

Outing at Double C for Wentworth Club



Ida Murray and Marion Gower (front row) Jan Smith, Robert Smith, Vernon Sprague, and Eleanor Sprague (back row) at the Wentworth Fire Hall after an Outing at the Double C Truck Stop restaurant. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)

By Hope Bridgewater

After enjoying an outing at the Double C Truck Stop restaurant in 2015, the Wentworth Pioneers went back again to the Double C to enjoy a 2016 June outing at the same restaurant. The food at the Double C is excellent as well as being at a reasonable and fair price and as well as having a friendly and efficient staff.

Having enjoyed the time at this nice restaurant, several members decided to go back to Wentworth to end the pleasant evening with a few sessions of the card game of Auction 45's. As the Wentworth Recreation Centre was occupied, the executive of the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department gave us permission to use their Fire Hall.

The Wentworth Pioneers Club is largely a social club in its activities, but it is very important to remember that our club is part of the Cumberland County Senior Citizens' Council and all its Senior Clubs, all of the other Senior Clubs and Clubs across Nova Scotia, the Federation of Senior Citizen and Pensioners of Nova Scotia, the Senior Advisory Committee, and the Nova Scotia Department of Seniors.

The social and political aspect of belonging to these organizations for the Wentworth Pioneers means attending four annual meetings of the Cumberland Council and Clubs to get up-to-date information about senior concerns and issues and to have members attend the

annual Federation Convention in Truro usually held in May.

As with other Clubs, Wentworth each year composes resolutions about senior issues and concerns to send in to the Federation and, at the Federation's Convention, the resolutions from Senior Clubs in Nova Scotia are voted on. The resolutions which pass are then taken to the relevant government Departments in the Nova Scotia government at an agreed date in the autumn.

I am glad to say that Wentworth has at times been complemented for our work on the resolutions.

There is good reason to be a part of these Senior Councils, Senior Clubs, and the other mentioned organizations about senior concerns and issues. The Federation recently announced the accomplishments achieved by all these resolutions: free entry into provincial parks, special assistance, property tax rebate, spouse's allowance, and uniform rates for nursing homes, de-indexing pensions, senior driver training, housing improvement, senior fitness programs, reduced bus fares, and Medicare.

The Wentworth Pioneers Club plays cards and other games, but it is good to know that we also help with senior issues and concerns.

Pets Need "Comfort" in Evacuations

Are you a pet lover and wish to help pets when disaster strikes and families are evacuated?

The Disaster Animal Response Team of Nova Scotia (DARTNS) located on Court Street in Truro promotes emergency preparedness, which means having a plan, practicing that plan and having emergency kits ready for you and your pet in case you are evacuated.

Just like the Canadian Red Cross, who supply Comfort Kits items for people, DARTNS supplies "Comfort

Kits" that contain everything you will need for your cat or dog. Currently, DARTNS has Large Dog, Small Dog and Cat "Comfort Kits. DARTNS is looking for donations of "Comfort Kit" items, and have launched a Sponsorship program to help with that.

Sponsors can include an individual or organization, who donate Comfort Kit items instead of a gift for a birthday party or in memory of a cherished love one or pet. DARTNS is a volunteer, registered charity that in times of disaster, set up and run emer-

gency shelters for animals in times of need.

Large and small dog kits include: dog collar, leash, plastic or metal bowls, blanket, puppy pads and dog toys, while the Cat kits include: cat toys, pooper scooper, plastic or metal bowls, blanket and disposable litter pan. The small and large dog kits are \$18, while the Cat comfort Kit is \$15.00.

For more information on DARTNS, located at 14 Court Street, Truro, visit website at: www.dartns.org

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The stands were filled with 300 to 400 spectators to watch the inaugural Nova Scotia Pro Lumberjack Championship on June 4. The event was filmed for the television show "Lumberjacks" and will air on TSN the first 3 weeks of October. (Submitted).



Reigning Canadian Women's National Champion, Dal AC Alumni and Truro native, Janet Walker (seen here) competes in the single buck. Janet finished the day as the top female competitor and was crowned Nova Scotia Champion. (Submitted).



Thirty professional lumberjack athletes (22 Men & 8 Women) on stage at the 2016 Nova Scotia Pro Lumberjack Championship held on Juniper Street in Truro in June. (Submitted).

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