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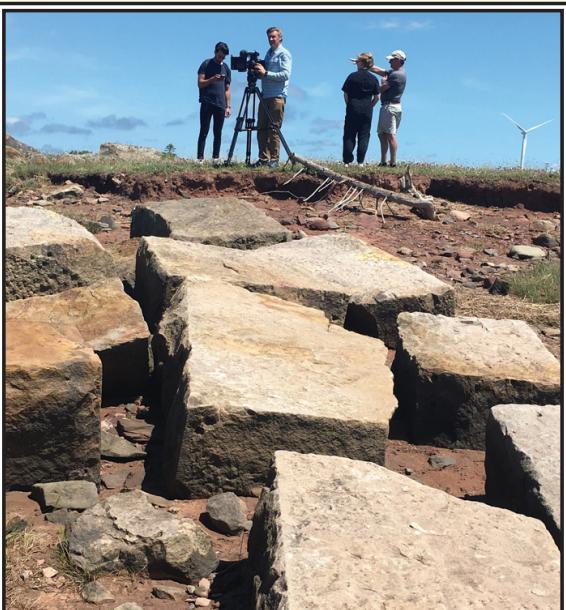
Climate change, rising sea levels and soil erosion could cause the Tantramar Marsh to become flooded damaging or eliminating the Trans-Canada highway, infrastructure and the CN Rail Line. If so, Nova Scotia could become an island and \$50-Million of goods crossing the marsh each day would be disrupted. If so, 400,000 containers from the Port of Halifax could not pass through New Brunswick to reach their destinations in the mid-west USA destinations in Chicago and beyond. (Photos were supplied by Bill Casey, MP)



For 130 years these stone sat on high ground far from tidal action. With erosion the quarried stones used for the Chignecto Ship Railway are disappearing. Bill Casey says the stone will be reclaimed and moved. (Submitted)



Some of the stones at the Provincial Heritage Site of the Chignecto Ship Railway are being washed away by high tides. The power of the Bay of Fundy tides are causing concern the affects from climate change may eliminate the Isthmus of Chignecto causing Nova Scotia to become to become disconnected from New Brunswick.



A television crew from UK's BBC visited the site and filmed an episode on the Chignecto Ship Railway for viewing in England in winter 2019. (Submitted)

Millbrook Selected for 72 Kw Solar Electricity

By Maurice Rees

Millbrook First Nation is one of 11 Mi'kmaq organizations to have been approved for the Solar Electricity for Community Buildings Program. Millbrook has been selected to generate 72 Kilowatts under the program. The average selling price this year for electricity generated through these projects is 25.4 cents per kilowatt hour.

Working in partnership with Beaubassin Mi'kmaq Wind Management, the approved projects scheduled for 72 Kilowatts, in addition to Millbrook are: Membertou First Nation, Pictou Landing First Nation, Potlotek First Nation, Wagmatcook First Nation,

Acadia First Nation, Paqtnkek First Nation, Eskasoni First Nation, Annapolis Valley First Nation and Glooscap First Nation. Bear River First Nation was selected to generate 48 Kilowatts.

"This program is great for our small community as it allows us to reach our goals of becoming a low-carbon community," said Glooscap First Nation Chief Sidney Peters. "Our community is always pressing us to find new innovative ways to generate electricity without harming Mother Earth. Our Comprehensive Community Plan has a clear objective to develop and maintain innovative and environmentally responsible infrastructure."

Truro and Brookfield also get Solar Energy Projects

By Maurice Rees

Truro's RECC and Brookfield's Don Henderson Memorial Sportsplex each have been authorized to produce 75 Kw of renewable solar energy, as result of an October 1st announcement by Karen Casey, MLA in Brookfield.

"This is a pivotal time in Nova Scotia's push toward our cleaner energy future, and this program offers local groups the chance to participate in, and benefit from, our potential," said Ms. Casey. "Together we are reducing emissions and building on Nova Scotia's successes as a leader in fighting climate change."

Five organizations in the northern region have been approved for the Solar Electricity for Community Buildings Program. The approved projects in addition to RECC and the Brookfield Sportsplex include: Dr. Carson and Marion Murray Community Centre, Springhill, 75 kilowatts; Fundy Ocean Research Center for Energy (FORCE), Parrsboro, 25 kilowatts; Plymouth Community and Recreation Association, Pictou County, 21 kilowatts;

and Town of Amherst, Amherst Stadium, 75 kilowatts.

This year, a total of 27 applications were selected from across the province. If all projects are completed, Nova Scotia will add 1,617 kilowatts of renewable electricity to the grid. That's more than double last year's total.

All applications were overseen by Clean Foundation, the independent procurement administrator.

The average selling price this year for electricity generated through these projects is 25.4 cents per kilowatt hour. The impact to ratepayers is capped at 0.1 per cent, which is already built into the province's rate stability plan.

The program is for Mi'kmaq communities, registered non-profit or charitable organizations, municipalities or organizations owned by municipalities, universities or community colleges in Nova Scotia.

The program will be offered for one more year. For more information on the program, visit <http://www.novascotia.ca/solar>

Rain Or Shine

(God's Sacred Ground)

*I Have Walked In Meadows
I Have Walked On Ground
I Have Walked In Fields
Where Crosses Are Found*

God's Sacred Ground

*They Were Once Amongst Us
Now In These Fields They Lay
Forever Remembered
For The Price They Did Pay!*

*God's Sacred Ground
We Are All God's Children*

God Bless and Thank-You
Thomas A. Marshall, (Ex-Navy)



Members of the Jed Ritcey Legacy Fund announced of the \$40,000 raised from the World Junior A Challenge (WJAC) held in Truro in December 2017 they would be dispersing \$19,700 to Colchester County Hockey organizations. Pictured above Front Row: (L-R): Betty Ritcey, Marilyn Hutchinson (Tatamagouche Minor Hockey Assoc), Josh Boulton (South Colchester MHA), Charlene Bagnell, (Colchester Female Hockey Assoc) and Matt Moore, Legacy Fund Board Member. 2nd Row: (L-R): Dave Ritcey, Andrew St. Coeur (Truro Minor Hockey Assoc), Matthew White (South Colchester MHA) and Bob Taylor Legacy Fund Board Member. (Submitted)

Jed Ritcey Legacy Fund to Distribute \$19,700

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ester Female Hockey Association, South Colchester Minor Hockey Association and the Tatamagouche Minor Hockey Association.

The Jed Ritcey Legacy Fund will be an ongoing operating fund for future years with the support of dedicated volunteer board members and members of the community.

The Jed Ritcey Legacy Fund shall be administered by a volunteer Board of Directors compromised of a minimum of six members: Member(s) of the Ritcey Family; Member of the Hockey Nova Scotia; Mem-

bers of the Community of Colchester County and Members of the Host Committee 2017 World Junior A Challenge.

The Jed Ritcey Legacy Fund Board of Directors include the following dedicated community volunteers: Betty and Dave Ritcey- Family Member; Matt Moore, Heather Fraser and Nick Sharpe, 2017 WJAC Host Committee and Community members; Mike Field-Hockey Nova Scotia Representative/ Community Member, plus Bob Taylor, Greg Mullen and Courtney Nicholson, Community Members.

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