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# The Tickle Newsletter July - August 2017

# Student Enrichment Awards



Alexandra Janes: Row 2 (3rd from left) Justine Yick: Row 2 (3rd from right)

Congratulations to PCSP's own Alexandra Janes and Justine Yick for being among the recipients of the 2017 Research Inspired Student Enrichment (RISE) Awards. Alexandra received \$7,200 with a recommendation to the Da Vinci Engineering Enrichment Program. Justine received \$8,500 with a recommendation to the Boston Leadership Institute.

The RISE Awards are given to students who demonstrate academic excellence in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Successful applicants will attend one of the research-related enrichment programs: the Research Science Institute located in at Massachusetts Institute of Technology; the Boston Leadership Institute located in Wellesley, Massachusetts; or the Da Vinci Engineering Enrichment Program located at the University of Toronto. To be considered for these awards, high school students are assessed on their academic achievement and must submit a written essay which demonstrates a broad understanding of research and development as it relates to Newfoundland and Labrador. Congratulations Alexandra and Justine!

# **Our New Municipal Enforcement Officers**



The Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's, in partnership with the Town of Torbay, recently welcomed the Commissionaires for the provision of Municipal Enforcement services to both communities. For more than 80 years, the Commissionaires have been in the business of protecting people and property by providing security services for both public and private sector clients as well as enforcement services for Canadian municipalities. Their mandate is to provide employment for former members of the Canadian Armed Forces, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and others who are dedicated to security and protection. They have a well-established history of integrity and experience.

Our communities are enthusiastic about the level of professionalism and safety our new Municipal Enforcement Officers will bring to our residents. These men and women will provide regular patrols throughout the community, security services for community events, regulation enforcement services, as well as liaise with the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary on criminal matters. Ticketing potential for our new Municipal Enforcement Officers is also currently in the works.

If you see their marked vehicle around your neighbourhood, stop and have a conversation, let them know your concerns, get to know your new Municipal Enforcement Officers. They are here for your safety and security.

## **Cover Photo:**

Brada Sharpe and Katie Royal show off their talent and national pride for Canada Day. Happy 150th birthday Canada!

# A Seaworthy Salvage



On May 23rd, 2017 the contractors who are working on upgrades to the Portugal Cove Ferry wharf excavated an anchor that was a potential hazard to ferry traffic from the water. It had been found by divers a couple of weeks earlier in the surrounding area. However, when divers were in the water again, they found that it had moved closer to the ferry dock. It was assumed it had been dragged in by pack ice. It was found in the area where the ferry would travel

over and was immediately deemed a hazard by the Department of Transportation. Divers were sent down with rope that was attached to the anchor for an excavator to retrieve it. The Department of Transportation and Works contacted the Town and the Heritage Coordinator, Julie, was sent to the site to assess check it out. Julie measured the anchor and collected information from the contractors and Department of Transportation and Works staff and then reported it to the Provincial Archaeology Office (PAO).

The history of the anchor is unknown and the Town would like to keep the anchor for possible display. PAO has spoken with several researchers about this type of anchor. According to one of the Province's Marine Archaeology divers the anchor looks to be from around 1860. He has seen one almost identical aboard the Cutty Sark that is without a doubt made from the same production methods and typology. It would be a reasonable assumption that it came from a similar boat of the same time frame. Julie is pictured with the anchor for scale. It measures 14 feet from head to crown (top to bottom) and the stock measures 14 feet as well and it is made of iron.



# If you know any information about the history of this anchor, please contact Julie at 895-5657 or julie.pomeroy@pcsp.ca

## COLLECTIVE MEMORIES BOOKLET

The Heritage Foundation and Public Folklore students from MUN FOLK6740 are working on creating a booklet of the stories that were collected during the Memory Mug Up in the spring. *Stay tuned for details!* 

## FAMILY HISTORY CLUB

The Family History Club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 2:30pm - 4:30pm. If you would like to join let us know!

The PCSP Heritage Committee is now on summer hiatus. They will pick up again in September. New members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining the committee please contact Julie 894-5657 julie. pomeroy@pcsp.ca

# Beachy Cove Girl Guides

Give your daughter the tools and resources she needs to achieve greatness while doing fun things with friends! Registration for girls K-12 is open at www.girlguides.ca.

