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# Hartland happenings

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## The End of an Era

For anyone who has ever attended a winter event at the Hartland Arena, it is no secret why it is affectionately known as “The Barn”. It has the unofficial distinction of being the coldest rink in the Upper River Valley, and therefore, “The Barn” was a nickname that stuck.

The Hartland Arena was built in 1967, and has served its community well over the years. Many have fond memories of playing ice hockey, attending public skating, Day & Ross Christmas parties, and other community events.

With construction of the new Central Carleton Community Complex expected to be completed by this fall, the Hartland Arena is expected to be demolished in late spring to make way for parking for the new facility.

To ensure everyone will have an opportunity to

remember and celebrate the good times had over the years at “The Barn”, several events are planned to have one last hurrah at the old facility, while others are planned at the new complex to break it in.

- Mar 16: Curling Funspiel 4pm–8:30pm
- Mar 23: Hockey Provincials 11am–2pm, 5–8pm
- Mar 24: Ladies Round Robin Hockey 10am–3pm
- Mar 31: Public Skate 4pm–5pm
- Mar 31: Zamboni Pictures 5:30pm–7pm
- Apr 13: Auction 4pm–6pm
- Apr 13: Licensed 19+ Dance 8pm–midnight with Tim Curnew, Mike Bochoff & Zach Peters performing

Watch for details on our website!  
<https://townofhartland.ca/p/upcoming-events>



1971 Men's Hartland Hawks



The Hartland Queens from the 1960's.

On March 1, 2024, the fire at the Covered Bridge Potato Chips factory had a devastating impact on a local family business that has made a name for itself across Canada. That day, the owners and their 185 employees saw their lives seriously changed, as Hartland residents mourned the loss of an iconic building and an anchor business in our community.

Mayor Tracey DeMerchant said, “The Albright family has had great success with their Covered Bridge Potato Chips company, and we are really devastated for them.”

In true Carleton County fashion, there has been an outpouring of support from the community through organizing fundraisers for the employees to help ease the burden of their sudden loss of livelihood.

A breakfast fundraiser took place Saturday, March 9 at the Woodstock Wesleyan Church, and etransfers are continuing to be accepted at [coveredbridgechips@woodstockwesleyan.org](mailto:coveredbridgechips@woodstockwesleyan.org).

# When Local Emergencies Occur



When a local emergency occurs, municipalities form the first line of defense for local residents.

For example, if a spring flood damages homes and buildings, police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and local emergency measures organizations will be called upon to coordinate their efforts and manage the crisis, according to their respective roles and responsibilities, and the guidance of emergency plans.

Under our province's Emergency Measures Act, all municipalities must maintain an emergency preparedness plan that determines how the municipality will respond to specific emergencies such as forest fires, ice storms, and hurricanes. In cases where the scale of the crisis surpasses a local community's resources, the provincial and federal governments may also provide support.

To take an all too familiar example, imagine a severe winter storm that knocks out power to multiple homes in Hartland. In response, the municipality could open and operate warming stations that offer people shelter, heat, water, and food, in other words, a place where people can rest, recharge, and recover.

This year, Hartland plans to update its Emergency Response Plan to ensure that it

contains appropriate protocols and procedures and up-to-date contact information. In addition, Hartland plans to assess the resources that it can make available in a crisis, such as public warming stations.

Local non-profit and private organizations also play important roles in emergency management. For example, in Hartland, the Freshmart at 380 Main Street and Valufoods at 550 Main Street both have generators, and both stores offer drink, food, and other essential goods.

All individuals should prepare themselves and their homes for the next emergency. For example, people should keep safety stocks of gas, bottled water, canned food, and medicines in secure places, and exercise caution while using heating devices such as woodstoves, portable generators, and propane or kerosene heaters.

Last but not least, the town encourages all residents to register with Hartland's municipal notification system, so we can send you critical information before, during, and after an emergency, through voicemail, text, and email messages, according to your preference. For more information, visit [www.townofhartland.ca](http://www.townofhartland.ca) and read about the 2024 sign-up campaign for our notification system.

## New Fundraising Campaign

Fundraising efforts for the Central Carleton Community Complex are ongoing, so you still have lots of opportunities to contribute to its success!

A Bleacher Plaque Fundraising Campaign was just launched, which will allow for the installation of customized plaques throughout the arena's bleacher seating area.

Plaques can be sponsored by a person or family, in memory of someone special, or for any alumni who want their jersey number commemorated. Each 3"x5" plaque is \$250 and can be purchased through the Friends of Hartland at <https://friendsofhartland.ca/seat-plaques>. Only 330 plaques will be available, so be sure to get yours today!

Check out our donor package to explore other opportunities for individuals and businesses to contribute to the project. Visit [Friends of Hartland's](http://Friends of Hartland's website) website for a full donor package, to see how you can make a difference.

