

# THE CENTRE POST

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## ***The Good Neighbour Club Diamond Anniversary***

***by Gail Salmon***

The Centreville Good Neighbour Club celebrated their 75 Anniversary this year. Women in the community were invited into the home of Mrs. Lois Manson on January 8, 1947, to discuss forming an organization to help the community. Roll call was taken: Mrs. Eva Wood, Mrs. Blanche Kidston, Mrs. William Hiscou, Mrs. Jessie Hiscoc, Mrs. Anne Clarke, Mrs. Ruby Pineo, Mrs. Eaton (Truman), Mrs. Babe Sweet, Mrs. Florence Jess, Mrs. Zilpha Farnsworth, Mrs. Winnie Kinsman, and their hostess, Mrs. Lois Manson. The first item for discussion was what to call the group: everyone was to come up with a name. At the next meeting, a motion to accept Mrs. Blanche Kidston's suggestion was carried. The Centreville Good Neighbour Club (GNC) began. Each club member received a maple leaf pin with black, yellow and mauve ribbons, and each paid 15 cents to join. Over the years, the membership fee increased to 25 cents and remains that today. After a few years, Mrs. Eva Wood decided they should call everyone by their first name and if they forgot, they had to pay one cent to the bank. Some ladies found this very difficult to get used to.

The members met in one of the old school classrooms, first in the school building at the end of Sherman Belcher and Centreville Road and then at the Little Red Schoolhouse. After Glooscap Elementary School was built in 1966, the building became the Centreville Community Hall in 1967. From the beginning, the GNC took on the responsibility of caring for the buildings. They had card parties and other fundraisers to help with the costs. One of their earliest fundraisers was to collect old woolens that were sent away and made into blankets. They sold these to club members and others in the community. Club members also made boxes for the soldiers at the Nova Scotia Sanatorium, made bandages for cancer patients, and worked on projects to support the Blanchard Fraser Memorial Hospital. Over the years, the club members have continued to fundraise for charities, been involved in the Annual Charity Appeal, helped individuals, and sent flowers and cards to sick and shut-in people. They continue to be good neighbours to the people in the community.

The first Big Breakfast was held on February 18, 2006, and became a regular event until its cancellation due to COVID-19. Income from breakfasts allowed them to expand the building and do other upgrades, including a new kitchen complete with a dishwasher and lots of counter space. It is a much nicer and more efficient kitchen for volunteers to prepare and serve meals. The GNC still looks for ways to help maintain the building and help the community. The hall is available to the sewing group, community meetings, and for rental for weddings and celebrations.

When the GNC moved into the new community hall, they received a grant to purchase paint, tables, and chairs. Members saved Canada Packers' labels and sent them in to purchase flatware. The card parties continued. The kitchen was built, and a stove was purchased for \$31. Prescott Neville and Laurie Ells hooked up the stove. The GNC began Fuel Suppers to pay for the heating oil. Teas and craft fairs raised additional funds. I joined the Good Neighbour Club in 1982. When I worked my first Fuel Supper, we boiled water on the stove so we could wash dishes. Hot water was installed following a change in safety standards.

In 1987, the GNC celebrated its 40th anniversary with a community tea and an anniversary cake. Club members designed a new pin that featured the Little Red Schoolhouse. At that time, there were around thirty members. Over the years, membership has ranged from more than forty to around eleven. Presently, there are sixteen, and they are always looking for new members. In 1997, the GNC had a 50th Anniversary celebration.



Today, the Good Neighbour Club continues to care for the hall with fuel suppers and Big Breakfasts. Although Covid prevented them from meeting over the last two years, they had a meeting in April. Meetings resumed in early September to discuss future plans. One of their hopes is to have a community breakfast with cake to celebrate the 75th year of the Good Neighbour Club.

### The Centre Post

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### Editor's Note


With the easing of COVID restrictions, there has been some return to a sense of normalcy. The Community Hall is open for bookings, and some groups have resumed meetings. Not everyone, though, is ready for a full return to their lives as they were pre-pandemic. I'm sure we're all good neighbours and respect each individual's choices.

Thanks to our advertisers, who make it possible for this newsletter to be available to readers at no cost. We've lost a few this year that have been with us for a very long time, and we thank them for their many years of support. Thanks to those who share their talents and contribute articles for the newsletter. We always have room for more submissions—we'd love to hear from you.


