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Artists in Residence Conclude Outstanding Year with Well Attended Exhibit

The NSCAD-New Glasgow's Community Residency Program, now in its fourth year has enjoyed great success in the community. Each new year for the program brings with it a diverse group of artists, all with unique styles and talents. This year's artists Morgan Salter, M.E. Sparks and Brianne Williams are great talents, and as the year drew to a close the artists produced an impressive final exhibit. For the past year the artists have been building their individual studio practices and art, as well as presenting workshops and lectures in the community. The NSCAD-New Glasgow's Community Studio Residents have created a vast array of distinctive artwork. On Thursday, July 10, the artists, NSCAD University and the Town of New Glasgow held a closing exhibition, which took place at the NSCAD New Glasgow's Community Studio.



From left to right: Stephanie Mason, Community Service Learning and Outreach Coordinator, NSCAD School of Extended Studies; Geralyn MacDonald, Director of Community Economic Development Town of New Glasgow; NSCAD Artists in Residence M.E. Sparks, Brianne Williams, Morgan Salter, and New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan.

and have added to the character and personality of New Glasgow as a commercial and cultural centre for Northern Nova Scotia. We are sorry to have to say goodbye to three talented artists who have made their mark on the Town of New Glasgow through their creative work, exhibits and community engagement".

New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan said, "Supporting the creative economy is among our council's key strategic priorities and the NSCAD-New Glasgow Community Studio Residency program has been a catalyst for growth of the arts. We are proud to support and encourage the next generation of creative thinkers. Brianne, Morgan and M.E. have been great role models to our youth artists through the Community Art Room program,

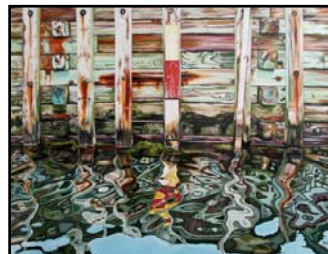
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Artwork by M.E. Sparks

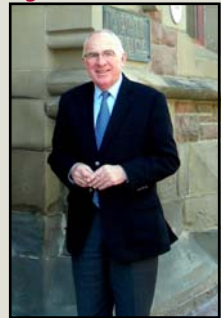


Artwork by Morgan Salter



Artwork by Brianne Williams

Mayor's Message



New Glasgow Mayor
Barrie MacMillan

Dear Visitors and Residents:

Summer is upon us and with it comes a wide array of impressive festivals and events. Throughout the spring, summer and fall, there is sure to be an event that is of interest to both residents and the many visitors to our Town and our region.

New Glasgow and other communities in Pictou County are blessed to have so many volunteers and businesses willing to make such a positive contribution to the community through their dedication to and support of events that range from raising awareness to social issues such as the Marathon of Respect and Equality to Pride Week to the Race on the River Dragon Boat Festival and Relay for Life to cultural activities such as the impressive Art at Night, the long standing Festival of the Tartans, and the award winning New Glasgow Music Jubilee.

Add to these events the first ever Miss Miles 5km, the Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend, the Antique Car Show, the many concerts at Glasgow Square and The Celtic Circle,

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New Glasgow Tourism Kiosk Receives Beautiful Artwork

New Glasgow's Downtown Tourism Kiosk, across from the TD Bank and the Riverfront Gazebo, now features a bright new addition to its exterior structure. A large reproduction of a spectacular painting by current NSCAD-New Glasgow Artist in Residence Brienne Williams now greets passersby with its creative marina imagery and brilliant colours. The painting was commissioned by the Town of New Glasgow as part of a project lead by the New Glasgow Communities in Bloom Committee last summer, and the painting was officially unveiled in Council Chambers last winter. The artwork has been installed this spring with the goal of enhancing the welcome for tourists to the Town of New Glasgow, as well as showcasing the artistic talents of New Glasgow's artists in residence.

The kiosk, which is designed to highlight amenities, attractions and services available in New Glasgow, also underwent several updates last summer. These updates included painting by volunteers and plantings by former Town of New Glasgow horticulturalist Chelsea Baird. The tourism kiosk was constructed and supported by 144 Construction Engineering Flight Pictou County and the 144 CEF Community Advisory Board, and the project was funded by Nova Scotia Tourism through Destination Eastern Northumberland Shores (DEANS). The tourism kiosk's design is a standard that is seen in kiosks throughout the province. All tourism kiosks are the same size and shape, and include maps, interpretative panels, and local tourism literature. The beautification of the New Glasgow kiosk was a project undertaken in order to increase its visibility, and to promote the location as an artistic and cultural landmark in Downtown New Glasgow.

The painting itself is sure to become a treasured asset to our community, as it accentuates the memorable scene of pleasure craft on the beautiful East River. According to artist Brienne Williams, the painting was inspired by a photo taken during Jubilee weekend, as well as from her own personal visits to the New Glasgow Riverfront and Marina. Williams paints realistic scenes of the sea which have been inspired by her childhood memories of jumping off wharfs and fishing. She says that her

favourite things to paint are boats, which Williams explains makes her feel personally linked to the marina image she created for the tourism kiosk.

New Glasgow's Director of Marketing and Communications Kimberly Dickson says, "We are noticing people stopping to admire this beautiful art piece, and also to read the interpretive panel which highlights the history of the town as well as tourist attractions such as the trails, art galleries, Glasgow Square Theatre, local museums and much more. The way-finding kiosks on Provost Street, Archimedes Street and by the Marina also give information on the business community and directions to amenities, attractions and venues. The addition of all these kiosks demonstrates that we want to support our businesses and community, and provide easily accessible information for visitors. There are also kiosks with maps on the three New Glasgow trails, which add to the visitor experience. Brienne's work is stunning, and an attraction in and of itself. When you walk towards her painting you feel as if you could walk right to the river".

"The visitor kiosk in New Glasgow is one of several in the region that highlights the local tourism experiences for our visitors," says Cindy MacKinnon, Managing Director of DEANS. "Their consistent design allows visitors to recognize them and know they can obtain information anytime of the day, seven days a week. Their purpose is to keep people in the area longer. New Glasgow has taken the kiosk a few steps further and showcases the incredible artistic talent that is within our community. The painting enhances the structure and also provides a beautiful photo opportunity for visitors and residents alike."

Artist Williams says that she was thrilled when the Town of New Glasgow approached her to be a part of the tourism kiosk project, and even more so when they stated that they wanted the image to be of the marina. Williams says that



Artist Brienne Williams poses in front of a reproduction of one of her art pieces that is on the Town of New Glasgow tourism kiosk.

she felt that the partnership was very compatible with her artistic interest in painting scenes of boats and water. When asked about the potential for the kiosk painting to become a legacy piece of artwork, Brienne answers humbly, "I didn't actually consider the painting would be a legacy piece, although I like the idea of leaving a small footprint in the town".

Williams says she would like to thank the Town of New Glasgow for being such a huge supporter of the arts, and making this partnership with NSCAD possible. She feels that the Artist in Residence program run through the School of Extended Studies at NSCAD University is a great opportunity for recent grads to be able to work full time as artists. Williams is also quick to note that Andy Cunningham, the Executive Director at Eventide Art Hub, a not-for-profit artist run centre, is another great supporter of the arts in the Town of New Glasgow. M.E Sparks and Morgan Salter were also artists in residence in New Glasgow for 2013-2014.

"The School of Extended Studies is so fortunate to have the Town of New Glasgow's support to help NSCAD University's emerging artists develop their art through the residency program," says Sharon Blanchard, Director of Extended Studies at NSCAD University. "Brienne's work is a perfect example of responding to the world around her, and that community aspect is just one of the strengths of the ongoing partnership between NSCAD University and New Glasgow."

New Glasgow Maintains 2014-2015 Tax Rates

Following a comprehensive budget review process, the Town of New Glasgow maintained both its residential and commercial tax rates for the 2014-2015 fiscal year and announced the rate at its May Council Meeting. The residential rate remains at \$1.82 per \$100 of assessment and is at the same rate that was in effect ten years ago, prior to the residential assessment cap implemented by the Province. There is no change in the commercial tax rate for the fourth consecutive year. It will continue to be \$4.40 per \$100 assessment.

