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The Clean Team dismantles deserted encampments in **Shaw Wilderness Park**



Volunteers with the Nature Conservancy of Canada and partner Williams Lake Conservation Company clean up the Shaw Wilderness Park. August 2022

by Cathy Vaughan

Volunteering is a Superpower!

Nine garbage bags stuffed with trash from three deserted camp sites were hauled out of the Shaw Wilderness Park (SWP) by a team of environmentally conscious volunteers. The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) and partner organization Williams Lake Conservation Company (WLCC) coordinated efforts to recruit volunteers, lead the cleanup, remove the trash, tidy the area, and leave no trace of ever being there.

NCC's Engagement Intern, Emma Willoughby, coordinated the cleanup and described the task by saying "This cleanup event would involve a group of volunteers walking 2.5 km through the park and removing garbage, tarps and any other ?debris from camp sites that are deserted and that will require

some extra work to be disassembled. There is quite a bit of garbage, as well as blankets and tarps. Therefore, it would require quite a few volunteers to carry everything out in one trip."

Conservation conscious folks from the HRM area as well as Calgary, Alberta trekked into the Colpitt Lake area of the SWP in the humid heat wave at the beginning of August to dismantle the old, deserted camp sites.

Volunteer Terry Woods of Calgary, a Nova Scotia transplant to Alberta, commented that "We have been coming back to Halifax for years and this clean up adventure made us feel very invested in the welfare of this park. This is a unique forested, wild land park to have in the city. It is a wonderful recreational resource that is available to anyone who wants to use it. It's accessible and it's on a bus route from downtown!"

The three garbage-strewn encampments were visited and assessed by the NCC's Willoughby and her team of interns. "We checked out the sites in the spring and were shocked at the layers of trash that had built up over the many years of over-use and neglect."

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Getting back to normal at St. Paul's **United Church**

by Carolyn Mont

Some of you may remember reading about the Picnics in the Parking Lot that we had at St. Paul's United Church. If you don't remember that, let me assure you that the parking lot is NOT our favourite place to picnic. However, during the height of the pandemic, the church was closed and we couldn't get together with our church friends. In order to facilitate

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Volunteers give the camp sites back to nature in Shaw Wilderness Park. Photos: Emma Willoughby, Terry Woods, Cathy Vaughan, August 2022.

Clean Team

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Volunteers moved a large number of logs, used as poles to hold tarps, back into the forest to compost naturally. They bagged tarps, fire pits, cooking pots, sleeping bags, tattered tents, clothing and copious amounts of nails. The ten volunteers schlepped heavy bags of trash out of the park for pick up by HRM. A rigorous and rewarding day for all. Volunteering is a superpower!

The SWP is the culmination of a unique partnership with HRM, WLCC, NCC and the Shaw Group Ltd. to protect and conserve 380 acres of old growth forests, rocky barrens, clean lakes and waterways as a public, urban park close to the centre of Halifax. The wilderness park is home to 40 different species of birds and loads of the 4-legged-variety of wildlife. It is also stocked yearly with speckled trout, has four community entrances, and it's on a bus route.

NCC and WLCC are fuelled by super volunteers who donate their time and skills to the preservation of public park lands and maintaining access to natural wilderness areas for everyone to enjoy. When nature thrives, people thrive.

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DISCOVERING OUR PAST



Hosterman's Mills served the world from Head of Northwest Arm

by Iris V. Shea

In 1752 Rev. Aaron Cleveland, Giles Harris and Joseph Chadwick, as joint owners, received a grant of 300 acres of land at the head of the Northwest Arm. The land, situated between present day Melville Cove and the Armdale Round-About, extended from the shores of the Arm to beyond the western shoreline of Chocolate Lake. The most important feature of this grant was the stream which flowed downhill from Chocolate Lake to the Arm, providing enough force to operate a series of mills on that stream for 150 years.

Cleveland, Harris and Chadwick immediately began to develop a sawmill one-third of the way up the stream from the Arm. They soon ran into financial difficulties and by 1755 the land and sawmill were auctioned off to the highest bidder. Rev. Cleveland was a Congregational clergyman from New England. He returned to the United States where, generations later, one of his descendants, Grover Cleveland, would twice become President.

Three new names then entered the picture: John Fillis, a Boston merchant who had recently settled in Halifax, his brother James Fillis, and John Scutt, a Halifax merchant, none of whom had any interest in operating the sawmill. John Fillis, Esquire, became an active participant in this province's business and political circles; James Fillis left Halifax to take up residence as a farmer in Horton, Nova Scotia, and John Scutt died within a few years of acquiring the property. His share went to his widow, Susanna, and her new husband, Thomas Bridge. Bridge held a seat in the House of Assembly and also served as a magistrate, a Justice of the Peace, a coroner, and a clerk of licenses. In 1771 Bridge received a grant of 200 acres on the western side of the Arm which later became Jollimore and part of Fleming Park. A chocolate mill replaced the sawmill at the head of the Arm and in 1788 a grist mill "where formerly stood the old Chocolate Mill" was built by John Hosterman, a young entrepreneur.

Hosterman, with his parents and siblings, were part of a group of foreign Protestants from Germany who settled in Lunenburg, N.S. in 1753. The name was originally spelled Österman. As a baker and spruce beer maker, Hosterman resided in Halifax in 1770 when he married Anna Felicia Weinman of Lunenburg. He purchased the one-third share of land at the head of the Northwest Arm in 1780 from Thomas and Susanna Bridge and in 1788, with permission from John and James Fillis, established the first grist mill on the stream and leased its operation



Photograph taken in 1940s, courtesy Mainland South Heritage Society: Thomas Hosterman had this house built just before his death in 1863. Located beside the mill stream on the left side of the hill on the Herring Cove Road, not far from the head of the Arm, it was occupied by his son, John Hosterman until the 1870s. It remained as a tenement house for many years before it was demolished to widen the Herring Cove Road during the 1950s

to other entrepreneurs.

