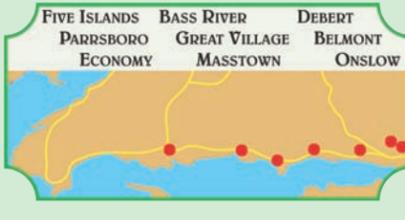


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## FRONT PAGE BRIEFS February 2014

**The Colchester Historeum** Annual Heritage Night will be held on Thursday, February 27, 7:00-9:00. The public is invited to celebrate local heritage, congratulate award winners, learn about the Historical Society's early years and enjoy light refreshments. Heritage costumes are encouraged.

**If you know** of a current or former resident of the Shoreline's coverage area who will be turning 90 this year, or someone who is older than 90, but has not been identified in previous years, you should send their name, address and phone number to the Shoreline Journal. Since the notice in last month's issue, we have received several nominations. Please contact Maurice Rees, publisher at 902-647-2968, or email: [maurice@theshorelinejournal.com](mailto:maurice@theshorelinejournal.com)

**Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** will be celebrated in less than three years time. It may seem like a long ways away, but not is the time to start thinking. Elsewhere in this issue, you will find an advertisement posing five thought-provoking questions. Citizens, community groups and municipal councils for the entire area of Colchester West and Cumberland South (Along the shore from Onslow to Advocate including Belmont, Debert and Londonderry), should start working together to develop a plan. For assistance contact Maurice Rees, Publisher, at 902-647-2968 or email: [maurice@theshorelinejournal.com](mailto:maurice@theshorelinejournal.com)

**The future of the Truro Raceway** and Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition is up in the air. A few weeks ago staff were let go, with Truro Councilor Tynes being appointed as interim General Manager shortly after the staff dismissal. It is understood debts, mostly for Simulcast of races at other tracks have been reduced from approximately \$1-million to about \$800,000, which includes the mortgage on the property held by Farm Credit Corporation. A long term plan needs to be implemented soon the if the Truro Raceway is to re-open this spring and if the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition is to be held in 2014.

**A Benefit Concert starring Stan Carew**, host of CBC Weekend Mornings and noted blues artist, John Campbelljohn, a proud Cape Bretoner, will be held at the Economy Recreation Centre on Saturday, May 10, 2014. Sponsored by the Shoreline Journal proceeds will go to the Cobequid Interpretive Centre. Maurice Rees, publisher said final details have not been finalized, but tickets and posters will be printed soon and will be available at area stores and in Truro.

**20 years in the making.** It was in February/March 1994 when Ken & Val Kennedy published the first version of the Shoreline Journal. The Kennedy's continued publishing for approximately 10 years, when the publication was purchased by Portapique resident, Donna Benoit. Maurice and Dorothy Rees became owners and publishers with their first edition published in February 2008. A look back at the 20 years will be published in the March 2014 issue.

**The Groundhog Show**, a mid-winter variety show will be held at the Parrsboro Band Hall, on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. A wide selection of entertainment will be highlighted. The show begins at 7:00, doors open at 6:30 and admission is only \$10.00. Organizers suggest come out and welcome the rodent weatherman and chase away those midwinter blues with an evening and fun and fine entertainment.

**Humour Corner:** A mouse trap placed on top of your alarm clock will prevent you from rolling over and going back to sleep after you hit the snooze button.

# Bass River Cottages Vandalized

By Maurice Rees

Cottage owners in the Bass River area are extremely upset that 16 cottages in the Judge Fulton Road area were vandalized recently. Doors and windows were smashed and once inside the vandals went through dresser drawers and cupboard throwing things

around and causing a general mess.

For many owners, the invasion of privacy is one thing, but more importantly several of them had to take time off work, and travel significant distances to board up and secure their cottages from further damage. The rash of van-

dalism is believed to have happened between January 11th and 15th. Neighbours have provided a general description of a vehicle seen in the area at about that time.

On Thursday, January 16th, 2014, Colchester RCMP responded to several B&E's into various cottages in and

around the Judge Fulton Road area of Bass River. Various items have been reported stolen. RCMP are continuing to work on the file. An identification team was back to the area again on Friday, January 24th gathering additional information. No arrests have been made, but cottagers feel progress is being made.

Colchester District RCMP are seeking the public's assistance in solving the following crimes.

If you have any information regarding these crimes, you are asked to contact the Bible Hill RCMP at (902) 893-6820 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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Mom keeps watch while dad takes the kids for a ride. With winter coming early many families were able to enjoy that new toboggan and many other outdoor activities over the Christmas Holidays. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

## 450 CUPE Members on Picket Lines

By Maurice Rees

In rejecting CCRSB's latest contract offer in a marathon vote at three locations on Sunday, January 26th, CUPE's 450 members of Local 3890 comprising bus drivers, tradespeople and custodians were manning the picket lines on Monday, January 27th.

Trudy Thompson, CCRSB Board Chair in a press release issued Sunday evening said, "Our contingency plan has now been activated."

As a result of the impending strike, the following changes are being put in place across the school board: All busing within the school board will stop; All building maintenance will be performed on an emergency basis only; Schools will be open only 60 minutes ahead

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## Five Vehicles Suffer Smashed Windows

The Colchester District RCMP are seeking the public's help regarding a number of vehicle break ins reported in the Masstown and Debert area on Friday evening January 24th.

Between 6pm and 7pm, a window was smashed out of a vehicle parked at the Masstown Market. A purse was stolen from inside the vehicle. Sometime between 8pm and 9pm, 4 more vehicles had their windows smashed out at the Debert Arena on Masstown Road in Debert, NS and various items were stolen.

**Anyone with information regarding these incidents is asked to contact the Colchester RCMP at 902-893-6820, local police or Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222 TIPS (8477), texting TIP202 + your message to "CRIMES" (274637) or by Secure Web Tips at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca**

**Calls to Crime Stoppers are not taped or traced, and if police make an arrest and lay charges based on a tip, callers qualify for a cash reward from \$50 to \$2000.**



It's a long road home as shown by this straight line of railway tracks. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

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