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Municipal Water Comes to Pugwash

By the end of 2017, many of the residents of Pugwash will be able to turn on their taps and get safe, clean, uncontaminated water, free of the metals and minerals that make many private wells unsafe.

In 2012, after extensive testing of 10% of domestic wells in Pugwash, it was discovered that 80% tested either over acceptable levels for arsenic or for aesthetic parameters (salt, manganese or other minerals and metals affecting taste) and 30% of the wells tested for arsenic in the core exceeded the Canadian Drinking Water guidelines for this health related parameter.

Due to these results, the Municipality, in conjunction with the Pugwash Village Commission, began the process of creating a central water supply for the Village of Pugwash.

The first step was to find a source of water that provided a quantity and quality to meet the needs of the Village. A groundwater exploration program began in the fall of 2012 and since then, 15 test wells have been drilled and a groundwater supply has been identified in the Pugwash River/Rockley area.

The Municipality of the County of Cumberland will create a water utility to operate the water supply system. The water utility would be responsible for providing water quality that meets the requirements of the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality.

For each property, a water service will be extended to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal's right of way. It will be the resident's responsibility to connect from the property line to their residence.

The water supply is not sufficient to provide fire protection with fire hydrants.

Funding

On July 29, 2015, the Municipality of the County of Cumberland and provincial and federal officials announced funding has been set aside for a \$14.9 million project that will bring clean water to the Village of Pugwash. The project involves building a centralized water treatment plant as well as an associated reservoir and distribution system to the Village.

The remaining funds for the construction of the Pugwash Water System will come from a capital contribution charge that will be levied to property owners whose property fronts onto the system. This charge is estimated to be less than \$5,000 (for standard residential service). Payment will not be due until the project is complete. The capital contribution charge can be paid in full or incrementally through an addition to the property's annual property tax bill.

Annual metered water rates for residential customers are estimated between \$650 - \$900. Actual billing will be based on a water rate set by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. This rate will apply to the volume of water used at that property. Fees will be on usage only, there will not be any other fee.

What is next?

Preliminary engineering has been awarded to WSP Canada Inc. This work has already started and will proceed through to November 2015.

Detailed engineering design will be awarded by Christmas and the project will go for tender in the spring of 2016.

Construction will begin the summer of 2016 and is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2017.

From: Justin Waugh-Cress, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering & Operations, the Municipality of the County of Cumberland

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PUGWASH AND AREA MASTER PLAN REPORTS

Village Municipal Water Supply Project - Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do I have to pay the capital contribution charge?

A: All properties that front on to the system and can potentially access the water supply will be responsible for paying the capital contribution charge.

Q: Do I have to use the water supply if I have access to it?

A: You are not required to connect your residence to the water system. Every customer connected to the system will have their own water meter and charged for the water they use.

Q: Who do I hire to install the waterline from the property line to my house?

A: When it is time to begin construction the County will issue a Request

for Standing Offer (RSO) that Contractors can respond to and provide a price per meter for installing service pipe. The County will make available a list of Contractors who responded to the RSO and their prices. Residents will be free to choose from this list or any other contractor of their choosing.

Q: The map (page 7) does not show a waterline running past my house and I want to receive water. What can I do?

A: If you are interested in receiving water and your property is outside of our current projected service boundary please write a letter to the Director of Engineering and Operations. Please make sure your letter has your full name and the civic address of the property you would like considered for service. Encourage your neighbours to write in as well, public support is an important consideration when looking at potential extensions. Your request will be assessed by the

Engineering and Operations department for technical and financial feasibility. If a waterline cannot be extended to your property as part of this project it does not rule out a future expansion.

For more information about the project, please visit

www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/pugwash-central-water-supply or contact:

Justin Waugh-Cress, P. Eng.
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Tel: (902) 667-2313 Fax: (902) 667-1352. e-mail: jwaugh-cress@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca

- The map of the proposed and alternate routes is on page 7. This can be viewed on the Village website in better detail.

Tourism Action Team

The Visitor Information Centre had another great year with over 1,500 visitors to the centre, doubling the number of visitors from last year. Now in the fall, travellers are still coming in for maps and local information. The VIC is open weekday mornings and by chance in the afternoons.

Multi Purpose Centre Action Team

The Multi-Purpose Centre is planned to include a new library and community meeting rooms that can be made into one large space. The site of the centre is yet to be finalized. However, it is important that it is integrated into the overall Master Plan being developed for the waterfront. The community centre Steering Committee now has a representative on the Waterfront Development Committee.

From: David Rickard, MPC Chair

Collaboration and Communication Action Team (CCAT)

The promotion of 911 signage project that ran at the Farmers Market this summer has resulted in over 80 signs being sold!! This is an excellent start. However, we need to encourage all property owners to have their civic signs and have them correctly displayed.

Signs are only \$20 and can be purchased through the Pugwash Volunteer Fire Department (902 243 2600) or the Municipality. Information brochures are available at the Village Hall and the Pugwash Co-Op.

