



Bob Davis was presented with an Honorary Life Membership in the Debert Fire Brigade by Chief Wade Jennings.



Derek Lockhart is presented with a 15-Year Service Pin by Chief Wade Jennings.

Shoreline Journal Standing Finalist in Two Categories

By Maurice Rees

The Shoreline Journal has been selected as the standing finalists, top three, in two categories in the 2015-2016 Newspaper Atlantic Better Newspaper Competition. The categories are Best Circulation Promotion and Best Community Engagement. Winners will be announced at the association's annual conference in Halifax on April 23rd.

The Best Circulation Promotion was the Shoreline's subscription program to assist with the costs to repair and restore Victoria Hall in Bass River, while the Best Community Engagement entry focused on the Shoreline's annual birthday party for area and former residents who are 90 & 90+, which is held at the Economy

Rec Centre on the Saturday before Mother's Day. Elected members of the municipal, provincial and federal governments present certificates to birthday attendees, and then assist by serving the meals.

Newspaper Atlantic is an association which includes over 60 community newspapers in Atlantic Canada. Since coming under new ownership in 2008, the Shoreline Journal has been the recipient of several awards and citations, plus Maurice Rees, publisher has been recognized by the Canadian Community Newspaper Association (CCNA), the national association which boasts over 1,000 newspapers as members, for the Silver Quill and Gold Quill awards for 25 and 50 years contribution to the newspaper industry.

Trurobotics win Wolfville; Off to Toronto

By Maurice Rees

Trurobotics, a team of eight youth made a presentation to municipal council on March 1st, to advise council of their work on developing a completely bio-degradable plastic bag. They were one of two presentations at council's monthly presentation night.

The team consisting of Xavier Barrington, Matthew Cormier, Nick Crowell, Sam Elgee, Zack Cooper-Gray, James Robinson and Jack Sommers competed in the First Lego League competition in Wolfville earlier this winter and came away with top honours in the research category. Milo Crowell is the team's head coach.

As a result of the Wolfville success they are preparing for a trip in June to Toronto in the FIRST Lego League International Open. If they finish in the top 20 in Toronto, they will proceed to the next level in Washington, DC.

Their project for Wolfville was to create a bio-degradable plastic bag. After creating several samples, they worked

with Wayne Wamboldt, Director Waste Services, Municipality of Colchester, who tested several at the Kemptown Balefill facility. Testing included ensuring the samples did not clog up machinery, and then the samples were placed in composting piles. After less than a week, the samples had completely disappeared.

The second presentation included Krista McMullin, James Shedden, Dr Ryan Sommers - Nova Scotia Health Authority and Cheryl MacKinnon, RCMP, who are working on the Municipal Alcohol Policy (MAP). The opening slide in their power point presentation stated, "It's not that we are drinking, it's how we are drinking".

The MAP team is working on development of a Municipal Alcohol Policy Guide for Nova Scotia Municipalities. The literature described MAP as a tool for communities to help reduce the number of alcohol-related issues at municipality owned facilities and special events;

it's not about prohibition, or banning alcohol, it's about promoting and supporting safer drinking. According to the guide, which is under development, a MAP helps to educate people and guide

their decision making so drinking is done safer and in healthier ways in communities.

The committee will continue working with municipalities and other partners to develop and maintain safe and viable communities.

ARE YOU READY For "Campaign" School?

By Maurice Rees

If you are planning on being a candidate in this fall's municipal election a one-day campaign school will enable you to be a better candidate, or if you are running a campaign for someone else, the school will assist you to learn how to run an effective campaign.

The province is working with the Springtide Collective, a non-profit group, on a project to encourage Nova Scotians to get involved in local government. Springtide Collective will run a series of three schools around the province to help prepare candidates to run and also ask Nova Scotians to make a commitment to vote.

The campaign school in the Truro area will be held April 2 starting at 8:30 am. Through these

one-day sessions, participants will learn about rules for candidates and how to run effective campaigns. Both experienced and new candidates are welcome to attend. The other schools are Port Hawkesbury, April 16th and Bridgewater on May 14th.

In order to attend you must register online and can do so at <http://LocalDecisions.ca>. Dates, locations and other information is located there.

Springtide will also use the website and social media to help voters learn about the election process and encourage voting this fall. Municipal elections in Nova Scotia are held every four years on the third Saturday in October. This year, general election day is October 15.



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My Favourite Pet

John, the 10 month old Alpine Cross is the favourite pet of 10 year old Marion Porter, a member of the Onslow-Belmont 4-H club. John loves to run and in the summer eat grass. Marion and John will receive a \$20.00 Gift Certificate from The Shoreline Journal and Clarence Farm Service.

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