Looking for a way to get involved within your community? Adults can volunteer and make a difference. Contact Claudine at claudineggc@hotmail.com for further info.



# Municipal Awareness Day



During Municipal Awareness Day on May 10th, The Town of Torbay, The Town of Pouch Cove and the Town of Portugal Cove signed a Regional Mutual Aid Agreement between the Volunteer Fire Departments of each town. This agreement formalized the ability for each



fire department to request aid of another in our region. It just goes to show the dedication of our volunteer firefighters to their duty to not just protect our Town, but to be there for our neighbours and friends as well. We are proud to be a part of this agreement, but hope no event shall ever happen that we will need to call upon each other.

Also during Municipal Awareness Day, the Town Hall welcomed in students from Beachy Cove Elementary so they got an up close view of what their Town does for them! They had a chance to tour our fire hall, our construction equipment and garbage/recycling trucks. They were also brought in to see the inner workings of the Town Hall and got to meet with our very own Mayor! It was a great day for everyone involved and hopefully we've inspired some future politicians or municipal staff!

# Spurrells Bridge Reopening!



After some needed construction work, it's with great pleasure we can say the Spurrells Bridge is now reopened to the public. The new Spurrells Road Bridge was officially opened at 2 p.m. on May 3rd. Present at the ribbon cutting ceremony was (L-R) Mike Sparrow (Pyrmaid), Deputy Mayor Gavin Will, Mayor Moses Tucker and Rick Appleby (Exp).

# VFD OPEN AIR BURNING PERMITS



Within the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's, you are required to obtain a burning permit all year round. During the provincial forest fire season, you are required to obtain both a provincial permit from the Department of Forestry in Paddy's Pond as well as a Town permit.

The 2017 Provincial Forest Fire season began May 1st and therefore you MUST obtain your provincial permit prior to your application for a Town permit. Town permits will not be granted without presenting the provincial permit. Paddy's Pond is the only regional location for the Department of Forestry where these permits can be acquired.

If you have any questions regarding burning or permits, please call the Fire Department at 895-8000.

## **TWEET US!**

Our Twitter account is the place to be because of you! Over the past months, we've seen a rise in engagement through our @PCSPnl Twitter account with residents who tweet us with good news, bad news and all the news in between. We want to continue keeping an open and engaging discussion through our many social media platforms, as well as our traditional mediums! We have seen a rise of reporting issues, missing pets, asking us questions and participation in our campaigns (such as #PCSPCleanUp). Keep it up, and if you have any questions regarding our Twitter

account or any of our social media accounts, please feel free to contact Jacqueline Clarke, Communications Coordinator, at 895-8000 ext. 271 or **jacqueline.clarke@pcsp.ca**. We always want to hear from you, in whatever way you choose to communicate!

# welcome to

Portugal Gove St. Philip's

# be connected

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Keep connected to your Town with our new notification system. This new feature from your town allows you to stay connected to the most important updates!

## be aware.

We have alerts for everything. Garbage and recycling reminders, service interruptions, emergency notifications, program updates and even facility closures. It's as simple as visiting our website and clicking 'PCSP Connects' and following the instructions to sign up.

## be informed.

Are you interested in receiving garbage and recycling reminders for your area? Or registration/cancellation of recreation programs? Pick and choose the alerts you wish to receive through text, email or a phone call!

## be here.

If you live outside of Portugal Cover St. Philip's, but work in the area, you are welcome to sign up! All you'll need is your work address and you can receive updates and alerts in relation to the area you work. You will also still have the option to sign up for all updates you'd like to receive:

## be savvy.

We recommend signing up for text alerts, as you will get them straight to your phone at any time. But you can sign up with a home number to receive voice calls or email as well, or you can choose to receive all three methods. The choice is up to you,

## Visit www.pcsp.ca and click PCSP Connects to begin registration

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# IT'S A TOILET NOT A TRASH CAN

Wet wipes, baby wipes, sanitary wipes, disinfectant wipes, whatever name they go by, they have been a nightmare for the Town of Portugal Cove - St. Philip's for the last few years.

Terms like "biodegradable," "flushable" and "sewer safe" have been stamped on the sides of the packages claiming there is no harm in putting them down the toilet. Out of sight, out of mind, right? However, once they are in the sewer system, they create headaches for the Town's Water & Wastewater crews.

