

# Newsletter

 town of  
**PICTOU**  
*Birthplace of New Scotland*

Keeping Our Community Connected

WINTER 2022

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on Tax and Water**

**Community Projects**

**Aquatics and  
Recreation Programs**

**AND MORE....**

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off WINTER**

**LIVELY CULTURE. VIBRANT TOWN. FRIENDLY PEOPLE. LIVING HISTORY.**

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**Dog Control:** Contact the Town Office at 902-485-4372. For emergencies contact the RCMP at 911.

**Unsightly Property/Miscellaneous Complaints:** Contact the Town Office at 902-485-4372.

**Street Light Outages:** Contact Town of Pictou at 902-485-4372.

**Tax Billing:** Billed twice a year (tax year is April 1-March 31) - April and August, subject to change.

**Water Billing:** Billed four times a year - January, April, July and October(subject to change).

**Bill Payment Options:** Cash, debit, cheque, Paymentus and online banking; payments made at Town Administration Office at 40 Water St.

**Administration Office,  
Town Hall**

Hours Open  
8:30 am-4:30 pm  
Closed Stat/Civic  
Holidays

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PO Box 640, Pictou  
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info@townofpictou.ca

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Ph: (902) 485-5390

**Pictou Fire Department**

Emergency 911  
Fire Hall (902) 485-4136

**Pictou Recreation  
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## Meetings

**Committee of Council Meetings**

Meets on the first Monday of each month except on holidays (rescheduled to the following Monday)

**Regular Town Council Meetings**

Meets on the third Monday of each month, except on holidays (rescheduled to the following Monday).

**Pictou Recreation and Parks Committee**

Meets on the last Thursday of each month except on holidays.

**NOTE:** Meeting dates may change. Please check website for details or call the Town Hall at 902-485-4372.

**Deputy Mayor  
SHAWN MCNAMARA**



**Councillor  
DAN CURRIE**



**Mayor  
JIM RYAN**

**Councillor  
MELINDA MACKENZIE**



**Councillor  
NADINE LEBLANC**



## PICTOU 2023

The Town of Pictou is celebrating two significant anniversaries in 2023; 150 years since the incorporation of the town on April 30, 1873, and 250 years of the historic arrival of the Ship Hector from Scotland on September 15, 1773. Festivities will be on going throughout 2023 recognizing our community's strong heritage connections and relationships with the Mi'kmaq and Scots. Celebrations will pay tribute to the efforts emigrants made that have provided the growth and development of cultural, political, educational, and industrial contributions that have chartered our course to the present day. Multiple events will be planned by various community organizations. If you have ideas, would like to get involved, or your group is planning an event or activity, please reach out to our organizers at [pictou2023@gmail.com](mailto:pictou2023@gmail.com). Information regarding Pictou 2023 activities will be promoted on the Town of Pictou's website as they are announced.

## SNOW REMOVAL

The Town of Pictou would like to remind all residents that during snowstorms, Public Works crew will be out to keep the streets and sidewalks clear. We want to remind everyone that a winter parking ban is in place during these storms so Public Works can safely and quickly clear the streets. The Town of Pictou would like to thank everyone for their cooperation in this matter. For more information on the Snow Plowing and Ice Control Policy visit the Town website.

## 2022-23 WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

The Winter Parking Ban is now in effect in the Town of Pictou. Here's what you need to know.

**When:** December 15, 2021 to April 1, 2022.

**What:** No cars can be parked on the streets, sidewalks or shoulders of the streets in the Town of Pictou from 1:00 am to 7:00 am & during daytime hours, when snow plows are trying to plow the streets.

**Exemptions:** Physicians, police & fire officials while carrying out their official duties and operators of commercial vehicles while loading & unloading.

**Violations:** All vehicles will be ticketed and towed at owner's expense. This applies whether there is snow or not. Additional penalties provided by Section 292 of the Motor Vehicle Act.

## Town Grant Program

Organizations requesting financial assistance through the Municipal Grants to Organizations Program for **fiscal year 2022-23** must forward their application to the Manager of Recreation Services no later than **March 31, 2022**. The application forms are available from the Town Hall at 40 Water Street or you may download the forms from the Town website at [www.townofpictou.ca](http://www.townofpictou.ca).

