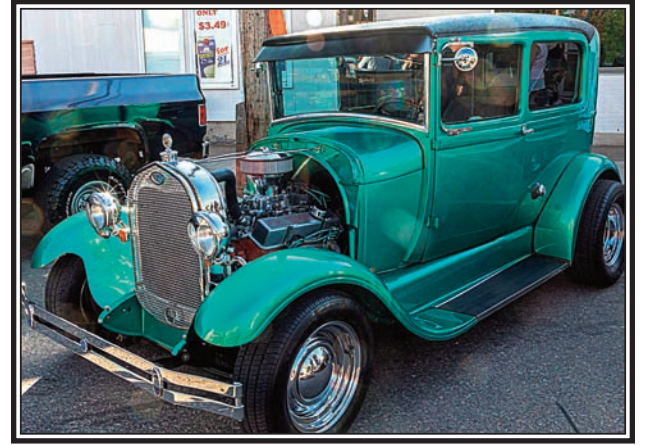




If you didn't recognize the buildings, the size of this crowd might cause you to think you were in New York's Times Square. Not only was it a good event for downtown Parrsboro, but the recent car show generated one of the largest crowds in many years. People are starting to get rid of the cabin fever created by CoVid-19. (Lawrence R Nicoll Photo)



Adorned with a large selection of antique license plates this truck attracted a lot of attention at the annual Parrsboro Car Show. And, this green beauty is an example of hundreds of hours of exacting restoration. See story and more photos on page 3. (Lawrence R Nicoll Photo)



Parrsboro Hosts Largest Car Show in Decades

By Lawrence R Nicoll

On July 24th Parrsboro's Main Street was filled to capacity with the annual Parrsboro Car Show and thousands of eager onlookers anxious to get out with friends now that the Covid-19 restrictions have been relaxed.

The cars kept coming and like the song said "Oh What A Night!". There hasn't been a crowd this large since the days of the week long Old Home Week.

Obviously everyone was glad for a chance to get out and do something! Food, music and around the corner a carney style game truck for the kids and young at heart.

Other popular attractions included: candy apples, Cotton candy (floss), hamburgers and fries. All concessions did a booming business

and were enjoyed by all. To attract a crowd of this size and to have everything so well organized, a vote of thanks is extended to the many organizers. Proceeds from sale items went towards the children's playground.

After the successful car show, I noticed this interesting online posting by someone about the who of the car show:

"Can't even put tonight into words!!! Jordan Erb you pulled off one hell of a car show buddy!!! And as for the BBQ and all the food, well we always provide an awesome spread when the snowmobile club join up with the fire department!!! And we had a couple extra awesome volunteers to help take money and serve...Terri and Andrea thank you very much!!

As per all the local businesses and people who donated to the food and stuff thank you so much. Nick Meekins and Carrie Goodwin thank you very much for getting everything in order this week!!! Nancy Higgins and Fastenal for the tent and prizes to give away!!! What an awesome show of support and display of cars and vehicles!!! And all proceeds for a great cause!! Didn't get a chance to get to see much but here's lots of photography floating around"



Not sure if the colour is "ruby red" but this fine example of hard work was an attraction at Parrsboro's Car Show which drew the largest crowd for many years. (Lawrence R Nicoll Photo)



One can only think about how many parades this red convertible has participated in mostly to transport local beauty queen contestants and to show off the fine restoration workmanship. (Lawrence R Nicoll Photo)

Larry Duchesne, NDP Candidate Cumberland South

The following is the completed questionnaire submitted by Larry Duchesne, NDP candidate for Cumberland South.



Sean Foley

What topic is raised most frequently while campaigning "door to door"?

Health Care! Shortage of medical professionals. Closures of local health clinics. The need to expand long-term care. Springhill residents are complaining of illegal drugs and lack of 24-hour police presence.

What did Nova Scotians do to contribute to Nova Scotia being Canada's "per capita" leader to fight the Co-Vid pandemic?

Nova Scotians did their part by following government and medical recommendations. Way to go!

Co-Vid restrictions / lockdowns were difficult on all sectors, but primarily the hospitality and tourism sectors. Were the restrictions imposed by government's strict enough? If not, why not?

Covid restrictions were strict enough. Our tourist sector is under extreme stress and government needs to continue supports as the industry attempts to recover.

What is the most promising asset / resource to achieve economic growth or population growth for Cumberland South?

Our forests, land and water have long provided a livelihood for Cumberland Southians. Outside ownership, clearcutting and outmigration have contributed to putting our rural way of life at risk. Now it's time to look at new ways to create new wealth and keep people working at home. A strong commitment to green energy development is key. We have to start investing more in it, ensuring at the same time that local ownership and control is adhered to as much as possible. Let's take a stake in tidal development in the Bay of Fundy. Geothermal development in Springhill and move forward with wind and solar. Greater citizen participation and innovation will be encouraged.

Is "racism" a basic and systemic problem in Cumberland South?

I'm sure racism is a systemic problem here. We need to strike out against racial injustices whenever we find them.

What steps should be taken and how will you assist in making Cumberland South among the "least racist" constituency in Nova Scotia?

Let's consult with minority members of our community and seek their guidance in finding solutions. Community citizens committees would make it easier for people to voice their concern on this and other community issues.

In which sectors in Cumberland South should government prioritize its efforts of leadership and funding assistance to achieve a high rate of economic and population growth?

Let's prioritize the production of green sources of energy, add value to our forest products before sending them away, ensure social programs put enough money into the hands of our residents so they will have the option of staying and working here. Our citizens are our biggest asset. Their resilience and innovation are key to our success.

What existing provincial government program or planned policy is least beneficial to businesses and general population in Cumberland South?

I would say the elimination of school boards and health care boards will have an ongoing negative effect on rural Nova Scotians in general. Centralization of government departments and services hurts rural Nova Scotia.

Many people are of the opinion the provincial government is directing too much attention to HRM and larger urban areas. What would you do to change the pendulum to place more emphasis on rural Nova Scotia?

I would work to decentralize government departments and services. A difficult task but a necessary one to achieve fairness for rural areas. Covid-19 has shown that when people have more income, they will use it to meet basic needs. Witness the decreased use of Food Banks during the pandemic. So we need to have a combination of social policies, or a minimum annual income, so that rural people can live, learn and develop businesses in their own communities.

If you are elected on August 17th will you "toe the party line" on all decisions, or will you consult with and abide by the wishes of taxpayers throughout the constituency?

This is a fine balance every MLA must walk. Working within a political party is important. We share basic values and are involved in developing party policies. However we have a duty to fairly represent the citizens who elected us and should stand by their wishes as long as we do not have to betray important personal values. There may come a time when we have to buck the party. Let's not forget at the same time that as MLAs and party members we play an important role in developing party policy

If you are elected on August 17th what actions will you immediately undertake to achieve economic growth and lifestyle enhancements for the constituency of Cumberland South?

There's a lot that can be done. Supporting social programs that will put more money into the hands of our residents, promoting value-added use of our resources, promoting the development of green energy sources in Cumberland County.

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With his proven leadership, as your MLA, Tory will continue to collaborate for our communities and advocate for issues important to rural Nova Scotia.

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