As is always the case, each issue of the newsletter coincides with a change of the season. Those who relish the heat of summer must surely have had their fill. Let's hope for a beautiful fall for preparing our properties and gardens for spring before the next issue, at which time we will be running out of time for Holiday Season preparations.

Anne-Marie


**Note:** Submissions may be edited for length and/or clarity.



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# News from the Nova Scotia Legislature

As the summer slowly ends and many things resume in the fall, our government faces many challenges. The most important is healthcare. Recently, speaking with Minister Michelle Thompson, she stated that her department reckoned they had done four years of work in one year. Much of that remains unannounced or in progress. This fall, some of that story will come out. We are optimistic that we will meet our healthcare challenges.

Likewise, in housing, there are enormous challenges. However, Nova Scotia is on track for a record housing construction year. We need it. With more people from across our country and around the world realizing what a great place our province is, we expect them to continue to flock here. That's very good news for our province. Through my Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, we will do our best to meet the housing need.

I have continued to meet with local and provincial Department of Public Works staff about the state of our roads. I recently had senior staff members drive Highway 359 from Centreville to Kentville, plus many other local roads. We have also discussed the need for flooding solutions in Centreville.

Nova Scotia is facing significant inflation for the first time in thirty years. That is a challenge for everyone—particularly those on fixed incomes, such as our seniors. Our government is helping. Applications for the Seniors Care Grant are available in my office. Please apply even if you think you might not be eligible, as this program is not being fully used. Many who are eligible simply do not apply.

Likewise, the Home Heating Assistance Program application forms will be available in late September or early October at my office.

I remain very grateful for the opportunity to serve as your MLA.

Thanks,  
John Lohr

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"Eat a live frog first thing in the morning, and nothing worse will happen to you the rest of the day."  
Mark Twain



# Chance Meeting

*by David Ward*

A few weeks ago, CBC Halifax mentioned that the Hank Snow Country Music Centre in Liverpool opened 25 years ago. It reminded me that I had met Hank years ago – by chance.

It was the mid-60s, and I was with the Prince Edward Island Department of Agriculture. CFCY radio in Charlottetown also operated the TV station. They asked the department if we would produce a weekly 15-minute farm telecast during the winter months, and my boss assigned this task to me.

Loman MacAulay was a long-time broadcaster with CFCY. He hosted a 15-minute talk show on TV, interviewing any special guest who happened to be in the city. One week, it was Hank Snow. Loman's 15-minute slot was 7:00 pm; I was on next, and I always arrived with my guest just before 7:00. And so, during commercial breaks, I had a brief chat with Hank Snow just before and just after his time with Loman. Leaving the TV studio that evening, I ran into Loman. He asked me what I thought of meeting Hank. I said that what I noticed most was his poor-fitting wig. Loman said he was surprised to realize that Hank had lyrics to the songs he sang taped to his guitar. We both agreed that perhaps Hank had attended an early Happy Hour!



Another chance meeting with someone everyone knew years ago also happened in Charlottetown and involved my friend Loman. During Old Home Week, CFCY radio had a remote studio at the fair. I provided the results of the cattle judging, live with Loman. One day, Loman asked me to wait while he interviewed Wayne and Shuster, who were appearing nightly at the Confederation Centre. Again, a brief chat before and after commercial breaks.

A year later, I was in Toronto airport and passed Johnnie Wayne, who was waiting to get into a departure lounge. He looked at me and asked, "How are things in Charlottetown?"



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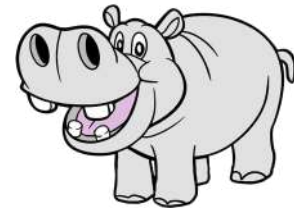
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# The Retro Hippo

by Gail Salmon



There is another new store in Centreville. On August 4th, Retro Hippo opened its doors on the ramp side of the Convenience Store building. Shelley Bezanson-Corkum and her daughter, Hannah, would love to take you down memory lane in their vintage store. I was greeted by these two vibrant, beautiful, smiley women who were more than happy to let me browse. Shelley says they hope quirky antiques and retro merchandise instill nostalgia, fun, and flare.

Shelley and Hannah started The Retro Hippo Stay and Play in the basement of their Canning home but, with these trying times, wanted to open a store. Hannah came up with the Retro Hippo name. You can see a bloat of hippos around the shop, and Hannah has input into how the store should be organized. Shelley wanted to have a business for Hannah after she graduated from high school: she has cerebral palsy and is in a wheelchair. The family decided this was a great opportunity to immerse her in the business world.

