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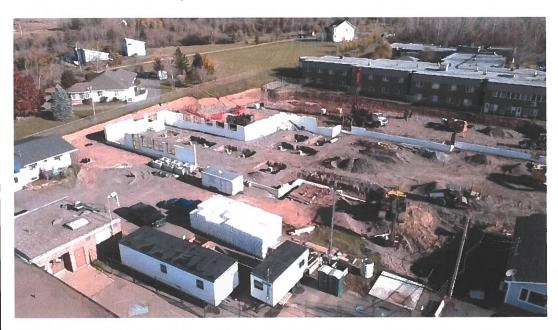
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New Pugwash Hospital Taking Shape



Residents of Pugwash along with hospital staff, physicians and patients were happy to see construction of the new hospital get underway this summer. The site of the new health care facility, located behind North Cumberland Memorial Hospital, is now an active construction site with installation of underground services, construction of the building foundation and facility walls, installation of the sprinkler tanks and paving the new parking area.

Construction is expected to be complete by late next year. Patients and visitors are reminded to exercise caution while on the hospital site during construction.

Everyone can follow progress of the construction this winter by checking out the North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Facebook page for photos and video

Eileen MacIsaac, NS Communications

Santa Alert!

Look out for a rare sighting of Santa Claus on Friday, December 3rd

Santa has been hard to find in public this year, but we have good information that he will touring around the Village of Pugwash between 1pm and 2pm on Friday. Look out for Santa and give him a big wave as he goes by and he will wave back.

How will you know where he is? Well, we hear he will be driving in a big red shiny truck. One that looks just like a fire truck! You might hear him coming by the sound of the air horn or the truck's sound system.

Santa won't be getting out of the truck, so you will have to just wave at him this year. You can tell him what you would like for Christmas by mail. Details on page 4.

North Cumberland Community Health Foundation (NCCHF)

The NCCHF is excitedly watching the construction progress of our long awaited and badly needed new health care facility. Having a modern, safe, efficient to run, building with our primary health care and community medical services under one roof has been a long time coming, and we believe will have positive outcomes for recruiting health care professionals to our thriving rural area.

NCCHF has funded many thousands of dollars worth of needed medical equipment for the hospital and palliative care service as well as yearly contribution to Cumberland Health Care Bursary program.

This past June we were again able to hold our major annual fundraiser Northumberland Links Golf Scramble (cancelled in 2020) raising approximately \$9,500 - and totalling over \$160,000 since it began. Huge thanks go to Northumberland Links Golf Club for donating the use of the course, and our many generous and loyal donors and supporters. All money we raise supports local health care.

At our quarterly meeting in September we approved the purchase of replacing the current aging EKG machine at approximately \$20,000. All donations are greatly appreciated via: Memorial donations through all local funeral homes, at NCMH reception desk, to our address at PO Box 175, Pugwash or by etransfer to: ncchf2020@gmail.com.

Please send any related info or questions directly to econrad@seaside.ns.ca

Beryl MacLean



Happy Holidays from the Pugwash Market Membership and Board of Directors.

The Pugwash Market has had a very busy season with an average of 800 visitors every Saturday morning throughout our tourist season. With all covid protocols in place we were again able to count the numbers coming in and have an idea of how many people we draw into the Village.

We are working on some big projects this year that have been in the development stage and are finally coming to fruition. The big one is the Solar Market Project. We are excited to share that we will be installing solar panels on the south facing roof of the market building that will net-zero our markets electric use and also eliminate the power bill for the neighboring Pugwash Library building. We have hired Patrick McKinnon with Northum-

Market Projects Moving Forward

berland Solar who has generously donated a large amount of labour to have this project go forward. The Market is also thinking accessibility and has contracted Mike Cunningham to bring in and compact crushed gravel so that it is much easier for our customers and vendors coming through with mobility issues.

The Market has also been working with Rising Tide Creative on a Digital NS grant to re-brand and develop our website and online presence. In the spring you will see some new signage popping up to direct customers the Market.

It was a great 2021 season and we are already in the planning stages for our next great season!

