Very Young 66-Year-Old Dentist to Swim from New Brunswick to PEI

All in the name of Chronically Ill Children

By Keith Ayling

Nova Scotia, and is running 13 camps for children that are excluded from regular summer camps. The camps cost $1,000 per week and are funded through donations and various projects including The Big Swim.

The Village is where Dr. Brundige has focused his efforts. He has raised approximately $1,000 to date to help the cause. Dr. Brundige will be a participant in The Big Swim taking place on August 14th when 63 swimmers will swim from Cape Jourimain, New Brunswick, to Borden-Carleton, PEI, alongside the Confederation Bridge, although there will be some course changes due to the tides that swirl under the bridge.

The slowest swimmers will start first, followed by the faster ones in staged groupings. They will be accompanied by support craft.

Judy and Rose Close their Doors to Judy’s Beauty Salon

By Keith Ayling

Judy stands to the left and Rose to the right as they hold up their “Closed!” sign.

The doors to Judy Kennedy’s and Rose Dunlop’s beauty salon in Upper Tantallon officially closed on July 7th after serving the community for more than 40 years. Judy and Rose posted a notice of retirement in the shop leading up to the closure that read in part, “We greatly appreciated your loyalty, friendship and conversation over the past 40 plus years. We will miss you all. However, the time is right to put our comb and scissors to bed and enjoy the next stage of life. “Great memories and stories of our customers will last forever and we thank you sincerely for them.”

Nova Scotia Heroine, Olivia Oliver, Donating Her World Record Possessions to Sick Child

See Story on page 2.

Olivia Oliver is giving away her Guinness World Record certificate and figure skates to a sick child in Poland.
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Michelle O’Connor Wins Largest Treasure Chest to Date—$36,980

Michelle O’Connor is the biggest winner to date in the weekly Bay Treasure Chest draw and “was overwhelmed when we called her on June 29th to tell her she was our lucky winner,” said spokesman Ed Bottrell.

Michelle won the draw after four weeks of rollovers. “On the fifth week we draw until there is a winner,” explained Ed. “Michelle’s number 5626 was the first drawn.”

Michelle and her husband Mark play six numbers each week regularly at the Whales Back Country Store.

In fact, Michelle has been playing number 5626 since December of 2014. “They were both overjoyed that the money will let them have a trip to Cuba,” said Ed, besides “a shopping spree” and a chance “to pay down their line of credit.”

Both Michelle and Mark felt that the odds of winning were very good—and now they are convinced of it.

The husband and wife team said they would like to express their appreciation to all the volunteers who work so hard to make the Bay Treasure Chest draw a success and think it is a great way to give back to the community.

Nova Scotia Heroine, Olivia Oliver, Donating Her World Record Possessions to Sick Child

Thirteen-year-old Olivia Oliver from Hammonds Plains, who last year broke the Guinness World Record for the fastest spinner on ice skates, is donating her figure skates and official World Record Certificate to a child with spina bifida and other life-limiting conditions.

Just over a year ago nine-year-old Weronica was in the National Stadium in Warsaw, Poland, to watch Olivia and, to her great joy, see her break the world record. Afterwards, her mom wrote to Olivia to say that Weronica’s wish was to personally meet Olivia. On reading this, Olivia decided to autograph her skates and Guinness World Record certificate and take them to Weronica on a surprise “wish trip” in August, in concert with Weronica’s mom. The meeting will take place just before Weronica goes into the hospital again for another difficult operation on her spine.

“Weronica has had many painful surgeries,” said Olivia. “I can’t help cure her but I want her to know that she must keep fighting and never give up and that I’m with her all the way.”

After meeting with Weronica, Olivia will be joining a small group of other volunteers to visit the homes of 10 more sick kids to bring some happiness into their lives.

Information about Olivia can be found on her web site: www.oliviaoliver.org and Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OliviaSickOliver

Olivia is training in Barrie, Ontario, for the month of July.

