

It Takes A Village Newsletter September 2007

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Jordan MacAulay Represents Pugwash On Team Nova Scotia



Pictured above is the Nova Scotia Team - Jordan MacAulay: back row, third from right

This past August, Jordan MacAulay was one of only 12 young athletes chosen to represent Nova Scotia at the national basketball championships held in Quebec. At 15,

Jordan is a talented athlete and is the first player from Pugwash to make the Provincial team. Jordan says that to make the team he competed with other players from across the province in a gruelling 10 hour try out.

The Village Commission is proud to have been a sponsor, helping to cover some of the costs for Jordan to travel to Quebec with his team mates. Congratulations Jordan!

The Pugwash RCMP Update



As fall approaches, Pugwash is reflecting on a very busy and productive summer. This summer's classic events like the Gathering of the Clans and Harbourfest have been highly successful. New clubs, like the Curling Club, are seeing success in the construction of a new building. The Pugwash RCMP congratulate these initiatives and were happy to assist with all the activities that took place in the village this summer.

The Pugwash RCMP would like to remind residents that as fall season returns so do students to school. As such drivers should take extra care with regard to speed and school bus safety in and around school zones. Drivers should also be aware of the falling temperatures and decrease in daylight hours for driving. The Pugwash RCMP and the RCMP Northern traffic units will be launching initiatives in the fall to ensure safe driving in our community.

Students returning to school will be happy to know that the Pugwash RCMP will be keeping up efforts to provide D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), the P.A.R.T.Y. program (Prevent Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth), Bullying intervention programs, Bike Safety programs, and school liaison officers to schools in the area.

The Pugwash RCMP would also like to thank all of its partners in the community that help us keep Pugwash safe.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY TERRY FOX RUN

September 16, 2007 WALK, RUN, BIKE 1KM Short run, 10KM long run or something in between

Registration: 1:00pm Warm-up: 1:15pm Run begins @ 1:30pm all at Pugwash District High School

Join us in Eaton Park for Entertainment, a barbecue, corn boil, cake and a game of washer toss!! From 2:00pm until 4:00pm.

SUPPORT CANCER RE-SEARCH AND SHOW YOUR COMMUNITY SPIRIT by participating in the run, collecting pledges, sponsoring someone else or by making a donation. For information contact Faye @ 243-4001. Hope to see you there!!

Commission Meetings

The Commissioners of the Village of Pugwash meet each 3rd Monday of the month at the Village Hall at 7 pm.

Current Commissioners:

Katheryne Langille (Chair) Linda Langille Kevin Polley Mary Lou Trenholm (Vice Chair) Jim Whitman

HarbourFest - Pugwash's Summer Party!



It seemed that summer arrived with the advent of HarbourFest this year. The weather was hot and folks from far and wide turned out to enjoy a relaxing weekend. Late Thursday evening the Pride of Baltimore, a tall ship arrived from Pictou and berthed at the Fisherman's Wharf. Early the next morning she departed for Summerside after picking up thirty-eight excited passengers from the area who had booked passage. A short time later the HMCS Kingston and Glace Bay arrived under the watchful eye of our local harbour pilots. These vessels whose duties are coastal watch include a compliment of nearly one hundred officers, reservists and crew, who came to visit the community and relax during a summer break. Throughout the weekend they participated in many events and were made welcome by the Village and area residents. Their ships were open for inspection by the public and many participated.

Entertainment at Eaton Park Stage started Friday with the Children Theatre Group, the Alycia Putnum Family, the Saunders Brothers Musical Comedy on Saturday and on Sunday afternoon the Palmer Girls from Newfoundland. These groups seemed to relate to their audiences and were enjoyed by all.

Events occurring on the water included Yacht Racing, a power boat Poker Rally, Estuary Tours, Canoe-Kayak Races, Dory Races and the now infamous Raft Races. Onshore events included Beach Volleyball challenges, Sandcastle building, an across Harbour Golf challenge and a Lobster Race that proved very popular.

