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of the Activities in Eaton Park
on June 28th**

**Come out and buy a hot dog
and support the very important
work of the Volunteers at the
Shelter.**

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The Clans Gather In Pugwash For A Celebration Of Maritime Summer!



"Celebrating Summer in the Maritimes" is a phrase that conjures up images of warm sunny days, sandy beaches, the smell of the bar-b-q and of course a bevy of friends and family around us. Now throw in a parade, a pipes and drums band, the laughter of children at the midway, lobster dinners, and wonderful maritime music and you've got the perfect summer festival!

The Gathering of the Clans Festival is celebrating its 57th year in the beautiful seaside village of Pugwash, Nova Scotia. The oldest Scottish Heritage Festival in Canada is held every year on July 1st right on the waterfront in Eaton Park.

The grand parade at 10 AM kicks off the day, winding its way through the village. Pipe bands, fire trucks, antique cars, beautifully decorated floats, and riders on horse back all mark the opening for the thousands of excited festival goers who line the route each year.

As many as one hundred highland dancers decked out in tartan splendour compete on the main stage in traditional dances such as the Lilt, Highland Laddie, Sword, and of course the Highland Fling. The lawns of Cyrus Eaton Elementary School on Queen Street will be the site for the Highland Heavy Weight competitions. Watch as strong men compete in traditional Scottish tests of strength and endurance. Craft displays and artisans line Water Street and music wafts over the village. Pipes and Drums bands from the College of Piping in Summerside will be giving a performance in Eaton Park at 1 PM and the games and carnival rides on the waterfront runs all day long.

This year, organizers at the Village Commission have extended the festival to include events on the weekend prior to July 1st with a children's dance on Friday evening, and fun filled day on Saturday. Eaton Park will be abuzz when the largest yard sale and antique market in the county kicks off in the morning on June 28th with a children's parade to the Park. An antique car show and shine will be set up along Water Street on Saturday too while many will want to consult the cards at a Psychic fair which will be taking place in Eaton Park on Saturday afternoon.

For Sunday June 30th, a Gospel Concert is planned for the main stage in Eaton Park with many gospel groups performing. The concert is set for 2PM, seating is available but bring along a lawn chair for greater comfort.

Eaton Park will be the site of wonderful maritime performers Colin vanVulpen, The Mark Stevens Band, Djangaholics, Blue Horizon, Ed Saunders, and the main act: Mason's Tender, rounding out a fabulous line up on July 1st. Finally, the largest fireworks show in the county will bring down the curtain on the festival at 10 PM.

Parking is free along all the side streets and bracelets for July 1st cost \$5.00 (12 and up), \$3.00 (5 - 12), under 5 (get in free)

Mark your calendars and be sure to come out and enjoy the maritime summer with a wonderful Nova Scotian tradition at The Gathering of the Clans!

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 villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com
 For more info call:
902-243-2946.



Entertainment Line up:

Grass Mountain Hobos- A maritime Bluegrass band with 6 members.

Colin van Vulpen- Originally from Lwr Wentworth, this solo acoustic performer is influenced by a wide range of musical styles.

Mark Stevens Band- This 4 person Country band comes from the Moncton area.

Djangaholics- A Gypsy Jazz 3 member group, based out of Tatamagouche.

Blue Horizon- Bluegrass is the specialty of this 5 member band from Amherst.

Saunders Brothers Band- A 3 person band from Halifax who performs "East Coast music with a twist".

Mason's Tender- Celtic music is the heart of this 3 member band from Moncton.