Very Young 66-Year-Old Dentist

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Brigadoon Village is staffed with nurses and volunteers in support of the campers who will be living in one of the five lodges on site. Some of the programming includes leadership training, an arts program, outdoor education and recreation, an aquatics program, environmental education, and many others.

The individual camps all have their own names, such as Camp Silly-Yak, to name just one that reflects a chronic illness. Dr. Brandtige has been training hard for The Big Swim, including participation in a Spirit Triathlon that featured running, cycling and swimming.

He said his fundraising is “Not really for me—I am raising money for kids to bring them into camp.”

Brigadoon Village opened in 2012 with over 300 kids in attendance and has been growing steadily ever since.

Information on Brigadoon Village, and how to make donations for The Big Swim, can be found at www.brigadoonvillage.org and at the fund raising site http://givelotlive.ca/the-big-swim/

Income tax receipts are issued for all donations.

Annual Blessing of the Boats Ceremony July 24th

Those who are oriented to the sea may be interested in the Annual Blessing of the Boats taking place in Terence Bay on July 24th.

The Blessing is an interdenominational service held at the SS Atlantic Memorial Monument in the SS Atlantic Heritage Park at 180 Sandy Cove Road, Terence Bay.

Boats will gather on the water just offshore, but there is also a sitting area for landlubbers in the park.

The event reflects on those lost at sea in the last 142 years, or since the sinking of the SS Atlantic, Nova Scotia’s shores, and blesses fishermen and seafarers for safety and security in the coming year.

Numerous vessels of all kinds anchor in the bay each year for the ceremonies, reflecting the importance that sailors and boatmen feel for this occasion.

The same can be said for those who attend onshore.

A reception will be held at the fire hall in Terence Bay after the Blessing.

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Keith Ayling Receives Esteemed Trails Award

Keith Ayling, who reports for the Masthead News on a regular basis, received an esteemed award for his service with the Nova Scotia Trails organization recently.

Called the White Hill Summit Award, it is named after the highest point of land in Nova Scotia, and is given to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the development of recreational trails in the province.

Besides helping with trail development, Keith also served as the secretary on the executive committee from the year 2000 to 2014.

“Keith recorded our history and on many occasions kept us on track,” said Cory Richard, who works in the office of Communications at Nova Scotia Trails.

Keith also served as the Chair of the Communications Committee. Keith has been deeply involved with cross-country skiing and other outdoor activities for many years.

Some of his other accomplishments include serving on the Board of Directors of the Martock Cross Country Ski Club (now known as the Martock Nordic Ski Club), as Secretary of the 2011 Canada Winter Games in Nova Scotia for cross country skiing; as a member of the Board of Directors for Cross Country Nova Scotia (formerly known as Cross Country Ski Nova Scotia), and served for six years as its president.

Keith is a member of the St. Margaret's Bay Chamber of Commerce and presently holds the position of secretary.

First Hammonds Plains Heritage Day to Take Place August 13th

For the first time ever Hammonds Plains is going to host a community fair named “Hammonds Plains Heritage Day.”

“The object of this one-day event is to foster community spirit through collaboration and friendly neighbourhood competition,” says a press release.

Each year a different competition will take place to draw the collective neighbourhoods together (Kingswood, Uplands Park, etc.).

This year they will be hosting a Washer Ring Toss Tournament, allowing each community to compete against each other for a trophy—and bragging rights.

In addition to this tournament, interactive, family-focused activities will be set up inside the Hammonds Plains Community Centre and outside under temporary fair tents, allowing local businesses and organizations to participate.

The intent of these activities is to showcase the rich history and thriving diversity of Hammonds Plains.

Activities will include the Blue Barn Farms corn boil, Kohoot’s Ol’ Timesy Photo Booth, TD Washer Toss Tournament, Whitman Turkey Shoot, CUA Balloon Fiesta, puppy petting, ice cream social, live music and much more.

The fair, which begins at 3:00 p.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m. for the daytime activities, will conclude with a ceremony that recognizes the winner of the Ring Toss Tournament and the crowning of the Hammonds Plains community “Citizen of the Year”.