As I wander around the rows of shelves and aisles of knickknacks, antiques from the 1900s, collectables, and whatnots, I find myself smiling. I drift back to my childhood at my grandparents', looking at teacups and figurines, intricate pillows, and antiques. Shelley's uncle in Port Williams probably inspired her love of antiques. The store is full of curios that evoke memories from a distant time. My husband and I have matching monkeys from Red Rose tea in our old wall clock, and my eyes spot a collection of animals and people from those Red Rose boxes.

There is a donated candy machine that Shelley says will be filled: the money from it will be donated. I was intrigued by the stool covered in faux fur and the pillows and cushions made from old quilts. Shelley re-covered the antique chair with burlap, leaving the original material intact. Vintage black felt matador pictures captivate me as much now as they did in the late 1950s. Most of their items are bought locally or donated by families who are downsizing.

Shelley attended Horton High School and studied fashion design at Holland College. She became a stay-at-home seamstress, but it was difficult to find work in that area. Her design skills enabled her to work at Wicker Emporium, which led to a position as assistant manager at Walmart. Her skills are evident in her work making penny rugs from old material and creating zipper runners from worn-out clothes. She also finds the time to teach yoga at The Landing Spa Studio in Canning.

One more walk around the store places me in front of the counter displaying rings, earrings, and other jewelry from the 1920s to 2020. Next to these, a display of small collector cars catches my eye. Shelley says she hopes to add clothing, plants, pots, and an area to create a living decoration of your choice. I wish Hannah and Shelley success and look forward to taking a closer look at all the items I missed my first time around. The Retro Hippo is a store where you might find a new treasure every time you visit.

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The store is open from 11:00 - 5:00 Wednesday to Saturday



## 12 Gluten-free Raspberry-Ginger Muffins

**Margie Brown, My Country Magic**

### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 1/2 cups plus 1 tablespoon gluten-free all-purpose flour
- 1 large egg
- 1 cup (packed) brown sugar
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted
- 1/2 cup whole milk
- 1 teaspoon finely grated peeled ginger
- 1 1/2 cups fresh (or frozen, thawed) Vital Berries raspberries

### Directions:

- \* Preheat oven to 350°. Coat muffin pan with non-stick vegetable spray.
- \* Whisk baking powder, salt, and 1 1/2 cups flour in a medium bowl.
- \* Whisk egg, brown sugar, butter, milk, and ginger in a large bowl; mix in dry ingredients.
- \* Toss raspberries with remaining 1 tablespoon of flour in a small bowl, gently fold into batter.
- \* Divide batter among 12 muffin cups and bake until a tester inserted into centre comes out clean, 25-30 minutes.

Let cool 5 minutes in pan before serving.

Muffins can be made 1 day ahead. Store airtight at room temperature.



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## **Story from the Family Farm** by Mack Frail



My thoughts often go back to the early days when growing up in Centreville. I have a vivid memory of the days from the early 1940s. My memories make me aware of the changes that have taken place. I was born in 1935, in the middle of times described as the 'dirty thirties'. In rural communities, these hard times continued during the World War II years. I was content and happy living in these difficult times because it was the only way of life I was accustomed to. I have made the statement that my family was poor, but I didn't know it. There have been so many changes, described as progress, from those early days that it is difficult to know where to begin. After living in the period mentioned, my senses of value and appreciation of others are different from those of most people I come into contact with.

The many family farms that were located within the community of Centreville made a big difference to the community that we are presently familiar with. Modern equipment has eased the strenuous task of farming, which remains a life of long days of hard work. During my years of working on the farm, most farmers could not afford to purchase modern equipment that would make work easier for them. I remember that my father and our neighbours worked their farms with crude equipment. Most of the work was done by hand, with strong backs. I continue to live in a farming area, and I notice the wonderful equipment that farmers have to do the work for them. From an early age, I worked on farms. To earn money, I worked on neighbouring farms and in the woods. It was a simple arrangement back then that, if we didn't work, we didn't have any money. I grew up realizing that I could work and earn money and not always depend on my parents.

