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#### Welcome to the Town of Gander!

As you will see in the following pages, we are proud of the quality of life we are able to offer our residents and of the services and amenities that help drive our growing economy.

Gander was founded on the development of transatlantic aviation at a time when flying was still widely considered the exclusive domain of daredevils and fools. Undaunted, our founders persevered, building the world's largest airfield and earning an international reputation for excellence and innovation in aerospace and communications.

Since our incorporation as a municipality in 1958, successive Town Councils have worked to maintain our place in the world, seeking out ever new challenges and opportunities. Always, our goal has been to build a stable and prosperous future, not only for ourselves, but for our children and for generations to come.

Since its inception, Gander has had the somewhat rare advantage of thoughtful planning and controlled development, but always with the flexibility to adapt to changing needs or unexpected opportunities. As a result, we have been able to offer residents outstanding value for their level of taxation.

We invite you to take full advantage of life in Gander. Seek out clubs or groups that share your interest in social, cultural or sporting activities, or start a club of your own; explore the natural scenic beauty of Gander and the Kittiwake Coast; volunteer your time and talent to help others in the community or turn your hobby into a lucrative home-based business. You might even consider offering yourself for municipal office.

Gander is your community ... only you can make it your home!

Sincerely, Town of Gander

Percy Farwell Mayor







The main economic industries for the Town of Gander include transportation, communications, public administration and defense. In addition, a large portion of the economy in Gander is driven by the service industry as it is central to a service area consisting of more than 80,000 people in some 130 communities within a 100 km radius. The town is also home to Gander International Airport and 9 Wing CFB Gander.

Tourism is a major industry within the Town of Gander and the central Newfoundland region as a whole. The Town of Gander's Festival of Flight is the largest festival in the central Newfoundland area, taking place during the first week of August each year. The Town actively supports the North Atlantic Aviation Museum and promotes excursions throughout the Kittiwake Coast region. Gander has traditionally been a favorite spot for regional, provincial and national conferences and is comfortable in hosting groups of up to 1000 delegates.

The province of Newfoundland and Labrador has one of the most sophisticated and technologically advanced communications networks in the world. Gander is wired for business in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with 100% digital service and a fully redundant dual fibre-ring network providing both on- and off-island diversity.

Gander offers a host of recreational opportunities both for tourists and residents. The Town supports and operates many parks, hiking trails, playgrounds and recreational programs year-round. Major facilities include a multi-purpose hockey arena, a curling club and an 18-hole golf course that sprawls over a pristine country setting. The nearby Gander River is a world class waterway offering thrilling adventures and superb angling.

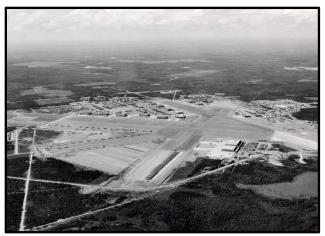
The Town of Gander has a variety of apartments, condominiums, cottages and homes to suit every need including a full range of assisted living accommodations. The Town is also a regional post-secondary training centre with community colleges offering a variety of trades and technology career choices.

Gander is a progressive community with an available and skilled labour force, training institutions ready to respond to the needs of the industry, available land, excellent tax rates, available and affordable housing and a committed Council and community anxious to meet the needs of new business and residential development.



#### A Legacy of Flight

In June of 1936, workers spilled off the train at Milepost 213 on the Newfoundland Railway. Still incredulous at the task they had been assigned, they set about clearing land for what would become the world's largest airport,



boasting one square mile of tarmac. On January 11, 1938, Captain Douglas Fraser flew a single-engine biplane, Fox Moth VO-ADE, to the first landing at the completed 'Newfoundland Airport', now known around the world as Gander International.

With the threat of war in Europe, Gander became a strategic post for the Royal Air Force Ferry Command. Too new to appear on maps, the air base remained shrouded in secrecy as some 20,000 North Americanbuilt fighters and heavy bombers were transported overseas.

As many as 14,000 British, Canadian and American servicemen lived in crowded barracks beside and

between the runways. Essential services were provided from makeshift quarters wherever a niche could be found and the air base soon took on the appearance of a bustling community. After the war, the airport reverted to civilian control and efforts began to move residents a safer distance from the runways. Construction began in the 1950s on the present townsite. The municipality was incorporated in 1958 and the airport settlement was eventually abandoned.

The vast resources of a world at war had conquered the problems of transatlantic flight and Gander stepped back into its original role as a global hub of civil aviation. Throughout the 'Jet Age' of the 50s and 60s, virtually every transatlantic flight required a refueling stop at Gander. The airport terminal became a rest stop for the rich and famous, from the Hollywood who's who to kings and presidents, and 'star-gazing' was a popular local pastime.

While the 'Cold War' drew hard lines between eastern-bloc and western nations, Gander remained a safe haven for all, one of the few places where American spy planes might share the ramp with then-Soviet jetliners. In restaurants and shopping malls, Russian or Cuban voices scarcely raised an eyebrow among residents long accustomed to welcoming the world.

Since its inception, Gander has remained at the forefront of international aviation technology. During the war years, direction-finding equipment helped Allies locate the dreaded battleship Bismarck; in the '70s it hosted the first transatlantic test flights of the SST Concorde; today an airside manufacturer produces bonded-composite components for fixed- and rotarywing aircraft; and the airport itself served as a designated alternate landing site throughout NASA's Space Shuttle Program.



The municipality, too, continues to rise to ever new challenges, diversifying to become the regional service centre for some 80,000 people in more than 130 neighboring communities.



# **ROADS & FERRIES**

Gander is centrally located in the province and has ideal transportation services linking it to the rest of the province and the world.

#### Trans-Canada Highway

The Trans-Canada Highway extends across Canada for 7,821 km (4,860 miles) linked by car ferries between Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and the island of Newfoundland.

The TCH crosses the island portion of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador from Port aux Basques through Gander to St. John's, a distance totaling 910 km (565 miles). Gander is located 575 km from Port aux Basques and 335 km from St. John's.



#### DRL Coachlines Ltd.

DRL Coachlines operates a mass transit bus service for passengers and freight along the Trans Canada Highway, with a terminal located at Gander International Airport. For fares and schedules, call toll free at 1-888-263-1854.

#### Marine Atlantic Ferries

To reach the island of Newfoundland by vehicle, Marine Atlantic's modern car ferries accommodate recreational vehicles all year round from North Sydney, Nova Scotia, to Port aux Basques in southwestern Newfoundland. Throughout the summer, a second ferry sails from North Sydney to Argentia, bringing you within an hour or two of St. John's. Marine Atlantic ferries offer a variety of onboard accommodations and features, including deluxe cabins, dormitory sleepers, full meal and beverage service, live entertainment, movies and children's activity programs. For travel information or to book your Marine Atlantic excursion, contact:



Toll Free: 1-800-341-7981

Email: <a href="mailto:customerrelations@marineatlantic.ca">customerrelations@marineatlantic.ca</a>

Website: www.marineatlantic.ca

Other ferries can take you to many island and remote coastal communities around Newfoundland and Labrador. For travel information see <a href="https://www.tw.gov.nl.ca/FerryServices/index.stm">https://www.tw.gov.nl.ca/FerryServices/index.stm</a>



# GANDER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Gander International Airport welcomes an average of 165,000 passengers a year and has the capabilities and infrastructure to handle the world's largest aircraft, including the Airbus A-380 and Antonov's behemoth An-225.

As the main entry point into North American airspace, the airport and the town also provide essential medical and security services in the event of in-flight emergencies.

The airport provides local residents and communities in Central Newfoundland with scheduled and charter services



for passengers and cargo to major airports, connecting with transcontinental and international routes. It also provides regional/local charter services, other commercial operations, flying training and government civil/military aircraft activities such as search and rescue, fire protection services, etc. In addition, four Fixed Base Operators (FBOs) serve corporate and private aircraft transiting Gander.

The terminal building offers shopping and dining opportunities and a variety of other amenities. Taxi and bus services are available and several car rental agencies operate kiosks in the domestic arrivals area.