"We are all aware that this is a time of necessary change for municipalities throughout the Province of Nova Scotia as it was clearly outlined in the recent Ivany Now or Never Report," said New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan. "New Glasgow is ready to adapt to change and our Council is committed to both regional vision and regional action. The Town currently provides sale of service arrangements to a number of municipal units in the region to improve cost efficiencies for all partners based on the economies of scale for serving a broader base of citizens than as individual municipal units. The Memorandum of Understanding being developed among the Town of New Glasgow, the Municipality of the County of Pictou and the Town of Pictou will set the stage for new opportunities with these partners and we hope that all municipal units within Pictou County participate in the regional action required for the future growth of our area".

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-Mayor Barrie MacMillan

"Total tax revenues for New Glasgow have increased only by 2.05% while expenses continue to rise. The cap on residential assessments, established by the Province of Nova Scotia, continues to negatively impact municipal revenues and for the Town of New Glasgow, this cap has resulted in the loss of potential revenue of \$776,913 for fiscal 2014-2015. The cap program is no longer working as intended and is causing significant loss in revenue to the municipalities from residential taxes. The Provincial Capped Assessment Program (CAP) rate, which is set by the annual increase in the Nova Scotia Consumer Price Index, is 0.9 per cent for 2014. The annual solid waste uniform charge per residential dwelling unit for up to three units will increase \$10.00 from the \$75.00 per residential dwelling charge to \$85.00 for fiscal 2014-2015. It is much fairer to implement a user pay formula than have an across the board tax rate increase, which has a variance of impact depending on the assessment value of properties. The user pay formula ensures that residential multi units now pay for the solid waste collection services that they are using as opposed to single dwellings subsidising these services. Our Town's solid waste services include bi-weekly residential compost, recycling and garbage collection, two leaf pickups, a spring cleanup and a Christmas tree pickup."



Mayor MacMillan explains, "The operational costs for waste water management have continued to increase, including but not limited to the East River Environmental Control Centre (ERECC). The Town's pollution control rate will be increased from \$4.00 to \$4.10 per thousand gallons of water consumed. The impact on the average household will be \$1.00 per quarter or \$4 per year. The costs for solid waste management and pollution control are still subsidised in part by the residential and commercial tax base but this change in rates is another step towards a full user pay model. The pollution control increase will take effect in the next quarterly billing period. Municipalities are now implementing stronger user pay models, based on actual services consumed. This is a preferred practise and it has been endorsed by the private sector including The Nova Scotia Chamber of Commerce through a report prepared by Collins Barrow Chartered Accountants in 2012. Our format for tax bills clearly outlines the breakdown of the use of tax dollars for municipal, regional and provincial services and we will have also expanded information on our Town's web site. New Glasgow is committed to accessibility and transparency of information for our citizens and taxpayers. The recently released provincial Financial Condition Index information is easily accessed on our website and it is a tool that we will continue to use to provide strong fiscal management."

Mayor MacMillan commented that the Town has "invested significantly in infrastructure during the past several years, as New Glasgow is the home of amenities such as regional health services, regional financial services, regional education, retail, dining, recreational and arts/cultural assets which are used by all citizens of Pictou County. Our master water agreement with the Municipality of the County of Pictou, a new joint business development position, the commercial development partnership for Exits 23 and 25, along with infrastructure support for the new provincial correctional facility, are all examples of the benefits of a shared regional vision and action. For the fiscal year 2014-2015, the Town of New Glasgow will operate on a budget of \$18,413,289, compared to the budget of \$17,905,637 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. It is important to note that from the residential tax rate of \$1.82 per \$100 assessment, for example: 40 cents goes towards provincial education costs, five cents goes towards provincial subsidised housing and three cents goes towards provincial corrections. This is yet another increase beyond our control in the percentage of our funds that we must use to finance provincial services."

Pictou County Hosts 600 Delegates and Visitors to Maritime Fire Chiefs Convention

The Maritime Fire Chiefs Association, an organization which has played a significant role in supporting firefighters across the Maritimes, celebrated its 100th anniversary in Pictou County. The special milestone was marked with a conference and trade show, which featured the theme "A Century of Pride and Challenges". The conference and trade show was held July 6-9 at the Pictou County Wellness Centre, and included social events, information sessions, sightseeing and entertainment. The conference provided an opportunity for members of the Maritime firefighting community to gather in the spirit of forming friendships and learning from one another.

The Municipality of the County of Pictou Warden Ron Baillie was pleased and proud to welcome attendees of the MFCA 100th Anniversary Conference to our county stating, "Firefighters along with our law enforcement officers are the protectors of our communities. They are first responders. They put themselves at risk to help others. They are there to provide safety and comfort in times of great distress. And yet, they are also educators, community leaders and ambassadors. We thank each of them for their expertise, their work ethic, their commitment to being well trained and well equipped, their pride and compassion for your cities, towns and villages, and their pride in their profession and their community spirit." This year's conference saw over 600 fire chiefs, deputy chiefs, partners and fire equipment sales representatives meet in Pictou County. The Trade show featured an impressive 105 booth display which included firefighting equipment, radios, clothing, insurance and vehicles. Vendors came from across the Maritimes, the country and beyond to exhibit their products. Also on display were 23 fire trucks which arrived at the Wellness Centre from across the Maritimes.

A highlight of the conference was the vintage truck parade which featured a dozen antique fire trucks, as well as marching regiments of firefighters, the RCMP Pipe Band and a colour party.

Another standout feature of this year's program were the business and informational sessions provided by the conference's guest speakers, who included: Robert C. Krause, Battalion Chief, Toledo Fire & Rescue; Chief Gord Schreiner of the Comox Fire Department; Gordon Graham, a retired 33-year veteran of California law enforcement; and Laura King, editor of "Fire Fighting In Canada" and "EMS Quarterly" magazines. Congratulations to all organizers on hosting an outstanding conference. The Town of New Glasgow was very pleased to be a major sponsor and to invest in this convention in support of our fire departments across the region and the business community.



The partners program of the Maritime Fire Chiefs 100th Anniversary Convention featured scenic lobster boat tours from the New Glasgow Marina to the Pictou Wharf and a personal welcome from New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan.



Attendees of the Maritime Fire Chiefs Association 100th anniversary conference ride a vintage fire truck during the vintage truck parade.

Youth Artists Lauded in Closing Art Show

In the fall of 2013 New Glasgow Director of Community Economic Development GERALYN MacDONALD and local artist Tabitha Coleman began preparations for the creation of a Community Art Room which would become a part of the NSCAD-New Glasgow Community Studio. Their vision for the Community Art Room was that it would support New Glasgow's artistic community, and provide an opportunity for youth artists to gain creative experience prior to adulthood.

Ms. MacDONALD states, "We have always been blessed with such a wealth of artistic talent in this region. The society and new arts programs such as the NSCAD-New Glasgow Community Residency Studio and the Community Art Room only continue to enable the arts to flourish and grow."

A curriculum was developed and youth art instruction began to take place twice per month on Fridays. Instruction was a joint effort with local and visiting artists sharing in the teaching responsibilities on a rotating basis. While instructors came from a variety of artistic backgrounds, all shared a commitment to promoting the arts within our community. In addition to the instruction provided by the artists, youth participants also received mentorship in the artist's chosen discipline, and different specialities were studied each lesson. Local artists who provided instruction were: Lyn-Sue Wice, Mike Vienneau, Evan Curley, Chef Gilles Godin, Corey Ceccolini, Raina MacDonald and Heather MacDonald. NSCAD artists who provided instruction were M.E. Sparks, Morgan Salter and Brianne Williams.

Coordinator Tabitha Coleman is impressed with the response that she has received from all parties involved in the implementation of the Community Art Room Project, in particular with the level of support received from the Town of New Glasgow, "The Town of New Glasgow is very supportive of the Community Art Room youth

program and has been throughout the entire concept and development process. Identifying and developing curriculum such as this provides opportunity for creative minds, ensuring the continued growth in our community of the arts and culture for future generations", says Ms. Coleman.