The Hosterman name remained associated with this property for two more generations following John's death in 1818. Thomas, John's only surviving son, bought out the shares of his nine sisters. As for John and James Fillis, no deed was found to determine when they relinquished their shares, but it was apparent that the Hostermans eventually controlled the entire 300 acres. Thomas Hosterman had been a business partner with Benjamin Etter in a jewellery and silversmith company and married Benjamin's daughter, Eliza Etter. Today, the Hosterman-Etter coin of 1815 is a valuable collector's item. In 1823 Thomas Hosterman, in partnership with William A. Black and others, erected a more sophisticated grist mill at the head of the Northwest Arm, the largest of its kind in the province. The mill manufactured flour and shelled

barley. Machinery was brought in from Great Britain in order to produce flour which would compete with that imported from the United States. Among their purchases were a drying kiln, an oatmeal mill and a pair of stones for manufacturing "superfine" flour. Black was another well-established merchant in Halifax. His father, William Black, was the Methodist minister whose visits to Sambro in the early 19th century encouraged the congregation to build a Methodist church in that community.

During the 1830s, ships transported grains from as far away as the Baltic and Black Seas, sailing up the Northwest Arm to the grist mill, their cargo to be ground into flour. A snuff mill, operated by Joseph Austin, also occupied part of the stream on the Hosterman land during 1830s.

Following Thomas Hosterman's

death in 1863, his sons, John Edward and Charles Owen, inherited, in addition to several properties in Halifax, all of the real estate at the Northwest Arm including the "Mill Property, Nail Factory, Foundry and Forge, and all machinery". John Edward Hosterman donated land on which the Presbyterians built their church in 1867, later known as Bethany on Fairmount Road. The building, now a private dwelling, still stands overlooking the Herring Cove Road.

Until Thomas Hosterman's sons took over, none of the previous owners of the mill property chose to live at the head of the Arm. Thomas Hosterman's summer cottage "Armview" overlooked the Arm but the family lived on Argyle Street in Halifax. Before his death, Thomas Hosterman built a large tenement house overlooking the mill stream on the Herring Cove Road. His son, John Edward, occupied this house as did the men employed at the Hosterman's nail factory and iron foundry. Charles Owen Hosterman built a large house on what was later known as Edmonds' Grounds but did not occupy it for long. Financial difficulties were evident and, although the two brothers continued to operate the heavily mortgaged Melville Iron Foundry and nail factory, the untimely death of Charles in 1870 at the age of 35 years made it difficult for John to pay off creditors. Charles left behind four sons and one daughter, all under 10 years of age. His widow, Charlotte, taught school in order to support her young family. Creditors foreclosed on the loans and sold off the business assets outside of the Hosterman family. The next generation of Hostermans relocated to Halifax and to the eastern United States.

St. Paul's

(continued from page 1) that, we asked those interested to meet us in the parking lot, bring their own chairs as well as their food. We would be able to see our friends but could space our chairs at a safe distance.

That worked well for us, so well in fact, that the United Church Women, (UCW) decided to host something similar this summer. We are attending church, but we still wear masks and have a section of the church set aside for those who don't wish to do so. We still have a few people who are a bit nervous about attending an indoor function and have not been back to church yet. The UCW decided that they would arrange for us to have an Ice Cream Social in the parking lot. This was a great event. July 27

was a lovely summer evening to enjoy ice cream and spend time with our friends. Thanks so much to the ladies of the United Church Women.

As we start to get back to our fall routines, we have several fundraising events, and as often happens with us, these revolve around food. Our Family Resources Institute (FRI) is planning a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, September 17, from 4:30 to 6:30. The cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$10.00 for children and a family of four can eat for \$40.00. You MUST pre-register, starting on September 7, with Kristen, 902-479-1015.

The next fundraiser will be familiar to many of you. St. Paul's United Church has long been hosting turkey dinners and since Covid, these have been takeout meals. Our first turkey dinner of the season will be on Saturday, October 1. Because this always sells out, you MUST pre-order your meal by calling Valerie at 902-423-2441. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

A program I haven't mentioned much in these articles is our Prayer Circle. Those who wish, or feel the need, meet at 9:50, or so, before worship on Sunday. On a typical day, the members of the group begin with a brief check-in of their week, and then begin with a round of prayers of praise followed by prayers of petition. They finish at about 10:30, or so, and are ready for worship. Sometimes, the individual prayers are silent, but they are always confidential.

Our Sunday worship service is at 11:00am and all are welcome. Masks will be provided for those who have forgotten theirs.

International Coastal Cleanup Day – a day for action!



Halifax area Atlantic Superstore colleagues pose at 2021's Shoreline Cleanup

International Coastal Cleanup Day is coming up soon on Saturday, September 17. In Nova Scotia, we love our more than 13,000 kilometers of beautiful coastal shoreline. We also have a responsibility to keep the shoreline clean and safe for ourselves, our wildlife and marine life – now and for future generations. You're invited to join in taking direct action to be part of this effort.

Canadians produce an astounding amount of garbage – recent data shows that per capita, Canada ranks number one in the world for garbage production. An alarming portion of this waste ends up polluting the environment. Join the Ocean Wise Shoreline Cleanup and help tackle this major issue!

Ocean Wise is a non-profit organization whose mission is to empower communities and individuals to protect and restore our world's oceans. The Ocean Wise Shoreline Cleanup presented by Loblaw Companies Limited is a conservation program that provides Canadians across the country the opportunity to take action to help protect waterways in their community, one bit of trash at a time. This initiative is one of Canada's most effective efforts to clean up pollution.

