FESTIVAL FOOD EVENTS

FRIDAY

Community Potluck Supper **#19**
New Ross Legion Branch 79,
64 Forties Rd., 4 – 6 pm
Enjoy an eat-in potluck with lots of choices! Donations at the door are welcome. Everyone is welcome back at Legion after the Tree Lighting.

SATURDAY

Firefighters' Breakfast **#10**
New Ross Fire Hall,
4929 Hwy 12, 7 – 10 am
Delicious home-style breakfast to start the festival weekend off right. Bake table.
Adults $10, 5-12 $5, under 5 free.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Forties Community Centre **#22**
1787 Forties Rd. (902) 689-2000
12 – 2 pm & 3 – 4:30 pm both days
Eat in or take-out. Traditional Christmas dinner and dessert. Check FB for menu and updates. Craft Vendors onsite. Adults $18; 5–11 $8; under 5 yrs. $4.

Public Washrooms

#1, # 3, #11 & #16
Across from the school in Lion's Picnic Park, at the New Ross Fairgrounds, in the community parking lot near the Post Office, and at Ross Farm Museum.

Provided for your convenience by the Municipality of Chester and the New Ross Regional Development Society, New Ross Farmers Association and Ross Farm Museum.

33rd NEW ROSS *Christmas* Festival

December 4-6, 2026

Begin your adventure by visiting the
Festival Welcome Post
Ross Farm Museum entrance
4568 Hwy 12
9am - 4pm Saturday
9am - 3pm Sunday



www.newross.ca
New Ross Christmas Festival

Our volunteers have updates and directions for lots of New Ross Christmas family fun

We thank our sponsors

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The *New Ross Regional Development Society* thank our Festival partners who are hosting events.

List of event sites:

1. Ross Farm Museum
2. Bar M Ranch
3. Lions Park
4. New Ross Consolidated School
5. New Ross Family Resource Centre
6. New Ross Diner
7. Scotian Ironworks
8. Home Hardware
9. Sanders Tree Farm Supplies
10. New Ross Volunteer Fire Department
11. New Ross Fair Grounds
12. Foraged Florals
13. Hughes U-Pick
14. Anglican Church
15. Christmas Tree/ Bandstand
16. Community Parking Lot – Post Office
17. All is New Again Frenchy's
18. Ruby's Trail & Twig's Chalet
19. New Ross Legion Branch #79
20. Stephe's Woodburning and Crafts
21. Miniature Country Village and Gift Shop
22. Forties Community Centre

Come see our local display of Holiday Carollers, in various locations.

Thanks for services offered by Nova Scotia Power, Linda Hiltz, Charing Cross Garden Club, and New Ross Volunteer Fire Department.

Raffle tickets for a Holiday Dinner with all the fixings for 4 are available from members at the Festival Info table at the Craft Fair and throughout the festival. Help support our Christmas Festival.

Draw Sunday, Dec 6 at 4 PM.

CHRISTMAS TREES IN NEW ROSS

Saturday & Sunday - Check location for hours of operations.

Bar M Ranch U-Pick **#2**
Glengarry Road
Follow the signs on Glengarry Rd. to our Christmas Tree lot and find the perfect balsam fir tree. Please visit our website for full details: times, prices, offerings, etc. www.barmranch.ca. For info, call (902)-277-1780 Follow us on Facebook.

Hughes U-Pick **#13**
Red Shirt Road (look for our sign off New Russell Rd.)
Bring your family to pick out the perfect tree! Wreaths and brush for sale. Tree baler on site. For info, call (902) 689-2733 or (902) 277-0010. e-mail: admin@gchughes.com. Follow us on Facebook.

RESTAURANTS

New Ross Diner **#6**
4821 Hwy 12
Family restaurant, home cooking. Open for take-out or eat-in. Check our hours and specials on our Facebook page or for info, call (902) 689-2448. Open until 10 PM Friday.

The Hearth Room Café **#1**
Ross Farm Museum, 9 am -3 pm
Come enjoy a meal at the Farm. Home-cooked meals, with special menu items featured. Eat in or take out. Check hours and specials on our Facebook page or call (902) 300-4090.

COMMUNITY TRAILS

Enjoy the natural beauty of our very own community trails. New Ross Trails Society or www.newross.ca.

- Lions Park Trail
- Ruby's Trail
- Larders Lane Trail
- Popner Trail

FRIDAY

Holiday Mini Photo Shoot - Foraged Florals #12

5491 Hwy 12, Friday 2 pm – 4 pm

Celebrate the holidays with a mini photoshoot by portrait photographer MJ Photographics at Foraged Florals. Open to all! By appointment only. https://www.mjphotographics.com. For info/booking scan the QR code.

Christmas Tree Lighting #15

Bandstand at the 'Cross'

Come listen to the music of our LOCAL talent, beginning at 6:30 PM, and stay for the TREE LIGHTING at 7 PM as we celebrate 33 wonderful years. Enjoy the carol singing and Santa's arrival to hear the children's wishes as the elves help Santa hand out his gift bags. NEW ROSS DINER will be serving hot chocolate.

Celebration on the Hill #18

Following Santa's visit, we invite you to journey up Ruby's Trail to Ruby's spot to enjoy music, snacks and warm yourself around the bonfire. Bring a flashlight.

SATURDAY

Festival Craft & Gift Fair #4

New Ross Consolidated School,
4689 Hwy 12, 10 am – 3 pm

Our popular Festival Fair offers an array of crafts and gift items made by talented artisans and crafters. Light lunch and raffle tickets are available here. Free admission. Sponsored by Heritage Canada.