The final event of the day will start at 9:00 p.m. with a fundraising dance at the community centre, ending at 1:00 a.m.

Proceeds will go towards the Hammonds Plains Community Centre.

The Hammonds Plains Heritage Day will be an annual event.

You can find more details at www.HPHeritageDay.ca.

Ned Nash Recipient of Chester Oldies Hockey Award

Ned Nash of Chester is this year’s recipient of the Paul Aulenbach/Doug Barkhouse Memorial Award.

For the past five years the Chester Oldies have given the award to the player most representing the true spirit of gentlemen’s hockey.

The group is composed mainly of players over the age of 60 and plays hockey three times a week in Chester during the winter months.

The award is named in honor of two former players who exemplified the sport.

According to club president Greg Jollymore, Nash is honored for his enthusiasm (even at his age) and for being a formidable presence around the net.
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Ryan Yang Receives First place Medal in Grade 7 Piano

Ryan Yang, who has appeared in the Masthead News several times over the years because of his accomplishments in piano, has taken first place again in Mount Allison Grade 7 competitions. Ryan received a mark of 93%, which made him the highest achiever in all of Nova Scotia at that grade level.

Together with 23 other medal winners from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and PEI, Ryan attended a Celebration of Talent concert and performed at Brunton Auditorium in the Marjorie Young Bell Conservatory of Music in Sackville on June 18th. Ryan is the recipient of the Musical Medal Award for six years running and his piano teacher, Mr. Barbara Myers (Hubley) is very proud of his accomplishments.

His other interests include playing table tennis (ping pong). This summer Ryan will serve as a member of Nova Scotia teams and will compete at the Canadian National Table Tennis Championships taking place in Winnipeg from July 5 to 10.
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Sir John A. Macdonald High School announced that its Male and Female Athletes of the Year are Julie Naugler and Egan John. Congratulations Julie and Egan.

Ken Charsley wins $6,753 in Bay Treasure Chest Draw

Ken Charsley was the second winner in the Bay Treasure Chest Draw since the last issue of the Masthead News, and he walked away with a $6,753 cheque.

Ken said that he knew he was drawing into a moment of good luck as he told a story about destroying an old piano and then restoring it to mint condition with winnings from an old 50/50 draw with a lot of 6's in it.

His lucky 6's came through again with his Bay Treasure Chest number of 5167, winning $6,735 on July 6th!

Ken and his wife, Gloria, will use some of his winnings to attend two family weddings in different provinces. A few more dollars will buy custom-machined parts so that Ken can finally put his 1937 Dodge on the road. Gloria will soon enjoy a new barbeque.

Ken Charsley (left) receives his cheque from Bay Treasure Chest volunteer Fred Dolbel.

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Two Tantallon Youth Receive Medals for High Marks in Music Exams

Each year Local Centre Examinations in Music are given at Mount Allison University and medals were given to two Tantallon junior high students this year. Madison Oulton and David Campbell received a minimum mark of 85%, coming in first in their respective grades. Madison completed grade six piano and David completed grade three. Both live in the Tantallon area and attend Five Bridges Junior High and are students of Anne Landry-Cameron.
The Grand Opening of the new Subway Café and Drive Thru officially took place on Saturday, July 16th, at the Tantallon Plaza in Upper Tantallon with dozens of customers lining up to take advantage of the newest and first drive thru café of its type in Canada.

Linda Garret Coull of Atlantic Subway explained they have been “open for about six weeks” and that “it’s been great and really well received.”

She said that the outlet is a “test for real fruit smoothies” and offers dairy-free and gluten-free options.

Iced specialty coffees and the full line of Subway sandwiches and treats are also on the menu.

The store is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The ribbon-cutting was performed by HRM Deputy Mayor Matt Whitman, assisted by several Subway staff, Mr. Sub-man, and the Subway Monkey.

The Deputy Mayor said he was “super excited” and could “feel the vibes” as he welcomed the Subway Café and Drive Thru to the community.
The Mass of Dedication for the new St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish Church on Scholar’s Road in Upper Tantallon was held on Sunday, June 26th.

