



FREE ADMISSION 9AM-5PM

Please bring your own camping chair and reusable water bottle

In support of the Clean Annapolis River Project



























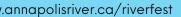














SCHEDULE

ALL-DAY ACTIVITIES / 9 AM- 5 PM

Children's Activities Skills Village/10 AM start

Farming & Livestock with Clarence 4H

Live Music

DRAGON BOAT RACES

8:45 am Round 1-5 heats Round 2-5 heats 10:30 am

1:15 pm Consolation

Final 1:30 pm

3:30 pm Awards Ceremony



FREE

HERITAGE RIVER TOURS/ 2:30, 3:45, 5 PM FREE

Registration available online or on-site.

Participants must be on site 30 minutes in advance of sail time. Waitlisted participants will be contacted by cell phone to fill any spaces.

KIDS OBSTACLE RACE / 2:30 PM FREE



Registration open until 2 PM

CANOE OBSTACLE COURSE / 3:45 PM

Registration open until 3 pm (or until full) Pre-race briefing/3:15 pm On the water start / 3:45 pm

CANOE. KAYAK. SUP RACES / 5 PM

Registration open until 4:30 pm (or until full) Pre-race briefing / 4:45 pm On the water start/5 pm

FOOD & BEVERAGE TENT / 9 AM - 6 PM

See additional details in this program

ABOUT CARP

The Clean Annapolis River Project (CARP) is a charitable, community-based, non-governmental organization incorporated in 1990.

Vision statement: Ecologically healthy watersheds

Mission statement: To enhance the ecological health of the Annapolis River watershed, for current and future generations, through science, leadership and community engagement.



Within this program, you will find information on our various sponsors who have helped make this day possible. This year's sponsorship scheme is based on characteristic plants of southwest Nova Scotia. Thank you for your generosity!



The Rockrose, which is listed as an Endangered species in Nova Scotia, is predominately found within the Annapolis Valley Sand Barrens!



Sweet Pepperbush is an important lateflowering plant for pollinators. Nova Scotia is the northernmost reach of its distribution.



Eastern White Cedar is listed as a Vulnerable species in Nova Scotia. It is an evergreen tree with scale-like leaves rather than needles.



Eastern Hemlocks are an important forest tree that help maintain a cooled microclimate under their canopy. They are currently threatened by the invasive Hemlock Woolly Adelgid.

FOOD & BEVERAGE TENT



Aroma Mocha Cafe

Coffee, iced beverages, snacks, breakfast items. *Open at 7:45 am for coffee and breakfast items.



CARP Canteen

Breakfast- assorted baked goods Lunch- Pizza by Mama Sofia's, hotdogs, snowcones, pop



D'Aubins Family Meats BBO **s**ausages



Indian Masala House
Indian cuisine & snacks



Thistle Hospitality Group Canadian fusion food truck



Annapolis Brewing Company

Craft beer



Lunn's Mill Brewing Co.

Craft beer & cider



Still Fired Distilleries
Mixed cocktails

- Debit/credit available for CARP Canteen and alcohol sales
- Alcohol sales open 11 am 5:30 pm. Please bring ID. Alcoholic beverages must stay in the main tent or fenced outdoor patio
- All food items welcome in the main tent

Food & Beverage Tent sponsored by:



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

The County of Annapolis Recreation team will have interactive games and activities available for families with young children. For those with extra energy to burn, you can check out the bouncy castle.







Children's Activities sponsored by:





"SUPER HERO TRAINING COURSE" YOUTH DRYLAND OBSTACLE RACE

2:30 PM/FREE

Show off your speed and agility as you work your way through a series of obstacles and challenges.

Key Rules: Open to kids ages 6-12, participants run the course in teams of two. Register on site at the main registration table. Registration open until 2 pm.

Kids Obstacle Race sponsored by:



FARMING & LIVESTOCK

The Clarence 4-H club will be setting up demonstrations and activities so that families can learn about livestock, farming and other life skills developed through the 4-H program.