Big changes have taken place concerning work, from those early days to the present. Potatoes were dug with a whirligig potato digger, picked up by hand, and put into a special potato basket that the Mi'kmaq made from ash. We were paid by the number of barrels we filled. It provided work for a lot of children. During strawberry-picking time, children would wait at the ends of the driveways for the grower to come and transport them to the berry field to help with the harvest. When apple production was at its peak, the crop was harvested mostly with local help. We have reached a time when jobs that people in my generation were anxious to fill are mostly done by migrant workers. Certain crops have rotted in the fields when farmers have depended on local help to work at harvest.

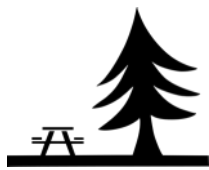
One of my earliest memories of life on the farm was when we had oxen. Several of the Centreville farmers used oxen on their farms. Oxen are slow-moving but very dependable. When teaming oxen, directions are given verbally: 'gidup' to go, 'haw' to go left, 'gee', to go right, 'whoa' to stop, and the order to 'back' up. When there were a lot fewer vehicles in the community, sounds would travel. Frank Dunham worked for our neighbours, the Kinsmans, and was not aware that he provided great entertainment when working with their oxen. Frank's orders to the oxen were mixed with gidup, haw, gee, back, whoa, and his wonderful yodel. Our family could hear him, loud and clear, when we were sitting on the front veranda of our farmhouse. The names of my parents' five sons resembled some of the commands that my father directed to our oxen. Speaking for myself, I can recall approaching my father, on the run and out of breath, when he had ordered the oxen to 'back.'

There were sounds that came from the community. The mill whistle that sounded at 8 am, 12 pm, and 6 pm provided us with the time of day. The sounds of children at play from the yard at the Centreville School, which is now the Community Hall, could be heard from a distance. When I was a student at the Centreville School, I would become distracted by the sounds that could be heard. Sam Ogilvie's blacksmith shop was located next to the school, and Sam's hammer gave a rhythmic sound when he was working at the forge. Andrew Neville's woodworking shop was where the Centreville Post Office is located now. It was part of the business that manufactured horse-drawn vehicles. The old make-and-break engines Andrew used to power the woodworking equipment made interesting sounds. I miss the trains that passed through Centreville, and when they blew their whistle at the crossings.

The population of Centreville reached 437 in 1956. The early residents were active in the community and, with a smaller population, supported the Baptist Church, a school, a community hall, an indoor ice-skating rink, and many businesses, recreations, and organizations. Most that I have just mentioned no longer exist in the community. Centreville is a much different community than it was in those days. Since the early days, Centreville has made huge progress in subdivision development and home construction, and the population recorded in 2021 had increased to 1,159 residents. A couple of businesses have recently opened in the community, and I wish them success.

Mack has submitted a story in every issue of the community newsletter since the first one, *The Centreville Voice*, was published in September 1999—23 years ago!!  
**Thank you, Mack**

# Community Clubs



## Centreville Park and Recreation Association

*by George Graves, President*

We had close to 200 baseball players this summer. John Schofield, president of the North Kings Minor Baseball Association, hopes for more next year;

We purchased enough flexible fence-top cover for all the fields;

We have had a few brush clean-ups but are awaiting the okay to burn it;

An 8-foot wide trail to the driveway is now complete. Next year we will do the same from Sherman Belcher Road to the gazebo;

We were sorry not to have had Centreville Day due to the pandemic and a lack of volunteers. Also, the fireworks were too expensive for our budget. We hope to have it next year;

Our summer student finished on September 2nd: we thank him for his efforts, and

Our new mower, Kubota model Z422, works remarkably well at the park.

Remember to take your doggie-doo home as of December 1st; after that, the garbage box provided for that purpose will be locked.

Bernie Larose of the Car Club donated \$100.00 in appreciation for the use of the park for the car show and the help that was involved with it.

Check out "Centreville Park" on Facebook for more information.

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***Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and blind can see.***

***Mark Twain***



## Good Neighbour Club

*Submitted by  
Susan Wood*

The Good Neighbour Club (GNC) celebrates its 75th Anniversary this year. Gail Salmon has written an article in this newsletter that contains some interesting information about the club and its history.

On September 1st, we held our first meeting following the summer break. Many changes that resulted from the onset of COVID-19 need to be discussed, including the future of our Big Breakfasts. None are planned at this time due to the high cost of supplies and the shortage of volunteers.