CCAT is dedicated to improving communications between local organizations and groups. These are listed on the village website under the "Living in Pugwash" tab. There are now 65 organizations, service providers, special interest groups and churches listed, most with an information page attached. If you don't see your group, or see that your information page is missing or not up-to-date, please advise the Village Clerk.

From: Lisa Betts for
Tourism and CCAT

Sunrise International Film Festival

From: Sunrise Film Festival website

The inaugural Sunrise International Film Festival, with international film screenings and events from Pugwash to Pictou, gala launch party will be at the Lobster Factory, Thinkers Lodge on October 7th. The gala runs from 7pm to 11pm, and tickets are \$25. Each ticket includes a beverage from Jost vineyard and complimentary snacks provided by Jubilee Cottage. A cash bar will be on site as well. People will be able to mingle with film producers and directors, and then Christina Martin will perform for the crowd.

Tickets will be available at local retailers and Thinkers Lodge gift shop during the week.

Events in Pugwash:

Wednesday 7th October 2015, 7-11pm at The Lobster Factory \$25 Christina Martin will perform. Jost Vineyard is sponsoring this event.

Thursday, 8th October 2015, 2-4 pm Opening Film *A Beautiful Equation* at The Lobster Factory. \$10

Friday 9th October, Noon-2 pm *International Co-Production Panel* at Thinkers Lodge, Pugwash \$15. A panel of film makers from around the world discuss how to collaborate on a project with overseas partners.

Saturday 10th October, 2pm- 4pm *Women in TV and Film Industry Panel* at The Chatterbox Café. \$15 including desserts – Panel includes Lenore Zann, Annette Clark of the NFB and others.

To see list of all events with ticket prices go to: <http://www.sunrisefilmfestival.com/festival2015.htm>

Long Range Outlook for Area Schools

The Chignecto-Central Regional School Board has recently completed and approved a long range outlook for the next 10 years. The Board is presently conducting its' own survey of responses to the long range plan, asking people for their thoughts on the information presented, what is most important to the Board's future planning decisions, and ways we can all work together in the future. Please, submit your ideas and feedback on those questions at the website www.ccrsb.ca/content/ccrsb-long-range-outlook.

Adam Davies, local CCRSB member, invites you to join him on Tuesday, September 29th at 6pm at Cyrus Eaton Elementary School to discuss this document.

From:
Adam Davies

Communities in Bloom



Tree Inventory and Talk. Dr. Peter Duinker of Dalhousie University, and his Urban Forestry university students will be in Pugwash October 17-18 to develop a tree inventory and give a talk at the curling club. This follows a recommendation from the national CIB judges after the 2014 competition that a

tree inventory should be done in the core streets of the village capturing tree location, species, age, condition, mulching needs, etc. CIB volunteers will be contacting downtown property owners in September for their permission for students to inventory trees on their property. Students, wearing identification, will be looking at trees on as many properties as possible. A recommended tree and shrub list will be generated as well as maintenance suggestions for identified trees.

Trees: Benefits and Values, Nine Things You Never Knew about Trees. Dr. Peter Duinker, Saturday October 17, 7:30-8:30pm, Curling Club. All welcome!

New Banners. 30 new banners were added along approaches to Pugwash this year. They were designed by Communities in Bloom (CIB) members and purchased by cost sharing with the Village of Pugwash. The vinyl banners only last two or three seasons and need to be replaced as they age. CIB hopes to increase the number of banners in 2016.

Village Beautification. The triangle at the intersection between Durham Street and Route 6 has been long overdue for new curbing. The province installed a new curb this summer and the remainder of the construction work should be completed by fall. CIB plans to establish a new triangle garden. Tending the planters and window boxes on Water and Durham Streets as well as at the library/train station has kept CIB members and village staff busy.

Community Involvement/Recognition. CIB members were active participants in the Gathering of the Clans parade and HarbourFest Pork BBQ. The CIB Community Recognition Program honoured John Caraberis, Marilyn Williams, Louise Cloutier, and Jim Wills for their amazing contributions enhancing the quality of village life. Each recipient was given a Community Pride in Action Award for 2015.

Facebook. Please like Pugwash Communities in Bloom on Facebook! We're always keen to have new mem-

From:
Maureen Leahey



Friends of the
Pugwash Estuary

From: Greg Nix

Friends of the Pugwash Estuary (FOPE) has had a busy summer and are looking forward to an active Fall. Our summer student, Skeena Lawson is editing her final draft of the History of The Pugwash Estuary. We especially want to thank local residents and the North Cumberland Historical Society for all of their support. Another summer student, trapped green crab and collected a variety of environmental data supervised by Dr. Fraser Clark. We are looking forward to their report on this invasive species. Additional work will be completed at Estuary House this Fall.

Be sure to mark Sunday, October 18th on our calendar for our annual Fall Colors Flotilla sponsored by Cunningham Construction. We will be leaving Estuary House and exploring Canfield Creek, returning to Estuary House for a BBQ.