#### Contact:

#### **Gander International Airport Authority Inc.**

1000 James Boulevard, P.O. Box 400

Tel: (709) 256-6666 (24 Hours)

(709) 256-6668 (Administration)

Fax: (709) 256-6725

Website: www.ganderairport.com

#### Airlines:

Air Canada Jazz

**EVAS Air** 

Provincial Airlines

**Sunwing Airlines** 

Westjet

#### Parking:

Gander International's parking lots are open air and are security patrolled 24 hours a day by the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires. Short-term (less than two hours) parking rates are \$2 per hour. A minimum purchase of \$1 is required. The meters accept 5 cent, 10 cent, 25 cent and \$1 and \$2 coins.

Parking rates are as follows: Hourly \$2 Daily \$6

Weekly \$35 Monthly \$65

Only those with appropriate license plates or temporary permits are permitted to utilize parking spaces designated for persons with disabilities. Parking regulations governing these spaces are strictly enforced.

The Airport Authority provides 15-minute free parking in the short-term lot. Loading and unloading directly in front of the terminal building is permitted, provided the automobile remains attended throughout.



# 9 WING CFB GANDER

At the onset of World War II, the new airport at Gander hosted one of the first radar units on this side of the Atlantic and quickly became one of the most strategically important sites in the Allied effort. By 1943, Gander was the largest RCAF base worldwide with a population reaching 15,000, including personnel from the RAF, the United States Army Air Force and the Canadian Army.

Gander was chosen as one of the sites for the North American Radar Defence System (NORAD) in early 1952 and 226 Aircraft Warning Squadron began operations in 1954. In 1970, a new communications research facility was opened to house 770 Communications Research Squadron and Canadian Forces Communications Command took control of the station.

In 1977, 103 Rescue Unit was reactivated to meet search and rescue requirements and CFS Gander became an Air Command Unit. By 1984, military strength at Gander stood at 420 personnel, making CFS Gander the largest station in the Canadian Forces. The station was officially upgraded to Base status that year.

CFB 9 Wing Gander was formed in 1993 and is comprised of 103 Rescue Squadron, 9 Air Reserve Flight, 91 Airfield Engineering Flight (AEF) and CFB Gander. The Wing also operates and maintains Canadian Coastal Radar on behalf of NORAD. The CFB

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9 Wing is host to CFB Lietrim Detachment, 9 Wing Telecommunications, 12 Dental Unit Detachment and the CFB 9 Wing Military Police. As the principal military establishment in Newfoundland, the Wing supports Canadian Armed Forces Recruiting Centre Detachment Corner Brook and 41 various Cadet Corps, and maintains armouries at Grand Falls-Windsor, Corner Brook and Stephenville.

Military personnel are an integral part of community life in Gander and 9 Wing frequently hosts events for, or in partnership with, civilian groups and organizations. The base offers a modern and well-equipped recreation centre which includes a full-size gymnasium, 18-metre swimming pool, squash court, cardio room, weight room and sauna. Outside there is a tennis court and softball diamond.

Popular clubs on the base include the Auto Hobby Club, which is available at any time for automotive repairs, and a Sub-Aqua Club, which offers beginner lessons and organized dives.

#### Contact:

#### 9 Wing CFB Gander

P.O. Box 6000, Gander, NL

Canada A1V 1X1

Tel: (709) 256-1703 Fax: (709) 256-1712

Website: www.airforce.forces.gc.ca/9wing



# **MUNICIPAL STRUCTURE**

#### Mayor & Council

The Town Council of Gander consists of seven elected Councillors who are responsible for policy development and general governance of the municipality of Gander. General elections are held on the last Tuesday in September every four years as per the Province's Municipalities Act. The last general election took place on September 26, 2017.

The mayor is elected in a separate election and Council is elected at large with the six individuals receiving the highest number of votes elected to Council. The Deputy Mayor is then chosen by the elected Councillors at the first Council meeting following the general election.

Current Mayor and Council: PERCY FARWELL MAYOR

TARA POLLETT DEPUTY MAYOR
ROBERT ANSTEY COUNCILLOR
BRIAN DOVE COUNCILLOR
GINA BROWN COUNCILLOR
OSWALD FUDGE COUNCILLOR
PAT WOODFORD COUNCILLOR

#### Administration

Decisions of Council are implemented through the Chief Administrative Officer, who coordinates the efforts of management and staff in the following areas -

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER DERM CHAFE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RJ LOCKE, DIRECTOR

ENGINEERING, PLANNING & CONTROLSJAMES BLACKWOOD, DIRECTORFINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIONKELLY HISCOCK, DIRECTORMUNICIPAL WORKS AND SERVICESTONY BARRON, DIRECTOR

PUBLIC SAFETY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES HAROLD LOWE, DIRECTOR/FIRE CHIEF

RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES NICOLE NEWELL, DIRECTOR

#### **TOWN HALL**

100 Elizabeth Drive, Gander NL, Canada A1V 1G7

Tel: 709-651-2930 / Fax: 709-256-5809

Toll Free: 1-877-919-9979

Email: info@gandercanada.com Website: www.gandercanada.com

Emergency Numbers	
Emergency	911
Ambulance	709-651-2111
Medical Emergency/Poison Control	709-256-5552
Hospital Main Line	709-651-2500
Report A Fire	709-256-1111
Fire Hall/Duty Firefighter	709-256-8887
Royal Canadian Mounted Police	709-256-6841
Municipal Enforcement	709-256-4065
Municipal Service Emergency (24 hrs)	709-651-2941





#### **2019 RESIDENTIAL TAX RATES**

#### RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX

7.3 mills of the assessed value of the property. The minimum tax is \$100 per property.

Taxpayers are eligible for the following reduction in their annual residential property taxes provided that the Total Income into the household is less than that shown. Income is deemed to be income from all sources and includes basement apartment rental income, interest income and also includes the income of both spouses:

ANNUAL INCOME	REDUCTION
\$0 - \$18,750	50%
\$18,751 – \$20,500	40%
\$20,501 – \$22,500	20%
\$22,501 – \$25,000	10%

For first time applicants, the reduction will be based on their current year's income. The first-time applicant will complete a form indicating their estimated household income for the current year. They will receive a provisional tax credit based on the estimated income. The property owner will then be responsible for verifying their estimated income with the Town by providing copies of Revenue Canada Assessment Notices for the year in question when it becomes available. After the income is confirmed, the credit amount will be adjusted out of the taxpayer's account.

Applications for these services are available at the Town Hall.

#### **BUSINESS OUT OF RESIDENCE TAX**

- a) Occupancy Permit of \$10.00 at the commencement of the business.
- b) Where the fixed place of business cannot be assessed under the Assessment Act, an Annual Tax Rate \$7.25/\$1000 of gross sales, to a maximum of \$700.00, will be imposed and the tax will be based on the previous year's gross sales. The same minimum tax will be charged as outlined in the Business Tax Rates depending upon classification.
- c) Where there is a fixed place of business that can be assessed under the Assessment Act, the Home Based Business will be taxed at the appropriate Business Tax Rate. The same minimum tax will be charged as outlined in the Business Tax Rates depending upon classification.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS FEES**

For other municipal rates and fees which may apply to you or your lifestyle, see sections on 'Annual Control', 'Building Permit Guidelines' and 'Recreation Fees' in this document, or visit us online at www.gandercanada.com.





Gander has a variety of apartments, condominiums, houses and residential care centres to meet every need.

#### Single Family Detached Housing

Gander offers houses in a range of sizes, prices and locations. Beautiful homes are available in both the older and newer sections of town. General housing information is as follows:

Average lot size:

18.3 x 36.6 m (60 x 120 ft)

Large lot size:

21.4 x 45.8 m (70 x 150 ft)

Small lot size:

15.3 x 30.5 m (50 x 100 ft)

Average home cost, 2019: \$242,000



#### **Real Estate Contacts**

For more information, please call any of Gander's real estate agencies, listed below:

#### **Beaton's Realty/Sutton Group**

Tel: 709-256-7774
Cell: 709-424-4704
Toll Free: 1-866-544-7774

dbeaton@sutton.com www.suttonnl.ca

#### **Property Guys.Com**

Tel: 709-381-8000 Cell: 709-424-0109

amaloney@propertyguys.com

#### **Royal Lepage Property Consultants**

Cell: 709-424-0095

gregnewell@nf.sympatico.ca www.nfldrealestate.com

#### **Royal Lepage-Turner Realty**

Tel: 709-256-7999

miketurner@royallepage.ca www.royallepageturner.com

#### **Homefinders Real Estate**

Tel: 709-651-2929 Cell: 709-424-1197 Toll Free: 1-800-563-3731

> ganderhomes@yahoo.ca www.ganderhomes.com





#### **Residential Apartment Complexes**

**B & B Apartments** 

131 Bennett Drive 709-256-7826

**Edgewood Park Apartments** 

4 Quimby Place 709-651-3447

**Elizabeth Park Apartments** 

185 Elizabeth Drive 709-256-4233

**Gander Apartments** 

181 Elizabeth Drive 709-256-7127 **Park Place** 

1A Bennett Drive 709-256-3690

**Pinetree Apartments** 

129 Bennett Drive 709-256-7826

**Quimby Park Apartments** 

3 Quimby Place 709-256-2185

**Regency Apartments** 

4 Magee Road 709-256-3690

#### **Retirement Apartments**

#### CalHan Retirement Village – three locations

- Gilmore Place
- Kingsford-Smith Place
- Hughes Street 709-256-2759

#### **Evangel Pentecostal Community Church Apartments**

55 Elizabeth Drive 709-256-4762





# **ASSISTED LIVING**

The community has seniors' apartments and assisted living facilities offering a full range of personal care.

