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Sunday, Monday CLOSED
Tuesday - Thursday 10-7
Friday, Saturday 10-3

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Library Update

Did you know that you can borrow an **Ontario Parks Pass** and a **Quinte Conservation Area Parking Pass** with your library card?



The **Ontario Parks Pass** is a borrowable vehicle permit that provides day use access to over 100 provincial parks for all occupants in your vehicle.

How do I borrow an Ontario Parks Pass using my Stirling-Rawdon Public Library card?

With a valid library card, you can check out an Ontario Parks Pass for up to one week. Overdue fines do apply so passes should be returned promptly. There are no holds and it is first come first serve.

What does the Ontario Parks Pass cover?

The pass covers the cost of park admission, is valid for day use only and does not cover overnight stays or the costs of renting equipment.

We recommend that you plan ahead. Park capacity limits still apply and parks close when they are full. For busier parks such as Presqu'ile and Sandbanks you do still need to book ahead online and reserve your spot.

The **Quinte Conservation Parking Pass** is a borrowable vehicle permit that allows you to park your vehicle at participating Quinte Conservation areas from dawn until dusk, any day of the year.



How do I borrow a Quinte Conservation Parking Pass?

With a valid Stirling-Rawdon Public Library card, you can check out a Quinte Conservation Parking Pass for up to one week, first come first serve.

What does the Quinte Conservation Parking Pass cover?

This pass allows you to park your vehicle free of charge at participating Quinte Conservation areas for day use, any day of the year.

MILL HOURS

Tuesdays: 3-6:30
Saturdays: 10-2:30

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ADULT PROGRAMS



Beaded Plants

Adult Craft Night

Tuesday, January 6th at 6pm

Join us for a relaxing, creative evening as we make mini beaded plants, tiny, colorful decorations that never need watering! All supplies are provided, and no experience is needed. Come craft, chat, and leave with a charming handmade plant to brighten your space. Register online.



Stirling MILL Ukulele Group (SMUG)

Fridays at 10am

Join us weekly to play and sing together. Bring your own ukulele or just come and sing along! Ukuleles will also be available to play. No experience necessary. No registration required.

Yacking with Yarn: 1-3pm

Friday, January 9th and 23rd

Drop in and join us to share about knitting, crocheting, embroidery, cross stitch or any fibre art that can travel. Whether you're a beginner or have advanced skills in the fibre arts, you're welcome to join us. No registration required.

Library Book Club

Tues. January 20th at 2pm

In this book you club you pick what you want to read based on our monthly theme. January's theme is "warm and cozy." No assigned reading — just bring whatever book feels warm and cozy to you.

A mystery, a romance, a classic, poetry, recipes... if it comforts you, it counts. No registration required. New members always welcome.



Creative Curiosity Club

Wednesdays at 1pm

This is a space to make art simply for the joy of it, no rules, no pressure, and no experience needed. Each week we'll explore a new prompt, material, or technique, but the focus is on play, curiosity, and self-expression rather than perfection. All supplies are provided, just bring yourself and an open mind. No registration required.



Self-Sufficient Living

Discussion Group

Tuesday, January 20th at 6pm

Join our ongoing community discussion group where we explore the practical side of homesteading, gardening, self-sufficiency, and sustainable living. No registration required.

Puzzle Swap

Tuesday, January 13th 4-7pm

Bring a puzzle you've already completed and swap it for a new-to-you one. It's a fun, easy way to discover fresh challenges, share favorites, and keep the puzzle fun going—all for free!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



STORYTIME

Thursdays at 10:30am

Bring your little ones for a lively and engaging storytime session featuring books, songs, and interactive activities. Perfect for toddlers and preschoolers, Storytime encourages a love of reading, sparks imagination, and supports early learning — all in a warm and welcoming space. Recommended for ages 4 and under and their caregiver. No registration required.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Thursdays at 5pm

Adventure awaits! Join our all-ages, drop-in Dungeons & Dragons game, no experience necessary. Whether you're a seasoned hero or brand new to roleplaying, everyone is welcome at the table. Create characters, explore fantastical worlds, and work together to overcome challenges in this fun and beginner-friendly session. Dice, character sheets, and guidance provided. Just bring your imagination! No registration required.



COZY CAFE

Tuesday, January 27th at 5pm

Join us at the library for a warm and welcoming evening of reading, crafts, and hot chocolate! Bring the whole family to relax, enjoy cozy activities, and celebrate the joy of stories together. A perfect night to unwind, create, and read! Wear your comfiest clothes and bring a blanket or stuffies to snuggle with! No registration required.



After School Hangout Wednesdays at 4pm

January 7th:

We're creating unique snowflake art using fun craft supplies. Every snowflake is one-of-a-kind, just like you!

January 14th:

The craziest twist on tic tac toe you've ever played! To claim a square, you've gotta EARN it with a wild challenge.

January 21st:

We'll fold, fill, and bake simple treats while learning basic kitchen skills in a fun, hands-on activity. Fruit filled crescent turnovers!

January 28th:

Using craft materials, we'll build tiny snowy scenes and let your imagination bring your miniature winter world to life.

Take & Make Kit: Cardboard Embroidery

Available Saturday, January 10th. While supplies last.

Drop into the children's department to pick up a kit containing the supplies needed to create an embroidered cardboard hat and mitten. All you'll need is scissors, some tape and a push pin!



GUESTS



The 15-Minute Neuro-Hack: How Parents Can Prepare Their Child for Success in an AI-Enhanced Future

Friday, January 16th at noon

This conversation is for parents who:

- Refuse to leave their child's future to chance
- Want calm confidence instead of constant worry
- Are ready to transform hoping to building their future-ready kid

If this is you, then join us for this free class and claim your role in shaping who your child becomes.



On Display: Stirling M.I.L.L

The Stirling Musical Instrument Lending Library (M.I.L.L) lends musical instruments to residents of Belleville, Quinte West; Stirling, and other villages, small towns and rural municipalities across Hastings & Northumberland Counties. Patron Registration starts at \$30 a year. Some of the instruments in their collection will be on display in the library lobby throughout the month of January.

Self-Care for Care Partners Wednesday, January 14th at 11:30am

Alzheimer Society
HASTINGS - PRINCE EDWARD

Many caregivers tend to set their own needs aside while caring for the person living with dementia and hope that if they don't think about it, the stress might just go away. But you need to take care of yourself, too. This interactive workshop, presented by Hastings - Prince Edward Alzheimer's Society is designed to help family members and friends caring for people living with dementia. No registration required.



Reading Olympics: Jan-Mar.

Welcome to the Reading Olympics Challenge—where every page you turn brings you closer to the podium!

In this challenge, each “sport” represents a theme or category of books—mystery, fantasy, science, adventure, history, you name it. Within every sport, there are 3 books waiting for you to conquer.

Each “sport” has 3 books—read 1 for Bronze, 2 for Silver, and all 3 for Gold! The more you read, the more medals you earn.

Ready, set... read!



Good Food Bags & Good Baby Box

If paying in cash at the library, Good Food Bag and Good Baby Box orders need to be in by Wednesday, January 21st at 11:30am to receive your order on Tuesday, January 27th.

Order and pay online by visiting:
<https://cdcquinte.com/pages/shop>



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