



Brandon Gilchrist and Jonathan Debay playing washer toss during Sports Day at the Masstown Community Park. (Urquhart Photo)

## Masstown Community News

By Chris Urquhart

Fall is here and the trees are starting to look so beautiful! It seems like every corner that I turn I see another miracle of nature. The only bad thing about fall is the fact that it is a harbinger of winter. Ah well, enjoy what we have while we have it.

The hummingbirds have left us for the season. The blue jays are back in noisy flocks, and they seem to be enjoying clearing the chock berries off the bushes. Soon you will need to be feeding the birds if you aren't feeding already. I feed all year, even though we had to bring in our feeders every night most of the summer due to a pesky raccoon!

Lots of things happening now that school is back in

and our lives are "back to normal", if they ever are! Coffee Parties have started back up! These are held at the Masstown United Church at 2pm with a bake table and play room for the children. Mark down these dates: September 30th, October 14th and October 28th. The Coffee Party on October 28th will be our Witch's Brew Coffee Party. Come in costume for a spooky good time!

The DGM Men's Club regular Breakfast meeting will be held on October 3rd, 8am at the Double C Restaurant. All men in our three communities are welcome to attend these meetings. They have a great program which is enjoyed by all the men who attend.

The Masstown Community Association will meet on Tuesday October 6th, 7pm at the Masstown Market. We had a lot of fun at our "Sports Day at the Park" with games of washer toss, bouche ball, baseball, basketball, and soccer. The "treasure box" station was the most popular! Hopefully we have a better turn out when we do this again, but those of us who attended had a great time!

There will be a Harvest Fest Pot Luck Supper at the Masstown United Church on Saturday October 17th, 4:30-6pm. Adults \$8, Children under 12 \$4. Everyone Welcome! Come for a great pot luck meal and tasty desserts.

Mark this on your calendar! Variety Concert November 1st, 1-4pm, at the Masstown United Church. Entertainers include Bill Hill, Harry Bentham, Kitchen Trio, Brenda Esau, Jim Richards, Wayne Elliot and more! There will be refreshments during intermission. Free will offering. Proceeds for the Masstown United Church. Come early to be sure of a seat!

The Masstown Stewards & Trustees would like to thank everyone who helped out in any way with our recent refundable drive. We raised over \$900! What a big help towards our oil bills this winter. Thank you so much. Please keep saving your

refundables for our next drive in January.

I would like to wish Ev Jenex a special "Happy 85th Birthday"! Her birthday is Sept. 29th.

Lots of visitors have graced our beautiful community over the summer. Lee Nichols with his daughter Devon from Calgary visited his mother Carol Nichols. Betty Williams from New York visited her cousin Jack Barley and his family. Barb Fisher and Marsha Wilson from Calgary visited Barb's parents Marina and Jerry Fisher. Clair Rosina from New Zealand visited her sister Doris Conway and husband Richard plus other family members throughout Nova Scotia. Clair was home for 10 weeks. Lawrence and Corine Crawford of Moosonin Saskatchewan were here visiting their first cousins Lorne & Letisha Putnam, Marina & Jerry Fisher and John Porter and family. While here they drove with Jerry and Marina to PEI sight seeing. Barbara Weatherby from Shellburne, Ontario visited her sister Ev Jenex. Ethel Slocum spent a week in New Salem visiting her daughter Ellen Johnston. Betty Olmstead visited family in New Ross. Marg and Lou Gatza visited their daughter Yolanda Gatza in Kitchener Ont. for 16 days.

Condolences go out this month to Betty Olmstead on the death of her brother Gary Murphy of Georgetown, Ontario.

## October Busy time for Area UCW Groups



By Chris Urquhart

Masstown UCW will meet on Thursday October 1st, 7pm at the Masstown Church. All ladies are welcome to come to this meeting. We always have such a great time at these meetings - worship, fellowship, programs, future planning and lunch. Come on out and see for yourself!

Truro UCW Presbyterial Fall Rally will be held on October 13th at St. James United Church in Upper Musquodoboit. Registration is from 9:30-10am. Bring a bag lunch. Program includes Allan and Betty Darby and their Mission Work in Haiti, and a presentation by Ron Urquhart on ICE - a cell phone program plus some other Red Cross information. Hand outs etc. All ladies are encouraged to attend this

Rally, and to car pool if possible to this meeting. We also invite the ladies of other denominations to join us at the Rally.

The UCW Biennial meeting will be held on April 23-25th, 2010 in St. John's United Church in Fall River. The national president Ms. McKinnon will be guest speaker. They are looking for stories about cute, funny, interesting or soul inspiring stories for a book they are creating. These stories need to go to our Conference President Letha Mowett. These can be sent to her via the rallies or executive meetings or mailed to her. Please come up with some stories, the last book they did only had stories from out west and Quebec. We need to have the east represented!

## Onslow Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby

It appears autumn has arrived, cooler temps and leaves turning color, some pretty and others not so pretty. Haven't seen any flocks of geese flying over yet but am sure it will happen soon. The hummingbirds aren't around anymore, at least not here anyway. They sure do squabble don't they when around the feeders?

The Fraser Barnhill Memorial Tournament was a big success and they wish to thank all those who helped with their time and to all those who made donations to the cause. Everyone had a great time.

Belmont Baptist Church services are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting is held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. They are getting some work done to the church and

the roof is looking great with the steel being put on.

Church services are being held in Onslow October 4th and 18th and in Lower Onslow the 11th and 25th. These are held at 10:00 a.m.

Congratulations go out to Jennifer Jordan and Scott Murray of Belmont on the arrival of their baby girl born on August 18, 2009 weighing in at 9 lbs. 10 ozs.

I see where the Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade is holding their annual auction Sept 25 and 26th, and as with other years I am sure it will be a huge success for them.

My goodness the last part of this year is sure flying by. It will soon be Halloween and people are getting ready to decorate. Sold about 20 pumpkins over the weekend to different people. Love seeing all the decorations completed. Some places look totally awesome; a lot of planning and work goes into their ideas.

Just a caution to all the drivers out there to be extra careful when it rolls around and look out for the trick or treaters, they will be excited and may not be paying as close attention as they should. Happy Halloween to everyone.

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Nice Legs. You never know what you are going to see in Debert. (Harrington Photo)

## My Favourite Pet



Misty, belongs to Anne Marie Feltham, Grand Lake, Halifax County.

She is just out of kitten hood and although a bit of pocket fluff, she's also a demon of household destruction.

Anne Marie and Misty will receive \$20.00 Gift Certificate from Clarence's Farm Services and the Shoreline Journal.



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