Have a cozy winter everyone! Take care and stay well.

Jennifer Houghtaling

Marilyn & Friends Feral/ Stray Cat Spay and Neuter Program

With the on-line auctions, donations of refundables, donations as memorials, collection jars, and personal and group donations, the spay and neuter program is still going strong averaging about 30 or more cats every three months. About 30 kittens found homes this summer after being fostered and socialized. Many adult cats were also homed after being vetted.

We always need more foster homes, especially homes with no other pets. Food and litter are supplied. If anyone might be interested in fostering, please call me at 902-694-0089. Sincere appreciation is extended to Northumberland Vets who truly go above and beyond to support the program in so many ways. A heartfelt thanks goes out to every single person or group supporting Marilyn & Friends in any and every way. Have a wonderful Christmas and all the very best in 2022.

Marilyn Williams



Merry Christmas from your Municipal Councillor!

It has been quite the year and I have been very busy learning the difference between self-employment and being an elected official and trying to juggle all the spinning plates of those two worlds colliding.

My motivation comes from my community and how passionate people are who want to see Pugwash and area thrive and I believe it certainly has been thriving this year even through all the extra layer of covid protocols and news stories that have broken hearts and divided friends, we are a strong community supporting each other in every way we can come up with.

As always, I am very interested in different perspectives and invite anyone curious to reach out to me if you are interested in what the Municipality does (or doesn't do!) and would like to share your ideas. I can be reached at 902-297-1298 or jhoughtaling@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca

Jennifer Houghtaling

Message from your MLA

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone with extra wishes for a Happy New Year!

The past year has not been easy on any of us as we work through what the reality of COVID-19 means to us and our community. One thing I do know is that there's no place like Cumberland County to call home.

This fall was my first time sitting as an Independent MLA in the House of Assembly! I was able to bring forward serious issues facing our area like the need for funding for the Chignecto Isthmus, the ability to travel across the border for medical appointments, improving Adult Protection, prenatal education and programs, services for veterans and brought up the need for a cancer clinic in the Cumberland Regional Health Centre, and best of all, I have news of a Christmas present for everyone here: the Cobequid Pass tolls will be gone by Christmas!

Because I believe so much in our communities and the people living here, I want to shine a light on behalf of all of you, so please don't ever hesitate to reach out. I am your elected member of the NS Legislature, and your issues are my concern. I hope the holiday season finds you and your families well and I look forward to working together in the new year!

Elizabeth Smith-McCossin

Festival of Light 2021 - Light Up the Night!



We're delighted that National Communities in Bloom recognized Pugwash for two Outstanding Achievement Awards: Youth Involvement and Heritage Con-

servation! Judged by two different national committees, the awards recognize the significance of community involvement in the Pugwash Outdoor Art Gallery which will see the addition of five new installations this month.

The new art pieces are Sailor's Delight, an acrylic/oil painting by Daniel Peck, located No need to register but let us know if: at the Thomas More Catholic Hall on Black St.; Three Cat Town, fibre art quilt but Kelly Burgess, located at Sheryl's Bakery on Durham St.; Spring Setting Day, digital photograph by Shaun Whalen, located at the Thinkers Lodge property, Water St.; Belted Kingfisher, watercolour by Brent Cottrill, located at Pugwash Ground Search & Rescue on King St.; The Mechanic, acrylic painting by Louise Clouti-

er, located at Langille's Garage on Durham St., in memory of Charles Langille. This community heritage project will have 16 installations with the addition of these new pieces by local artists of all ages.

Festival of Light 2021-Light up the Night! CIB Winterscape volunteers have been busy putting up lights, wreaths, and seasonal greenery in the Village planters. Join us in this season of restrictions and cancellations in celebrating the season while keeping safe in our own community. We invite everyone to participate. Decorate the exterior of your home/ business/ property with lights, installations and decorations.