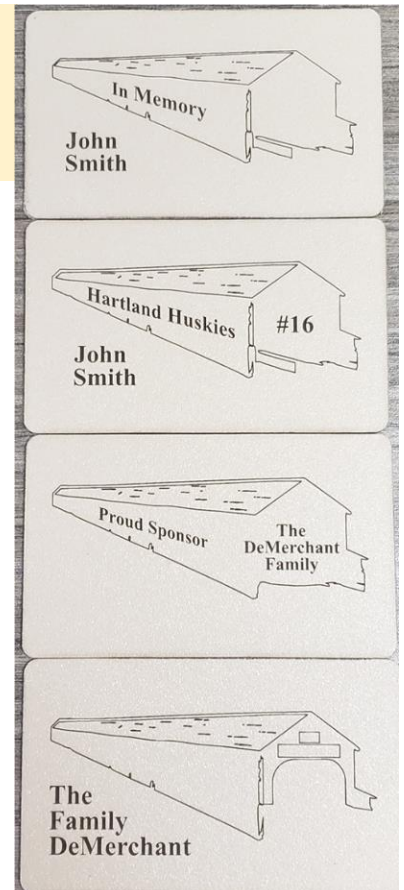
The Friends of Hartland have a 50-50 draw that takes place every Tuesday, with 100% of the proceeds being donated to the fundraising campaign. Tickets are

available from Hartland Freshmart or through [friendsofhartland.ca](http://friendsofhartland.ca).

Many local organizations have been pitching in too. The Hartland Legion hosts a weekly Chase the Ace draw, where a portion of proceeds fund community initiatives including the CCCC project. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be purchased 8am Friday to 3pm Thursday from M&A Automotive, Coldstream Convenience, and Courtyard Hardware. Tickets are also available at the Hartland Legion Canteen during hours of operation until 6:30pm on the night of the draw. The draw takes place every Thursday at 7pm. You DO NOT need to be present to win.

The Hartland Community School's High School Boys Hockey team closed out their season by donating all proceeds from the gate and 50-50 during their last league game. The Huskies wanted to contribute to the fundraising campaign and showed their support with a total donation of \$2,220.00.

Visit the [Friends of Hartland's](http://Friends of Hartland's website) website and download the brochure under the Major Fundraising Campaign section to learn how you can make a difference.



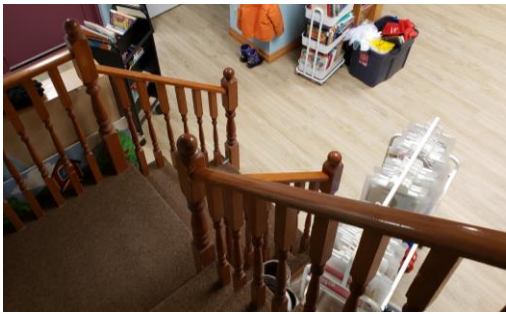


# Dr. Walter Chestnut Library Receives Upgrades

The Dr. Walter Chestnut Library is a local historic building on Hartland's Main Street which is most recognized for its distinctive clock tower.

The building was constructed in 1912 by the Government of Canada for use as a Post Office as part of a national project to increase the federal government's presence in smaller municipalities.

Over the years, the building has served as an armoury, a military training centre, a post office, and a pharmacy. However, these days, we all know it as a library, with the W.W. Craig Gallery on the upper floor.



*Children's area and stairway flooring*

With all this history, comes a lot of maintenance. In November of 2023, the Town started the first of several repairs, which began with reconstruction of the bell tower. Situated adjacent to the clock tower, the wooden beams had rotted and required replacement to hold the heavy bell.

Next was refinishing of the hardwood floors in the W.W. Craig Gallery on the upper level in December, which were showing their age due to significant use over the years.

In February, the carpet in the children's area on the lower level was replaced with commercial plank flooring, to make clean-ups easier, and improve durability.

At the same time, the worn carpeting on the stairway was replaced. The soft surface on the new carpet will reduce noise on the stairs, and provide more traction than a vinyl or wood product.

The Town was able to undertake these improvements in part thanks to funding from the province's Regional Development Corporation (RDC). Hopes are to continue repairs to the exterior in 2024.



*The Bell Tower following reconstruction November 2023.  
Photo courtesy of Tammey McLean.*



*W.W. Craig Gallery hardwood floors refinished.*

## Total Eclipse of the Hartland



For those of a certain age, the song "Total Eclipse of the Heart" by Bonnie Tyler takes on a new meaning in Hartland on April 8. It is the first time in over 1000 years that Central New Brunswick will experience a total eclipse, being in the path of totality for the longest time than any other location in the continent.

Since you never want to look at the sun with the naked eye, the Western New Brunswick Service Commission has supplied Hartland with lots of solar eclipse glasses, which have a special coating to enable you to look directly at the sun, and witness the moon gradually cover it. Once the sun is completely blocked, the sun's corona will be visible glowing beyond the edges of the moon, which will make for a spectacular show.