Applications will be considered in accordance with the Grant Program Policy for the Town of Pictou. Grant categories include:

- Youth Travel
- Community Programming
- National /Provincial/or Local Event
- Community Economic Development Initiative

**Only grant requests completed on application forms will be considered.** All first-time applicants are encouraged to contact the Manager of Recreation Services at 485-4372 x. 255 or email [michelle.young@townofpictou.ca](mailto:michelle.young@townofpictou.ca) to discuss their proposal and receive assistance in completing the application form.

## Tax and Water Billing

Tax bills are mailed out April (due in June) and August (due in October).

Water bills are invoiced quarterly in January, April, July and October.

Please ensure that you have supplied the Town with your correct mailing address including your P.O. Box # to deter delayed payments and notices.

Postal box numbers are **required** at the Post Office.

## Paymentus

**New service** - The Town of Pictou is now accepting water and property tax payments by credit cards online. A 2.5% convenience fee will apply. To get started visit [Paymentus](https://www.paymentus.com) or call 1-833-277-8701. We accept Visa, MasterCard, and Amex. Please allow at least four business days for processing.

### Online Bill Payment Through Your Bank

You can pay your property tax or water bills online through your online banking. You must set up a separate payee for taxes and water.

## Call for Citizens Applications

The Town of Pictou is inviting citizens to apply to serve on the following committees:

### **TOWN OF PICTOU AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The role of the committee is to carry out the responsibilities contained in section 44 of the Municipal Government Act. Main responsibilities include reviewing the financial statements and evaluating internal control systems.

### **TOWN OF PICTOU PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The committee operates pursuant to the Pictou Recreation and Parks Committee Policy. The major focus areas include planning and organizing special community events and serving as an advisory group to Council on recreation service delivery.

### **TOWN OF PICTOU PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The committee operates pursuant to Part VIII of the Municipal Government Act. Its purpose is to advise respecting the preparation or amendment of planning documents and planning matters generally.

If you are interested in volunteering for one of the committee positions, please forward a brief biography outlining related experience to the undersigned on or before **February 28, 2022**.

Nicole MacDonald  
Deputy Clerk, Town of Pictou  
nicole.macdonald@townofpictou.ca

## Pictou West Food Bank

The Pictou West Food Bank provides food assistance for families and individuals covering Pictou West including the Town of Pictou, out towards Saltsprings and River John. Supplies and donations are always welcomed; drop off at: 40 Water Street, Pictou

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:30 pm-3:00 pm

**DID YOU KNOW: there is a KINDNESS METER located outside of the Pictou Post Office, all donations go to the Pictou West Food Bank, a project of Pictou Rotary Club**

# Community Accessibility Survey

The Town of Pictou is working towards Nova Scotia's goal being accessible by 2030. To plan how we will get there, we need the help of people who live, work, shop, eat, or play in the Town of Pictou. We want to find out how easy or hard it is for you to do the things you want or need to do here. The survey only takes a few minutes to complete and it will help the Accessibility Advisory Committee, Pictou Town Council, and town staff, to work towards our goals.

**In a normal month, what do you do in the Town of Pictou? Please check all that apply:**

Read the Town of Pictou newsletter, look at the town website or social media pages, or email the town

Pay a bill, sign up for a recreation program, or get a building permit

Drive on Pictou streets or walk on the sidewalks in spring, summer or fall

Drive on Pictou streets or walk on the sidewalks in the winter

Go to a recreation program such as swimming lessons, a walking or biking group, or a fitness class

Use recreational facilities like sports fields, playgrounds, parks, trails, and tennis courts

Go to special events like the Christmas Light-up, Canada Day celebrations, or Summer Musical Showcase

Go to Council or Committees of Council meetings (either in-person or online)

Other (please tell us):

**How easy or hard is it for you to take part in these things? Please tell us why:**

**Has it ever been hard for you to take part in a program or activity in Pictou because the building or area was not easy to get to or get in to?**

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

If yes, please tell us why:

**In a normal month, which places do you visit or use in Pictou? Please check all that apply:**

Work

School

Social places like restaurants or theatre

Town-owned buildings

Parks or trails

Sidewalks and crosswalks

Parking lots or street parking spaces

Other (please tell us):