#### **Golden Legion Manor**

Golden Legion Manor is comprised of 102 stretcher, wheelchair and special needs accessible units. Four units are designed for wheelchair confined residents. Services offered include Meals-on-Wheels, church, bingo, cards and laundry facilities. The Victorian Order of Nurses provides bedside care to residents living in the Manor.

#### 709-651-2990

#### **Golden Years Estate**

Golden Years Estate is situated on a beautifully landscaped lot that looks across at Cobb's Pond in a quiet, country-like setting on Magee Road. Shopping centers, hospitals, clinics, and recreational facilities are easily accessible.

#### 709-651-7363

#### **Lakeside Homes**

Lakeside Homes is a long-term care facility for 102 residents requiring level II to IV nursing care. Services include nursing, medical, social work, dietary, physiotherapy, recreational and personal care. Pastoral care services and volunteer services are also available. A protective care unit with 26 beds is available for those with Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders. A respite care bed is also available for community use.

#### 709-256-8850

#### **Nightingale Manor**

Located in a residential sub-division between Cooper and Byrd Avenue, this home is licensed for Level I & II care. There are private, semi-private and executive suites. Executive suites have a built-in kitchenette. Private rooms are single rooms with a bathroom but no kitchen, while semi-private rooms have two people in a room. The home includes a chapel, quiet rooms, lounge/TV room, smoke room, beauty salon and sitting rooms.

#### 709-256-3711

#### **Oram's Bethesda Manor**

Located at 2 Briggs Street, this 100 bed personal care home is licensed to accommodate level I, II and enhanced care residents. Opened in 2019, this facility has many amenities including private rooms, movie theatre, hair salon, café, library with computer area and relaxing outdoor spaces with a greenhouse. A fulltime recreation director provides a range of recreational & leisure activities. There is a doctor's office in the building with doctor visits weekly. A nurse, social worker and dietitian from Central Health provide services as required.

#### 709-381-3300

#### **Vanguard Village**

Vanguard Village offers a carefree, chore-free lifestyle for active seniors in a condominium-style townhouse community. Units have private backyards and group social and recreational activities are encouraged.

#### 709-256-3563



# RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS

Building Permits are required for all aspects of construction including new buildings, major renovations, extensions, fences and accessory buildings, but with the exception of painting, landscaping, asphalting and concrete walks.

Application for a Building Permit must be made at the Municipal Works & Services Department at the Town Hall.

Sufficient time should be allotted for processing of Building Permit application and review of submitted drawings – normally 2-3 days.

#### **Building Permit Fees**

\$1.00 for each \$1,000 construction value up to \$20,000; \$2.00 for each \$1,000 construction value for work exceeding \$20,000. Minimum Permit Fee \$10.00. Minimum Permit Fee for Accessory Buildings \$25.00. There is a \$500 refundable fee after verification of grading.

#### Inspections

The Town is responsible for performing inspections at certain critical phases of your construction, addition or renovation. These inspections are mandatory and are essential in ensuring the quality and integrity of the work taking place.



The Town of Gander is committed to working for you to ensure your home is built to the best possible standards and requirements of the National Building Code of Canada. We have a responsibility to ensure that required inspections are completed, however, we will not have an inspector on site at all times.

As a Occupancy Permit cannot be issued until all inspections have been performed and approval granted, it is in your own best interest to reinforce to your contractor the importance of contracting the Town and ensuring these mandatory inspections are carried out in a timely manner. If work proceeds beyond the point where an inspection is required, the Town's inspector(s) may order the uncovering or exposing of some aspects of construction in order to verify compliance to the National Codes.

The results of inspections completed by the Town of Gander are available for examination upon request.

Inspections may be arranged by contacting the Municipal Works and Services Department at 709-651-5915.



# LEGAL/FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### **Solicitors**

**Eastern Hiller Lawrence Innes** 

61 Elizabeth Drive 709-256-4006

info@ganderlawyers.com

**Central Law** 

93 Edinburgh Drive, 1<sup>st</sup> floor 709-256-4500 info@centrallaw.ca **Bonnell Law Office** 

218 Airport Boulevard 709-651-4949

archbonnell@bonnellaw.ca

Rebecca Redmond-MacLean Law Office

60 Dickens Street 709-651-1900

info@rrmacleanlaw.com

#### **Financial Institutions**

**Bank of Montreal** 

265 Airport Boulevard 709-651-4614 www.bmo.com

**Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce** 

230 Airport Boulevard, Fraser Mall 709-651-3940

www.cibc.com

**Newfoundland & Labrador Credit Union** 

6 Roe Avenue 709-256-3537

www.nlcu.com

**Hamilton Sound Credit Union** 

80 Roe Avenue 709-651-0500

www.hamiltonsoundcu.com

**Royal Bank of Canada** 

78 Elizabeth Drive 709-256-1600

www.rbc.com

Scotiabank

49 Roe Avenue 709-256-1500

www.scotiabank.com

**TD Canada Trust** 

92 Elizabeth Drive 709-651-3620

www.td.com



# COMMUNICATIONS & UTILITIES

#### Cable & Satellite

**Bell Aliant** 

185 Airport Boulevard 709-256-5181

#### Land & Cellular Telephone

**Telus Mobility** 

132 Bennett Drive, Gander Mall 709-256-7600

**Central Office Equipment** 

305 Airport Boulevard 709-256-2306

#### Home Heating & Electrical Service

**Esso Home Heating** 

1-800-455-3776

**Irving Oil Limited** 

1-888-310-1924

**Newfoundland Power** 

1-800-663-2802

#### Other

**Canada Post** 

130 Armstrong Boulevard 709-256-6901

**Canadian Broadcasting Corporation** 

132 Bennett Drive, Gander Mall 709-256-4311

Steele Communications/VOCM (650 AM)

105 Roe Avenue 709-651-3650 **Rogers Cable** 

141 Airport Boulevard 709-651-2652

**Bell Aliant** 

185 Airport Boulevard 709-256-5181

**Bell Aliant** 

132 Bennett Drive, Gander Mall 709-651-1009

**North Atlantic Petroleum** 

709-256-5050

**Superior Propane** 

1-877-873-7467

Ultramar Canada Inc.

709-651-2840

The Central Voice (local online newspaper)

709-425-1098

The Telegram (provincial newspaper)

709-364-6300



# **RETAIL SERVICES**

As the commercial hub for a regional population of around 85,000, the Town of Gander offers a full range of retail goods and services, from family-operated corner stores to multi-national franchisers. Gander is home to over 200 dining and retail establishments and nearly 300 additional businesses including a growing number of registered home-based business.

Major auto makers are well represented, as are retail giants like Wal-Mart and Canadian Tire, and boutiques including Northern Reflections, Claire's, Suzy Shier, Pet Valu and many others.



#### **Retail Facts**

- 2019 retail sales in the Town of Gander are estimated to be 2.5 times the national average.
- Over \$1.5 billion is spent annually on retail within our primary trade zone. Sales in Gander alone exceed a half a billion dollars annually.
- 2019 motor vehicle sales/service at \$167 million, supermarket sales at \$71 million and gas stations at \$47 million represent the top three retail expenditures in Gander.
- The Town of Gander has over 200 retail and dining establishments.
- 2019 disposable income per household in Gander is \$88,699.
- There are more than 125 communities within a 100-km radius of Gander, with a combined population of around 85,000 and an available labour force of approximately 38,000.
- The Town of Gander has a population of approximately 13,146, as of 2019.
- Approximately 3,000 people work for Gander's top ten employers.