Residents can get their glasses starting March 4 at the Hartland Town Office, 31 Orser Street (Mon to Fri 9am to 4pm), or at the Dr. Walter Chestnut Library, 395 Main Street (Tues, Weds, Fri, Sat 10am-5pm, and Thurs 1pm-8pm).

A new group of local scientists, along with students from UNB, have been working on a telescope payload that will be lifted by a balloon into the stratosphere to capture live images of the eclipse. The payload will have six cameras on board. The balloon will launch from Florenceville-Bristol and will be live streamed to five locations in the Western River Valley, including Hartland.

Everyone is invited to attend the Hartland Community School on April 8 to view the live streaming of the launch, and the subsequent aerial footage. The live stream will begin at 2:30pm so spectators can see everything leading up to the launch. The moon will start to eclipse the sun at 3:22pm, and we will experience totality at 4:33pm. A vendor market will take place in the HCS gymnasium from 2-5pm.

A dance will kick off eclipse weekend on April 6 at the Hartland Legion from 9pm-1am. Cost is \$10 per person at the door, with profits benefiting the town's Community Complex.

# Community Engagement Efforts Include Council Chambers Upgrades



With the vast change in Hartland's municipal boundaries, the Town Council saw a need to find ways to inform residents as to what is happening at the local government level.

They started by encouraging everyone to sign up for the Town's notification system, which can send emails, text messages or voice recordings regarding events, meetings, or other notices relating to emergencies. A sign-up link is available on the Hartland Town website at [www.townofhartland.ca](http://www.townofhartland.ca) in the Latest Notices section or those without internet can contact 506-375-4357 ext. 211 with their name and phone number.

The next step was to publish the Hartland Happenings newsletter, to let residents know how their tax dollars are being spent. The first issue was printed and distributed in the mail, thanks to funding from the provincial government. The distribution of future editions will be via email and from various community

locations, with printing and mail distribution as the budget allows. You can view them all at [townofhartland.ca/p/hartland-newsletters](http://townofhartland.ca/p/hartland-newsletters).

The most recent step in community engagement was to make improvements to the Council Chambers, which will allow more people to attend the open meetings.

The carpeting had become worn and frayed at the seams, so a new commercial vinyl plank flooring was installed. This will allow for easier clean-up, and will be more suitable for the high amount of foot traffic.

The Council table was changed from a large o-shape to a narrower table, which allows more space on the side of the room for attendees. Two rows of guest chairs are now available for anyone who wishes to attend a Council meeting.

For those who cannot attend a regular Council meeting in person, the meetings are also available on the Town's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/@TownofHartlandNB](http://www.youtube.com/@TownofHartlandNB).



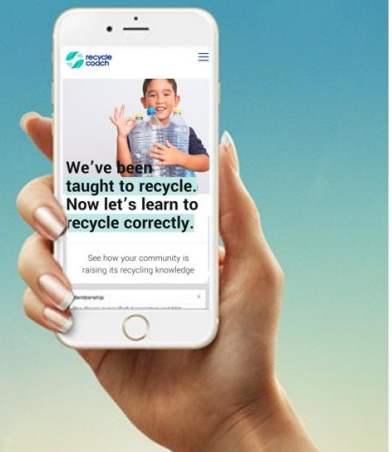
Hartland Town Council now meets for their Regular Council Meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, and for a Committee of the Whole Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, both at 6:30pm at the Hartland Town Hall. Discussions will take place at the Committee of the Whole meetings, which will make for a more efficient Regular Council Meeting. The public is welcome to attend either session.

If you would like to address Council at a meeting to make a request or do a brief presentation, the town advises you to notify the Clerk at least one week in advance to be added to the agenda, by contacting [cao@townofhartland.com](mailto:cao@townofhartland.com) or calling 506-375-4357 ext. 200.



If you are unable to attend a meeting, agendas and minutes are available on the Town's website, along with a link to the YouTube channel where you can watch previous meetings.

<https://townofhartland.ca/p/agendas-minutes>

## THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT



With recent changes to the garbage and recycling schedule, keeping track of pickup days can get confusing. To make sure you have the right bin out on the right day, sign up for the Recycle Coach, and receive an email reminder leading up to the pickup date.

1. Install the app from  or  onto your mobile device.
2. Open the app on your mobile device.
3. Click [View your waste and recycling information](#).
4. Fill in the details to create your account.
5. When entering your community name, if you are in a former LSD area, enter the name of that LSD.
6. Enter your address to ensure it knows on which route you live.

For more information, visit [www.recyclecoach.com](http://www.recyclecoach.com). You can also find a copy of the schedule at <https://www.rsc12.ca/2022-curb-side-recycling-schedules-zones-click-to-view/>.

**Big Garbage Pickups for the municipality of Hartland are May 21 & 23, at the same time as your regular garbage collection schedule.**