Events to Enjoy at the Festival

Friday June 27

6:30pm-8:30pm **Pre-Teen Dance-** Cyrus Eaton Elementary
 * Admission \$1 and Food Bank Donation
 * Canteen Available

Saturday June 28

11am **Children's Parade-** Water St
 * Gather @ Eaton Lodge, End at Scotiabank
 9am -4pm **Community Yard Sale on Water St.**
 12pm-5pm **Psychic Fair—Eaton Park**
Food Concessions
 2pm **Opening Ceremonies- Eaton Park**
 4:30pm-6:30pm **Lobster Dinner- Wesley St. Matthews**
United Church: \$10 Ham, \$16 Lobster
 9pm -1am **Adult Dance- PDHS**

Sunday June 29

2pm-5pm **Gospel in the Park- Eaton Park**
 * In memory of Lynn Keiver
 * Freewill donation to NCMH and/or Food Bank Donation

July 1st, 2008

Time	Event/Location
7am	Sausage and Pancake Breakfast- Fire Hall
8am	Highland Dancing- Eaton Park Stage
10am	Grand Parade
11am	Heavy Weight Games- Cyrus Eaton Elementary Field
11am	Antique Car Show & Shine- Mundle's Funeral Home Parking Lot

Entertainment in Eaton Park

1:00pm	Pipe and Drum Bands- Eaton Park
2:30pm	Grass Mountain Hobos
3:00pm	Colin vanVulpen
4:00pm	Mark Stevens Band
5:00pm	Djangaholics
6:00pm	Blue Horizon
7:00pm	Ed Saunders Show
8:30pm	Mason's Tender
10pm	Fireworks

Day Long Events

Midway, Artisans Area, Displays, Food Booths, Vendors

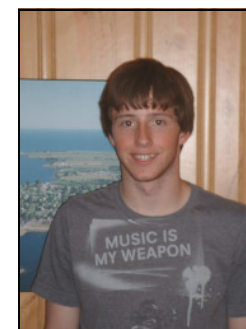


Visitor Centre Staff:



Courtney Matthews is going into Grade 11 at PDHS. She is the six-teen year old daughter of Gordie and Carol-Ann Matthews, and has lived in Pugwash

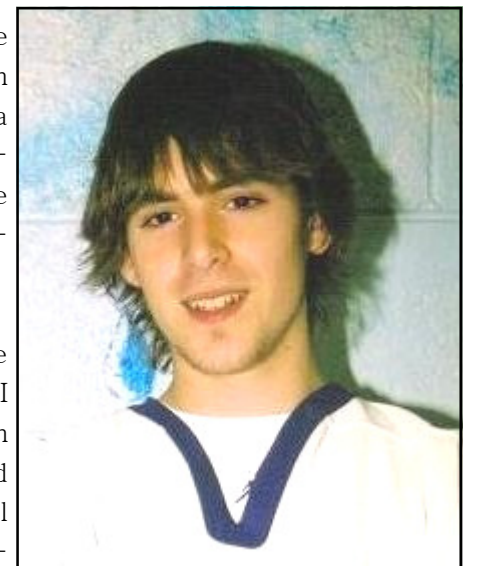
since 1996. She is very involved in many activities at her school, including soccer, basketball, volleyball and Reach For The Top, and just finished her Grade 8 Royal Conservatory piano exam. She is looking forward to working at the Visitor Information Center this summer.



Korri MacDonald is the 16 year old son of George MacDonald and Kim Isenor of Port Howe. Korri will be attending grade 12 at PDHS this coming fall. A few of Korri's interests are computers, technology, sports and spending time with friends. Korri says he is looking forward to greeting visitors and meeting new people this summer at the Village Information Centre.

Village Commission Brings Back Popular Recreation Program For Another Fun-filled Summer!

Hi, my name is Matthew Benjamin and I have just finished my first year in the Recreation Leadership Program at the Nova Scotia Community College in Truro, N.S. I am excited to be working at the Pugwash Village Commission this summer as the new Recreation Director.



Matthew Benjamin

One of my main interests is to encourage people to become more physically active. I am an active person and have always taken any opportunity I could to become involved with sports and other activities in my school and community. I am looking forward to providing these opportunities for others. I have spent the month of May volunteering with the Phys. Ed. teacher at the Pugwash and Wallace Elementary schools and will continue to do so in June. This has been a great opportunity for me to get to know some of the kids in the area and to encourage them to become active and involved.