**In a normal month, which Town spaces do you visit or use? Please check all that apply:**

Town of Pictou Administration Office

Fisheries Training Pool

CN Station

Town of Pictou Fire Hall

Town of Pictou Library

Town of Pictou Public Works Building

deCoste Entertainment Centre

Hector Quay Visitors Marina or Market Wharf

RCMP Detachment

Brody Park

Jitney Trail

Other (please tell us):

**What can be done to make it easier for you to get to or use these places?**

**Where do you find out about town news, events and programs in the local area? Please check all that apply:**

Social media

Town of Pictou website ([www.townofpictou.ca](http://www.townofpictou.ca))

Town of Pictou newsletter

Town of Pictou email list

Town of Pictou community calendar

Local radio

Local TV news

Local paper

Other (please tell us where):

**Do you have daily access to the internet at home, work, or at school?  
Please check all that apply:**

Home

Work

School

I do not have daily access to the internet

Other (please specify):

**Please check all the reasons you come to the Town of Pictou:**

- I live in Pictou
- I work in Pictou
- I work for the Town of Pictou
- I go to school or take training in Pictou
- I shop or use other businesses
- I go to social or sports activities
- Other (please tell us):

**Please check the top three (3) ways you travel in and around the Town of Pictou:**

- My own vehicle
- I get a ride with someone else
- Bicycle
- Walk
- Wheelchair or electric scooter
- Taxi
- CHAD Bus
- None
- Other (please specify)

**Do any of these things makes it harder for you to travel around in the Town of Pictou? Please check all that apply:**

- There are no bike lanes
- There aren't enough cross walks
- Physical barriers such as cracked sidewalks, missing ramps, or doors that are hard to open
- It costs too much
- Bad weather reasons such as icy roads and sidewalks, or snow piles
- Finding parking is difficult
- I rely on others who are not always available to help me
- Other (please tell us):

**What supports are important to you when you are working or looking for a job? Please check all that apply:**

- Adapted spaces at work site such as restrooms, breakrooms, reception area, meeting areas or pathways
- Modified workstations such as standing desks or wheelchair-adaptive desks
- Assistive devices such as screen readers, Braille displays, text-to-speech software, or hearing loops
- Flexible work hours
- Shorter workdays
- Working from home
- Other (please tell us):
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**How old are you?**

Under 18

18-30

31-40

41-50

51-60

61-65

65+

Prefer not to answer

**Are you from an equity-seeking community? (For example: First Nations, African Nova Scotian, LGBTQ2SIA++, Women, Visible Minority, Person with a Disability, Newcomer)**

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

If yes, please tell us if there are ways the Town of Pictou could better support you and your community:

**Do you use assistive technology or devices for communication?**

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

If yes, please tell us what supports you use:

**Do you have accessibility needs?**

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

If yes, what supports, or services would help you access and take part in events and services in Pictou:

**Do you have others depending on you for care? Please check all that apply:**

No, I do not have others depending on me for care

Child(ren)

Person(s) with disabilities or persons who have accessibility needs

Elderly person(s)

Pets

Prefer not to answer

Other (please tell us):

**Do you feel included and represented within the Town of Pictou?**

Yes

No

Unsure

Please explain why you feel this way:

**What else can be done to make sure everyone feels included in our community?**

**Did we miss anything?** Please tell us if there is anything else we need to know as we work to create a plan for a more welcoming, inclusive, and accessible community:

**If you would like to talk to us about your ideas, please leave your contact information here:**

You may drop off the finished survey at Town Hall, 40 Water Street, **by February 27, 2022** during regular business hours: **Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.**

You may also mail the survey to:

Town of Pictou

PO Box 640, Pictou, NS B0K 1H0

**Questions? Contact us:** (902) 485-4372

[nicole.macdonald@townofpictou.ca](mailto:nicole.macdonald@townofpictou.ca)

Leave you name and telephone number to be entered into a draw to win tickets for two for a performance at the deCoste Entertainment Centre.

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Following are the Winter Programs offered by Pictou Recreation and Parks. Pre-registration and payment for all programs are required. Public health measures are followed and there is limited spaces available in each session. Call for details at 485-4372.

### **Chair Yoga with Rachael MacLean (6 weeks)**

Chair Yoga is an uplifting program for all ages and abilities. This class will invite you to connect with breath and movement to improve your range of motion, flexibility and strength. Every Friday beginning **March 4th** at the Pictou Legion at 11:00am. Cost: \$50.