Anyone who would like to volunteer to help prepare for the Fuel Supper and/or other undertakings of the club or join the GNC, please call:

Susan: 902-678-3266, Ann: 902-678-4472,  
Liz: 902-681-2010, or Heather: 902-582-1399

The Good Neighbour Club meets on the **third Thursday of the month** at the Community Hall at 7:00 pm.

***All women are welcome.***

## Centreville 50-Plus Club "Friends Enjoying Friends"



*Submitted by Darrell E. Spurr, President*

The Centreville 50-Plus was unable to meet for two years due to COVID restrictions. Fortunately, with some restrictions lifted in the spring, we resumed our Wednesday afternoon sessions on March 23, 2022, welcoming our members back and several new members. As in previous years, we closed for summer vacation, July and August, and resumed meetings on September 7, 2022. Community members and area residents are all welcome. Come and check us out!! We meet **every Wednesday afternoon from 1:30 to 4:00** at Centreville Hall.



# News from the Municipality

**Lexi Misner**  
**Councillor District 2**



As I was writing this on the same day the community grant allocations were released through media, I thought it fitting to give an update on grants for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Community organizations received \$975,000 through the community grants process, including funding support for community halls, special events, travel assistance, community programs, and many not-for-profit organizations in our county. A complete breakdown of fund distribution is on the Kings County Facebook page, along with a link for all organizations benefiting from this commitment.

Along with funding allocated for community grants, the municipality approved close to \$1 million for the Property Tax Exemption Program. Residents whose combined family gross income is less than \$41,000 are eligible. Income received through the Veteran Allowance Act or the Paid Pension Act is exempt from this total income. Application for the Property Tax Exemption is open until December 31, 2022. You can find the complete application eligibility and information on the County Website and the Kings County Facebook page. If you require the application form, contact me and I can drop one off for you.

In May, I attended the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference in Regina. I had the opportunity to attend sessions on Indigenous-Municipal partnerships, building anti-racist and equitable municipalities, several small group meetings, and a few federal political keynotes. I had the chance to tour the Cowesses renewable energy field outside of Regina: a project owned by the Cowesses First Nation, with all profits returning to the community.

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I also completed Stepping Up: A Learning Journey for Settler Canadians, organized by Horizon's Community Development Associates. This course was extremely thought-provoking and educational, touching on topics such as Euro-Western world views, truth and justice, strengthening commitments, and owning biases.

This June, the Municipality of the County of Kings hosted Pride Month, with many events happening throughout the month. It launched on June 6, with a flag raising and several keynotes from Municipal Partners and Key Strategic Municipal Partners. Radio station Rewind 89.3 partnered with the municipality for radio interviews and several education campaign audio clips. The month ended with a Pride Summit.

Keynote speakers' topics included the importance of allyship\* in the workplace: Lived Experience, Allyship in the County of Kings, Legislative Protection, and the Municipal Vision: a Community of Communities where all people belong. All events were well attended, with a lot of praise from those in attendance.

On August 14, 2022, the Gibson Woods Baptist Church co-hosted an Emancipation Civic Ceremony with the County of Kings. The Gibson Woods Church has a capacity of 60 people, but Deacon Craig Gibson thought they would have 30 or so people in attendance. He was pleasantly surprised to see the church filled. Many community members, dignitaries, and non-government organization (NGO) representatives attended the ceremony. It was a wonderful celebration of song, history, and the sharing of refreshments.

Keep an eye out for upcoming public engagement sessions for election boundary review and positions that become available on many of our committees. These, along with all other County information, can be found online at [countyofkings.ca](http://countyofkings.ca) and [facebook.com/KingsCountyNS](https://facebook.com/KingsCountyNS). I also try to keep residents informed on my Facebook page, [facebook.com/LexieKingsCounty](https://facebook.com/LexieKingsCounty).

*\* Allyship: the quality or practice of helping or supporting other people who are part of a group treated badly or unfairly, although you are not yourself a member of this group.*

## **Update from the Marsh**

**by Gren Jones**

*NS Senior Provincial Director  
Ducks Unlimited Canada*



in collaboration with

**Kristen Noel and Mark Maddock**

Dear Readers,

As the summer draws to a close, many species of birds, including waterfowl, will be heading to their winter climates. This summer has certainly been hot and dry, and lakes in the province have been tested regularly for water quality.