- You have a favorite decorated house/business
- You see someone who has made a special effort
- You live off the beaten track and don't want to be missed

CIB judges will view the Village core and area (South Pugwash, West Pugwash, and Gulf Shore) in the evenings of December 12-18 looking for displays that bring a smile to their faces and put a jingle in their hearts. Winners and honourable mentions will be announced December 20th on Pugwash Communities in Bloom Facebook page. Prizes will be awarded. Contact Susan Webster, 902-297-6671, suguy48@gmail.com or Norene Smiley, 902-297-8475, norene48@gmail.com.

CIB continues to appreciate the support to grow the Pugwash community together including sponsors, donors, businesses and organizations. This year more than 140 people generously contributed to our successful fundraising efforts. In particular we're grateful to Inn the Elms for sponsoring two fundraising dinners. Contact Mary Maron 902-257-2468, marymaron@hotmail.com to reserve for the November 30th Elms dinner.

2022 has been proclaimed nationally and by the Municipality as Year of the Garden. Keep watch for surprises!

Maureen Leahey

Donation Acknowledgment

Many thanks to the estate of Jessie Reid for a donation towards the playground project in Eaton Park.

A new belt swing seat has replaced a bucket seat, with more new items to come.

Free Wi-Fi

The Village offers free Wi-Fi access at: Village Hall PugwashFreeWIFI Password; none Old CN Train Station Bell Aliant 7625

Password: 9022432544

Registered Charity Status

As a registered charity, the Village of Pugwash can now issue tax receipts for donations received.

A list of memorials given will be displayed on a plaque at the Village Hall.

Pugwash Volunteer Fire Department Toonie Draw

The Pugwash Fire Department's 50/50 Toonie continues through the pandemic.

The number of drop boxes has changed over the last few months, here is the up to date list: Sunrise Country Market Port Howe, Langille's Automotive, Scotia Bank, O'Brien's Pharmacy, Pugwash Kwik Way, Langille's Esso, Sheryl's Bakery & Café, The Lantern Restaurant, Crossroads, and the Sunset Community (for employees only).

Our website is getting plenty of hits, players are checking the status of their number(s) and when they are about to run out. The website also shows our weekly winners and an up to date list of rules. Please check out our site at pugwashfire.tooniedraw.ca

The home page on the website shows when it was last updated, which is normally done after the Wednesday night draw, so if you have paid during the week for future weeks, it won't show up until after the draw.

You can still contact us at pugwashfiretoonie2016@gmail.com and we will get back to you in 24-36 hours if you have any questions, or call 902 243 2600 and leave us a message. We are encouraging our registered players to pre-pay in advance by placing bills or cheques in the drop boxes. Remember to tell us your number by applying a yellow sticker.

The draw takes place every Wednesday evening shortly after 6pm. Members of the public will be welcome to come along to the Fire

Station to witness the draw after the pandemic. Today we are recording each draw on a 30 second movie, if anyone would like to see it we can provide a copy.



The weekly drawn number is also published on our Facebook page at Pugwash Fire Department Toonie Draw and on our website.

The Pugwash Fire Department would like to thank everyone for their support with this fundraising initiative and wish you good luck in the weekly draws. Andy Yarrow



. Christmas-by-the-Sea 2021



Friday & Saturday, December 3rd & 4th

Due to government restrictions and concerns for public safety, this annual event is greatly reduced in scale this year. There are some stores that will have special draws or sales as they feel appropriate. Please remember to wear your face mask when out and about and in any crowds that don't allow for social distancing of 2m (6'). If you have any COVID-19 symptoms, stay at home and avoid close contact with others in your home if you can.



We all look forward to a happy and healthy 2022



Declared Christmas-by-the-Sea participants.

Due to the rapid changes in current pandemic conditions, events may be cancelled at any time.

- * Basic Spirit Fine Craft Gallery - Holiday sale and Christmas treats
- * Community Tree lighting 7pm * Northumberland Vets - draw for customers and Dec. 4th appointments

* Pugwash Home Hardware flyer specials. Open 8am-5pm

* Pugwash Legion - Sunset Bazaar

- * Rebecca Silver Spray craft & baked goods. From 10am Friday & Saturday
- * SeaShell Apparel and Gifts -Two draws, 25% Christmas wear clothing specials, treats for kid-
- * The MacFarlane Lantern complimentary coffee & cookies

Merry Christmas and Seasons Greetings from the Village Commission and staff

Christmas Church Services

Wesley St Matthews United Church -9pm Christmas Eve. Time to be confirmed. All welcome.