When residents see "biodegradable" or "environmentally friendly" they are lead to believe that these wipes are safe to put down the toilet, however just one wipe can get caught within the system starting a chain reaction as they gather together and start to block the system. Unlike toilet paper, these wipes do NOT breakdown in water.

It is not an easy problem to solve. The wipes are clogging up our underground infrastructure and lift station pumps and the only way to remove them is to physically get in and remove them by hand.

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## Grease

- Baby/Facial/ **Cleansing Wipes**
- Tampons
- Sanitary napkins
- Medication
- Hair
- Dental Floss
- Cotton Swabs/ Balls
- Bandages
- Rags and Towels
- Rubber Items
- Fat/Cooking Oil/

- Clothing Labels
- Candy/Food Wrappers
- Syringes
- Cigarette Butts
- Disposable Toilet **Brushes**
- Kitty Litter
- Aquarium Gra
- Plastic Items

• Fruit Stickers

• Paper Towels

- Diapers

The sanitary sewer infrastructure is based mainly on gravity. Everything flows downhill until it is unable to, then it is collected in lift stations and pumped further along until it reaches an elevation where it can once again flow by gravity. When these wipes get knotted and bind up the pumps in our lift stations, the pumps overheat and can no longer propel the sewage through the system. When the lift stations are unable to pump, the sewage starts to back up the line and cause problems. It's at this point that residents in the lowest elevation areas may start to notice sewer back up issues.

As part of the Town's Water & Sewer Regulations, all homes connected to the Town's sanitary sewer MUST have a check valve / backflow prevention device approved for the use on sewage lines installed on every sewage service pipe. This device prevents sewage from backing up into your home in the event there is an issue in the main lines.

Next time you flush your toilet remember, the only thing that should be flushed are the "Three P's", Pee, Poop, and Paper. For more information, contact the Water & Wasterwater Division of Public Works at 895-8000 ext. 270.

July - August 2017

# Garden Competition 2017

Judging will take place week of August 14-18 Deadline for registration is Friday, August 11 Contact Julie to register: 895-5657



\*Best Landscape Design \*Best Kept Property \*Best Veggie/Fruit Garden \*Greenest Garden \*Business Beautification Award \*People's Choice \*Best Wild Garden



A description of each category is available at www.pcip.ca

Portugal Gove St. Philip's

# Rainbow 50+ Club

Weekly Club meetings will take place on Thursdays from 7:30-9:30pm beginning July 6 through September 8th.

## Thursday, July 6th

Start of Thursday night cards/darts. FREE event for Regatta Week.

## July 7th

Town sponsored Seniors BOAT TOUR with Gatherall's including FISH & CHIPS from Paddy's. Transportation provided. Call Mike Stone at 895-5671

## August 11th

Bell Island Legion, invitation by Bell Island 50 Plus Club. Sept. 8th

Weekly Club meetings move back to Fridays from 2:00-4:00pm. We are always looking for new members. You will enjoy making new friends while visiting with old ones.

For more information: call Paula @ 739-1303, Viola @ 895-2577, Rebecca @ 895-2343.

# St. Philip's Anglican Church

Coady's Road, St. Philip's July 29 Senior's Day July 30 Flower Service

Sub Sandwich Sale coming in September.

# Women's Institute

Regular evenings start again on Monday September 11th, and each Monday afterward at the Recreation Centre. For more information, contact Dawn Cheeseman at 895-3458.



The Killick Coast Games are a fun, friendly, summer

event that takes place in the region for participants ages 11-17. Youth can take part in ball hockey, basketball, soccer, softball and cross country running.

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This year's games are hosted by the Towns of Pouch Cove, Flat Rock and Bauline.





## **Registration:**

June 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup> to guarantee placement.

Registration will not be taken after this date.

Visit the Town website for more details: <u>www.pcsp.ca</u>



To register or for more information, please contact:

Nick Miller, Sports Coordinator Recreation & Community Services Department 895-5661 or email: nick.miller@pcsp.ca



# Congratulations Brianna Butler

Brianna received the Most Valuable Player award from Prince of Wales Collegiate Basketball!



