

# The Shoreline Journal

## 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CHRONOLOGICAL RECAP

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Rushton, of Bass River, who died tragically in a highway accident is remembered for her community spirit. CCRSB to hold public meeting about closure of Five Islands Elementary School.

### 2003

**January, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 1)** - Sixteen year old Emily Forbes, Lower Debert spends 9 months on S. V. Concordia, travelling to 20 countries around the world. Local Acupuncture specialist opens business in Glenholme. Benoit's lose their garage to fire. Closure only option for Five Islands Elementary. Ivan Boyd and Cornelia van den Hoek receive Queen's Golden Jubilee Medals. Polar Bear dip held in Bass River.

**February, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 2)** - Darrell Spence, Lower Five Islands, featured on Canadian Blood Services posters for his impressive plasma donations. Great Village's Beth Amyot launches her book of poetry titled "Journey from the Centerline". Bass River Fire Brigade holds first Open House. Crossroads Co-Op, Parrsboro undergoes renovations.

**March, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 3)** - Debert Air Industrial Park tops 1000 job mark. Anne Geldart receives thank you card from someone in Haiti who received one of the Debert Baptist Church Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Everett McCully builds beautifully inlaid 7ft table for Debert Golf Course Club House. Lois Hyslop, Lower Economy has been exchanging same greeting card for 50 years. Grand Opening for Bass River Post Office. Debert Winter Carnival is revived.

**April, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 4)** - Allison Francis, of Great Village, auditions for Canadian Idol. OBFB rescues woman from flooded Elm River Park. Harry Chase presented with award for 55 Years of Service to Great Village Fire Brigade. WCCS presents "Rumplestiltskin". CCJHS presents "Wonderland".

**May, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 5)** - Annual Lobster Supper held at Wesley United, Belmont. Lowland Gardens donate proceeds of silent auction to Great Village Fire Brigade. WCCS students old Rock-A-Thon and raise more than \$2000 for IWK. Richard Ross, Glenholme and MLA Bill Langille are instrumental in having August 9<sup>th</sup> proclaimed as Peacekeeping Day in Nova Scotia.

**June, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 6)** - Five Islands School closes after 125 years. Six local Veterans take part in "Road to Freedom Tour" of London, France, Belgium and Holland. Bass River Fire Brigade holds annual Fishing Derby. Great Village students paint huge mural for back of stage.

**July, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 7)** - Three brigades and DNR battle forest fire at Little Dyke Beach. New Economuseum, Raspberry Bay Stone, opens in Bass River. Great Village Legion obtaining permanent grave markers for deceased war veterans in West Colchester. Masstown Market holds Grand Opening of new expansion. Farm Gate store celebrates 1 year in business.

**August, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 8)** - Bass River Wooden Boat Race was held. Carl Elliott inducted into Nova Scotia Country Music Hall of Fame. New monument unveiled

at Staples Brook, marking the site of a family cemetery. 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Clam Festival. Lighthouse Day held at Sand Point. Londonderry School Reunion held on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**September, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 9)** - Fundraiser held in Glenholme for Baby Jacob Rus. Great Village is featured in documentary film about Elizabeth Bishop. Annual Open House for Commercial Safety College held Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. Benefit for little Myra McNutt held at Saint James United Church. 4.4km Mi'kmawey Interpretive Trail opens in Debert.

**October, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 10)** - Hurricane Juan hits Nova Scotia on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, causing extensive damage and leaving some areas in West Colchester with-

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## Great Village Garden Club News

By Patti Sharpe

The Great Village Garden Club has had a busy spring of meetings and special events. Our program committee has planned a year's worth of exciting speakers as well as a summer road trip and workshop for members.

On Tuesday, March 25, following the business meeting, member Arthur Haskins gave a presentation on pruning evergreens and flowering shrubs. He also gave directions for forcing spring blooming shrubs to flower inside. At our April meeting, member Ashley Fletcher showed us how to make stepping stones for our gardens from cement imprinted with leaves and also demonstrated how containers and other decorative garden accents might also be made. She suggested that embedding the containers with marbles or decorative bits of glass would add a bit of sparkle as well. A number of members expressed an interest in trying the project themselves.

Saturday, May 10 was our annual plant sale at the Great Village School Gym. Despite

concerns that a late spring would make for less plant material, perennials were available in abundance along with a good selection of shrubs, trees and houseplants. The sale was well attended and continues to be a good fundraiser for the club.

On May 27, Gerrie van den Hoek of Lowlands joined us to talk about how to keep container gardens and planters looking good throughout the summer. She offered pointers on pruning, fertilizing and selecting healthy plants for containers and hanging baskets.

On June 6 and 7, the NSAGC annual Convention was held in Truro at the Royal Canadian Legion. Approximately 250 garden club members from across the province came together to listen to inspiring speakers and enjoy the company of fellow gardens. Two dozen vendors had their garden-related wares available on the lower level of the Legion. A number of our members attended the two day event and members, Arthur

Haskins and Patti Sharpe were part of the planning committee made up of representatives from the Central District clubs.

Summer events planned include a potluck dinner and

chance to explore the gardens of member Carole Fisher in Glenholme on June 26 and a road trip through Hants County in July to visit a number of garden centres and a winery.



Someone sent Ken Kennedy an email of old photos and among them was one of a Londonderry registered schooner tied up in Saint John, NB with a dating of 1870. Apparently there were a number of ships built in Londonderry in the 1800's a floated down the Great Village River, which is something a lot of people didn't know about. It appears this ship was registered at Londonderry NS. Maybe some readers can enlighten us on the ship-building industry there in the 1800's.



Great Village Garden Club members Eileen Eaton and Linda Shears consider the perennials available for sale at the club's annual plant sale on May 10. (Submitted)



Great Village Garden Club member Ashley Fletcher displays a few of the decorative garden items she has made from cement. (Submitted)

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