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June 2018

The Anne Murray Centre opened for the 29th season on May 18 and is open 9:00 am - 4:30 pm daily. The gift shop features a wide selection of local items including jewelry, from area artisans. Anne Murray Day is Saturday, July 28th.

Age of Sail Heritage Museum, Port Greville opened for the season on May 3rd and will be open 9:30 am - 5:30 pm, closed Tuesday and Wednesday. On June 21st, the museum will open for summer hours, seven days a week, from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm. On September 3rd, the museum will revert to fall hours, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm, closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

On Saturday July 7, and throughout 2018, Joggins Fossil Institute celebrates 10 years of UNESCO World Heritage Site designation for the Joggins Fossil Cliffs. A special newsletter will be published in June outlining all anniversary events.

Cumberland South By-Election- June 19

By Maurice Rees

(On May 17, 2018 the following information was received in a media release from Elections Nova Scotia. Some of the dates may have passed, but we wanted to provide voters with precise details of the election process to the extent it is explained in the following release.)

The Assistant Chief Electoral Officer, Peter Gzowski, acting for Chief Electoral Officer, Richard Temporale, has received an order from the Governor in Council for a by-election to be held in the electoral district of Cumberland South. The ACEO has issued a writ of election; election day will be June 19, 2018.

To date, there are three registered candidates: Larry Duchesne, Nova Scotia New Democratic Party (NDP); Scott Lockhart, Nova Scotia Liberal Party (NSLP) and Tory Rushton, Progressive Conservative Association of Nova Scotia (PC).

The returning office continuous poll will be open for voting on Monday, May 21. An advance poll will be held in Parrsboro for 7 days, from Saturday June 9 to Saturday June 16, except Sunday and community polls will be held in Brookdale and Wentworth Centre Friday June 15 and Saturday June 16.

Watch for updates at electionsnovascotia.ca, on Twitter @electionsnovascotia and Facebook page: [facebook.com/electionsnovascotia](https://www.facebook.com/electionsnovascotia) (Further to this notice, The Green Party has nominated and registered their candidate, Bruce W. McCulloch, for the June 19th bi-election.)

See Scott Lockhart on page 7.
See Bruce McCulloch on page 9.
See Larry Duchesne on page 13.
See Tory Rushton on page 15.



Pictured above is a scene from Chasing Champions the six-time Merritt award-winning production will be remounted in October before touring to the National Arts Centre in Ottawa. (Submitted)

Fundy Cliffs GeoPark Passes First Hurdle

By Maurice Rees

The Canadian National Geoparks Network (CNGN) has advised the Cliffs of Fundy Aspiring GeoPark committee it unanimously supports its application and will send evaluators to the area for site evaluations this summer. If the site evaluation is successful an application can be submitted to UNESCO this fall.

David Beattie, chair, Cliffs of Fundy received a letter from Godfrey S. Nowlan, PhD, chair of (CNGN). In his letter, Nowlan stated, "I am delighted to report that the committee rated our document as thorough and extremely well prepared and probably the best initial document ever received by the committee".

"The committee was unanimous in supporting a CNGC assessment visit to Cliffs of Fundy as soon as possible, so that it can make application to UNESCO in 2018, rather than waiting a year", Nowlan's letter continued.

The Cliffs of Fundy committee has to make some minor adjustments and expand upon explanations of a few areas in its initial 50 page application. These findings were presented to the first meeting of an advisory committee, which will work with the ongoing steering committee who prepared the initial application. The advisory committee met for the first time on Wednesday, May 16th at Fundy Geological Museum. Members in attendance were: David Beattie, Chair Cliffs of Fundy; John Calder, Senior Geologist with Province of Nova Scotia; Oralee O'Byrne, Curator Age of Sail Museum, Port Greville; Marlee Leslie, Cliffs of Fundy, coordinator, Devin Trefrey, Municipality of Colchester representative; Doug Wilson, Vice-Chair, Cumberland Geology Society; Stepanie Moreau, Cumberland County tourism director, Anita MacLellan, Cobequid Interpretive Centre and Maurice Rees, Publisher The Shoreline Journal / South Cumberland News.