Archbishop Anthony Mancini presided, assisted by Reverend Joseph MacKinnon and Pastor of the new parish, Reverend James Richards, and Deacon Bob Britton.

The parish was formed in 2007, amalgamating Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Timberlea with the St. James Mission Church in Hammonds Plains, the St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Church in Glen Margaret, and the St. Luke’s Catholic Community in Tantallon.

The patron saint for the church, Marguerite Bourgeoys, was chosen by parishioners.

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys was the founder of the Congregation of Notre Dame Sisters and a Canadian saint who helped found the City of Montreal.

Archbishop Mancini noted in his opening remarks that the “church filled the dreams of this new parish.”

He expressed thanks to the parishioners for “bringing this to fruition” and said “it was quite a challenge to bring together all of the communities that were involved. It was a period of growth and transformation and a task well done.”

The church was designed by WHW Architects, now called Architecture49, and accepted and shared with the congregation in 2013.

The building design imitates the shape of a boat when viewed from above—the bow is the worship area and the stern is the hall area. The coloured glass windows of blue, yellow and green were chosen to represent the sea, sky and earth.

The church has a seating capacity of 475 people.

The congregation at the Mass of Dedication.
2016 BLT Canada Day Celebration A Huge Success

Organizers of the Beechville/Lakeside/Timberlea Canada Day celebration are more than pleased with the turnout.

Hundreds of people showed up, many in response to the article that appeared in the June issue of the Masthead News, said Co-chair Linda Moxsom-Skinner.

A big “thank you to you our venue and premiere sponsors—D & Jo’s Country Market and Timberlea Dental Centre,” said Linda. A Kids Zone, sponsored by Ian Angus, was enjoyed by hundreds of children.

And the fireworks, sponsored by Steve and Karen Williams of Affordable Fuels, were spectacular.

“Without their generosity, we would not be able to host this event,” said Linda.

New events included a well-attended boot camp and a pancake breakfast sponsored by John Bignell (candidate for District 12 councillor), and his team of volunteers who served over 350 people.

“The St. Margaret’s Bay Lions joined us this year to serve over 1,000 free hamburgers and hotdogs,” said Linda.

Another new addition to the line up was the band 2ManDo who performed a great medley of music for all ages throughout the evening.

The evening ended with another new event, a dance at the Lakeside Legion #156.

“Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this day possible!” enthused Linda. “And, thank you to all the residents who came out and enjoyed our second annual BLT Canada Day. We’re looking forward to next year!”

If you would like to join BLT Today, the name of the organizing group who hosted the celebration, write board@bittoday.ca.

You will be contacting Co-chairs Lyndsay Hart and Linda Moxsom-Skinner; Director of Communications, Ben Hovinga; Co-treasurers John Bignell and Cathy McCulloch; and Director of Volunteers, Renee Archibald.
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Thirteen and 18-Year-Old Heading to Poland as Ambassadors
By Keith Ayling

Two young ladies from Kingswood will be leaving shortly as Ambassadors for Canada in Poland as part of the Coalition for the Kids International not-for-profit organization. Thirteen-year-old Julia DuJohn and 18-year-old Jessica Plummer have spent the last few months raising funds to help terminally ill children in Poland make their wishes come true.

The Masthead News sat down with Julia and Jessica as they explained their funds will be spent in Poland by local officials on such items as new clothes, comfortable beds and toys, as well as other things being wished for. Jessica has raised approximately $4,000 to date with Julia sourcing approximately $2,000.

They said the money raising will continue right up to the time they leave. Jessica and Julia will be heading first to Munich, Germany, then to Berlin, and finally arriving in Poland where they will visit the homes of the children, spending a total of two and a half weeks away.

There will be 16 children to meet, all terminally ill, with a life expectancy of 18.

The trip will also include visiting a “blind museum” where they can see through the eyes of a blind person, as well as visiting the Canadian Embassy and a World War II prison camp.

