



Hank Snow Home Town Museum in Liverpool, Nova Scotia. (photo courtesy tripadvisor.com)

2 Hank Snow Celebration Events in 2022

By Vina Moses

Now that the CoVid pandemic restrictions have been relaxed, the Friends of Hank Snow are planning two events in 2022. The first, a two day event Summer Festival will be held here in Liverpool, NS, July 22-23rd. See advertisement on page 15 in this issue.

This two day Summer Festival will be held outdoors at the Hank Snow Gazebo and Park area across from the Museum here at 17 Hank Snow Drive, Liverpool. We welcome RVs and walk-ins and are hop-

ing to raise monies to keep our Hank Snow Museum alive.

We are also having a Mini Tribute Festival in August which will be a four day event and again outdoors. (We really cannot raise the \$10,500 to rent the arena here where we usually have our Annual Hank Snow Tribute).

This Mini Tribute is jam packed with events Thursday evening to Sunday morning. Each festival will have a House Band made up of seasoned musicians who will back up all performers unless they have

their own band.

We have a new concession building built during Covid by our Board members with donations from Bradys Building Centre.

This building will mean we can offer more for visitors to our events. We will now have our regular BBQ fare and added to that sandwiches and Pizza with chips, pop etc from the concession building.

We hope visitors will come under the tent to enjoy all the fantastic artists who will appear on our Gazebo stage. Closer to August a list of performers for the four day event will be released.

Last year, thanks to the wonderful help from media, we had a very successful two day Mini Tribute. We thank the media for helping keep our Museum and Country Music Centre open. Visitors are coming in from all over Canada and the United States and we are soon to be open for the year at the Museum.

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Hank Snow (photo courtesy countrymusichalloffame.com)

Grants Support Upgrades to Community Facilities

Thirty not-for-profit organizations are receiving grants totalling \$858,000 for repairs and upgrades to community gathering spaces.

Locally there are three community facilities improvement program recipients: Minudie Heritage Association, River Hebert, foundation repair, \$13,110.00. 20; Tenecape Community Club, Walton, heat pump installation, \$2,932.50 and The Chart Society, Maitland, interior reno-

inations, \$29,000.00.

The Community Facilities Improvement Program supports community-led projects to enhance public use of existing facilities, such as community halls, local museums and archives and performance spaces. The program is open to all not-for-profit organizations that serve their communities.

Eligible projects include interior or exterior upgrades to kitchens, windows and roofing, which help the long-

term sustainability of the facility and the development of groups that use it.

RECC Capital Expenditures \$85,266.17

By Maurice Rees

Colchester Council on June 23rd approved the county portion of approximately \$85,000 for a new score clock and an electric Zamboni for the RECC's Capital requests for 2022/23. On February 17, 2022, Council participated in a Joint Council meeting for the purpose of a budget presentation being made by the RECC.

At this meeting capital requests were brought forward to respective Councils. The first request was for funding 50% of the Municipal share of a score clock. Project is budgeted to cost 189,000 and the breakdown is as follows: ACOA - \$105,739.13 (40%); Province of NS - \$79,304.35 (30%); Truro - \$39,652.17 (15%) and Colchester - \$39,652.17 (15%).

The second request was for an Electric Zamboni at a cost of \$161,925. The existing Zamboni is starting to incur higher maintenance costs due to its age and demand. An electric option supports clean energy initiatives and lower operating costs. A propane Zamboni costs \$126,062.

Funding for this would be as follows: Province of Nova Scotia - \$70,696; Truro - \$45,614 and Colchester - \$45,614. • Total capital requests for the RECC amount to \$85,266.17.

Colchester annually contributes to a RECC capital reserve \$200,000 based on lifecycle costing for the facility. The current balance in the reserve is \$692,000. Useful life for the Zamboni is 15 years. The score clock was assigned a useful life of 20 years. The benefit of the score

clock is reduced maintenance costs and better event attraction.

Lifecycle funding to the reserve is based on 50% capital funding from Colchester. Although the equipment is being replaced prior to useful life estimates, the advantage

of replacement now is other funding can be secured reducing replacement cost below 50% as originally anticipated, and replacement will reduce operating costs and open up opportunity to more events. The RECC 2022/2023 was approved by council.



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