

Out and About with Ken

By Ken Kennedy

I think I will start with "Debert Happenings" this month, and the first item on the agenda is that the traditional Field Day supper I mentioned last month which was slated for Wednesday, July 29th has been cancelled for this year. The United Church

opted out earlier and the Baptist's felt the workload was just too much for their aging congregation to handle by themselves. These suppers had been going for years as a prelude to the Debert Field Day activities held on the first Saturday in August. This seems to be the sign of the



Amos and Elva Tucker (left) from Sussex, NB and Isabelle and Al Pyle(right) from Aurora, ON were enjoying their ham and salmon suppers at Saint James United Church in Great Village. Isabelle and Elva are sisters who both have cottages in Bass River and they say they keep up on all the local news, when back home, by reading their subscriptions to The Shoreline Journal. (Harrington Photo)



Helpful hands come in all ages. April Sharpe says that she is too young to serve the meals but she was happy to be able to help out clearing tables at the Saint James United Church Strawberry Supper. (Harrington Photo)

Economy & Five Islands Area Notes

By Ruth Thompson

Recent visitors with Keith and Heather Robinson were Keith's nephew, Keith & Jacqueline Robinson and their children Cody, Taylor and Corey. They are from Slave Lake, Alberta. Keith used to spend a lot of time with us when he was a boy, so he really considered coming to Economy as coming "home". Kathryn Smith and her husband Steve Dunlop were also home for a visit from Connecticut.

Recent visitors at the home of Jack and Beverley Ryan for the month of July were Kevin and Marli Nearing with granddaughter Debbie from Milford Station, Kathy Boss of Rodney and son Noah, Nina Hayne and Bill Lownds from Country Harbour. Special guests were

their son, Ken, Jennifer and grandchildren, Steven and Jocelyn from Greenwood on their way to Trenton, Ontario to make their new home. Ken leaves in Mid August for his fourth tour of Duty in Afghanistan. We wish him all the best and come home safely.

Marilyn and Dennis Cock spent a couple of days on PEI, they attended a Flight Engineer luncheon and visited with friends in Summerside and Charlottetown. Visitors with Denny and Marilyn were Lorne (suds) & Bernice Sutherland, B.C., Bettijane Giebelhaus, B.C. and Wayne Rees from Ontario.

Recent visitors with Betty and Fran Spalding were their son Edward and family from Halifax, also Carl McKinnon

times as all organizations are feeling the pinch with fewer and fewer volunteers coming forward each year.

I had my first look at Debert Court seniors complex last Sunday when Pastor Martin and a few of us went over to do a service at 2:00 p.m. Although I didn't get the full tour, what I saw of it looked to be very well appointed home-like setting for those dear people. Each of the local churches have agreed to do a service there each Sunday and visitors are welcome. (It's time to take down your grand opening sign, Cheryl!)

This past Sunday I took a cut in around Colchester Park to see the community flea market set-up. They are the group who used to set up at Glenholme Corner. They are now situated indoors at 160 Ventura Drive (just past the Hospitality Centre) in what we used to call a "Quonset hut." So, rain or shine, there's something there for everyone all weekend long.

Also this past Sunday, Velma and I went up to the Christian Fellowship Centre church to help Steve McCabe celebrate the release of his first gospel CD, "Did You Hear The News." Produced by Wayne Delaney, this CD has been a dream of Steve's ever since he started singing gospel music a few years ago. Steve lives in Belmont and drives to Springhill every day to work with the community college there. Steve's phone number is 662-3352.

There's been a lot of thievery going on in and around Debert lately. Who would want to steal a few sets of solar lights out of someone's yard? That's what happened to a family on Middle Road last weekend. I have heard about barbecues and other

items being stolen as well.