They will be accompanied by their parents, two other youths, and Olivia Rybicka Oliver, the daughter of Kamila Rybicka and Garry Oliver.

Olivia holds the record for the most spins in figure skating in a single minute (342 revolutions in one minute).

Her parents are the founders of the Coalition for Kids International now living here in HRM and all have been back to Poland on these special trips.

Jessica recently graduated from CP Allen High School and plans to study nursing and pediatric medicine at St. FX in the fall, while Julia has one year left at Madeline Symonds School before moving on to CP Allen High.

They both expect to come back from their trip to Poland “with different perspectives on life.”

“We want to give thanks to all our supporters—we couldn’t have done it without you,” they said.

You can never get enough art—especially in the beautiful Aspotogan Peninsula and especially around the Aspotogan Peninsula.

Ocean Swells in Northwest Cove will host a unique art and crafts show from Saturday, August 13th to Sunday, August 21st.

It is called Art Between the Cove(r)s, a show featuring the many talents in Southwest and Northwest Coves, including White Point and Tilley’s Cove.

There will be paintings by well-known and not-so-well known artists, jewelry, woodworking, quilting and decorative arts—all done by residents of the two coves.

Local authors will also have copies of their books available.

Ocean Swells has been the site of a variety of events during the past summers—art shows, historical displays (Wayve of Life), coffee houses, and auctions and is currently the site of the Aspotogan Arts and Crafts Studio on the Peggy’s Cove Studio Tour.

Art Between the Cove(r)s will be the first show restricted to local residents that showcases their wide variety of talents. Admission is free and tea and refreshments will be provided.

You can meet the artists at the opening on Saturday, August 13th at 2:00 p.m. at Ocean Swells, 2726 Highway 329.

The show will be open 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from August 13th to the 21st.

Thirteen- and 18-Year-Old Heading to Poland as Ambassadors
By Keith Ayling

Friends and fellow staff members turned out on Friday, June 17th, for the retirement of Elaine Murray, the head librarian at the Tantallon Public Library and the J. D. Shatford Memorial Public Library.

Elaine turned over her keys to the libraries after 15 years as their director.

Prior to that and in 1997 she was Branch Manager at the Musquodoboit Harbour and Sheet Harbour library locations.

Staff at the Tantallon Library presented Elaine with a number of parting gifts, paintings and a special book outlining her career in both Tantallon and Hubbards.

She chatted with the Masthead News, explaining how the Tantallon location “provides services for the whole St. Margaret’s Bay area” and “how it has integrated into the community, serving more than 300 tutoring services each month.”

Many groups use the library on a daily and weekly basis including Transition Bay, various home care associations, knitters, bridge players, and many children’s groups.

Elaine said she was “so happy with local artists who make the library look good every month. It’s just been great.”

Feed Nova Scotia Gets a Boatload of Food

The call for help rang loud and clear to residents of the Beechville/Timberlea Lakeside area when FEED NOVA SCOTIA announced that they were low on food and needed donations to help others.

A “Fill the Canoe” campaign was held at D & J’s Country Market on Saturday, August 13th, with refreshments and tea and sandwiches provided. Admission is free and tea and refreshments will be provided.


Registration usually closes September 15th.

Elaine Murray Retires as Head of Tantallon Library after 15 Years
By Keith Ayling

Elaine’s retirement plans are to “retire to the cottage and eventually a move to the city”, with husband and “best friend” Gordon.

Hugs and handshakes concluded the day with all wishing her the very best as she moves on to the next adventure in her life.

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Bay Treasure Chest Awards Five Scholarships

Five Sir John A. Macdonald high school students received $4,000 scholarships from the Anne Martell Memorial Scholarship Fund on graduation day, June 28th.

The students, selected by the Sir John A. Scholarship Committee, received their awards at the same time as they were given their diplomas.

After their picture was taken (see below) they each described their plans and reactions to receiving the scholarships.

Isaac Meuse said, “I really appreciate the scholarship. I was really going to be helpful.” Isaac will be attending Dalhousie University to study computer science.

