

# Wentworth Christmas Craft Show 2018



United Church presents Christmas craft items. (Submitted)



Old Valley Schoolhouse (Submitted)



Jessica Palmer participated in the Learning Centre Craft Fair. (Submitted)



The Baptist Church was one of five venues in Wentworth. (Submitted)

By Hope Bridgewater

In Wentworth vendors and visitors drove to the United Church, Learning Centre, Recreation Centre, Baptist Church, and Old Valley Schoolhouse for a grand celebration from 9am to 3 pm in November between these five community organizations for many displays of various crafts.

A snow storm meant that all five venues had registered vendors unable to come which made room for new vendors this year. I personally was disappointed to find one vendor missing at her table as I always bought many jars of strawberry jam from her. I am hoping she will be there next year. However several new vendors came which added to the variety. Approximately 409 visitors paid \$3 to cover the cost of visiting any of the five locations. Vendors came from many areas of Nova Scotia.

We were fortunate to have Barbara Palmer, Councillor for District 6, organize the Craft

Fair by contacting each of the five venues and arranging with each the number of tables needed for each one with consideration of space and volunteer staff: United Church had 8 tables; Learning Centre had 13 tables; Recreation Centre had 36 tables; Baptist Church had 7 tables, and Old Valley Schoolhouse had 4 tables. Visiting each venue, it was amazing to see and buy, if desired, all the talented artistry available: many knitted items, clothes, food, flowers, candles, books, figures of all types and many sizes, signs, carpentry, notepaper, etc.

The Recreation Centre had a full-working canteen with a menu of turkey burgers, pork burgers, corn and fish chowder, chilli, hot dogs (all beef), strawberry shortcake, donuts, bars chips, water pop, tea, coffee. A place on the stage had tables for eating. Refreshments were available at other locations.



Dan Campbell, resident of The Falls, creates children's toys, games and puzzles made from local Rock Maple trees with a safe finish of hemp oil and milk paint, and he shows them at the Recreation Centre. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)



Sheila Lynds and Brenda McLean greet people at the Recreation Centre and charge \$3 for covering the price of visiting five locations of the Christmas Craft Show in Wentworth. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)

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## Maritime Fuels Wins Fuel Supply Tender

By Maurice Rees

Maritime Fuels beat out two other bidders to win a five year contract to supply furnace oil and diesel fuel to Municipality of Colchester from 2019-2023. Separate tenders were issued on October 25, 2018 with a closing date of November 16, 2018 for five-year contracts (January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023) for the Supply of Furnace Oil and Diesel Fuel.

The tenders involve supply of furnace oil and/or diesel fuel to several County sites - the County Courthouse; Special Hazards Response and Emergency Management Buildings in Bible Hill; Kemp-town Balefill; Central and Rural Wastewater Treatment Plants; Debert Water Utility Building; and the Public Works Building. Three bids were received

in response to each tender. The bids are as follows: Furnace Oil - Wilson's - \$0.8378/L; Maritime Fuels - \$0.8229/L and Parkland Fuels - \$0.8260/L. Diesel Fuel bids were: Wilson's - \$0.9478/L; Maritime Fuels - \$0.9329/L and Parkland Fuels - \$0.9360/L.

Maritime Fuels had the lowest bid which included the lowest markup for both products at \$0.0249 per liter. As with any pricing formula for fuel, the price per liter is subject to market fluctuation, but must be based on rack price plus the quoted markup and

taxes. Rack price is based out of Halifax.

At current pricing and volumes for both types of fuels, the annual cost is over \$250,000, so over the five-year tender, the total cost will no doubt exceed \$1,250,000. While the price difference per liter is within 2%. The Procurement Policy allows for a local supplier preference for differences within 2% up to a maximum amount of \$2,000. Based on annual consumption, the price difference exceeds the maximum allowance of \$2,000 for local supplier preference.



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**New Year's Eve ON THE TOWN**  
 December 31, 2018  
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**Splash & Climb: Rath Eastlink Community Centre (625 Abenaki Road)**  
 11:00am-12:00pm Free Family Swim at the Wilsons Aquatic Centre (first 150 swimmers)  
 11:30am-1:30pm Free Climbing on the Kohler Wall  
 12:30pm-1:30pm Free Family Swim at the Wilsons Aquatic Centre (first 150 swimmers)

**Children's Event: Douglas Street Recreation Centre (40 Douglas Street)**  
 3:00pm-5:00pm Free Kids New Year's Eve Play Party; Bouncy Houses, Balloon Animals, Face Painting, Airbrush Tattoos and toddler area.

**Let's Ring in 2019: Colchester Legion Stadium (14 Lorne Street)**  
**NEW TIMES**  
 12:30pm-2:30pm Free Public Skate  
 6:30pm-8:30pm Free Skating Party with Live Music by Paul Randy Mingo  
 8:50pm Mayor's Wish for the New Year and Countdown  
 9:00pm NEW TIME Ring in the New Year with Fireworks!

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