	\$273.90	\$11.83	4.52%	\$462,654	\$776,104
2013	0.00262343	\$262.34	<b>\$(11.56)</b>	<b>(4.22)%</b>	\$453,568	\$969,353
2014	0.00262343	\$262.34	\$0	-	\$467,019	\$839,269
2015	0.00252585	\$252.59	<b>\$(9.75)</b>	<b>(4.49)%</b>	\$458,371	\$895,139
<b>2016</b>	0.00252585	\$252.59	\$0	-	\$472,580	\$1,011,847

## A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR GIBSON

Hello all,

I will take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy new year notwithstanding all the dire predictions from the usual pundits.

We are embarking on year two of our four year term and County Council is still alive and well. We had the annual election for warden and had a contest this year between Peter Emon and Walter Stack, the Reeve from Arnrior. This was the first election since our former Reeve Bill Crowshaw contested the position in 2004. Peter Emon will continue as the Warden as a result of a very close 9 – 8 victory. The vote for Warden is not the normal weighted vote so every vote at the table counts as one vote.

We will be holding County budget workshops later this month to determine our way forward for the next year. Not that it makes any difference in the outcome, but I will vote against any increase in borrowing simply as a matter of principal.

On Thursday, Jan 7th I attended a public meeting session in Ottawa sponsored by the Ministry of Health and Long Term care. The subject matter was physician assisted dying and the Ministry is looking for public opinion so they may be better able to craft legislation to comply with the Supreme Court ruling that gave the federal government a year to craft legislation to decriminalize physician assisted dying in certain circumstances. The meeting session was better than I expected. There were 158 people in attendance. The usual even split between yea or nea for this process was evident with a slight majority in favor. I can provide more details of the results of some of the questions that were asked if you wish to call me.

I would encourage everyone to go on the website at [www.ipsosresearch.com/endoflifedecisionsurvey](http://www.ipsosresearch.com/endoflifedecisionsurvey) and fill out the survey so that your voice may be heard. No matter which side of the issue you are on, this discussion is long overdue so your opinion really does count.

On a local level the good news is a zero tax increase in the Municipal part of your tax bill. That doesn't mean your tax bill won't increase depending on other factors. MPAC assessment and County levy along with the school boards increase may increase your tax bill.

Another interesting change has occurred over the last two months in our municipality. About 75% of internet users have switched to Bell from Xplornet for what can reasonably be described as high speed wireless internet service at a reasonable price. This service doesn't appear on the Bell website but you can contact the local Petawawa Bell office for details.

Congratulations to our municipal staff and our community volunteers for their work in providing a very successful New Year's party. The hall was very well decorated and sure looked good. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped make it a good time. *It is really gratifying to see Community spirit so alive and well. Thank you.*

Marlene and I ran the bar and have decided to remit our tips to the Deep River and District Hospital Foundation so a big thank you to all who donated.

That's it for now folks. Stayed tuned for the next newsletter.

Jim



## HCM in the Larger Community

On the broader front, we would like to acknowledge some positive press which not too long ago was hard to come by. In the past, Head, Clara & Maria was not always positively represented in the *North Renfrew Times*. For those of you who read it, you know that some significant negativity was shared with the broader community through the local paper. But that is now our past. Finally some good press...

We would like to recognize and reiterate some of the editorial comments from the December 23, 2015 edition of the NRT by Mr. Myers “not so long ago, the townships...were in bad shape...functioning of municipal staff and council were concerned.” The editorial goes on to say that if we fast forward to 2015, there is a significant difference “**The townships are in good shape financially, there is a strong policy framework in place, and council and staff operate in an atmosphere of mutual respect.**” Noteworthy comments from someone who in the past quite negatively portrayed our staff and council.

Mr. Myers, also being a council member for the Town of Deep River, continues with “**Head, Clara & Maria is an example to the rest of Renfrew County on how to do it right.**”

What a positive way to end 2015 and begin 2016; with hope for continued prosperity, geniality and progress.

Thank you staff and Council for making HCM such a great place in which to live and work. (MR)

## Boat Launch Upgrades

Based in part upon comments received by members of the public during the 2015 strategic planning session, and written complaints submitted to Council for consideration over the year, we have applied for and were the recipients of funding through the Canada 150 grant program to perform upgrades to the municipal boat launches. \$24,000 was obtained to improve the existing washroom facilities, install solar lights, improve waste and recycling receptacles and extend the concrete docks with floating sections to alleviate problems with rocks close to shore during launch.