These are Your Choices for June 19th

Cumberland South residents will elect a new MLA to replace Jamie Baillie, who resigned earlier this winter. The four candidates are shown to the left: Top row, (Left): Scott Lockhart, Liberal Candidate; Tory Rushton, Progressive Conservative. Bottom row (Left): Bruce W. McCulloch, Green Party of Nova Scotia and Larry Duchesne, New Democratic Party. Each candidate has completed a questionnaire: Scott Lockhart, Page 7; Bruce McCulloch, Page 9; Larry Duchesne, Page 13 and Tory Rushton, Page 15. Who is the ultimate winner is up to you. Please exercise your right, on June 19th, GET OUT AND VOTE!

Ship's Debuts Two World Premieres And Remount Of The Award-Winning Chasing Champions!

By Richie Wilcox

Ship's Company Theatre kicks off its 2018 season with the world premiere of Mary-Colin Chisholm's *Hook, Line & Sinner*. This mainstage production marks the final installment of the Ship's Mystery Trilogy starring the now-beloved character Sister Vivian Salter. In this new murder mystery set right here in Parrsboro, the Sister must exonerate her old friend Keith, a paleontologist, with whom she's just reconnected. This finale of the trilogy is sure to have many laughs and features local actress Martha Irving taking on the lead role.

Ship's Company is excited to do their first ever co-production with Theatre New Brunswick to bring Kim Parkhill's *Any Given Moment* to the mainstage in August. In this story that deals with the media headlines of today, three strangers are thrown together by circumstance (or is it fate?) and forced into a shared experience punctuated by fear, conflict and revelation.

The fall months at Ship's will be particularly busy with the Kids Stage presentation of *Uncle Podger's Hat* and their popular music tribute show honouring the ladies of country in September and, as a special treat, the six-time Merritt award-winning production of *Chasing Champions* will be remounted in October before touring to the National Arts Centre in Ottawa.

Ship's Company is particularly excited to include the dance piece *Burnwater: Alchemy* by Mocean Dance and Hear Here Productions as part of the summer season. This unique performance weaves together percussion, dance and poetry with the work of Nova Scotian blacksmith John Little. The piece will play at four different times August 1 and 2.

Of course, the season wouldn't be complete without Wilson's Monday night Concert Series. The Ship will play host to Fiddles and Feet, Diyet and the Love Soldiers, Pretty Archie, The Sanctified Brothers, Sean McCann and Erin Costello over the course of July and August.

Lastly, Ship's will be offering their Theatre Camps aimed at a variety of ages from August 13-24 and will introduce their brand new Rock Camp (for budding musicians) from July 9 - 13.

Ship's Company is a staple in the Atlantic Canadian performing arts community and is grateful for the support of the Canada Council of the Arts, Arts Nova Scotia, the Department of Canadian Heritage as well as their major corporate sponsors O'Regans and Archway Insurance.

For information: Richie Wilcox, Associate Producer, 902-225-3000; marketing@shipscompanytheatre.com www.shipscompanytheatre.com

A two member evaluation team from CNGC will visit the area in late June, which follows a delegation from Cliffs of Fundy Aspiring GeoPark committee participating in a CNGC Workshop on June 4-5 in Ottawa.

Beattie, who chairs both the steering and advisory committee informed the advisory group approximately five public information meetings will be held throughout the entire area, but he was not sure if they could be held before the evaluation team arrived.

For its first meeting Beattie also outlined other things planned which will include a Locality App for those who prefer to use online apps for trip planning and visitation; GeoPark signage will be required; plus the steering committee's work revising the original application to address concerns outlined in Nowlan's letter of May 11th. Beattie assigned various steering committee members to work as teams to address the concerns, to avoid overloading the staff coordinator and executive.

The steering committee will continue it's ongoing work as required, with the advisory committee expected to meet in September to review progress of preparation of the final document to be submitted to UNESCO October providing passing the evaluation's report to the national committee.

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