Loblaw, including Atlantic Superstore here in the Maritimes, is a long-time presenting sponsor of shoreline cleanups in Canada. Mark Boudreau, Director of Corporate Affairs with Loblaw Atlantic in Halifax, says "The impact of plastic waste is a growing concern for our business and customers. In an effort to address these core environmental issues, our company has identified and deployed various initiatives to eliminate what we can and invest in organizations that can support us. Loblaw has partnered with Ocean Wise to drive progress towards

meeting our business's commitments around environmental action and fighting climate change." The partnership with Ocean Wise is just one part of Loblaw's current target of investing \$1M in plastics research and community cleanups by 2025.

Halifax is one of three Canadian cities holding special events to celebrate International Coastal Cleanup Day on September 17. Here in Halifax we are looking for volunteers to help at Black Rock Beach at Point Pleasant

Park. When you register and attend the Halifax clean-up, you'll be joining like-minded community members including Atlantic Superstore colleagues from across the city. It's a family-friendly event with free snacks and refreshments and you'll also have a chance to win prizes!

When you register to join a cleanup you will receive comprehensive guidance on how to volunteer. You'll even be provided with a data card to help track what you recover – you'll be contributing valuable data for researchers and municipalities looking to uncover more ways to tackle shoreline litter.

Join us at the Halifax Shoreline Cleanup event! Signing up is easy at https://shorelinecleanup.org/cleanups/ogegz. Or create an event of your own to clean up your favourite local shoreline! More information on how to join an existing cleanup or lead your own is available at shorelinecleanup.org.

A Rotary moment

From The Rotary Club of Halifax North West

Welcome to the newsletter from the Rotary Club of Halifax Northwest, where we share the club's and Rotary's news and activities with the communities we serve. The Rotary theme for September is Basic Education and Literacy. This issue highlights Rotary initiatives to support activities and training to improve education for all children and literacy for both children and adults.



Why is this issue important? More than 750 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. That's 17 per-

cent of the world's adult population. And that number will increase when the 250 million children who do not possess basic reading skills become adults. Illiteracy traps people in the cycle of poverty and costs the global economy an estimated \$1.2 trillion each year in lost earnings and productivity.

This is where Rotarians step in.

Initiatives to address this global scale inequality are funded by the Rotary Foundation through grants awarded to fund service projects that:

• Involve communities to support programs that strengthen their capacity to

provide basic education and literacy to all.

- Increase adult literacy in communities.
- Work to reduce gender disparity in education.
- Support studies for career-minded professionals related to basic education and literacy.

More specifically, Educational Service projects focus on:

- Enhancing quality basic primary and secondary education, seeking to involve local school officials when possible.
 - Educating adults in literacy.
- Providing teacher training in curriculum implementation, effective instructional methodologies and/or student assessment.
 - Strengthening educational experi-

ence through improved materials and facilities that complement curriculum and/or teacher training.

- Vocational training teams supporting the above activities.
- Scholarships for graduate-level study in programs related to basic education and literacy.
- Providing teacher training, integration of technology into classroom curriculum, and adult literacy programs to communities.

Our Rotary club is proud of its participation over the years in the global efforts to address educational inequities. Two of our projects have been to offer financial support to a young Nicaraguan elementary school girl, and to a Venezuelan foreign exchange university student.

Our Rotary Club of Halifax Northwest welcomes everyone to explore community service with us! We pride ourselves on being diverse and inclusive – and we're friendly! Corporate members from the business community are welcome as well. We meet every Tuesday from noon to 1 pm at Freeman's on Dutch Village Road in Fairview. Join us for lunch to meet the members and share the camaraderie and networking. For more information contact Roger Chiasson at rogerchiasson305@gmail.com or 782 234 9408.

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What's Happening at the Urban Farm

All photos by Joshua Barss Donham



A male monarch, distinguished from the females by a black spot on each hindwing, displays himself in the native pollinator garden

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WE CARE

by Joshua Barss Donham In mid-August a pair of monarch butterflies whirl and dance across the field at the Farm. They come together at the edge of the wood, joining end to end with one butterfly's wings tucked between the wings of the other. They perch precariously on a leaf at the tip of a tree branch. A gust of wind knocks them off the branch and they spin off across the field as one, then make their way back somewhat awkwardly, lighting in a maple, higher up and out of the wind. The eggs that female laid became the butterflies we see this month, the last we will see until next season. They are the migratory generation and, in several weeks, will make the long journey back to the overwintering grounds in the forested hills of Mexico. Next spring, they will mate and give rise to the first of a succession of generations of monarchs that move north.

The Great Blue Heron showed up in Kidston Pond across the road from the Farm last month, marking the transition from high summer to late. Herons nest in colonies, and after they have reared their young, they disperse and show up along the shore and in ponds, like Kidston Pond. They spend most of their time feeding in preparation for their flight south. Warblers and other migratory birds are readying themselves, scouring shrubs and tree branches in search of insects. A young Parula Warbler with a light-yellow throat

(See Urban Farm on page 7)



One of a flock of juvenile Cedar Waxwings moving south investigates an apple tree on the Farm

Urban Farm

(continued from page 6) and chest, a slightly paler version of its parents, accompanies a group of resident chickadees scouting from tree to tree.

The flowers, as well feeding the butterflies, provide nectar for the hummingbirds, who spend the day working their way from the bee balm in the front bed to the scarlet runner bean blossoms in the vegetable garden and on to the brilliant red cardinal flowers at the back of the Farm. Adult males have already set out on their journey south, but the females and juveniles remain into September feeding heavily. Hummingbirds double their weight in preparation for their long flight to Central America, a route that takes them 800 km over open ocean when they cross the Gulf of Mexico.