46th ecumenical Christmas Eve Service in Wallace. A previously recorded service will be live streamed 7pm Christmas Eve.

More information to follow on social media and posters.



Cumberland **Parade of Lights**

Go to the Municipality of Cumberland County website to register your lights as a destination in the county for all to see or to find a map directing you to locations around the county for all kinds of displays.

At the time of going to print, the 2021 event is to be confirmed.

Snowshoe Loan

Snowshoes and poles, donated by the community health board, are free to borrow. They are available from the Village Hall. Please call ahead to arrange with the Clerk for pick up/ returns.

Community Christmas Tree

! With help from Communities in Bloom, this spring the Village planted a blue spruce that will eventually grow big enough to serve as the community Christmas tree. Meanwhile, we still need a nice big tree. Thanks to Thornton Moore for his donations of the community and East Cumberland Lodge trees.

Thanks to Commissioner Mundle for ! digging the hole for the tree and getting it up in place. Village staff will decorate the tree which will be officially lit at 7pm December 3rd the traditional lighting up time iduring Christmas-by-the-sea.

Hey kids! Did You Send Your Letter to Santa Yet?

i It's not too late. Be sure to include iyour home address and send your letter to:



Santa Claus. North Pole. Canada. нон оно and he will write back!

Santa loves to hear about children's favourite jokes, hobbies and school activities. Letters are free - no stamps required. And Santa can reply in 30 different languages! Hurry up and get your letter sent by December 12th to get to Santa in time for Christmas.

Community Pride in Action Award Recipients for 2021

Pugwash Communities in Bloom wishes to acknowledge Diane Burnham, Pugwash HarbourFest Homecoming Presents, the Pugwash Volunteer Fire Department and the Lobster Buoy Christmas Tree Makers as recipients of our Community Pride in Action Award for 2021.

These individuals have enriched our village through their community service and generosity of spirit by setting fine examples of what it takes to grow a village of positive, energetic people who care about each other and the future. This year's recipients all have a strong love for community, are willing to work hard to make their visions a reality, even while we were still struggling with the Covid-19 safety restrictions. They found ways to instil hope and bring joy when we needed it, continue to make sure the community is a safe place to live and use their imaginations to plan for the future.

Diane Burnham - Community Energizer - in recognition of her work with the Northumberland Tennis and Pickleball Association (NTPA).

Pugwash HarbourFest Homecoming Presents Volunteers - Community Boosters - with Village and Municipal assistance, installed and made repairs to the docks at Dinghy Beach. Presented on the Harbourfront Centre Stage: the North Barn Theatre puppet show, and music concerts featured The Ellis Brothers, Derailed and Miles Goodwin.

Pugwash Communities in Bloom presents The Community Pride in Action Recognition Program 2021 Recipients Diane Burham Pugwash Volunteer Department munity Protectors "hrst responders to community safety" Pugwash HarbourFest Lobster Buoy Homecoming **Christmas Tree Presents** Makers

Pugwash Volunteer Fire Department - Community Protectors - not only by responding to fire-related calls but to medical emergencies and working to make Pugwash a safe community.

Lobster Buoy Christmas Tree Makers - Community Highlights Those involved included staff from Chase's Lobster, the Pugwash
Harbour Authority, the Brickyard Marina, the Bill Mundle Marina
working in a time of darkness and insecurity,

Norene Smiley

North Cumberland Historical Society

With growing interest in our archives, we have been lucky to increase our volunteer numbers and are currently reorganizing our facilities to incorporate the new and exciting material that continues to come in to the historical society. We have received boxes of photographs and new scrapbooks. A new filing cabinet and bookcases were recently donated, which will help keep all this wonderful information organized.

