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20TH ANNIVERSARY CHRONOLOGICAL RECAP

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out power for as many as nine days. Debert Hospitality Center opens doors to help community in aftermath of Juan. Colchester Five Islands ATV Club creating new trails.

November, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 11) - Dr. Eric Rackham, Lornevale publishes autobiography "A Son of the Manse". Londonderry School Reunion Committee honours WWII Veterans by purchasing brick at Juno Beach Center. Acadian Signs installed along Cobequid Shore Communities. Wall of Honour unveiled at Five Islands Fire Hall.

December, 2003 (Vol. 7, No. 12) - Shoreline now printed in Borden, PEI. WCCS Youth Band receives \$6000 grant. Cst Bob Bailey is new community Policing Officer for West Colchester. CCJHS classes sponsor families for Salvation Army's Christmas Index Program. Bass River Fire Brigade is proud owner of a First Responder Unit. Hercules C130 lands at Debert Airport for Search & Rescue exercise.

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January, 2004 (Vol. 8, No. 1) - Elliott's receive ECMA nomination. New CAP/Library Partnership brings library services to Bass River. Debert Community Service award presented to Randy and Sonya Barnhill. Dr. Aubrey Johnson discusses his 45 years as a country doctor.

February, 2004 (Vol. 8, No. 2) - White Juan hits hard. 15 members of Faith Baptist Church head to Antigua for two week mission trip. "Get Together Club" of economy still going strong after 65 years. Special Olympics National Alpine Ski event held at Wentworth. Faith Baptist Church holds 4th Annual Winter Carnival, complete with 30 ft wide igloo.

March, 2004 (Vol. 8, No. 3) - Economy's Interpretation Center in jeopardy. Thompson's Service Center, in Lower Onslow, destroyed by fire. Chiganois Elementary School Drama Club presents "Something From Nothing". Ten members of Five Islands and District Fire Brigade complete Canadian Red Cross Medical First Responders Course. Community Volunteer Recognition and Recruitment Event held at Debert Fire Hall. Shuttlebug Badminton Club off to flying start in Debert.

April, 2004 (Vol. 8, No. 4) - Alana Yorke organizes evening of music at Bass River Senior's Hall. Bayside Pharmacy target of two attempted break-ins. Cottage break-ins at King's Rest. Bass River Heritage Society holds annual Easter Egg Hunt. Pinnacle Rock Singers bring down the house. 9th Annual Masstown Meet & Greet held April 19th. Festival Acadien events planned for August. Old Scotia Pipes and Drums practice weekly in Great Village.

May, 2004 (Vol. 8, No. 5) - OBFB responds to spectacular blaze at a storage building in Crowes Mills. Nine year old Jordan Steeves of Lower Onslow donates birthday gifts to SPCA. Bass River Plaza's Spring Fling and Fall Festival combined into a Summer Sizzler. Chiganois Elementary celebrates grand opening of new

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Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby
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Oh my goodness, here it is the middle of June and with the wind blowing like it is I would almost think fall was here. I am thinking all the Dads and single Moms out there had an awesome Father's Day and were spoiled.

Condolences go out to Judy (John) Adshade, Onslow and the families on the loss of her mother Marion Grace Walsh on May 21, 2014.

Congratulations go out to Clarissa Lindsay on the arrival of her baby girl on June 7, 2014 weighing in at 7 lbs. 13 ozs.

Regular Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. Services are held every Sunday at the Trinity United Church in Onslow at 10:00 a.m. Trinity is at the corner of Meeting House Road and Onslow Road. All are welcome to attend and we hope to see you there.

Belmont Baptist Church services are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Sunday School begins at 10:00. Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Well, for their first event the Priest family at Belmont Mug Bog and Raceway say it went fantastic! Huge thanks to all the volunteers, sponsors and everyone who helped out in whatever way possible. We appreciate it very much! Thanks to all the racers who came out and put on a show and thank you to all the fans who came to watch! Thank you to Kim Crouse who jumped in and helped in a huge way today as well! Also a huge thanks to all of our sponsors who donated prizes, tents, water, etc!

In case anyone was wondering, Saturday's winner of the 50/50 was Ron Fisher from Debert. He took home \$140. The other half is being split with 25% going back into the track and 25% being donated to a trust fund set up for the families of the fallen RCMP officers

Debert's Walter Rodler's Inventions on Display

DNR Field Day Showcases Walter Rodler's Inventions (Harrington Photos)

By Linda Harrington

It has been said, "necessity is the mother of invention" but in Walter Rodler's case a passion for more efficient, eco-friendly machines has led him to a life's work of inventing. Department of Natural Resources(DNR) held a two day Field Day at Rodler's woodlot on Plains Road, Debert on June 13th and 14th.

Information displays by DNR, and the Association for Sustainable Forestry, were set-up on site along with a tour and demonstration of Rodler's extensive inventory of low impact forestry equipment.

Walter Rodler was thrilled to have so many woodlot owners, farmers and other outdoor enthusiasts viewing his mechanical inventions. "I have been perfecting these modifications my whole life and it is time for others to see them," he says

"There has been a lot of trial and error over the years," acknowledges Rodler as he calls each design by their "blade number", in reference to the lengthy list of attempts to get it right. "In the end it has been worth it, because I feel I have developed much safer equipment that uses less fuel and less power."