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Can	ALA VAY Saturday, July 1st voisey's brook park
l:00pm	Flag Raising Ceremony
	Join the Mayor, members of Council, and other dignitaries as we raise the Canadian flag and sing our national anthem to officially kick off the celebrations!
l:30pm	Parade Through the Park
	Join the PCSP Hiking Walking Club and make some noise as we parade through the trails in Voisey's Brook Park! All ages welcome, bring your bikes, wagons, and strollers, and help us celebrate Canada's 150 <sup>th</sup> birthday.
2:00-4:30pm	Canada 150 Carnival
	Enjoy old fashioned carnival games, giant board games, during an afternoon of fun and surprises! Ring toss, potato sack races, tug-of-war, bouncy castle, Connect 4, face painting, a Jello eating contest and more
4:30-5:30pm	Children's Entertainer Ray Lake
	Join us for a good ol' Newfoundland and Labrador Kitchen Party! Guaranteed you'll be on your feet and havin' a time. Bring along your own instruments or join our staff in making some traditional Newfoundland instruments too!
5:00pm	BBQ Fundraiser & Birthday Cake
	Firefighters will be bringing the fire! Members of the Fire Department will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs as a fundraiser for the Town's Inclusion Committee. Help us sing Happy I50th Birthday Canada, and trust us, you won't want to miss the GIANT cake!
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	throughout the day. Portugal Gove



JANET CULL's in the RED

**FIREWORKS** 

8:45PM

10:00

Portugal Gove St. Philip's

# THÌS SUMMER @ PCSP PUBLIC LİBRARY

# Library

## **Summer Reading Program!**

Yarns for Young 'uns

Wednesdays 10:00am

## Paws 4 Stories

Coming in August

## Babies First Books

Tuesday 9:30am

## **Official Library Re-Opening**

## **Tuesday July 4th**

Come meet our Paws 4 Stories Therapy dog, enjoy a BBQ, bouncy castle and storytime with members of our Volunteer Fire Department, meet Sheila Lukins she will be reading her book "Full Speed Ahead", and stay for even more fun with kids bingo at the Recreation Centre.

Call us for more information: 895-5655 or visit pcsp.ca

St. Philip's



# Best of Portugal Gove St. Philip's

COMMUNITY AWARDS

Athletic - Volunteer -**Business** 

# Grace Codner

**Ruth Bugden** 

PCSP Lions Club

Lion Bradley Moss

Kyle Spurrell

Kaitlyn Hall

BCE Grade 5 Boys Basketball

Jonathan Lee

New Business of the Year Brewkies K9 Bakery Boutique & Spaw

Shannon Barbour

B&L General Contracting Ltd.

Sharpe's Store

Congratulations!

Valerie Abbott

Special thanks to our Guest Speaker, *Mr. Nathan Chaulk*, Youth of the Year 2016

The PCSP Garden Committee would like to inform all residents of the community about the newly expanded Community Garden. Located in Rainbow Gully Park, the Community Garden has added new beds, installed a fence, and constructed a shed. This gives the garden greater

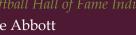
visibility, protection from the wind and animals, and

storage for all the gardening tool. Anyone interested in becoming a part of the Community Garden or would like further information, please contact Jane Aucoin aucoin89@nl.rogers.com

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The Town would like to take this opportunity to thank the Garden Committee for all the hard work they have done to make this garden as success and wish them the best of luck in the 2017 growing season. Special thanks to Kevin and Jane Aucoin who took the time to attend the 2017 Recreation Newfoundland and Labrador Community Garden Workshop to co present to other groups interested in gardening. Your knowledge and experience has assisted other communities across the province to start up their own gardens. Let's keep this Recreational Activity growing!