Realizing a budget surplus for 2015, and using funds in reserves, Council has further budgeted for 2016 some work on the ramps and shorelines themselves. Pending Department of Fisheries and Ocean’s (DFO) and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (OMNRF) approvals, launch areas will be improved, repair of ramps where necessary, slight dredging and boulder removal. If there are any specific areas which you feel require attention; please let us know as soon as possible to determine if we can include your issue with our general remediation. Please realize time and funds are limited. All projects also require approval from DFO and OMNRF. (MR)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**From Recreation Committee**

Our Recreation Committee has been very busy over these past two years. Many events have been held and with most events monies have been raised to install more benches, buy equipment for the kitchen, stress mats for the kitchen, etc. The committee has been proud of all of its accomplishments but one that this member is looking forward to most is the installation of a play structure at Old Mackey Park. A slide was needed (and has been looked at for a couple of years) but based on the prices we were quoted we were not comfortable purchasing one. (The slide was going to cost approximately \$5000 plus taxes and shipping so about \$8000, just for the slide.) However, our newest employee Crystal Fischer came to our aide and researched the heck out of structures, finding us an actual climbing structure with a slide included (along with a free standing riding item as a bonus) for \$10,433, including taxes and shipping. This new structure will be set up this spring (May or June) at Old Mackey Park in time for Canada Day. Council has always been supportive of recreation events and were so with this venture and offered monies in support but this item was financed through fundraising only. No tax dollars used here, although we may take advantage of the money council has set aside for our next structure we hope to install at Stonecliffe in the next year. Congrats to all our committee members and volunteers for all your hours of work to meet this goal. The kids and parents are going to love it! (GW)



## C O M M U N I T Y N E W S

### Special Projects for 2016

Although the 2016 municipal budget has surpassed the \$1 million mark for the first time, it is for good reason. This budget includes funds over \$170,000 for special projects (funds from grants, Gas Tax funds and reserves) for: gravel crushing, boat launch repair and upgrades, special roads projects and over \$30,000 for the recreation committee (funds to be earned to support their programs).

<b>New/Special Projects for 2016 – over \$170,000</b>	
\$34,000	(from Gas Tax, surplus and Reserves) for Boat Launch repair – slope and rocks;
\$48,000	(\$24,000 from reserves) special grant for Boat Launch facility upgrades including installation of dock extensions;
\$8,000	remaining for Seniors/Intergenerational Grant;
\$2,400	Vinyl Chairs for hall;
\$30,000	Brushing project – hiring equipment/staff;
\$10,000	Gravel Crushing (from reserves)
\$6,670	Recreation Staff support – new one day a week position
\$30,000	Recreation Committee Budget (includes Council \$3,000 contribution, all other funds to be raised or grants)

### Recreation Committee

Since its inception, the recreation committee has held many functions and sponsored many events at the community Centre in Stonecliffe and at Old Mackey Park. Through our volunteers, we have raised funds to purchase equipment for the hall, a play structure for Old Mackey Park with one in the works for the Stonecliffe Township grounds. Hats off to all those who have volunteered or who have come out to participate in events in support of our community.

Due to the increased recreation programming, including exercise and yoga classes, as well as increased hall use due to obtaining a liquor license, staff have spent a significant amount of time over the past year assisting to ensure proper administration. Council authorized with its 2016 budget a new one day a week position to focus on recreation support. This will include hall scheduling, maintenance, liquor license management, policy advice, staffing as well as exercise programming. Any questions concerning hall availability should now be directed to Crystal.

The recreation committee is working on a “lending hub” which they hope will be available to lend sports equipment such as mountain bikes and perhaps cross county skis and paddle boards, similarly to books from a library. Watch for good things to come. (MR)

# Library News

Happy New Year from the HCM Public Library!

Crime Stoppers Calendar sales were great, with 90 calendars sold.

Good Luck to everyone!

Stay tuned for details on our upcoming annual fundraising events:

Spring Card Party, June Jazaar, and Fall Card Party.