In the garden, the beans are ready to be picked and the tomatoes are getting ripe. The dogwood berries too are ripening, a favorite of the catbirds that nest on the Farm. Flocks of fruit-loving cedar waxwings stop off on their way south to investigate the apple trees. The rose bushes and the privet shrubs are laden with fruit, and the spruce trees are bursting with cones filled with seeds which will become food for those birds that remain behind:



A Ruby-throated Hummingbird feeds on nectar in a patch of cardinal flowers

cardinals, chickadees, and blue jays.

We would like to invite everyone to our annual Harvest Fair at the Urban Farm, on Saturday, September 17th, 2 - 4 pm (Rain date, Sept. 18th). A special invitation to all students (13 years and under must be accompanied by a parent or an adult) as our School Farm Day will be

part of Harvest Fair again this year. Thank you to HRM for a Special Event Grant which will cover the cost of the Barnyard Bunch Mobile Petting Farm and a huge birthday cake to celebrate our 26th Birthday. We will also have entertainment and a special craft. Looking forward to your visit to our Urban Farm!

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The Maguire Report

by Brendan Maguire, MLA for Halifax Atlantic

This past month I took to social media to ask Nova Scotians how the rise cost of living is impacting them. I received hundreds of replies, and I would like to show you some of the answers I received.

"They sold the house where I just moved into last July and I am stressing over not having an affordable place to move to. They gave me and my neighbor a 6 months lease and raised our rent. I owe an outrageous amount...stressed to the max!!"

"Have to cut down on some healthy foods, can't take the kids out to some of the places we would normally go because the prices are jacked up and we need to save the money for groceries. Cancelling any possible bills that I can. A lot more having to tell the kids "no, sorry, I can't afford it right now." - when they've never really heard me say this to them before. In the past, if Mommy couldn't afford something, it was usually followed by "when I get paid, we will plan to go there!"

"Not being able to shop for school ahead of time and hoping to be able to get the kids shoes, clothes and supplies on time. Putting off eye exams because I know I can't afford new glasses anyways, and I need them, the list goes on."

"Well, I have 6 jobs. One full time ECE job (Which should be the only job I need to be able to pay my bills and live) and 3 part time and 2 casual. Soooooo, I mean, it impacts me having an actual life."

"I literally can't afford to live. After all my bills every month I can hardly afford groceries let alone any money for savings or "financial comfort". I'm only 24, at my age my mom had a duplex, a dog, my unemployed father & me, she only worked at a gas station and supported our whole family. I have two college degrees. Not to sound immature but my generation literally was not given a single chance."

"Homeless, staying at a friend's for now."

"Groceries, washing in cold water, boiling water for cleaning to save on oil."

"We gave up medicine, clothes, cable TV, car, and all after-school activities. We can barely afford rent, power, internet & food."

"It's getting very depressing!! The price of necessities has doubled. I am worried. School supplies and new clothes for school will be challenging this year. Winter will be here soon. Power bill will break me when I have to turn on the heat. All extra activities have stopped."

We went back to the Legislature this month to prevent MLA salary increases. All parties agreed we shouldn't get a raise BUT the Housabout cost of living or pass bills to

WHY

Because the ideas came from the opposition. We need to get past this kind of political nonsense and do what is BEST for all Nova Scotians, NOT what is best for political parties and reelections. People, families, and friends are suffering, and we can't sit idly by

and do nothing because of politics.

I am so depressed with the road we are going down, but I won't stop fighting for all of you.

I am so proud to be your MLA Brendan Maguire 349 Herring Cove Road 902-444-0147; 902-499-5500

Cuttell Community Update

by Patty Cuttell, HRM Councillor, District 11, Spryfield-Sambro Loop-**Prospect Road**

And just like that, September is here! September is one of my favourite months of year, and not just because it is back to school time. The change in season brings a new energy after the hazy days of summer. I'm looking forward to a busy fall agenda, with many things happening in our District.

REGIONAL PLAN REVIEW PUBLIC HEARING is scheduled for Regional Council on Tuesday, September 27, 6pm. More information about this important work can be found at Regional Plan Review Shape Your City Halifax, including how to sign-up to speak and how to send written submissions. Written submissions may be forwarded to the Municipal Clerk by mail, P.O. Box 1749, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 3A5; by fax, 902-490-4208; or by email to clerks@halifax.ca. Written submissions should be received by the Municipal Clerk's office as early as possible and not later than 3:00 p.m. on September 13, 2022. All but two items being considered in the Phase 3 report related to District 11 have been pushed to Phase 4, which will begin this fall. The two items in Phase 3 that do impact District 11 and will be discussed at the hearing are 1) "To identify Exhibition Park as an opportunity site" and 2) "To not approve a service boundary extension along Purcell's Cove Road". Please note that identifying Exhibition Park as an "Opportunity Site" is not an approval for development. It only recognizes the potential of the site for new housing that is needed to support the significant demand for housing of all types across the Municipality.

TRAFFIC CALMING continues to be a priority for me in District 11, and I am excited to report there have been a number of actions completed. Besides Governor's Brook, more streets in central Spryfield have been reduced to 40km hour, including St Michaels Ave, Lois Lane, Hartlen Ave, Pine Grove Ave, Inspector Court, Theakston Ave, Keyworth Lane, Danforth Rd, Martello Way, Emerald Crescent, Drysdale Rd (!!), River Road, Aldergrove Dr, and Levis St. Neighbourhood speed limit reduction is one of many road safety initiatives employed by Halifax Regional Municipality to achieve the Regional Council-approved commitment to move toward zero fatalities and injuries related to any mode of transportation. Road safety is key to ensuring safe communities with thriving, accessible, mobility options for all ages and abilities. To learn more about the municipality's commitment to road safety, including how streets are

considered for neighbourhood street speed limit reduction visit halifax.ca/ roadsafety.