O Christmas Tree Exhibit #1

Ross Farm Museum,
4568 Hwy 12, 10 am – 3 pm

Explore this display of historical photos of all aspects of the Christmas Tree Industry in this area. Host: Marty Murphy.

Food Drive for Food Bank #5

and Community Cupboard 10 am – 12

Stop in and drop off your donations downstairs at the New Ross Family Resource Centre.

New Ross Family Resource Centre #5

4691 Hwy 12, 11 am – 1 pm

Join us for some fun activities! Visit Santa and give him your Christmas wish list. We will have Christmas Crafts for the family, seasonal drinks, and treats! For info, call (902) 689-2414.

Christmas Country Craft Fair #19

New Ross Legion Hall,
64 Forties Rd., 10 am – 3 pm

Come to find a variety of crafts and other goods. Wheelchair access is available via the new lift. Free admission. Canteen available. Info/Booking: (902) 689-2668.

Sanders Tree Farm Supplies #9

4923 Hwy 12, 9 am – 5 pm

Drop by to pick up a homemade Christmas wreath in a variety of sizes, along with many other homemade crafts to choose from. For info, call (902) 689-2938.

Scotian Ironworks #7

4843 Hwy 12, 10 am – 4 pm

Artistic blacksmith Scott Hamlin welcomes visitors to his forge. See Scott's ironwork and custom creations in his gift shop. For info, call (902) 279-1446. www.scotianironworks.com.

Festival Concert #14

Christ Anglican Church,
4 Forties Rd., 7 pm

Come enjoy some seasonal music and celebrate with some of our very talented, local musicians. This is a delightful venue to enjoy music of the season. Sponsored by HERITAGE CANADA. Free admission. Donations are accepted at the door.

Dance #19

With The Crossover Band
New Ross Legion,
64 Forties Rd, 9 pm – 12 am.

Dance the night away with The Crossover Band. Tickets: $10 advance / $15 at door. For info, call (902) 689-2650.

Stephe's Woodburning and Crafts #20

398 Forties Rd., 9 am – 6 pm

Looking for a unique gift? Pre-order your personalized wood-burned gifts! stepheswoodburningandcrafts@gmail.com

NEW!! New Ross Home Hardware Building Centre #8

4484 Highway 12, 8 am – 5 pm

Stop in and make your donation to the Angel tree – select the age of the child and toy wishes, pick up last-minute gifts or other seasonal items, and enter our draw.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Ross Farm Museum #1

THE SOUTH POLE

4568 Hwy 12, 10 am – 4 pm

Experience the magic of Christmas in the Country! Sample traditional treats in Rosebank Cottage, enjoy craft activities throughout the museum site, take part in a fun scavenger hunt, and don't miss the chance to meet Father Christmas, who will be on site both Saturday and Sunday. www.rossfarm.novascotia.ca. For info, call (902) 689-2210.

All Is New Again Frenchy's #17

45 Forties Rd., Saturday, 10 am – 4 pm.
Sunday, 12 – 4 pm

Fine quality women's clothing in a personalized shopping experience. Come pick out that special holiday outfit or gift for a loved one. We also have seasonal décor available. Follow us on Facebook or call (902)-689-2766.

Festival Art Show #1

Ross Farm Museum,
4568 Hwy 12, 10 am – 2 pm

Come view this art show featuring the work of local artists. Bring your holiday gift idea list and pick out something for that special someone. Artwork available for sale.

Christmas Tree Decorating Contest #1

Ross Farm Museum

Come see all the fun and beautiful ways to decorate a tree as our local businesses and organizations get creative! From bobbles and ornaments to pipe and wire. Vote on your favourite and show them some Christmas love.

Twig's Chalet #18

Located on Ruby's Trail - come visit the woodland cottage of #TwigtheElf, caretaker of all the Balsam Fir Christmas trees in Nova Scotia.

NEW!! Miniature Country Village and Gift Shop #21

87 Lake Ramsey Rd., 10 am – 4 pm

Step back in time and explore a charming miniature country village, handcrafted by the late Clayton Lantz. Enjoy a cup of cider and browse our gift shop, full of locally crafted treasures.

Holiday Mini Photo Shoot - Foraged Florals #12

5491 Hwy 12, Sat and Sun 10 am - 4 pm

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SUNDAY

Christmas Wonderland #11

THE NORTH POLE

New Ross Fairgrounds,
5032 Highway 12, 12 pm - 2 pm

The Dining Hall will be transformed into a North Pole experience for kids and their adults. Write and mail your letter to Santa, make a Christmas Tree ornament, take some festive photos at the North Pole photo booth and more! Word has it that there will be some special guests in attendance too.

Ecumenical Church Service #14

Christ Anglican Church,
4 Forties Rd., 11 am

An ecumenical service for all New Ross to celebrate the season. Visitors welcome.

Craft & Gift Market #1

Ross Farm Museum,
4568 Hwy 12, 10 am – 3 pm

Traditional crafts by talented vendors are available here today. www.rossfarm.novascotia.ca For info, email rhea.hamlin@novascotia.ca or call: (902) 689-2210.

New Ross Historical Society #1

Ross Farm Museum, 10 am – 4pm

The Ron T. Barkhouse Research Centre will be open to assist with any questions. Don't forget to pick up 2027 calendars and a Family Tree Craft kit. Great for stocking stuffers.