



The snow has certainly made its' presence known over the past weeks within the region. As a result, the Town's snowclearing operations have been in full swing. With such cold temperatures, coupled with the blustery wind, it has caused the snow to drift. Quite often, a road that is perfectly cleared in one portion has an impassible snow drift within feet. This has been the case all too often over the past several days and weeks, but don't be discouraged...spring is just around the corner. In the meantime, we wish to give residents a friendly reminder of some of the town's regulations where they pertain to snowclearing etc. For a complete list of the Town's snowclearing regulations, please visit our website, www.pcsp.ca.

- 1. During the period from November 1st, in each year to the 30th day of April in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall park, leave or abandon any vehicle or any portion of any vehicle upon any Street Reservation within the Town:
- a) Between the hours of 12:00 Midnight to and including 8:00 a.m.; and
- b) At any time when there is a snowfall and for twelve hours after the snowfall has ceased.
- 2. Highway Traffic Snow Clearing Regulations state that with respect to the parking, drawing up or standing of vehicles in the municipality or other designated area of the province, a person shall not, during the period in each year that this regulation is in force, leave a vehicle unattended on a highway between the hours of 12 midnight and 8 a.m.;
- a) Within 3 meters of the paved portion of the highway; or
- b) If the highway is not paved, within 3 meters of the edge of the travel surface of the highway.

3. During the period from November 1st, in each year to the 30th, day of April in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall shovel, plow, blow or cause to be shoveled, plowed or blown any residue snow or ice from a driveway or parking lot unto any street within the Town

### **Snow Clearing Damage**

- 4. a. The Town will not be responsible for any damage caused within the Street Reservation, or at the very least, 20 feet from the road center line. This includes damage to fences, garbage boxes, trees, private mailboxes, etc.; damage caused by "weight of snow" or "lawn browning"; damage caused to trees on private property. All trees should be properly marked and protected i.e. painted poles (minimum height of four feet) alongside trees, to mark location.
- 5. Any unattended vehicle parked upon any street within the Town in contravention of Section 1, (a) and (b) of these Regulations may be removed and impounded by Council and the cost of such removal and storage shall be recovered from the owner as per Section 172 (1), (2) and (3) of the Municipalities Act 1999.
- 6. Any unattended vehicle parked upon any street within the Town as to obstruct traffic and in contravention with Section 2 shall be found guilty of an offense and shall be liable to a fine not less than \$445.00 and not more than \$180.00 and in default of payment of a fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten days and not less than two days as prescribed by the Highway Traffic Act R.S.N., 1990 and Amendments.
- 7. Any person in violation of shoveling, plowing, or blowing or cause to be shoveled, plowed or blown any residue snow or ice from a driveway or parking lot unto any street within the Town may be fined.



# What's going on

in Portugal Cove - St. Philip's

March 2011

## Local Youth Wins Medals for NL Shooters at Airgun Grand Prix

The 29<sup>th</sup> Canadian Air Gun Grand Prix, was recently held in Toronto, with Newfoundland netting seven medals and numerous accomplishments. Local youth, Emma Meulenkamp competed in the women's air pistol, and claimed the bronze medal. More outstanding is that this was only Emma's second out of province competition and that she was able to shoot the 5th highest qualifying score thus earning a place in the Finals. This is a huge accomplishment for a shooter who came to the sport in February of last year! After the finals were over Emma was ranked 5th overall. For more information please visit teamnl.ca.

Portions of this article were borrowed from the teamnl.ca website



# Let your voice be heard!!

As promised in the last newsletter, a new **Economic Plan** section is being added to the town website, <u>www.pscp.ca</u>, to provide updates on progress and opportunities for input. A consultation document is under development and will be posted on the site no later than March 11, 2011. This document will highlight key economic, industry and community considerations as well identify a series of questions for thought and input. This will be followed by two public consultation sessions during the last week of March, 2011. Specific dates and locations will be identified

shortly. Please visit the website for details. A business roundtable is scheduled for May.



Winter shot of St. Philip's Harbou

Complementary planning documents can also be found on the website. These include the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan, the Draft Municipal Plan and the 2008-2010 Town Strategic Plan. For those who will be unable to attend the consultation session, a feedback form will also be provided. For more information, please contact Christine Snow, Executive Director, Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board at 753-5554 or <a href="mailto:christines@nearedb.ca">christines@nearedb.ca</a>.



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# New Director of Public Works for PCSP

The Town wishes to welcome its newest staff member Mr. Bernard Manning. Bernie is the Town's Director of Public W o r k s a n d w a s previously working with the City of Mount Pearl's Engineering Services in

Facilities and Infrastructure and brings with him 11 years of Municipal experience. Bernie has a Bachelors Degree with a Major in Geography. He is also currently completing his Masters in Project Management with Memorial University.

# .Time is running out...

The deadline date for payment of 2011 taxes is March 31, 2011. If paid by this date you will receive a 5% discount on your property tax portion (conditions apply). After this date, interest will be



added at the rate of 1% per month on the unpaid balance on accounts not paid in full (with the exception of those having the interest- free payment plan in place). To make payment arrangements please call 895-8000 ext. 259.

Also, there is an additional discount for property owners (on their principal place of residence) if they receive the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS). Please see your property tax invoice for details on discounts and payment options, or call the Town Office.

### **Beautification Committee**

The Recreation Department is looking for volunteers interested in becoming a member of the Beautification Committee. The mandate of the committee would be to develop a plan to improve the cleanliness of the town and to find ways to promote awareness of keeping the town tidy and litter free. Anyone interested can call 895-8000 Ext 4 or e-mail jmartin@pcsp.ca.



The Recreation Department will be offering a fitness program for older adults. Looking to improve your balance, become stronger, increase bone density? Join us in this chair based fitness class where we will work on keeping you stronger longer. No experience necessary, join us twice a week for good music and lots of fun.

Individuals with arthritis are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions about this program or wish to register please contact Jennifer at 895-8000 Ext 4 or e-mail Jennifer.martin@pcsp.ca



The Portugal Cove – St. Philip's Public Library would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have donated books and other materials to our facility over the past number of years. However due to our limited space we would like to request at this time that residents please find alternative organizations to donate their reading materials. Again the Town thanks you for your generosity

# **Ball Hockey Tournament**

The Town of Torbay is holding a ball hockey tournament on Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>. Any residents interested in entering a team to represent Portugal Cove-St. Philip's is asked to contact Jennifer at 895-8000 Ext 4 or e-mail Jennifer.martin@pcsp.ca

Must be 18 years of age or older.

### Winter Carnival Adult Dance

Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00pm

Music by "Mr. Music"

\$5 single

To purchase tickets call Jennifer at 895-8000 Ext 4 or Bev Sharpe at 685-9202

# **March 2011**

# If your Community Group has an event they would like listed in this calendar please call 895-8000, ext: 7 to provide details. Saturday Thursday Patrick's Day 31 Wednesday **Tuesday** 27

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