#### James Paton Memorial Regional Health Centre



James Paton Memorial Regional Health Centre is a regional referral centre with a 106-bed capacity, JPMRHC offers a full spectrum of medical and surgical services with consultants in Emergency Medicine, General Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Pediatrics, Orthopedics, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology, Internal Medicine, Radiology, Pathology, and Anesthesiology. The hospital also hosts visiting specialists in Urology, Rheumatology, Dermatology, Neurology, Interventional Radiology, Nephrology, Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology.

#### **James Paton Memorial Regional Health Centre**

Tel: 709-256-2500

Ambulance: 709-651-2111/911

#### **Gander Medical Clinic**

The Gander Medical Clinic at 177 Elizabeth Drive serves the town and surrounding area. The family of doctors practicing at the clinic provides a professional environment which is attentive to the continuing health of our region.

#### **Gander Medical Clinic**

Tel: 709-256-7101

#### Shoppers Drug Mart Medical Clinic

A private practice located at 143 Bennett Drive offers the services of a General Practitioner who provides the town and surrounding region with excellence and compassion in patient-centered health care.

Dr. M Govender

Tel: 709-651-3326

#### St. Mary's Medical Clinic

Located at 110 Roe Avenue, St. Mary's Medical Clinic offers the professional services of four general practitioners serving Gander and surrounding communities.

#### St. Mary's Medical Clinic

Tel: 709-651-0226



# **HEALTH SERVICES**

#### **Dental Care**

**Gander Family Dental Clinic** 

709-256-3444

**Big Smiles Dental** 

709-256-3889

**Rogers Denture Clinic** 

709-256-7749

**Town Square Family Dental** 

Dr. E. Collins - Eye Surgeon

709-256-7400

Vision Care

**FYI Eye Care Services & Products Inc** 

709-256-2020

709-256-7852

**Town Square Eye Clinic** 

709-651-4222

**Vogue Optical** 709-256-2352

Dr. Thomas Chung - Ophthalmologist and Eye Surgeon

709-256-2182

**Physical Care** 

**Gander Massage Therapy Clinic** 

709-651-3191

**Gander Chiropractic Clinic** 

709-651-4730

Renew Physiotherapy Ltd.

709-651-3722

Lifestyle Physiotherapy Clinic

709-256-4839

**Active Edge Therapy** 

709-651-2520

**Pharmacies** 

**Lawton's Drugs** 

709-256-7550

The Drug Store Pharmacy - Dominion Stores

709-651-4430

**Shoppers Drug Mart** 

709-651-3423

**Wal-Mart Pharmacy** 

709-256-8800

**Gander PharmaChoice** 

709-651-2003

**Veterinary Services** 

**Gander Veterinary Clinic** 

709-256-3891



# **FIRE PROTECTION**

Gander Fire Rescue is a fully equipped modern firefighting and rescue service with a compliment of five full-time, two part-time and 43 volunteer members. The department also monitors many private and government building alarm systems, as well as direct lines to police and ambulance.



Gander Fire Rescue operates its own training school and its training program is recognized by provincial authorities for firefighter certification.

Gander Fire Rescue provides fire inspection services within the community, as well as fire prevention and fire safety education. Gander has been named an NFPA Learn Not to Burn Champion community for its fire safety education efforts.

Due to the high quality of fire and rescue services, training, equipment and other efforts, insurance underwriters have given the Town of Gander the highest rating allowable for a fire department in its category.

#### **Training**

Volunteers must be full-time residents of Gander, a minimum of 18 years of age, have a valid driver's license and vehicle, pass a pre-admission medical, and have a criminal records check completed prior to admission. Once accepted, volunteers are required to attend a minimum number of training periods, which are reviewed quarterly. Regular training is scheduled Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Each member is expected to attend 12 training periods each quarter, or 50% of the scheduled time. As a firefighter gains experience and seniority, this time requirement is lowered.

Firefighters are all First Aid and CPR trained, and most have an opportunity to receive additional training in areas like oxygen therapy, transportation of dangerous goods, specialized driver training and driver's license upgrades. The time commitment over and above the minimums is at the discretion of the Firefighter; however, the benefits of this training can extend into both the personal and employment needs of the Volunteer.

#### To report a fire, call 256-1111, or by calling 911.

For other inquiries, to arrange tours or inspections or to volunteer, contact:

#### **GANDER FIRE RESCUE**

85 Raynham Avenue P.O. Box 84, Gander, NL A1V 1W5 Duty Firefighter: 709-256-8887 Fire Inspector: 709-256-8866





The Gander area has a complement of law enforcement agencies, each responsible for the administration of their particular jurisdiction.

#### Municipal Enforcement Department

The Town of Gander Municipal Enforcement Department has three police officers who enforce all municipal regulations within the Town's boundaries and perform duties that include traffic enforcement, school safety monitoring and protection of homes and businesses, as well as animal control services. Offices are located at the Gander RCMP Detachment at 301 James Boulevard and the officer on duty can be reached at **709-256-4065**.



#### Royal Canadian Mounted Police

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) are represented in the Town of Gander by Gander District Headquarters and the Gander Airport Detachment, which are located at 301 James Boulevard. Gander District Headquarters supervises all RCMP detachments in the Gander area, as well as the RCMP detachments at Lewisporte, Twillingate and Fogo. The Gander Detachment (12 officers and 2 civilians) is mainly responsible for general law enforcement duties in the Gander area. The detachment's jurisdiction includes the Town of Gander and the region west to the Glenwood overpass and east to the Gambo overpass.

Gander District Headquarters also includes a number of specialist units. These include a General Investigation Unit (GIU), Federal Enforcement Section, Drug Section, and the RCMP Communications Centre. In addition, a separate RCMP facility located at Gander International Airport houses a National Security Intelligence Section and a three-man Telecommunications Workshop.

RCMP can be reached at **709-256-6841**, or by calling **911**.

#### Military Police

The CFB 9 Wing Gander Military Police Detachment is responsible for providing police services at 9 Wing Gander and various high-security off-base facilities, as well as for military housing and property located in the Town of Gander. Military Police officers are also called upon to conduct investigations throughout the province on an as-required basis.

The 9 Wing Gander Military Police Department has a strength of 10 police officers and is located in Building 86 at CFB 9 Wing Gander. The 9 Wing MPs can be reached through the main switchboard at **709-256-1703**.



## **ANIMAL CONTROL**

#### License Your Pet

If you live in the Town of Gander and have a dog or cat that's older than four months, you must get a license. Not only is it a Town bylaw, it's also protection for your pet. Animals that get lost and are not wearing a license tag have a much more difficult time being reunited with their owners. The cost of a license is \$30.00 for each animal and is issued for the lifetime of the owner.

#### Pick Up After Your Pet

Let's enjoy our parks and green spaces together! Pick up after your pet — it is civilized and expected of you, and it's required under the Town's bylaws. If your pet defecates on any public or private property other than your own, you shall remove such defecation immediately. This includes Town parks, streets, sidewalks, parking lots, Cobb's Pond Boardwalk and other private and public lands other than your own.

#### Use a Leash

In order to protect both pets and other citizens, you must safely tether, pen or leash your cat or dog at all times.

#### **Enforcement**

Gander's municipal police department provides animal control services through a cost-sharing initiative with the SPCA. Any problem with animals within the municipality is first taken care of by the municipal police; then the SPCA are called in accordingly. In situations of animal abuse, the SPCA is contacted immediately for their advice/approval and/or assistance. The SPCA animal shelter is located on McCurdy Drive, adjacent to the Town's Municipal Works Depot.

**DOG AND CAT LICENSES:** \$30.00 lifetime of owner fees

**REPLACEMENT TAGS:** \$2.00/each

**IMPOUNDING FEES:** \$25 First Offence

\$50 Second Offence within a 12 month period Plus \$5 per day for each day the animal is held

at the Animal Shelter

It is recommended that all pet owners obtain a detailed copy of the Town of Gander's Animal Control Regulations which can be found on the Town's official website at www.gandercanada.com or obtained directly from the Town Hall.