Visitors were welcomed at the Beer Tent by volunteers from the Curling Club, food was provided at the Canteen by the Snowmobile Club, the Communities in Bloom pork barbeque, Hillcrest lobster dinners, and a Blueberry Tea by ladies from the Anglican church. Also a Wine and Cheese reception by the Peace Exchange folks was enjoyed. Other events included a dance at the Legion and a Firemen's breakfast and dance. Visitors were able to visit many other attractions including the Mixed Pallet Art Show and Sale an exhibit of local paintings. As the weekend drew to a close another tall ship the Playfair entered our harbour Sunday and provided an evening cruise for those who were lucky enough to book passage.

I would like to sincerely thank all of the volunteers, visitors and sponsors who contributed in creating such a successful weekend for us all. This includes local boat clubs, fishers, members of the Ground Search and Rescue, the Village of Pugwash, and the Municipality of Cumberland. Also generous financial support from the corporate and business community. Let's support them throughout the rest of the year.

Finally I would be remiss if I didn't mention the determined support provided to me by the Harbour-Fest committee and their workers. Together they made the role of chairperson a pleasure.

Ron Urquhart - Chairperson - HarbourFest 07.



HMCS Kingston and HMCS Glace Bay

were a major attraction during this year's festival. The 90 member crew joined in with many of the activities that were taking place around the waterfront.

Over 1200 people enjoyed tours of the ships while they were along side of the Canadian Salt Company Wharf's south side.

Our thanks go out to Kathy Langille who arranged for their visit and to the Village Commission who played host during their visit.



CAN-U **FALL 2007** REGISTRATION

Cumberland Adult Network for Upgrading is accepting applications for fall 2007. Adult Literacy Upgrading classes to be held at the Village Commission site in Pugwash. These classes are for adults interested in improving their skill level to achieve a NS High School Graduation Diploma for Adults or GED certificate.

> Registration is free to adults 19 and over.

For more information or to register contact the CAN-U office 661-0153 or drop by 141 Victoria St. Amherst.

Office is open Tues, Wed & Thurs

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The Northumberland Community Curling Club



doubt. "We were 5 min- gling done.

utes away from losing her" stated Bob Johnson. Like a row of dominoes, the We appear to be on target time-wise acnewly positioned trusses were leaning to cording to our clock-watcher Dick Gray. the east as the wind continued to how! That means we will be throwing the first from the west. Thanks to Harrisons' Home stone on November 1, 2007. Watch for our Hardware and Dan Cress a rescue operation took place. With the help of a fork lift, ing for early October. At that time, applicaa Hi-Ho and well positioned props the lean- tions will be available for membership. ing was halted.

Drive along Church Street and turn in at The cost of youth membership is yet to be New Pugwash Road and you will be determined. See you then.

Despite the wind storm of amazed. The foundation is complete, the August 8/9, The North- under floor pipes for ice-making are in umberland Community place, the concrete floor is poured and Curling Club is standing smoothed, the walls are up, the trusses tall. When the sun blew have been straightened and the sheeting over the horizon on Aug. complete. By the time you read this article 9 there were moments of the outside walls will be up and the shin-

> publicity. We are planning a general meet-Adult membership will be \$275.00 plus tax and payment options will be available.

Civic Addressing

In July 2006, Municipal council passed a by-law making civic address signs mandatory. This by-law was necessary to ensure civic numbers are posted throughout the county and to establish consistent, standardized signs. This by-law requires double-sided signs with reflective white numbering on a blue reflective background, making it easier to see in many weather conditions and at night. These signs are to be placed between 2-6m (6-20 feet) from the road, with the bottom of the numerals a minimum of 1.2m (4 feet) above grade, on the same side of the road as your residence. The Municipality and many local fire departments are now selling signs and posts for **ONLY** \$20.00.



A complete civic address consists of the three following elements: Civic number: assigned to a building using a formula based on location on the street. Street name: the official name for the public or private road or street (rural route numbers are

NOT used). Community Name: the official name for the geographic area. Place

names (gazetteer names) like Heathers Beach, Pugwash Point or the postal regions, do NOT form part of the civic addressing system.

For more information on civic addressing, the by-law, or to order a sign please call 667-2313, fax 667-1352, email civics@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca, or check out our website at www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca.

Library Knitting Club

The Pugwash Library will be starting a Knitting Club, Date Tuesday Sept 18th, time 1pm to 2pm. Bring your own knitting project. Everyone welcome, but space is

limited. Please Call the Pugwash Library to register 243-3331.