I see where the oil price is falling but the gasoline prices are going sky-high again - just in time for vacation travelling. It is selling for \$1.14 in Debert. Guess people will be heading for the USA again this summer, instead of vacationing at home, as the government tourism TV commercials are urging us. On the plus side, I guess the local corner stores should be doing more business because no one can afford to drive to Truro for groceries anymore - although grocery prices have gone sky-high as well. As my mother used to say, "It's an ill will that doesn't blow some body good."

Susie Taylor is home from the hospital with her walker. She was in church on Sunday and glad to get back playing the organ. She got a standing ovation as she walked up the aisle with Pearl Wilson at her side. There were some birthdays and anniversaries as I mentioned last month. Most notably, perhaps, is the 67 wedding anniversary celebrated by Doug and Jennie Slack on Sunday.

We spent almost three weeks vacation in Newfoundland where we visited with my sister and brother and other relatives. We got to go out in boat on Conception Bay but were not allowed to fish, due to the cod moratorium. We also stayed over a couple of nights "roughing it" at a cabin in the New Bonaventure, Trinity Bay area, near where the movie "Random Passage" was filmed. When we got there we found out the generator didn't work and neither did the chain saw. We sawed wood with a hand-saw and read by the kerosene lamp! (Wonder what was so good about the "good old days?")

attended the graduation of their grandson, Erick Reade, from South Colchester Academy in Brookfield. Erick is currently serving as a reservist with the Nova Scotia Highlanders 1st Battalion at Camp Aldershot and will be attending Community College in Dartmouth in the fall.

Angela Ostrander (Morrison), her husband Andy and baby son Ethan Gardiner have moved back to Nova Scotia from Montana. Angela has accepted the position as Technical director of the Valley District Soccer Association and Head Coach of the woman's soccer at Acadia University. Angela is the daughter of Barbara Morrison and needless to say, Barbara, family and family and friends are very happy to have them living closer to them.

Bass River Notes

By Joyce Starratt

Hi, folks. July is working out a little better weather-wise than June, isn't it? I'd like to see a little more sun.

Laura Castonguay and Mike Morris, Vaudreuil, Quebec, spent a week with Laura's grandmother, Helen Creelman and other relatives recently. Dorothy and Arnold Williams had as guest this month, Sheldon POatriquin, New Glasgow, Jennifer and Rober Van Hartingsvelt with children, India and Sawyer; Brian and Leslie Hoflander, Dundas, Ontario; and Bruce Lawson and Bee Breau, Moncton, NB.

Daisy Sanford, Three Mile Plains, spent a week visiting with Barb Hood at her cottage in Little Bass River. David and Shelly Hiltz, and children, Evan, Andrea and Lauren, Dartmouth spend a day visiting with David's brother, Doug at the Carriage House.

We extend our sympathy to the family of the late David Williams. Our prayers and thoughts are also with Fanny Hollis, who is in the hospital and Pearl Rushton.

A large number of people attended Irene Cooke's 90th birthday party Saturday afternoon. A lovely afternoon was spend speak to people one hadn't seen for quite awhile. We wish Irene many more. Irene is an Edgewood Road,

girl, too.

I didn't get to the July 1st celebrations in Bass River. I was planning on going, but got busy and missed all the lovely music by the Elliotts and seeing the visitor from the north, the Polar Bear.

Al and Isabelle (Vance) Pyle, Aurora, Ontario and Amos and Elva (Vance) tucker, Sussex, NB are spending the summer at their cottages. It's nice to see people returning for the holidays.

I want to speak about my niece, Beth Macdonald and Cees van den Hoek's wedding last Friday night. It was held in the former Portapique United Church. It brought back memories of many services I and many others attended, while the church was open. Congratulations to Cees and Beth.

So long for this month.

PS: Roy and Clara Galway, Barb Hood and I attended the Tattoo. Jodi Faulkner, drove us so Roy wouldn't have to drive, the long distance to Halifax. It was great. There weren't as many pipe bands as they usually have. I see some complaints about the absence of the Quantico Marine Band. That is because the US Military doesn't want them out of the country for July 4th. I thought everyone knew that.



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