The Community Art room program for 2013-2014 came to an official close with a final exhibit for the youth artists. The show was well attended and received a

very positive response. Each youth artist received a special certificate from New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan. Mayor MacMillan congratulated the young artists on their outstanding talents and hard work, stating, "It is wonderful to see their works displayed so professionally and it is exciting to know that such talent awaits our community and our province as these young artists grow and flourish".



Youth artists are pictured with Community Art Room Coordinator Tabitha Coleman at their final art exhibit.

New Glasgow Regional Police Reach Five Year Collective Agreement with Town

The Town of New Glasgow and the New Glasgow Regional Police Association Local 103 of the Atlantic Police Association, reached a Collective Agreement on June 30th that resulted in a five year Agreement. This is the longest term for a collective agreement for police services in the history of the Town of New Glasgow. The new agreement will cover the term of April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2019 with consecutive salary increases of 2.5, 2.25, 2.5, 2.25 and 2.5 per cent per year.

"We are extremely pleased with the cooperative approach of the Town of New Glasgow," says Cst. Harvey Timmons, President of the New Glasgow Regional Police Association Local 103 and the Area Director of the Atlantic Police Association (APA) for Pictou County. "Our talks were very productive right from day one and we reached an agreement in just five days of bargaining. We couldn't have been more impressed with the Town's approach throughout the process and I want to especially commend CAO Lisa MacDonald for her leadership and commitment to the municipal community based policing model. The bargaining team worked extremely well together and our discussions were always thorough, productive and respectful. There was a common goal of high standards for the delivery of regional policing services from the beginning of our talks. This strong collaborative approach enabled us to agree upon a contract that is both very clear in language and visionary for the future. This Collective Agreement will position us to continue our delivery of a high standard of service while also enabling our officers to continue to be well trained and well equipped. The contract is also modernized to reflect the changing environment of policing as a balanced career choice. We have the utmost confidence in the Town of New Glasgow's vision for regional municipal policing services today and into the future."

The bargaining team consisted of three members of the New Glasgow Regional Police Association, Local 103: Cst. Harvey Timmons, Cst. Kyle Lesko and Cst. Ryan Leil and town representatives: Chief Administrative Officer Lisa MacDonald, Police Chief Delaney Chisholm, Deputy Police Chief Eric MacNeil, and Town Solicitor Frank DeMont. Chair of the New Glasgow Regional Police Commission, Deputy Mayor Jack Lewis explained that the process went smoothly as both par-

ties recognized the importance of a collaborative method with a shared vision and goals. The Commission Chair expressed his

appreciation to the bargaining team members for their hard work and commitment towards achieving an effective agreement that will serve the citizens of both New Glasgow and Trenton very well.

"The Town of New Glasgow is very pleased with the police contract negotiations," says Mayor Barrie MacMillan. "The contract provides long term sustainable costs and is reflective of the nature of the changing role of police in today's world. Our police play an essential role in the safety and security of our community and our officers take on risk each and every day. We want our officers to be compensated in keeping with the level of responsibility they undertake and the risks associated with their occupation. We have a strong relationship that is built on trust and respect and we are proud of the high calibre of policing service that is delivered to the Town of New Glasgow and through our sale of service agreement to the Town of Trenton. This Collective Agreement supports sustainable municipal community based policing that is reflective of the standards set by the provincial White Paper on Policing. The costs associated with the contract are reasonable and manageable for our town and reflective of the value and importance we place on providing strong policing services. We are very proud of the scope and the quality of police work our officers do for our community and our region each and every day."



Pictured left to right: NGRPS Police Chief Delaney Chisholm; New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan, New Glasgow CAO Lisa MacDonald and President of the New Glasgow Regional Police Association Local 103 Cst. Harvey Timmons.

Music Jubilee Road Closure Notice

The Town of New Glasgow wishes to advise the community that Glasgow Square Parking lot will be closed all day on Friday, July 25, beginning at 6:00 am for site set up and preparations for the Race on the River Pictou County Dragon Boat Festival. Road closures on Friday, July 25th will include the closure of Riverside Parkway from George St. to MacLean St., beginning on Friday at 6:00pm until Saturday, July 26th at 6:00 pm. The portion of Dalhousie Street from the Town Hall to Riverside Parkway will also be closed to traffic during the event. Traffic will also be reduced to one lane-east bound on the George Street Bridge during this time frame. Access to Crabby J's Marina is available off the George Street Bridge. Motorists are also reminded of the four way stop enterin and exiting the Downtown core via the George Street Bridge and to proceed with caution. The Town of New Glasgow thanks you for your support of this signature hometown event. The Town of New Glasgow advises the travelling public that there will be several upcoming road closures to accommodate preparations and events associated with the New Glasgow Music Jubilee. The Glasgow Square Parking lot will be closed as of 6:00 am on Thursday, July 31st until Monday, August 4th at 4:00 am. On Friday, August 1, the Goodman Parking lot will be closed at 8:00am and remain closed until early Monday morning. Also as of 8:00 am on Friday, August 1, Riverside Parkway as well as Dalhousie Street, from the corner of Provost Street and George Street to Riverside Parkway will be closed until Monday, August 4 at 4:00 am. There will be access to MacLean Street from Glasgow Street for all three days. Throughout the weekend, the George Street Bridge will be reduced to two lanes. Motorists are also reminded of the four way stop entering and exiting the Downtown core via the George Street Bridge and to proceed with caution. There will be local access to Crabby J's Marina until 6pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. To accommodate the Children's Jubilee, Jubilee Youth Stage and Blues in the Park, Terrace Street to Bell Street will be close from 10am-5pm on Saturday, August 2 and also closed from 10am-7pm on Sunday, August 3. The Town of New Glasgow and the Jubilee Committee thank members of the community for their understanding and support of this signature hometown event.

Dave MacLennan Wins 10th JMM Marathon

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Dave MacLennan finishes the Maritime Auto Marathon in first place and as the top local male and wins his 10th Johnny Miles Marathon.

The 2014 Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend was yet another one to remember, with record numbers of participants, and hometown running hero Dave MacLennan reaching the milestone of his 10th Johnny Miles Marathon title. Runners, organizers and volunteers all worked tirelessly to make the event a great success. All race participants thrived in overcast conditions, and veteran marathoner Dave MacLennan thrilled the crowd with his stellar performance. Registration rates for the Johnny Miles Running Events reached an impressive 2,114.

Local marathoner Dave MacLennan finished in first place and as the top local male to win the Maritime Auto Marathon with a time of 2:47:26. This achievement broke his own 2012 record of nine victories, shed almost 10 minutes off of last year's race time, and came in addition to his selection as the recipient of the 2014 Johnny Miles Williston Character Award. Just behind MacLennan, finishing in second place was Yarmouth's Brian Hipson who finished the race with a time of 2:48:24. In third place was Calvin Desroches of Northam, Prince Edward Island, finishing with a time of 2:58:33. The top female finisher was Leah Jabbour of Halifax who finished the race with a time of 3:14:4, while the top local female finisher was Michelle Sutherland of Pictou who finished with a time of 4:09:05.

Finishing first in the Advocate Half- Marathon was Matthew White of Dartmouth with a time of 1:16:10. New Glasgow native Colin Shannon, was the top local male and placed second in the half marathon, with an extraordinary run, and a time of 1:18:15. Third place and first female finisher went to Raylene Robertson of Fredericton who finished the race with a time of 1:22: 50. The top local female was Abbey Shaw of New Glasgow who finished with a time of 1:35:09, making her the third female finisher, and an impressive 19th overall.



Shirley and George Manos, long-time supporters and participants, finish the CIBC Wood Gundy 5K race.

The winner of the Johnny Miles 10 K Classic was Graydon Snider of Halifax, who finished the race with a time of 32:00. Snider was followed by second place finisher Lee McCarron of Halifax who clocked in at 32:28. The third place finisher was Nicolas Wood of Halifax, who finished with a time of 33:05.

The first female finisher of the 10K race was Emily Hamilton of Halifax who finished the race with a time of 37:41. The top local male finisher in the 10K was Dylan Hiltz of Pictou who finished the race with a time of 39:41. The top local female finisher was Breanna Sandluck of Thorburn who finished the race with a time of 47:22.