We have been organizing our maps and made many exciting discoveries as a result. For example, we found a plot map for the Willow Grove Cemetery which is today known as Palmerston Cemetery. Through this we have traced the grave sites of a lot of our early citizens. A list can be found in our website at https://ncumbhistorical.wixsite.com/genealogyhistory

We are once again open for business on Fridays from 1 to 4pm. If you need a file, an appointment helps us get ready for you. Most of our inquiries are to do with specific family information.

We are still the best deal in town with research fees frozen at \$2.00. If you get a membership for \$10.00, all research costs are waived. Donations are gratefully accepted - both of information or money!

Dianne Elliott



West Pugwash Women's Institute of Nova Scotia

We are a local branch of an international non profit organization for rural women who wish to make a difference in their community and meet new people. We meet once a month for a couple hours for social interaction and to address community needs in our area. If you are interested please come and join us for a meeting as our guest. We currently meet on the second Tuesday of every month at the Pugwash Legion at 1:30pm.

As with many organizations, Covid restrictions have affected our ability to meet as often as we would have liked this year but we were able to do some fund raising over the summer. We had our annual garage sale, a fudge sale as well as an on-line auction. The group managed to meet and hold a Fancy Hat Tea in the park last summer. We will be doing another on line auction in the New Year so please watch for it.

We hope to be back to our regular routine starting in the New Year and look forward to seeing you there.

<u>Contact Information</u> Susan Duncan (President) 902-243-2595 Judy Turple (vice President) 902-243-2231

Sue Duncan

Camp Pagweak

Camp Pagweak is now in hibernation after a really busy and successful summer. But that doesn't mean that Camp Council is hibernating as well. Not so. Camp Council continues to meet monthly to plan 2022!

Over the next few months the 'Lodge' will be going through a bit of a transformation so that we can move forward with some winter rentals and winter camping! This will allow guest groups (up to 28) to come to camp in May, June, Sept, Oct and November and maybe even December and do everything one needs to do inside the main building - especially on cold mornings and evenings, but during the brighter and warmer parts of the day get outside and enjoy the camp property. This will be a great opportunity for groups like Ladies and Men's Retreats, University Groups, Youth groups, etc.

These additional beds will provide additional sleeping areas in the summer for staff and so that we can use the cabins for more campers. We will also be planning events for school groups in June.

Staffing starts again in January so keep checking the web page for more info – www.pagweak.org. This is also a great opportunity to apply to be a volunteer.

Ruth Rushton



The Friends of the Pugwash Estuary Bird Count is planned again for Dec 28th. (FOPE) is very pleased to report that Anyone interested in taking part or rethere is a new steel roof on Estuary porting feeder observations should con-House. Many thanks to Kyle Laird for his tact Betty Hodgson at 902 243 2476 or diligent work in getting the job done and ejhodgsonca@yahoo.com. under budget; and to Mary Purdy for overseeing the project. A big thank you to We continue our association with other everyone in the Pugwash community who environmental groups and associations contributed to the fund-raising campaign such as Nature Nova Scotia and Nature to pay for the new roof. FOPE is planning Conservancy of Canada to monitor and an informal open house or levy for New contribute to issues and legislation con-Year's Day to show off our new roof to cerning the environment. FOPE is supthe community. Details will be posted as porting the Pugwash Yacht Club by identisoon as we have them finalized.

The Fall Migratory Bird Count was held on mental effects of proposed dredging. September 25th. Nearly 800 birds from 50 different species were identified. Of note. however, were the small numbers of Can- As 2021 winds down and we look ahead ada geese observed and the smaller than normal number of Great Blue Heron. The unusually warm weather may have contributed to altered migration patterns. This underscores the importance of repeated bird counts to monitor changes in bird numbers and patterns. The Christmas

FOPE Busy through 2021 Season

fying potential environmental offsets that they could use to balance the environ-

to our Annual General Meeting at the end of February, FOPE would like to encourage anyone with an interest in the environment, education, hiking or paddling to consider joining FOPE as a volunteer.

