

July 2026

Recreation programming

Municipality of
**Inverness
County** 



Adult & Family Programming

For more information on adult programming, reach out to jason.calder@invernesscounty.ca

Outdoor Movie Night

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy a movie under the stars! Join Larry and his museum friends on a hilarious adventure through the Smithsonian, filled with action, comedy, and unforgettable characters.

Entry includes popcorn and pop.

Friday, July 31 | Port Hood Central Park | 8:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Drop-in | No registration required | Cost: \$5



Beach Volleyball Nights

Beach Volleyball play at the Inverness Beach—bring a friend and come play in a fun noncompetitive environment. Net and volleyball provided.

Inverness Beach | Wednesdays, July 15, 29 | Aug 5, 19
All Ages: 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Ages 35+: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Register on PlayFinder.ca | \$25 full series | \$8 drop-in

Try it! Pickleball & Beginner Play

Curious about pickleball? This session is the perfect opportunity to learn and try Canada's fastest-growing sport in a fun, welcoming environment.

Already know the basics? Skip the instruction portion of the session and join in for beginner-friendly play and practice.

July 14 & 21 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. | West Mabou Tennis Court | Ages 18+ | No cost | Register on PlayFinder.ca |

Weekend Guided Hike

Explore the beautiful hiking trails of Inverness County with our experienced hikers! All welcome.

4.2 km | 246 m elevation gain
Estimated 1.5 – 2 hrs

Saturday, July 25 | Starts at 9:00 a.m. | Salt Mountain, Whycocomagh Provincial Park | Drop-in | No cost

Book Club



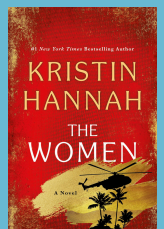
July Sessions

The Book Club takes place monthly in each location—Mabou, Inverness, Whycocomagh, and Chéticamp. You only need to attend one session per month, whichever is most convenient for you.

Our July Book Club pick is *The Women* by Kristin Hannah.

- July 2 | 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | An Drochaid, Mabou
- July 16 | 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | The Dancing Goat Café & Bakery, Inverness
- July 23 | 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Whycocomagh Public Library
- July 30 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Chéticamp Public Library

Please come ready to discuss the book!
Ages 14+ | No cost | Drop-in



August Book Club Pick

For those who want to read ahead, August book pick is: *The Last Mrs. Parrish* by Liv Constantine.



The book club is on a drop-in basis. To receive updates, including emails on voting for the next book, send your full name and email to keshi.moonian@invernesscounty.ca

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Tennis NS Instructional Clinics

Come join Tennis NS and Inverness County Recreation & Community Wellness staff for a fun and instructional clinic to hone your skill. Equipment provided.

July 25 | Judique Tennis Courts | Drop-in
No cost

Youth 6 – 17: 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
Adult Beginners: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Adult Intermediate: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Monday Tennis

Weekly tennis games organized for beginner and intermediate players. Rackets available. Play and location schedule will be emailed to registrants.

Mondays, July 6 – August 24 | Judique, Mabou, and Creignish Tennis Courts (rotating) | Ages 18+
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Register on [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca) | \$25

Family Camp Out

Want to try camping with your family but not sure where to start? Come to the Family Camp Out for a supported first-time camping experience (experienced campers welcome too)! Registration includes activities for the kids and a guided hike to Egypt Falls. Bring your own camping gear or rent some of ours!

Starts: Saturday, July 18 | 1:00 p.m.
Ends: Sunday, July 19 | 3:00 p.m.

Coady & Tompkins Memorial Public Library Grounds
Margaree Forks | Registration on [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca) |
\$25 per family | Limited camping kits available to rent for an additional \$10

Seniors

Programming Schedule

For more information, reach out to anna.solomon@invernesscounty.ca

Seniors Walking Group

Enjoy an afternoon outdoors with neighbours. Hosted in partnership with Cape Breton University's Centre for Healthy Aging.

Thursdays, July 2, 16 & 30 | 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Meet at Judique Community Centre
No cost | Drop-in

Seniors Guided Pickleball

Enjoy an early afternoon guided pickleball session for adults over 55 and individuals with accessibility needs in a fun, supportive, non-competitive environment.

Wednesdays, July 8 & July 22 | 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Inverness Multicourt (85 MacLean St., Inverness)
Drop-in



Multicourt Facility, 85 MacLean St., Inverness

Community Events



Inverness County Racing Circuit

Ages 5 – 99 | No cost

Hugh Arnold Campbell Memorial Race

Mabou Ceilidh Days – July 4

Ship Harbour Hustle Port Hawkesbury

Festival of the Strait – July 4

Inverness Gathering Race

Inverness Gathering – July 18

Broad Cove Race

Inverness Gathering – July 25

Alfred Reynolds Memorial Race

Chestico Days – August 1

La Course de l'Escaouette Chéticamp

Festival De l'Escaouette – August 2

Cedric MacDonald Memorial Race

Judique on the Floor Days – August 8

Rèis Mhabu / Race Mabou – October 10

Racing Circuit Registration

There are eight community-organized road races throughout the season in Inverness County. This year, we're challenging runners to compete in the circuit for a prize! Here's how it works:

1. Register for each race through the individual organizers
2. If you compete in four or more races, head to [PlayFinder.ca](https://playfinder.ca) to enter the Circuit
3. Each runner is assigned points based on their standing in the race (first place = 20 points, second place = 19 points, etc.)
4. The runner with the highest point total wins the prize!

