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**Ashley Simms returns to Truro Parks, Recreation and Culture;  
this time in the Assistant Director's Seat**

**Truro** – Doug MacKenzie, long time Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture for the Town of Truro, plans to retire within the year and will be handing the reigns over to Ashley Simms. In the meantime, Ashley has taken on the position of Assistant Director.

“I am confident that Ashley will do an excellent job in this new role,” said MacKenzie. “Ashley is someone who is passionate about our town, our parks and someone who knows the ins and outs of our department from having worked with us before.”

Ashley first joined the staff of the Town of Truro in 2007 as the Community Recreation Coordinator. When she left in September of 2010 to pursue a position as the Athletic Facility Supervisor at the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus Athletic Department, she always imagined that she would one day find herself working with the town again.

“I always loved my work with the recreation department,” said Simms. “At the time, it allowed me to do what I love - educating people on how to live healthy lifestyles - while also creating partnerships with many community organizations inside and outside the recreation world.”

Now that she's back with the town in the role of Assistant Director, Ashley is most looking forward to working with the staff and community to continue growing Truro as a vibrant, active town.

“Seeing all of the exciting things that are happening in Truro right now, it's great to be back!”

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