Betty Hodgson

The Landscape of Grand Pré World Heritage Site Heritage Day, February 14th, 2022

To mark the 10th anniversary of the Landscape of Grand Pré becoming a UNESCO World Heritage site, we will celebrate the rich heritage of this landscape which features an exceptional traditional agricultural settlement still in use today and an iconic place of memory for the Acadian diaspora.

heritageday.novascotia.ca



It has been a busy few months for Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue responding to 3 callouts in Cumberland County and 2 requests for mutual aid outside our region.

The team continues to build capacity and hone their skills through training exercises at our base on King Street, Pugwash. We are currently welcoming new members of all skill levels and backgrounds to fill many roles within the group. We meet monthly online or at our headquarters on King Street in Pugwash and provide training in map reading, compass navigation, global positioning sys-

Pugwash Village Hall And **Visitor Information Centre**

Winter office hours Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm or by appointment. Fax and printing services available

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Online Booking for Village Facilities

Book times for tennis, basketball, the Harbourfront Centre, Eaton Park and the Village Hall Board Room. Use the link on the front page of the Village website to go to: pugwashvillage.skedda.com/booking. Click on the big green button to make your booking.

Some restrictions currently apply until all pandemic response measures are lifted. Questions? Call the Clerk at 902.243.2946 or email events@pugwashvillage.com

tems (GPS) and search techniques. If you are interested in joining a fun and diverse group, please reach out to pugwash gsar@hotmail.com.

Fundraising for the volunteer-run organization has been challenging during Covid times. Support for PGSAR can be made through a Rafflebox 50-50 online draw (www2.rafflebox.ca/raffle/nssar/15) or direct donation. Thank you for your continued support and have a happy and safe holidays season from the team at Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue!



Wallace, Wentworth, Pugwash and Area Community Health Board (WWPA)

Our Wellness Fund Selection Committee is preparing to meet and review the applications we received. There are 13 applications to be considered with some wonderful project ideas. We anticipate the funds will be selected and recipients notified by late December or early January 2022. We will share the results publicly when our applicants have been notified.

Representatives from our CHB were happy to be able to spend some time at the Pugwash Farmers Market on October 2nd. They shared some information about the work we do and spread the word about 211 Nova Scotia https:\\ns.211.ca.

Oct 28th with Wallace and Area Museum we partnered to host A Walk in the Dark. There were volunteers in costume hidden along a trail to heighten the experience. Over 70 people went through the trail laughing and screaming all the way.

We continue to offer monthly guided hikes in partnership with Cumberland Trails Association. This is a great way to experience our trails and maybe find some new spots to explore with the group. Watch for Cumberland Trails Association Facebook page for upcoming events.

This fall, with community input, the Northern Zone Community Health Boards refreshed their Community Health Plan Recommendations. Our priorities remain: Mental Wellness and Sense of Belonging, Community Engagement, Connection and Inclusion, Healthy Active Lifestyle and Supportive Environment and Thriving Communities Prosperity and Affordability.

We currently have some openings for new members. If you are interested, please contact Colleen Dowe <u>col-</u> leen.dowe@nshealth.ca



Royal Canadian Legion Peace Branch 60

We hope to reinstate all regular events once the Provincial state of emergency is lifted.

December 4th: Sunset Bazaar

In December, we hope to start the following:

Fridays

Darts

Saturdays

1pm Cribbage \$20 per 2 person team (1st and 3rd Saturday in the month)
3-5pm Chase the Ace. Draw at 5:15pm (starting in January)

There will not be a levee on January 1st

Canteen: 902.243.2123 Bar hours: closed

Hall rentals currently unavailable New members always welcome.

Ken Cameron

North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary (NCMHA)

The NCMHA Thrift Shop is still operating normal hours. We ask that people follow Public Health protocols when shopping with us. At present, we are limited to 8 customers in the Shop at a time.

Our normal hours are: Wednesday 1 -4pm; Thursday 10am-4pm; and Saturday 9am-12 noon. During the month of December, the Shop will also be open on Friday, December 3rd, 10th and 17th from 1-4pm. It will close at 4pm on Wednesday, December 22nd for the Christmas season and will reopen at 1pm on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. If changes to our normal hours are necessary for any reason, it will be posted on our Facebook page at ncmhathriftshop. As part of Christmas-by-the Sea, a draw will be held on Friday afternoon, December 3rd and Saturday morning, December 4th.