The first place finisher and top local male in the CIBC Wood Gundy 5K race was Zachary MacDonald (Ardness Elite) of Ardness, who finished the race with a time of 17:38. The second place finisher was Logan Grant of Antigonish County, who finished the 5K race with a time of 19:19.

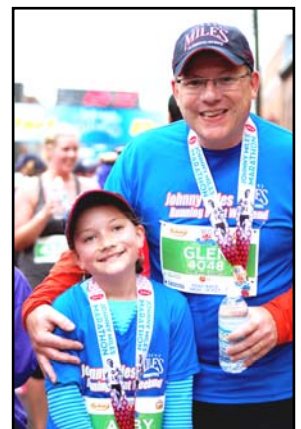


First place finisher and top local male in the CIBC Wood Gundy 5K race, Zachary MacDonald of Ardness.

Finishing in third place was New Glasgow native Thomas Lee, who completed the race with a time of 19:23. The first female finisher of the 5K race was Kendra MacNeil of Antigonish who completed the race with a time of 19:25. The top local female finisher of the 5K race was Maddy Murray of Pictou who crossed the finish line with a time of 22:33.

The winner of the Shiretown Dental Clinic Student Challenge 5K was Keigan Thorpe of Truro. Thorpe won the student challenge with a time of 17:23. Second place finisher and top local male went to Peter Corbin of Linacy, who finished the race with a time of 18:06. Finishing the 5K Student Challenge in third place with a time of 18:18 was Andrew Linton of Halifax. The top female finisher of the 5K student challenge was Hana Marmura of Antigonish who finished the race with a time of 19:41. The top local female in the 5K student challenge was Hannah Fraser of Stellarton, who finished the race with a time of 21:50.

Race Director Terry Curley says that he feels pleased with this year's Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend, despite the poor weather. Curley says that while it is much harder to execute the event when the weather is inclement, it was the perfect weather for runners. According to Curley, other weekend highlights included the special recognition awards on June 12 and the introduction of the Glenn "Big Dog:" Chenell Hall of Fame. When asked about his plans for next year's 40th Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend Curley says that while they haven't planned anything big yet, every year the event continues to evolve and change. He says that they continue to look for ways to make the event more streamline and more runner friendly, so whatever they do next will fit that objective. The Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend is named in honour Canadian marathoner Johnny Miles, a two time winner of the Boston Marathon.



Glen and Abby Coleman pose for a photo following the CIBC Wood Gundy 5K race on Father's Day.

Race on the River Raises \$125,000 for Beneficiaries



Dignitaries arrive for the Race on the River opening ceremonies.

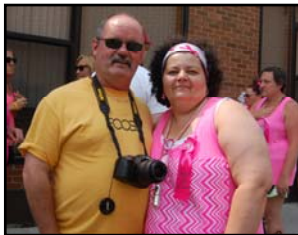
The 2014 Race on the River Dragon Boat Festival took place on July 25th and 26th on New Glasgow's scenic East River. The event featured more than 35 teams and 500 plus paddlers who were members from all areas of our community, and across the province. Thousands of spectators gathered on the shores of the river, as well as the George Street Bridge, to view the Dragon Boat races. The Festival also featured a children's tent, concessions, and other family-oriented activities throughout the event.

Dragon Boat racing began as a fertility rite which was performed in Southern China 2400 years ago. While historically the fertility rite was performed to ensure plentiful crops, nowadays the main focus of Dragon Boat festivals is to introduce individuals to the unique sport of Dragon Boat racing, and to raise funds and awareness for charitable organizations. The beneficiaries of New Glasgow's Race on the River are several deserving charities which include: Women Alike Breast Cancer Survivors Society, Special Olympics Northern Regions, and Pictou County Prostate Cancer Support Association. This year's Race on the River raised \$125,000, making the total amount of funds that the festival has raised to date \$1,562,194.



Women Alike Abreast A River Dragon Boat team captures the spirit of the dragon during opening ceremonies.

One of the many positives associated with Dragon Boat racing is that anyone is able to take part in the races, regardless of skill level. The sport is designed to encourage teamwork, athleticism, competition and fun. It is these exceptional characteristics are likely contributing to the growth of the Dragon Boat festivals across Canada, with as many as 24 festivals being held this year alone. Congratulations to our hometown hockey hero John Sim, a past Stanley Cup Champion, for being named the Race on the River's Honorary Chair, and to Kim MacLaren, President of the New Glasgow Dragon Boat Society, for another outstanding festival!



Town employees Kevin Fraser and Melody Board prior to races.



Melody's Dragon Slayers representing the Town of New Glasgow.

Strong Support for New Glasgow Pride Week

The 2014 Pride Week celebration was a wonderful success with strong support for the event. Beginning on Monday, June 23 with a Flag Raising Ceremony, community members gathered near Glasgow Square for a noon hour filled with stories of courage and perseverance in the face of discrimination. Speeches delivered by New Glasgow Mayor



Dignitaries sign the Pictou County Pride Week Proclamation.

Barrie MacMillan; MLAs Pat Dunn, Tim Houston and Karla MacFarlane; Chair of Pride Week Committee in Pictou County, Stevie Gerrior, and Gerard Veldhoven; Chair of the Pictou County Centre for Sexual Health were both inspiring and thought provoking. Each of these community leaders called on those in attendance to take a stand against intolerance and discrimination, and to play their part in creating a welcoming and accepting community for all residents.

This year's Pride Week in New Glasgow featured several engaging events. These included: Give Back to the Community, a Two Session Panel Discussion, Trenton Park Day, Theresa Malenfont & Katey Day Pride Concert and a Pride Pancake Breakfast. Each of this year's Pride Week events were focused on highlighting the many accomplishments of the LGBT community, as well as continuing to spread a message of acceptance throughout our own communities. According to Gerard Veldhoven, "although the LGBT community has seen many positive changes in recent years, the need for a Pride Week still exists". This sentiment was echoed by New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan who stated that "Homophobia and transphobia are still being experienced throughout our province, our

nation and throughout the world. But as a community, we are standing together today; to say- We are posed for change. We are ready to change. We must change."

The event concluded with the signing of a Pride Week Proclamation by the Mayors and Warden of Pictou County, Pictou County MLAs, Chair of Pride Week Committee in Pictou County; Stevie Gerrior, and Gerard Veldhoven; Chair of the Pictou County Centre for Sexual Health. The Pride Week Proclamation relayed the following message:

WHEREAS, Pictou County's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community is a vibrant and proud group within the community at large; and Whereas, the Pictou County Centre for Sexual Health, and the Pictou County Rainbow Club, aim to establish positive educational forums to raise awareness in our region and celebrate the diversity of our citizens; and Whereas, the LGBT community recognizes a Gay/ Straight Alliance is imperative to the well-being of our society; and Whereas, The Pictou County Centre for Sexual Health, and the Pictou County Rainbow Club, encourage dialogue as a tool towards an accepting community. Therefore, we believe the people of Pictou County are in the forefront of efforts to ensure that everyone has the right to live in conditions of dignity, respect and peace regardless of sexual orientation.



Gerard Veldhoven; Chair of the Pictou County Centre for Sexual Health addresses the audience at New Glasgow's Pride Week Flag Raising event.

Festival of the Tartans Preserves Cherished Scottish Traditions



Picture from left to right: Festival of the Tartans President Tyler Cameron, New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan and the Honorable Pat Dunn, MLA Pictou Centre.

The 2014 Festival of the Tartans shaped up to be another action packed summer festival! This year's event featured a number of events which satisfied festival goers desire for musical entertainment, friendly competition and of course traditional Scottish culture. From July 16th through to July 20th Festival attendees experienced the very best of Pictou County's Scottish traditions. The 2014 Festival of the Tartans line-up included events such as: the Kilted Golf Tournament, Garden Party at Glen Haven Manor, the High Crest Place Ceilidh and the Tartan Teardown Concert. Festival goers attended the Kirkin' o' the Tartan, the Highland Dancing competition, the Highland Games - Heavy Events, and the Piping and Drumming Competition. Many of these events included fun activities for all ages, and a diverse range of interests.

