



Canada Day in Great Village! Come join all the fun! Also, come join the celebration of our heritage in Great Village! On Monday, August 7, 2017 the Great Village Community Association is partnering with Canada 150 to present three informative speakers providing insight into parts of the heritage along the northern shore of the Bay of Fundy. See Steve Mazur's story on page 32.

Roundabout Problem Solved

By Maurice Rees

The roundabout near Masstown Market should be completed soon, and modifications have been installed to permit over-length vehicles to navigate the tight turns. Earlier in June there was concern the Double C Truckstop would lose a significant portion of its business.

Keith Boddy, senior highway design engineer assured the Shoreline Journal in a telephone interview, the new roundabout currently under construction near Masstown Market was not undersized. He said the province has a standard design and sizing for roundabouts. During the conversation he added, during construction it might look smaller, but in fact, it is the same dimensions of a similar roundabout on Robie Street Truro.

The project can under criticism earlier in June when Peter Ross, manager of the oversized department at TDR Transport expressed concern his much larger rigs would not

be able to navigate the curves, because his oversize loads, which can only travel certain times and often have to use exit lanes at overpasses as they are too large to go under the concrete structures.

Ross expressed his concern to Debbie Cock, owner of Double C Truckstop and added because of the problems his drivers would have at the new roundabout, it would have a negative impact on business at the Double C. The truckstop is the only place between the Irving Big Stops at Enfield and Aulac, NB, when the oversize vehicles can get off the highway and have room to park. The vehicles are not permitted to travel at night or on weekends.

Cock and Ross took the concerns to local MLA, Karen Casey who arranged a meeting with Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR) officials to seek a solution. The next day, the construction site was crawling with white helmets, charts, surveyor poles

and tapes double checking measurements.

In the early hours of the original turmoil many truckers claimed even the fuel carrying "b-trains" would not be able to use the roundabout to deliver fuel to Masstown Petro-Canada. Their original speculation was b-train drivers would have to use Highway #2 through Onslow, then retrace their steps back to the Truro area.

TIR officials feel they have found a solution. Rather than widening the driving areas, they have installed a grated apron between the concrete curbs and the exterior or interior grass areas. Instead of sod butting up against the curb, they have installed an overrun area behind the curbs. The overrun apron looks like a honeycomb and is filled with gravel. It will provide a solid base for the over-length vehicles to ride on without wheels sinking into what previously would have been a softer grassy area.

The roundabout is nearing completion and was originally scheduled to be completed by June 30th.

your help over the past year. (See you in the Fall).

Happy Anniversary wishes for June are passed along to Jean and Don (Padre) MacQueen, Loyis and Loyal Crocker, Debbie and Harold Barclay.

Happy Birthday wishes for June are passed along to Maurice MacDougall, Marilyn Dykens, Gordon McCully, Donna Eastcott, Charlie Borden (Sr.), Ardith McCully, Lee McCulloch and Debbie Cock.

Please don't forget to thank a Veteran; it is because of their sacrifices 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.

Tom Taggart Elected to FCM Board

Tom Taggart, councillor for District 10, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for the third straight year. Board elections took place at FCM's June 1-4 national conference, which drew 2,000 municipal leaders from across Canada to the nation's capital.

"It's a real honour to be chosen by my peers to serve on FCM's national board," said Taggart. "Some of our biggest challenges in Colchester are also national challenges—whether that's jobs, growth or climate change. I'll be taking our local realities to the FCM table, and we'll be pressing for federal action that makes life better here at home and across Canada."

FCM is the national voice for 2,000 local governments, representing more than 90 percent of all Canadians. As a member of FCM's board, Taggart will help set the direction for an organization that is effectively transforming the role of municipalities on the national stage.

Over the last year, FCM has achieved unprecedented engagement with the federal government on local priorities. Following intensive advocacy by FCM, Federal Budget 2017 committed to invest \$81-billion in infrastructure over 11 years—including affordable housing, transit expansions, green infrastructure, and rural, northern and remote priorities.

"This is a critical year coming up for municipalities. We've got unprecedented federal investment on the table, but we need to make sure they get the details right. Then we'll be ready to turn investments into real outcomes in our commu-

nity: better Municipal infrastructure: better broadband infrastructure, more affordable housing, and cleaner air and water. And that means economic growth and a higher quality of life," said Taggart

Taggart is serving his 3rd term as a Municipal Councillor. As a member of the Board of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Taggart is vice chair of the Standing Committee on Social Economic Development; member standing Committee for Crime Prevention and Public Safety, as well as Conference planning. Taggart is most proud and engaged as a member of the FCM's Rural forum where he is recognized as a strong voice in support of small rural communities across Canada.

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Debert Legion Notes

By Dan Martell

Congratulations and a special thank you are passed along to Bill and Paula Wood for the super job they did in putting new flags and crosses on the Graves of our Veterans. They look very good, Bill and Paula, thank you very much.

If by chance a Veteran's Grave may have been somehow missed, please call the Legion and leave a message for the President or Bill and it will be looked after promptly.

Hold the phone, stop the press! We have newly crowned champions in the Wednesday Night Crib League and congratulations are passed along to Debbie Buchanan and Norm Eastcott for their winning year.

Earl tells me the year ending Banquet was a huge success and everyone went home with some quid (money) as well the League donated

\$100.00 to the "Relay for Life" and \$250.00 to the Legion. To Earl and all the Crib League, thank you very much for your generosity.

The Crib League starts up again on the 6th of September and the Dart League will start doubling in on 15th of Sept. 2017. (Thanks Earl). And for what it is worth, Earl's garden is doing well!

In keeping with crib, Tom Manley and Bob Pash were to Wellington, PEI as part of Team Nova Scotia to take part in the Maritime Crib Play-Offs and the crib gods were not with them as they as a team finished 3rd out of 3.

Bob describes the Legion in Wellington as the Taj Mahal of Legions. Just beautiful and they were treated well.

To Skipper Dawson with the Dart League and Earl Harvey with the Crib League, thank you very much for all



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