



Hendrikus van den Hock-Field a member of the Glooscap Trail 4-H club is pictured delivering an Easter package to Evelyn Sutherland of Economy. (Emily Prescott Photo)

Glooscap Trail 4-H'ers Deliver Easter Treats

By Emily Prescott I

As another month rolls by, Glooscap trail members have been busy. Our annual public speaking club rally was held, and members practiced their public speaking skills. Member Emily Prescott later went on to present her speech on the importance of buying local at the 4-H county rally, which was held on April 14th.

As a little treat to local sen-

iors in our communities, Glooscap Trail 4-H members gathered together to make homemade Easter cards, fruit bags, and pussy willow bunches, which members delivered.

We hoped this brightened many seniors Easters.

Next general meeting will be held on May 7th at 7:00pm at the van den Hock's farm.

Emily Prescott is Glooscap Trail 4-H Club reporter

Pre-election Promise Needs to be Kept

By Hope Bridgewater

Although reversing their last three years in power with financial cuts to the Department of Education, the NDP for the 2013-2014 budget is giving \$3.27 million more to the Department of Education, which is good news.

However, the Department of Education in its allotment of funds to Nova Scotia's eight Regional School Boards is unfair in its distribution as it is decreasing the budgets for 2013-2014 of five Regional School Boards and increasing the budgets of only three Regional School Boards. Factors being considered were building conditions, enrolment projections, and operational costs.

An example of the unfair way in which the Department of Education distributed funds to Regional School Boards is that the Halifax Regional School Board is receiving for its 2013-2014 budget an extra \$5,085,800 to add to \$376,332,200.

CCRSB (covering a large area of the Counties of Cumberland, Pictou, Colchester and East Hants) is receiving for the 2013-2014 budget a financial cut of \$182,100 to take from a budget of \$177,400,800.

The projected enrolment decrease difference between HRSB (-1.6%) and CCRSB (-1.8%) is small, but the Halifax Board received a much larger amount of funds while the CCRSB received a financial cut.

Debert Legion Notes

By Danny Martell

The Friday Night Dart League has come to the end of another very successful regular season, with team #6 holding down first place with 123 points. Making up the team were Craig Fraser, Brenda Forbes and Ron "Easy" Eastcott. Team #1, with 103 points, finished second and it was comprised of Eric Barnhill, Deanna Martell and Audrey Gallagher. One point back, in third place with 102 points was Team #8, namely, Charmaine Turner, Dorothy Pace and Wilfred Crowe.

High Start for the men were Craig Fraser, Skip Dawson and Ronnie Eastcott with 160, Deanna Martell had High Start for the ladies with 125. High Finish for the men was Wilfred Crowe with 116, High Finish for the girls was Charmaine Turner with 95. High Score for the men, with 160, was Eric Barnhill. Barb Scott led the girls in this one with a 174.

Most Starts were Skip Dawson (111) and Debbie (85). Most Finishes, Skip Dawson (73) and Debbie Cock (37). Craig Fraser had the only 180 for the season. Dave MacPhee had 190 tinkles and Brenda Forbes had 211 for the girls. Least Tinkles had Ron Eastcott with 30 (1.5) and Kathy Barnhill for the girls with 30 (1.7). The Play-Offs are now in full swing, followed by the Year End Banquet. (Thanks Craig).

The standings and individual stats for the Crib League as of the 16th are as follows: Debbie Cock and Ronnie Eastcott hold down first place with 1233 points, followed by the team of Marilyn Dykens and Lauchie Rector. Rounding out the top three is the team of Dan Martell and Ron Francis/Leslie Fulton.

Debbie and Rob have the Most Winning Nights, with 4; they also have the Most Hidden Scores, with 4. There has been 26, twenty-four hands and Betty Thompson has four of them.

We had three teams go to Branch 38 in Liverpool to play in the Annual Provincial Play-Offs. Our team of Earl Harvey and Eugene Adshade took top spot with a low of 37 points. The team of Alma and Brian Paul from the Stewiacke Branch took second place honours, with 53 points, and rounding out the top three with 55 points was our team of Debbie Cock and Ron Eastcott.

In Liverpool, Earl Harvey and Eugene Adshade took home top honours with a low of 16 points. Debbie and Ron finished well back in the standings. For Earl and Eugene it is back to Liverpool on the 25th of May to take part in the Maritime Championship Play-Offs. Earl and Eugene, good cards and good luck in Liverpool. (Thanks Earl)

The WCMHA Kohler Friendship Tournament took place at the West Colchester Arena in late March (21-24) and for those people who dropped in to take in a game or two, they were treated to some good hockey.