A new Traffic Calming policy was approved by Regional Council last year to better balance emphasis on all road users when considering which streets should receive traffic calming features. In the past, vehicle speed was the primary factor for ranking streets. The new policy emphases mode share, pedestrian and cycling infrastructure and collision history. As a result, I am excited to share that Leiblin Drive is now ranked #9 on the list and should see traffic calming installed next year. I know this has been a long time coming, and thank the residents of Leiblin Park for your patience, advocacy and support. I am also excited to share that Tartan Ave has also moved up the list to #38, and I will be advocating to have traffic calming installed here next year. This is all a direct result of work at Council and with staff, and a great example of how changes can be made at the community level.

HALIFAX TRANSIT is still looking for more drivers! As you may have noticed in the news or experienced on your daily commute, Halifax Transit service is being impacted by a shortage of drivers. Transit is an essential service, and critical to many who depend on it. Currently HRM is recruiting new drivers. Do you enjoy interacting with the public, work that's always changing, and making a difference? Are you looking for meaningful work with full-time hours, pension and benefits? Consider becoming an operator with Halifax Transit. We need you! Visit www.halifax.ca/transit to learn more and apply today.

SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS included many community BBQs and gatherings, including the SACA BBQ with the Bluenose II, the Ketch Harbour Canada Day Parade and BBQ, the Urban Farm Strawberry Shortcake Social, Spryfield Days, the Governors Brook community BBQ, the Spryfield Farmers Market, and the In the Loop Community Group community BBQ at Cunard Field with games and a bouncy castle. After a couple of years without community events it was really great to see people out again having fun. I was proud to support these events through District 11 funds. If you are interested in organizing a community BBQ or social event, let me know! We can do this, together.

To reach me, please email patty. cuttell@halifax.ca or contact my coordinator Carrie.cottreau@halifax. ca or call 902-579-5546. Have a great fall! Patty

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The Jason Doherty Memorial COMMUNITY EVENTS PAGE



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COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER Food Banks:

- St. Paul's Family Resource Institute (173 Old Sambro Rd). Food Bank clients call the Food Bank line, 902-477-5090, on Monday and leave a message. Those messages are answered on Tuesday and then the food orders are filled with pickup on Wed. between 9:30 and 10:30 am
- Chebucto Family Centre (3 Sylvia Ave) has an Emergency Food Cupboard which can be accessed every two weeks.
- Emmanuel Anglican Church Hall (322 Herring Cove Rd) Food bank is open, with pick up on Wednesday, 9 to 10:00 am. Orders may be called in up to 10:00 am Tuesday each week. Call 902-477-1954 and leave a message. We are grateful to our volunteer staff for their faithful work for the food bank and its clients. Our website: emmanuelanglicanchurch.net

Free meals for those in need:

- Salvation Army offers Breakfast To-Go Bags Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am-10:00am
- St. Paul's Family Resource Institute (173 Old Sambro Rd) Our Tuesday lunch program, Soup's On, is still operational but as takeout only
- Twelve Baskets, Stella Maris Parish outreach ministry, will provide a free, light takeout meal every Friday evening, between 5:30 and 6:30 PM, out of the St Michael's Church Hall site. (while supplies last).

Harrietsfield Williamswood Community Centre events:

- Christmas Craft Fair November 19 from 9am-1pm, \$30 per table Contact Natasha 902-293-7427 Email hwcc@outlook.com
- Drop in Song Circle will meet every Thursday evening from 6pm-8pm. Everyone welcome!

• Currently taking bookings. Please call, email or message us through our FB page (902) 446-4847 email hwcc@outlook.com

• We are always looking for new Board members and volunteers!

Spryfield Lions Club events:

Regularly scheduled meetings on the 2nd and fourth Tuesday evenings, 7 pm at the Lions Rink Den. We are encouraging anyone who might be interested in attending to call ahead so we can ensure COVID health code regulations are met -902-479-2917. We will also be starting up our bingos in the future but need more time to work out details. We want to thank the community for their support and wish everyone the best of health.

City Church (276 Herring Cove Road) events:

- City Church Telephone #: 902-479-248 c.citychurch@ns.sympatico.ca www. citychurchhalifax.ca
- City Church Christian Radio Station Life 94.7 FM

Salvation Army (328 Herring Cove Rd) Events:

- Family Services by phone call or walk in 902-477-5393 ext 0.
- Immigration Support by limited appointments call 902-477-5393 ext. 226

Stella Maris Roman Catholic Parish Events:

• Twelve Baskets, Stella Maris Parish outreach ministry, will provide a free, light take-out meal every Friday evening, between 5:30 and 6:30 PM, out of the St Michael's Church Hall site. (while supplies last). For further information contact Stella Maris Parish office at 902 477-3530

or stellamaristwelvebaskets@gmail.com

St. Paul's United Church (173 Old Sambro Road) Events:

Our outdoor tap is now turned on for the season. This is to allow the people in Harrietsfield who do not have access to clean drinking water to help themselves to our water.

Our Family Resources Institute (FRI) is planning a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, September 17, from 4:30 to 6:30. The cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$10.00 for children and a family of four can eat for \$40.00. You MUST pre-register, starting on September 7, with Kristen, 902-479-1015.

