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A Terry Fox Run is being held in Great Village Sunday, September 14, 1-3 p.m. Participants are invited to run, walk, bike, or even push a stroller on the 8k route which starts at the school and travels along the Great Village Marsh. Pledge sheets will be available at the Great Village Post Office or can be downloaded at: <http://www.terryfox.org/> There is no entry fee and no minimum donation.

Hank Snow, the Singing Ranger, was born 100 years ago in Brooklyn, Nova Scotia. On July 31st he was recognized by Canada Post when it issues a stamp in his honour. It was one of five such stamps issued to recognize Canada's contribution to country music. Snow began his career at CHNS Radio in Halifax in 1933, and toured the Maritimes and Western Canada playing at county fairs and local radio stations. In 1936, he recorded under RCA Victor's Bluebird label in Montréal and signed what would become the longest continuous contract in the history of the recording industry – lasting 47 years. In 1950, Ernest Tubb invited him to join the *Grand Ole Opry*, where he continued to perform for four and a half decades. Hank Snow recorded over 100 albums, was elected to eight music and song-writing halls of fame, and was voted Canada's top country performer 10 times.

The Great Village Community Association is in danger of disbanding unless a new chairperson can be found to fill the seat vacated by Terry Francis, the association's long serving chairperson, who is pursuing other opportunities in September. Existing association members are hoping additional residents who feel strongly about their community will step forward to continue the association's work for community betterment. If you would be willing to take over this position or would like more information contact Heather MacKay at: greatvillagelearningnetwork@gmail.com.

Colchester District RCMP is investigating a break & enter into a residence on Belmont Road in Belmont. RCMP was called to the residence on July 29th, 2014 at approximately 12:30am. Entry appeared to be gained into the residence through a window. If you have any information regarding this matter, please contact Colchester RCMP at 902-893-6820 or CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Points of Hope, the church in the Cineplex Movie Theatre at Truro Power Centre turned out its lights on Sunday, August 10th. Holding a service at the theatre since the beginning of the year, Pastor Bill Martin says, "Seven months is a good test, but we have not met our objective so it is time to surrender."

Karen Casey, MLA and Minister Education and Early Childhood Development has announced sites have been chosen and approved for new, state-of-the-art schools in Tatamagouche and Bible Hill to be built on existing school properties. A new P-12 school will replace North Colchester High and Tatamagouche Elementary. In Bible Hill, a new P-4 school will replace Bible Hill Central and Bible Hill East Court Road elementary schools.

John Deere Z-Trac lawn tractor was stolen from a residence in Lower Onslow between the hours of 10:00pm on August 10th and 9:00am August 11th, 2014. Evidence indicates the lawn tractor was loaded onto a truck in the area of Harry Elliot Road. The tractor's VIN is: MOZ445R081197. If you have any information regarding this matter please contact Colchester District RCMP 902-893-6820 or Crime Stoppers 1-800-222-8477.

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David Pratt "I am Lucky to be Alive!"

By Linda Harrington

David Pratt considers himself lucky to be alive and after 6 weeks in hospital he is counting the days until he can be back home and live life to its fullest.

Hurricane Arthur, may have been downgraded to a post-tropical storm when it passed

over Nova Scotia on July 5th but the winds were substantial enough to down power lines and trees, and David has the injuries to prove it.

On the morning of July 5th, David went outside his Crowes Mills home to check on his mother, who lives right next door. "I was looking up,

when my hat blew off and I bent over to pick up it up," says David, "The next thing I know I am flat on the ground under a tree. It must have split in two and hit me from behind."

Neighbour Janet Curry saw the tree hit David and immediately called 911. "Lucky for



August waters are just the right temperature for this croaking friend. A natural bug extinguisher seen in many area ponds and lakes.

Trooper to Rock RECC – September 13TH

It goes like this: millions of records, a couple dozen bits, a Juno Award (Canada's Grammy) for Band of the Year and ongoing sold-out shows across Canada. Universal Music acknowledges them as "one of Canada's top five selling bands of all time" and the Vancouver Sun has called them "Canadian rock heroes of the first order ... the best performing band in Canada".

It's Canadian Rock band Trooper and they are rocking the RECC on September 13 in the Community Credit Union Arena. "We're Here for a Good Time (Not a Long Time)", "Raise a Little Hell", "The Boys in the Bright White Sportscar", "Two For the Show", "Pretty Lady", "Good Ol' General Hand Grenade", "Round, Round We Go", "Santa Maria", "Janine" - just a few of the Trooper hits that have woven their way into the fabric of this country like no other bands have been able to do.

"After hosting April Wine last September one thing was obvious to us," says Jim Lambert, General Manager at the RECC, "Truro has a deep

appreciation for rock music." April Wine brought in over 2,500 people for the RECC's Grand Opening Celebration in September 2013.

Trooper is one of those truly iconic Canadian Rock Bands, with hits that everyone can sing along to" adds Lambert. "Since the first concert we've revamped the layout and made some improvements that will add to the quality of sound in the arena" shares Lambert, "so we are really excited about this event."

Trooper's album "Hot Shots" has been one of the biggest selling albums in Canadian music history. It has gone six times platinum, and sells consistently. There are clubs and festivals across the country where the annual Trooper show is practically an official holiday. It's no exaggeration to say that Trooper has become a Canadian legend.

They continue to perform their huge collection of hits with the vitality and sense of humor that has served them well on their steady march through the hills and valleys of Canadian Rock and Roll.

Also set to perform at the concert are The Town Heroes,

an alternative-rock power duo crafting catchy, lyrical, hard-hitting songs that sound like a party you wish you were at. They've received the 2014 East Coast Music Awards (ECMAS) for Rising Star and Music Video of the Year.

They were voted Best Band in The Coast's 2012 Best of Music poll. They've showcased their talent at Canadian Music Week in Toronto, Nova Scotia Music Week, the East Coast Music Awards, and were selected as the Nova Scotia Regional winners for the National Radio Star Song Writing competition.

This two-piece rock band has shared the stage with acts such as Grouplove, Wintersleep, The Trews, Stephen Page, Mother Mother, The Sheepdogs, Hey Rosetta, The Ataris, and The Stanfields. Their latest album "Sunday Movies" was released on October 1, 2013.

The event is for people aged 19+ only. Advanced tickets are \$29.50 and include all taxes and service charges. Tickets go on sale on Thursday, August 14 at 9AM and can be purchased at the RECC, online at ticketpro.ca, by calling 1-888-311-9090, or at any ticketpro outlet.

Beatlemania Coming to Parrsboro

By Patricia Burke

A special treat, for fans of The Beatles music, is coming to Parrsboro. "Creative Voices" of Truro a 30 voice performance group under the direction of Parrsboro born Jacqueline Chambers and accompanied by Sandra Mac Aulay-Thompson will present Beatlemania on Sunday, September 22, 2014 at 2 pm at "The Hall". 44 King St. Parrsboro.

You will be lead down memory lane experiencing many hits as well as some lesser known pieces first performed by the iconic band. There is a variety of songs as well as smaller ensembles to enjoy. Come bring a friend and sing along or clap your hands to one of your favorite pieces.

Tickets are \$15 for adults or children under 12, \$5. Tickets can be purchased on The Halls website www.the-hall.ca and go to the paypal link, call 1-902-701-8951 or at Sweet Briar Boutique and The Teeshtirtry and Signs in Parrsboro.

This is the first concert in the Fall Concert Series at The Hall. This concert is sponsored by Parrsboro Band Assoc.

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