The Conference Centre nestled behind Sunset Community Residential and Rehabilitation Services in Pugwash is proof that when you bring together a group of caring people who are motivated to succeed, you can make a dream a reality.

A few years ago, the Conference Centre, which had played a special role in the lives of the clients and staff at the Sunset Community, had to be closed because the expenses of heating the 2.5 storey building was too high. For many, the Centre, was more than just a building. It had hosted fundraising dinners, parties, staff training, craft sessions, day programs, coffee breaks for staff, baking sessions, dances, winter carnival activities, and so on. Many of these activities had to be discontinued.

The staff at Sunset Community felt something had to be done. They decided they would clear, renovate and refurbish the Centre as a social and fitness centre for Sunset's clients and raise the necessary funds to maintain it.

When the employees presented their plan to Sunset's Executive Director, Mary Ellen Pittoello, she knew right away it would work. "I really admired their initiative and it demonstrates how much our staff really cares about their clients. They were determined to put that much needed building back into use."

As news about the project spread, more volunteers eagerly got involved, including staff, local volunteers and Sunset board members.

The first fundraising event, a dinner/dance and auction held in October of 2006, was a tremendous success. Business owners and residents from Cumberland County and beyond donated goods, services and money to help. Sunset staff came through, too, donating many items for the auction.

Summer Recreation Program Wrap Up



With yet another successful summer recreation program coming to a close, a time to reflect on this 2007 year achievements arises. This year emphasized a higher proportion of volunteer and specialty programs then in the past and enrolment showed an increase because of this fact. It was also the first year that the recreation program participated in the Communities in Bloom program and hopefully this becomes an annual event as it not only gives back to the community but also allows the children to be proud of their accomplishments and is something they can enjoy year after year. There was also a steady improvement and an increase in the use of public recreational services and facilities. It was often discovered that residents would be using the courts or volleyball nets outside the hours of the recreation program and this gives true testament of their value to the community. With a long list

Danny McAloney

of various activities throughout the summer, taking the time to critique them all would be a long process but one thing is of the community and the various volunteers involved this pro-

certain without the help of the community and the various volunteers involved this program would not be possible.

> Danny McAloney Recreation Director



Danny And Friends Playing Volleyball

Sunset Story Continued:

The goal of the first fundraiser was to raise \$5,000 towards the project's estimated \$35,000 - \$40,000 price tag. The event raised a whopping \$11,000!

Another dinner and auction will be held on October 27th, and during the summer, barbecues were held at the local Co-op store, as well as a summer dance.

A local businessman, himself a dedicated supporter and volunteer, donated thousands of dollars of gym equipment, which is now being enjoyed by Sunset Community's clients.

It's amazing what can be accomplished once a vision becomes contagious.

Sunset Community News

The Sunset Community, a not-forprofit long term care facility in Pugwash, will be hosting its 2nd annual fundraising event at the Wentworth Recreation Centre, on Saturday 27 October at 5:30 PM. The evening will consist of a social time, dinner and silent and live auctions.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will go towards the continuing project of renovating a building which will house a recreation and fitness centre for the clients of Sunset.

Renovating and cleaning of the building has been ongoing with the basement ready to be setup as a gym. It is very exiting for us to see this progress.

For additional information please contact Cindy Emslie at 243- 2571 ext. 228 or Bonnie Langille at 243-2571 ext 241

The Pugwash C@Psite

The CAP Site will be operated for the fall winter and spring by volunteers. Anyone who is interested in joining the group and helping to keep the site open each day, should contact Ray Jameson 243-2753.

Fall and Winter Hours for the C@P site are: Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 12 noon and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm



Pugwash Peace Exchange News

July was an amazing month for the Pugwash Peace Exchange and for the community of Pugwash. In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, we hosted a conference with almost 30 of the world's foremost nuclear disarmament experts. Our roster of guests included the President of the Pugwash Conferences, M.S. Swaminathan; the President of Mayors for Peace and the Mayor of Hiroshima, Tadatoshi Akiba; the former UN Under-Secretary for Disarmament, Jayantha Dhanapala; Nova Scotia Premier Rodney MacDonald; the former Minister of Foreign Affairs and current Minister of Defence, Peter MacKay - just to name a few. Our open forum on July 5th and our Dinner of Peace on July 7th were very well-attended by the local community, with many expressing delight at the opportunity to meet and speak with the various delegates. The result of the conference will be a document that provides a global roadmap towards nuclear disarmament, and will be presented to all world governments. For a look at statement from the conference, the preliminary please visit www.pugwashpeaceexchange.org



"Participants, observers and special guests of the recent conference celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Pugwash Conferences."