Building a better wood splitter has been a focus of Rodler's over the years and he feels he finally has it perfected. He has designed a blade, which does not need the traditional wedge, and the log sits on a set of rails. "It is my Angle Blade Safety Rail System, for use on any wood splitter. Once the log is in place, you do not need to

have your hands anywhere near it, and since the engine operates at only 60% capacity, there is a significant reduction in fuel costs along with the safety feature." He is currently seeking a patent for this device.

The list of inventions and modifications to equipment is lengthy, and a guided walk around the property takes some time, as Walter explains prototypes such as an all-terrain multi-use trailer and attachments, a rough terrain

wood splitter that sits level on un-even ground, another special tool that attaches to a chainsaw and creates finish lumber plus so many more.

"We have to get back harvesting wood the way our forefathers used to do it," says Rodler. "I build machines that can harvest a tree and leave the rest of the forest untouched."

DNR's Don Cameron, who organized the two day field demonstration, says staff often hears from woodlot owners that would like to have more



This all-terrain wood splitter can go anywhere the going gets rough. Walter Rodler demonstrates how even on this hilly terrain the splitter stays level, making a perfect cut even through knotty wood.



Hundreds of interested woodland owners, farmers and other outdoor enthusiasts stopped by the DNR Field Day to take a look at all Walter Rodler's inventions. Left to right- Merle Chisholm, Robert Chisholm, Reg Gilby and Earl Chisholm look over a modified wood splitter with a non-hydraulic log lift and angle blade safety rail system.



Walter Rodler shows how one of his inventions can turn an ordinary powersaw into a portable saw mill to create finished lumber right where the tree has fallen.



Know why this wood has bark on one side? Walter Rodler can tell you...it keeps the wood from splitting by drawing the sap out through the bark.

Chiganois Elementary School Notes

By Linda Harrington

The Grade 5 class trip to Parrsboro was held on June 12th and 13th. Primary and Primary/One students enjoyed their Field Trip Hill-Macmillan Farm on June 19th. The annual Field Day and Family Picnic was held on Friday, June 20th. It was nice to see the new Primary students.

On June 24th, at 9:30 a special Grade Five graduation cel-

eration took place with family and friends, followed by a year end of year party for the Grade Five's at the Putnam's.

Award presentations included: Joy Stiles Award- Merle Putnam and Jasmin Atkinson; Carol Hewitt Award-Tanner Altenkirk and Mary Emma Barnhill; Ryna Wynn Award- Peter Altenkirk and Jean Williams Award- Emma Hill-Macmillan. (Photos will be in the August Issue of the

Shoreline Journal)

Congratulations to Mrs. Gloria Elliott and Mrs. Rhonda Parker on their retirement. Best wishes to you both!

Two delightful performances of the Chiganois Musical, under the director of Angela Saunders, were held on June 23rd. Dallace Pash had the lead role of Alice, with Harrison McLeod playing her

sidekick Rabbit. Close to 80 students took part in the play, either as part of the chorus, talented performers or actors/actresses. Proceeds from donations at the door were going to help purchase new instruments for the music program. (Photos will be in the August Issue of the Shoreline Journal)

Last Day of classes is June 24th, with students returning on June 28th for one hour to pick up their report cards.

Deadline for the August issue of
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is July 22

in last week's tragic shooting in Moncton. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets

From all accounts an awesome time was had by all at the first Belmont Mudbug and Raceway on June 7th. Unfortunately I wasn't able to go due to a prior engagement but all the comments have been very positive. Way to go Matt and Gena on having a very organized event.

Here is a list of winners from the June 7th event: Drags: 4 cyl - James Langille 6 cyl - Regan Saunders 8 cyl - Dylan Blenkorn modified - Dwayne Hutchinson; Slalom: 4 cyl - James Langille 6 cyl - Regan Saunders 8 cyl - Dana Gilby; Mud Bog: 4 cyl - Anthony Bell 6 cyl - Ryan Ripley 8 cyl - Mark Bower modified - Kenny Scorthorn; Car Race: Andrew Spears and Best Show: Jesse Johnson

For those who were asking, here are the times for the slalom: (4 cyl) Run #1 Run #2 James Langille: 54s 53s; Anthony Bell 1m 4s 1m 2s; Jesse Johnson: 1m 10s 1m 10s and Cody MacBurnie 1m 10s 1m 4s. (6 cyl) Daniel MacBurnie: 1m 29s DNF; Elaine Jack 1m 13s 1m 10s and Regan Saunders 1m 7s 1m 1s. (8 cyl) Dana Gilby 51s DNF; Mike Sanford DNF DNF; Chris Chapman DNF DNF and Graham White 58s 59s.

We have almost reached the halfway point for the year AGAIN, man dear alive, don't know where it is going so fast but it is going. School is almost over or will be by the time this comes out so people once again please watch out for the kids over the summer and kids be extra careful when out playing. Enjoy your summer vacation.

Canada Day is approaching and hope you all have a wonderful day. Until next time take care everyone and must say it is pretty nice to have the store open once again in our community and last month I said Rodney and should have been Roddie. Sorry about that. Anyway welcome.

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