Collin Comeau-Routhier said, “I couldn’t stop smiling! I’m also feeling extremely proud of myself for receiving their and other awards.”

Collin will be going to the Nova Scotia Community College in Lunenburg to study diesel marine mechanics.

Vanessa Tardif exclaimed, “I’m really happy! This is my whole tuition for the first year. Thank you!”

Vanessa will be attending the Nova Scotia Community College, Truro campus, to study digital animation.

Shae-Lynn Luedee shouted “Amazing! I cried when I realized it. This means I will be able to go to school for sure. My parents didn’t have the full amount and this really means a lot. Tell everyone to keep playing their toonies because this feels awesome!”

Shae-Lynn will be attending St. Mary’s University to study psychology.

Simon Murdoch exclaimed, “Incredible! Things were really tight and the award made a huge difference. Everyone in my family plays their toonie every week.”

Simon will be attending Waterloo University to study mathematics.

Cenotaph Honoring Those Who Protect the Country Dedicated in Hammonds Plains-Lucasville By Keith Ayling

More than 100 residents were on hand for the ceremony that dedicated the Greater Hammonds Plains-Lucasville Cenotaph on July 2nd.

They included members of Canada’s military arms, war veterans, RCMP, the 250 Vimy Air Cadets, the Merchant Navy, local dignitaries, and Chester/St. Margaret’s MP, Bernadette Jordan, who represented Veterans Affairs Canada.

The Cenotaph was also dedicated to the Halifax Regional Municipality by Deputy Mayor Matt Whiteman and HRM Councillor Brad Johns who accepted it on behalf of the HRM and Mayor Michael Savage.

Among others being recognized for their efforts in seeing the project to completion was Pamela Lovelace, who chaired the Cenotaph project.

A bagpiper played the “Maple Leaf Forever” as the ceremony got underway and, later, “Amazing Grace”.

A lone Air Cadet played “Taps” to end the ceremony.

It was an impressive event performed under cloudy skies that also included the laying of a wreath at the base of the Cenotaph.

The day concluded with a special ribbon cutting for the upgraded Uplands Park and playground.
Hubbards Summer Film Series is Underway

Despite cloudy and somewhat cool conditions, happy movie-goers took in “Star Wars—The Force Awakens” on July 8th to kick off the second annual Hubbards Summer Film Series.

The films are screened at Hubbards’ new amphitheatre, which is built into the affectionately named Fish Plant Hill, and boasts Hubbards Cove as a scenic backdrop.

Admission to each film is “pay what you can”. Food and drink is available for purchase.

Funds raised support projects at the Hubbards Community Waterfront Park.

The remainder of this year’s film series is as follows:

- Friday, July 22, at 8:30 a.m., “E.T., The Extra-terrestrial” (G), rain date is Friday July 29th.
- Friday, August 5 at 8:30 p.m., “The Jungle Book” (PG), rain date is Friday, August 12th.
- Friday, August 19th at 8:00 p.m., “Zootopia” (G), rain date is Friday, August 26th.

For more information you can go to www.hubbardscove.ca or the Hubbards Community Waterfront Facebook Group.

The movie screen is set up with movie goers ready to enjoy the show at the new Hubbards amphitheatre.

Trail Named After First St. Margaret’s Bay Forest Ranger

Ralph Wheadon was taken by complete surprise when he arrived at the special event held in his honour on June 25th at the Estabrooks Community Hall near Lewis Lake.

Ralph was St. Margaret Bay’s first forest ranger. A trail from the entrance to the Five Bridges Lakes Wilderness Area (accessed off Joshua Slocum) to the intersection of the Old St. Margaret’s Bay Road is now officially named after him. It is called the Ralph Wheadon Trail.

Family, friends and colleagues were present for the celebration. The Lewis Lake Lands and Forest Depot was built in 1955 and Trails Named After First St. Margaret’s Bay Forest Ranger Ralph, who is also known as Big Foot, was the first permanent Forest Ranger to be placed there. Ralph shared stories from the many years he worked for the province.

