



The expansion has begun on the Great Village Fire Hall. The addition will house the new truck recently purchased by the Brigade. (Harrington Photo)

## Regional Approach for Revised FBA-A

The Family Business Association-Atlantic (FBA-A) was launched at a kick-off event on June 15 at the Old Triangle in Halifax. Formerly, the Canadian Association of Family Enterprise - Nova Scotia Chapter, FBA-A has been supporting family businesses for the past 20 years in the region.

Alan Streach, President of FBA-A says, "We are excited about our new direction to

keep membership resources local. Our goals and objectives will remain the same but will now take on a regional focus - helping families in business succeed by sharing knowledge and experiences that promotes economic prosperity and growth for family enterprises in Atlantic Canada."

Family Business Association-Atlantic was born out of a desire to support and nurture

families in businesses in our region. Atlantic Canada is unique in its culture and make-up of family enterprises. From agriculture to IT, there is a diverse profile of businesses in operation that are hoping to transfer to the next generation - and over 70 % don't survive their initial transition. FBA-A helps families beat these odds. It differs from other industry and networking organizations by offering a Peer to Peer program that places family entrepreneurs into groups that meet regularly in confidential forums to address the unique issues that help to balance the successful operation of the business while retaining harmony in the family.

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## In the Village Café hosts Blueberry Jam

As part of the Wild Blueberry Harvest Festival, In the Village Café in Great Village will be hosting a Blueberry Jam. The jam will take place on Saturday August 27 from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The afternoon event in the historic St James Church building will include a number of local musicians.

The regular Saturday community breakfast will include

several blueberry specialties. Sunday August 28th will be "All Things Blueberry" for more scrumptious delights.

While you are in Great Village check out the work of the St James Church of Great Village Preservation Society, whose members have been working hard to preserve this registered heritage property and turn it into a vibrant community centre.

## MacCaul Villa Notes

By Hazel Hill

Those celebrating birthdays in June were Sharon Roode and Barbara Ryan. We wish both ladies a happy belated Birthday. Thanks Sharon for sharing your cake with us in the lounge. There is only one July birthday, and that is Kevin Fields, Happy Birthday Kevin!

Many of us enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner put on by the Great Village and District Fire Department on Canada Day.

Bernice Kaulback was

taken to Colchester East-Hants Medical Centre on Friday July 15th. Her friends here wish her a speedy recovery and hope to see her back really soon. Shirley Ryan has a new great-grandson, Carter, a little brother for Haley.

Visitors with me this month were my son, Carleton and Thelma, Gertrude Muller, Art Muiise, and Joan Mitchell. Barbara Ryan spent a few days visiting her brother Richard in Truro.

Not much news to write, hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful summer weather!

# 27<sup>TH</sup> EastGen 4-H Showcase Held at NSPE

By Maurice Rees

Seventy 4-H members from Nova Scotia were among ninety-five from Atlantic Canada, who assembled in Truro July 15-17 to learn about livestock management and show techniques at the 27th annual EastGen Showcase at the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Grounds in Bible Hill. Ranging in ages 13 to 21 they learned through interactive sessions, educational presentations and a cattle show. Those selected to attend will share their experience with their 4-H club.

"For the past 27 years EastGen has conducted a hands-on workshop in Nova Scotia for 4-H members," said Agriculture Minister Keith Colwell. "Learning technical livestock skills at a young age will encourage these young people to become farmers and leaders in agriculture."

Participants learn about the latest techniques in show preparation for beef and dairy cattle, health of the show calf, livestock judging, showmanship, clipping, display design and herd management. After two full days of training, 4-H members showed their calves at the beef and dairy show.

Awards were presented to the champion showperson and calves as well as those who excelled during the sessions. The livestock show took place on Sunday

was open to the public.

Information about the Nova Scotia 4-H Council is available at <http://novascotia4h.ca>

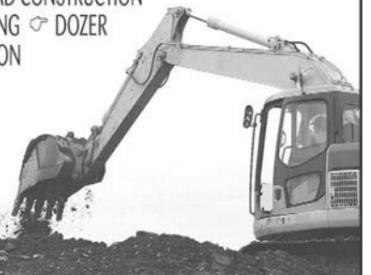
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fishery will take place in St. Mary's Bay, and offers a new opportunity for commercial divers to extend their fishing season using a low-impact and selective fishing method to catch scallops outside of their commercial urchin diving season. This fishery will also contribute to sustainable livelihoods and economic development in the Digby region. The pilot project will harvest 2.5 tonnes—approximately 5,500 pounds—with the season closing at the end of September. The quota to be used is from the existing allocation for the fishery, and will be fished by a local team of commercial diver fishermen. The concept for the fishery was also presented to the Inshore Scallop Advisory Committee, before final approval by DFO.

**Provincial conservation** officers remind Nova Scotians there is a daily limit on the number of trout that can be caught in most regions. During last year's fishing season, there were 364 charges for violations under the Maritime Provinces Fishery Regulations. Regulations regarding size, seasons, and bag and possession limits vary throughout the province. The 2016 Angler's Handbook, that outlines the rules, is online at [novascotia.ca/fish/documents/Anglers\\_Handbook\\_2016.pdf](http://novascotia.ca/fish/documents/Anglers_Handbook_2016.pdf). To report a violation regarding overfishing in lakes, rivers and streams, call 1-800-565-2224 and provide as much information as possible. You can also complete an online form at <https://www.novascotia.ca/nse/conservation-enforcement/checkout-form.asp>.

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