Emma Rasmussen should have been included as one of the recipients of a bursary awarded at her high school graduation in the last newsletter. We apologize for the omission.

Faye Moore



Northumberland Community Curling Club

Northumberland Community Curling Club (NCCC) is back in full swing with fewer restrictions than last year while still observing NS Health COVID-19 Protocols. Notable is the requirement that everyone who comes to, or uses, NCCC must be double vaccinated and must have that status verified before using the facility.

This restriction required our Health and Safety Team to provide guidelines and for our Publicity and Membership Committee to oversee putting them into practise. Fortunately this has been successfully accomplished and as of today we have 143 members and associates. This is our highest membership on record.

We are delighted to once again offer a program for Little Rocks and Juniors, both

of which are free. Sunset has also returned to their previous time slot on Tuesday afternoons.

All our leagues are in place with some slight variations in time. Don't forget to check the schedule posted on the bulletin board at the club. Only Wednesday Mixed League will need to have a late (8:30 – 10:30) draw. A new Men's League has been started and will play on Saturday from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

With leagues in place it is time for our

The Opening Funspiel was November 18th and 19th. The Christmas turkey spiel is planned for December 10th and 11th. Happy curling!

Colleen Dowe

Hazel Felderhof

Pugwash Village Commissioners: Who are they?

Pugwash Village has five elected Commissioners who volunteer their time to help decide what is going on in YOUR Village. To be a Commissioner, you have to live within Village limits and willing to give up a little bit of time to work for the sake of all Village residents. Terms overlap, thus elections are held every year for one or two positions.

Roger Mundle (902 243 2042) is the Commission Chair. Roger lives on Water Street and is retired after delivering furnace oil to the area for 28 years.

Brent Wilson (902 664 8695) is Vice Chair of the Commission. Brent lives on Durham Street and works at Sunset Community. **Bill Martin** (902 614 3000 or bill.martin@pugwashvillage.com) lives on Church Street. Bill is a retired Baptist pastor and is the Pugwash Volunteer Fire Department chaplain.

Dave MacEwan (902 694 8072) lives on Willow Street and also works at the Sunset Community.

Sue Duncan (902.243.2595) lives on Water Street. She and her husband Terry retired in 2017 and moved to Pugwash from Ottawa.

Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are generally held on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. Sign into the next Zoom Video Conference meeting and find out what is going on in YOUR Village!

Meetings often include special presentations from local organizations and groups, the RCMP or Provincial representatives

If you would like to make a presentation, call the Clerk at 902 243 2946 or email villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com



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Next Regular Commission Meetings

December 13th January 10th February 21st

Meetings start at 7pm

Did you know It Takes a Village newsletter goes out to over 800 local homes and is available at various downtown Pugwash locations? Look for the version number for the most recent printing.

Capital Projects

The Village has some projects in various levels of development.

Fully accessible washrooms, one of which will be available 24/7 from the Black Street side of the Village Hall.

Additions and renovations to the playground will include a fun climbing frame, a "bird's nest" swing and "fit trail" exercise units for all ages.

The Village Hall leaky asphalt roof will be replaced in the next few months with long lasting metal.

Siding and/or paint will spruce up the old fire hall, now used by Village public works and the Pugwash Co-Op.

Solar panels installed on the Farmers' Market roofing (see also page 2) will help defray electricity costs for all Village owned properties.

Electric vehicle charging stations.

Staff

The Village Hall also needs a new front door. This will be fully accessible, automatic opening door.

Village of Pugwash Merchandise



Front licence plate \$10



Gathering of the Clans hat \$15



Pens \$5



Prices may vary as new stock is delivered. Please call ahead to make arrangements if the VIC is still closed.



Gathering of the Clans shirt \$20

Did you know ... that, under the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act, snow on your vehicle's roof is "an unsecured load"? Avoid a fine or causing a crash - clean the snow off your vehicle before driving.

When plowing snow, do not push snow across the road. This creates a hazard for vehicles and pedestrians.



@PugwashVillage