Our first turkey dinner of the season will be on Saturday, October 1. Because this always sells out, you MUST pre-order your meal by calling Valerie at 902-423-2441. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Improve your reading, writing and math skills, work toward the GED in person or from home. The Halifax Community Learning Network is here to help! We offer free adult learning programs in several locations. COVID protocols are in place for your safety. Call 902-422-7648 for more information. Let's get learning together!

Chase the Ace Returns: The Spryfield Legion and Forever Young Seniors Club A new Chase the Ace at the Legion will resume in September 2022.

Urban Farm Museum of Spryfield events:

 September 17th (Rain date September 18th): 2-4pm An invitation to everyone, especially students in HRM - (13 years and under must be accompanied by a parent or an adult) as School Farm Day will be part of our Harvest Fair again this year. An HRM Special Events Grant will cover the cost of a visit from Barnyard Bunch Mobile Petting Farm and a huge birthday cake to celebrate the 26th. birthday of the UFMSS. Special entertainment and a craft are also planned - please join us for this last event of 2022! We welcome new members (\$5 for students and seniors, \$10 for individuals, \$15 for families and \$25 for groups) If you have questions, please call Pat at 902-497-3683 or email patriciamaclean@gmail.com

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

Tuesdays from 6 to 7pm at the Golden Age Centre, 212 Herring Cove Rd. Call for information: Colleen 902-868-2214 or Bev 902-477-4335 or check us out on the web at www.tops.org

Mark your calendars now for TAG's Annual Pantomime Red Riding's In the Hood by Cheryl Theriault November 24-December 10, 2022

Tickets will go on sale in mid-October. Here is what you can look forward to: It's someday, sometime deep in the dark lush woods of Haligonia and there's a rumour of a rumble. Red Riding is reluctantly helping her mother, The Widow R, sell the family wares but Red has plans to launch herself in a more creative direction. When two tiny strangers enter the woods and decide to hang around for a bit they find themselves.

Chebucto News looks forward to returning to a robust community events page when the current crisis ends. In the meantime, we will endeavour to keep you informed.

Religious Services Directory for September

To have your religious services added to our directory, please contact the editor: chebuctoeditor@gmail.com by September 17 for October's issue. Please note that due to Covid-19, many of these services may be postponed or cancelled.

St. Augustine's Anglican Church (2010 Purcell's Cove Rd) Service of Holy Communion every Sunday at 10 am

City Church (276 Herring Cove Road) Sunday Family service: 10:30am Nursery and Children's ministry: 10:30am

Wednesday night prayer: 7-8pm

Spryfield Christian Community Church (91 Thornhill Dr) Church services Sunday 11-12 am

Oromo Gospel Church

Sunday worship service: 3 pm and Tuesday prayer: 10 am.

Emmanuel Anglican Church (322 Herring Cove Rd.)

emmanuelanglicanchurch.net, 902-477-1783.

8:00 am: Quiet traditional service of Holy Communion.

10:00 am: Lively, contemporary service of Holy Communion with choir. This service is livestreamed.

On September 18 we begin 4 weeks of celebrating the Seasons of Creation. This month we welcome our new organist, Treena MacDonald. We are looking forward to all she will add to our worship.

We are still following some covid protocols. Please be prepared to wear a mask when walking around or singing. If you are sick, please join us on our livestream.

We are an affirming church. All are welcome.

St. Paul's United Church (173 Old Sambro Road)

Worship at St. Paul's United Church is now in person, at 11am on Sunday

mornings. Masks are still required, however. One will be provided if you have forgotten yours.

Stella Maris Church at St Michael's Catholic Church

Weekend Masses:

Saturdays 4:00 pm at St Michael's Church, Spryfield

Sundays at 10:00 am at St Michael's Church, Spryfield

Weekday Masses at St Michael's Church, Spryfield:

Tuesday to Friday 9 am

All current COVID protocols will be followed.

All are welcome, wherever you are on your faith journey!

Parkhill United Church (5 Kirk Rd, Jollimore) and St. James United Church (3811 Old Sambro Rd) Sambro-Jollimore Pastoral Charge consists of Parkhill United Church (5 Kirk Rd, Jollimore) and St. James United Church (3811 Old Sambro Rd, Sambro). The last service of our sum-

mer schedule will be at 10:00 am on Sunday, September 4 at St. James. On September 11 we return to our regular Sunday worship schedule with services at 9:30 am at Parkhill and 11:15 am at St. James. We may ask that people wear face masks. Our 11:15 am service is live-streamed on St James United Church Sambro NS Facebook Page. Bulletins at www.sambrojollimorepc. com, 902-868-2791.

Open Door Community Church (11 Aldergrove)

You are invited to fellowship with us weekly for a time of contemporary worship and Bible based teaching, relevant to your life in today's world. We will be moving from our summer schedule of Wednesday evenings 7:00 pm to our regular Sunday mornings at 10:30 on Sept 18

Please see http://opendoorhalifax. ca for more information and announcements about our midweek meetings and other events.

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LOCAL OBITUARIES

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Donald Kevin Manning

November 5, 1956 to July 31, 2022 Passed away at the Halifax Infirmary with his sister Debra by his side. He was predeceased by his adoptive parents, Fred and Eileen Manning, Sackville; his maternal mother, Frances Gardner, Halifax; his paternal father, Donald K. Dempsey, Harrietsfield; his sister Rosann Steeves, Sackville; brother Kevin Dempsey, Vancouver; brother Michael Dempsey, Halifax.

He is survived by his wife Christine (Hatfield) Manning, Dartmouth; two step-daughters, Michelle Hatfield, Stellarton; Gillian Hatfield, Truro; and five step-granddaughters.