To Kohler Window Division in Debert and all the local businesses who donated prizes and/or food goodies in any size or shape, thank you very much for your generosity. It was/is truly appreciated.

To the young ladies and gents who worked in the Hospitality Room, thank you for your time and help. To all the moms/dads, brothers/sisters, nans/gramps and aunts and uncles who provided foods of any type, thank you very much. To all the ticket sellers for the 50/50 draws, thank you, and God forbid if I missed anyone, I will say thank you very much. To all the wonderful fans that supported these young hockey players (girls and boys) thank you very much.

Deanna and I spent a lot of time there for the weekend (21-24) and were really impressed with the hard work and dedication put in by Dodie Peters and all her volunteers. Dodie to you and your volunteers, thank you very much. A big job, very well done.

To Rob Phillips, the referee-in-chief who had to make sure all games were covered with 2 referees and 2 linemen, thank you for providing the teams with excellent officiating, another job well done.

In one of the games we watched, there was a young lad who did the lines and he was totally awesome. Not much taller than the boards, he was a very strong skater and his arm signals were very clear and precise, a credit to the game(s) he did. Rob pass along a special thank you to that young lad.

Dodie told me this was the 13th year for the "Kohler Friendship Tournament" with teams from NB, Cape Breton and Mainland NS. Truro won the Pee Wee Division, New Glasgow won the Atom Division, and Cape Breton took the Bantam banner back across the Causeway, while Peticodiac Flames took home the Midget banner.

To all people who have been saving and dropping off the pull tabs from pop and beer cans and other such cans, thank you very much, your help is much appreciated. The proceeds from the sale of the tabs goes to wheel chair repairs and other charities.

On Friday, April 19th, Deanna and I took in the "Spinney Brothers" show at the Marigold Center in Truro and we were treated to some excellent music. One of the highlights of the night was when they thanked our Veterans for all they have done for our Country. They also thanked our present day Military. Our Veterans and our present day members got a very heart-warming round of applause. A beautiful gesture.

Golfers beware, the word is out that Ron "Easy" Eastcott and Danny (Tiger) MacKay and a couple of buddies headed south for spring training and they are right at the top of their game. How good will they be, only time will tell. To all our local golfers, have you got your 2013 membership for the Debert Golf Club? Time to do it now.

Happy Birthday wishes for April are passed along to Roddie Spencer, Cassandra McCully, Gerry Dawson, John Totten and Dorothy Adams.

Happy Anniversary wishes for April are passed along to Pam and Jim Patton.

Please don't forget to thank a Veteran. It is because of their sacrifices that we are able to enjoy our freedom and our Country. Please say a prayer for our troops who are serving in foreign countries and their families.

The Ship's Log... Fiddle Camp, May 18 & 19

By Gleneida Canning

Greetings from the Ship's Company Theatre!

As we get ready for another season at the Ship's Company we have some exciting news to share.

We are pleased to introduce our new Artistic Producer, Natasha MacLellan. Natasha is a director, playwright and actor from Cape Breton. Natasha brings to the Ship's Company a great wealth of experience, wonderful energy and lots of great ideas.

We have all been working hard to put together a great season for you and I'm pret-

ty sure you won't be disappointed.

Our concert series will feature Whitney Rose, Charlie A'Court, Laura Smith, The Pathological Lovers, Fiddle's and Feet, The Divorcees, and David Myles. Our first main stage event is Diligent River Daughter written by Scott Burke, adapted from Bruce Graham's novel. The second main stage show will be Making Contact a comedy written by Charlie Rhindress.

Once again we will be offering our annual Fiddle Camp on May 18, and 19. If

you are interested in participating in our camp you can call our office and register we still have space available. Workshops are available in fiddle, guitar, mandolin and piano. Once again a highlight of the camp will be our Old Time Fiddle Instructors Concert on Saturday May 18.

We are very excited to be offering some great deals on ticket prices this year. As a way to try to encourage younger folks to attend our theatre we are offering youth ticket prices available at a great price of only \$10 for anyone 25 and under.

To make things even

more appealing we will be offering two "pay what you can" nights. See Diligent River Daughter on Friday July 12 and Making Contact on Friday August 16, if you've never attended the theatre before, why not take advantage of these great deals and come to the Ship's Company Theatre in 2013!

Join us on Facebook where you can see daily updates, and follow us on twitter, we would love to hear from you this year. You can check us out on www.shipsccompany.com for more details about the upcoming season. So long for now, and we hope to see you in 2013!

Old Time Fiddle Concert

Saturday May 18
7:30pm
Ship's Company Theatre
Parrsboro

Gordon Stobbe ~ Troy MacGillivray ~ Kelli Trottier
Stacey Lynn Read ~ Jake Charron ~ Skip Holmes

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