

Photo Essay

Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade held its annual fall OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, October 8th, just a week after the Annual Harvest Sale and Auction, which raised over \$33,000.



This photo shows only half of the OBFB equipment on display in front of the fire hall for the annual fall Open House. (Rees Photo)



Not sure if Ron Urquhart is testing the blood pressure equipment or checking to see if Clint Verheul has any blood pressure. (Rees Photo)



The all terrain rescue vehicle which has tracks to reach swampy remote places was a big hit with the youth at the OBFB Open House on October 8th. (Rees Photo)



It would not be an open house at the Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade if Walter McElhinney wasn't taking children for a ride with his miniature fire truck. (Rees Photo)



Vaughn Dickie a long time member of OBFB and his wife dropped by the Open House on October 8th and spent some time chatting with Clint Verheul. (Rees Photo)



Bill McKinnon, a senior member of OBFB, explains what the new 2016 GMC truck will be used for a number of youth attending the October 8th Open House. (Rees Photo)



Youth line up to fill out ballots for door prizes at Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade annual fall open house on Saturday, October 8th. Even the family pet was anxious to have his name entered. (Rees Photo)

Masstown Community News

By Christine Urquhart

The weather is changing and some folks have even seen snow in the high areas. Yuck! Winter will soon be upon us. If you are still trying to do something with those leaves in your yard, try mowing and mulching them. This is a great way to reuse those leaves as they become food for next year's growth.

The birds are also in need of your help. Please put out feeders for them and suet if you can. Even if you don't have a suet feeder you can mix up fat and peanut butter with some seeds and "paint" pine cones with it, then hang them from a tree or post. You will be amazed at how quickly the birds will devour this treat! If you use bright ribbons for this you can start decorating for Christmas and feed the birds at the same time!

With Hallowe'en over and Thanksgiving over, our thoughts turn to Christmas! Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday November 26th from 8:30 to 10:30 in the morning. You can get your photo taken with Santa for the expensive cost of \$1.00! Breakfast is pancakes with sausage or bacon, juice, coffee or tea for \$8 per person (\$4 for children under 12). Drop in and see what else we have happening that day!

The Masstown Community Association's recent Pumpkin Carving was loads of fun! Thanks to Blake's Pumpkin Jungle for the donation of all those pumpkins; and thanks to Harry Bentham and Oasis juices for the juice for the children. The Association's November meeting was held November 21st at the restaurant part of the Masstown Market.

The Masstown Community Association will be holding their annual Christmas Tree

Lighting at the Community Park on Friday December 2nd, 7pm. There will be a bon fire with hot chocolate and marshmallows to roast and we will sing some Christmas carols. Everyone Welcome!

The Association is selling tickets on a "Ready For Christmas" tote, which is filled to the brim with an amazing amount of items! From gingerbread train kit to gift bags, many great Christmas items (there is even cranberry sauce and pickled beets for your Christmas dinner!) Tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$2. You can get your tickets from any Association member. We will be selling tickets at the Masstown Market prior to drawing the winning ticket on December 10th.

Masstown UCW will meet on Thursday November 3rd, 7pm, at the home of Irene Gratto. All women of our community are welcome to attend this fun filled meeting!

The DGM Men's Club will hold their breakfast meeting on Saturday November 5th, 8am, at the Double C Restaurant in lower Debert. All men welcome!

There have had some travelers this month! Barb Montich with her son, Andy and his partner Heidi from Woodstock NB visited Barb's brother, Bill Leeming and his wife Shirley. Ellen Putnam visited her aunt in Ontario. Sarah Goodfellow, who is the Maritime Conference UCW President, came to the Truro Presbyterial UCW Fall Rally in Milford from Woodstock NB.

Congratulations go out this month to Cody Andrews and Jocelyn Dugay on the birth of their son, Daniel Edward Andrews.

Condolences go out this month to Jack Barley and family on the death of his wife, Mary Barley.

Deadline for the December issue of **The Shoreline** Journal is November 22

Four Members Attend Provincial Meeting

By Goldie Chisbalm

Colchester Trefoil Guild members, along with two guests, met at Sobey's Community Room for the October 18th meeting. The meeting had been planned for the Mira Nursing Home, Truro, where Kay Mattatall was a resident, but she received the call she was waiting for to move to Tatamagouche, her home town.

Four Colchester Trefoil members attended the Provincial Annual Meeting in Dartmouth and Jane Herring, our Co-ordinator, gave us a very interesting report. They enjoyed a speaker who spoke on "Hope for Wildlife."

Members were asked whether they would be interested in a trip for Trefoilers to England in the near

future. Sounds terrific! Carolyn Blair and Joan Ellis, both active Provincial members, became members of Colchester Trefoil Guild today.

The next National Gathering will be held in Sudbury, Ontario in the year 2019. We were reminded of an Active Living Event being held at the Nova Scotia Community College, Truro, Oct. 23rd. Ten members

indicated their interest in attending Hubtown Theatre production of "Calendar Girls" at the Marigold Centre, Truro, in November, date to be decided.

As a Service Project we are planning to add to items already received and give them to Transition House, Truro. We enjoyed very much singing Guide songs, along with Hallowe'en songs and a skit. Our next meeting will be November 21st. when we look forward to our Christmas Gift Exchange.

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