“At those days,” he said, “fires continued at the rate of 100-250 per year and I had to work on or investigate each of them. I grabbed whoever I could to help with the fires, whether during the day or through the night.”

Ralph was also responsible for the payrolls of local fire departments (10 at the time) and upgrading connector roads throughout what is now known as the Five Bridges Lakes Wilderness Area to access fires.

Ralph commented that, “Eventually a permanent building, bunkhouse and kitchen, with a cook for the fire season, grew at Lewis Lake. “We had Ranger school students and first year forestry students from Fredericton help make up the work force.”

Politicians Iain Rankin and Reg Rankin were also there, with Iain acting as the Master of Ceremonies.

The event concluded with tea, coffee and the cutting of a large cake made by Jean O’Handley.

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Ralph was St. Margaret Bay’s first forest ranger. A trail from the entrance to the Five Bridges Lakes Wilderness Area (accessed off Joshua Slocum) to the intersection of the Old St. Margaret’s Bay Road is now officially named after him. It is called the Ralph Wheadon Trail.

Family, friends and colleagues were present for the celebration. The Lewis Lake Lands and Forest Depot was built in 1955 and Trails Named After First St. Margaret’s Bay Forest Ranger Ralph, who is also known as Big Foot, was the first permanent Forest Ranger to be placed there. Ralph shared stories from the many years he worked for the province.

“At those days,” he said, “fires continued at the rate of 100-250 per year and I had to work on or investigate each of them. I grabbed whoever I could to help with the fires, whether during the day or through the night.”

Ralph was also responsible for the payrolls of local fire departments (10 at the time) and upgrading connector roads throughout what is now known as the Five Bridges Lakes Wilderness Area to access fires.

Ralph commented that, “Eventually a permanent building, bunkhouse and kitchen, with a cook for the fire season, grew at Lewis Lake. “We had Ranger school students and first year forestry students from Fredericton help make up the work force.”

Politicians Iain Rankin and Reg Rankin were also there, with Iain acting as the Master of Ceremonies.

The event concluded with tea, coffee and the cutting of a large cake made by Jean O’Handley.

The movie screen is set up with movie goers ready to enjoy the show at the new Hubbards amphitheatre.
**Major Events Taking Place in Hubbards**

**34th Annual World Tuna Flat Races**
- The World Tuna Flat Races are starting up once again and they are being held on July 23rd at 11 a.m. at the Hubbards Cove Waterfront Park.
- Enter your business or association or find three friends and go for the gold.
- Teams of four race large “tuna flats” over a quarter mile course on Hubbards Cove.
- Registration is $40 per team.
- There are men, women and youth divisions.
- Races start at 12 noon.
- A beer tent, BBQ, free children’s activities, and more will be available.
- Check out the World Tuna Flat Races on its Facebook page or email hubbardsandrace.ca for more information.
- Races will take place between 12:30 and 4:00 p.m.

**Cellidh on the Cove**
- On July 31st the public will once again be treated to family fun, local music and Celtic music, a special Olympics barbecue, and more at the Dunphinne Inn on Shore Club Road in Hubbards.
- The fun starts at 6:00 p.m.
- All are welcome.
- For more information call 902-857-1890 or contact the SWAG team at 902-275-3933 or visit us online at chesterplayhouse.ca

**55th Annual Nova Scotia Schooner Races**
- Schooner races in Hubbards will take place July 31-August 7 during the Hubbards Cove Days celebrations.
- Come and experience the awe of these incredible schooners.
- To find out more, visit www.nsschooner.ca for details.

**Seniors Old-Fashioned Picnic**
- On August 9th there will be games, music and refreshments for seniors at the Hubbards Barn and Community Park in Hubbards.
- Doors will open at 10:30 a.m. and the picnic will run from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- The cost is $2.00 per person.
- For more information, please call Trinie Colman at 902-275-8503 or the Chester Municipal Recreation office at 902-275-3490.
- The old-fashioned picnic is being conducted in partnership with the Lunenburg County Seniors’ Advisory Committee.