Municipal Enforcement Department: Tel: 709-256-4065

Gander and Area SPCA: Tel: 709-651-3002



## **SNOW CLEARING**

#### Winter Parking

Snow clearing regulations are in effect from each November 1 through the following April 30. During this time, no vehicle shall be parked on any street between midnight and 8 a.m., regardless of weather conditions, nor may any vehicle be parked such as to impede or interfere with snow clearing operations at any time of the day or night, at any time of the year.

Snow clearing regulations include Sections 23-26 of Town of Gander Traffic Regulations, which are available from the Department of Municipal Works and Services at Town Hall, or on the Town's official website at www.gandercanada.com.

#### **Priorities**

The Town of Gander Municipal Works staff will clean snow from town streets under the following priority system:

#### **PRIORITY 1**

Collector Streets – The network of streets that connects various community areas with the commercial areas and with the Provincial road network. They carry medium to large volumes of traffic at medium speeds.

#### **PRIORITY 2**

Local Streets – A local street primarily carries traffic with an origin or destination along its length. It does not carry through traffic other than to immediately adjoining roads. Traffic volumes and traffic speeds are low.

#### **PRIORITY 3**

Parking Lots – Municipal parking lots in commercial areas that are ploughed and maintained by the Town.

#### **PRIORITY 4**

Service Roads that provide access to municipal utilities.

#### **Snow Removal**

When ploughing has been completed after a major snowstorm, it is often necessary to widen the streets by blowing it onto lawns or similar areas. Snow blowing normally begins immediately after all the ploughing has been completed.

Trucking of snow to snow disposal dumps from the streets in the commercial area, from parking lots and from culde-sacs is often necessary. This work normally takes place after all streets have been widened.

#### **Sidewalks**

Sidewalk snow clearing is performed by a small snow blower. Sidewalk maintenance begins immediately after all snow ploughing has been completed. Priority is given to sidewalks near the schools and the commercial areas where pedestrian traffic is highest. When sidewalks become icy, sand is applied to the sidewalk surface.



## **WASTE DISPOSAL**

#### **Curbside Collection**

Household garbage is collected at curbside once each week on the following schedule. If your collection day falls on a holiday, collection normally takes place the day before or the day after. Holiday changes are posted in the local newspaper and on the Town's official website at www.gandercanada.com, or you may call the Municipal Works and Services Department at 651-5915 for details.

MONDAY	Esmonde Place	Baldwin Street	Gander Bay Road	Griffin Place
Bell Place	Garrett Drive	Bishop Street	Gray Avenue	Hornell Street
Blackwood Drive	Gordon Street	Bowes Street	Grieve Crescent	Johnson Street
Boyd Street	Hadfield Street	Brochen Street	Heath Crescent	Kingsford-Smith Pl.
Brock Crescent	Henley Street	Cotton Street	Magee Road	Lee Street
Edinburgh Avenue	Jones Place	Earhart Street	Ogilvie Street	Lewington Place
Elizabeth Drive	Kent Place	Fraser Road	Pattison Place	MacLean Place
Fitzmaurice Road	Marc Garneau Pl.	Grandy Avenue	Robertson Avenue	Mattern Place
Lothian Court	McLeod Place	Hamilton Street	Towers Avenue	McGrath Place
MacKay Street	Mifflin Place	Hawker Crescent	TCH	Melvill Place
Memorial Drive	Mitchell Street	Jackson Place	Viscount Crescent	Morgan Drive
Old Navy Road	Mollison Crescent	Lindbergh Road	Wilcockson Crescent	Payette Street
Peterson Drive	Ratcliffe Place	MacDonald Drive		Penwell Avenue
Pinedo Road	Reichers Place	Medcalf Street	FRIDAY	Raynham Avenue
Read Street	Rickenbacker Road	Nungesser Ave	Binnie Street	Richman Place
	Sacchi Avenue	Sullivan Avenue	Blair Place	Rowsell Boulevard
TUESDAY	Scott Place		Bondar Street	Russell Street
Airport Blvd.	Solberg Crescent	THURSDAY	Cayley Place	Rutan Street
Bannock Street	Williams Place	Alcock Crescent	Cheshire Crescent	Thirsk Place
Barker Place	Wood Crescent	Bachman Place	Cody Place	Tilley Place
Briggs Street	Wright Crescent	Bennett Drive	Collishaw Crescent	Tully Place
Byrd Avenue	Yeager Street	Bristol Place	DeHavilland Place	Vatcher Place
Carling Crescent		<b>Brown Crescent</b>	Forester Street	
Cochran Street	WEDNESDAY	Conrad Place	Gatty Place	
Corrigan Street	Balbo Street	Curtiss Avenue	Gibson Place	

#### **Residential Cleanup**

Certain periods each year are designated Cleanup Weeks for collection of non-household garbage, such as building materials, appliances, tree branches and even automobile wrecks. Dates and guidelines are published in advance in the local newspaper and posted on the Town's official website at www.gandercanada.com.

A community composting site has been established adjacent to the McCurdy Drive Public Works Depot for disposal of grass and leaves. Trees and branches may be dropped at the chipping site beside the Magee Road Treatment Plant.



# WASTE DISPOSAL REGULATIONS

Residents are encouraged to review the following waste disposal restrictions to ensure consistent and efficient curbside collection, and other waste disposal services.

Additional information, including a list of prohibited items and special instructions for storage and transportation of garbage and other refuse, is available in the Town of Gander Garbage and Refuse Regulations, which can be found online at www.gandercanada.com, or by contacting the Municipal Works and Service Department at 651-5915.

#### RESTRICTIONS

- Containers shall not be put out for collection except on the day designated for collection in the area.
- No person or persons shall permit any animal owned by him or under his control to pick over, interfere with, disturb, remove or scatter any material placed out for collection.
- No householder shall put out for collection more than six
   (6) containers or their equivalent for collection by the
   Town on any one collection day.
- No person, other than the employees of the Council authorized for that purpose, shall pick over, remove, disturb or otherwise interfere with any garbage or refuse placed for removal by the Council whether or not it is enclosed in receptacles or containers.



- Garbage containers and bundles shall be placed for collection in front of the premises at the curb or street line no earlier than 6:00 a.m. and no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day designated for collection.
- Containers and bundles should not weigh more than 50 lbs./22.5 kg. All paper, newspaper, magazines, cardboard or cartons not placed in water tight cans or approved polyethylene garbage bags (small plastic supermarket shopping bags, kitchen catchers and cardboard cartons are not considered suitable containers) shall be flattened out and securely tied with strong twine or rope in convenient bundles. A polyethylene garbage bag shall have a material thickness of at least 1 ½ mil, and shall have a minimum size of 26" x 36"/66 cm x 91 cm.
- For more information, call the Public Works Depot at 651-5938 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or the Central Newfoundland Waste Management Authority at 709-653-2900.





The Town of Gander pays by weight for use of the Norris Arm Regional Waste Management Facility and this cost forms a significant portion of municipal taxation. Residents are urged to divert as much waste as possible from curbside, through recycling of containers and paper products, composting of organic waste.

Visit the Broadening Horizons Recycling website at www.ganderrecycling.com for information on materials accepted for recycling or to purchase a backyard composter at a subsidized unit price. Major appliances and other metals will be accepted at Central Metals (1983) Limited, 53 McCurdy Drive, during normal business hours.

#### **Curbside Collection**

Broadening Horizons Recycling provides curbside collection of beverage containers, paper products and cardboard. Collection takes place on the same schedule as household garbage collection. Items must be neatly bundled or placed in a clear plastic bag such that the contents are readily visible. No sorting is necessary; however, beverage containers must be kept separated from paper and cardboard products. There is no limit to the number of recycling bags placed for collection.

#### **BEVERAGE CONTAINERS**

Aluminum Cans: Do Not Crush; Rinse; No Garbage (Straws, Wrappers, Cigarettes, etc.)

Steel Juice Containers: Must Be Whole; Do Not Crush; Rinse; NO FOOD CANS!

Tetra Pak & Gable Cartons: Do Not Crush; Rinse; Remove Straws; NO MILK CARTONS!

Plastic Beverage Containers: Remove Cap; Do Not Crush; Rinse; No Garbage (Straws, Wrappers, Cigarettes, etc.);

NO YOGURT OR ICE CREAM CONTAINERS!

Glass Containers: Must Be Whole; Remove Cap; Rinse; No Garbage (Straws, Wrappers, Cigarettes, etc.)

