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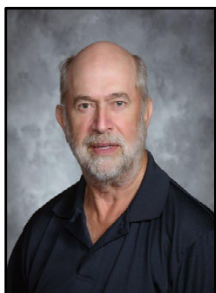


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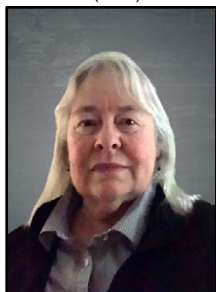
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## ~ A Message From Mayor Dave Morrison ~

Hello fellow Hanwellians. WOW, 2023! I want to wish everybody a Happy New Year! We are now a new entity, but still Hanwell. Just as folks will still be from Yoho, Mazerolle Settlement, Upper Kingsclear, Island View, etc. We have about doubled in size geographically, and our population has grown by about 50%. Congratulations to our new Councillors, Lee Crouse and Debby Peck. These folks will be a great addition to Hanwell council.

In case anybody hasn't noticed, solar panels have been installed on the roof of Hanwell Place, on the Western exposure. We are now producing electricity. This will offset some of the cost of our power bill and save Hanwell taxpayers some money. The payback on this project is estimated to be between 3 & 5 years. Special thanks to Councillor Darren MacKenzie, as this was his initiative, and he guided the project from start to finish. Also special thanks to the Regional Development Corporation (RDC), a Provincial Crown Corporation, for a grant which greatly reduced the cost of this project to our residents. With the cost of electricity skyrocketing, solar power will become more commonplace in the future.

We had our first Remembrance Day ceremony at Hanwell place. It was an absolutely fantastic event with participants from all over Hanwell and Kingsclear. If anybody has not seen the new Veteran's Memorial, it would be worth a visit. It is pretty awesome. A grant from our MLA, Dominic Carty, through the RDC, helped offset the cost of this memorial.

Its only early, but so far winter has been pretty good. We haven't had a lot of snow or cold weather. To anybody using the trails, be extra careful. It is icy in places, and there are several trees down. 2023 is looking good, as your Council has a few projects to clean up and some interesting ones to start.

# OUT and ABOUT

## The Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy Hanwell presents:

### **To boost or not to boost?**

As we enter another winter with rising Covid-19 cases, pharmacists are frequently asked about Covid-19 vaccines. Specifically, how many Covid-19 booster vaccines should people have? When am I due for my next dose? Do do people really need to keep getting vaccines if they have had 3 or 4 doses? These answers may vary for each individual but generally speaking, individuals should receive a Covid-19 booster every 5 months to have continued protection. This interval has been shown to provide the highest level of immunity versus receiving a dose at a shorter interval.

There is no defined number of boosters needed for continued protection against Covid-19, however, booster doses must be updated every 5 months to ensure optimal protection. If you have had a confirmed Covid-19 infection (testing positive on a rapid or PCR test) booster vaccines can be given 5 months from this date as your infection will provide immunity during this time. For individuals with a weakened immune system, speak to your pharmacist about your risk level to determine if a shorter interval between booster vaccines is appropriate. As always, if you have any questions regarding immunizations or your health in general, feel free to speak to our pharmacist. Have a safe and happy new year!



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# Hanwell Happenings

## Norther Lights Dance Club ~

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To register or for more information, call Eric @ 506-455-0483, or email ehart@nb.sympatico.ca.

Spring Craft Show ~ Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at Hanwell Place. Times to be determined.

Easter Eggstravaganza ~ Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at Hanwell Place. Times to be determined.

## Monthly:

Recycling: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 7:00am.

Communications Committee: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 5:30pm.

Regular Meeting of Council: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Regular Meetings of Council can be accessed after 7:00 pm on Hanwell Radio after at [www.hanwell.nb.ca](http://www.hanwell.nb.ca).

Emergency Measures Committee: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 6:00 pm.

Parks & Recreation Committee: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm.

## St. James Presbyterian Church ~

Join us weekly in-person for Sunday worship and J.A.M. at 11:00 a.m. J.A.M. – Jesus and Me – time is a special program for children and youth. Worship is also live-streamed.

Special services and activities will take place during Lent and Holy Week, including: Shrove Tuesday (Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>), Palm Sunday (April. 2<sup>nd</sup>), Easter (April. 9<sup>th</sup>) and Holy Humour Sunday (April. 16<sup>th</sup>).