Last year's Recreation Director, Danny MacAloney, had an awesome summer in the community and I am hoping to do the same. I look forward to introducing people of all ages to the many exciting activities our community has to offer. There will be something for everyone so I encourage you all to come out and get active this summer. Registration forms and brochures will be going out to the schools in the area very soon so keep an eye out for all of the exciting activities and opportunities that will be offered this summer! Please feel free to call or stop into the Village Commission for more information. 243-2946

This Summer At The C@P



Jessica Redmond comes from Wentworth and has just recently graduated from St. FX with a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing. Jessica will be continuing her education this fall in Montreal taking a Master's in Fashion Marketing. In the upcoming summer months she will be holding interactive computer courses for children, so stay tuned for advertisements in the community. In the mean time she will happily provide anyone with the skills needed to effectively use computers, the internet, faxing and much more.

A journey of a thousand sites begins with a single click. ~Author Unknown

Summer Hours for the C@P cite are: Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Closed for Lunch from 12:00 to 12:30 pm

Gathering of the Clans Financial Statement for 2007

REVENUE

Grants	7000
Cash Donations	468
Sponsors	4800
Gate Proceeds	19065
Artisan Booth Fees	1067
Pipes & Drums	950
Highland Dancing	946
Queen's Pageant	925
Midway	3420
Food booth donations	250
Miscellaneous Revenue	562

TOTAL REVENUE **\$ 39,453**

EXPENSE

Donations (Cash)	468
Advertising	1640
Bank Charges	204
Entertainment	6396
Fireworks	4000
Grand Parade	837
Highland Dancing	2112
Miscellaneous	527
Pipes & Drums	3926
Queen's Pageant	1594
Sanitation	1737
Gates	880
Heavyweights	1500
Wages	834

TOTAL EXPENSE **\$ 26,655**

NET INCOME **\$ 12,798**

A Special Thank-You
To Bill Church
for auditing the 2007
Gathering of the Clans
financial records.



Pugwash's Summer Party!



Harbourfest

-Exciting Yacht Races sanctioned by the Northumberland Strait Yachting Association on Saturday July 26.

-Raft Races Saturday July 26 evening 4:00pm to 5:00pm across the harbour.

-Canoe/Kayak racing Saturday July 26 afternoon 3:00 pm to 6:00pm

-Beach volleyball (Eaton Park)

Saturday July 26 9:00 am until 4:00pm all ages

Sunday July 27 9:00 am until 4:00pm.

-Across The Harbour Golf Challenge (Location TBA): Saturday July 26 10:00am until 5:00pm.

-Sand Castles/Sculptures Contest (Crescent Beach): Saturday July 26 9:30 until 12:00 noon.

Here is our outstanding entertainment schedule for the Eaton Stage, all entertainment is FREE

Friday evening July 25

-Public opening reception hosted by the *Pugwash Peace Exchange* 6:00pm to 8:00pm: The Poirier Family in Eaton Park

-The Royal Canadian Legion Pugwash branch will host a dance at the Legion from 9:00pm to 12:00pm.

Saturday evening July 26

-6:00pm to 8:00pm: Blueprints in Eaton Park

-The Pugwash Fire Department will host a Fireman's Nautical dance at the Fire Hall from 9:00pm to 12:00pm.

Sunday afternoon July 27

-1:00pm to 2:00pm: Tom Gallant

- 2:00pm-3:30pm: Cosan



Admission to all the exciting entertainment in Eaton Park and around the Harbour is Free!



The Northumberland Community Curling Club



The Northumberland Community Club ambitious fund raiser has been put into motion by the Ways & Means Committee to help reduce our debt of \$100,000. On September 27 NCCC will draw the lucky ticket on a Dodge Ram SXT - 1500, 4x4, quad cab truck. Tickets are on sale through club members for \$100 each. Only 500 tickets will be sold. The winner may collect \$25,000.00 if they prefer that to the truck.

