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**Nova Scotia Moose hunters** hoping to win a license in the annual lottery must apply by May 31<sup>st</sup>. 345 licenses will be available in five moose-management zones within Victoria and Inverness counties, the only counties in the province where moose hunting is permitted. Hunters who held a moose hunting licence in the last five years (2012-16) cannot apply this year. The application process closes at midnight, May 31. It costs \$9.25 (HST included) to apply online or by phone and \$13.45 (HST included) to apply by mail. The draw will be held in June. Details will be announced as soon as they are available. Hunters can apply online, by phone or by mail: online go to <http://novascotia.ca/natr/draws/moosedraw/>; by phone, 1-900-565-3337 from a landline and the application fee will automatically be added to your phone bill. The phone option does not work with cellphones and it cannot be billed to a different phone number. To apply by mail please contact your local Natural Resources office.

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Halifax Explosion will be recognized later this fall. Boston gets lots of publicity about their efforts to help, but rarely is much said about the efforts of fellow Nova Scotians, particularly those from Colchester County. The Shoreline Journal is starting to collect data about the heroic efforts of people from Colchester who helped in any way. We are looking for copies of newspaper articles, family photos, notes from family diary, or details which have been passed down through the family over the past 100 years. Please contact: Maurice Rees, publisher, 902-647-2968, or email: [maurice@theshorelinejournal.com](mailto:maurice@theshorelinejournal.com)

**Debbie Buott-Matheson, BA, BPR**, Senior Communications Manager, Chignecto-Central Regional School Board is taking a leave of absence from the school board effective Thursday, May 11, 2017 until April 1, 2018. Efforts are underway to fill the position. Until such time as a new person is hired inquiries should be directed to Jo-Anne Jarvis-Jordan, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools at 902-897-8910 or [Jarvis-jordanja@ccrsb.ca](mailto:Jarvis-jordanja@ccrsb.ca).

**Doug MacKenzie**, long time Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture for the Town of Truro, plans to retire within the year and will be handing the reigns over to Ashley Simms. In the meantime, Ashley has taken on the position of Assistant Director.

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Cumberland and Colchester. The history of Black Nova Scotians has not been an easy one, and it is still being written. There is still

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Two final comments on this. Firstly, this is not a forever designation, it must be renewed every two years. Secondly, I believe this has the potential to really put our region on the world map and I appreciate the work completed to date.

I stated last month that I would ask council to bring together all the players for a sit down or summit on what was needed to ensure that our rural residents receive the same level of internet service as those in the urban core. I did ask, and am disappointed to say that I never got the support I was wishing for. The decision was made that given Colchester has Councillors in prominent positions at both the Union Of Nova Scotia Municipalities, (Geoff Stewart as Vice President) and myself as a board member at The

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met Marie and Shannon when they started working on revitalizing what used to be Debert Field Days into what is now the Debert Family Days.

They then moved on to organizing the newly formed Debert and Area Community Association. Something tells me they're not

work to be done to ensure people of colour have their voices heard and they are assured the same opportunities and advantages as all Nova Scotians.

**Bill Casey, MP for Cumberland-Colchester**

Federation of Canadian Municipalities, we should work thru them to raise this issue.

You can be sure we will take that challenge seriously. However, I am not satisfied and feel that we must be working to try and understand what a local solution will be. I intend to try and get this back on the council table again in the very near future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the three candidates who have put their names forward to represent us in the N S legislature. I know, first hand, the challenges of an election campaign and you all deserve great respect.

In closing my message to the residents is, as I have said during both my previous Municipal campaigns. PLEASE TAKE TIME TO VOTE, IT IS IMPORTANT!!

**Tom Taggart, Councillor District 10, Colchester County**

quite done yet and I plan on hearing more from these two ladies over the next few years. Getting to work with such dedicated volunteers is another reason I really enjoy being your Councillor.

Until next time enjoy the warmer weather and get out and experience some of our beautiful trail systems throughout the County. It's a great experience.

**Doug MacInnes, Councillor District 9, Colchester County**

## Little Dyke Residents Fight Back

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page proposal put forth by Irving-owned OSCO Aggregates. She says, "The proposed 75.4 acre gravel pit expansion cannot help but have a devastating effect on everything in its midst. You cannot extract 1.13 million tonnes of aggregate from the earth over a 20 year period and not have a negative impact on the environment. This new expansion will border on wetlands which form a rich and delicate ecosystem that serves as a natural habitat for countless animals and birds, some of which are designated as "Species at Risk" and one of which has been upgraded to "Endangered".

MacFadden and McNutt argue it's time Nova Scotia had an environmental bill of rights, putting the onus on developers to prove they won't harm the environment.

Some residents feel their opposition is just beginning and will soon become much more public potentially involving councillors and other government departments. A couple of residents suggested the Department of Environment needs to be put "on notice" landowners are concerned about the approval process and flaws in the regulations.

Another resident com-

mented they were not comfortable with Environment's commitment to; ability to properly enforce compliance and accountability. Professional opinion will be sought as many feel the project proposal should never have been allowed to be registered as it does not meet the requirements.

Residents feel being able to operate within 100 feet of a marine habitat should not be allowed and have expressed concerns possible disruption of the intricate underground springs, could negatively impact the water table and if underground aquifers are damaged it might even drain the lake.

McNutt agrees with the concerns of others saying, "The scope of the project will include clear cutting, pit development/aggregate extraction, screening, mobile crushing, stockpiling of aggregate and transport to the Wash Plant facility located 700 meters along Little Dyke Road. The operation is set to run 12-14 hours/day, 6 days/week and there is potential for increased operations to 22-24 hours/day depending on product demand. In addition to the devastating effect this mammoth operation will have on nature, it will also eliminate quality of life for residents.

Little Dyke Lake has been a popular swimming spot for generations. Let's work towards keeping it a beautiful and tranquil location for generations to come."

The group plans more meetings with the Province of Nova Scotia in

the days and weeks ahead. With a provincial election just days away, the Shoreline Journal sent a series of ten questions to candidates representing the Liberals, Progressive Conservatives and New Democratic Party of Nova Scotia.

Responses from the candidates are contained in an questionnaire on page 28.

**2017 West Colchester  
75 km YARD SALE  
JULY 8-9**

**"Past Years Have Been A Great Success, So We Want To Do It Again!"**

Businesses or anyone wishing to help sponsor/promote this event with an ad please contact the undersigned. This is also a great opportunity for Community organizations, clubs, etc. to raise some money.

We want to get this going again with some help from the community. The date will be the weekend of July 9 and 10.

Saturday & Sunday.

As before the sale will run along Highway #2 from Mingo's corner on Onslow to Parrsboro!

This is a great opportunity for households to turn those unwanted items into useful cash and recycle instead of hauling them off to the balefill.

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