### Credit Union Awards \$12,000 in Bursaries



Prem Dhir, member Board of Directors of the Community Credit Union and Chair of its Bursary Committee; Brian Millard Luke Ells and Pat Spicer, Vice Principal, Advocate District High School.

The Community Credit Union awarded \$12,000 worth of Bursaries to graduating students this year. Receiving a bursary from Prem Dhir, member Board of Directors of the Community Credit Union and Chair of its Bursary Committee is Brian Millard Luke Ells Advocate District High School.

Other bursary recipients were: Sarah Jenesta Hunt, North Colchester High; Emily Colpitts, CEC, Truro; Sarah Densmore, South Colchester
Academy; Jordan Bokma,
Colchester Christian
Academy; Michelle Alkema,
Pugwash District High;
Michaila Hoeg, River Hebert
District High; Carly Sue Rious,
Parrsboro Regional High;
Ryan Oulton, Tantramar
Regional High; Megan Graves,
Oxford Regional High; Mary
Jean Colwell, Springhill High;
and Amber MacKenzie of
Amherst Regional High

# **Welcome Sun**

Sun, it's wonderful, after the rain. Like the healing touch that eases pain.

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Florence Adams

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## The Obesity Epidemic and Physical Activity

By Matt Pryde

According to the PACY, 2006 study (www.gov.ns. ca/hpp/physicalactivity/akhkr esearch.asp), only 60% of boys in Nova Scotia have a healthy weight. This is down from 64% in 2001. As far as girls are concerned, 66% are a healthy weight. The strange thing about these numbers is that as the youth grows older, they tend to have a healthier weight, which directly disputes the idea that physical activity is the best way to control your weight considering physical activity levels drop dramatically as children get older.

To put this into perspective, less than one percent of girls in grade 11 get enough exercise to achieve health

benefits, yet only 10% of them are overweight. What's up with that? Well, upon closer inspection, the data shows that girls are far more likely to eat less to lose weight. They are also far more unlikely to be concerned that their weight is too low. That being said, 24% of girls are actually dieting in grade 11! That number is astounding! Why would a 16 year old girl need to diet?

Now, I know all about the demands concerning body image, peer pressure and so on, but it seems to me that it is frightening to think that dieting is so implanted in a person's mind when all they needed to do was live a healthy lifestyle to begin with.

People come in all shapes and sizes, but it's important that the concept of overall well-being be planted in our children's minds from a young age rather than letting 'Fashion Television' teach them when they are older that being the size of a twig is the way to be.

Physical activity does not need to be an organized program, but one of the top excuses for being inactive is that there is nowhere to go and nobody to go with. Children and girls especially, need to be encouraged to participate. Offer to drive your daughter and her friends to a 'Girls Only' program. They exist in nearly every Municipality, so contact your

Recreation Department.

Remember, dieting is not the way to a healthy lifestyle, especially for our children. Lifestyle changes, a good diet, regular physical activity and health education will help your children live longer and accomplish more. This generation of kids is in risk of being the first generation in recorded history that may not live as long as their parents did. Don't let your child fall into this category.

If you have any questions, comments or article suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

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Times based on tides at Bass River & Burncoat Head

DATE	TIIVE HIGH TIDE	HEIGHT HIGH TIDE		TIME LOW TIDE	HEIGHT LOW TIDE
JUL 29	-	-	I	1:01	1.7
JUL 29	7:01	13.5	Ī	13:24	2
JUL 29	19:29	13.6	Ī	-	- 1
JUL 30	-	-	Ī	1:56	2.1
JUL 30	7:57	12.9	Ī	14:20	2.5
JUL 30	20:27	13.3	Ī	-	- 1
JUL 31	-	-	Ī	2:56	2.5
JUL 31	8:59	12.5	Ī	15:20	2.9
JUL 31	21:28	13	П	-	- 1
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Aug 2	-	-	Ī	4:58	2.6
Aug 2	11:04	12.4	Ī	17:19	2.9
Aug 2	23:27	13		-	-
Aug 3	-	-	Ī	5:52	2.5
Aug 3	11:57	12.6	Ī	18:12	2.7
Aug 4	0:18	13.2		6:41	2.3
Aug 4	12:44	12.9	Ī	18:59	2.5
Aug 5	1:03	13.3	Ī	7:25	2
Aug 5	13:26	13.1		19:41	2.3
Aug 6	1:43	13.5		8:05	1.8
Aug 6	14:03	13.2		20:19	2.2
Aug 7	2:19	13.6		8:42	1.7
Aug 7	14:38	13.4		20:55	2.1
Aug 8	2:54	13.7		9:17	1.7
Aug 8	15:13	13.5		21:31	1.9
Aug 9	3:30	13.8	Ì	9:52	1.7

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Aug 11	4:46	13.7	Ī	11:06	1.9
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Aug 14	19:40	13.4		-	-
Aug 15	-	-		2:07	2.5
Aug 15	8:10	12.7		14:34	2.7
Aug 15	20:43	13.3		-	-
Aug 16	-	-		3:16	2.5
Aug 16	9:19	12.6		15:43	2.7
Aug 16	21:51	13.4		-	-
Aug 17	-	-		4:27	2.2
Aug 17	10:30	12.9		16:53	2.4
Aug 17	22:58	13.8		-	-
Aug 18	-	-		5:33	1.6
Aug 18	11:36	13.4		17:58	1.8
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Aug 22	15:03	15.4	ı	21:27	0.1
Aug 23	3:26	15.4		9:49	0.1
Aug 23	15:48	15.3		22:12	0.3
Aug 24	4:10	15	ı	10:32	0.5
Aug 24	16:33	15		22:56	0.7
Aug 25	4:55	14.5	Ī	11:16	1
Aug 25	17:18	14.5	ı	23:42	1.2
Aug 26	5:41	13.9		12:01	1.7
Aug 26	18:04	14		1	-
Aug 27	-	-		0:30	1.8
Aug 27	6:30	13.2		12:50	2.4
Aug 27	18:55	13.4		1	-
Aug 28	-	-		1:22	2.4
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Aug 29	-	-		2:20	2.8
Aug 29	8:23	12.1		14:44	3.3
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Aug 31	-	-		4:22	3.1
Aug 31	10:28	12.1		16:45	3.2
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