April was the month of awards for NCCC. Vice-chair Al Gillis and Treasurer Dick Gray were feted at the Mayflower Curling Club in Halifax where they received, on behalf of NCCC, the Nova Scotia Curling Association Award for Organization of the Year. On April 23 Al Gillis traveled to Amherst to receive the Model Volunteer of the Year Award, District 4, from the Municipality of the County of Cumberland. The NCCC is very proud of these awards and will display them in our lounge. Rumour has it that we are in the running for a 3rd award, this time from Sport Nova Scotia. Yeah Pugwash!

But don't think you have heard the end from NCCC for this season! An

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Randy Thompson
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124 Water Street
PO Box 220, Pugwash, NS B0K 1L0

Clarence and Hazel Felderhof and Nellie and John Van de Wiel representing the Northumberland Community Curling Club, Pugwash, as they receive the Sport NS Ikon Award for Association of the Year. This prestigious award was presented at the Westin Hotel, Halifax on May 31, 2008. During dinner and the awards presentations, the club logo was projected on large screens and a commentary, including the following quotation was read, "The groundbreaking ceremony (for NCCC) took place last May and seven months later the first curling game took place." Congratulations Pugwash!

Photo (Right)



Clarence and Hazel Felderhof and Nellie and John Van de Wiel



Call for Volunteers

The Gathering of the Clans organizing committee is looking for volunteers to help organize the 2008 Festival.

Volunteers are needed to help out with all aspects of mounting this very special event. From highland dancing to site preparation, parade set up, vendor coordination, entertainment, administrative, gate organization, and everything else.

Working on a major event like the Gathering of the Clans Festival is a wonderful way to gain experience in event management, skills which employers find very valuable.

For more information on how to get involved and volunteer contact:

Randy Thompson
Village Clerk
243-2946

Commission Meetings

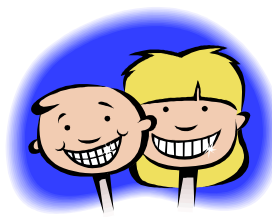
The Commissioners of the Village of Pugwash meet each 3rd Monday of the month at the Village Hall at 7 pm.

Current Commissioners:

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

Memories are Made at Camp Pagweak!

Many a laugh, shout and a YAHOO have been heard coming across the Pugwash Harbour from children who have attended Camp Pagweak.



This Camp, owned by the Atlantic Convention Baptist Churches of Cumberland, Colchester & Pictou Counties has been part of the history of Pugwash since 1944. Located on 18½ acres of scenic, oceanfront property on Route 6 just outside the Village of Pugwash on the Sunrise Trail, its purpose is to give young people an opportunity to experience God's love by having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Camp Pagweak has taken on a strong spiritual focus while providing a fun time for children of all ages! This year Camp Pagweak is offering 7 weeks of camping under the leadership of Jason Burke. Many volunteers join the staff at the Camp to make each week a special time.

From June 29th to Aug. 22nd, camps include **Music, Crafts, Sports, a new Family Camp, a Leadership Camp, Variety and a Teen Blast Camp.** Younger campers ages 6 - 9 can participate in Day Camp. There is something for every age group, all centered around experiencing God's love.

Many children never have the opportunity of attending Camp, but you can make this happen! Churches of all denominations, community organizations and individuals sponsor children each year to attend Camp Pagweak - what a gift! And guess what! These children keep coming back year after year. Kids can't wait to return to Camp Pagweak to play Capture the Flag, participate in water games, the ropes course or get re-acquainted with Ed's Alley! Nutritious meals, campfires and beach scavenger hunts are also a big part of Camp.

Most of the camps are expected to fill up quickly, so why not get your registration in early!