We had the pleasure of having Tom Forrestall, painter extraordinaire, visit Estuary House this summer. He left us with four original paintings and prints. If you are interested in purchasing a Forrestall painting, please contact Betty Hodgson.

The Alice M. Power Environmental Education Fund is now established. If you are interested in making a legacy donation, please contact Alice Power.

Sarah Witney took members of Hike Nova Scotia on a lovely trail walk on the Seagull Foundation property. Finally, the Nature Conservancy of Canada has partnered with FOPE to create trails in the Estuary area to support visiting hikers and naturalists. They also are sponsoring the annual Buckthorn Beatdown on October 3rd from 9am to 2pm with lunch provided. This should be our last visit to the test site before we tackle another identified area. Be sure to register on the website: <http://www.natureconservancy.ca/en/what-you-can-do/conservation-volunteers/events/pugwash-buckthorn-beatdown.html>



New Market Layout Part of Successful Summer Season

The Farmers' Market has had a very busy summer with a few more weeks left before we close for the season on Thanksgiving weekend, October 10th.

As many of you experienced, we tried a new layout for the vendor booths and added a centre path from the parking lot to the booths that helped create easier access for customers. Thanks for all the great customer feedback that the Market now feels more festive and friendly with the new layout.

We also had a very successful fund raising "How does your market grow" campaign to start to raise money to build weather-proof vendor kiosks.

Save the Date: We will be doing our Christmas Market again this year at the Pugwash High School on December 12th. Stay tuned for information about our holiday contest to win a cocktail & hors d'oeuvre party catered by Wally Vaters over the holiday season.

Thank You for your continued support of the market in the spirit of "Buying Local".

From: Nancy Graham

Pugwash Village Hall
office hours
Winter
Monday to Friday
9am to 1pm
(or by appointment)

Clerk Treasurer:
Lisa Betts
Phone: **902 243 2946**

e-mail: villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

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

The Village Hall has space available for a variety of uses and meeting sizes. This is FREE to non-profit groups.

Please call the Clerk to book a time at:
902-243-2946



Community Access Program



Pugwash C@P Site and VIC

October
Monday - Friday
9am to 12 noon

November
Tuesday - Friday
9am to 12 noon

7th December - 4th April
CLOSED
(Open by chance/
appointment)

Pugwash Village Hall
124 Water Street
C@P site: 902 243 2088
VIC: 902 243 3020



The Pugwash and Area Community Health Board

From: Peter Lewis

The Pugwash and Area Community Health Board (CHB) does not have regular meetings in July and August. However several members of the Board were busy with a number of summer activities.

The CHB placed a poster about Lyme Disease at several locations in Pugwash. There are procedures to protect yourself from the carriers of this disease, deer ticks. Some of these are: cover as much of your skin as possible, tuck shirt into your pants, tuck pant legs into your socks, use DEET, check yourself, your children and pets after your walk. Later on, check for any "bull's-eye target" rash which appears on 70-80% of infected people from 1 to 30 days after extended contact with a tick (ie attached for over 24 hours). Also check for fever, chills, swollen lymph nodes, pain or swelling in

the joints, stiff neck or soreness all over. For more information, go to: novascotia.ca/dhw/cdpc or call your local Public Health Office (902-667-3319).

During HarbourFest, the CHB set up a table for its annual sunscreen promotion and a backboard which displayed some of the activities of the CHB. The weather was somewhat cool but we had a good day promoting the use of sunscreen and enjoying the summer sun safely. We gave out about 400 sunscreen samples over four hours. We also had a number of water bottles and wrist bands which had the theme of "keeping hydrated" during summer activities. Sandwich boards promoted the sunscreen and how to apply it correctly. CHB Board members participating were: Wendy Angus, Isabelle Mullaley, Marilyn Horton, Dave Alderman and Peter Lewis. All

Board members who participated agreed that the promotion was successful and we raised the profile of the CHB in the community.

During the summer, CHB Vice-chair Greg Nix and Chair Peter Lewis became members of the Ad hoc Committee for the new Health Care Facility/Collaborative Emergency Centre for Pugwash. (See report below)

Our first meeting of the fall season was September 10th with a presentation from Martha Underwood, Palliative Care Registered Nurse. CHB members believe in healthy lifestyles and healthy living. We hope you do as well. Enjoy the coming fall season! For information about the Pugwash and Area CHB, contact chair Peter Lewis at 902-243-2075 or lewisp@ns.sympatico.ca.

North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

At our June meeting, approval was given for the purchase of an Otoscope and two fold-up cots for the hospital. A donation was made to Camp Pagweak to enable four children to attend camp for a week.

Bursaries were awarded at the PDHS graduation to five students who are continuing their education in a health-related field. The recipients are: Mikaila Borgal, Danielle Gullens, Kaitlynn Matheson, Lauren Russell and Nicole Smith.

Our monthly meetings have resumed. Our next meeting will be October 6 at 2pm in the Hospital Boardroom. New members are always welcome.

Anyone wishing to volunteer at our Thrift Shop, please contact Helen Cameron at 902-243-2615. Become a Friend on Facebook (Ncmha) and join in our weekly online auction.