**HCWA Annual Boat Rendezvous & Hip of Beef with All You Can Eat Corn**
- An annual boat rendezvous and hip of beef with all the corn you can eat is being held at the Hubbards Community Waterfront Park (Hubbards Cove) on August 20th.
- The run starts at 12 noon.
- Tickets are $20 each and buffet tickets are $25 for adults, $10 for seniors and 65 over, and $10 for children 6 - 15. Six and under are free.
- The buffet starts at 5:00 p.m.
- Tickets can be bought at ScotiaBank Hubbards or by contacting the Hubbards Community Waterfront at 902-857-1862 or www.hubbardscove.ca

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Congratulations to Fred and Nancy Hudley on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Married on July 16, 1966 at William Black United Church in Glen Margaret. Lots of love for them on this day and every day from their children and grandchildren

Barry, Wendy, Ben & Thomas; Tammy, Tony, Cassidy & Joshua

Hannah Doucette has been selected for the $500 scholarship given by the St. Margaret’s Bay Chamber of Commerce, which is awarded annually. Hannah was selected by staff at the Sir John A. MacDonald High School for the award. Standing with her is Bay Chamber President Fran Dunn.

Hooked Rug Museum Enjoying New Comforts Thanks to HRM Help

The Hooked Rug Museum of North America in Queensland is enjoying a noise-free atmosphere thanks to a recent Halifax community grant inspired by Matt Whitman, the area’s HRM councilor and HRM’s deputy mayor.

Mr. Whitman dropped in to visit the Museum on June 9th during the first hook-in of the season. The HRM grant has allowed the museum to install new, acoustically-lined ductwork to the heat pump, making a quieter environment.

In addition, the deputy mayor assisted in providing for the purchase of audio-visual equipment, which has become a great aid to teachers during workshops.

“The Board of Directors of the Museum and our volunteers are extremely grateful for all the help that HRM has provided to us since our opening,” says Founding Director Suzanne Conrod. “Wireless microphones enable everyone to hear us during guided tours.

The Museum offers many workshops and hook-ins during the year, allowing rug hookers to work at their projects while sharing tips, techniques and camaraderie. As well the Museum displays contemporary and traditional rug hooked art.

This season the Museum is featuring exhibits of the Nicholsville Rugrats and the Friends Hook Nook Group from Springhill, New Brunswick, in addition to exhibits from the Canadian and International Rug Hooking Artists of the Year, The Museum is also celebrating the 125th anniversary of Pearl McGown, famous for her patterns, and creator of the first correspondence course for rug hooking instructions. McGown is also the founder of an international rug hooking guild and teachers workshop.

The Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until mid-October.

For more information visit www.hookedrugmusuemnovanoc.org, hookedrugmuseum@gmail.com or call 902-858-3060.
Mary Lynn MacKay Artist of Murals for the “Rusty Bridge”

Mary Lynn MacKay is the artist of the mural that appeared in the June edition of the Masthead News that will appear on the so-called Rusty Bridge in Tantallon. A story was written about the bridge and how the area hopes to recondition the structure to make it more appealing to the public as drivers approach it.

In fact, Mary has painted two murals that will appear on the bridge (see photos), one for each side. Mary is an established regional artist, an executive board member of the Peggy’s Cove Festival of the Arts, and displays her work at the Hag on the Hill gallery in Peggy’s Cove.

She has been working with the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation, Deputy Mayor Matt Whitman, and the Bay Chamber of Commerce for over two years on the Rusty Bridge project. Mary, who lives in Glen Haven, has traveled in Europe, studying and lecturing in art, and many of her creations can be found in homes and galleries in Canada, the United States and Europe.

Keith Ayling, who wrote the article for the Masthead last month, says he wishes to apologize for not saying who the artist was at that time.

So does the Masthead News.

One of the murals that will appear on one side of the bridge

The second mural that will appear on a side of the bridge.