

Gloucester Timeline



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In the World

- 1927/05/20 to 1927/05/21 – **Charles Lindbergh** makes first solo non-stop Trans-Atlantic flight.
- 1929/10/28 – **Stock Market crash** starts the Great Depression.
- 1933/01/30 – **Adolf Hitler** appointed Chancellor of Germany.
- 1936/12/10 – **King Edward VIII abdicates**, with brother Albert becoming King George VI.
- 1939/09/01 – **World War II begins**.
- 1940/07/10 to 1940/10/31 – **Battle of Britain**.
- 1944/06/06 – **D Day** invasion of Normandy, France.
- 1945/08/06 – **Nuclear Bomb** dropped on Hiroshima, Japan.
- 1945/09/02 – **World War II ends** with Japan surrender.
- 1949/10/01 – **People’s Republic of China** established following the Communist Revolution.

In Canada

- 1927/07/01 – **First national radio broadcast** during **Canada’s Diamond Jubilee** celebrations.
- 1927 – **Prohibition ends** in Ontario with enactment of the Liquor Control Act and the opening of the first LCBO stores.
- 1929/10/18 – **Persons Trial** at Canada’s Court of Appeal gives women full ‘persons’ status and allows women appointment to the Senate.
- 1931 – **Statute of Westminster** gives Canada full control over foreign policy.
- 1935/03 – **Bank of Canada** founded.
- 1935/06/03 to 1935/07/01 – **On-to-Ottawa Trek** of unemployed men ends with a riot in Regina, Saskatchewan.
- 1936 – Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (**CBC**) established.
- 1939/09/10 – Canada declares war on Germany and enters **World War II**.
- 1940/06 – National Resources Mobilization Act introduces **Conscription**.
- 1947/01/01 – Canadian Citizenship Act establishes **Canadian Citizenship**.
- 1949/03/31 – **Newfoundland & Labrador** enter Confederation.

In Ottawa

- 1927 – **Federal District Commission** created.
- 1927/04/13 – **Ottawa Senators** win the Stanley Cup for the final time.
- 1927/07/01 – **Peace Tower** officially opened as part of Canada’s Diamond Jubilee.
- 1928/04/14 – The **Russell House Hotel** on Sparks Street burns after closing in 1925 on the future site of **Confederation Square**.
- 1931/03/31 – **Ottawa City Hall** burns, now the site of the National Arts Centre.
- 1937/10/01 – **CBO Radio** (formerly CRCO) begins broadcasting as a CBC station. Broadcasting increased from 6 hours to 16 hours per day.
- 1939/05/21- The **National War Memorial** is officially unveiled by King George VI.
- 1942/09/21 – **Carleton College** opens in Glebe Collegiate building.
- 1948/02/06 – Ottawa’s **Barbara Ann Scott** wins the gold medal in Ladies’ Figure Skating at the St. Moritz Winter Olympics.
- 1949/04/29 – The **National Capital Plan** (Gréber Plan) is released.

In Gloucester

- 1926/02/22 – **Rockcliffe Park** is incorporated as a village.
- 1927/07/02 – **Charles Lindbergh** flies to Gloucester near the Ottawa Hunt & Golf Club as part of Canada’s Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Fellow airman **Thad Johnson** is killed following a mid-air collision.
- 1938/08/20 – **Uplands Airport** officially opens.
- 1939/07/28 – Canadian National Railway abandons **L’Orignal subdivision** between Hurdman’s Bridge and Hawkesbury via Orléans.
- 1939/08/24 – **Reeve John Innes** dies in office. Innes Road is named for his family.
- 1940/08/05 – **British Commonwealth Air Training Plan** commences operations at **Uplands Airport**.
- 1941/07/16 – Technicolor movie ‘**Captain of the Clouds**’ starring James Cagney begins filming at Uplands Airport
- 1942/02/02 – **Mer Bleue** sold to federal government for bomb testing.
- 1943 – **Proving Grounds** established adjacent to Blackburn.
- 1943 – **Gloucester Fire Department** established as a volunteer service.
- 1947/10/01 – **Expropriation Notices** served to Rideau River east shoreline residents from Mooney’s Bay to Rideau Falls.



Charles Lindbergh at Uplands on July 2, 1927



Gloucester Fire Truck at Billings Bridge station



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