From: Faye Moore

Pugwash Health Care Facility

An *ad hoc* community group (which includes local Pugwash doctors, Councillor Gillis, former Commissioner Farley and members of the CHB) has been formed to ensure the community has a voice expressing interest and support moving the Pugwash medical and hospital care facility forward. This project was announced four years ago, but little progress is apparent.

With the assistance of MLA Terry Farrell, a meeting was arranged with the Nova Scotia Health Authority CEO Janet Knox at North Cumberland Memorial Hospital in August. We were pleased to have the opportunity to present our concerns to her directly. As a result of our discussion, a commitment from Ms. Knox was made to review where our project stands and to get back to us within two months.

The committee recognizes that - with the formation of new health authority structure, new projects are delayed and subject to review. However, the local committee members remain confident that the new building is the critical piece to facilitate the new model of health care that the Department of Health and Wellness is promoting. The committee believes that we have been undertaking that change since 2008 with the formation of the Collaborative Practice and in 2012 with the formation of the Collaborative Emergency Care facility. An appropriately designed facility will help us recruit and retain health care providers going forward in this new model, and will help meet the health care needs of the community into the future.

From: Dr. Peter Blaikie and
Dave Farley



From: Lisa Betts,
GOC Coordinator

The 64th anniversary Pugwash Gathering of the Clans went exceptionally well and the weather was almost perfect. July 1st fell on a Wednesday, but that did not seem to deter the crowds. We had a much better attendance than one would expect and it was up 13% from last year.

Entrance gate returns were \$24,724. This 13% increase is reflected in the increased wristband count of 4,660 adults and 667 students. Very strict controls are kept over wristband and gate income security. The fact that numbers match so closely are a testament to that.

It is estimated that there is at least a thousand additional participants not included in the paid wristband count. These include competitors and judges in the Highland Dance and the pipe and drum competitions, participants in the heavyweight Highland games, the Canada Day parade, vendors and the 150 or more volunteers that made the day so special for all involved, residents and visitors alike. Many purchase a wristband anyway, which is greatly appreciated.

The day started with 78 dancers competing on Eaton Stage in Highland Dance. The Bonnie Gael Huston Memorial Trophy was awarded to Taylor MacQuarrie of Pork Hawkesbury.

The theme for the Canada Day Parade was "Canada's Flag's 50th birthday". The Parade results were:

Commercial

- 1st: Cunningham Construction
- 2nd: K+S Windsor Salt
- 3rd: Roy Mattinson and Son

Non- Commercial

- 1st: Miller Road MX Crew
- 2nd: George Lockhart
- 3rd: Pugwash District High School

Antique Vehicles

- 1st: Allis Chalmer's Model G

2nd: 1933 Ford truck – John Vandeweil
3rd: 1971 Chev Malibu – Jerry Jamieson
Most humorous: K+S Windsor Salt

Eight pipe and drum bands competed this year! This is biggest number of bands to compete for many years. Grade 3 was won by Dartmouth and District Pipe Band. In Grade 4, first place went to Simonds Lions Caledonian Pipe Band, 2nd to Clan Thompson, 3rd Belfast Pipe and Drum Band. Grade 4 runners up were Correctional Services Canada Community Pipes and Drum Band and Antigonish Highland Society and Old Scotia Pipe and Drum band. Grade 5: 1st was Dartmouth and District and 2nd went to 36 Halifax Pipes and Drums. After the competitions were over the bands massed and marched up Water Street as far as Black Street for their prize giving.

The entertainment of Eaton stage rocked throughout the afternoon and evening ending up with the great fun of Rawlins Cross who played until the fireworks were set off at 10pm.

There were 30 vendors, including 5 food vendors. The Gathering will look into encouraging more food vendors to come to Pugwash.

Gate income helps support local and area community non profit groups. The groups benefiting this year include: the North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, The Pugwash and District Volunteer Fire Department, the Pugwash and Area Ground Search and Rescue, HarbourFest, Pugwash and Area Chamber of Commerce, Pugwash Legion Peach Branch 60 and Friends of the Pugwash Estuary.

Preparations are already under way for 2016, the 65th anniversary of the Pugwash Gathering of the Clans and 2017 which will be Canada's 150th birthday.



From:
Wally Vaters,
HarbourFest Chair

I wish to express a big thanks to all of our Pugwash HarbourFest Committee members, our coordinator- the tireless Lee Fleming, our fine troop of volunteers, the many community partners, corporate and government sponsors and to all of the fantastic people who made the 10th anniversary of Pugwash HarbourFest one to remember! It wouldn't be possible to execute this event without every one of these individuals and entities.

This year we enjoyed the many varied activities and spectacles that our community and region has to offer on our beautiful waterfront- thrilling high speed boat races, spectacular fireworks, the Children's Carnival, the ever popular soap box derby, exciting buskers, fantastic musical entertainment and so much more that helped make this milestone a stand-out celebration we should all be proud of.

