

Bass River & Area Fire Brigade Notes



Five horses and riders lead the way to Castlereigh during the annual fall trailride, which included a total of 18 entries from around the province. (P. Christensen Photo)

By Peter Christensen

Hello from the fire hall. And almost Merry Christmas..HO HO ..

We have been very active at the hall since Thanksgiving weekend. Our Annual Fireman's Auction was another success, thanks to your generosity and the efforts of all brigade members who attended the days activates. Lots of great deals were to be had, like all those buys on doors and beautiful couches and chairs, and let's not forget the big wooden wheel that was purchased by the young lady for her cabin in the woods. What a great day that was.

And the following weekend we had our Annual Horse trail Ride to the top of Castlereigh. A beautiful day it was, the natural scenery of the hills and valleys as well as the trees in full fall colors. A total of eighteen horses from all over Nova Scotia attended the ride, and all riders were in awe of the surroundings of our beautiful lands and of course the food and the hospitality of the brigade team



After the long ride up to top of Castlereigh, it was time for some storytelling along with the great food and hospitality provided by the Bass River Brigade in its annual fund raising trail ride. (P. Christensen Photo)

who were there to put forth the effort for the fund raising trail ride.

Special thanks to all the brigade members and the members who made all the great food for the event.

And we also sent a brigade team to WCCS, on Fire prevention week. We had various members of the team describe to the children of the school the various functions of each truck and the

apparatus with in. A great day for us and the children.

At the hall we have been training on our BA or breathing apparatus, and are progressing as a team very nicely, a special thank to Don Conrod our training officer, great guidance and help.

We have a new roof on the front section of the fire hall now, and it looks like it will be dry from now on.

Which is a good thing because the first snow has fallen and of course we are preparing for the arrival of SANTA on December 13. He will arrive at the hall at 1pm and will leave the hall at 2 pm. So we now have to get his elf geared up and awake, cause he has been hibernating all summer. So, don't forget to mention to all your little children and young at heart that SANTA is comin' to town, or well Bass River at least, and that is on Dec.13, from 1 pm until 2 pm. Hope to see you all there.

Congratulations to David, as he is again delivering the Boston Christmas Tree from



During Fire Prevention Week brigade members visited WCCS showing students the equipment and talking about fire prevention tips. (P. Christensen Photo)

Chiganois Elementary School Notes

By Linda Harrington

Everybody had a fantastic time at Captain Cob's Corn Maze in October. Art club has been a huge success with Mrs. Keizer, Mrs. Tait and Ms. Shaw. Hopefully this will happen again sometime throughout the year.

Thank you to Mrs. McCarron for coordinating the Walk to School Week initiative on October 8th; all students and staff participated in a beautiful morning walk around the school as they arrived for the day.

Many of the students are keen to visit the Colchester East Hants Library. Two lovely ladies from the Library shared exciting books and opportunities with all classes.

Mrs. Robertson planned this year's Fire Prevention presentation. Thank you to the Onslow Fire Brigade for showing students what a fire fighter looks like when they are fighting a fire. The school

made record time in their evacuation.

Students have begun visiting the school Library again! All children will be going Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday each week. Thank you to volunteers for providing this opportunity to students.

Thanks to the PTG, students have been able to go skating at the Debert Rink free of charge. Students have been enjoying weekly yoga classes, thanks to Mrs. Davidson and Ms Faulkner.

On Wednesday Nov. 26th, from 5-9, Chiganois Elementary school will be hosting a Christmas Shopping Fair. Over 40 local businesses and crafters will fill the gym and provide some great gift ideas! There will be some amazing Sales, Samples and Door Prizes throughout the night, as well as hot drinks and treats available. All proceeds will go to the Chiganois

Elementary School PTG. Come out and support the school as well as take advantage of some excellent Christmas shopping and amazing deals!

Thank you to Blake Jennings, a former student and now owner of Blake's Pumpkin Patch, who donated mini pumpkins to the Art Club.

A Remembrance Day Service was held in the gymnasium Monday, Nov. 10th for the entire school. Principal Lunch, for November and August Birthdays will be held on November 27th.

November 28th, an In-Service will be held in the morning, with Parent Teacher Meetings 1:00-3:00. No school for students on this day.

There will be a food drive at the school during the first week of December (1st-5th). It will be a competition between classes to see who can bring in the most number of food items!

Julia Shaw's Grade 1 class will be collecting the food items from each classroom, counting them, and creating a total for individual classes each day, so the students can see who is in the lead! What a great way to use math skills. The winning class is going to get a free gym class.

The annual Christmas Concert will be held on Monday, Dec. 8th at CEC, Truro. The entire school will be going skating on Dec. 17th from 9:30AM-12:00PM. A School Wide Church Service will be held on Dec. 19th.

Reminder to hold on to those special gently used items for the kids shopping day at Christmas time.



Valerie Meredith checks an emergency stretch for readiness during Fire Prevention Week activities. (P. Christensen Photo)

Nova Scotia this week, what a fun time he will have.

Our curling team has begun a new year with new members, our team consists of David, Steve, Peter, Valerie, who is our newest team member and Brady who will be our backup. A fine team by all accounts.

Well I hope to see you at the hall for Santa on Dec 13 from 1 pm until 2 pm.

Remember to check your pipes and watch for smoke, and while I am on the fire plug, please remember to

look over all your Christmas lights and your extension cords for cuts and abrasions. A safe cord is a happy cord.

A sad closing to Fireman Peter today: We the members of the brigade extend our sympathies to Artie and Hazel as well as Ronda and Blaine and Emma on the passing of their son, brother, brother in law and uncle, Evan Dickie. The community is remembering Evan as I write this column.

Our prayers and thoughts are with you this day.

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