

# OBITUARIES

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**MacFARLANE, Horace Herbert "Herb"** - With heavy hearts we announce the death of Horace Herbert "Herb" MacFarlane, age 82, of Brookfield, comfortably in Vimy Court, Bible Hill, on September 18, 2023, with family at his bedside. Herb was a son of the late Horace "Buster" and Dorothy "Dot" (nee Weaver) MacFarlane of Saint John, N.B. which he proudly thought of as home, although he moved to Nova Scotia shortly after graduating from Saint John Vocational/Technical School in 1960. Herb was an avid storyteller, regaling anyone who had time to listen, with his childhood experiences on French and Grand Lakes with his brother, fashioning a sail on an old rowboat to go wherever the wind would take them. At an early age, Herb learned to play bagpipes in the HMCS Brunswick Pipe Band with his dad and later piped with the Simonds Lions Caledonian Pipe Band. He joked that his dad had an ulterior motive: since Herb was too young to have a "to" after a military parade, Buster got two. Herb travelled over the Maritimes by train and in company vehicles and told of huge snowbanks in northern New Brunswick and of hearing Buddy MacMaster play his fiddle over the CNR "order wire." Herb was a long-time valued, and progressive member of the Brookfield Fire Department (BFD) and served terms as Secretary, Deputy Chief and Chief and was a long-time secretary of the Colchester Fire Fighters Association (CFFA). Herb was instrumental in introducing the quick-dump valve and tanker water shuttle concept to the Colchester County fire service. He was awarded the Governor General's Fire Services Exemplary Service medal when it was initiated, for 28 years of service followed by 30- and 40-year bars. He was awarded the Province of Nova Scotia Long Service Medal for 25 years of service adding 35- and 45-year bars before retiring from active service. Herb was very involved in many aspects of the community - Brookfield Men's Club, Brookfield Baptist Church Fellowship Club, the property committee of Knox United Church, and the Team Center Committee to plan funding and the build of the Don Henderson Sportsplex, where he was a member of the curling club. Herb is survived by his wife of sixty years, Betty (nee Campbell); daughters, Heather (Gregg Loewen) MacFarlane, Farmington, Maine, Sheryl MacFarlane, Quesnel, BC, Gail MacFarlane, Brookfield, and Krista (Blair) Tucker, St. John's, NL; eleven grandchildren, Matthew, Sarah and Adam Loewen, Eric, Lauren and Liam Matzner, Tessa, Mac and Jake Kierstead, Alex and Marcus, Ethan and Mya Tucker and brother, Terry, Upper Rawdon and his family. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his son-in-law, Jonathan Kierstead. Donations in Herb's memory may be made to the Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia or the Nova Scotia Fire Fighters Burn Treatment Society. A Firefighters Tribute service was held on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm followed immediately by a Celebration of Life, both in the Brookfield Fire Station with the Rev. Larry Harrison officiating. A reception followed. Family flowers only. Family interment followed the reception. Arrangements are entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Online condolences are available at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**COX, David Robert** - Age 87, Bass River, passed away peacefully in East Cumberland Lodge, Pugwash on September 19, 2023, surrounded by his family. Dave was a loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. Dad was very proud of his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, and always looked forward to family gatherings at King's Rest. "The Cottage" always held a special place in his heart, as it was host to many celebrations and casual get-togethers with family, neighbours and friends. Dad loved to sing. A member of the Truro Barbershoppers in the early years, he continued his love of music through many community and church choirs, especially enjoying his time in the St. James Male Chorus in Truro. Dave was predeceased by his wife, Alice (Ryan); parents, Sidney B and Ethel (Johnstone) Cox; son, Larry; brother, Jim and sister, Geraldine Albertsen. Dave is survived by his children, Bruce (Erma), David (Shawn), and Wendy (Donald); grandchildren, Josh (Crystal), Morgan (Curtis), Allan (Corey), Jenny (Kyle), Alicia (Brandon) and Hillary (Tommy); great-grandchildren, Christiaan and Madison, and many nephews and nieces. The family would like to extend a special thank-you to the staff of Willow Lodge in Tatamagouche and East Cumberland Lodge in Pugwash for the care and empathy shown to our Dad during his stay with them. Donations in Dave's memory may be made to a charity of choice. A service honouring Dave was held on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in Riverside United Church, Bass River. Reception followed in Victoria Hall. A Private family interment will take place at a later date in Robie St. Cemetery, Truro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

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# North Wind Turbine Not Operational

By Phillip Redden B. Sc.Eng.,  
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 Director of Solid Waste presented an extensive report of solid waste activities at the August meeting of Colchester Council. Due to the length of the report, it has been divided into separate stories, based on the various operations at the Kempton site and are scattered throughout this issue. This segment covers the Solid Waste section of his report.

## SOLID WASTE

In July, Englobe completed the Domestic Well Monitoring Program sampling in the host community and we are currently waiting for those results to return. These wells are tested every two years. The North Wind Turbine is still not operational after a blade fell off in March. Investigations have been under way with the insurance company and the maintenance contractor to determine the cause of the failure and what coverage may be in place. We are awaiting the results of those investigations. The South Wind Turbine is back in operation after testing was completed.

## Projects/Operations:

The Balefill roof repair is the one remaining item from hurricane damage from last fall. A contractor is lined up and materials are ordered with the repairs expected to be completed in September. Staff began placing the first of two additional lifts of bales on top of the first three landfill cells as was previously approved by NSE while constructing cell five. This allows more efficient use of the infrastructure already in place. Once these two lifts are placed in the next few months, the first three of five landfill cells will be at design capacity and ready for final capping to take place in Spring 2024.

The new Nova Scotia C&D regulations were implemented in July 2023 that will see pressure treated wood no longer allowed to be disposed into the C&D landfill with a phase in approach. Staff currently are

waiting for the educational material to be provided by the NSECC so an education campaign on the changes and the new sorting requirements can be developed. A new pad is being constructed as a treated wood stockpile area so that once the education phase is complete material can be separated.

There are not requirements to separate material until the next phase begins July 2024 but there are plans to implement the program once the education and pad construction is completed.

The Divert Landfill Audit consultant was at the Balefill site in May and collected various samples from incoming residential and commercial garbage loads. The study will continue throughout the summer, eventually gathering samples from all seven NS landfills and separating all the samples into 150+ sort of material

types. A report will be completed in the Fall and shared with all participants.

The week of July 10-15, the Balefill site participated in a wood waste characterization study that is taking place province-wide throughout the Summer. All incoming wood material that would normally go to our woodpiles to be ground up was diverted to a designated sorting area where the summer students helped separate it into five sorts (painted, laminated, treated, clean and brush). This is a study that was funded by Divert and is being overseen by Valley Waste to help determine a breakdown of what types of wood waste solid waste facilities are receiving. The Manager of Balefill and Compost Operations and the Director of Solid Waste are both participants on the Committee for the study.

**Phillip Redden B. Sc.Eng. is Colchester's Director of Solid Waste**

# Community Group Offering in Bass River

A free two part Community Offering will be held in Bass River on October 5 & 12th that explores 5 ways you can take control of your health and promote healthy aging! The two sessions on October 5th & 12th will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 at the Bass River

A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please call Jodi at 902-890-5126 to register.

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