The Committee is back to business and already planning our 2016 and 2017 events! Next year's dates have been set as July 22-24, 2016! We are planning a fall get together to get feedback from our partners and fellow community event organizers, so stay tuned! We'd love to get your feedback and input and heck- why not consider joining our committee and share your insights, experience and great ideas? Contact me directly at chair@pugwashharbourfest.ca !

Remembrance Day	
November 11th	
10:30am	Parade to Cenotaph (from the old fire hall)
11am	Cenotaph
Noon	Wesley St Matthew's United Church
12:30pm	Reception at Pugwash Legion

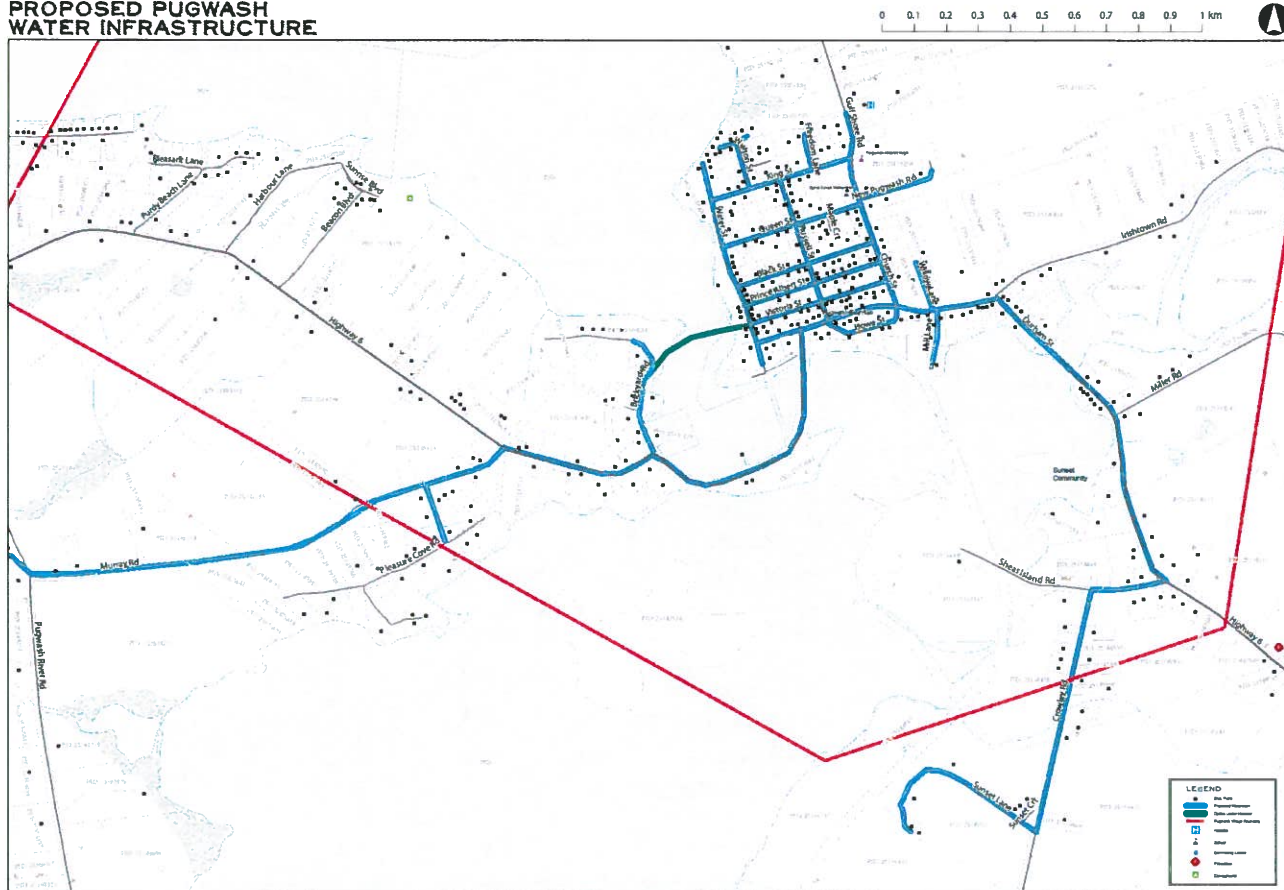
Federal Election - October 19th

Pugwash area voting will be at the Pugwash Legion (10778 Durham Street) for **Advance Polls** (October 9th - 12th) and **Election Day**. Voting cards will arrive in the mail shortly. Check it to confirm if the Legion is where to go to vote, especially if you are not in the Village of Pugwash.

You can vote now at the **Continuing Poll** at the Returning Offices in **Truro** (128 Esplanade Street, Suite 16, Truro) or **Amherst** at Centennial Plaza, 4 Robert Angus Drive, Amherst. The Continuing Poll ends October 8th.