Many Miner's Marsh faithful have contacted me to inquire about the lack of water, particularly in the impoundment closest to the bridge. I have visited the marsh several times, and this must have been the driest summer since it officially opened in August 2010. However, the upland surrounding it is very healthy, and the shoreline is as green as ever. We can only hope for more precipitation in the coming months. Miner's Marsh does not have a water source in the wetland: It relies on water in the form of rain and snow. A great deal of water reaches it from the Belcher Street area, and the Oakdene Park area, farther north, has a stream that flows down to it. Also, the marsh tends to flood with high tides and lots of water in the river.

In conservation work, DU uses moist-soil management practices known as *drawdowns*. The advantage is that low water levels allow wetlands to breathe and encourage the healthy growth of native vegetation. In the case of Kentville's favourite marsh, it is Mother Nature taking care of the drawdown.

I am delighted to introduce our readers to two young and enthusiastic scientists. Kristen Noel of Centreville graduated from Acadia with an MSc and is currently managing the Nova Scotia Invasive Species Council (NSISC). Mark Maddox is working towards his MSc at Acadia. A member of DUC's National Youth Advisory Council, he has been very busy with summer research.

I hope you will enjoy their updates—I am very proud to be able to network with them.

## **The Nova Scotia Invasive Species Council by Kristen Noel**

The Nova Scotia Invasive Species Council (NSISC) had quite a busy summer! From nature walks to plant surveys, we have certainly had our hands full. One project, in particular, very close to my heart (and my home of Centreville, NS) is our dog-strangling vine project.

Dog-strangling vine is a herbaceous vine with opposite, oval leaves with a pointed tip. It has star-shaped flowers with five 5-9 mm long petals, pink to dark purple in colour, that bloom from late May to mid-July. It releases feathery white seeds in late summer from yellow-green, bean-shaped seed pods that are 4-7cm long. Dog-strangling vine is a perennial, growing back from its well-established root system each year. It can grow up to 2 meters high, wrapping itself around trees and other plants or trailing along the ground. Dog-strangling vine forms dense patches of vegetation that choke out many native species. It also impacts wildlife that relies on native species for food or breeding. This plant is difficult to destroy: it produces enormous amounts of seeds spread by the wind and can also grow from root fragments. It is especially detrimental to monarch butterfly populations that mistakenly lay their eggs on it. Dog-strangling vine is not conducive to the larva completing their lifecycle, and they do not survive.

We only have two populations in all of Nova Scotia, and one of them is in Kentville on Sesame Street! We have been monitoring this population for many years and have developed a management plan that we have begun implementing. This summer, we mapped out the entirety of the population and conducted a community weed pull to remove a large portion of the plants. We also removed seed pods from any remaining plants to ensure they wouldn't drop and grow as new plants next year. We have been so grateful to have such wonderful community engagement and involvement!

You can stay up to date on news and events at:

[www.nsinvasives.ca](http://www.nsinvasives.ca).

### **Invasive Species at Miners Marsh**

Invasive species can cause a lot of damage in many different habitats, including wetlands. Invasive species quickly overtake ecosystems, out-competing native species for resources such as food and space. It is widely accepted that invasive species are an immense threat to biodiversity worldwide. In Canada alone, more than 20% of our species at risk are threatened with extinction by invasive species.

There are a few notable species found at Miners Marsh. When you enter the marsh, you will walk through a hallway of Japanese knotweed before you are greeted by multiflora rosa. If you continue a little further, you will also see a large patch of goutweed on the left, just past the observation dock. These are all common invasive species found in gardens, and they likely made their way to the marsh by hitchhiking on shoes, clothing, bikes, or pets. We are very excited to announce that we will soon have a boot-brush station at the entrance of the marsh. It will allow people to clean off their gear, helping prevent the spread of invasive species.

**Kristen Noel, NSISC**



indigenous community partners from Nunavut. The main objectives of my research are to identify the current diet and amount of plastic ingestion in thick-billed murres from Arctic Canada and to determine if these change over time in relation to climate change, specifically, sea-ice cover.

I also gained many field experiences during my first spring/summer of studies. A highlight from this spring was assisting in a collaborative project, which included Ducks Unlimited Canada and many Canadian and American partners, capturing common eiders in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. These eiders were released with satellite transmitters attached to track their movements throughout the next few years. I also assisted graduate students at the Beaubassin Research Centre, conducting waterfowl surveys and capturing Nelson's sparrows. Transmitters were attached to them to identify their habitat utilization throughout the salt marshes of New Brunswick. This spring/summer has been full of avian research, and I'm looking forward to what's in store for the future.