We would like to thank all of those who came out to lend a hand, be it via sponsorship, assisting with driving, helping with the logistics, or any other tasks that arose. In all, we had almost 70 volunteers from our local community who helped out during our conference weekend. That level of support from the local community is truly heartening. And the incredible success of the conference is proof of the amazing things that can be accomplished by the people of Pugwash. The world was watching our small village that weekend, and Pugwash showed them all how it's done. Congratulations, and thanks again.

Tour Group Visits Thinkers Lodge

A large tour company in New Brunswick brought two tour buses into the Village in August as part of a mystery tour. Village Clerk Randy Thompson arranged to bring the tour in as part of the Village Commission's efforts at boosting tourism in the Village. PPE staff, Ann Jeffreys and Krista Chaisson, assisted by PPE members Elaine Cook and Marilyn Horton conducted the tour of thinker's Lodge on August 30th while Kathy Langille, Mary Lou Trenholm and Paolo Brenciaglia handled a second large group on August 31. A lunch was provided by a group of volunteers including Clerk Randy Thompson and PPE Staff Cheryl Patriquin. Many thanks to all who helped out.



Pugwash District High School

Calendar of upcoming events:

Sept. 10 - Home & School Meeting 7 PM
Sept. 19 - SAC Meeting at 3:30 PM
Sept. 20 - Video Dance 7-10 PM
Sept. 28 - In-service - no classes
Oct. 1 - Home & School Meeting 7 PM
Oct. 3 - School Photos
Oct. 8 - Thanksgiving - no classes
Oct. 10 - Awards Assembly
Oct. 17 - Neptune Theatre Presents: "Liars"
Oct. 24 - Dance 7–10 PM
Oct. 30 - Photo retakes
Nov. 5 - Home & School Meeting 7 PM
Nov. 5-6-7-8-9 Tests and Midterm Exams
Nov. 9 - Remembrance Day
Assembly
Nov. 12 - Remembrance Day School holiday
Nov. 14 - Awards Assembly
Nov. 19 Report Cards Given
Nov. 19 - Blood Donor Clinic in PM
Nov. 21 - Dance 7–10 PM (storm date of Nov. 28)
Nov. 21 - SAC Meeting 3:30 PM
Nov. 22 - Parent Teacher Visitation
5:30-7:30 PM
Nov. 23 - Parent Teacher Visitation
1:30 - 3:00 PM no classes
Nov. 23 - Badminton Tournament
1-8 PM
Dec. 3 - Home & School Meeting

7 PM

What's Happening At The Pugwash Library

The Friends of the Pugwash Library

(group) is pleased with the fundraising opportunity the Coop has given them. When using a cloth or recycled bags the 2-cent refund can be donated to the Pugwash Library Building Fund. Bottle refunds at the KGB (on route 6) can also be donated to the building fund. Thank you Pugwash Coop and the KGB for your participation.



In July the FPL sold 50/50 tickets drawn on the $27^{\mbox{th}}.$ The winner is Dianne Carter of South Pugwash.

In the last *it takes a village* Susan Black was named, in error, as Treasurer. The treasurer is Sue MacFarlane.

Anyone interested in becoming involved with the Friends of the Pugwash Library is invited to attend the meetings. The next meeting is September 11, 10:00 AM at the Village Hall. Minutes of each meeting are posted at the Library or are available by email.



Friends Of The Pugwash Estuary

This has been another busy summer for the Friends of the Pugwash Estuary. In June, Andrea Locke of DFO in Moncton gave a very interesting presentation, complete with specimens, on Invasive Species in Atlantic Canada. Look for the continuation of a variety of guest speakers over the winter months. The July meeting was cancelled, due to

involvement in the many other summer activities in Pugwash.