The opening of the Festival of the Tartans took place on Wednesday July 16 with the Tartan Tea held at the Carmichael Stewart House Museum. His worship Mayor Barrie MacMillan officially proclaimed the Festival of the Tartans opened. "It is with great pleasure that I bring greetings from the Town of New Glasgow and the wonderful people of New Glasgow on the occasion of the 57th annual Festival of the Tartans. I am delighted to be here with you today and the setting of the treasured Carmichael Stewart House Museum, home to many of our town's historical artefacts, is a most fitting one for the launch of this year's festival. This cherished event is the longest running festival in our town and one that has become imbedded deeply in our community's traditions".

"I would like to extend our thanks to all of the Festival of the Tartans volunteers who work with great dedication and commitment to make sure the festival is a success and also to congratulate this year's committee and sponsors on such a fine program. The Town of New Glasgow is very proud and pleased to support this signature hometown event through both significant financial support and town resources. On a personal note, Carolyn and I look forward to seeing friends, neighbours and visitors alike throughout the Festival. It is my privilege as Mayor of the Town of New Glasgow to declare the 2014 Festival of the Tartans officially open" said Mayor MacMillan.



Highland Dancers perform during the Tartan Teardown Variety Concert.

Headlining this year's much anticipated Tartan Teardown Concert, was award winning Cape Breton fiddler Gillian Boucher. Boucher is a seasoned professional, who has grown up in a home filled with the sounds of Cape Breton's traditional music and language. Gillian's musical career has taken her all over the world, touring in many countries including: Scotland, Ireland, Canada, USA, New Zealand and Australia. She has also shared the stage with Battlefield Band, Natalie MacMaster, Ashley MacIsaac, Mary Jane Lamond and many other accomplished musicians. In addition to headliner Gillian Boucher, the Tartan Teardown Concert featured several other notable musicians, these included: Pictou County's own fiddling royalty Fleur Mainville, the incredible talents of the Performance Group of Pictou County Highland Dancers, singer-songwriter John Spyder MacDonald, piper Robbie MacInnis, Gaelic performer Lewis MacKinnon and many more!



John Spyder MacDonald sings and plays guitar, while accompanied by John Meir on accordion. The two musicians shared the stage during the Glen Haven Festival of the Tartans Garden Party.



A Festival of the Tartans Highland Games Heavy Events competitor participates in Stone Throw event.



Matt Doherty of Antigonish took top honours in the heavy events - congratulations Matt! Greg Hadley and Danny Frame tied for second place. Well done all competitors!



Pipes and Drums on parade at the Tartan Field during the Festival of the Tartans.

Sam Roberts Band Headlines Music Jubilee River will be Rocking August 1-3

The New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee is fast approaching, and the excitement is building! This year's Jubilee weekend promises a full slate of top musical acts and entertainment. On Friday, August 1st the Jubilee main stage will present The Meds, Alert The Medic, Crash Karma, Danko Jones, and The Town Heroes. Saturday, August 2nd will feature the sounds of Rain Over St. Ambrose, Kim Wempe, Adam Baldwin, Sam Roberts Band, and Scientists of Sound. On Sunday, August 3rd SoHo Ghetto, Carleton Stone, Mo Kenney, Steven Page, and Tom Fun Orchestra will take to the stage.

Headlining this year's festivities are the Montreal based Sam Roberts Band, who are expected to be a huge draw for fans of all ages. The band, has just released their fifth studio album *Lo-fantasy*, which has been described as "the most wide-ranging collection Roberts has ever written, infusing his particularly rousing brand of rock and roll with elements of funk, house, electronic, and African music."

Opening the Jubilee on Friday is PEI rock band The Meds, whose distinctive pop-rock musical style has captivated audiences coast to coast. The Meds have spent the last number of years opening shows for bands including The Sheepdogs, Meatloaf, Down with Webster, Matt Mays, and The Trews, and this April released their first full-length record entitled 'South America'.

In addition to nightly performances at Glasgow Square, this year's program will feature a Late Night Stage at the Acro Lounge & Eatery

in New Glasgow. Friday night will showcase the talents of Black City Avenger, while Saturday Night will present Lead Mule and Alert The Medic. On Sunday night Machete and Rain Over St. Ambrose will rock the stage of the Acro Lounge & Eatery. The New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee aims to satisfy the music lover in everyone, and with a variety of entertainment options available throughout the three day event your experience is sure to be memorable!

The 2014 New Glasgow Riverfront jubilee will also be hosting a Free- to- See day program. These daytime offerings will run throughout the Jubilee Weekend, and will be free of charge to the general public. Kicking off the free programming is the popular Jubilee Songwriters Circle, which will be hosted by singer- songwriter Thom Swift. The songwriters circle will take place at The Celtic Circle Cultural Centre and feature performers, Carmel Mikol, Kim Wempe, Jim Dorie and Layne Greene. Saturday's Free- to- See lineup will also feature a Children's Jubilee, which is sure to entertain even the smallest members of the family. Performances will take place

in Carmichael Park, and will feature the talents of The Little Ditties and Kaleidoscope Kryss. The event will include a bouncy house, children's games and lots of singing and dancing!

On Sunday, Carmichael Park will play host to both the Jubilee Youth stage and "Blues in the Park" for an afternoon filled with music. Headlining the Youth Stage is local five-piece rock and roll band The Third Step. Later in the afternoon the Pictou County Blues Society will present over two hours of Blues music during "Blues in the Park". The concert will feature performances by musical acts McCready Brothers, and Full Circle Blues Band.



Jubilee Headliner Sam Roberts Band

The Meds Win Contest to Open the Jubilee



With more than 1,200 entries from around the world, it came down to one unanimous decision by three judges: The Meds from PEI will open the 2014 Jubilee. From humble beginnings in a basement in 2006, PEI rock renegades, The Meds, have taken their brand of punchy pop-rock to iconic stages across Canada into the living rooms of millions, with placements on popular American TV and around the world on satellite and internet radio.

The Meds started to build momentum in late 2009 when they were approached by five-time JUNO nominee, Matt Mays, about making an album together. It was in a rental car in rural California that Mays first heard the band. After sifting through his duffel bag for some music to listen to, Mays happened upon a demo CD simply titled 'The Meds', that had been handed to him in Charlottetown previously that year.

The next few years saw The Meds (Kyle Drake - lead vocals/guitar, Pat MacDonald - guitar, Iain McCarvill - bass, backing vocals, and George Maros - drums) honing their stage chops, and opening shows for bands including The Sheepdogs, Meatloaf, Down with Webster, Matt Mays, and The Trews. The Meds released their first full-length record 'South America' in April 2014.

Upon hearing that they got the opening spot the band said, "We are beyond excited to join the amazing lineup at the 2014 New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee. So many of our musical heroes have performed on this stage. It is an honour to follow in their foot steps."

ReverbNation is an international music hub whose registered musicians were invited to submit to the Jubilee. A panel of judges reviewed submissions in relation to originality, draw, video performance, marketability, song writing, arrangement and social media response.

In addition to the opening spot on Friday, August 1, the band will play the Late Night Stage later that night at the Acro Lounge & Eatery. The band will also receive a prize pack that includes a free consultation session with JJ Bookings, a free consultation session with Spincount (a promotions and publicity firm), and a two hour professional photo shoot with Tony DeCoste Photo-Video.

Thousands Turn out for New Glasgow Pre-Canada Day Celebrations

The Town of New Glasgow celebrated Canada's 147th birthday on June 30, 2014 outside Glasgow Square and along the beautiful New Glasgow Riverfront.

Kicking off New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day party were a number of children's activities, consisting of inflatable bouncy castles, games, and the annual Flag Raising Ceremony on the Riverfront with several local dignitaries participating. All were welcomed to join in, as we paid tribute to our great nation. Following the Flag Raising Ceremony, the community was invited to the annual Mayor's Ice Cream Social at the Riverfront Gazebo. This was hosted by Mayor Barrie MacMillan and Town Council members and was sponsored by Scotsburn Dairy.