Please drop in anytime to check out our new books and DVDs. If you have any suggestions for books or DVDs to add to our collection, please just drop us a note at [hcmlibra13@gmail.com](mailto:hcmlibra13@gmail.com)

**Remember to save  
your Value Mart  
Receipts for  
Library  
Fundraising!**

"THE LIBRARY CARD IS A PASSPORT TO WONDERS AND MIRACLES, GLIMPSES INTO OTHER LIVES, RELIGIONS, EXPERIENCES, THE HOPES AND DREAMS AND STRIVINGS OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS, AND IT IS THIS PASSPORT THAT OPENS OUR EYES AND HEARTS TO THE WORLD BEYOND OUR FRONT DOORS, THAT IS ONE OF OUR BEST HOPES AGAINST TYRANNY, XENOPHOBIA, HOPELESSNESS, DESPAIR, ANARCHY, AND IGNORANCE."

— Libba Bray



**For Sale in Office or during Recreation  
Committee Events!**

**Fleece Sweaters with HCM logo**



**\$42**

Ladies and men's styles and sizes  
available.

**Red/black and Grey/black**

**Enjoy your Library!**

Open M, T, W & F 8:30 — 4:00

Tuesday evenings 6:00 p.m. — 8:30

Saturday 12:30 p.m. — 3:00.

## Roads and Snowfall Reminders

With our first major snowfall of the season coming quite late, we would like to share a few reminders.

1. Plowing, shoveling and leaving snow across a municipal or provincial road way is an infraction against the *Highway Traffic Act* because it is dangerous. These actions often leave windrows which may cause a vehicle to lose control when hit or worse, cause considerable damage if hit once frozen. Please consider this when removing snow from your drive or lane way. Staff have spoken with loggers who use our roads to make sure that they are considerate of this fact as well when clearing for their operations.
2. Our Level of Service Document and policy for roads allows for snow removal operations to begin after snow reaches 3 inches or 10 centimeters. There is no more second guessing when to call out equipment; when the snow reaches that depth, plows are called out. It's also important to remember that sometimes conditions on your road may be substantially different from conditions on a neighbour's road due to snow fall and drifting patterns. Staff and contractors are careful when calling out equipment.
3. Also interesting to note, as per municipal policy based on provincial recommendations, our staff and contractors have **up to 24 hours** to remove snow from municipal roads; although we strive to clear roads as soon as possible. Although this may be an inconvenience to some people; it is our reality. In most cases, snow is removed quite promptly after falling. Sometimes there are problems, but you can be assured that staff and contractors are on the job

### SNOW ACCUMULATION

Class of Highway	Depth	Time	Desired Road Condition
5	10 cm	24 hours	Snow-packed or bare
6	10 cm	24 hours	Snow-packed or bare

4. To ensure cost efficiencies, snow plowing is completed on municipal roads from the east end to the west. There is no other reason; simply efficiency. When we achieve a significant amount of snow in one fall, the plow operators are directed to take one pass over each road to "open them up" and then to re-plow as they return west to east. When equipment and operators are available, our contractor does use more resources than our contract dictates and starts from both ends; but this is the exception and at his discretion. Thanks Pat.
5. Occasionally there are operational problems, equipment breakdowns etc. We do have a policy in place to compensate the municipality if problems continue for any length of time. Sometimes we just have to accept that we have had a lot of snow in a short period of time and be certain that the equipment will get to you eventually. Another tradeoff for choosing to live in this beautiful rural municipality which spans over 70 km of highway.

# Tone and Fit Group

**Meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**

**Township Hall - 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

**Everyone is welcome - No Cost—Please come and join us.**



**Mild Aerobic exercise to suit your needs via DVD instruction.**

**Contact Cathy Sutherland – [mcsutherland1954@gmail.com](mailto:mcsutherland1954@gmail.com) or 613-586-2591 for information!**

**Or just drop by.**

## Yoga in Stonecliffe

Yoga with instructor Kim Knight is continuing this winter at the HCM Community Centre. We are hoping to interest at least 5 participants and will gladly welcome more! Yoga is a great activity for all age groups. It can help you improve your strength and flexibility.

### Things you need to know:

#### Classes and Times:

Thursday January 14	11:00 to noon
Thursday January 21	11:00 to noon
Thursday January 28	noon to 1:00
Thursday February 4	noon to 1:00
Thursday February 11	11:00 to noon
Thursday February 18	11:00 to noon
Thursday February 25	11:00 to noon
Thursday March 10	11:00 to noon



\$10 per class prepaid for the 6 weeks (\$60)

Participants will need a yoga mat. There are a few mats at the hall if you wish to try a class.

### A Message from Kim

*After the first class, I'll tailor your classes to suit the needs of each of the participants; observing how they move and making recommendations for healthier movement using poses and movement to do this. Participants need to be able to get up and down off of the floor, assisted by a chair if necessary.*

If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Debbi Grills to get your name on the list at 613-586-1904 or leave a message at the office 613-586-2526.

