

# Spencer's Island Market RE-OPENS OCTOBER 3

By Margaret Allen

Spencer's Island Craft & Farmers Market annual Harvest Market will be held October 3rd. Please join us to celebrate our quaint market up and running again, with friends, family & visitors, sharing our love of community, artisans, home baked, hand picked, and hand-made goodies.

Below is a list of vendors:

**Elaine** will be there with her delicious, famous jams, pickles and jellies. Everyone is looking forward to her return.

**Andy's Greens** will be back with a variety of his fresh homegrown vegetables so top your dinner plate with local homegrown vegetables.

Try out the large variety of delicious wholesome home baked breads and sweets, some of which will be gluten free, provided by **The Fox River Farm Stand**, and **Lorna!**

**The Fox River Farm Stand** will also have some art and wood carvings!

**Susie** is back to entertain the

young ones with her yummy cotton candy, as well as her new stunning Tie-Dye clothing and Bags! **Sheila's Creations** is back, bringing her lovely jewelry for all members of the family, even the little ones, plus handknit goodies and crafts.

**Margie's Natural Homestead Products**, come see her abundance of delightful handcrafted beeswax candles, balms, butters, creams, artisan soaps, essential oil products, and a variety of delicious honey!

**Kursten** will be there with a variety of lovely gift products on October 3rd.



An example of Susie's new Tie-dye clothing.



There will be plenty of bread and sweets from The Fox River Farm Stand, and Lorna



Susie's cotton candy is popular with those having a sweet tooth. She will also be introducing her new tie-dye clothing and bags.



Andy's Greens offers a great chance to stock up on variety of vegetables.



Margie's crafts display for the market on October 3.



Elaine will be back with her wide selection of jams, jellies and more.

## Special Testimonial – from a Norwegian Artist

*(The following is a special testimonial from Norwegian artist, Magnhild øen Nordahl, who helped Cliffs of Fundy GeoPark us organize an artist tour connecting MAGMA Geopark in Norway (where the lowest tides in the World are found) with a group of Masters students from the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design).*



Norwegian artist, Magnhild øen Nordahl, who helped Cliffs of Fundy GeoPark organize an artist tour connecting MAGMA Geopark in Norway (where the lowest tides in the World are found) is shown in above photos examining the Bay of Fundy. (Cliffs of Fundy Photo)

"I visited the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark in Nova Scotia a couple of weeks ago after taking part in an arts programme co-organized by the Norwegian Magma Geopark this summer. In Norway I was invited to develop a proposal for an art project marking the smallest amount of tidal difference on any of the world's shorelines, which happens to take place in the town Egersund in the Magma Geopark.

It was quite a coincidence then that I was travelling to Nova Scotia the same summer, where the Bay of Fundy with the highest tides in the world is located. Not only that, but it turns out that it is also the location of another geopark, the Fundy Cliffs Geopark to which the Magma Geopark is connected through the Unesco Geoparks network.

I asked for a meeting with the Fundy Cliffs Geopark to look at the surrounding landscapes and consider the possibilities of developing a two-site piece connecting the two places, or another project specifically for this area. The geopark generously offered to take me on a private tour to see the most spectacular tidal phenomena, including the Dory Rips at Cape D'Or and the Kluskap's Grandmother's boiling pot at Partridge Island.

The following day I joined one of their regularly scheduled organized tours to the breathtaking landscapes at Thomas Cove. At the private tour I was also allowed to invite a few staff and students from the Nova Scotia

College of Art and Design who were working on art projects related to tides and liminal zones, to gather inspiration for their ongoing work. Our guides for the day were Leah and Caleb and they gave us a wonderful and personal introduction to these unique places. Caleb is a geologist and could tell us about tectonic plates, glaciers, volcanoes and masses of water forming the rips, the bubbles and the impressive landscapes in a way that was interesting, fascinating and even entertaining to non-geologist minds. Leah has a background and practice as an artist in addition to her expertise on the geopark, and had the perfect combination of knowledge and perspectives to pass on geo-site enthusiasm to a group of artists. At Partridge Island we were also greeted by the park director Beth who brought us a delicious lunch from the Fox Point Inn, including home grown veggies

and other local treats. As a sculptor a definite highlight for me was to see the incredible landscape formations in Thomas Cove, that has been sculpted by masses of water flowing in and out of the Bay of Fundy. It is inspiring and fascinating to think about how these rounded sandstone formations with potholes, concave and convex curves that submerge under water and re-emerge twice a day have once been a desert in the middle of Pangea, and how these shapes are now reworked day by day in this ever-changing, dynamic environment. Thanks so much for an unforgettable experience! Next year I think we have to do a whole week of camping on this shore to cover some more ground and get to know it all a bit better." Take a minute to view her Artist Website: <https://www.magnhildnordahl.com/>

## Mike Johnson Set to Retire

Cumberland Regional Emergency Management Coordinator Mike Johnson, has decided it is time to retire. Johnson has been in the role since 2014. "Mike has served our region well over the last seven years guiding us through some of the most memorable situations of our lives," said Greg Herrett, CAO for the Municipality of Cumberland. "I want to recognize and thank Mike for his leadership and tireless devotion to his responsibilities."

In his role, Johnson has been responsible for coordi-

nating municipal responses to events such as Hurricane Dorian, the Oxford sinkhole, flooding of the Tantramar Marsh and other low-lying dykelands, closures of the Trans-Canada Highway and emergency preparedness education.

Over the years, Johnson engaged many stakeholders such as the local amateur radio club, NS emergency management office, local ground search and rescue groups, fire and policing services, NS Department of Health and many other volunteers and organizations. These

relationships have ensured a coordinated and organized approach to emergency management activities in the Cumberland region.

Recently, Johnson was recognized by the Municipality of Cumberland for his work during the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to serving the Municipality of Cumberland and the Towns of Amherst and Oxford as the Cumberland Regional Emergency Management Coordinator, Johnson enjoyed a 30-year career with the RCMP.

"Mike's boots will be big ones to fill," Herrett said as he noted that the process to search for a replacement will begin immediately.

## Upcoming events at Joggins Fossil Centre

Upcoming events at Joggins Fossil Centre include Fibre Arts Friends on October 19 and November 16 from 2:00-4:00 PM. The ArtScape Artist-in-Residence programme is generously supported by the Municipality of Cumberland - All programs are free and open to the public. Any existing Provincial COVID-19 protocols will be in place for all programs.

For more information and to register for an event contact: Laurie at 902-251-2727 ext. 224 or [glennnorris@bellaliant.net](mailto:glennnorris@bellaliant.net)

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