Enquiries: 1 866 204-8047

PROPOSED PUGWASH WATER INFRASTRUCTURE



Upcoming Events

September

- 26th Brunch at the Pugwash Legion
- 29th Future school model (at CEES)

October

- 1st All Candidates' Debate
- 3rd Buckthorn Beatdown (FOPE)
- 3rd Doris Mason (Chatterbox)
- 7th - 10th Sunrise International Film Festival (see page 3)
- 12th Thanksgiving
- 17/18th Tree survey (see page 3)
- 17th Tree facts presentation, NCCC
- 18th FOPE Flotilla
- 18th Community Supper (7th Day)
- 19th Federal election
- 19th Village Commission meeting
- 29th Pork take-out dinner

Coming soon: Safe Food Handling Course - date to be announced. Contact Village clerk to register

November

- 1st Daylight savings time ends
- 11th Remembrance Day
- 14th Alien Invasion! (Library)
- 16th Village Commission meeting
- 20th Basketball tournament
- 25th Basketball tournament
- 28th Brunch at the Pugwash Legion

December

- 4th Christmas by the sea
- 12th Basketball tournament
- 12th Farmers' Market at PDHS
- 12th Christmas Concert (7th Day)

All events are in Pugwash unless otherwise noted. More information may be found on that organization's newsletter submission or on the village website

Exercise & Dance Classes

Walking in CEES Gym

Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:30am to 10:30am. FREE!

Zumba

5-7pm Tuesdays. \$8 per class. PDHS.

Dance/exercise instructors - please call the Clerk with your class times at: 902 243 2946 to add your classes to this list

Check out <http://www.pugwashvillage.com/index.php/festivals-and-events/events-calendar> for more details!



From: Denise Corey

Did you know?

Summer Reading Club is over for another year and was a great success. Over 2,100 hours were read by children and teens aged 3-17. Over 1,000 book ballots were submitted for our Adult Summer Reading Club.

New to the Library

The Cumberland Public Libraries will be hosting "How to use the new Library catalogue" in September and October. Check our calendar of events or call your local library for more information.

Statistics

In the month of July, Cumberland Public Libraries signed out over 10,500 items! This includes books, movies, TV shows, magazines and more.

Also, in July and August, the 7 libraries held 66 programs County-wide for children and adults, with 977 people in attendance!

Find out what's going on

Check out the library's webpage (www.cumberlandpubliclibraries.ca) to see our Calendar of Events and get information on upcoming programs.

Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter (@CumberlandPL) to get information on coming events, find out about new books and movies, and see pictures of our programs.

Pugwash Library

Winter hours

September - May

Monday: 11am - 4pm

Tuesday: 11am - 4pm

Wednesday: 2pm - 7pm

Thursday: 2pm - 7pm

Friday: noon - 5pm

Saturday: 10am - 1pm

Sunday - closed

Ph: 902 243 3331

Summer at Camp Pagweak

From: Ruth Rushton

Our first camp started on July 1st and many of our camps were at capacity as we moved into August. Approx. 400 campers were welcomed this summer and enjoyed kayaking, crafts, the rock wall, trail bikes, zip line and many games. Combine this with sun, sand and surf and great friends and awesome food and you have all the makings of an amazing camping season!

Angela Trenholm was the Camp Director and we were so blessed to have her and Jody and Rachel move to camp for the summer! Angela's genuine love for the camp and children was so evident each week and the staff we had were wonderful!

Our 70th Anniversary Supporter's Picnic was Sept. 19th when all the Camp's supporters came together for a great time of fellowship! We had a great cake and pie auction with our favourite Auctioneer - Barry Huston! A special pewter ornament was designed for our anniversary to sell, commemorating this milestone!

Thirty Atlantic Baptist Convention Churches in Cumberland and Colchester-Pictou Counties own and support this camp. We also appreciate the financial support from many individuals, community organizations and businesses.

Pugwash Library Programs

Read away Your Fines

For the month of October, grades primary to 12 students with library fines can drop by the library read for 30 minutes and have their fines* forgiven!

*Does not include lost/damaged items.

Children & Adults Reading Together (CART)

Mondays Oct.5th to November 30th. 10am - 11:30am

An exciting program to introduce your pre-school child to the wonderful world of books. Lots of stories, games and fun activities with a focus on parents and children reading together. Children ages 3-5 accompanied by a parent, grandparent or caregiver.

Alien Invasion!

Wednesday, October 14, 3:15-4:15pm. Grades P-6 Aliens have invaded the library! Construct a spaceship and play games that are out of this world!

Space is limited for all these programs, Please call 903-243-3331 to register or for more information.



Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue is holding their annual membership drive September to December.

PGSAR provides Search and Rescue services as well as community support for Sunset Residential and Rehabilitation Services, Gathering of The Clans and the Village Christmas tree. Training is provided in Map and Compass, GPS and other skills that support SAR. New members should be able to sustain a hike for a minimum of two hours. To join, contact Greg Nix 243-3295 or email gregalvina@yahoo.ca



Pugwash and District Volunteer Fire Department

Roast Pork
Take out Supper

Thursday, October 29

Cost is \$10 per plate and you can pick up between 4pm -6pm. We also offer delivery service in the village. Please contact any firefighter for tickets

Royal Canadian Legion, Peace Branch 60

Brunch

September 26th and November 28th
10am - 1pm. \$7 adults, \$3.50 children.

