

Debert Fire Brigade Adds New Truck to the Fleet

By Linda Harrington

There was plenty of excitement when a shiny new fire truck rolled into the Debert Fire Hall parking lot on the evening of July 21st, with brigade members eager to get a look at the finished product.

Chief Wade Jennings says the truck will be replacing another in their fleet, leaving a total of five in service. Not only

is there more room for storage, this equipment truck has many exciting new features.

"There is a light tower on the top, tripod light on back, LED light package, 15 kilowatt PTO generator, 8 bottle cascade filling system, an awning, electric entry steps, 200 ft power cord reel and loads of exterior compartments," says Chief Jennings, as he walked

around the truck, taking a close-up look for the first time.

The new truck, a M2106 Freightliner chassis, with 18 ft body, was manufactured by Metalfab Inc., of Centreville, NB and delivered to Debert by Metalfab Sales Representative, Jacques Pelletier.

"It's a beautiful truck and a

lot of care and attention to detail was put into this fire truck by Brigade members," said Pelletier, as he handed over the keys to Chief Jennings. It took about two years of planning from start to finish.

The truck is being stocked with equipment, and after members are fully trained on all the new features, it will soon be heading out on emergency calls.

Debert Fire Brigade Purchases New Truck
After many months of planning, designing and fabrication the new truck finally arrived from Metalfab Ltd., New Brunswick on July 21st.
(Harrington photos)



Debert Fire Chief Wade Jennings checks out the eight bottle cascade air system on the new truck. It is capable of filling three oxygen bottles at a time.



Shane Slack and Ian Jennings were busy stocking the new fire truck within minutes of its arrival at the Debert Fire Hall.



Jacques Pelletier, Sales Representative at Metalfab Ltd., hands over the keys for Debert Fire Brigade's new truck to Fire Chief Wade Jennings on July 21st.



Debert Fire Brigade's new truck has an awning attached to the side which can provide shelter during emergency calls.

PHOTO FEATURE

Parrsboro's Old Fashioned Saturday Night

On Saturday August 16, 2014 the weather made 'Old Fashioned Saturday Night' a truly enjoyable evening in Parrsboro. A great turnout with treats, hotdogs, burgers & fries served up by the Fire Department, and a Wonderful assortment of vintage automobiles to see. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves on this wonderful night.
(Photos by Lawrence R. Nicoll)



Londonderry Community Council Notes

By Anne Spencer

Beautiful sunny morning, birds are chirping, no lawn mowers or power saws running this morning... sometimes the quiet rural setting in Londonderry can be so peaceful and relaxing. I can't believe it's time for September's write-up already. The mornings are a little cooler now and with all the rain lately, it's beginning to feel like fall.

I just want to mention here a while back my sister was home from Alberta and she and mom were at the cottage in Little Bass River when they got a call from a long time friend Vera Kaintz from Pennsylvania. I mention this because I know Vera gets the Shoreline and will no doubt be reading this. Vera was the former Vera Moore from Economy. Hi Vera!

Last month's Londonderry notes did not get printed so I will mention a few things here (better late than never). The Bird family held a family reunion at the Londonderry hall and apparently a good time was had by all...and by "all", I understand there were 52 of them in attendance. A big family!

The day camps held at the hall were a big hit. Thanks go out to Jamie-Lyn and Valerie Rushton. The mother/daughter teachers team made these day camps available for the youngsters.

Also, Derek McMullen has been hosting a "baseball techniques" workshop on Monday and Wednesday's at 6 for little ones 3 and up. I have been to watch a couple of them and believe me, the kids are enjoying it (although their attention spans are limited). Thanks to Derek and any others who are helping out on this venture. A new generation of Londonderry baseball players is in the works.

We would like to extend our best wishes to a newer member of our community, Peg Miller (mother of Peggy Mattix) is fighting the dreaded Cancer battle. Our thoughts and prayers are with her for a full and speedy recovery.

Our sincere belated condolences go out to friends and family of the late Jack Barnes. Jack was a former resident of Londonderry Mines who passed away recently.

I also wanted to welcome Jean Nappi home. Jean comes to her home here in Londonderry Mines every summer. Nice to see her back again.

The 75 K yard sale this year seemed like a great success. We spent all day Saturday (and lots of money) but had a great time and got some really good deals.

You may recall that a while back we had a supper planned for a fund raiser for the Hillcrest Cemetery which had to be postponed. This has been rescheduled to September 20th. It is a roast beef dinner and the

price is \$10. It will be held at the hall from 4 to 6 and anyone with donations are asked to call Debbie McMullen as soon as possible at 668-2928. Also, a work party has also been scheduled for September 13th (raindate Sept. 14th). Anyone with lawn mowers, brush cutters etc. are more than welcome. Also, please bring the children along and they can help gather up garbage etc. A community working together can accomplish a lot so please mark your calendars for Sept. 13th and 20th (for the supper).

As you have probably heard, plans are going ahead full steam for the Londonderry Playforest. This is an exciting endeavour and the more I see of it, the better it becomes. This will be a unique play spot for the children in an awesome spot between the hall and the ballfield. The last weekend in September has been designated as a "build weekend". We can certainly use all the help we can get. If you want more info on how you can help, please call Amanda Langille at 668-2300. This is a huge undertaking and we in Londonderry can be very proud that we will have the first "playforest". Any and all assistance will be greatly appreciated. Please show your support for this, you will be so happy you did when you see the results of your efforts.

The next meeting of the Londonderry Community Council will be held on Sept. 7th at 7 o'clock. All are welcome!

Until next month, be sure to tell your family you love them (that goes out to my family out west as well). If you want to see your name in print, call me at 668-2002.

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