**Mark Maddox, holding a banded Common Eider that is ready to be released back into the bay.**



**Ducks Unlimited Canada Youth Advisory Council and Research**

**by Mark Maddox**

I am a member of the Ducks Unlimited Canada Youth Advisory Council, and I am pursuing a Masters of Science Degree (MSc) in Biology at Acadia University.

This past year, I've been fortunate to learn from DUC staff and volunteers about all the programs and methods they use to conserve, restore, and manage wetlands for waterfowl, other wildlife, and people. As a Youth Advisory Council member, I am currently contributing recommendations to DUC's leadership regarding conservation and engagement strategies on how the organization can better connect to youth.

While pursuing my Master's Degree, I've been primarily in the lab dissecting arctic seabirds. Acadia University and Environment and Climate Change Canada collected these birds in collaboration with

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## Trivia

1. Who has won the most Academy Awards?
2. How many minutes in a full week?
3. What company was originally called "Cadabra"?
4. What country drinks the most coffee per capita?
5. What's the world's fastest bird?
6. Where is the strongest human muscle located?
7. What are the five Great Lakes?
8. What is acrophobia a fear of?
9. How many notes on a standard grand piano?
10. What is the most common surname in the US?
11. Which language has more native speakers, English or Spanish?
12. What country has won the most World Cups?
13. What was the original name of the search engine, "Google"?
14. How many squares are there on a checker board?
15. What is cynophobia a fear of?
16. What is the fastest land animal?
17. How many balls on a pool table at the start of a game?
18. Chartreuse is a colour between yellow and what?

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At Centreville Baptist Church, we're beginning the 2022 fall season with optimism and hope! We are resuming our pre-pandemic programs, services, and special events, but with sensible health practices in mind.

Community members will be pleased to learn that we're holding our popular **Soup Lunches** again, on the **last Tuesday of the month**, from September to November. For the time being, they will be take-out only.

On September 30th, at 1:30 pm, the church will host a virtual service to mark the **National Day for Truth & Reconciliation**. The service has been planned by a national committee that has representation from across Canada. Everyone is welcome to join us as we watch this special service.

We're planning some special **musical events** throughout the fall, so keep watch for notices in the community and through local media.

Looking ahead, we'll begin the Advent season on Sunday, November 27th, with a **Hanging of the Greens** service at 10:30 am. As we decorate our sanctuary to prepare for the birth of the Christ Child, we'll explore the meaning behind some of our familiar Christmas decorations—and maybe add some new ones! Children are especially welcome.

The church offers worship and learning opportunities for **all ages**, including a variety of engaging Bible studies. If you are looking for a church home, spiritual care, or conversation about faith issues, please contact us at 902-678-1946. This community-oriented church has a warm welcome for you!

*Submitted by Pastor Carol Anne Janzen*

### **Centered Kids**

Centreville Baptist Church is excited to welcome children ages 6-12 for our **Centered Kids** Sunday morning program. Starting September 26, at Centered Kids, children will be given opportunities to explore faith and meaning through interactive lessons, games, and group activities.

Parents are encouraged to stay for the Sunday morning service, but they can also feel free to drop their kids off at 10:30 am and return for pick-up at 11:30 am. For registration or questions, please contact the Centreville Baptist Church at 902-678-1946 or email [nigel@cbckc.ca](mailto:nigel@cbckc.ca).

**Nigel Butterfield**  
Mentored Ministry Student Pastor  
Centreville Baptist Church



## You are invited...

Are you looking for fun and friendship? Learn more about a sisterhood stressing the importance of women supporting women and of play through social engagement.

**Sunday, October 16, 2022, 2 – 4 p.m.**

Light refreshments.

For information and registration for this free event, email [ladyhelenmrm@gmail.com](mailto:ladyhelenmrm@gmail.com)

## Fall & Winter Clothing Giveaway

at Centreville Baptist Church

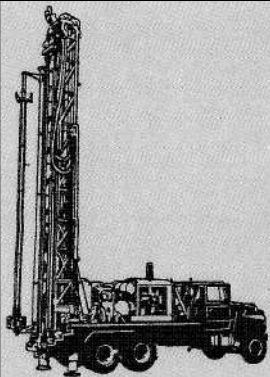
**Date:** Friday October 14, 2022

**Time:** 9:00 am - 11:00 am.

Please drop items off at church, week of October 9-13 (Mon to Thurs afternoon) to allow time for sorting and setup.

