

Bass River Heritage Days

Bass River Heritage Days were held on August 8th under beautiful sunny skies. There were lots of events held throughout the day, ending with a Wooden Boat Race. (Harrington Photos)



Jerry Thompson, from Pugwash, demonstrated some black smith techniques and gave an informative talk on the process.



The cake auction is always exciting and this year was no exception. MLA Karen Casey had a bit of battle to get the winning bid ahead of Charles Lewis (front right) as Liam Welton, Doreen Martell and Reg Myatt encouraged him to bid higher.



Bethany MacKinnon paints a sword on the hand of Gage Hill.



It was a great day for a picnic on the lawn. Left to right- Riley Faulkner, Owen Faulkner, Olivia McLaughlin and Norah McLaughlin.



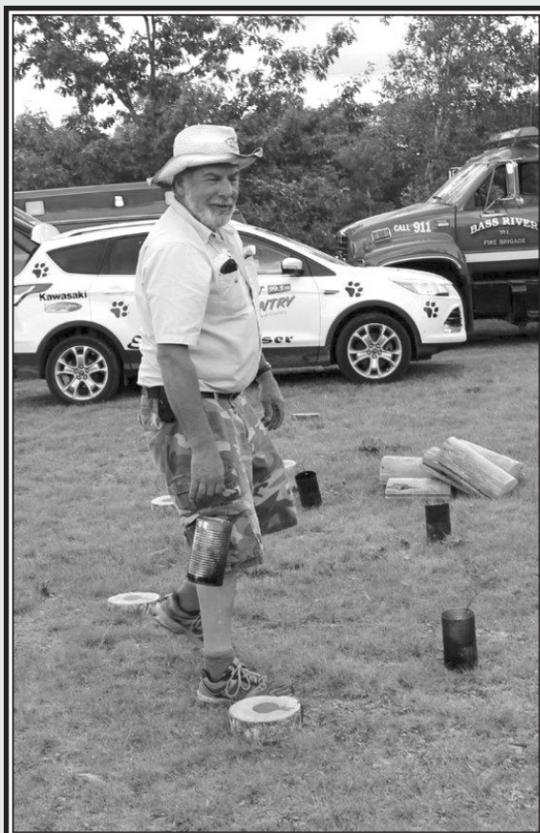
Lots of interesting antique cars on display.



Heritage Days is a great place to display some early farm tractors.



A Wooden Boat Race was held at 2PM in support of the Bass River Fire Brigade.



Stanley Corbett gets the water boil contest ready to go.

“The Hall” Heading into Busy Fall of Events

By Patricia Burke

After just finishing several successful fundraisers during the summer the volunteers are kicking into high gear to get ready for a busy fall.

Open Mic will be back at “The hall” on Friday, September 11 beginning at 7 pm. If you want a night out of great music and lots of fun and laughter. Open Mics will continue every 2nd Fri, night unless otherwise announced. Movies will be at the hall on Wed. Sept. 2 at 7:30. Showing will be Ex Machina, on the 16th will be Love and Mercy. There will be a 5th Wed. Illustrated Presentation on the 29th, The title will be announced soon.

On Sun. Sept 20 the first concert in the Fall Concert Series will feature “The

Boxcar Boys”. The Fall Concert Series is being finalized as this is being written so go to our website www.thehall.ca to get all the details of what is going on at “the hall”. On Thurs. Sept 17, 2015, Recycle Frog, buyers of silver and gold and a whole lot more will be at the hall from 12-6.

October will again be super busy with movies, open mics, the Annual Oktoberfest will be held on Sat. Oct. 3 beginning at 8 pm. Get your friends lined up and get your table booked. International Artist Day will be on Sun. Oct. 18 and the Annual Film Festival will be on Fri. Oct. 23-25. For more information on all these events go to the website above or our facebook page.

Impaired Driving Enforcement & Education the Focus for RCMP

During the month of August, Nova Scotia RCMP continued to focus their enforcement and education efforts on impaired driving. For the first six months of 2015, Nova Scotia RCMP officers charged 478 motorists for impaired driving, with 47 of those charges being Impaired by Drug. In 2014, officers charged 1023 motorists for being Impaired by Alcohol and 84 for being Impaired by Drug.

Illicit drugs and many prescription medications can also cause impairment, and in some cases, small amounts of alcohol combined with these drugs can create a much higher level of impairment than alcohol or drugs alone. At the end of the day, however, any type of impaired driving creates a dangerous situation that can and does have tragic consequences.

The RCMP reminds Nova Scotians that consuming alcohol or drugs while operating any motorized vehicle (including a boat or all-terrain vehicle) is considered impaired driving, and the fines and penalties are the same as operating a road vehicle while impaired.

If you witness a suspected impaired driver, call police as soon as it is safe to do so. You will be asked to provide as many details about the vehicle, the driver, and the overall driving behaviour as possible.

Below are some of the tell-tale signs of an impaired driver:

- Driving unreasonably fast, slow or at an inconsistent speed
- Drifting in and out of lanes
- Making exceptionally wide turns
- Overshooting or stopping well before stop signs or stop lights
- Disregarding traffic signals and lights
- Driving without headlights, failing to lower high beams or leaving turn signals on
- Driving with windows open in inclement weather

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