New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan stated, "We are very pleased and proud to present such a great line up of local talent for our Town's celebration of Canada Day. We are thrilled to welcome residents of New Glasgow, Pictou County and visitors to the area for what was a wonderful community gathering and opportunity to unite and celebrate this great nation of Canada that we are so fortunate to call home. The 230th anniversary of the settlement of New Glasgow (1784) was a prime opportunity to celebrate both our town and our country."

Mayor MacMillan also noted that "Canada is a country with a distinct character and values admired across the globe. It is a nation that celebrates diversity and respects and stands for tolerance and dignity for all. Canadians are known for their leadership, integrity and kindness. Canada is a nation with an amazing and expansive geography that is both stirring and breathtaking. Every region and every province has its own unique beauty and personality yet we are proudly united as one great country".

The Town of New Glasgow was pleased to welcome three incredible local bands to the Glasgow Square stage for the community's Pre-Canada Day evening celebration. The entertainment was headlined by E.B. Anderson & The Resolutes and sponsored by A.P. Reid Insurance. Also playing the venue were bands The Third Step, and Cirque Du Lanque. The day's celebrations concluded at 10:00pm with a magnificent fireworks display on the scenic East River, sponsored by Northern Pulp. Other major sponsors for the event were the Town of New Glasgow, Scotiabank, McDonald's, Giant Tiger, Sobeys, and Michelin.

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Pictured left to right: Councillor Henderson Paris, Deputy Mayor Jack Lewis, and Miss Teen Northern Nova Scotia Makayla Morrell serve ice cream to the public during New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day celebrations.



Pictured left to right: The Honourable Pat Dunn, MLA Pictou Centre; The Honourable Peter MacKay Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada; New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan and Community Policing Officer Cst. Ken MacDonald participate in the raising of the Canadian flag.



Lead singer of the Third Step Bailey MacKinnon takes centre stage as the band preforms during New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day celebrations.



The Honourable Peter MacKay, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, poses with his wife, Nazanin Afshin-Jam MacKay and son Kian MacKay during New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day celebrations.



E.B. Anderson & The Resolutes headliner of New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day entertainment impresses the hometown crowd.



New Glasgow's Town Crier Jim Stewart addresses the crowd gathered for New Glasgow's Pre-Canada Day celebrations.

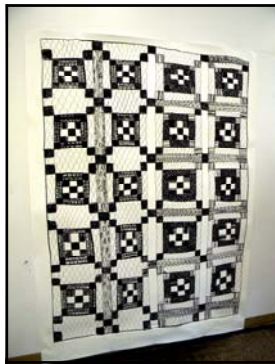


Artists in Residence Conclude Outstanding Year

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About the Artists:

Morgan Salter is a visual artist from Kingsburg, Nova Scotia. Her series of drawings, titled *Warp and Weft*, reference imagery derived from the reduction of patterned textiles, and plays with ideas of decoration, craft, and structure. Morgan's previous work includes a series of large-scale drawings, exploring narratives of home and personal space. She received a BFA, major in Fine Arts, from NSCAD University in May 2013. In 2013/14, Morgan was an artist in residence in the NSCAD—New Glasgow Community Studio Residency Program, and a grant recipient from Arts Nova Scotia.



Artwork by Morgan Salter

M.E. Sparks holds a BFA from NSCAD University in Halifax, NS. After graduation she was an artist in residence for the 2013-2014 NSCAD-New Glasgow Community Studio Residency Program. In September 2014, Sparks will begin her Master of Applied Arts degree at Emily Carr University of Art and Design in Vancouver, BC. Sparks' recent work explores the categorical grey area between abstraction and representation. Her work is often created through the appropriation of everyday forms removed from their regular environments and functions. As a painter, she is interested in the relevance, persistence and variability of the medium.



Artwork by M.E. Sparks

Brianne Williams is a local young emerging visual artist who paints realistic scenes of the sea. Her work has developed out of many summers on the South Shore. Raised in the Annapolis Valley, Williams moved to Halifax for her education at NSCAD University, focusing on painting and drawing. Her paintings employ imagery of Nova Scotia's ocean front communities and explore the distorted reflections and colours cast by their environment onto the water's surface. She paints to capture a moment in time that may provide one with inspiration and enchantment.



Artwork by Brianne Williams

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M.E. Sparks -www.mesparks.com

Brianne Williams- <http://briannewilliamsartist.blogspot.ca/>

In addition to the NSCAD New Glasgow closing exhibit, a feature by visiting artist Veronika Horlik was also presented. Veronika is a Montreal based artist who is a graduate of NSCAD University and a former seasonal tree planter.

She currently spends her time working at her studio practice, teaching studio Art Education courses for McGill University and ceramics at *Studio de céramique Alexandra*. The presentation, which was sponsored by NSCAD University, the Town of New Glasgow and Travel Lodge, discussed Veronika's particular approach to art, as well as her large-scale sculpture series *BURN BABY BURN*.



Visiting Artist Veronika Horlik and her two children attended the NSCAD New Glasgow Community Residency Closing Exhibit

In a description of her work she states that, "The image of charred organic material is derived from forest landscapes called burns: twice devastated land subjected to deforestation and then subsequently to forest fire. What surrounds you in a burn landscape is nothing less than surreal: a desolate environment strewn with black shapes as if they may have fallen from the sky. The *BURN* series sculptures have the potential to free themselves from fixed conditions: objects tilt at sharp angles [&] wheeled structures are ready to change position. This immanent possibility for movement reminds us that we hold the potential for change and renewal at any moment."



Lisa MacDonald, New Glasgow CAO and New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan present gifts of appreciation to NSCAD New Glasgow Artists in Residence Brianne Williams, Morgan Salter and M.E. Sparks.



Community Art Room Coordinator Tabitha Coleman shows her pride in the Community Art Room which was open to visitors during the NSCAD-New Glasgow Artists in Residence Closing Exhibit.

Communities in Bloom Launches Adopt a Flower Bed Program

Summer is finally upon us and with it comes a flurry of activity for the New Glasgow Communities in Bloom Committee. The Committee, chaired by New Glasgow Councillor Trudy Vince, has been dedicated to several community projects. The Committee conducted volunteer plantings at several locations, including the Prostrate Cancer flower bed on the Samson Trail, the Horsemen of Pictou County heritage site in Parkdale and the Crabby J's Marina entrance sign. The Committee has also been working with local businesses to initiate a new adopt a flower bed/urban forestry project and new sponsorships including: CF Construction's adoption of the Africentric Heritage Park flower bed in partnership with Summer Street Industries and Ballantyne Fuels contribution of two flowering crab apple trees, New Glasgow's signature tree to the Pioneer Cemetery. Several other businesses have expressed interest in the adopt-a-flower bed program for the 2015 season.

The New Glasgow & Area Highland Garden Club has also taken a leadership role in volunteer plantings, including near the New Glasgow Library, the Amber Kirwan Monument on the Samson Trail, around the New Glasgow water trough on East River Road/MacDonald Street, and the Viola Desmond Panel and Scotland land plot and marker. The Committee thanks its retiring committee members Patti Long and Margie Beck for their long and dedicated service and have welcomed new members in the past year such as Tabitha Coleman, Priscilla Ewoye, representing the Garden Club, Berma Marshall and Helen Boucher. Phyllis MacDonald is also a member of the CIB Sponsorship Sub Committee. Other members of the New Glasgow CIB Committee include Councillor Nancy Dicks, Janine Linthorne, Shannon MacIntosh, Earl MacKenzie and Sherman Knight. Several additional volunteer members will be announced soon.

The Committee also has worked on the completion of enhancements to the Town's tourism kiosk. Several members of the Committee attended the recent presentation by Home Hardware national representative and gardening expert Mark Cullen. Councillor Vince presented Mr. Cullen with a gift presentation of New Glasgow's signature flower from the Town and Committee, which was a framed print of art work by artist Lyn-Sue Wice. A renewed partnership with Proudfoot's Home Hardware is also being explored. Plans are under way for a Summer Garden Party in August in celebration of the CIB program and the civic pride demonstrated by the Town's residents. Bloomer of the Week and Garden Spotlight presentations will take place throughout the summer. "It is exciting to work with these wonderful volunteers and to see the positive citizen and business engagement in our community that supports the values of Communities in Bloom to build civic pride and community improvements through beautification and greening," says CIB Chair Vince.