#### **PAPER PRODUCTS**

All paper must be clean and dry and placed in a clear recycling bag. All paper must be kept separate from beverage containers. Books can be recycled, but hard covers must be removed. Acceptable products include: Newspaper, Glass Paper, White Paper, Magazines, Corrugated Cardboard, Paperboard.

NOTE: Cardboard must be broken down and bundled or placed in a clear bag when taken to the curb.

#### For more information:

Central Newfoundland Waste Management Authority 709-653-2900

**Broadening Horizons Recycling** 300 Garrett Drive 709-256-3526

**Central Metals (1983) Ltd.** 53 McCurdy Drive 709-256-7780





#### Pre-School/Day Care

The community of Gander has a number of day care facilities catering to children ages 2-6 years. All staff have training in Early Childhood Development and are hired on a ratio of 1 worker per 6 children aged 2 years, and 1 worker per 8 children aged 3 to 6 years. Gander has two pre-schools for ages 3 ½ to 5 years. This program focuses on readiness training for Kindergarten. Several Home-Based Businesses (HBBs) offer similar services.

New Fun Land Day Care	100 Roe Avenue	709-651-3737
New Fun Land Day Care	18 Rowsell Boulevard	709-651-7070
Peter Pan Child Care	4 Gray Avenue	709-256-8593
Peter Pan Pre-School & Day Care	9 MacKay Street	709-256-8193

#### Secondary

The Nova Central School District directs three schools in Gander accommodating approximately 2000 students from Kindergarten to Grade 12. The schools offer a variety of programs including French Immersion. Details with respect to program offerings may be acquired directly from the schools:

Gander Academy (K-3)	55 Fraser Road	709-256-8662
Gander Elementary (4-6)	10 Penney Avenue	709-651-7494
St. Paul's Intermediate (7-9)	5 Magee Road	709-256-8404
Gander Collegiate (10-12)	3 Magee Road	709-256-2581
Nova Central School District	203 Elizabeth Drive	709-256-2547





# POST-SECONDARY TRAINING

Gander is a regional post-secondary training centre with several community colleges and private training institutions offering a variety of trades and technology career choices.

#### College of the North Atlantic

The College of the North Atlantic is a large multi-campus provincial college with over 70 full-time and 300 part-time programs and is a member of the Association of Canadian Colleges. The Gander Campus of the College of the North Atlantic offers diploma and certificate programs in:

- Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Technician (2 years)
- Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Technician Advanced Diploma (15 weeks)
- Aircraft Structural Repair Technician (1 year)
- Automotive Service Technician (35 weeks)
- Comprehensive Arts & Science Transition (1 year)
- Engineering Technology First Year (2 semesters)
- Hairstylist (37 weeks)
- Instrumentation and Control Technician (34 weeks)
- Practical Nursing (16 months)

Contact: College of the North Atlantic – Gander Campus

709-651-4800 www.cna.nl.ca

#### **GFT Aerospace College**

The GFT Aerospace College is located at Gander International Airport and specializes in aircraft composite and bonding design, manufacturing and repair. The College provides industry specific training for employees of aviation manufacturing and repair companies, as well as recurrent training to Aircraft Maintenance and Structural Repair Technicians and Engineers. Flight training includes private and commercial pilot license training for fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft with a range of endorsements available. Additional courses range from advanced avionics to wilderness survival training.

Contact: GFT Aerospace College

709-256-7484 www.gft.nf.ca

#### Keyin College – Gander Campus

Keyin College is a private post-secondary college with campuses throughout Eastern Canada. Gander Campus offers a selection of programs focusing primarily on business management and office solutions, including computer networking, hardware and software.

Contact: Keyin College – Gander Campus

709-651-8560 www.keyin.com





# **CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS**

#### Arts and Culture Centre

The Joseph R. Smallwood Arts & Culture Centre is located on Airport Boulevard. It can be utilized as a single facility or combined with the adjoining Steele Community Center for large trade shows or conventions. It features a 407-seat proscenium theatre with orchestra pit and an art gallery which regularly features individual and group exhibits by local and provincial artists.



Housed in the same building is an Olympic-size swimming pool and weight room. An enclosed observation deck/multi-purpose room overlooks the pool. The Gander Sports Hall of Fame connects the Arts & Culture Centre to the Gander Community Centre.

Box Office: 709-256-1081/1082 Pool: 709-256-1062/1063

#### North Atlantic Aviation Museum

Located on the Trans-Canada Highway near the Gander Tourist Chalet, the North Atlantic Aviation Museum has an extensive display focusing on Gander's aviation heritage.

Stroll down memory lane through comprehensive photographic displays and civilian and military artifacts. A fully restored DeHavilland Tiger Moth biplane serves as the Museum's centerpiece.

On the grounds outside, you'll find a number of vintage aircraft, including North America's only intact Lockheed Hudson bomber and various other military and civilian craft.





#### Gander Public and Resource Library

The library is located on Bell Place and houses a wealth of print and electronic literature, reference and educational resource materials, as well as free public Internet access. The Gander location features a range of adaptive technologies for persons with various disabilities, including those with visual or mobility impairments.

The building also hosts the Central Divisional Office of Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries.

709-651-5354





#### Cobb's Pond Rotary Park

Cobb's Pond is a tranquil family park that has much to offer. There are picnic areas, play areas and a 4-5 km



boardwalk with a beautiful nature walk that meanders around the pond through wetlands and a forest composed of birch, aspen, fir and spruce trees. Along the trail there are several observation decks that afford users scenic views of the pond and its wildlife. There are also numerous bird feeders located in trees near the trail allowing users to get an up-close view of the squirrels and various birds that inhabit the pond environment.

Access to the Newfoundland T'Railway can be gained via the Reid Co. Trail that is found approximately 750 metres from the trailhead. The pond is also a popular area for canoeing and is the annual location for the town's Gander Day celebrations.

#### Little Harbour Marina

Located approximately 10 km west of Gander on the north side of Gander Lake, Little Harbour offers miles of fresh water for boating, docks, picnic and barbeque facilities and hiking trails. Since 1961, Little Harbour has been used by many avid boaters and families who enjoy the beauty and tranquility of well sheltered location.

#### Thomas Howe Demonstration Forest

The Thomas Howe Demonstration Forest is an informal, outdoor interpretive site. It is a demonstration area for people to learn about the forest and forest management techniques in Newfoundland and Labrador. The forest consists of 54 km² of land located on Gander International Airport property. Along with picnic and restroom facilities, the demonstration forest boasts a network of three interpretive walking trails.



#### **Private Parks**

Located 28 km east of Gander, Square Pond Park offers 7 serviced and 86 unserviced sites and moonlight walks along the pond.

On Gander Bay Road, just 16 km north of Gander, Jonathan's Pond Park has a campground with 96 sites (19 serviced, 76 unserviced) nestled amidst tall white birch overlooking the tranquil pond.





#### Silent Witnesses & Peacekeepers Park

The Silent Witnesses Memorial is located eastbound on the Trans-Canada Highway approximately four kilometers from Gander. The copper statues of a soldier holding the hands of two children are dedicated to members of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division of the U.S. Army who lost their lives in the 1985 Arrow Air Crash at that site. The memorial is funded by the Newfoundland Masonic Fraternity and their Ladies Auxiliary.

Located near the Silent Witnesses Memorial is the Cross of Sacrifice. Crafted from the remains of the emergency door of the ill-fated DC-8, the cross bears the inscription "Rendezvous With Destiny" – the motto of the 101st Airborne Division. Surrounding the cross are 256 native trees planted in living tribute to each of the crash victims.

The grounds have become known as "Peacekeepers Park" and are maintained by generous donations of visitors to the site. Take time out to visit this tranquil area and experience the peaceful atmosphere.



#### Commonwealth War Graves Commission Cemetery

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission was established to mark and maintain graves the world over of Commonwealth forces who died in the two World Wars. Newfoundland's only Commonwealth War Graves



Cemetery is located 3.5 km east of Gander. It was set up near the airfield for the burials of casualties, mainly airmen who died in crashes in the area during World War II.

The cemetery, which also served the general population during Gander's early years, contains 100 war graves. 94 of these graves are those of airmen, of whom 75 belonged to the Royal Canadian Air Force, 2 to the Royal Air Force, 2 to the Royal Australian Air Force, 5 to the Royal Air Force Ferry Command, 6 to the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, and 4 to the British Overseas Airways Corporation. Of the 6 soldiers buried in the remaining graves, 5 belonged to the Royal Canadian Army and 1 to the British Army.