Bingo

7pm every Wednesday

Cribbage

1pm every 1st and 3rd Saturday. \$10

Poppies for sale at the Pugwash Co-op late October/early November. Crosses and wreaths for sale. Contact Howard Ferdinand, Maggie Stone or at the Legion, Durham Street.



PREPARING FOR THE 21ST CENTURY
ON SE PRÉPARE POUR LE 21^E SIÈCLE

From:
Howard Ferdinand
and Maggie Stone



The Monument at the Cenotaph has been cleaned and the lettering repainted. In the next few weeks, there will be new fencing, a new flag pole and benches installed. Funding assistance from Veteran's Affairs is helping with this project. - Staff



FRIENDS OF THE MARGARET KING SCHOOL SOCIETY

September 27th will be the one year anniversary of the grand opening of the *Margaret King School Memorial Park*.

What a summer it has been to enjoy all our parks and beaches in this beautiful area. A "Memory Chair" has been established to just sit and recall some pleasant memories of persons, places and events. It was built and painted in the school colours of gold and blue by the folks at Sunset Industries whose beginnings are a big part of our Pugwash Junction history.

Any input of articles or artifacts relating to this history would be most welcome. Stay tuned.....

From: Pat Briggins

10th Annual HarbourFest Beach Volleyball



Back row (L to R): Kevin Christie, David Swetnam, Andrew Atherton, Mike Christie, Geoff Stewart
Front row (L to R): Margot Swetnam, Michelle Stewart

Tournament Results

- 1st - Amherst Shore Setters (pictured)
- 2nd - Dig This!
- 3rd/4th - Has Beens & PB Cook

From:
John Langille

Thanks to all participants, volunteers, and sponsors for a great weekend!

The Route Six Snowmobile Club

Its not too early to plan for some time on your snowmobile! Route Six will be running both groomers again and are pleased to announce that a huge amount of brush work is being done on the rail bed in partnership with JD Irving. Trail access to the Folly Club has created two great new loops for Route 6! We are also partners in the Oxford and Area Trails Association's effort to complete the Trans Canada Trail into the Town of Oxford.

Access to the Trans Canada trail system from the Pugwash Village can be found behind the Esso near Church Street (groomed again this year thanks to Keith Irving's permission to use his trails), just west of the Fire Department, or at the Corner of Murray Road and Pugwash River (Conn's Mills) road on the North side of the Pugwash River. Be sure to purchase your trail pass to support bridge construction, grooming and trail maintenance that encourages recreational sledding in our area.

Join our facebook page to keep up to date on what is happening! Happy Sledding!

From: Greg Nix

PDHS Senior Boys Basketball

The team and coaches would like thank everyone in the village for their continued support of the basketball program and for cheering us on and travelling to provincial competition all over the province.

The boys have won 5 Provincial Titles and been in 6 finals in the past 10 years. Every new season presents a new set of challenges for the team and my hope is that this year we are at the top again.

The Provincial championships will be in this area in March 2016. We are hoping to be hosting the championships in Pugwash! In preparation for this we plan to play at home more often in preparation of hosting.

The first home tournament is on Nov 20th and 21st. The games start at 2pm on the 20th with Pugwash Division 4 playing Hants East Division 2, followed by games with Memorial Division 1, SAERC Division 3 and Tantramar Division 1 teams,

We play a Regional game at home vs Tatamagouche Nov 25th at 8 pm.

The second tournament will be December 11,12. We will be playing , Sommet Cougars, the team we played in last years provincial final, as well as the Hants North Flames, Dalbrae Dragons and two other teams.

Close to home we play in the Amherst Christmas classic December 28,29th.

For more information, look on the school facebook page or the coach's facebook page which we will keep as up-to-date as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Coaches: Vincent Pye
and Angela Stewart.

Mixed Palette Art Sale at HarbourFest

The annual Mixed Palette art sale started over the HarbourFest weekend, as it has done for the past ten years. On exhibit and for sale were paintings and other art pieces by eight member artists. About 50 pieces were sold and there were about 500 visitors over the nine days of the show. Admission was free.

There was a draw for three art pieces. *Flower Pot* by Lorna Stubbard was won by Averie Colwell of Sackville, NB; *The Watering Trough* by Heather Cunningham was won by Tammy Crosthwaite of Dorchester, NB and *Dancing to the Beat* by Heather Cunningham was won by Wendy Wells of Wallace Bay, NS

From: Heather Cunningham

Mixed Palette Art Group



The Mixed Palette Art Group meets at the Pugwash Village Hall every Thursday from 9:30am to 1pm. We paint, chat and learn from each other.

We paint enough paintings through the year to have a ten day Art Sale in August at the Village Hall.

New members are always welcome. Just drop by the Village Hall on a Thursday or contact Heather Cunningham at 902-243-2380.