**No summer items at this time please.**

For more information, contact Madeline at 678-7584. Thanks in advance.


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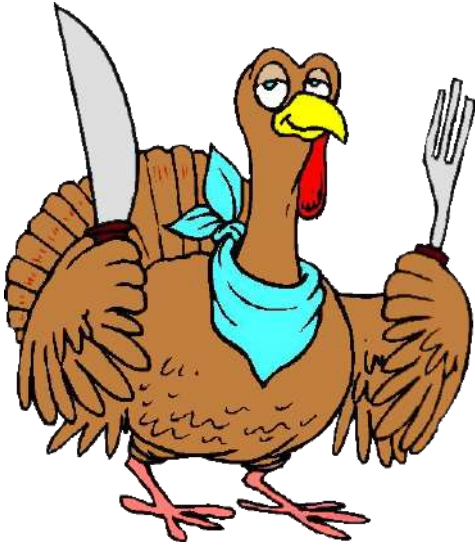
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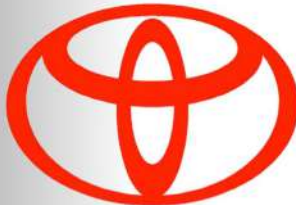
## **Centreville Hall** **Take-Out Only**

**When:** Saturday, October 22, 2022  
**Time:** 4:30 to 6:30 pm  
**Cost:** \$15.00 per adult and  
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# Community Groups



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## Pins and Needles

Anyone is welcome to join us at the Community Hall on **Thursdays**. Bring along a craft you are currently working on and a paper bag lunch, and stay for the day. Tea and coffee are available. For further information call Ann Steadman at 902-678-4472.

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## Comfort Quilts

Quilters meet at the hall on the **first Tuesday of the month** to work on 'comfort quilts'. These are made from donated fabric and are sewn and tied, then given to organizations to provide comfort to those in need.

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## TOPS

TOPS meets at the Centreville Baptist Church, Murray Drive, on **Monday evenings at 6 pm**. We are open to new members at the cost of **\$48.00 yearly**, which includes a magazine from headquarters with "Eating Sensibly" ideas and recipes. You can drop by for one free meeting. For more information contact Madeline Sheffield at 902-678-7584. **Please note changes to time and contacts.**

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## Al-Anon

Are you affected by someone else's addictions? If so, Al-Anon is for you. Al-Anon is a support group for families and friends whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking, drugs, etc. Our meetings are held **every Tuesday at 10:00 am** at the Baptist Church here in Centreville. For more information, please contact Sue at 902-681-6446.

## Good Neighbour Club

The Good Neighbour Club meets at the Centreville Hall at 7:00 pm on the **third Thursday of the month** (except June, July, August, and December). All Centreville women are welcome to attend and join the club.

### Centreville District Community Development Association (CDCDA) Board of Directors' Meetings

**Where:** Centreville Hall  
**When:** **Fourth Thursday** of the month  
**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Exceptions:** *June, July, August and December by notification*

All meetings are open to the public — come out and support your community's development!

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## Cancer Support Group

For women with or recovering from any type of cancer. Meetings are held the **second Thursday of each month** at 1:00 pm at alternating locations.

**Info:**

Dorothy 902-538-3374 [msalsman@xcountry.tv](mailto:msalsman@xcountry.tv)  
Pat 902-678-9100 [patmutch@hotmail.com](mailto:patmutch@hotmail.com)  
Margot 902-542-1466 [margotwithat@hotmail.com](mailto:margotwithat@hotmail.com)

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## '50-Plus' Club

The '50-Plus' Club meets at the Centreville Hall **every Wednesday**, 1:30 - 4:00 pm, except in July and August.



Meetings will resume in September.

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## Centreville District Park & Recreation Association

The Centreville District Park & Recreation Association meets the **third Wednesday of each month** at 7:30 pm. at Centreville Hall. Anyone interested in becoming involved or wishing to share ideas or concerns is welcome. Reach out to us on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/Centreville-Park-441549315950211>