Farming, Livestock & Lifeskills sponsored by:







Restaurant Grand Opening on July 1st

Grocery and Take out 6 Rink street, Bridgetown Reg Hours: Tues to Sat 11-7pm

Ph: 902-349-5115

Restuarant and Catering 16 Queen street, Bridgetown Reg Hours: Tues to Sat 12- 9pm

Ph: 902-349-5115

For updates check us on Facebook at Indian Masala House Website: www.flavourdelights.com

LIVE MUSIC & MAIN STAGE

LIVE MUSIC SCHEDULE

10:25 am The Taproom Growlers

11:15am The 3 of THeM Happy Anywhere 1:05pm The Rezonators

2:00pm Exit 21

2:55 pm Justin Wood

3:50 pm The Fog (double set)







Live Music & Main Stage sponsored by:





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3082 NS-201, Bridgetown (902) 665-2438

Wools on the Corner

123 Queen St, Bridgetown (902) 665-5142

RACES ON THE RIVER

Canoe Obstacle Race

Paddlers will make their way through a series of obstacles that require balance and teamwork. Dry clothes can't be guaranteed!



Important information:

- Pre-registration available through the CARP website or register on site, space is limited
- Limited boats available for loan at no additional cost
- PFD's required, loans available
- \$10/paddler, includes event tshirt
- Listen for a race briefing call around 3:15 pm
- Race start 3:45 pm

Free canoe/kayak/SUP loans thanks to:



COMFORT STATION

ALL DAY/FREE

Keeping festival goers safe and comfortable is important to us. The comfort station will provide a shaded area to take a break and rehydrate. A First Aid station will also be available in case of accidents. The Comfort Station will also act as our "Lost and Found" area and a meeting point for lost children or separated group members. Please ask the Comfort Station volunteers for assistance as needed

RACES ON THE RIVER

Canoe, Kayak or Stand-up Paddleboard (SUP) Sprint

Competitors will race along the Annapolis River using either a canoe, kayak, or SUP. This sprint race allows individuals and pairs to show their paddling skill.

Important information:

- Sign-up online or at the main registration table
- Limited boats available for loan at no additional cost
- PFD's required, loans available
- \$10/paddler, includes event t-shirt
- Listen for a mandatory race briefing call around 4:45 pm
- Race start 5 pm

Register @ annapolisriver.ca/riverfest





Bridgetown Lions Club

"Big Breakfast" First Saturday of every month October to June & July 1st



Bridgetown Auto Service Licensed Mechanics

61 Church St. Bridgetown (902) 665-4703



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441 Granville St. St. Bridgetown (902) 665-2375

Races on the River sponsored by:





SKILLS VILLAGE

The Annapolis Folk School is bringing a few of their artisans to the Skills Village to assist you in learning some new things. There will be thirteen different skills for you to learn and enjoy in the tents within the skills village.

Come and try your hand at

- Fermenting
- Hooking
- Candle making
- Needle felting
- Rope Wreaths
- Bird next box building
- Watercolours
- Windchimes

- Fly tying
- Knot tying
- Knitting
- Printing
- Textile mending
- Henna
- Basket making
- Peg loom weaving

Skills Village Sponsored by:







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15 Queen St, Bridgetown (902) 665-2500

Kaulbach Family Funeral Home

Bridgetown & Annapolis Royal (902) 665-4497 & (902) 532-7551

Mama Sofia's Pizzaria

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HERITAGE RIVER TOURS

The Annapolis River has a storied past, an exciting present and a bright future. The Mi'kmaq used the Annapolis for fishing and travel and, no doubt were the first humans to realize its charms for a pleasant paddle on those soft summer evenings. Known to the hard-working and resilient Acadians as la Rivière Dauphin, the banks of the then tidal river were dyked so that the salty marshy fields could be used for agriculture. It was once more used as a major transportation artery by the Loyalists who next came here. Before World War One, many local industries popped up, producing bricks for export, cider for relaxation and larrigans for foot comfort, just to name a few.