It Takes a Village Newsletter is generally published quarterly in March, June, September, December. The deadline for our next issue is **November 28th 2015**. Maximum word count of 250. No ads. We reserve the right to edit for length and content. Submissions from non-profit groups only please. Photos or graphics will be used as space allows. The newsletter distribution covers the Village and all rural postal routes serviced by the Pugwash post office. Send articles by email to:

villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

For more info call:
902 243 2946



From:
Hazel
Felderhof

The Northumberland Community Curling Club is busy making plans for the fall season. You will soon find a bright, green flyer in your mailbox with all the pertinent information for the up-coming season. Don't throw it in the waste basket at the post office! Read it and share it with a friend or neighbor. We expect our 8th year to be better than ever.

All of our popular categories of play will be returning: men's and ladies mornings, Open and Mixed leagues, Friday Night Social curling, Thursday Night Ladies, Little Rocks, Juniors, Sunset and Commercial. Learn-To-Curl on Monday nights will be featured once again in the hope of bringing brand new curlers to the sport.

For returning curlers we have an "Incentive to join early" deal. You might be the winner of a free membership if you join before October 16. Open House is October 26 – 29 from 6pm – 8pm. Drop by and pick up information, register and share a cup of coffee. It's time to plan for winter. The curling rink is here for everyone to enjoy.

Trans Canada Trail

Pugwash area trail users are anticipating the completion of the Trans Canada trail from Tatamagouche to Amherst by 2017 but hoping that a bridge over the River Phillip will be completed this Fall connecting Pugwash to the Irving at Oxford. Engineering work and permits have been completed and the abutments are nearly ready to accept a bridge!! A "Build Our Bridge" campaign is getting off the ground. We will need community support to complete the fundraising needed to make this project a reality. Contact any member of the Oxford Trails Organization (OTA) or Greg Nix -243-3295 - gregalvina@yahoo.ca if you would like to help contribute at one of the following levels: 220 Foot Club - \$100.00, Bronze -\$500.00, Silver -\$1000, Platinum -\$5000.00

A plaque honoring memorials and donors will be affixed to the completed bridge. Thanks for your support!

From: Greg Nix

The Northumberland and Area Boating Association

From: Greg Nix

The primary mandate of the NBA is to provide safe navigation in the tidal waters of Pugwash River and River Phillip.

The poor weather in June meant that the channel markers were late being placed but most boaters appreciated the ability to enjoy recreational boating in the safe harbour of the tidal rivers. Buoys and their anchors were removed from the River Phillip Sept. 19th using our new barge/hauler and will be removed from the Pugwash river before October 5th.

Boaters are reminded to get their memberships or make a donation to ensure this service can be maintained. If you can help with the removal of the buoys in the Pugwash River, call Greg Nix at 243-3295 and leave a message.

Did you know *It Takes a Village* newsletter goes to over 700 local homes and is available at various downtown Pugwash locations?

Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are generally on the third Monday of the month at 7pm. Come to the next meeting and find out what is going on in YOUR Village!

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

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

Visitor Information Centre (VIC)

The VIC is not just for visitors. Local residents can find lots of information about upcoming events and interesting local attractions for a day trip. Garbage pick-up schedules and other brochures are available - all year!

During the "off season" the VIC is open every weekday morning and by chance in the afternoons.

The VIC is in the Village Hall at 124 Water Street.



MLA Terry Farrell

The Amherst office is located at 10B Havelock St on the corner with Ratchford Street. The office is staffed daily. Deby White is the Cumberland North Constituency Assistant. You can reach us at 902-660-3144 or by email at terry.farrell@live.com.

For the next few months we will be at the Pugwash Village Hall by appointment. Please call 902-660-3144

Next Regular Meetings:

**October 19th
November 16th
December 21st**

Clerk's Office will be closed: Monday September 28th through to Tuesday October 6th. In case of emergency, please call a Commissioner. Phone and e-mail messages will be checked until the office opens again October 7th.

Pugwash Village Commissioners: Who are they?

Pugwash Village has five elected Commissioners who volunteer their time to help administer what is going on in YOUR Village. To be a Commissioner, you have to live within Village limits, a Canadian citizen and be willing to give up time to work for the sake of all Village residents. Elections are held every year for one or two positions that are for three years.

Florence Batiot (1 902 579 3157) Retired and now living on Russell Street. Florence is our newest commissioner.

Christie Blackie (902 243 3308) is the hot lunch coordinator at Cyrus Eaton Elementary School. Christie returned to Pugwash 5 years ago and hosts international exchange students.

Charles Gould (902 243 3493) lives on Durham Street and works for the NS Department of Natural Resources.

Roger Mundle - Vice Chair (902 243 2042) lives on Water Street and is semi-retired as a truck driver. Roger delivered furnace oil in this area for 28 years.

Kathy Redmond - Chair (902 243 2606) lives on Freedom Lane. Kathy brings 12 years of Municipal experience to the village commission. Kathy is office coordinator for Cunningham Construction and Cooperators Insurance.

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