



The flag pole at Great Village Elementary will soon be bursting with color thanks to the students in the Digging In The Dirt exploratory and a donation of flowers from Lowland Gardens. Kiara McMullen, Ethan Smith, Neita Lyndsay, Luke Crellman and Ryan Spencer (left to right) were anxious to get planting their flowers. (Harrington Photo)



Great Village Elementary School held Friday afternoon exploratory groups for a few weeks, giving students an opportunity to learn or experience some new skills. Trying their hand at golf are: (left to right) Brandon McMullin, Justin Adams, Ryan Miller, Mckayla O'Brien, Ethan Beasley and Lucas Watson. (Harrington Photo)



The Rescue Team exploratory at Great Village Elementary helped students become familiar with water safety and water rescue. Austin Alexander Kamryn Miller, Hunter Adams, Dakota Smith and Sierra Marie McLellan (left to right) were keen to learn what to do with the floatation boards if someone should need their assistance. (Harrington Photo)

Onslow Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby

Well am still seeing lots of wild life on my travels and even saw my first bob cat last week which gave me quite a thrill and a bit of a start as i sure wasn't expecting to see one. Also had an eagle fly down the road in front of me the very same day which was a totally awesome sight to see. As usual, no camera in my rig!!

Talking bob cats, our next door neighbour caught one in a trap last night. He has been catching raccoons but got quite a jolt when he saw it. He let it go and it took off over the bank. I wonder if it was the same one I saw last week, what are the odds?!!

Audrey Pratt of Crowes Mills had quite a nice piece of mail. The invitation said In the presence of Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh along with The Honourable Darrell Dexter Premier of Nova Scotia and Ms. Kelly Wilson have the honour to invite you to attend a Reception to Celebrate Nova Scotia to be held in Halifax.

Also included was a note that reads by attending this event, which has been organized in honour of Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, you consent to having video footage and photos taken by representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia, and to allow your likeness to be reproduced in materials that may be devel-

oped by the provincial government, including the Royal Visit website. Photos and video coverage will also be archived by the Province of Nova Scotia for future use. But alas Audrey is not attending but what an honour to receive an invitation like this.

Belmont Baptist Church services are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Services are held at the Trinity United Church every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. There is also card playing of 45's every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. with lunch and prizes provided. All are welcome to come for an enjoyable evening.

Condolences go out to Greg and Doug Armsworthy of Crowes Mills and the families on the loss of their mother Irene Louise Armsworthy on June 4, 2010. She was a wonderful lady and will be greatly missed.

Congratulations Charles Warren Hyslop, son of Bob and Debbie Hyslop of Crowes Mills and Marley Faye Hiltz, daughter of Dave Hiltz of Truro Heights and Pamala Magee of Calgary on their engagement and upcoming wedding on July 17, 2010.

Hope all you Dads out there had a great day and have a super Canada Day on July 1st. Just be sure to watch out for the kids who are finished school and congrats to all those who graduated this year. Have a happy and safe summer.

Interesting Facts about July 1st

By Chris Urquhart

Here are some interesting things about July 1st! July 1st is the 182nd day of the year (183rd in leap years) in the Gregorian calendar. There are 183 days remaining until the end of the year. The end of this day marks the halfway point of a leap year. It also falls on the same day of the week as New Year's Day in a leap year.

Some things that have happened on July 1st: in 69AD Tiberius Julius Alexander ordered his Roman legions in Alexandria to swear allegiance to Vespasian as emperor. 1520 - La Noche Triste; Joint Mexican Indian force led by Aztecs under Cuitláhuac defeat Spanish Conquistadors under Hernán Cortés. 1770 - Lexell's Comet passed closer to the Earth than any other comet in recorded history, approaching to a distance of 0.0146a.u.

1782- American privateer attack Lunenburg, Nova Scotia. 1837 - A system of the civil registration of births, marriages and deaths is established in England and Wales. 1862 - American Civil War; The Battle of Malvern Hill takes place, the final battle in the Seven Days Campaign, part of the George B. McClellan's Peninsula Campaign. 1863 - American Civil War: The Battle of Gettysburg begins. 1878 - Canada joins the Universal Postal Union.

1881 - The world's first international telephone call is made between St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, and Calais, Maine, United States. 1898 - Spanish-American War: The Battle of San Jaun Hill is fought in Santiago de Cuba. 1908 - SOS is adopted as the international Distress signal. 1916 - World War I: First day on the Somme - On the first

Tidbits from Debert Golf Club

By Bruce Hillier.

