



Summer 2025

DASC NEWSLETTER



DASC MARCHES IN 2025 PRIDE PARADE

We had a great time marching in the 2025 Halifax Pride Parade alongside thousands of community members, allies, and organizations. Our team showed up in full colour, representing DASC with custom shirts, banners, DASC buttons, and big smiles. Thank you to everyone who helped organize and join us for this important celebration of inclusion and visibility. We can't wait for next year!



**2025 PRIDE
BUTTON
DESIGN BY
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A BERRY SWEET DAY! STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

Our recent Senior's Strawberry Social was a big hit! Guests enjoyed delicious local strawberries, light refreshments and a relaxed afternoon with conversation. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the day so sweet!

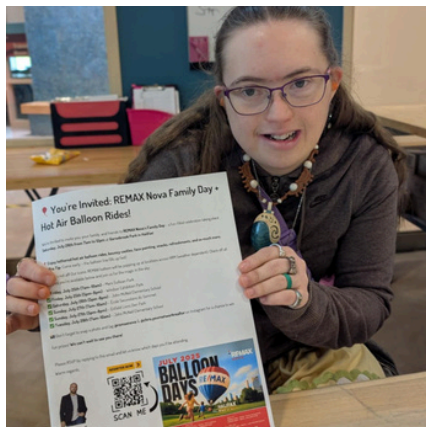


TEA PARTY

Our Life Enhancement team organized a tea party to thank the caregivers who play an important role in the lives of our participants. Caregivers had the chance to connect over tea and snacks. We're grateful for the work they do each day to support our community.

PRODUCTION UPDATE: A BUSY MONTH!

The production team had a full schedule in July! They completed over 4,000 custom buttons, a new contract with NeoCon, and organized mail-outs for REMAX. We are so proud of the team's effort and efficiency!



CANTEEN CART OFFERS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Our canteen cart offers a variety of snacks and drinks, with options changing regularly. Prices range from \$0.50 to \$1.00, making it an affordable way to grab a quick treat. From chips and cookies to cold drinks and smoothies on select days. There's always something different to look forward to. Don't forget to bring change!



BACK TO THE SEA SOCIETY

This month, our participants had the chance to explore Atlantic Canada's marine life up close, thanks to a visit from the Back to the Sea Society's mobile touch tank! We got a hands-on interaction with local ocean creatures such as sea stars, hermit crabs, and sea snails. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about our region's marine ecosystems in a fun and engaging way.



MUSIC AT NORTH GROVE

Participants from our off-site clubs recently attended Music at North Grove, enjoying an afternoon filled with singing, dancing, and connecting with others. It was a wonderful opportunity to share in the joy of music and movement.



OFF-SITE CLUBS ENJOY THE OUTDOORS

Our off-site clubs recently had the perfect day outside! They took part in a variety of activities including a picnic, tent setup practice, axe-throwing, corn hole, kite flying, and a friendly bubble-blowing competition. It was a chance to enjoy the sunshine, try new activities, and spend time together in a relaxed outdoor setting.



Group 3 recently participated in a creative writing literacy workshop, working together to develop a collaborative story. Each member contributed ideas, building on one another's creativity to bring the piece to life. The story below is the result of their teamwork during the session.

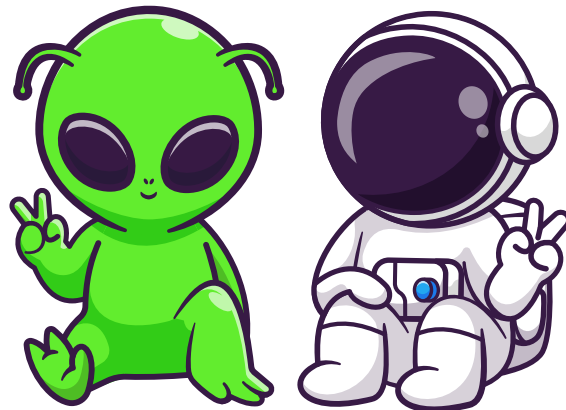
The Astronaut

One day, an astronaut named Clark Kent was on a mission orbiting the moon when he saw a castle. Before he could explore, a UFO started shooting at his ship. After an unsuccessful attempt at communication, Clark offered the aliens a drink and invited them to the castle.

While sharing drinks, they both learned of a hidden treasure inside the castle and decided to work together to find it. While searching, they were able to stay warm because the aliens used their laser guns. The hunt went well until they found a giant alien beetle bug guarding the treasure. Clark and the aliens used a "candle" and a present to capture the beetle. When they found the treasure, it was locked in a chest with a coded combination. They worked together to crack the code and open the chest. The chest was filled with food, gold, money, and "freezies".

They all celebrated and shared the treasure together.

By: Participants from Group 3 at our Dorey Avenue location



2025 SPECIAL OLYMPICS NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL SUMMER GAMES



We'd like to extend our thanks to the DASC athletes who represented Dartmouth at the 2025 Special Olympics Nova Scotia Provincial Summer Games. Your participation and dedication showcased the spirit of our community. Well done to everyone who competed!





Fundraising Goal: \$30,000

Date: Friday, Sept 19th

Walk 'N' Roll: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (annual participant BBQ to follow)

***Rain Plan: 2-hr. Dance-a-Thon inside at DASC**



What is the Walk 'n' Roll-a-thon?

A community fundraiser supporting DASC's programs for adults with intellectual disabilities. Each September, we lace up our sneakers (or roll along in style!) to complete a scenic route through our community, showing our pride for DASC and raising funds for our programs.

How It Works:

1. Get your pledge sheet from DASC.
2. Ask family, friends & community members for donations.
3. Collect pledges at the time they're given.
4. Return completed sheets & donations by September 18th.

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Follow us on Facebook & Instagram for updates leading up to the event!

Where Your Support Goes:

All funds raised support DASC's activities and programs for persons with intellectual disabilities.

Route:

Participants and staff will walk the route starting at 9:30, walking from 59 Dorey Ave., left on Williams Ave., left on Wright Ave., and left on John Savage Dr., returning to 59 Dorey Ave.