New Glasgow is a member of the Circle of Excellence, non-competitive category in the national Communities in Bloom program, CIB criteria includes environmental action, heritage conservation, floral displays, landscaping, turf and ground cover, tidiness and community involvement at the municipal, business and community levels.



Representatives of CF Construction Ltd. and Summer Street Industries are shown tending to the Africentric Heritage Park Flower Bed which they adopted as part of the Communities in Bloom Adopt-a-Flower Bed program.



Members of the New Glasgow & Area Highland Garden Club participate in a volunteer planting at the Amber Kirwan Monument on the Samson Trail in New Glasgow as part of New Glasgow's new Adopt-a-Flower Bed program.



Pictured from left to right: CIB Volunteer Jacob MacDonald, CIB Sponsorship Sub-Committee Member Phyllis MacDonald; CIB Committee Chair, Councillor Trudy Vince, Marketing & Communications Summer Student Elizabeth MacIsaac, and CIB Volunteer Darcy Campbell.

New Glasgow Farmers Market Grows As Regional Asset



Pictured above is NGFM vendor BLM Meats.

The New Glasgow Farmers Market (NGFM) continues to grow and is experiencing a very strong season to date. Primary producers at the NGFM offer goods such as carrots, kale, spinach, leafy greens, onions, sprouts, garlic, radishes, beets, maple syrup and honey. Berries and fresh fruit of the season are also offered.

Additional primary products include beef, chicken, cheeses, eggs, lamb, pork and sometime fish. Other products at the market include a wide variety of homemade delicious baked goods, home sewn accessories, soaps and skin care products, jewellery, photography, art works, a local brewery, hand crafted scarves, toys and much, much more. Market Manager Fleur Mainville says the market has been experiencing wonderful crowds this season to date, averaging 1100-1300 per market day. Even during Hurricane Arthur approximately 800 loyal customers turned out. The NGFM has 42 different vendors weekly, filling 46 tables.

The Market has recently released a newly designed logo which will be gradually integrated into the Market's marketing materials and signage. The logo was first presented at the Saltscapes Trade Show last spring and helped showcase the NGFM as a regional asset for Pictou County. Vendors MacD's Bees, Lismore Sheep Farm and Big Cove Maple Products showcased the market and their individual products in cooperation with the Town of New Glasgow. The lovely new logo incorporates a farm, which represents the the agriculture industry and the significance of primary producers to an authentic farmers market as well as a sunflower, which symbolizes nature,

strength, creativity, warmth, positive energy and community. The water symbol is representative of the market's location by the scenic East River.

"Support from our community has been incredible," says Fleur, "We are thrilled with so many wanting to be a part of our market as well as those who support it loyally." Fleur is also excited to mention that the community kitchen is booked until the end of August with local chefs. She also says, "This is my second year with the market as manager and it is an incredible group of vendors with the same goal to serve the people of Pictou County and encourage healthy eating and supporting local."

The New Glasgow Farmers Market runs Saturdays, from 8:30 am until 12 noon each Saturday at the dome along the New Glasgow Riverfront near the free parking lot beside Century Saw and Marine behind Glasgow Square and Bridgeview Square.



Pictured to the left is vocalist Regan Keay giving a musical performance at the NGFM. Pictured to the right is NGFM vendor Friesen Farms.

New Glasgow Welcomes Travel Writers



Local Musician Fleur Mainville performs with her student Amelia Parker during a musical presentation given to visiting travel writers

Three travel writers from New York, Colorado and Ottawa visited New Glasgow earlier in the summer, brought to us by NS Tourism and our regional tourism association, Destination Eastern and Northumberland Shores (DEANS). Carlton Munroe, New Glasgow's Program and Events Manager, and Kimberly Dickson, Director of Marketing and Communications hosted the group who were escorted throughout the Northumberland Shore by a regional tourism representative (Monica MacNeil from Antigonish) at Glasgow Square Theatre and along the beautiful New Glasgow Riverfront.

The program presented included a tour of the theatre and its use as both an indoor and outdoor venue, performances by singer/songwriter Jim Dorie, vocalist/fiddler Fleur Mainville and two Highland Dancers, as well as an official "cry" by award winning New Glasgow Town Crier, Jim Stewart. These musical and theatrical presentations took place at the Riverfront Gazebo. It was a glorious

day and the Riverfront provided a beautiful postcard setting. The group then went into the Green Room where the writers saw a marketing display on New Glasgow as well as art displays by youth artists Ben and Abby Coleman as well as sampling delicious items provided by BaKED Food Cafe.

Interviews were conducted with Jim Dorie, Carleton Munroe on the Music Jubilee, Sue Kajic, co-owner of BaKED, Ben and Abby Coleman, Jim Stewart and Fleur Mainville. "The writers experienced a snapshot of the culture, music and heritage of New Glasgow and learned of the stories of our several of our talented people- artists, musicians and an entrepreneur," says Communications Director Dickson. "Some videotaping and photos were also done that will be used by the writers but that DEANS will also have access to for promotional use of the community. New Glasgow was honoured to be selected as part of the Northumberland Shore showcase for these international writers. Our appreciation is extended to DEANS and the Province for including us. We look forward to seeing the results of the visit in these special publications."



Visiting travel writers pose for a photo with local youth entrepreneurs and artists Abby and Ben Coleman.

New Glasgow | Pictou County Gearing up to Host 2015 Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games

The Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games are coming to the province's Highland Region! The 2015 games will be jointly hosted by the Town of New Glasgow, The Municipality of the County of Pictou, and Destination Eastern Northumberland Shores. The three partners are looking forward to welcoming new and returning participants, and are committed to providing the athletes of the 2015 Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games with quality games, events and the extraordinary hospitality which is characteristic of our region. Pictou County is home to a unique combination of people, passion and place. Residents and visitors enjoy access to a broad range of urban amenities and high calibre recreation facilities, all while experiencing natural beauty and our historic small town charm.

"We are blessed with the natural beauty of our rural countryside and our vibrant historic downtowns. We are an age-friendly community. We embrace life-long physical and social activities, and seniors groups throughout the County are on the front line of providing these opportunities."

- Co-Chairs Councillor Nancy Dicks/Deputy Warden Andy Thompson

The vision of organizers is to provide seasoned senior athletes with the opportunity to participate in sport and to promote our region as a tourist destination. New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan supports this vision stating, "We recognize the economic, social and recreational impact that this event will have on community and our region as well as the opportunities it provides for citizens throughout Nova Scotia to participate in this quality event. We have an active 55 Plus Club and are currently one of several communities in Nova Scotia that are participating in the Age Friendly initiative with the Department of Seniors".

The Town of New Glasgow and The Municipality of the County of Pictou anticipate that hosting the 2015 55 plus Games will support their ongoing commitment to creating Age-Friendly communities. Age-Friendly is a term which the Nova Scotia Department of Seniors uses to describe communities which promote active and healthy aging opportunities for seniors. An Age-Friendly community strives to provide its residents with access to a variety of services, which will enhance quality of life as people age. As today's seniors become increasingly active and healthy, the 55 Plus Games present a great opportunity for members of our community to become involved with the multitude of activities planned for this special event.

NOVA SCOTIA 55+ 2015 GAMES New Glasgow | Pictou County

A wide variety of recreational and sporting activities are planned for the 2015 Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games. These activities include both games and sports, and are sure to provide elements of "Fun, Fitness and Happiness" to all participants. The games portion of the 2015 Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games is set to offer the following events: 8 Ball, Contract bridge, Duplicate Bridge, Cribbage, Scrabble, 45s, SkipBo, Washer Toss and Darts. The sports portion of the 2015 Nova Scotia 55 Plus Games is set to offer the following events: Badminton, Floor Shuffleboard, Golf, Curling, Men's and Women's Ice Hockey, and Slo Pitch. Other sports offered include: Swimming, Tennis, Cycling (MTN), Bowling, Pickle Ball, 5 and 10K Races, soccer and Track & Field. In addition to the schedule of games and sports the Nova Scotia 55 plus Games will be offering several Demo/ Bonus Activities. These activities include: Bocci, Fishing, Guided Cycling Tour, Guided Kayaking Tour, Guided Hiking Tour, Archery, Dance, Yoga and a Waterfront Walking Tour.

