## **Trefoilers finger Puppets Delivered** to Colchester Hospital

By Goldie Chisholm

Eleven Colchester Trefoilers and one guest met at Sobey's Community Room for our pre-Christmas meeting November 12th. Co-President, Sheila Stewart, presided over the meeting opening with the Trefoil Prayer.

She reported having delivered the finger puppets previously knitted and decorated by the a to Colchester Hospital. They were very welcome and gratefully accepted. We will be making another donation at a later date.

Christmas greeting cards were signed by all the members to be sent to Marie Eaton, our member who recently received her 80 Yr. Service Pin, one to Frances Marsh, our Associate member in England, another to Darlene Duggan, our Provincial Trefoil Adviser and also one to the Colchester Area Council members.

Jane Herring expressed her thanks for the support received from Trefoil members during her

Earlier in the year we had made Emergency Health Kits which we donated to Tatamagouche Hospital. A contribution of toothpaste and toothbrushes would allow us to make a further contribution. We than enjoyed a gift exchange and played a game. It was hardly time to make a Christmas craft before a beautiful lunch was prepared and enjoyed by everyone. The afternoon came to a close by singing a few familiar Christmas carols.

We will not be having meetings in December and January so our next meeting will be held Feb. 18th, 2013 when we will be celebrating Thinking Day. Wishing you all the joy and cheer of Christmas and all the promise of a bright New Year.

**Border Collies were showing** off their skills at a Sheepdog Trial, Nov. 4th at Hamilton's farm in Lower Onslow.

There were nine dogs entered in the Novice Class, with an additional six dogs entered in the Pro-Novice Class. **Competitors came from all** over Nova Scotia, as well as **New Brunswick.** (Harrington Photos)



Fred Hamilton waits with his dog at the starting post for the trial to begin. The dog will go across the field and get the sheep, bringing them back around the post, through a gate and finally into a pen.



The dogs respond to commands from their masters. It is often difficult to get a border collie to slow down, once their herding instinct (and love of the sport) takes over.



Spot is trying to help Fabian Hamilton get this group of 4 stubborn sheep inside the pen, during the Novice event.



"That's it, keep together guys!" This border collie had the sheep moving across the pasture and onto a truck in the blink of an eve.



During the sheepdog trial, a border collie must convince a group of four sheep they want to go through the gate, following a pre-determined course.



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