

Scotian Shores presents:

The Quarterly Report

A look at the numbers

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Summer Numbers

- **342** logged cleanups
- **12** organized group cleanups
- **359,395.47lbs of debris** removed from the shorelines of Nova Scotia this quarter
- **510,373.95lbs** cleaned overall in 2023



Group Cleanups

- **July 8:** Abbots Harbour, Yarmouth County
- **July 15:** Grosses Coques, Digby County
- **July 16:** Gullivers Cove, Digby County
- **July 22:** Camp Cove, Yarmouth County
- **July 30:** East Sandy Cove, Digby County
- **August 4:** Seaward Rd, Port Maitland, Yarmouth County
- **August 5/6:** Baccaro Point, Shelburne County
- **August 13:** The Cape, Shelburne County
- **August 20-25:** The Cape, Shelburne County
- **August 27:** Saulnierville Beach, Digby County
- **September 10:** Lawlor Island, Halifax County
- **September 23:** Meteghan Centre, Digby County

You found...what?!

There are things that you expect to find on the shoreline in terms of common pieces of debris. And then there are things that make you look twice.

- Antique sewing machine
- Mouse pad
- Water cooler (more than one!)
- 1968 bonhomme du carnaval ornament
- Explosives
- Booster seat
- Snowshoe

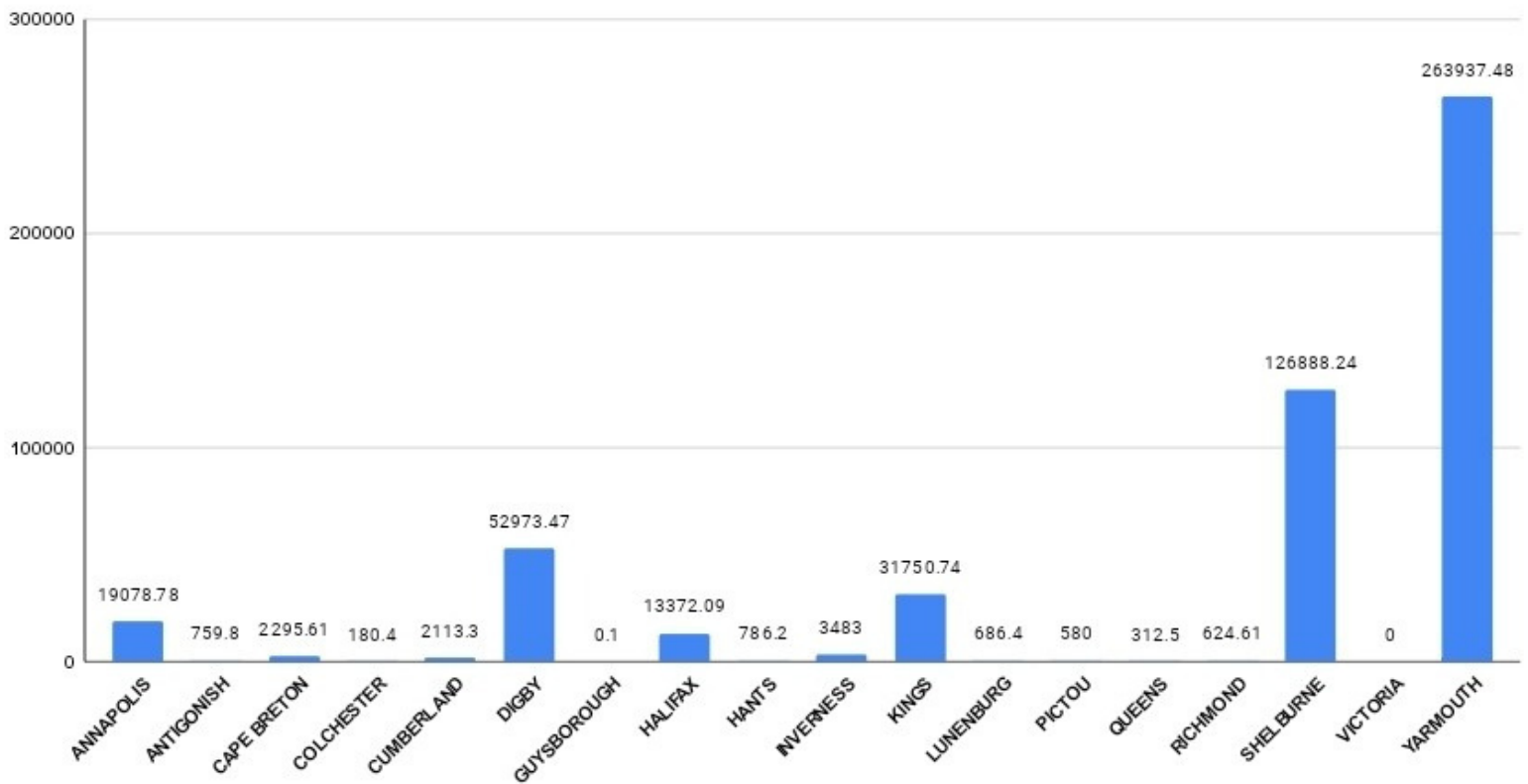


Special Shout-out to: Coastal Restoration Society

During the Spring and Summer, the Coastal Restoration Society took on the challenge of cleaning the shorelines in Yarmouth and Digby counties. Not only did they remove over 221 000lbs of debris, but they also tackled some areas, like the Tusket Islands that have been hard for us to get to. We are so grateful that they received funding through the Ghost Gear Fund this year and were able to help us make an incredible difference on the Nova Scotian shorelines. They also helped us do something that many said was impossible-- cleaning the debris around the lighthouse on the Cape. They showed us that with a lot of hard work, and sometimes, a helicopter, it's entirely possible.

Summer Highlights

2023 Clean Up Totals: Weight in Pounds



The areas that have had the most removed are mostly on the Bay of Fundy. Halifax is the exception to this.

Scotian Shores Takes on The Cape

In 2022, we removed over 76000lbs from The Cape. Our time during the Summer of 2023 on the Cape was a bit different. We prepared over 265 super sacks for removal via helicopter. Plus, another 444 lobster traps have been lashed together to also be removed.

We didn't just prep stuff for removal-- we also did remove some things! And finally, on September 21st and 22nd, the helicopter came! Over those two days, all of the super sacks plus over 300 of the traps we prepared were removed! In the end, we ran out of time with the helicopter to remove all of our prepared bundles.

There's still work to be done on the Cape, but we have made incredible progress.