He is also survived by his sister Debra (Dempsey) Bruce, Dartmouth; Donna Gardner, Fairview; Marlene Snow, Vancouver; Kathy Snow, Texas; Brenda Dempsey, Hammonds Plains; brother Brian Dempsey, New Brunswick; four nieces and five nephews.

We would like to thank the ICU staff, Dr. Ward Patrick and the ICU nursing staff for their wonderful care and also the Salvation Army.

We would also like to extend special thanks to Joe Gibson and Joe Maclean for all of their help, support and understanding.



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Shauna Noreen Gracie

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Shauna Noreen Gracie, 46, of Williamswood NS on August 11, 2022. Born in Glace Bay, NS. Shauna had a true love of fishing, camping and relaxing by the fire. She was adored and loved by her family, an amazing mother and wonderful wife. Shauna leaves behind her loving husband of 17 years, Dan Wile; handsome sons Parker and Spencer and beautiful daughter Charleigh. Shauna was the daughter of Leo and Brenda Gracie and sister to Shane (Tasha), and aunt to her incredible niece Alexis.

Shauna is predeceased by both her paternal and maternal grandparents. Shauna also leaves behind her extended family: Uncle Billy (Linda and Family), Uncle Stuart (Lorraine and Family), Uncle Lorne (Judy and Family), Uncle Gary (Donna and Family), Uncle Blair (Cathy and Family), Aunt Margaret (and Family) and Aunt Shelley (Earle and Family). In-laws Lewis and Karen Wile, Shantell (Jeff), and her special Twisted Sister of 42 years Tracey (Lawrence and Family).

A fiercely proud Mama Bear, Shauna devoted her time and energy to ensuring her home was filled with nothing but love and laughter. Shauna dedicated her life to her family and embraced every moment with them. Her time with Dan would never be long enough, but the love they had for each other could fill hundreds of life times

Shauna had an unmatchable zest for life and treated everyone she met as family. Her contagious laugh and witty sarcasm would keep even the wittiest on their toes.

Shauna worked the majority of her career for Shannex in the Maplestone/Arborstone facilities. Although she hadn't worked in some time, she often missed her team and many friends and colleagues she has had over the years.

A special thanks for their compassion, dedication, straight-forwardness and unwavering support must be extended to doctors and nursing team of Floor 5A and in particular Doctor Rayson.

Dan would like to give a big thank you to the palliative care team (especially Shannon, Tammy and Cindy) for their extraordinary efforts in helping him grant one of Shauna's final wishes, going home to be with her family.

In lieu of flowers, it's requested that donations be made to the Nova Scotia Cancer Centre.

Dorothy M. (Martin) Kiley

92, passed away peacefully on August 5, 2022 at Maplestone Nursing Home in the company of her children.

Born and raised in Halifax Mom spent most of her adult life in Chebucto Head then in Ketch Harbour since the early 1950's. Mom was gentle, caring, generous, strong in so many ways, she never complained and never sat still. She loved hosting gatherings, preparing meals for all special occasions and having her annual open house Boxing Day party. Visiting family and having guests (often for weeks) was a joy, as was spending time and having overnight stays with her grandchildren. Mom loved nature: hiking/walking, picking blueberries, cranberries, wild flowers, visiting parks, costal areas and beaches.

After Dad passed in 1989 Mom started bowling with her friend Shirley, and did so for 30 years. She made many friends and enjoyed many trips away with her Bowling Buddies. Church was also important to Mom. She was a choir member, cleaning team member, a volunteer at annual church suppers, fairs and flea markets... lay something down in error and Mom sold it. Other joys in Mom's life were her beautiful garden, day trips, shopping, Frenchy's, painting, reading and most of all, socializing. Mom loved people and being out and about for any reason.

Mom was predeceased by her husband Murray; parents James and Gertrude (Saunders) Martin; sister Norma Thompson; brothers Jim (twin), George and Bill Martin. She is survived by her daughters Anna, Karen (Gilles Frenette) and Susan (Sean Mullaly); sons Kevin (JoAnn) and Paul; brother Joe (Norma) Martin; grandchildren Kerri Henneberry, Simon and Benjamin Kiley, Sean Kiley Corscadden, Scott and Sara Kiley, Chelsea Frenette, Erin and J.J. Mullaly; great grandchildren Hayden, Declan, Cohen, Lauren and Paige; sisters-in-law Mary Martin, Norma Martin, Mary Kiley, Joyce Kiley; special friends Marilyn, Colleen and Dorothy; several cousins, nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the VON and Northwood caregivers who helped Mom during her last years at home, as well as her overnight caregivers who brought her so much comfort (Debbie, Amber, Chelsea, Molly, Sarah, Eleanor, Vicki). To the wonderful people of Maplestone in all Departments, we are so thankful Mom was in your care. The compassion, love, friendliness and so many kind gestures shown Mom made her feel special, cared for and comfortable in her last home. We can't thank you enough.

Donations can be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association or charity of one's choice.

Wallace (Ron) Pettipas

Age 73, passed away on August 2, 2022 at the V.G. Hospital, Halifax.

Ron was a transport truck driver and a proud member of the Teamsters Local 927 working for Midland, Speedway and Cabano over the course of his career. Ron was an avid car enthusiast, and a stringent "Dodge Man", most of his adult life. He was quite the "backyard" mechanic and was often called upon by friends and family to help diagnose a variety of issues with their cars – he was usually right! Ron had a particular interest in vintage cars and was the proud owner of a 1970 340 Dodge Swinger for many years.

Ron loved all things NASCAR, although he said the race was never the same following the loss of Dale Earnhardt. He was also a big fan of the Triple Crown thoroughbred horse races and the Tour de France. All of these viewing events were an all-day affair that were not complete without the big barbeque spread of steak and sides.