## **MEMORIAL PARKS**

#### Gander Memorial Heritage Park

Situated on the corner of Airport Boulevard and Lindbergh Road, Gander Heritage Memorial Park serves as a solemn tribute to the men and women who served their country.

Redeveloped in 2015, Gander Heritage Memorial Park features a number of memorials, including the Airmen's Memorial Wall to the 125<sup>th</sup> Newfoundland Squadron of the Royal Air Force and the Winged Victory Memorial.

In a nod to the town's culture of aviation, the walkways replicate the position of the runways at Gander International Airport.

Perhaps the park's most striking feature is the bronze sculpture of Sergeant Gander and his soldier handler.

Sgt. Gander was a Newfoundland dog that belonged to a local family (who knew him as "Pal") and was given as a mascot to members of the Royal Rifles of Canada who were stationed in Gander during the second World War. The Royal Rifles, along with Sgt Gander, were sent to Hong Kong Island in 1941.

Sgt Gander engaged the enemy on three documented occasions on Hong Kong Island in December 1941. As stated in his citation, "Twice, Gander's attacks halted the enemy's advance and protected groups of wounded soldiers. In a final act of bravery, the war dog was killed in action gathering a grenade. Without Gander's intervention many more lives would have been lost in the assault."

Sgt. Gander was awarded the Dickin Medal in 2000 for his bravery. He was the only Canadian dog to be awarded the medal which is the animal equivalent of the Victoria Cross.





# **COMMUNITY CENTRE**

As the town's main recreation facility, the Gander Community Centre has an 85' x 200' ice surface, rubberized walking track, cafeteria, Sports Hall of Fame & Archives, convention facilities and more. This ultra-modern facility has something for everyone, from children, athletes and sports fans to seniors, hosting a range of local, national and international concerts, sporting tournaments, conventions and trade shows.

Located on Airport Boulevard, the Centre is home to the Gander Minor Hockey Association, Silver Jets Figure Skating Club and several recreational hockey leagues and offers various skating sessions for all ages.

The Gander Sports Hall of Fame & Archives is housed in Garrett Hall, which connects the Community Centre to the Gander Arts & Culture Centre. The Hall of Fame showcases pictures, memorabilia, trophies and information that capture Gander's rich sports history. A section of the Hall is dedicated to our own Hall of Famers who have been inducted since the Hall was commissioned in 2000.

#### **Amenities**

- Theatre-style seating for 1100 with wheelchair section
- Ice surface 85' x 200' with Concourse Area
- Walking track 200 metres/600 feet with rubberized surface
- Cafeteria seating 120 people
- 4 Meeting & Seminar Rooms (variable capacity)
- Removable flooring for ice surface
- Elevator to second floor level
- Trade show, exhibition & concert amenities provided
- High speed Internet access available
- Garrett Hall/Gander Sports Hall of Fame & Archives
- Attached Olympic-size swimming pool, observation deck and weight room
- Attached 400-seat proscenium theatre and art gallery
- Adjacent to Gander Curling Club



Administration Office – 709-651-5927 Daily Schedule – 709-651-5946 After Hours – 709-651-5933 Email – recreation@gandercanada.com





# **RECREATION FACILITIES**

#### Playgrounds

The Town of Gander maintains a network of creative playgrounds throughout the community. A large play area at the corner of Memorial Drive and Elizabeth Drive is adjacent to tennis courts, a Splashpad, a skateboard park and the main sports field complex. Other playgrounds are located on Nungesser Avenue, Rickenbacker Road at Gordon Street, Magee Road at Cobb's Pond, Raynham Avenue and Rowsell Boulevard.

#### **Sports Fields**

In addition to the ball fields and two tennis courts located in the field complex (at the corner of Memorial Drive and Elizabeth Drive), a fourth softball diamond is located at the corner of Magee Road on Raynham Avenue. As well, the Town of Gander has two soccer pitches located behind Gander Academy with access to the field and parking area from Sullivan Avenue. These fields are designed to facilitate a number of functions such as local soccer leagues, rugby, touch football and a variety of other community and school-based activities. Basketball courts are located on Airport Boulevard and Markham Place.

#### **Swimming Pools**

A 25-metre Olympic-size indoor heated swimming pool with viewing area is located in the Arts and Culture Centre (709-256-1062/1063). The 9 Wing Recreation Centre features a second indoor heated pool with scheduled aquatic activities (709-256-1703 ext. 1206).

#### 9 Wing/CFB Gander 709-256-1703 ext. 1206

The Canadian Forces Base 9 Wing Gander facilities are located off James Boulevard near Gander International Airport. The Base contains a wide variety of recreational facilities that are accessible to the public including a swimming pool, tennis court, softball pitch, squash courts, gymnasium and weight room.

#### Gander Golf Course and Driving Range 709-256-4653

Overlooking Gander Lake is a scenic 18-hole golf course offering a combination of long, flat fairways and others which are short, steep, and very deceptive. The course is fun and challenging for all caliber golfers. To practice your swing, a driving range is available on the Gander Bay Road. It is approximately 274 m (300yd) in length in a peaceful country setting, allowing you to concentrate and relax.





# RECREATION FACILITIES (CONTINUED)

#### Airport Nordic Ski Club 709-651-2926

Formed in 1975, the Airport Nordic Ski Club is just 2 ½ km west of Gander and maintains 14 km of groomed trails. Members can enjoy free instruction, moonlight skiing and breathtaking views. The Nordic Ski Club has been actively involved with the Jackrabbit Ski Program for children over the past three decades. Snowshoers are also welcome at the local ski club.

#### Gander Rod and Gun Club 709-424-3319

Located 4km east of Gander on the Trans-Canada Highway, on the road to the Silent Witnesses memorial, the Rod and Gun Club provides a place for you to improve your marksmanship.

#### Andy's Alleys 709-651-2695

Located in the centre of town at the corner of Fraser Rd and Airport Blvd, Andy's Alleys is a six-lane, five-pin facility. Glow bowling is available, and the lanes can be rented for private functions.

#### Skateboard Park

For the skateboard enthusiast who likes to grind and ollie, Gander has an outdoor skateboard park. Located next to the ballfields near the corner of Memorial Drive and Elizabeth Drive, this park has state-of-the-art quarter pipes, pyramids, grind rails and more.

#### Gander Curling Club 709-256-7676

The Gander Curling Club is located on Airport Boulevard and has four sheets of ice for the sports-minded curler. A beautiful club, which also has a lounge and dance floor, the Gander Curling Club hosts many bonspiels throughout the curling season





# **RECREATION CONTACTS**

The following is a partial list of contacts for various sports and youth groups active in the Town of Gander. Please note that these contacts are subject to change and that other groups may be active but not listed here. Staff at the Gander Community Centre can usually direct you to the appropriate person or group. Contact the Administration Office at 651-5927, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, for the latest information.

**Group Name** 

288 Royal Canadian Sea Cadets 537 Sqn. Royal Canadian Air Cadets

Airials Gymnastics Airport Nordic Ski Club

Avion Players Amateur Theatre Group

Boys & Girls Club Candy Stripers

CFB 9 Wing Gander Rec Centre

Chikara Judo Club Curling Club

**Gander Dance Studio** 

Girl Guides
Gander Golf Club

Ladies' Basketball League Ladies Recreation Hockey

Ladies Softball Lakers Swim Club

Men's Basketball League Men's Recreation Hockey Men's Rec Hockey (TGIF)

Men's Softball Minor Baseball Minor Hockey Minor Soccer

Philip's School of Tae Kwon Do

Rod & Gun Club Runway Running Club Scouts Canada

Silver Jets Figure Skating Club Snowmobile Association

Special Olympics Sosei Judo Club Tennis Association Contact

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## **Gander Community Centre Rates 2020-2021**

#### **Ice Rental Rates**

#### **Public Rates**

Sunday to Friday	6:30 am – 8:00 am 8:00 am – 6:00 pm 6:00 pm – CLOSE	\$84.25/hr \$143.00/hr \$195.00/hr	
Saturday	All Day	\$143.00/hr	