### **Yoga with Rachael MacLean (6 weeks)**

Learn the fundamentals of yoga building strength, improve balance, increase flexibility, reduce stress and tension while building overall health. Every Wednesday beginning **February 9th** at 10:00am at the Pictou Legion. Cost: \$50. Another session will follow.

### **Adult Floor Hockey (Drop-in)**

Mondays 5:45pm beginning February 2022 at Scotsburn Elementary School  
Cost: \$3.00.

### **Pickle Ball (Drop-in)**

Thursdays at 6:30pm beginning February 2022 at McCulloch Education Centre. Cost \$2.

### **Adult Badminton (Drop-in)**

Tuesdays at 7:00pm beginning February 2022 at McCulloch Education Centre. Cost \$2.00

## **UPCOMING WINTER RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Snow Sculpture Challenge**

Get creative outdoors; build a snow sculpture/person, take a photo and submit to [info@townofpictou.ca](mailto:info@townofpictou.ca). Contest runs the month of February. PRIZES for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place. Photos will be shared on social media.

### **Winter Active Photo Contest**

Submit a photo of enjoying outdoor winter activities in the the TOWN OF PICTOU over the month of February and win a PRIZE. Explore our community this winter, build a snow fort, create snow art, go for a walk, find a trail, play in the backyard, roast some marshmallows. Submit your photo to [info@townofpictou.ca](mailto:info@townofpictou.ca).

## Winter Walk Day - February 19

Don't let cold, wind, snow or rain keep you from heading out for a walk. If you dress for the weather and practice winter safety, you're ready to go! Walk, take a picture and tag Pictou Recreation and Parks on social media for a chance to win a prize!

## Snowboard Riglet Program Try It Session -Feb. 19 at 10am-12pm

Nova Scotia Snowboard has partnered with Pictou Recreation and Parks to offer a Riglet Program. Learn the basics to get you started. Call Pictou Recreation and Parks to register at 902-485-4372; for youth ages 7-12 years. Location: Market Square, Pictou.

Paddleboard Try It Sessions - March 14, 2 sessions: 10:30-11:10 or 11:15-11:55. Pictou Fisheries Pool, call to register at 902-485-4372; hosted by the Recreation Departments of the County of Pictou and Town of Pictou. Limited spots available.

## Winter Try It Sessions

Hosted by the Recreation Departments of Pictou County and the Town of Pictou. Recreation staff will be onsite with outdoor winter equipment such as cross country skis, snowshoes, adaptable snow sled equipment for youth with disabilities. Enjoy the trails at your own leisure for the afternoon. **February 19th at 1-3:00 pm. Location: Fitness Trail**



### **DID YOU KNOW**

you can borrow recreation equipment for FREE ? Visit

[https://recreation-](https://recreation-pictoucounty.hub.arcgis.com/)

[pictoucounty.hub.arcgis.com/](https://recreation-pictoucounty.hub.arcgis.com/)

to find out more. Snowshoes, walking poles, ice cleats, cross country skis and more.

**For details call Pictou Recreation 485-4372**

## **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**



Now is your chance to recognize an outstanding volunteer in our community. Nominations for Pictou's Volunteer of the Year Award will open in mid February. National **Volunteer Week is April 24-30, 2022**. Application forms will be available at the Pictou Recreation & Parks office or can be downloaded from the Town website. Deadline for nominations is April 8, 2022.

## PICTOU FISHERIES TRAINING POOL

73 Harbour Drive 485-5301 [aquatics@townofpictou.ca](mailto:aquatics@townofpictou.ca)

We are very fortunate to be able to safely open the Pictou Pool in this time of COVID 19. Enhanced public safety protocols are in place to ensure your visit is a good experience. Masks (out of the water) and proof of vaccination required.

### **RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS**

Registration is full for the winter session of swim lessons. Spring session of swim lessons begins in March. Registration will begin February 14th.

Wednesdays    March 24 – May 12  
 Thursdays    March 25 – May 13  
 Fridays          March 26 – May 14  
 Saturdays      March 27 – May 15

**Adult Swim Lessons** Whether you are scared stiff or wish to improve your strokes, this swim instruction session is designed to meet the individual needs of each participant. Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 pm, beginning January 12th; the fee is \$75 for 8 weeks or \$10. Pay as you Go.