Above all else Ron valued his family and his wide circle of friends. He readily offered his help to others and spent a good part of his every day in service to other people in one way or another. Ron loved nothing better than getting together with family and friends in "kitchen party" style, playing his guitar and singing many of the songs that have been passed down in local coastal communities for generations.

Ron felt particularly blessed to have two wonderful grandsons, Cameron and Logan, that brought him so much joy, as their mother did before them.

Ron is survived by his wife, Donna (Sampson), daughter Erin and her loving husband Justin Sanford who held a special place in Ron's heart, grandsons Cameron and Logan Sanford, sister Carolyn (Jollimore), brotherin-law Stephen Sampson (Kendrick), parents-in-law Tony and Shirley Sampson, sister-in-law, Eileen, nephews, John (Barb) and Jason (Karen), nieces Brittany and Melissa (Mike) and sisters-by-heart Robin Deveau and Darlene Loke (Hank).

Ron was predeceased by his mother, Evelyn, sister Bernadine and brothers-in-law Robert Sampson, Raymond Hopkinson and Ron Jollimore.

Donations in Ron's memory may be made to Craig's Cause Pancreatic Cancer Society at www. craigscause.ca

Sherry Noreen Buffett

Age 80 of Halifax passed away surrounded by her loving family on July 29, 2022 at the QEII V.G. Site. She was born in Halifax and was a daughter of the late Outas and Olive (Thomas) Harrie. Sherry had a passion for photography and ceramics. She loved being outdoors, long road trips and making new memories when going on adventures with family and friends. She is survived by her brother, Roy Harrie; sisters, Joan Marryatt and Barbara Adams; 5 nieces; 8 nephews. She was predeceased by sister, Bridget Gilkie; brother, Sunny Harrie; sister-in-law, Patricia Harrie; brothersin-law, Raymond Adams and Harvey Marryatt.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a charity of one's choice.





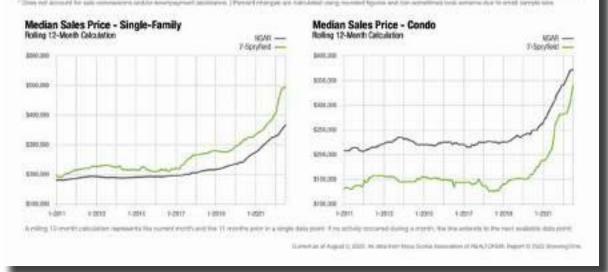


Local Market Update - July 2022

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Single Family Key Metrics	July			Year to Date			
	2021	2022	% Change	Thru 7-2021	Thru 7-2022	% Change	
New Listings	24	21	- 12.5%	199	173	-13.1%	
Pending Sales	17	14	- 17.6%	203	129	- 35.5%	
Closed Sales	18	17	+ 5.6%	204	127	- 37.7%	
Days on Market Until Sale	9	10	+11.196	27		- 60.7%	
Median Sales Price*	\$344,750	\$465,000	+ 34.9%	\$387,538	\$551,800	+42.4%	
Average Sales Price*	\$354,347	8487,135	+ 26.7%	\$407,555	\$548,547	+ 34.6%	
Percent of List Price Received*	112,0%	104.8%	- 6.4%	111.0%	116.5%	+ 5.0%	
Inventory of Homes for Sale	18	24	+ 33.3%	-	_	-	
Months Supply of Inventory	0.6	1.3	+ 116.7%	-	-	-	

Condo Key Menica	July			Year to Date		
	2021	2022	% Change	Thru: 7-2021	Thru 7-2022	% Change
New Listings	5	0	- 100.016	21	16	- 23,0%
Pending Sales	2	0	- 100.0%	19	13	- 31.6%
Closed Sales	2	1	- 50.0%	19	13	- 31,6%
Days on Market Until Sale	14	3	- 78.6%	8		- 25.0%
Median Sales Price*	\$258,525	\$375,000	+46.2%	\$273,000	\$360,000	+ 31.9%
Average Sales Price*	\$256,525	\$375,000	+ 46.2%	\$262,334	\$354,049	+ 35.0%
Percent of List Price Received*	110,8%	125.0%	+ 12.8%	112,296	135,0%	+ 20.3%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	2	1	-50.0%	-	-	-
Months Supply of Inventory	0.7	0.4	- 42.996	-	_	-



The Nova Scotia Association of Realtors statistics for July 2022 in Spryfield: **housing** prices remain strong in Nova Scotia.

In July, the average price of a single family home was reported as 26.7% higher than last year at an average selling price of \$487k, with an average of 10 days on the market before selling.

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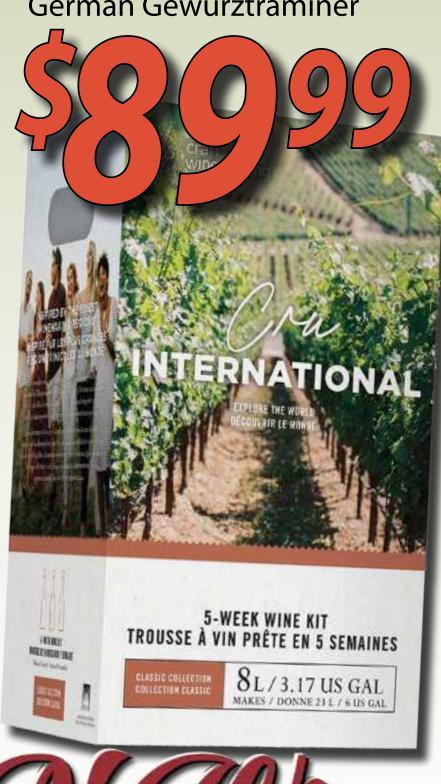
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