



Johnny has set this little gig at Whitehall. As the sign brightly displays he has a taxi service and cabaret. Who provides and what kind of music and other services is not known at press time. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

Rushton Easily Wins

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MLA he was fire chief for Oxford and a production manager for Oxford Frozen Foods.

He was sworn in as a re-elected MLA on Monday, August 30th. Tim Houston and all MLA's were sworn in at the same time. Houston announced his new cabinet on

Tuesday, August 31. Many political pundits and several well connected Progressive Conservative members were speculating Ruston would form part of the Houston cabinet, most likely as Minister of Natural Resources, or whatever the department might be named.

Deadline for the October issue
is **September 21**

Picnic Play Series a Success

Ship's Company Theatre has had a successful beginning of Summer welcoming people back into their beautiful venue on the Bay of Fundy for its 37th season of Atlantic Canadian stories and song.

The Picnic Plays Series is an exciting outdoor venture made for the whole family this summer season at Ship's Company Theatre. The series features two plays that are brought to the community on bicycles! Both plays were performed outdoors in Parrsboro and neighbouring communities at different times throughout August 25-28. Each performance is Pay-What-You-Can and lasts approximately forty minutes.

The first show in the Picnic Play series, A Tale on Two Wheels, is a production by Gale Force Theatre and features the two characters arriving on a tandem bicycle ready to deliver the sunrise for the day. This whimsical performance was specifically created with 2-6 year olds in mind, so bring your young ones to this show! A Tale on Two Wheels will perform in Parrsboro four different times. The first performance was outdoors behind Ship's Company Theatre right by the water at 11:00am on Wednesday, August 25. The show moved to the centre of Parrsboro on August 26 to perform at The Bandstand at 2:00pm. A Tale on Two Wheels moved to the Fundy Geological Museum on Friday, August 27 for a

3:00pm showing and closes off with a 11:00 am performance at The Bandstand on Saturday, August 28.

The second show in the Picnic Play series, Troubling Joy, is a brand-new show created by North Barn Theatre Collective. Featuring puppetry, poetry and song. Troubling Joy is a bicycle powered puppet circus that appeals to the senses of all ages. It is a circus featuring a more-than-human cast and time-honoured stunts. This show is open to an age range of 5 years and up and is definitely one for younger and older alike! The two performers from North Barn Theatre Collective are cycling their circus on their bikes from community to community, powered by just their legs and muscles! Troubling Joy started off their performance run along the Fundy Shore on Wednesday, August 25 on the lawn of The Wild Caraway in Advocate Harbour at 7:00pm. They then traveled to Port Greville for a performance at the Age of Sail Museum on August 26 at 4:00pm. Troubling Joy had their one and only

Parrsboro performance on Friday, August 27 behind Ship's Company Theatre at 4:00pm. The pair then cycled their show to Five Islands Lighthouse Park for a performance on the cliffs at 7:00pm on Saturday, August 28.

Ship's Company Theatre is happy to be joining forces with so many community organizations and businesses to bring these shows to the people!

Ship's Company Theatre would like to thank the Canada Council for the Arts, Canadian Heritage, Arts Nova Scotia, the Municipality of Cumberland County, Music Nova Scotia, the Playwrights Guild of Canada and the Town of Parrsboro for their continued support. Thank you also to our season sponsors RBC, O'Regans, Archway Insurance and Masstown Market.

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SHIP'S COMPANY THEATRE



FORCE Conducting Lobster Survey

By Sandra Currie

On August 29, 2021, FORCE began a lobster survey as part of its ongoing environmental effects monitoring program at the FORCE tidal demonstration site in Minas Passage.

The purpose of this baseline study is to examine the size, movement, and behaviour of lobster in and around the FORCE demonstration site as part of the effort to understand if the presence of turbines affects the number or weight of the lobster population in the Minas Passage.

The survey calls for the deployment and recovery of nine experimental lobster traps in three regions in and around the FORCE demonstration site.

Traps will be deployed and subsequently recovered during the low water slack phase of the tidal cycle following a 24-hr soak period. Lobster are stored in marked totes while data such as sex, berried (Y/N), clutch size, carapace length, shell hardness, and by-catch presence is collected.

The lobsters are then marked with individually number tags, and released, with the location of the release being recorded. This work will take place for 5

consecutive days in late August and early September, and then again in late September.

FORCE is working with the Fishermen & Scientists Research Society under a Scientific Sampling Permit issued by the Department Fisheries and Oceans

Canada, Mike Huntley's Sub-aquatic Construction, and a local fisher to complete this work.

If you have questions about this work, you can reach Sandra Currie from FORCE at sandra.currie@fundyforce.ca or 902-254-2510.



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