Come Write In!

November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo)!
Join us at the library as we show some #BookLove this month - filled with great programs to inspire and connect wordsmiths and bookworms. We invite you to "Come Write in!" to the library to find a quiet corner to write, to read, meet up with other authors, research topics, borrow books, print copies, and more. For more information, tips and to register your novel writing project, please visit www.nanowrimo.org.

Writing doesn’t always need to be a solitary endeavour. A Pictou County writing group is hosting drop-in Write In sessions at several library locations around the county. All are invited to join in, bring your laptop or notebook and write in the company of fellow writers, at the Stellarton Library on Thursday November 14 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm, the Westville Library on Tuesday November 19 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm, and wrap-up with an Open Mic Night at the New Glasgow Library on Tuesday November 26 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Have a writing project on the go, and looking to take your writing to the next level? Local author, editor, and publisher, Jennifer Hatt is returning to the library on Thursday mornings starting November 7. To register for a mentoring appointment with Jennifer, please contact the New Glasgow Library, at (902) 752-8233.

Wondering about the wild world of publishing? Author and playwright, Emil Sher will be offering a hands-on writing workshop, Before You Cross the Finish Line, on Wednesday November 13 at the New Glasgow Library at 7:00pm. Emil will share his insights about writing for children and audiences of all ages, about the journey before a book is published or a play is staged: the drafts, the detours, and the roads taken. All are welcome to drop-in. This workshop is sponsored by the Writers' Union of Canada and Canada Council for the Arts. For more information, please visit Emil’s website, www.emilsher.com.

Sometimes the truth really is stranger than fiction. Discovering more great stories in our own backyard, Laurie Glenn Norris will read from her new book, “Found Drowned” at the Westville Library on Friday November 8 at 2:30pm. Based on a true unsolved crime from 1877, Norris’s debut novel tells the story of two small towns linked by the disappearance of a teenage girl. “Mary Harney is a dreamy teenager in Cumberland County, Nova Scotia. When Mary’s mother becomes ill, an already fragile domestic situation quickly begins to unravel until the September evening when the girl goes missing... . At once tightly plotted and pensive, the novel travels back to the circumstances that led to Mary’s disappearance and then back further... , all the while building toward a raucous courtroom finale.”

Have a question about an old family artifact and wondering where to start? Join us at the New Glasgow Library on Thursday November 14 at 3:00pm as Lisa Snider from MemoryNS demonstrates how to search, locate, and discover archival content across Nova Scotia.

Discover our own local heroes! There will be a presentation of the documentary “Larry Sutherland, the One Eyed Gunner” at the Westville Library on Thursday November 21 at 6:00pm. All are invited to watch Larry's interview with The Memory Project about his service during the Second World War as Canada's Top Gunner Ace. Gary Chisholm, the local author of "The One Eyed Gunner" will also be present.

On the lighter side, Laughter Yoga with Shelley Ballantyne returns to the New Glasgow library on Tuesdays starting this week! All are welcome to drop in and join us in the Community Room from 12:10pm until 12:50pm.

For more information on all our upcoming library programs and services, please call or drop by your local library, follow us on Twitter, find us on Facebook, or visit us online at www.parl.ns.ca.