

# OBITUARIES

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**HOARE, Verna Elaine** – Valley. With sadness we announce the passing of our wife, mother, grandmother and friend, Verna Elaine (Pyke) Hoare of Valley on Sunday, April 17, 2022 in Vimy Court, Bible Hill. Verna was the youngest child of the late Samuel and Jessie (McCabe) Pyke of Valley. Survived by her husband of 67 years, Ronald Hoare; daughter, Rhonda (Ian) McCarron of Antigonish; granddaughter, Jaime (Blair) Weeks and their children, Adelle, Nash and Tuftin, of PEI; brother-in-law, Kenneth Oar, Phoenix AZ and special cousin, Mildred Underhill of Moncton, NB. Predeceased by brothers, George and Donald Pyke; brothers-in-law, Ashley Marsters, Keith Hoare; sisters-in-law, Marlene Oar, Ardith Marsters, Lillian Pyke, Norma Pyke and Leona Hoare. Also predeceased by nephews, Barry Hoare and Eric Pyke; nieces, Sara Oar and Diane Pyke. Verna worked for many years as an administrative assistant before joining the staff of the newly built Cobequid Educational Centre in 1971. For the next 27 years, she could be found behind the secretary's desk in the Guidance office, assisting students with their applications and aspirations. Her great joy was in seeing young people excel and grow and she took pride in their accomplishments. Despite being diagnosed with Rheumatoid Arthritis while still in her teens, Verna did not let the disease define her life. She worked full time, was a horse show mother, an expert on foal watch and was always eager to support her daughter's and granddaughter's endeavours. A dog lover at heart, Verna spent countless, patient hours training her pets to do unique tricks. A special thank you to the caring staff at Vimy Court, Bible Hill. Memorial donations, if desired, may be made to the Arthritis Society, SPCA or charity of choice. Cremation has taken place. A service will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS. Words of comfort may be directed to [brookridgefarm@yahoo.ca](mailto:brookridgefarm@yahoo.ca).

**ATKINSON, Blair Spicer** – 90, Truro. With his wife of 65 years by his side, Blair Spicer Atkinson went home to be with His Lord at 6:00am on April 19, 2022. Blair was born in West Apple River, Nova Scotia on Christmas Eve, 1931, the son of the late Garfield Roy Atkinson and Aileen Rebeca (Spicer) Atkinson. Blair will be sadly missed by his loving wife, Doreen (Anderson) Atkinson and their three children: Deborah (Ivan) Graham of Sussex, NB; Janice (Rocklyn) Warren of Riverview, NB; and Kevin (Catherine) Atkinson of Truro, his six grandchildren; Matthew Graham (Sarah) of Warsaw, IN; Janet Larkin (Robert) of Marion, IN; Alicia Atkinson-Taylor of Amherst, Christopher Atkinson (Lynn) of Halifax, Mary Atkinson (Derrick) of Middle Stewiacke; Aaron Warren (Courtney) of Dieppe, NB; and four great-grandchildren; Gabriel Atkinson, Kaylin Taylor, Scotia Lynn Graham and Nora Works. Celebration of Life Service (funeral) was held Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at The Salvation Army Citadel, 14 Outram Street, Truro. Interment in Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery, Upper Main Street, Parrsboro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

# Debert Sewage Plant may get \$6-Million Expansion

By Maurice Rees

Debert's Sewage Treatment Plant may get \$6-Million upgrade is Colchester's funding application through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Green-Environmental Quality Stream is approved. Council decided at the March 13th committee meeting to support the application proposed by Michelle Boudreau, Director of Public Works.

Council's decision to support the application also committed it to provide its share (\$1,600,000) toward the \$6,000,000 project cost. On February 1, 2022, the Province announced a new intake for projects under the Green - Environmental Quality Stream of the ICIP program. Under the program, approved projects are eligible for 73.33% funding.

Historic applications by the County under the ICIP program have included the following: 2019 Application, Colchester Wastewater Improvements (included Debert STP2 Elimination and the replacement of 2 Pumping Stations in Valley and Salmon River); 2019 Application for replacement of the Great Village Sewage Plant, but the application was unsuccessful; and 2021 Application for Active Transportation Projects, including new sidewalks and the Fundy Discovery Site Bridge. The application is currently under review by the Province.

The current intake for applications can include only projects under the wastewater, drinking water or solid waste categories. While the replacement of the Great Village Sewage Treatment Plant was a priority in 2019, recent pressure for new development and housing in Debert has changed priorities.

The Debert system needs upgrading and expansion to support a proposed 600-unit (or 1500 person) residential development in Debert, as well as additional commercial and industrial growth, the main sewage treatment plant needs to be expanded.

The plant is currently designed for an average flow of 850 cubic metres per day which equates to a population of about 2,000. The plant currently operates at roughly 50% capacity.

Prior to the transfer of Debert lands to the County in 2008, the Province retained the services of CBCL to design and construct a new sewage treatment plant in Debert, which is located on MacElmon Road at Highway 104. Construction of this new plant was completed in late 2007 just prior to the land transfer.

Staff retained the services of CBCL to provide a cost estimate for an expansion of the Debert Sewage Treatment Plant. The total estimated price for doubling plant capacity is \$6M, which includes both design and construction services.

Council's approved 5-year capital budget does not currently include an expansion of the Debert Sewage Treatment Plant, however, the project can be added during upcoming capital budget deliberations.

Should the funding application be successful, the provincial and federal governments would provide 73.33% of project costs, with the remaining 26.67% being paid by the County. This would mean a Municipal commitment of \$1.6M.

Staff is undertaking additional work to evaluate water infrastructure capacity in Debert, however, necessary expansions have not yet been defined.

Council's 2020-2024 Strategic Priorities document includes a Debert Development Plan and Debert Airport Strategy as priorities 2 and 3. The expansion of the treatment plant is required to support these initiatives.

## Man Charged in Lower Truro Armed Robbery

Colchester County District RCMP has charged a man involved in an armed robbery on Robie St. in Lower Truro. On Sunday February 20, at approximately 6:55 p.m., a man entered the Esso gas station on Robie St. in Lower Truro, where he threatened staff with a weapon while demanding that they open the safe.

The man was given cash and cigarettes and then fled the gas station. The man then tried to escape the area in a vehicle already occupied by other people, near the drive thru at the McDonald's on Robie St. The man was unsuccessful and fled the area on foot. No one was injured during either incident.

On March 2, Colby Daniel Scott Smith, 25, of Truro, was charged with Robbery, Disguise with Intent, Attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Attempted Abduction of Person Under Sixteen (3 counts), Failure to Comply with Conditions of a Release Order (3 counts). Smith was already in custody for unrelated matters when the charges were laid. Smith appeared in Truro Provincial Court on March 30, 2022.

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