Two students, Grady Williams and Sean Martin, have been hard at work along the river

and estuary since June. Their primary objective has been to search out, explore and report on the condition of all the streams in the Pugwash River Watershed. Part of their work was also to contact landowners bordering on those streams. The purpose here was two-fold: to learn from their knowledge of the streams and to enlist cooperation in any future work. The Friends plan to work with the Adopt-a-Stream Program to improve the living and spawning habitat for fish in the watershed area. Anyone interested in participating in this endeavour is invited to



join the Friends of the Pugwash Estuary. Meetings are held at the Village Commission building at 7p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month.

Pugwash & Area
Community Health
Board

Children's Pharmacare

\$5 Prescriptions Does Your Family Qualify?

-Do you have children under 18 years of age?

-Do you receive the Nova Scotia Child Benefit? -Is your household income below \$20,921?

If you answered "yes" to all three and you do not already receive Pharmacare from the Department of Community Services or a private health plan, your family is eligible for Low Income Pharmacare for Children. This Nova Scotia Government program began last October. Families pay \$5 per prescription - no matter what the medication costs.

If you are eligible and have not already applied, call the Dept. of Community Services at 1-866-424-1269 for an application, or download from http:..www.gov.ns.ca/coms/LI PC.html.

Publication Guidelines:

Articles must be of interest to the general community and positive in nature and content.

Articles should be no longer than 250 words.

Pictures may be submitted.

Deadline for the next issue is November 15th

Communities In Bloom



Gale force winds, fallen trees, swirling debris could not dampen the excitement of Pugwash Communities in Bloom. Nor could it prevent judge Brian Hicks from blowing into town. The first year of Pugwash's participation in the provincial CIB contest seemed doomed but tidiness and floral displays are only 1 of 8 criteria.

At the Eaton Lodge Carol Church introduced Hicks to guests Thelma Colborne, Krista Chaisson, Elizabeth Allan, CIB Chair, John Mills and the events organizers. Colborne, Chaisson, and Allan presented the history of Pugwash, Cyrus Eaton and the Pugwash Movement, and the train station. In keeping with the spirit of the Lodge an informative discussion followed.

Approximately 40 guests, in support of Communities in Bloom, braved the windstorm to attend a luncheon served at the Lodge. They included garden contest judges and winners, businesses and other non-profit organizations.

Chair, John Mills informed Hicks of the steps the CIB volunteers and community took to accomplished the remaining criteria. Cliff Hutchinson, Gathering of the Clans Chair, Bill Kempt, HarbourFest Co-Chair, Alice Power of the Friends of the Pugwash River Estuary and Emma Woodlock, past Leader of the Green Team, gave excellent presentations on behalf of their organizations and what they are doing to help restore a clean environment and solve litter problems. The day ended with a tour of Harry Moore's beautiful heritage gardens.

"I have visited places with twice the population of Pugwash and they didn't have nearly as much community involvement," Hick said.

Thanks to the many volunteers, businesses and area residents. Your participation made "judgement day" a success.

By Elaine Cook

Remsheg Loyalists—225 Anniversary

(Celebrating the 225th anniversary (1783-2008) of the arrival of the Remsheg Grant Loyalists at Wallace, Nova Scotia)

Are you descended from one of the American Revolution Loyalists who received land in the Remsheg Grant? If you are not sure, the list of grantees can be found on the web at <u>http://remsheg225.wetpaint.com/</u>. A transcription of the *Remsheg Grant* is located under Historical Documents in the menu on the left-hand side of the page.

From June 28 through June 30, 2008, descendants of many of these Loyalist families will be coming to Wallace and area to celebrate the 225th anniversary of the arrival of the West-chester Loyalists in Nova Scotia and in particular those who settled the *Remsheg Grant*. Please let your family members near and far know about this event.

Other "Loyalist" settlements will be covering their towns and villages in Loyalist flags and bunting. How will local residents welcome the visitors coming from as far away as England, the Yukon, and California?

If you are interested in coming to this reunion of Loyalist families or wish to volunteer to help with this event, please let us know. You can reach us by email:

<u>remsheg225@yahoo.ca;</u> or write to us at "Loyalist Reunion", 59 Prentiss Street, Gatineau, QC J9H 5V5.

Please spread the word to family members who have moved away.

Did you know?

•2 adult cats and their offspring can produce 370,000 offspring in 7 years

• 400,000 animals are euthanized each year in Canada

• The fastest, most economical, and most humane way to control the cat population is to ensure that your own cats are spayed or neutered



For More Information visit:

www.humanesociety.com

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