



The R J MacIsaac Construction barge has been a part of the scene at the Parrsboro Wharf since the company laid the sub-sea data lines on the FORCE Site. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

Barge Equipment Removed

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 move toward harnessing the Bay of Fundy tides. Various levels of government and Emera, if it continues to be involved, are

trying to figure out the next moves and whether or not tidal power development will continue in the short-term.

Theft at Spencer's Island

Parrsboro RCMP is investigating a recent theft of a pontoon boat and two motors from Old Shipyard Beach Campground in Spencer's Island.



One of the two Suzuki Motors stolen from Old Shipyard Beach Campground in Spencer's Island in the wee hours of August 10th. (Submitted)

The theft occurred at the campground on August 10 sometime between the hours of 3 a.m. and 4:30 a.m.

A description of the stolen items is below: 2015 Legend Pontoon Boat, Model: Splash + Flex with serial number: APX19854C515; Outboard Mercury motor (attached to boat). Model: 1A30413EK with serial number: OR629913 and Outboard Suzuki motor (not attached to boat) Model: DF2.5 with serial number: 00251F-893771.

Anyone with information is asked to call Parrsboro District RCMP at 902-254-2424.

Should you wish to remain anonymous call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers toll free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submit a secure web tip at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca, or use the P3 Tips App.

Plan Does Not Meet Safety Standards

The current back-to-school plan does not provide the adequate level of safety required to protect students and their families from COVID-19, say union leaders representing teachers and educational workers. The comments were made at a news conference hosted by the unions representing teachers, education assistants, bus drivers, school specialists, admin assistants, nurses and other workers in the public school system.

High among the list of concerns is the lack of proper physical distancing in schools, large class sizes, poor ventilation and inconsistent rules regarding masks. There also needs to be a clear protocol in place to halt the spread and inform parents in the event of an outbreak at a school.

NSTU president Paul Wozney says, "A plan that involves cramming 20-30 kids at a time into small, stuffy classrooms and opening a window doesn't provide the level of confidence that is required." Nova Scotia Federation of Labour President Danny Cavanagh says safety has to be priority number 1 this September. "The public education system is the largest, most interconnected workplace in the province and 150,000 people will be walking into schools for the first time in six months. Given what's at stake this is the last place where you want to be cutting corners in terms of safety. Unfortunately, the government's current school reopening plan falls well short of pub-

lic health guidelines designed to protect families and workers from COVID-19 exposure."

Nova Scotia Nurses Union President Janet Hazelton who represents nurses in the public school system agrees and says: "Lessons learned in our recent experience with COVID, the most important being the health and safety of staff and those they serve are critical."

"A huge concern is that it when comes to occupational health and safety, the plan is silent," says Nan McFadgen, President, CUPE Nova Scotia. "A well-thought-out plan would contain a series of controls such as plexiglass barriers, arranging work flow and people to minimize contact, and PPE. Nowhere is there evidence of such planning. The actions proposed are only half-formed and often offered as suggestions rather than requirements."

The Nova Scotia Federation of Labour is the provincial voice of the Labour Movement, representing 70,000 members in over 400 union locals.

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Catherine MacLellan Plays August 28TH

August 28th will be the Ships Company Theatre's next Online Music Night as it presents an Evening with Catherine MacLellan. is one of Canadian folk music's true gems, albeit not a hidden one, no matter her penchant for quiet country nights.

As with many performers, Catherine feels most at home on stage. Going to a Catherine MacLellan show feels much like catching up with an old friend, having those long-hearted conversations that mean so much.

The past four years have been a busy and important time for Catherine as she set aside her own songwriting to celebrate the life and legacy of her late legendary father, Gene MacLellan.

During this time, she recorded and released the album, *If It's Alright With You: The Songs of Gene MacLellan*; produced a stage show by the same name; and an award winning documentary, *The Song and the Sorrow* - all in tribute to him. Though the acclaim for Catherine's own work was

already significant, it reached new levels when she took home a Juno Award in 2015 for her standout album, *The Raven's Sun*.

Catherine has also been recognized with multiple East Coast Music Awards, Canadian Folk Music Awards, and Music PEI Awards.

She has just released her anticipated seventh album, *Coyote*.

On August 14th, Ship's Company featured its Online Music Night, sponsored by Archway Insurance, showcasing *An Evening with Don Ross*.



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