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Michael Mykolyshyn

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## Valley Computer Repair

In-Home Computer Repair and Troubleshooting  
System Upgrades and Custom Builds  
Network and Website support



Come join us for  
**Euchre** at the  
Township Hall  
Sundays at 1:30  
pm

January 25

January 31

February 14

February 28

March 20

April 3

April 17



# *"Open Sesame"* *Snowmobile Poker Run*

**Saturday January 16<sup>th</sup>**

**REGISTRATION STARTS AT 10:30**

**@ STONECLIFFE TOWNSHIP HALL**

**\$20 PER ENTRY**

**(EXCLUDES DINNER)**



**COMMUNITY DINNER HOSTED BY CWL**

**@ STONECLIFFE TOWNSHIP HALL**

**AVAILABLE ANYTIME AFTER 4:00PM**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**CHOICE OF PASTA ENTRÉE'S (\$\$)**



**Fun & Games**

**Cash Prizes**

*All fundraising donations & proceeds go back onto the trails!*

## Community Dates to Remember

- \* Thursday January 14, 2016 - 2:00 pm  
**Regular Meeting of Council**
- \* Saturday January 16, 2016 - 10:30 am  
**“Open Sesame” Snowmobile Poker Run**
- \* Thursday January 28, 2016 - 10:00 am  
**UOVGG Genealogy Workshop**
- \* Thursday February 4, 2016 - 10:30 am  
**Erica Van Drunen, Registered Dietician  
from Deep River District Hospital**
- \* Friday February 5, 2016 - 1:00 pm  
**Committee of the Whole**
- \* Sunday February 7, 2016 - 2:00 pm  
**CWL Valentine’s Bingo**
- \* Wednesday February 17, 2016 - 7:00 pm  
**Recreation Meeting**
- \* Friday February 19, 2016 - 2:00 pm  
**Regular Meeting of Council**

Watch your email and bulletin boards for more information.

## FOR SALE

With the purchase of a new sliding door refrigerator, HCM will be accepting *sealed* bids at the Township Office until January 29, 2016 at 3 pm for the old sliding door refrigerator that was previously

used in the bar. The picture shown is similar to the fridge being sold, however it is not the exact fridge model.



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 613-586-2526.

## CWL Valentine’s Bingo

Sunday February 7th at 2:00 p.m.

Stonecliffe Community Center

Contact Linda Chartrand at  
613-586-2366 for more information

## HCM Senior's Program

With our Seniors/ Intergenerational Programming being in effect for a few months now, we have had numerous successful events happen at our hall.

Paula Fischer led a session on wreath making on November 8th, 2015. With her skills and help, a group of ten or so participants were able to make and bring home a beautiful wreath!



There was a good turnout for Aging Well Theatre on November 12th, 2015. Some of our friends from Four Season's Lodge made the trip up to join us. Aging Well Theatre group put on a great performance which gave many laughs.



A few participants came out to our Pickle ball demonstration on December 3rd, 2015. Gayle and Jim Watters were kind enough to host Davis Earle, who graciously helped us set up our indoor court in the hall and make sure we had the correct playing procedures and regu-

lations. The equipment is available for use in the hall if anyone is interested. We are working towards finding a space outdoors to use the equipment for our summer months. Keep an eye out for the next scheduled Pickle ball session in the upcoming month.

Beth Ethier presented information of Scam and Fraud Awareness and provided us with a lot of valuable information on new (and old) scams that are present in our community. If anyone is interested, Beth left some information pamphlets and brochures at the office for anyone who is interested.

Upcoming Events include a representative from the Upper Ottawa Valley Genealogical Group . "The Upper Ottawa Valley Genealogical Group (UOVGG) was formed in January 1990 as a non-profit organization to foster the study of the genealogy of the families who live or lived in the Upper Ottawa Valley in Renfrew and Pontiac Counties." This session welcomes everyone, from beginners to those who already have experience with Genealogy.

Erica Van Drunen, a Registered Dietician from Deep River and District Hospital will be coming to the hall on February 4th at 10:30 am to offer advice and tips on health and nutrition and can address any questions or concerns you may have.

There was a technology workshop was scheduled January 23rd, 2016 which is cancelled and will be rescheduled in February/March.