Co-Chairs of the 2015 Nova Scotia 55 plus Games, Town of New Glasgow Councillor Nancy Dicks, and Municipality of the County of Pictou Deputy Warden Andy Thompson feel that Pictou County is an ideal location for 2015 Nova Scotia 55 plus Games, stating that "We are blessed with the natural beauty of our rural countryside and our vibrant historic downtowns. We are an age-friendly community. We embrace life-long physical and social activities, and seniors groups throughout the County are on the front line of providing these opportunities. The 2015 55 Plus Games will have a lasting legacy in both Pictou County and Nova Scotia by promoting healthy and active lifestyles for all ages. We are ready for the challenge of hosting this exciting and prestigious event".

In preparation for the games, The Town of New Glasgow's Community Economic Development Department will be offering Try It sessions for seniors to learn and practice the sports offered at the event in a relaxed and fun environment. The sessions will be held at the Bluenose Curling Club, 234 Park Street, on August 6th and 13th, both from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm and are free of charge!

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Their Royal Highnesses Charles, Prince of Wales and Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall are greeted by The Honourable Peter MacKay Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, and wife Nazanin Afshin-Jam MacKay.



The Honourable Peter MacKay, Vicki Heyman, New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan, US Ambassador to Canada Bruce Heyman, Nazanin Afshin-Jam MacKay and son, Kian pose for a picture outside of Town Hall prior to a tour of the building.



Lisa MacDonald, New Glasgow CAO is pictured with Vicki Heyman, wife of US Ambassador to Canada Bruce Heyman, during a visit to Town Hall. The Heymans were given an overview of New Glasgow's history and current profile.



Local History Clerk at the New Glasgow Library Karen MacLeod receives a special retirement gift and thank you from New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan (centre), and Councillor Troy MacCulloch on behalf of the Town of New Glasgow.



His Honour Brigadier-General The Honourable John James Grant CMM, ONS, CD (Ret'd), Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and Her Honour Mrs. Joan Grant receive a token of appreciation from Mayor MacMillan during the Nova Scotia Music Festival held in New Glasgow.



New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan poses with New Glasgow native Natalie Alcorn, a member of the Stadacona Band, during a fundraising event for the Pioneer Cemetery restoration.



Mayor Barrie MacMillan and Jim MacKenna, Chair of the New Glasgow Recreation Committee, present Craig Smith (centre) with the Volunteer of the year award.



Robert C. Krause, Battalion Chief, Toledo Fire & Rescue, Toledo, Ohio and his wife pose for a photo with New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan before departing for a scenic lobster boat tour.



Jim MacKenna, Chair of the New Glasgow Recreation Committee, is pictured with Norma MacLeod New Glasgow's Recreation Coordinator as they check out one of the new trail map kiosk signs erected in late spring.



Boats lined the Crabby J's Marina along the New Glasgow Riverfront to find a safe haven from Tropical Storm Arthur.



Tropical Storm Arthur caused loss of trees and branches throughout the Town of New Glasgow.

Stay Connected in New Glasgow Wi Fi Hotspots See High Traffic

The Town of New Glasgow in partnership with the New Glasgow Business Advisory Committee has launched a new wireless internet project which has seen the creation of several Wi-Fi hotspots throughout the Town of New Glasgow. Currently there are 11 hotspots, with another 10 being installed in the near future. This new initiative invites business owners to work together to make New Glasgow a more "Business Friendly" place to do business, as well as a more appealing location to live and visit. This progressive vision will be supported through the cooperation of local businesses owners who share a commitment to promoting the Town of New Glasgow as a connected and consumer friendly commercial hub.

New Glasgow Mayor and Chair of the New Glasgow Business Advisory Committee Barrie MacMillan, views the newly implemented Public Wi-Fi network as a positive investment in our local business community, stating that "It is our goal that the Wi-Fi Flourish Network will be a big step forward in making New Glasgow a very connected place to do business and to visit. We look forward to strong participation of the business community and we believe that through this partnership we will enhance the experience of business and leisure travellers and establish New Glasgow as a place that will enable people to connect with their networks and the world while enjoying all that our community has to offer". The Town of New Glasgow has noticed a significant increase in mobile devices accessing the Town of New Glasgow website since the installation of Wi-Fi hotspots

Vice-Chair of the New Glasgow Business Advisory Committee, Jim Fitt believes that this increased level of Wi-Fi connectivity will benefit the Town of New Glasgow in several different ways: promoting New Glasgow as a more inviting tourist destination,

creating more electronically accessible public spaces, increased consumer traffic to locations with public Wi-Fi connections, an increased amount of time spent in our businesses and by default our geographic area, greater brand recognition and the opportunity to be more effective business leaders.

Mr. Fitt urges business owners to consider connecting to the Flourish Wi-Fi network in an effort to "Help New Glasgow demonstrate that we are the commercial hub of this community by providing business a better way to do business. Your visitors care if you offer Wi-Fi. Strengthen your brand and provide greater customer service through this exclusive technology brought to you from the Town of New Glasgow. The Flourish Wi-Fi network is live and you can now be a part of this wireless eco-system- all you need to do is order your own Flourish Router for \$199 and you're set to go," says Fitt.

Current Wi-Fi hotspots are located at: New Glasgow Town Hall, New Glasgow Farmers Market, Laurie Peace Park, New Glasgow Fire Department, Riverfront Gazebo (near Glasgow Square), Rotary Park, Glasgow Square (inside), NSCAD-New Glasgow Community Studio, West Side Community Centre, Ward 1 Recreation Centre and the North End Recreation Centre. The cost for the router is \$199 and businesses wishing to explore the possibility of Public Wi-Fi connectivity are encouraged to contact Tara at 755-1884 for more detailed information.



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the closing exhibit of the NSCAD New Glasgow Artists in Residence and exhibits at the Margaret George Art Gallery and Even Tide Art Hub Look up Art Gallery, and you have a town bursting with character, personality and cultural opportunities. We were sad to say farewell to our three artists in residence, Morgan Salter, M.E. Sparks and Brianne Williams, but so pleased with their contributions to our community. We know these bright young talents will continue to be successful and shine.

Our Marina provides a scenic setting and Marina Operator, Jamie Davidson recently welcomed boaters for an event called, "Crusin' the River" that showcased our beautiful marina. The newly restored Pioneer Cemetery has proven to be of great interest to those searching out their genealogy as well as the multitude of information available at the New Glasgow Library and through the Pictou County Roots Society. Local volunteers are even giving tours of this historic site and there is a special connection to the Ship Hector with several of the Hector's passengers as well as many of New Glasgow's leading pioneers laid to rest in this cemetery. The Fall promises to be as just as exciting with New Glasgow Culture Days in September and the annual Farmers Market Harvest Time event in October as well as fall line-ups for our two performing arts centres.

These events, along with a dynamic and growing New Glasgow Regional Farmers Market, an eclectic and vibrant dining sector, and charming retail outlets as well as our beautiful trail system and local museums provides an attractive destination for visitors such as those attending the Maritime Fire Chiefs Conventions as well as those celebrating milestones such as the recent 40th reunion for the Class of 1974 of New Glasgow High School or attending a special festival.

Other regional assets such as Melmerby Beach, the Ship Hector and the Museum of Industry along with the many wonderful festival hosted in the other communities of Pictou County such as the Lobster Carnival, River John Days, Trenton FunFest, Stelarton Homecoming and many others, all combine with our New Glasgow events and services to make this area an attractive destination to tourists. As we heard from the above reunion class and the delegates to the Fire Chiefs Convention, expatriates and visitors alike are delighted to enjoy all that the area has to offer. It is important for us to also take the time to appreciate our town, region and province and to take pride in the many amenities, attractions, festivals, local talent and warm hospitality.

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