~ Memories, great friendships, fun and God's love are all experienced at Camp Pagweak! ~

Further info contact: Ruth Rushton, Camp Registrar
ruth.rushton@ns.sympatico.ca (597-8583)

Visit our Web Site: www.paqweak.com

Pugwash Farmer's Market

The Pugwash Farmers' Market will be held this year on Saturday, July 5, from 8:30am to 12 noon and every Saturday after until Thanksgiving. We hope to see all our regular customers and some new faces. Remember, buying locally helps the community and the environment.



For more information call Kirsteen at 243 2684 or email loukir@ns.sympatico.ca

Pugwash & Area Community Health Board

April was Oral Health Month and we sponsored a program for a Public Health dental hygienist to make a presentation on good oral hygiene to elementary school children in our area.

July 1, we hand out pamphlets and sunscreen samples to increase public awareness of skin cancer prevention.

We provided funding for the Creative Aging Yoga Group run by Mary Purdy, which has gained a loyal following for seniors who benefit from it. They meet every Wednesday morning at Cyrus Eaton Elementary School 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Recently we arranged for posters hung in frames at various participating businesses and institutions in our community. The posters focus awareness upon gambling addiction and where to get help for it.

We are working on having a men's Wellness Clinic here in November that will focus on men's health issues. This will be similar to the way a Women's Wellness clinic is conducted. The intention is to provide a one-stop check up presenting men with an assessment of their health as well as what can be done to address any concerns. Early intervention has proven to save lives. It will probably take the women to get their men to go to this clinic so we enlist your support ladies! We will also like to encourage high school males to attend. As health issues like testicular cancer and high blood pressure can affect them. It will also educate young males to learn to take responsibility for their health.

Our Board has two members from the High School student population. Presently they are Jarred Nix and Megan Mundle. Student members provide valuable input into the health of our young people and population generally.

Your CHB is the eyes and ears of health issues in our community to the District Health Authority in Amherst. We are not responsible for the Hospital and medical Doctors Clinic who have their own governance. All CHB members are unpaid volunteers.

If you would like to volunteer as a Board members, and feel you can contribute to our efforts please call me. David Farley- Chair 243-3284

Gospel Services in Eaton Park

We are pleased to announce summer Gospel Concerts in the beautiful Eaton Park, Pugwash in July & August

JULY 6 - 3PM
the unforgettable
NIGHTWATCH
Seven man band from Moncton

JULY 13 - 3PM
the fabulous **DAYBREAK**
Trio from Chipman, N.B.

AUGUST 10 - 3PM
Return of the old time band
concert with the
TRURO CONCERT BAND

AUGUST 17 - 3PM
Children's Hour by awesome
SHINING LIGHT
PUPPETEERS

Lots of fun - balloons & face painting
Refreshments: Cookies & Kool-Aid

Fill your car and come as you are. Bring your lawn chair & a friend and join us for an hour to enjoy a Sunday afternoon at the Park
Sponsored by the
Wallace River
Baptist Church - 2441 - Hwy 368.

Letter of Thanks

The staff and students at Cumberland Adult Network for Upgrading would like to thank the Village Commission for its support this year. We hope to resume classes next September and wish everyone a great summer.

Kirsteen
L.A. Animal Shelter
www.laanimalshelter.ca

Village Commission Support For Local Business:

The Visitor Information Centre is being maintained entirely by the Village Commission. This vital facility welcomes visitors and provides information and directions to local shops and services in the Village and surrounding areas. A Marketing Plan and Beautification Project is in development with CREDA, which when complete will serve as a valuable tool to attract doctors, investors, employers and families to our beautiful Village. The Commission has ensured that the Gathering of the Clans Festival continues in Pugwash - this event draws thousands of visitors to the Village who contribute many thousands of dollars to the local economy. In addition the Commission has provided administrative support to other festivals and events which likewise attract visitors to Pugwash. By maintaining the parks and green spaces in the Village so beautifully, and by contributing to the efforts of Communities In Bloom, many more people are attracted to Pugwash for their summer holidays, making purchases and investing in the local area. These are just a few examples of how the Commission positively contributes to the business community.