If there is anything you would like to see happen, or if you have any questions or concerns about scheduled programming please call the office at 613-586-2526. (CF)

## **Auto-extrication**

As many of you likely know at this point, Head, Clara & Maria is no longer a member of an agreement with the Towns of Deep River and Laurentian Hills for auto-extrication services. In September of 2015, the North Renfrew Emergency Response Unit Board was formally dissolved. Although each community passed resolutions to mutually dissolve the board and the agreement, the fact is that the Town of Deep River no longer wished to be in the agreement, having significant internal issues with its fire department.

Laurentian Hills is the recipient of the existing vehicle but is not willing to provide services beyond its own borders; we asked. In October of 2015, staff directed a letter to Laurentian Hills council asking if they would continue in some type of service agreement with Head, Clara & Maria; we were told unequivocally, no. This leaves Head, Clara & Maria with no service for auto-extrication from its eastern border to Bissett Creek. Mattawa will still honour a long standing agreement to provide service from our western border to the large hill at Bissett Creek.

It should be realized that even with the existing agreement with Laurentian Hills and Deep River, there was never a guarantee that anyone would respond if called upon. Both municipalities have a responsibility to their own residents and would not come to HCM if they were required within their own borders. Staff and council agree that this is a serious situation however; it is outside of our control and area of responsibility. We simply do not have the money or manpower to provide this service; similar to the provision of fire service.

Mayor Gibson has written a letter to the provincial government decrying our situation and asking for assistance; for the province to take responsibility for the provision of this service along Highway 17. We have circulated that letter to all Ontario municipalities for support and so far have received over 50 positive responses. This is not the end of this issue, but just the beginning. We will keep you posted. (MR)

## **Hall Rental Fees**

2015 brought about the establishment of the community center in Stonecliffe as a licensed venue for liquor sales. This means that the municipality now has its own liquor license and many volunteers have been Smart Serve trained. With this license and the acceptance of increased liability, Council voted to change the existing hall rental agreement to the following.

In order to make the hall more readily available for private use (without users having to obtain a Special Occasion Permit, liability insurance and Smart Serve trained bartenders) Council has included a new hall rental category. For \$25 per hour, you can rent the municipal hall with the services of a volunteer bartender, provided by the Recreation Committee. The committee retains profits from liquor sales, but lessees do not need to worry about all the overhead costs and activities.

There are other rental categories for non-profit clubs, service clubs and charitable organizations. The details are listed in the attached schedule.

For more information, please contact Crystal at the municipal office or see summary online at <http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca> under Policies then Recreation.

## HALL RENTAL SUMMARY – 2015

<b>RENTAL/USE OF</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>When Used/Rental For</b>
Hall with or w/o Kitchen No bar or Owner bar (HCM volunteer bartenders – paid through tips)  For dances, fund-raisers, large meetings >30 people *See #1	\$25/hr (\$200 max) +\$75.00 refundable deposit *See #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Private event no bar.</li> <li>Private event where a bar is required.</li> </ul> Provides options for private events without the need for private SOPs, insurance and personal liability. Eg. Wedding, birthday party etc.
Hall with or w/o Kitchen & Owner bar (HCM volunteer bartenders – paid through tips)  For organization fund-raisers >30 people *See #1	\$35/hr (\$280 max) + \$75.00 refundable deposit +50% share of net bar proceeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public event by organization where purpose is fundraising.</li> </ul> Provides options for organizations to hold licensed fundraisers and share in profit while not having to obtain SOP, insurance, workers etc. HCM maintains control of licensed venue. Eg. Missing Link Events
Washrooms only (Ball Tournaments)	\$50/day +\$75.00 refundable deposit *See #2	Minimal cleaning and utility costs.
Washrooms with Canteen (No kitchen)	\$75/day + \$75.00 refundable deposit *See #2	Minimal cleaning and utility costs - use of more than washrooms.
Small meetings <30 , Wakes, funerals	\$50/day +\$75.00 refundable deposit *See #2	Minimal cleaning and utility costs/community service.
Charitable, Non-profit or community functions – open to general public. Hall/Kitchen only.	Free +\$75.00 refundable deposit *See #2	Council encouragement for use of hall to develop sense of community. Eg. Community Christmas Party, Gospel Sing, Library Board Fundraiser
Charitable, Non-profit or community functions - open to general public - with bar. (HCM volunteer bartenders – paid through tips)	\$100/day +\$75.00 refundable deposit + 90% share of net bar proceeds *See #2	Council encouragement for use of hall to develop sense of community. \$100 to offset costs off license, stock/manage bar. Eg. Lair's Foundation Fundraiser