Private Adult Lessons during the day: call for details at 902-485-5301.

## **Advantages of Membership**

Includes all public swims (family & open) and lane swims.  
 10% discount on Pro Shop merchandise, 25% discount on Instructional Programs

<b><u>Membership Type</u></b>	<b><u>3 Month</u></b>	<b><u>Yearly</u></b>
<b>Student/Senior</b>	\$85.00	\$255.00
<b>Adult</b>	\$165.00	\$520.00
<b>Family</b>	\$250.00	\$765.00
<b>Aquafit</b>	\$235.00	\$735.00
<b>Sr. Aquafit/Arthritis</b>	\$160.00	\$495.00

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<b>Open for Rental</b> 11-12:30pm	Arthritis 9:30-10:30	AquaFit 9:30-10:30	Arthritis 9:30-10:30	AquaFit 9:30-10:30	Aqua/Arthritis 9:30-10:30	Swim Lessons 9:30-12
Family Swim 1-2:30pm	Adult Lane 12-1	Fit 4 Two 11-11:45	Adult Lane 12-1	Fit 4 Two 11-11:45	Adult Lane 12-1	<b>Open for Rental</b> <b>1-2:30</b>
<b>Open for Rental</b> <b>3-4pm</b>	Adult Lane 1-2	Lanes Only 12:15-1:15		Lanes 12:15-1:15 Adult 2-3		<b>Open for Rental</b> <b>3-4:30</b>
Family Swim 4:30-5:30	Swim Team 4-6:30	Adult Swim 2-3	Swim Team 4-5:30	Swim Team 4-5:30		<b>Open for Rental</b> <b>5-6:30</b>
Aqua Turbo 6:30-7:30		Swim Team 4-6:00	Swim Lessons 5:30-7:30	Swim Lessons 5:30-7:30	Open Swim 7:30-9	Open Swim 7:30-9
		Adult Swim & Lessons 7-8		Lane Swim 7:30-8:30		

**Drop In Fees**

Parent & Tot	\$6.25
Student/Senior	\$4.25
Adult Swim	\$7.00
Family Swim	\$15.00
AquaFit	\$7.75
Sr. AquaFit	\$6.75



**POOL RENTALS**

We are open for rentals with a few changes in place to keep everyone safe.

Give us a call for details at 485-5301. LIMITED NUMBERS

**DID YOU KNOW ?**

The pool has an accessible universal changeroom available. Also onsite is a hydraulic lift, aqua wheel chair and adaptive life vests; all provide access to the water for swimmers that may require extra support.

## Pictou Fisheries Pool Winter Activities

**First Aid Courses** Does your business need a First Aid Course? We can come to you or you can come to us. Emergency or Standard First Aid, all levels of CPR and AED training.

**Red Cross Babysitters Course** offers basic first aid and care giving skills for youth 11–15 years old. Pre-registration is required. Course fee \$55. Course date: **Monday, March 14**

**Arthritis Fitness Classes** providing a balanced approach to train and target cardiopulmonary benefits, functional fitness, muscular endurance and strength, balance, posture and flexibility . Mon-Fri. 9:30-10:30 am

**Aqua Turbo** A high intensity class! It focuses on building cardiovascular strength and endurance through challenging routines of intervals and higher intensity options. Thursdays 7:30-8:30 and Sundays, 6:30-7:30pm

**Fit 4 Two** (Parent and Tot) A fun time for Moms, Dads and Caregivers. Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:to 11:45

**Job Opportunity** Are you 15 or 16 years old and looking for a part-time job? Love the water and would like to be a swim instructor and/or lifeguard?? Call us at 485-5301 for more information.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

**FREE FAMILY DAY SWIM - February 21 1:00-3:00pm**

In celebration of Grande Pre being designated a  
UNESCO World Heritage Site

### MARCH BREAK SWIMS

Toonie Swims  
March 14, 16, 18 at 2:00-3:30pm



### **Pictou County Mariners Swim Club**

Part of our community for 40 years.  
For youth ages 7 years and up  
For inquiries please contact  
Email: [pcm-president@outlook.com](mailto:pcm-president@outlook.com)

## Hector Arena 2022 Skating Schedule

Adult Skate	Mon. Tues., Wed. & Thurs.	1:30-2:30 pm	donation
Adult & Tot	Tues. & Thurs	10:00-11:30 am	donation
Public Skating	Fridays	2:45-4:45 pm	FREE
Family Skate	Sundays	9:30-10:40 am	FREE

**Free skates are sponsored by community partners.**

### Indoor Walking at the Rink

The cooler weather is upon us, continue your walking routine at the Hector Arena inside Monday to Friday, 8:30-11:30 am & 1:00-4:00 pm.