## Weekly activities include:

-Wednesday: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm - Coffee House with games and cards.

-Wednesday: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm - Stitches and Crafts group.

The community blessings cupboard on site remains for all. Items are free. Take what you need. Give what you can.

Pastoral and spiritual care is available, including funeral and wedding care.

Room/hall rentals available. Come get connected with God and community! Grow in faith and friendships!

Serve others and the community. Find encouragement and have fun. Additional information and upcoming events will be posted on social media and our website (<https://pccweb.ca/stjameshanwell>).

## Hanwell Community Church ~

### Sundays:

-11:00 am - Worship Services in person & online.

-11:15 am - Children's Program for Elementary School ages.

### Thursdays:

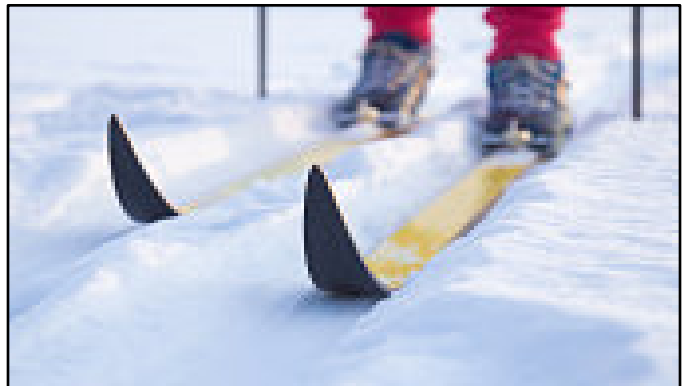
-10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Encouraging Hanwell Seniors-Digital Discovery Program.

-6:15 pm - 7:15 pm - Children's Program for Elementary School ages.

-7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Youth Group for Middle & High School ages.

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# 2022 - A Year of Community Improvements

Over the past year, Hanwell has been busy making a variety of improvements to benefit the community.



## 1. Gorman Park

Last August, Gorman Park was generously donated to Hanwell by the previous owners, who first removed the old playground structure that had served the community well for many years, but was in need of replacement.

This past fall, a new playground structure was put in place, that will serve our children for years to come.

## 2. Hanwell Place Solar Panels

By early November, we had 75 solar panels installed on the roof of Hanwell Place. Annually, these panels should produce 39,000 kwh of power. It is estimated that we will see energy savings of \$500 per month from these solar panels.

## 3. Ability Trail

Our new Ability Trail, located off Nature Park Drive, officially opened on October 11th, with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Jenica Atwin, MP, represented the Government of Canada, who provided funding for this project.

The rubberized trail, which is about 372 metres long, is ideal for wheel chair users. Randy Dickenson, who recently received the Order of New Brunswick for his commitment to improving the quality of life for people with different types of disabilities, called the trail, “a great example of inclusive recreational infrastructure for the use of all citizens regardless of mobility challenges.”



## 4. Veterans Memorial

The Hanwell Place property on Nature Park Drive has undergone some modifications recently too, including the new veterans memorial, created by New Brunswick artist, Peter Powning . The memorial, which was created using items provided by veterans and members of our community, was finished just in time for our first Remembrance Day service.

## 5. Multi-Purpose Surface and Trails

Other additions to the space at Hanwell Place are the trail that skirts the edges of the property and the large multipurpose surface. This paved area is 60 X 94 feet and will have basketball nets installed this coming spring. Next winter, it will be flooded and become a community skating rink.



# Welcome Councillors!!

## Debby Peck, Councillor, Ward 5

Debby Peck works as an educator and a consultant. Through her professional career, her experiences as a volunteer, and community influencer, she has learned the value of teamwork and collaboration. This includes recognizing the importance of paying attention to details, the value of being organized and prepared, and the benefits of hard work and a positive mindset. She is looking forward to representing Hanwell residents as Councillor of Ward 5, of the Hanwell Rural Community.

Debby and her husband have lived in Island View for forty-six years on land that was once part of her grandfather's farm. She represented Kingsclear Local Service District for three terms, as Advisory Committee Chair of the Local Service District. She also served as a Board Member of Regional Service Commission 11. These commitments equipped her with a knowledge of local and regional governance, which she will be able to use in her Council work going forward.

Councillor Peck can be reached at:  
dpeck@hanwell.nb.ca or at (506) 457-8348.