# Programming

## **BABYSITTING COURSE**

Time:	Saturday, July 22 <sup>nd</sup> 9:00am to 3:30pm	
Location:	Recreation Centre	
Cost:	\$50 (lunch is provided)	
	Space is limited	
<b>Registration:</b>	Online at eServices Monday July 3rd	

Registration for all fitness classes in fall begin Monday August 21<sup>st</sup>

## ADULT FITNESS (12 week Session)

Beginning:	Monday, September 11 <sup>th</sup>	
Ending:	Thursday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	
Time:	Monday's class 9:30am to 10:30am	
	Thursday's class 9:00am to 10:00am	
Location:	Recreation Centre	
Cost:	\$30.00 per person (2 classes per week)	
<b>Registration:</b>	Call Mike to register 895-5671	

## YOGA (12 week Session)

Beginning:	Monday, September 11	
Ending:	Monday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>	
Time:	6:30pm to 7:30pm	
Cost:	\$120.00 per person (drop in \$10.00)	
Location:	Recreation Centre	
<b>Registration:</b>	Call Mike to register 895-5671	

## MOMS THE BOMBS FITNESS (12 week Session)

Beginning:
Ending:
Time:
Cost:
Location:
<b>Registration:</b>
Ending: Time: Cost: Location:

## CARDIO KICKBOXING (10 week Session)

Beginning:	Wednesday, September 6 <sup>th</sup>
Ending:	Wednesday, November 15 <sup>th</sup> (1 class per week)
Time:	8:30pm to 9:30pm
Cost:	\$100.00 per person (drop in \$10.00)
Location:	Recreation Centre

## ZUMBA

Beginning:	Tuesday, September 12 <sup>th</sup> (2 classes a week)
Time:	Tuesday class 7:45pm-8:45pm
	Thursday class 8:15pm to 9:15pm
Location:	Tuesday Recreation Centre
	Thursday Beachy Cove Elementary
<b>Registration:</b>	Call Mike to register 895-5671



# Portugal Cove – St. Philip's Lions Club

#### Year End Report

PCSP Lions wound up the 2016-17 Lions year on June 30th. This year the Club donated nearly \$45,000 to various worthy causes inside and outside of our community. Nearly half of this money was spent on mobility aids for several disabled children and youth in our Town; including a new power wheelchair and an automated valet seat that assists with transfers in and out of a passenger vehicle. Several deserving families were assisted with donations for home repair, fire damage, and basic necessities. Lions donated hundreds of hours of time to events including the Fall Fair, Environmental Fair, Winter Carnival, Regatta Festivals, Christmas parade, senior's dinner and Ronald McDonald House.

This year we awarded our 10th annual Grade 6 humanitarian award and celebrated the end of an era at Beachy Cove Elementary by having a pizza party for all departing Grade 4, 5, and 6 students. Numerous charitable organizations were supported including the Arthritis Society, Bridges to Hope, Autism Society, Agnes Cowan Hostel, Kids Eat Smart, Reason for the Rink, Janeway Hospital, Bell Island Food Bank, Wabana Boys and Girls Club, PCSP Girls Auxiliary, the PCSP Girl Guides, Canadian Diabetes Association, the Lion Max Simms Camp, Lions Dog Guides program and Lions International Disaster Relief.

In addition, Lions assisted with several global efforts including collecting over 4000 pairs of eyeglasses; attending Team Broken Earth missions to Haiti and Nicaragua to provide eye care and free glasses; purchasing new bedding for a neglected school for the blind in Nicaragua, and supporting a fellow Lion traveling to Guatemala to build houses. For 100 years Lions, have dedicated themselves to helping others.

Lions hold two meetings per month from September to June and offer volunteer opportunities through service projects throughout the year. Are you looking for a new volunteer outlet or a better return on your existing volunteer time? Contact the Club at 895-0472 to find out more about how you can make a tangible, direct impact in someone else's life by becoming a member of the world's largest and most trusted service organization.



# JULY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<ul> <li>Canada Day</li> <li>PCSP Regatta Festival Opens</li> <li>PCSP Hiking/Walking Club</li> <li>Legion Memorial Day Parade</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Dory Dash 5k Run</li> <li>Breakfast at the Legion</li> <li>Petty Harbour Mini Aquarium Chase the Ace 2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCSP Summer Camp Begins</li> <li>Women's Institute Card Game</li> <li>3</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCSP Library Grand Re-Opening</li> <li>Family Bingo</li> <li>Green Team Work Starts 4</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ultimate Teen Night</li> <li>Legion Bingo</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rainbow 50+ Open House</li> <li>Family Movie Night</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Seniors Boat Tour with Gatherall's</li> <li>Youth Dance</li> <li>Vino Pittura Painting Event 7</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCSP Regatta Festival Race Day</li> <li>Hike to Goat Cove</li> <li>PCSP Hiking/Walking Club 8</li> </ul>
	Orangemen's Day	Lions Club	Legion Bingo	Rainbow 50+		PCSP Hiking/Walking Club
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			<ul> <li>Legion Bingo</li> <li>Family History Club</li> </ul>	Rainbow 50+		<ul> <li>PCSP Hiking/Walking Club</li> <li>Babysitting Course</li> </ul>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Lions Club	Legion Bingo	• Rainbow 50+		<ul> <li>PCSP Hiking/Walking Club</li> <li>St. Philip's Anglican Church Senior's Day</li> </ul>
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29