Why not drop by with a friend? Donations accepted.

**Covid 19 restrictions..... masks and proof of vaccination mandatory.**

**Skate sharpening available.** For info call the Hector Arena at 485-5122.  
**Helmets are now mandatory for everyone.**

**Please Note:** Skating schedules are subject to change without notice due to special events or tournaments. Please call ahead to confirm or check out their facebook page.

## New Caledonian Curling Club

Interested in curling this winter? .

For further information call Alta Munroe at 485-4913 or Vicki Campbell at 485-4702. The Club follows the COVID "Return to Play Program" and provincial directions.



## Royal Canadian Legion 902-485-5790

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 16 in Pictou is located on Veterans Drive across from the Sobeys Plaza. Besides offering support and social activities for Veterans of the Armed Forces the Legion supports the local cadets, the food bank, 4H, the local Fire Department, and bursaries for students.

We are always looking for new members and encourage you to visit and see what we have to offer.



## Waterfront Master Plan

The Town of Pictou and Develop NS, along with consultants UPLAND Planning +Design have launched an exciting project to create a master plan for the Pictou Waterfront. The waterfront is a huge asset to the community and provides a space for residents and visitors to experience firsthand why Nova Scotia is considered “Canada’s Ocean Playground”.

A Waterfront Master Plan is a document that lays out the vision for the future of the waterfront, including its physical design and the ways people can experience it. It sets out a vision and guiding principles that help to make thoughtful decisions about the development of the waterfront long term. Over the last couple of months, the Town and UPLAND gathered input through community consultation. A draft of the Waterfront Plan can be viewed on the Town website at [www.townofpictou.ca](http://www.townofpictou.ca).

## Cultural Hub

The Pictou Public Library Project is a joint initiative of the Town of Pictou, the Municipality of the County of Pictou, the deCoste Entertainment Centre, and the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library.

There is a need for a rejuvenated 21st century public library serving residents of the town of Pictou and surrounding communities. This new library will reflect the aspirations and needs of the community, socially, economically, and culturally. At the same time there is a need to rationalize municipal capital assets and make synergies between operations and services where beneficial. It is the belief of the partners this can be achieved by adding to the physical footprint of the deCoste Centre to accommodate a community designed public library. Also, it creates the opportunity for four publicly funded agencies to work together with the community for long term sustainable development. For updates on the project visit: [www.culturehubpc.ca](http://www.culturehubpc.ca).

## Ship Hector

The Ship Hector Society, a not-for-profit organization made up of community volunteers, has created the Charting Our Course campaign to restore the tourism icon to a fully rigged tall ship. The Hector Heritage Quay is home to the Ship Hector, an Interpretive Centre, Blacksmith Shop, Carpentry Shop, and Rigging Room. This campaign will ensure our Scottish heritage lives on and the indigenous connection is shared and celebrated. The Ship Hector is an important piece of our history and plays a key role in the economic impact of the region. The restoration provides exciting opportunities to use new materials, green technologies, and innovative digital exhibits. With this restoration, we have an opportunity to ensure history is preserved and our story lives on for future generations to cherish. For updates or how you may contribute to the project visit the website: [www.shiphector.ca](http://www.shiphector.ca).

# Pictou Library

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- Jigsaw puzzles, crafts
- Community programs - book clubs, to knitting circles (online & in-person)
- **Curbside pick-up** of library materials provided upon request, (902) 485-5021
- **Home-bound Seniors Delivery** (within the Town of Pictou), (902) 485-5021
- **Borrow-by-Mail** for rural library patrons (1(866)779-7761, or [bbm@parl.ns.ca](mailto:bbm@parl.ns.ca))

**Zoom programs**—ABC's for Babies/Toddle Time/Preschoolers/Book Club

**For more information about all library services, please drop by, call us - (902) 485-5021, or email : [pictou@parl.ns.ca](mailto:pictou@parl.ns.ca)**



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