#### **Gander Minor Hockey & Silver Jets Rates**

Sunday to Friday	6:30 am - 8:00 am	\$84.25/hr	
100000 - 111000 - 101000 - 101	8:00 am - 7:00 pm	\$117.00/hr	
	7:00 pm - CLOSE	\$195.00/hr	
Saturday	6:30 am - 8:00 am	\$84.25/hr	
	8:00 am - CLOSE	\$117.00/hr	

#### **Skating & Shinny Hockey Rates**

Morning Skating	Monday to Friday	9:00 am – 10:00 am	Rates
Afternoon Skating	Monday & Wednesday	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Adults: \$4.00
General Skating	Saturday Sunday	4:00 pm – 5:00 pm 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Students/Seniors: \$3.00
Family Skating	Sunday	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	
Family Skating Pass	Includes 2 Adults & up to 3 Children per pass	Can be used at Morning, afternoon or Family Skating Sessions	\$75.00 per season
Shinny Hockey	Tuesday & Friday	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	\$5.00

<sup>-</sup> Taxes are included in the rates

#### Steele Community Centre Parking Lot Rental Fee \$500/day

#### **Field Rentals**

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Recreation Softball	Adult	\$490/team
	Children	\$8.50/child
Baseball Teams	Adult	\$490/team
	Children	\$8.50/child
Soccer Teams	Adult	\$490/team
	Child	\$8.50/child
Town Field Lighting	Fee	\$30/hour

Tournament Daily Rental Fee

Youth \$100 Adult \$150

#### **Mobile Stage Rental**

Commercial (In Town) \$500/day Non Profit (In Town) Cost Recovery

Other Municipalities \$500/day plus \$100 delivery and pickup

NOTE: HST is to be added for all of the rates charged in this section.

<sup>-</sup> Please call the schedule line at 709-651-5946 for skating/shinny cancellations



# CHARITABLE & COMMUNITY GROUPS

Please note that these contacts are subject to change and that other groups may be active but not listed here.

Group Name	Contact
Al-Anon Family Group	709-256-4188
Alcoholics Anonymous	709-651-2001
Alta Voce Chamber Choir, Leslie Hewlett	709-651-0039
Arthritis Society	709-651-2305
Beta Sigma Phi, Jan Randell	709-651-2424
Canadian Cancer Society	709-256-2115
Canadian Paraplegic Association	709-256-7077
Canadian Parents for French	709-579-1776
Canadian Red Cross, Dave Dillon	709-256-1249
Cara Transition House	709-256-7707
Central Northeast Health Foundation	709-256-5742
Central Chorale Community Choir, Michele Dove	709-256-2608
Chorus Community Choir, Kim Wiseman	709-256-5098
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of Canada, Dion Chard	709-651-3466
Epilepsy Newfoundland & Labrador	http://epilepsynl.com/
Gander & Area Food Bank	709-651-3663
Gander Boys & Girls Club	709-256-7803/5011
Gander Elks Lodge #310	709-256-8112
Gander Goodwill Centre	709-256-8923
Gander Lions Club Senior Citizens Centre	709-651-4744
Gander Rotary Club	mercer.ganderrotary@gmail.com
Gander Seniors Club. Freda Barker	709-256-2877
Gander Shrine Club	709-256-3689
Gander Status of Women Council	709-256-4395
Gander Women's Institute	709-256-2087
Heart & Stroke Foundation	709-651-3777
Kidney Foundation	1-800-563-0626
Kiwanis Club of Gander	ganderkiwanis@canada.com
Knights of Columbus	709-651-3573
Lions Club International	709-651-4744
MADD Gander & Area	709-256-5843
Masonic Lodge	709-256-3689
Newfoundland Telephone Pioneers	709-256-5314
Royal Canadian Legion – Branch #8	709-256-3867
Salvation Army Thrift Store	709-256-7570
SPCA	709-651-3002
Toastmasters Club	709-256-3699



# RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

**All Saints Cemetery** 

Memorial Drive East 709-256-3433

**Crossroads Congregational Christian Church** 

29A Memorial Drive 709-256-7880

**Evangel Pentecostal Church** 

130 Magee Road 709-256-8054

**Fraser Road United Church** 

1 Brochen Street 709-256-3000

**Gander Gospel Hall** 

125 Magee Road 709-422-0107

**Gander International Church** 

121 Airport Boulevard 709-256-2599 **Gander Victory Church** 

271 Magee Road 709-651-4004

Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witnesses

110 Magee Road 709-256-4829

**Salvation Army Gander Corps** 

165 Airport Boulevard 709-256-8474

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

10 Bishop Street 709-256-3151

St. Martin's Anglican Cathedral

2 Lindbergh Road 709-256-3838







Nearly all of Gander's streets are named for famous aviators, from the Wright brothers, Alcock and Brown, Lindbergh and Earhart, to more modern pioneers like Canadian astronauts Marc Garneau, Roberta Bondar and Chris Hadfield.

Gander hosted early experiments in aerial refueling in the late 1930s. The decidedly low-tech system of the day required some brave soul to lean out of the target plane with a large hook and try to snag a fuel line dangling from a tanker flying in close formation overhead.

In the early years of the supersonic transport Concorde, while most nations still refused to allow the futuristic craft into their airspace, Gander successfully lobbied to host cold-weather avionics testing. Two prototypes were based at Gander International two years before Concorde's first commercial flight in 1976.

Gander's municipal water supply is 56 km long and not more than 2.5 km wide at any point, its bottom extending far below sea level. Its odd topography, currents and even tidal action have consistently foiled attempts to accurately determine its maximum depth and its ability to absorb or baffle sonar signals reinforces the longstanding lore of "bottomless" Gander Lake. The maximum depth so far determined is 351 m.



The runways at Gander International Airport routinely handle the world's largest, fastest and heaviest aircraft, up to and including the Antonov An-225.

Due to its strategic location and runway capacity, Gander was a designated alternate landing site for NASA's Space Shuttle, with airport staff on standby for each Shuttle launch during the 30-year program.

Former Cuban President Fidel Castro once tobogganed with local youngsters on the slopes overlooking Gander Lake.

At the time of its completion in 1938, the then 'Newfoundland Airport' was the largest airfield on the planet, with four huge paved runways covering a combined area of one square mile.

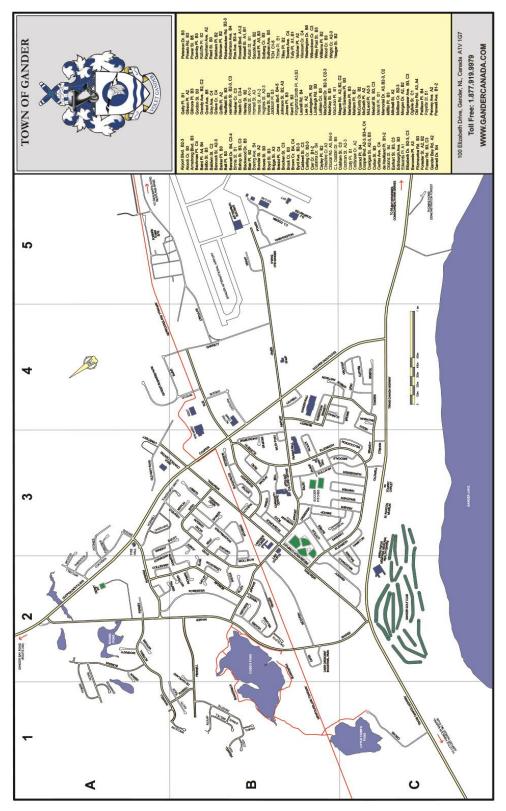
The first refueling vehicle at Gander's airport was a 45-gallon drum lashed to a sled and towed to waiting aircraft by an enthusiastic Newfoundland dog named Pal. Pal later became the mascot of the Royal Rifles of Canada and engaged the enemy during the battle of Hong Kong Island in December 1941.

Air Traffic Controllers at Gander handle all North Atlantic air traffic – an average of 1,000 return flights daily – whether those aircraft land here or not.

North America's only intact Lockheed Hudson Bomber, and one of a handful remaining worldwide, is on permanent public display at the North Atlantic Aviation Museum.

A crater on the surface of Mars has been named for the Town of Gander, in recognition of the airport town's history of pioneering aviation and aerospace technologies. Located south of the red planet's equator in a region known as Hellas Planitia, the Gander crater is 38 kilometres in diameter, roughly the distance from Appleton through Gander to Benton.





# NOTES