# AUGUST 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<ul> <li>Royal St. John's Regatta</li> <li>Legion Bingo</li> </ul>	Rainbow 50+	Tickle Newsletter     Submission Deadline	PCSP Hiking/Walking     Club
		1	2	3	4	5
		Lions Club	Legion Bingo	Rainbow 50+	<ul> <li>Bell Island 50+ Club – B.I. Legion</li> <li>PCSP Garden Competition</li> </ul>	PCSP Hiking/Walking Club
6	7	8	9	10	Registration Deadline <b>11</b>	12
	<ul> <li>PCSP Garden Competition Judging</li> </ul>	PCSP Garden     Competition Judging	<ul> <li>Legion Bingo</li> <li>Family History Club</li> <li>PCSP Garden Competition Judging</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rainbow 50+</li> <li>PCSP Garden Competition Judging</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCSP Garden Competition Judging</li> <li>Green Team Work Ends</li> </ul>	PCSP Hiking/Walking     Club
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	<ul> <li>Fall Programs Registration Begins</li> <li>Killick Coast Games</li> </ul>	Lions Club     Killick Coast Games	Legion Bingo     Killick Coast Games	Rainbow 50+     Killick Coast Games	Killick Coast Games	<ul> <li>PCSP Hiking/Walking Club</li> <li>Voters List Deadline</li> </ul>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			Legion Bingo	<ul> <li>Rainbow 50+</li> <li>Election Nomination Day</li> </ul>		
27	28	29	30	31		

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## A.C.E Are you polluting our ponds and streams?

Most residents are probably aware of the blue green algal blooms in Miller's Pond and some algal bloom in Murray's Pond. Such blooms are often the result of over enrichment of the

waterways by phosphates and nitrates. These chemicals can often be found in yard fertilizers and ineffective septic systems. 2016 Green Team's survey of the Beachy Cove Brook system revealed large amounts of certain water plants and algal blanket weed in the brook. The presence of such plants is further evidence of enrichment happening within our community's waterway, that can be due to elevated levels of phosphates and nitrates in the water.



Living near lakes and ponds are attractive to many people. However, vegetation such as trees and shrubs near the waterline on properties are often removed so lawns can extend all the way to the water's edge. These trees and shrubs act as a natural buffer and are very important in maintaining healthy waterways. When lawns are fertilized, a large percentage of fertilizer can end up in the surrounding ponds and streams after it rains. A preventative measure for this is keeping plant buffers next to the waterways. This is a requirement for property within Town boundaries and needs to be observed in all instances.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

This is easy! Start by planting clover to keep the lawn green, as it fixes its own less soluble nitrogen. Minimize fertilization during lawn care and always keep any buffers vegetated and full. A mixture of wild plants like willows, dogwoods and amelanchier (chuckley pear) as well as fruit trees and shrubs that take up a lot of nutrients are ideal. This is a great way to rejuvenate a lawn and add some colour and variety to the landscaping while protecting the environment. Keep septic systems in proper running order and check them yearly to make sure they are maintained to keep from creating health and environmental concerns.

Let's continue to work together to keep our waterways healthy and beautiful, leaving them to provide pleasure for generations to come. It's up to us as a community. But we can do it!

## **COMMUNITY CLEAN UP**

On Sunday May 28th, 2017 ACE and the Town hosted the Annual Clean Up. We are very grateful to everyone who took some time to come out and help clean up the Town and areas near their home. Participants were of all ages and were treated to a BBQ and bouncy castle for all their hard work.



