

Masstown Community News

By *Chris Urquhart*

How wonderful it is to see all the tulips and daffodils blooming in our fair community. Pussy willows are fuzzy along the ditches and the songs of birds fill the air. What a wonderful place Masstown is to live! Lots of folks are now out walking, enjoying the spring air and seeing the daily changes in our landscape. Just a few weeks ago the grass was brown and dead, but now it is turning green so fast we will soon have to once again mow our lawns.

With Easter just behind us, and a Happy Easter to each and every one of you, we now look forward to the coming of summer and all it entails. Lots of things are happening in our community in the near future.

On May 7th, from 8am to 1pm, the Masstown Community Association will

be holding a Yard Sale and, we hope, a Bar-B-Que at our Community Park. If not a Bar-B-Que we will just have a "Food Tent" where you can purchase a hot dog or two and a cold drink! We are looking for items for our Yard Sale so if you have something to donate, please contact Marina Fisher at 662-4059 prior to that Saturday.

We are also renting out "table space" – that means the space to place a table you have brought with you – for \$5.00. To rent your own "table space" contact Mary Barley at 662-2743. We will also be selling tickets for the last time on our Mother's Day Basket as we will be drawing the winning ticket at 12:30pm that day! Tickets are \$1.00 each or three tickets for \$2.00. All Masstown Community Association members have tickets for sale.

The money raised from these projects will go towards an August Fun Day at the Park for both children and adults alike. It will also help with our many other activities throughout the year as well as the upkeep of our Community Park. Come out and support your community! The next meeting of the Masstown Community Association will be June 21st, 7pm, at the Masstown Market. You are welcome to attend this meeting!

There will be a Variety Concert at the Masstown United Church on Sunday May 15th from 1pm to 4pm. Entertainers include: Bill Hill, Harry Bentham, Kitchen Trio, Lady Barber-shoppers and more; emceed by Ron Urquhart! Refreshments served during intermission. Free Will Offering will go towards fixing the Church roof. Everyone Welcome!

There will be two Coffee Parties at the Masstown

United Church in May; May 11th and May 25th. As always, there will be a bake table and a play room for the children. Come out and join your friends at these Coffee Parties!

Truro Presbyterial UCW will be holding a May Day Fun Day on Tuesday May 17th at the Oxford Lions Center, in Oxford. Hosted by: Trinity United UCW of Oxford. Bring sun hats, sun screen, talents and enthusiasm for an AWSOME DAY!!! Ladies are encouraged to lug a mug along with their bag lunch. Please let all your UCW ladies know about this!

Masstown UCW will meet on Thursday May 5th, 7pm at the Masstown Church. All ladies welcome.

The DGM Men's Club will hold their Breakfast meeting on Saturday May 7th at the Double C Restaurant in Glenholme. All men welcome.

Only a couple of travelers this month; Carter and Heather Milligan spent some time in Florida. Allen Jennings came home from Dartmouth for his father's funeral.

Condolences go out this month to: Sheri Knight and her family on the death of her Aunt Joyce Knight and to all the Jennings families on the death of Kenneth Jennings, husband of Elizabeth Jennings who used to live here in Masstown but now resides in Debert.

Take a deep breath of our clean, fresh air which may have some "down home farm" smells in it and be grateful to live here in our beautiful country community. Remember, the Election is coming up real soon. It doesn't matter who you vote for as long as you vote.

MacQueen retiring in June

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Church services for the month of May will be: 9am every Sunday at Erskine United in Glenholme, rotating services between Masstown and Debert at 10:15am. May 1st, Masstown, May 8th, Debert, May 15th, Masstown, May 22nd, Debert and May 29th, Masstown.

Sunday School rotates with these services. Sunday School closing will be Sunday May 8th this year.

As our minister Rev. Don MacQueen is leaving us at the end of June you may wish to make as many of these services as you can. Don is retiring and he will be very much missed.

Best of Colchester IS BACK!

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**Truro and District
Chamber of Commerce**

The Truro and District Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for its extremely popular "Best of Colchester" competition. Businesses can be nominated in 25 different categories and the winners will be chosen by online voting.

"Last year, we received close to 20 thousand votes during the two week voting period," says TDCoC Executive Director Tim Tucker. "We were expecting three to five thousand. This contest has proven to be very popular!"

Five new categories have been added to the list this year. Any category from last year that was not brought

back will return next year. Nominations will be accepted until April 29th. Voting will take place on the TDCoC's website from May 2nd to the 15th. Nomination forms are available by going to www.trurochamber.com and clicking on the Best of Colchester page.

After the two week voting period, the Chamber will be announcing the top three nominees by votes in each category. The winners will be named at an awards ceremony on Thursday, June 16th, at the Best Western Glengarry. Tickets for the event will go on sale soon. It will be hosted by James Cormier from Big Dog 100.9

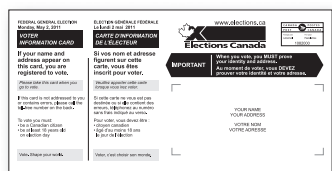


This field looks rather strange as local strawberry producer Curtis Millen tries to give plants a bit of a head start on mother nature's temperatures. (Harrington Photo)



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