2026 Festivals

July 1 - 5

Mabou Ceilidh Days

July 16 - 19

Whycocomagh Summer
Festival

July 18 - 26

Inverness Gathering

July 22 - 26

Belle Côte Days Festival

July 27 - August 1

Chestico Days

July 30 - August 2

Festival de
l'Escaouette

August 2 - 8

Judique on the Floor

August 7 - 9

Margaree Highland
Games

Get Active

Summer Programming

For more information, reach out to
krista.macinnis@invernesscounty.ca

Game On!

A recreational program that combines low-organized games with instruction-based practices, skill development activities, and baseball gameplay.

Mondays & Wednesdays, July 6 – August 17
Inverness Multicourt | Ages 7 – 11
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Get Creative!

Get Creative! is an upbeat and welcoming program with fun and exciting crafts, dance, LEGO, and stem activities every week.

Thursdays, July 16 – August 20 | St. Stephen's United Hall, Port Hood | Ages 6 – 12 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Parents are suggested to send an old t-shirt to protect children's clothing.

Girls Volleyball

A recreational program that provides participants with the opportunity to learn and practice volleyball skills through drills, mini-games, and organized gameplay.

Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 21 – August 25 | Inverness Education Centre/Academy | Ages 9 – 12 | 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | \$30

Wave Volleyball Camp

Get Active is teaming up with Wave Volleyball to present this three-day camp!

July 29 – 31 | Inverness Education Centre/Academy | \$80

Grades 4 & 5: 9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

Grades 6 & 7: 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Grades 8 & 9: 12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

Registration on [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca)

**Grades in upcoming school year*

Summer Adventure Camps

New this year, Get Active's Summer Adventure Camps are designed for children **ages five to 10**. Across a variety of excitement-filled themed days, attendees will enjoy fun recreational games, interesting science activities, and creative crafts. The camps encourage engagement, adventure, and (most of all) fun!

Registration required. [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca)

Creignish Four Day: July 6 – 9

Creignish Recreation Centre | 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | \$125

Whycocomagh Half Day: July 6, 15

Whycocomagh Public Library
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | \$10/day

Margaree Four Day: July 13 – 16

Cranton Cross Road Community Centre
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | \$125

Orangedale One Day: July 13, 14

Orangedale Smith Community Centre
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | \$25/day

Chéticamp One Day: July 20, 21

École NDA | 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. | \$25/day

Port Hood Half Day: July 27, 28

Bayview Education Centre | 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | \$10/day

Lizzi's Loop Adventure Camp July 8 – 10

Lizzi's Loop Adventure Camp is a three-day experience for kids ages 4– 6. Each day features a new theme, while campers rotate through engaging stations including crafts, hands-on learning activities, snacks, and games.

Bayview Education Centre | 9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, July 8: Space Day

Thursday, July 9: Pirates & Princesses Day

Friday, July 10: Zoo Keeper Day

Teen Tournaments

For more information, reach out to krista.macinnis@invernesscounty.ca

Join in on the summer fun by participating in Get Active's teen tournaments! Held at both the Inverness Multicourt Facility and various community beaches, the recreation team brings the fun every Wednesday Friday by setting up tournament-style sports and games.

Beach Tournaments

Wednesdays | 12:30 p.m. | \$5 | Ages 13 - 17
Registration link shared weekly on Facebook

- July 8: Sunset Beach, Port Hood | Spikeball
- July 15: Sunset Beach, Port Hood | Volleyball
- July 20: Inverness Beach | Volleyball
- July 22: Inverness Beach | Volleyball
- July 22: Inverness Beach | Spikeball
- July 29: Sunset Beach, Port Hood | Volleyball
- July 30: Sunset Beach, Port Hood | Spikeball

Inverness Multicourt Tournaments

Fridays | 10:00 a.m. | Ages 13 - 18
Registration link shared weekly on Facebook

- July 3: Ball Hockey
- July 10: Table Tennis
- July 17: 3v3 Basketball
- July 23: Rookie Pickleball
- July 24: Pickleball
- July 31: Cornhole



Inverness Multicourt

Online booking now available!

Exciting news! You can now book court time at the Inverness Multicourt Facility online at [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca).

Before you book, here are a few important things to know:

- The facility is free for residents for casual use, and can be booked for up to two hours per day
- Bookings can be made up to 14 days in advance
- Submitting a request does not guarantee court time. Users will receive a confirmation email once the request has been processed and approved
- Requests for weekend (Saturday and Sunday) bookings will be processed up until 12:00 p.m. each Friday

Organized groups (such as leagues, clubs, schools, etc.) who wish to set up a recurring block booking at the facility may do so by contacting facilitybooking@invernesscounty.ca. These bookings are \$25/hour per court and must be approved by the Municipality.

To read the full booking policy and for a handy step-by-step guide to online booking, visit [invernesscounty.ca/services/recreation](https://www.invernesscounty.ca/services/recreation).

If you have questions about the facility, contact recreation@invernesscounty.ca, or call toll-free, 1-866-258-0223, select option #6.



Summer Rental Equipment



GT Off-Road Bike

Rental Fee: \$5/day or \$25/week



**Lawn Games (Giant Jenga, Corn Hole,
Giant Connect Four, Washer Toss)**

Free to borrow



All-Terrain Hippocampe

Free to borrow



The "RIG"

Free to borrow



Varna II Handcycle

Free to borrow

Book now on [PlayFinder.ca](https://www.playfinder.ca)