Residents posted pictures online or emailed them to the Town with #pcspcleanup to be entered into a draw for a family gift pack. A big congratulations to Charlene Richmond who won the prize! She posted a picture on Twitter of her son, Cameron, who helped out with his Scout group in the Rainbow Gully Park. Together the Scouts group collected over 14 bags of garbage. The gift pack that included several gift cards and some neat Town swag. **Congratulations Cameron and** Charlene!

## **MEET THE GARBAGE HUNTERS!**



This brother and sister duo have been cleaning up around their home and the Greyman's Beard Trail since the snow melted. Jack (5 years) and Katie Dymond (2 years) call themselves The Garbage Hunters and have a message for everyone.

The Garbage Hunters "kindly ask those who enjoy the trail to not be litterbugs and help keep our community clean."

Great Job Jack and Katie! Keep up the good work and the Town really appreciates all that you are doing to help keep the Town clean!

#### **GREEN TEAM**

The Town has been lucky enough to receive another Green Team. This year they will be focusing on testing the water quality in our streams and ponds, concentrating on the Beachy Cove Brook area and other sites such as Millers Pond; which have had blue-green algal blooms in the past. They will be testing pH, nitrates, and phosphates etc. They will also be looking at the vegetation in the areas of the test sites. The hope is to obtain baseline information that will help to alert the Town to any issues that we can investigate further if needed. We hope that it will be possible for them to participate in the Commemorative Revitalization project as part of the WW100 Living Memorial project. They will also be participating in the Spruce Budworm Tracker program. For more information about this program check out **www.budwormtracker.ca** 

They will be working from July 4th to August 18th. Keep an eye out for them in your area and don't be afraid to say hi to them!







#### July 1 Memorial Day Gathering

This year is actually on **July 1 at 11:00.** After the ceremony, citizens are invited to the Legion for refreshments and sandwiches.

The parade participants will gather at 10:30 at St. Lawrence Church parking lot before proceeding to the war memorial.

#### **Scent Free Building**

Due to extreme health issues, please note that the Legion is a designated Scent Free Building. These are life threatening health issues so we respectfully request your cooperation.

#### **Old Fashioned BINGO!**

#### Every Wednesday Night at 8:00pm

Yes, we still have the old fashioned hard cards: PickaBingo, Early Bird, Lucky 7, and Satellite. Includes a Jackpot Game (Hard Cards). Plus Nevada Tickets and Fun! Come join us! Please bring your friends to enjoy the fun

# Having a Birthday, Wedding, Banquet, Shower, or Family Reunion?

Book your function at the Royal Canadian Legion! Great Rates - Great Hall - Great Fun! The hall has A/C and and an outdoor deck. Call 895-6521 for more information. Monday-Friday: Open at 4:00pm Saturday: Open at 12:00noon Sunday: Open at 2:00pm

#### **Legion Representative Contacts**

Len Collins, President: 895-6521 Micheal Pretty, Service Officer: 727-4674 Provincial Command: 753-6290 Looking to book a field this summer? We have you covered!

For information on how to book any of the fields, visit www.pcsp.ca or contact Nick Miller, Sports Coordinator, call 895-5661 or email: Nick.Miller@pcsp.ca

## Voisey's Brook Park - Indian Meal Line

Bill Churchill Memorial Softball Field



Weekend Tournament- \$350.00 Full Day—\$150.00 Half Day—\$100.00 Game rate- \$30.00

Vosiey's Brook Soccer Field Full Field Hour Rental—\$30.00 Half Field Hour Rental- \$15.00





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Rainbow Gully Turf Field Hour with Lights—\$150.00 Hour without Lights—\$125.00 Half Field for one Hour—\$80.00

## The Town is Calling for Sponsors

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to promote your business or organization! Have your logo featured on one of our popular fields. Contact us today for further details; there are a limited number of sponsorship signs available.

Contact Nick Miller 895-5661 or Nick.Miller@pcsp.ca



# 2017 Portugal Cove - St. Philip's Municipal Election

#### **CONSIDER MUNICIPAL POLITICS**

Municipal government matters far more in our daily lives than most people imagine. Though you might hear more about Provincial and Federal Government, it is Municipal Government that is on the ground with the people.

