



Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade Chief Greg Muise has some fun with fellow auctioneer John Robben during the annual Harvest Sale on Sept. 29th. The pair raised some additional funds modelling and then selling off their hats. (Harrington Photo)



Bigger and better! The annual Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade Harvest Auction seems to keep on growing each year. From fresh produce to household furniture, they sell it all. (Harrington Photo)

November Church Schedule

By Chris Urquhart

Church services for the month of November are as follows:

Each service will be at 10am except for November 11th - this service may be held at 9am or canceled, please check with someone for that.

**Sunday, November 4
DEBERT**

**November 11 (if held)
GLENHOLME**

**November 18
MASSTOWN**

**November 25
DEBERT**

Our minister is Carol Gillard M.Div. and we have Sunday School every Sunday. All children of all ages are welcome as are you! If you enjoy singing, come early and join the choir.

See you there!



Glooscap Trail 4-H receives Top Club Award

By Maja Van den Hoek

The Glooscap Trail 4-H Club just completed a very successful year, when members completed their projects and showed them to the community on August 7 during Achievement day at the Bass River Museum. A potluck supper wash held and a friendly tug-of-war completed the evening.

Then, it was time to show the projects off at the Exhibition in Truro on August 20 and 21 where members competed against the other seven 4-H clubs in Colchester. The Glooscap Trail 4-H members entered projects in Photography, Crafts, Welding, Sewing, Foods, Cake Decorating, Scrap Booking, Wool, Rabbit and Recycling.

Club members were very surprised and happy to received Top Club Award Plaque for the second year in a row. The award is based on how many project are entered, how well they placed in the competitions and on the number of 4-H members in the club.

In total 10 projects from our club made it to the Provincial 4-H Show which was held in Truro at the end of September. Anna MacFarlane was Champion in the Cake Decorating project at the Ex and received a First place Ribbon at the Provincial show. At the Provincial Exhibition Emily Prescott received a Champion Ribbon for her Fancy Doe, Rabbit; Champion Ribbon for her Wool project; Champion Ribbon for her Wire Jewellery set in Crafts and Champion Ribbon for her Recycle Project.

Then, she also received Reserve Champion Ribbons for Sewing Judging, Her Senior Fancy Buck in Rabbit and for her Dress and Shrug in Sewing. Great job Emily!

Along with more First, Second, Third ribbons and additional placings from:

Ian MacFarlane, Erik Stevens, Deanne Stevens, Brandon Vance, Jacob Robinson and Victoria Sheepwash.

In total 10 projects from our club members made it to the Provincial show where they competed against other 4-H members from all over Nova Scotia. At the Provincial 4-H Pro Show, Anna MacFarlane placed First in the Cake Decorating Competition and Emily came First with her Dress and Shrug in Sewing and first in Crafts with her Jewellery set and

also took home the Reserve Champion Ribbon in Crafts, Third Place Ribbon with her rabbit as well. This ended our 4-H year with a very great Bang.

During the 4-H year we made Christmas Swags and Treats at Christmas time, cut bunches of Pussy Willow's delivering them and Hot Cross Buns for the seniors along the shore. For entertainment, the club held a Halloween Party, Christmas party and pet Parade for our members. In the spring we did the Cancer Relay For Life with

our members and raised over \$700. for the Cause.

All in all the club has a very productive 4-H year behind us and are looking forward to the new 4-H year. The club is going to celebrate this past year with a Pizza party and Movie in Truro.

If you like to join 4-H, the Glooscap Trail 4-H Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 O'clock at the Bass River Hall. The club's general leader is Maja van den Hoek and can be reached at 647-2751.

News from our Federal Capital

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can request to receive the proceeds of the sale from their child over time, and thus report a portion of any capital gains from the sale over time rather than in the year of the transaction. The deferral periods are advantageous when selling the farm to a child, but are also available for farm sales to outside the family. The period is up to 10 years for the sale of a farm to a child and up to 5 years when a farm is sold outside the family.

Farmers who sell part of their herd due to **drought, excess moisture, or flood conditions** (in designated regions) may defer a portion of sale proceeds to the following year. Such deferred income must be recognized in the first taxation year beginning after the area ceases to be in the designated region.

A farmer can also defer income received in compensation for the forced **destruction**

of **livestock** under statutory authority to the following taxation year, in part or in full, at the farmer's discretion.

The **deferral of income** applies to the cash purchase tickets issued for wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and rape-seed/canola produced in a designated area. The eligible recipient of the cash purchase ticket (if using "cash method" of reporting income) can defer reporting the income to the following year if the ticket provides for payment after the end of the tax year in which the grain was delivered.

Certain capital expenditures such as the amounts paid for **clearing and levelling land, building an unpaved road, and farmers can deduct laying drainage tile as a current expense.** Farmers can also deduct some pre-production expenses associated with vineyards and orchards.

Lastly, for the purposes of GST/HST, many supplies of agri-

culture inputs (farm equipment, livestock, etc.) and outputs (products sold by the agriculture sector for human consumption) are **Zero-Rated**, meaning that they are taxable, but at a rate of zero.

In addition to the provisions described here, provincial and municipal governments also offer provisions to farmers, such as discounted land and property taxes and provincial income tax incentives as well as provincial fuel tax rebates.

Additional information on federal rules and tax legislation that apply to farmers is also available at: <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/sgmnts/frmn/g/menu-eng.html>.

Please feel free to contact me with any issue you have of concern. You can reach me toll-free at 1-888-752-0552, on my website at www.scottarmstrongmp.ca, on Facebook, and on Twitter @Armstrong_MP.

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A Message to All Non-Profit Groups in Nova Scotia

In Nova Scotia, a wide variety of human, social and health related services are offered by local community groups, non-profit agencies and government departments. Finding the right service at the right time though, can be a real challenge.

Beginning next February, a "211" service will provide Nova Scotians with a free, confidential information and referral program for the thousands of these services provided across the province. It will be available throughout the province, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by simply dialling "2-1-1" to speak to a helpful staff member, or by searching our on line database, which will be up and running when 211 launches.

To help Nova Scotians in every community find and make good use of your services and programs, we need complete and accurate information. We want to ensure all services provided by community groups have been included for each and every community in Nova Scotia. **211 Nova Scotia is inviting all non-profit providers of human, social and health related services in communities throughout the province to contact us to confirm that the 211 database has the right information about your service.** We are a non-profit association - there is no cost to any organization to have information included in our database.

You can reach our team members by calling **902-466-5721** or emailing info@ns.211.ca. We welcome inquiries from the general public as well. Information about 211 is available on our website at www.ns.211.ca

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