

FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS

Here are some Truro area events to coincide with and after the Long John Festival. Chase away the winter blues by attending some of the fun and interesting things to do in Colchester. Take in all the Winter Long John Festival events, meet your friends, try something new and enjoy the winter,

January 28 - Heat the Historeum- a fundraising effort to help the Historeum with operational costs such as heating. Gather your friends and attend a catered lunch at the Truro Firehall from noon to 1:30pm. Tickets \$20.00 each and can be purchased at the Historeum, 29 Young Street, Truro. Also features a silent auction, 50/50 tickets and music.

February 1 - Art Show at the Colchester East Hants Public Library, Enjoy the lovely work of Beverly Lavine. She has been rug hooking since 1999 and there are a variety of pieces showcasing her work and talents. Check it out until February 29th.

Central Nova Coin Club meets the first Monday of every month at Douglas Street Recreation Centre starting at 7p.m.. Anyone interested on coin, token, or paper currency collecting is welcome to come and join this popular group. Look for the Atlantic Coin show coming to the Best Western in the months ahead. For more information email: centralnovacoinclub@gmail.com

Colchester Historeum features Vanguard - 150 Remarkable Nova Scotians until March 27th. Vanguard highlights the contribution of 32 remarkable individuals who changed and inspired Nova Scotians. For more information visit the Colchester Historeum on 29 Young Street.

February 8 - Fight Atlantic features a full card of mixed martial competitions at the Rath Eastlink Community Centre on February 8, starting at 7pm. Pick up tickets at the RECC or ticketpro.ca. This is a first time event for Truro.

February 14 Happy Valentines Day

February 14-17 - Truro Winter Long John Festival. A great way to gather the family and friends to enjoy skating, snowshoeing, coasting and more. Sponsored by Truro Parks, Recreation and Culture. Call 902-893-6093 or visit truro.ca and click on recreation or their visit their facebook page.



Justin Black from HAF Skate and Tattoo checks out a snowboard for the SNOWBOARD Competition held as part of the Long John Festival on Friday night at Inglis Place in Downtown Truro, starting on February 16 early evening after six pm. (Debbie Brown Photo)

February 14/15 - Purchase a ticket for the Friday game and receive a FREE ticket for the Saturday game. Immediately after Truro Junior A Bearcat game on Saturday 15, skate with the Truro Junior A Bearcats. Get some pictures and autographs and wear your long johns.

February 15 - Support the Cobequid Spartans and come out and have a blast during the Winter Long John Festival. Music supplied by DJ Beyond Entertainment at the Truro Firehall. \$ 20,00 per person or \$30.00 per couple. Cash Bar, Silent Auction, 50/50 and prizes for wearing your long johns plus you get to help support the work of the Cobequid Spartans. This is a great way to chase away the winter blahs....

February 17 - Colchester Historeum Winter Lecture Series features Douglas Ruck as part of African Heritage Month. He will present the No.2 Construction Battalion (The Black Battalion). It's free for all to attend. Starts at 11am at 29 Young Street,

February 22-23 - Central Nova Cheer Challenge will be held at the Rath Eastlink Community Centre. This exciting event features competitors from all over the Province. Check out the routines, costumes and great music. Visit the Truro Cheer Club on facebook for more information.

Debert Suppers - Every Friday from 4:30pm to 6p.m., at the Debert Royal Canadian Legion at Plains Road. Treat yourself and or family and friends to a delicious home cooked meal, includes dessert and tea and coffee for \$10,00 a plate. \$ 5.00 for children ten and under. Eat in or take-out. Visit their facebook page for menu items. Wheelchair accessible.

Additional Colchester Community Happenings

BEARCATS - The second part of the regular season is a busy one for the Truro Junior A Bearcats. In January check them out at the RECC on January 25 as they play Yarmouth. For a full schedule visit the Bearcat site at trurobearcats.ca. Also Free Skate with the Bearcats as part of the Long John Festival immediately following the game on February 15th.

LONG JOHN FESTIVAL - Join in all the exciting events such as snowshoeing, skating, coasting etc., as part of the Truro Winter Long John Festival taking place from February 14 to February 17th. For a complete schedule of events visit truro.ca. Events take place in and around Truro. Brought to you by Truro Parks, Recreation and Culture, call 902- 893-6093 for more info.

TRURO MARIGOLD CENTRE - You will always find a great line-up of entertainment. January 27th at 7:30pm presents Jimmy Flynn. Lots of laughs with this well known entertainer. Contact the marigoldcentre.ca for more information.

COLCHESTER HISTORICAL - Winter Lecture Series on Monday February 17 (as part of Heritage month) with Douglas Ruck. His presentation - the No.2 Construction Battalion (The Black Battalion) Free Admission for this event.) On March 26 Alicia Simms presents a shift in Perspective - Tattoo Culture in Today's Society. Sponsored by the Colchester Historeum located on Young Street in Truro.

RATH EASTLINK COMMUNITY CENTRE - There's a lot happening in February/ March. Check out the Central Nova Cheer Challenge on Feb 22 to 23. This competition features hundreds of youth from all over Nova Scotia and delights the fans with their routines, costumes and athletic abilities. **MIXED MARTIAL ARTS** - The first event of this type held at the RECC. It is sponsored by the Atlantic Fight League and is being held on February 8th and features mixed martial arts fights. Tickets can be purchased at ticketpro.ca or the RECC.

IIHF Womens World Ice Hockey Competition from March 31st to April 10 in Halifax and Truro. TICKETS NOW ON SALE. Visit the ratheastlinkcommunitycentre.ca

CHASE THE ACE - TriCounty Chase The Ace held at the Debert Legion on Thursdays from 6pm to 8pm. Tickets only \$3. and you do not need to be on location. Average is \$ 600.00 a week and building. Visit their facebook page for more details.

HOCKEY TEAMS WANTED - Support the Heart and Stroke organization by participating in the Colchester Cup being held on April 10th to 12th at the Colchester Legion Stadium. Looking for teams to participate, ages nineteen and up. Contact mshiple@trurotoyota.com

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