Come and take a relaxing tour on our river and get a glimpse into the past, enjoy the pleasures of being on the water and listen to "Acadian" guides as they transport you back to another time.

- Limited space, pre-registration through the CARP website strongly encouraged
- Registration available on-site. A waitlist will be created so that any last minute openings can be filled.
- 4 boats (capacity 10, 10, 5, 5) with 3 sail times
- Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your sail time
- PFDs will be provided

Boats have been generously provided by Roland Hamilton, Greg Mailman, John-Ray Lawrence, Gary Billard

Register @ annapolisriver.ca/riverfest or at the main registration table

Heritage River Tours sponsored by:



DRAGON BOAT RACES



15 teams will be competing for three titles: **fastest time**, **most team spirit** and **most pledges raised**! Spectator area located along the river bank (BYO camping chair).

REGISTERED TEAMS

BACC to the Future- Bridgetown Area Chamber of Commerce

*Beer-A-Cuda's- Lunn's Mill Brewing Co.

Britespan Atlantic

CCCC Mudhens- Campbell Corner Community College

County Voyageurs- County of Annapolis

First Responders

Fury Friends Inn

Happy Oars- Harvest Wealth Management

Oh, Cry-Me-A-River- Michelin 1

*Paws in Paradise

Rising Roots Brutes-Rising Roots

Rum Runners- Still Fired Distilleries

Spicer Construction–Spicer Construction

*Team RBC- RBC

Up Schitt's Creek- Michelin 2

SCHEDULE

8:45 am - Round 1, 5 heats of 3 teams

10:30am - Round 2, 5 heats of 3 teams

1:15 pm - Consolation, teams 4-6 based on times from round 1 & 2

1:30 pm - Final, teams 1-3 based on times from rounds 1 & 2

3:30pm - Awards Ceremony, main stage

All race times subject to change. In the case that we are running early, times may be moved up to avoid gaps for participating teams.



*2023 Dragon Boat Race Title Holders

Fastest team- Paws in Paradise (pictured below)
Most team spirit- Beer-A-Cuda's
Most pledges raised- Team RBC







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Some of CARP's Current Projects

Annapolis Estuary Monitoring & Research

Working to fill knowledge gaps that will support the long-term restoration and stewardship of the estuary ecosystem, including the species-at-risk and other biodiversity it supports.

Annapolis River Guardians

Long-term water quality monitoring at sites from Aylesford to Bridgetown.

Fish Passage Restoration & Habitat Enhancement

We're currently focused on identifying and remediating barriers to fish passage for anadromous species in the Cornwallis and Annapolis River watersheds.

Agro-Stewardship

We're working with farmers and producers across southwest Nova Scotia to support activities that conserve biodiversity on agricultural properties.





Bridgetown Animal Hospital

5 Queen St. Bridgetown (902) 665-4333 bridgetownanimal@eastlink.ca



Gareth Rafuse

114 South St. Bridgetown (902) 824-1876 Gareth.Rafuse@ig.ca



Grace Haven- Home for Seniors

9791 Hwy. 1, Paradise (902) 665-4224 gracehaven@ns.alientzinc.ca

EDUCATION CORNER

Learn all about CARP and our conservation partners by visiting our "Education Corner", located near the Visitor Information Centre. Environmental groups from the watershed and beyond will be available to teach you about ecology and conservation.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

The Annapolis River Festival was dreamed up by volunteers and is executed each year by volunteers. Our volunteer appreciation sponsorship allows us to give each of our volunteers an event t-shirt

and meal.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Festival we are always searching for new people to join our organizing team or to help us on-site. We are currently seeking our next cochair, so if you are up for an exciting challenge, get in touch! You can contact us through the CARP office (carp@annapolisriver.ca).



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