**\*Notes**

1. Owner Bar – HCM Council/Recreation Committee
2. Refundable deposit only if Hall, contents and adjacent municipal property is not damaged. If damage occurs the user is liable for these damages and forfeits the deposit.
3. Some or all of the above fees may be waived on application to and at the discretion of council and/or the recreation committee

## Homecoming 2017?

At its meeting in December, Council authorized staff to determine interest for a “special” Canada Day 2017 celebration and to apply for funding under Canada 150 grant program to help pay for it. Some members of the Recreation Committee have expressed some interest in combining a “homecoming” with Canada Day for 2017 to celebrate the sesquicentennial. Canada Day falls on a Saturday. Having specific homecoming activities that begin on the Friday and carry over to Sunday would be possible over the long weekend.

Obviously, taking on this type of venture requires the work of many, many people. Fundraising, donations and fees are also likely. This notice is to reach out and ask if there are people **within and outside of our community** who are interested in participating on an organizing committee and/or head up a sub-committee. Our first big goal would be to reach out to determine if there is interest from families who have moved away?

If you are interested, please contact Melinda at [613-586-2526](tel:613-586-2526) during office hours or email [hcmclerk-mreith@gmail.com](mailto:hcmclerk-mreith@gmail.com) by March 31, 2016. As 2017 is a big year for event organizers, vendors etc. all over Canada, we will have to move quickly on this if we want it to be a success.

It can't happen without your input and help. If we have no interest by the end of March, we will not be proceeding. If you'd like this to happen, please speak up. (MR)

## Fire Safety in 2016

Cold weather brings indoor heating, both fire, propane and electric. Made law in 2015, each home must have a working Carbon Monoxide (CO) detector as well as smoke alarms located near every sleeping area. Bob Labre, our CBO and Community Fire Safety Officer is available if you would like to discuss the placement of these lifesaving appliances in your home. He is available to do inspections upon request. He will offer advice over the phone or email. Feel free to contact him. Phone 613-586-1950 or [hcmcbo@gmail.com](mailto:hcmcbo@gmail.com).

We have for sale in the office a number of carbon monoxide detectors for a low cost of \$33.00; smoke alarms for a fee or one free to each residence in exchange for your old one.

Watch later this spring for our annual community fire safety contest and draw. (MR)

**Municipal Disposal Site Hours**

**PLEASE NOTE OUR REDUCED HOURS FOR  
JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH ONLY**

**Bissett Creek Site**

Tuesday 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
Located on Bissett Creek Road

**Stonecliffe Site**

Thursday 12:45 pm - 2:30 pm  
Located on Kenny Road

**2016 Recycling Dates**

January 4 and 18  
February 1, 15 and 29  
March 14 and 18  
April 11 and 25  
May 9 and 23  
June 6 and 20  
July 4 and 18  
August 2 (Tuesday), 15 and 29  
September 12 and 26  
October 11 (Tuesday) and 24  
November 7 and 21  
December 5 and 19



**Collection Days and Times**

**Deux Rivieres**

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Bissett Creek**

Tuesday 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**Stonecliffe**

Thursday 11:00 - 12:00 noon

**Mackey**

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**HCM Staff Diversion Efforts**

We collect pop can tabs, stamps, Campbell's labels and milk bags at the municipal hall. We pass them on to different organizations or school groups who then collect larger amounts with the end goal of providing funds or a product to make someone's life easier.

If you are aware of any other group or organization which collects recyclable materials for the greater good; let us know and we will investigate to see if it is something that we can support.



VISIT OUR UPDATED SITE  
[www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca](http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca)

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**EMAIL LIST:** If you would like to be on our community email list please contact the Municipal Office. It is the intent of staff to keep email addresses secure by using Blind Carbon Copy however; we can not guarantee confidentiality.

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**COUNCIL 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Council meets at 2:00 pm. (14:00 h)

JANUARY 14 | FEBRUARY 19 | MARCH 11  
APRIL 8 | MAY 13 | JUNE 10 | SEPTEMBER 9  
SEPTEMBER 9 | OCTOBER 14 | NOVEMBER 18

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

MEETS THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7:00 P.M.

MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE PLEASE

CALL THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT 613-586-2526

Sub committee meetings are posted on the municipal calendar located on our  
webpage at <http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca/calendar/>

“The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.”

— Lao Tzu