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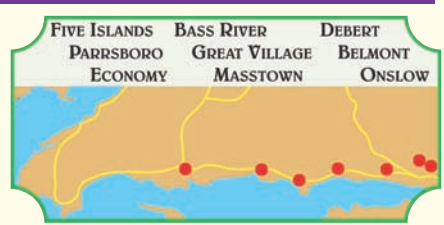


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Woodmere Rock It Smashes Summerside Track Record

Story by
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Undefeated Woodmere Rock It turned in a record-setting performance on Sunday, Aug. 9, becoming the fastest two-year-old pacer in Summerside Raceway history during

an Atlantic Sires Stakes-laden program at Red Shores at the Summerside Raceway.

Woodmere Rock It (\$2.10) was a dominant winner of his \$15,000 Atlantic Sires Stakes "A" division for two-year-old pacing colts and geldings in race 11, stopping the

clock in 1:54.3 for driver Adam Merner and trainer Jamie Smith.

The two-year-old son of Tobago Cays-Musette Mindale controlled the mile through fractions of :28, :57.1 and 1:26.4 before firing home in :27.4 to win by 6-1/4 lengths. Much More Malice (Gilles Bar-

rieau) was second with Woodmere Dougal (Corey MacPherson) third.

The 1:54.3 performance lowered the Summerside Raceway track record for two-year-old pacing geldings of 1:55.1, set by Woodmere Dougal on July 16, and was also the fastest mile ever recorded by a two-year-old pacer over the Prince County oval.

Update:

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Woodmere Rock It produced a historic performance as he equalled the Canadian record for two-year-old pacing geldings on a half-mile track at Red Shores Racetrack and

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Nova Scotia Legislature to Resume Sitting

Provincial MLA's are heading back to Halifax with the Legislature re-opening for the fall session on September 8th.

Free Breakfast Roadshow

Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce is organizing a Business Breakfast Roadshow in mid-September. The roadshow breakfast to be held in three communities is an excellent opportunity to network with peers, share experiences and insights into the business world, and discover available support options.

The Business Breakfasts, free to attend, will be held in Tatamagouche, Debert and Stewiacke. Sponsored by Burchell MacDougall Lawyers LLP, Truro the breakfasts will be held as follows: September 15, Chowder House, Main Street, Tatamagouche; September 16, Royal Canadian Legion, Debert and September 17 Community Centre, Stewiacke.

This event is FREE to attend! Sponsored by Burchell MacDougall Lawyers LLP, Truro.

For more information and to register contact:
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Fundy 55+ Games - September 14TH to 25TH



Including the regions of Cumberland, Colchester and East Hants counties and all those 55 and better. See pages 10 and 11 for information and registration forms.



A total of nineteen residents, twelve from Colchester and seven from Truro passed The Residential Waste Sorting Champion program and will receive a gold star champion pin. The program not only supports smarter waste practices—but celebrates those who do it best with a Gold Star. (See story on Page 3). Information on the program can be found at: <https://www.colchester.ca/integrated-solid-waste-recognition-program#residential>

Business Excellence Awards Nominations Open

Nominations are now open for the Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce annual Business Excellence Awards, which will be in October during Small Business Week. The awards recognize and help celebrate the outstanding businesses, organizations, and individuals who help the region thrive through the Business Excellence Awards.

Award categories include: Small Business of the Year, Medium Business of the Year, Large Business of the Year, Agriculture Business of the Year, Exporter Achievement, Excellence in Community Impact & Inclusion, Tourism Business of the Year, Newcomer Business of the Year, Business Excellence Award, Workplace Achievement Award and Lifetime Achievement Award.



Deadline to nominate is September 3rd! The chamber invites the public submit nominations to recognize those who demonstrate innovation, leadership, exceptional service, community impact, and a commitment to excellence.

The award ceremony will be held October 16th, 2026 at the Marigold Cultural Centre.

The following is the list of Business Excellence Awards:

Small Business of the Year; Medium Business of the Year; Large Business of the Year; Agriculture Business of the Year; Exporter Achievement; Excellence in Community Impact & Inclusion; Tourism Business of the Year; Newcomer Business of the Year; Business Excellence Award; Workplace Achievement Award; and Lifetime Achievement Award.

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CBDC; RBC & RBC Dominion Securities; Doane Grant Thornton; MNP; Invest Nova Scotia; Town of Truro; Municipality of Colchester; TCPEP; Millbrook Economic Development; Payworks; and Patterson Law.

Support for Public Transit Across NS

Unfortunately, public transit in Colchester was not one of the six public transit services receiving \$925,000 in provincial funding. Public transit services in towns across Nova Scotia are receiving provincial funding to make it easier for residents to get to work and school, and meet other transportation needs.

A total of \$925,000 from the Public Transit Assistance Program will help six municipalities and community organizations operating a fixed-route service buy vehicles, bus terminals, shelters and other capital assets. "Having transit services available means residents have affordable options as they travel for their daily needs," said Public Works Minister Fred Tilley. "Whether it's a trip to the pharmacy, the grocery store or to visit friends, transportation means independence and access."

Tidal Transit is receiving \$375,000 to help keep its vehicles safe, reliable and on the road through fleet stabilization, which

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