

West Colchester to Co-Host Winter Carnival

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dents. Along the shore school students in Bass River, and Great Village will be contacted to increase activities and participation. The goal of the carnival is to connect communities and to get people physically active.

Other groups to be contacted are those who regularly host: Open Mics; bingo, snowmobilers, community halls, senior's groups, fire departments, fitness & exercise organizations. More structured organizations will be encouraged to be part of the festive weekend include: ADDA, WCCDA, Parrsboro Creative, Museums and Libraries.

The planning group which held its first meeting at the Lion's Den, Parrsboro December 3rd included: Don Fletcher, Cumberland Councillor for District 10, plus Kristen Willigar, Colleen Dowe, Taylor Redmond, Vicki Weaver, John Brownlie, and Terri Ashley. Four additional representatives from Cumberland unable to attend included Lynne Langille, Barb Aris, David Howe and Stephanie Moreau.

Craig Burgess, Director Parks and Recreation was the sole representative from Colchester, when Councillor tom taggart

was unable to attend. Reaching out to area schools will be an important part of the planning process.

The group selected February 14-18th as appropriate dates because it encompasses Valentine's Day, February 14th, Flag Day, Feb 15th and Family day, Feb 18th.

To give community groups an idea of what activities might be possible, the group developed a list of suggestions: walking groups, washer toss, show shoeing, snow show clinics, figure skating, chili cook-off, chowder cook-off, learn to sledge, sliding / tobogganing, show maze with snow blowers creating the maze, community built snowmen, geo-caching, a snow dig with canisters containing prizes and ringette, plus a lot more fun activities.

Community groups who would like to participate or get more information should contact Craig Burgess, Colchester, Director Recreation Services at 902-897-3181, or cburgess@colchester.ca.

Groups from Cumberland are asked to contact:
Vicki Weaver,
Recreation & Physical Activity Coordinator at
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Masstown Community News

By Chris Urquhart

With Christmas just around the corner, I want to wish each and every one of you a Very Merry Christmas and an even Happier New Year! I hope that you, like us, will be celebrating with your family. In our case, we are going to daughter Brenda Carrigan's for a wonderful turkey dinner! It will be pleasing to see her nicely decorated home - the bannister covered with fake greens and lots of mini lights; her tree standing tall, covered with ornaments which have been with her since she left home; and then the fire place and soft Christmas music playing. Once the whole family arrives we'll have quite a house full - full of love! May I wish all that joy unto you this year!

The Cobequid Men's Club

will meet on Saturday January 5th, 8 am, at the Double C Restaurant in Lower Debert. All men welcome! (I've heard that women don't get turned away either!)

Visiting this month: Barbie Fisher of Calgary was here for a few weeks visiting her mother, Marina Fisher and other family members. Santa visited the Masstown UCW at their Christmas Party! Alice Andrews dropped in for a visit with Ron and Chris Urquhart.

Condolences go out this month to Sally Jennings and family on the death of her husband, Russell; Phyllis McCully and family on the death of her husband of 61 years, Gordon McCully.

May you be blessed with the joys of the season and the love of the new born Saviour.

Debert Legion Notes



By Danny Martell

A look at the Crib League standings as of the 11th of December shows the team of Debbie Cock and Ron Eastcott pegging along in first place with 590 points. In second place, with 628 points is Tom Manley and Bobby Pash. Rounding out the top three, is Marilyn Dykens and David Eastcott with 639 points.

Debbie Buchanan and Norm eastcott have the Most Winning Nights with 2. Loyis and Loyal Crocker have the Most Hidden Scores with 2. There has been 16, 24 hands and Bernice Bennett leads the way with 3.

In keeping with crib, Reg Barley and Earl Harvey took home third place money at a tournament held in Lower Sackville, while Tom and Mike Manley won a pizza gift certificate. Congratulations are passed along to both teams for their fine showing.

On Thursday, the 6th of December at "Chase the Ace", Shelly MacInnis was the right Jack away from a 29 hand. Shelly needed the Jack of

Hearts and she had the Jack of Spades. Congratulations Shelly. On the receiving end of a bad womping was Lisa Corbett, but that's ok Lisa, She womped me, too.

The Tri-Service "Chase the Ace" here at the Branch is running along very well as of now, thanks to a lot of hard working people and a lot of good businesses who are allowing us to put tickets in their stores, and to all the people who are buying the tickets, thank you for supporting the Colchester Ground Search and Rescue, the Debert and Area Community Association and the Debert Legion Branch 106. Our next Jackpot will be \$12,297.20.

Members are reminded that your Legion dues can now be paid at the bat, they might make a very nice Christmas present for someone hard to buy for.

If any of our members would like to help out the Branch, we always need workers on Thursday mornings to get the vegetables ready for the Friday Night Suppers. Workers are needed for the supper to help with the serving and the clean up. Please come on out and lend a hand, it would be appreciated.

To all those people who are saving pull tabs, thank you, your help is appreciated.

A sincere thank you is passed along to the gentleman who donated The Canadian Navy-Marine Canadienne 1910-1985, a beautiful plaque with all the ships in our Navy. It has found a good home in our lounge. (Sorry I couldn't get your name!)

A special thank you is passed along to the Debert United Church for the two Honour Roll Scrolls they donated to the Branch 106, and they have found a good home in the lounge.

Happy Birthday wishes for December are passed along to Anthony Simpson, Ron Francis, Ronnie Eastcott, Neil Bennett, Don (Padre) MacQueen, Owen Gormley and Vernon Shay.

Happy Anniversary wishes

for December are passed along to Leona and Earl Harvey who celebrated their 60th on the 12th of December. Earl says it was in/on a son of a bitch snow storm.

Please don't forget to thank a Veteran. It is because of their sacrifices that we are able to enjoy our Country and our freedom.

Please say a prayer for our troops who are serving in foreign countries and their families.

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Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. Be sure to take in the New Year's events as there is a big line up for neat things to do with the whole family. Visit: truro.ca or check the ad in this paper. Our winter jewel, the rink in front of the Colchester East Hants Library is ready to go and you can rent skates from the Douglas Street Recreation Centre free of charge. This past year, lots of new shops and restaurants have sprung up Downtown and this adds to the excitement of trying something different. Remember Shop Local because it serves local. Have a safe, healthy and prosperous 2019!

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