## Lee Crouse, Councillor, Ward 6

Councillor Lee Crouse has deep roots in our community. He grew up in Mazzerolle Settlement and has chosen to raise his own family here. He is passionate about making the community a safe, welcoming place for all current and prospective residents to enjoy. Councillor Crouse is dedicated to community safety and community service. He is a lieutenant with the Upper Kingsclear Fire Department, where he has served as a volunteer firefighter for over 25 years.

For many years, Lee was an active member of the Kingsclear Local Service District Advisory Committee, which included taking on the responsibility of caring for the community park. "Serving as councillor for Ward 6 will allow me to continue my service to our community, ensuring that our voices and interests do not get lost in the changes to local governance," notes Councillor Crouse.

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**By-Law notification:**

**Enactment of a By-Law:** A by-law must be read three times by title, and once in its entirety, in order for it to be enacted.

Between the second and third reading, a notice will be posted on the Rural Community of Hanwell website, [www.hanwell.nb.ca](http://www.hanwell.nb.ca), informing residents of a by-law and/or amendments to a by-law. It is at this time that council and the public are invited to provide their input.

# Spookfest 2022

Spookfest was nothing short of a memorable event! Thank you to everyone who took part in bringing Halloween to a whole other level!



# Remembrance Day Ceremony 2022

It was an absolute privilege to honour our veterans of Hanwell, on Friday, November 11th, at our first Remembrance Day Ceremony, here at Hanwell Place! Our new monument, created by New Brunswick artist, Peter Powning, captured the history of our veterans, and established an unforgettable visualization of their selfless bravery. A massive thank you also goes out to everyone who came out to share this very special day with us!



## Christmas Tree Lighting 2022

What could be better than our residents of Hanwell coming together to share the magic of Christmas? This picture captures, beautifully, the cohesiveness of our community, and brings a whole new meaning to our motto, "Inspired by Nature"!



## Where Does Our Garbage Go From Here? By Councillor Debby Peck

On collection days, garbage bins full of trash appear at the end of driveways throughout Hanwell Rural Community, along with blue or grey boxes full of recyclables. These discarded items are referred to as solid waste. Our property taxes pay for contractors to collect it. Have you ever wondered where our garbage goes after the contractors drive away?

Homeowners used to make a routine trip to the dump every week. Dumps were unregulated places where trash was thrown into an open, unlined hole in the ground. Critters might roam through it, pickers might search for treasures in it and open blazes could spring up from it, releasing toxic fumes. Not an environmentally friendly operation! These days, such open dumps are illegal. They have been replaced by highly regulated, regionally operated sanitary landfills where solid waste is sorted and managed in an eco-friendly way. Our local sanitary landfill, on Alison Boulevard in Fredericton's Industrial Park, is operated by Fredericton Region Solid Waste (FRSW). That is where contractors take garbage from all six Hanwell wards.

When trash arrives at a sanitary landfill, it is placed into large pits called "cells", which are lined with clay and with impermeable, plastic skins, to prevent release of contaminants. Drains and pipes crisscross through the garbage to collect "leachate", a toxic fluid created

when rain percolates through a cell. Leachate gets aerated and then piped to a treatment plant. When full, a cell is capped with a thick layer of soil and planted with hardy species of grass. Then another cell is put into operation.

Landfill cells are very costly to construct, so increasing their lifespan is a good thing. FRSW bales its garbage for this reason. Brad Janes, manager of public relations and education at FRSW, says that "the benefits of baling are plenty, including limiting debris and allowing FRSW to stack our garbage in our cells. That allows us to maximize the space we have as the province's smallest physical landfill."

Janes says that FRSW's recycling program also helps the landfill last longer. He says that "We are diverting literally tons of product, such as household hazardous waste, construction and demolition, electronic waste, scrap metal, and recycling products from the landfill. FRSW encourages all of our residents to recycle. The products in the blue and grey recycle boxes (including items that are trucked to the landfill from Hanwell) are sorted at our facility, baled and exported. Our residents play a huge role in helping sort materials. It all adds up."

So what more can Hanwell Rural Community households do to increase our landfill's lifespan? Please continue to reduce, reuse and recycle. However, we could also repair, repurpose, refurbish, refuse, and rot (i.e. compost). Doing so will produce less garbage to go there from here!



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