Getting involved is a personal decision for each candidate. Whether it is the beginning of a career as a politician looking to begin change at a grassroots level, or it's because as a community member you want to be active in the changes that affect you personally; it can be different for every candidate. Everyone should take time to discuss with family before running, as you no longer are a private citizen, but a public figure for the community. This is not to discourage, as becoming a municipal councilor is a rewarding and positive role to take.

If you have any questions regarding running, please contact Claudine Murray at 895-8000 ext. 223

#### **VOTERS LIST**

**Deadline August 26** 

Please email (using subject line "Voters List") or call the Alternate Returning Officer with your name, date of birth and civic address if you need to be added to the voters list (must be a Canadian citizen, 18 years or older on or before Election Day and a resident for 30 days or more prior to the election date).

#### **POLL CLERKS & DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICERS**

If you are interested in working (paid position) as a Poll Clerk or Deputy Returning Officer on Election Day, September 26th, please email or call the Alternate Returning Officer to submit your name for consideration. Experience preferred, but not mandatory.

For further information Claudine Murray, Alternate Returning Officer Contact info:Claudine.murray@pcsp.ca 895-8000, ext. 223

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# From the Mayor's Desk



With the summer finally upon us, we can take a moment to reflect on the great things we've been able to accomplish so far in 2017. And there has been many great things to celebrate, though the year is still young.

With great pride, we were able to formalize the agreement between The Town of Torbay and Pouch Cove to unify our volunteer fire departments. With this agreement, our towns are able to call upon one another to assist as needed in the event of a situation requiring

more aid. Our volunteers in the town have served us faithfully over the years, and we consider it our duty to help our neighbouring towns to keep all our communities safe. We're not separate, but neighbours, friends and family. With this agreement we can make sure everyone enjoys the security they're entitled to living within one of our great communities.

Keeping with our strides in safety, we are also happy to welcome the Commissionaires into our Town, with a partnership with the Town of Torbay. The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary is a fantastic organization that has a duty to be everywhere at once. We are hoping to alleviate some of that burden while addressing citizen's concerns over protection and safety with the introduction of the Commissionaires to the area. This all comes as a part of the Harmonizing of Regulations project that is currently being assessed among all six of the Killick Coast Towns. This program will allow for better enforcement services by our Commissionaires and potential economic savings in the future. Enjoying the town you live in is a basic human freedom we enjoy here in this fantastic province, and we will continue to work towards the goals to maintain a safe and enjoyable neighborhood for residents and visitors alike. With continued collaboration with our neighbouring towns, the six Mayors of the Killick Coast are also working together with MunipalitiesNL on a pilot project for Regional Governance in our area. With this project, we would be looking into expanding common services such as Garbage Collection, Snow Clearing and Water & Sewer, as well as sharing our Recreation Facilities. This can come with many benefits for all us here on the Killick Coast, and we look forward to seeing the results.

#### **DID YOU KNOW**

- 1. We have introduced our new alert system this year, PCSP Connects. With the idea of being able to connect to all residents at once in event of an emergency, this great new initiative also allows us to deliver more information straight into your homes, at your discretion. With alerts for garbage and recycling pickup reminders, alerts on recreations programs, and a variety of information from our different departments, we feel this is another great step at keeping all residents engaged in Town affairs and transparency within government. Be sure to visit our website today to sign up. While you're there, explore our new modern site that offers everything you'll need to keep in contact with your Town and to stay up-to-date with all our fun activities!
- 2. As it is 2017, we are now in an election year! Elections are exciting and a great way to view the democratic process in action. If you have ever considered running, there is no better year than now! Be sure to check our website for more information on entering the election and for voter registration to vote. Election Day is September 26th, see you at the polls!

So with school heading out, we urge all drivers to slow down in our community, as you'll see SafePCSP's new campaign out and around our town, Hey Neighbour, Please Slow Down. Keep this in mind as our roads will be filled with kids enjoying the sun and summer!

We at the Town wish you a happy and safe summer, and we'll see you at our Canada Day and Regatta Week celebrations starting July 1st!

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We want to hear from you! Send in your pictures, community events or any information you would like to see in the newsletter. Deadline for submissions for the September - October 2017 edition is 4:30pm Friday, August 4 2017. Contact Jeff Lawlor at jeff.lawlor@pcsp.ca or 895-8000 ext 222.