This is my first column of tidbits from the Debert Golf Club. This course opened a little later than the other local courses but the wait was justified. The course is in the best shape in its history.

Deanna and Steve Graham enjoyed an uncommonly nice day recently at the Debert Golf course. The 2010 golf season is well underway at the golf club. Scrambles for women's night are being held on Wednesday's while the men's scrambles are held on Thursday's. Couples night is slated to begin on Fridays.

There was a four person scramble held in June with Peter Atkinson, Devin Atkinson, Ronnie Eastcott, and Elva Geldart taking top prize with a score of 11 under. There is a two person scramble coming up on the 3rd of July and is open to members

and guests. To register call 662-4499.

Fred Hart aced the par 3 110 yard 3rd hole using a 9 iron. Recent winners of the 4 man scramble held on Thursday's are, Randy Barnhill, Leonard Dash, Derek Taylor, Ronny Eastcott, Randy Webb, John Totten, Darcy Eisner, Steve Whooten, Wade Conrad, Jimmy (Wishbone) Perry, Ricky (Moose) Marsters, Dwight (Mad Dog) Lynds, and Charlie (The Hammer), McGill.

Recent ladies scramble winners are Ashley Van Kroonenburg, Colleen Dale, Heather Fisher, Elva Geldart, Julie Blackmore, Shelley Mattix, Donna Lake, Linda Wiley, and Kathy Hyland.

Until next month, from the Jewel of the Cobequids.

Bruce Hillier will be submitting a monthly column from the Debert Golf Club during the golf season.



Deanna and Steve Graham enjoying a nice day at the Debert Golf course. (Hillier Photo)

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day of the Battle of the Somme 19,000 soldiers of the British Army are killed and 40,000 wounded.

1931- United Airlines begins service (as Boeing Air Transport). 1935- Regina, Saskatchewan police and Royal Canadian Mounted Police ambush strikers participating in On-to-Ottawa-Trek. 1958 - The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation links television broadcasting across Canada via microwave. 1958 - Flooding of Canada's St. Lawrence Seaway begins. 1963 - Zip Codes are introduced for United States mail.

1966- The first color television transmission to Canada takes place from Toronto. 1967- Canada celebrates the 100th anniversary of the British North American Act, 1867, which officially made Canada its own federal dominion. 1972 - The first Gay Pride march in England takes place. 1979 - Sony introduces the



Walkman. 1980 - O Canada officially becomes the national anthem of Canada.

2007 - Smoking in England is banned in all public indoor spaces. With the ban already in force in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, this means it is illegal to smoke in indoor public places anywhere in the UK. The ban is also put into effect in Australia. There are many, many more items for this list but this should be enough to interest you! Enjoy your Canada Day with gratitude!



Senior Citizens Council met recently in Parrsboro. Members attending were: (Back row) President of Parrsboro's Over Sixty Club, Rosemary Wasson, entertainer Dora Fuller, entertainer & singer Ronnie Canning, and, front row, entertainer Aileen Wiita. (Bridgewater Photo)

Parrsborough Shore Historical has busy calendar

By Frank Hartman

Parrsborough Shore Historical Society will celebrate Canada Day starting at 2 PM with music by the Parrsboro Citizen's Band, a flag raising ceremony followed by guest speakers and a cake auction.

On Sunday, July 11 there will be a strawberry shortcake and tea from 2 PM to 5 PM; Sunday, July 18 Mary Willa Littler will speak on the Springhill Mine Disaster; Saturday, August 7th the Historical Society will host their annual Dinner Theatre with musical entertainment at the Parrsboro Legion Hall.

Annual Lady Tupper Tea will be held on Wednesday, August 11th at the Ottawa House Museum. Musique Royale will be held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, August 18th.

The Parrsborough Shore Historical Society will be celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the arrival of the New England Planters (settlers) in

Hants and Kings Counties in Nova Scotia. Under proclamations issued in 1758 and 1759 Governor Lawrence offered free land and attractive terms (including an elected assembly and freedom of religion) to Protestants willing to move to Nova Scotia. In 1760 the first of the New England Planters settled the townships of Newport, Falmouth, Cornwallis and Horton. Many Planter descendants still live in the area, some on the original land grants.

As part of the celebration the Historical Society will be holding a number of events at the Ottawa House Museum in Parrsboro: Friday, July 30th at 7 PM a Planter meet and greet for local and visiting Planter enthusiasts. Refreshments will be served. An authentic Planter meal will served on Saturday, July 31st with several presentations on Planter History and Sunday, August 1st at 7:30 PM celebrations will conclude with a historic skit and musical concert.

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