



VILLAGE OF BIBLE HILL

ACTION ON THE HILL

August 2012

Chair's Message

We hope that you are enjoying this fine summer so far. We had a very successful Canada Day at the Airport Field venue on Jennifer Drive as there was a major construction project in progress at the Recreation Park on College Road. There have been many events happening in and around the Village. The Nova Scotia Bluegrass Festival was recently held at the Agridome and it was well attended. Also the Truro Raceway just concluded Grand Circuit Week which saw many people go to the track for the first time. There has been lots to do and we welcome visitors to our community.

There will be some traffic disruption along Pictou Road as the Village builds new sidewalks and curbing from Village Court to Village Line. Hopefully the project will progress smoothly and cause very minor delays to the motoring public. Expected start date is mid August with completion by the end of October.

In a recent change to the NSPE structure, the Village now has a seat on the Board of Directors. So far it has been interesting and there is lots of work to be done. This gem, in the heart of our community, must be turned around and we will do our best for the NSPE, our community and those that earn a living in and around the NSPE. We will keep you posted. Small Village - Big Heart!

Tom Burke,
Chair
Village of Bible Hill



Bible Hill Fire Brigade Fire Prevention

October is just around the corner, and you know what that means..... Fire Prevention Week! This year Fire Prevention Week is October 7th - 13th. 2012's theme is "Have 2 Ways Out!" The Bible Hill Fire Brigade is also bringing back our "Practice Your Escape Route" poster drawing contest for elementary school students.

Our Open House will be on **Saturday, October 13th** and we will have lots of activities and demonstrations for young and old alike! The doors will be open between 11:00am - 2:00pm. Come out to see the Brigade's new fire truck too. Everyone is welcome!



Volunteer!

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade has been serving the community since 1946. More than just firefighting, the Brigade provides essential community services such as fire prevention, community support, and emergency training to over 5000 residents. The Bible Hill Brigade also works closely with neighbouring fire brigades. Apply today and the Brigade will provide you with protective equipment, exciting training opportunities, insurance coverage, and a station wear uniform. Preliminary application forms are available at the Village of Bible Hill Office (67 Pictou Road or **893-8083**), or contact bhfire@biblehill.ca.

~ Bible Hill Fire Brigade ~
"Serving the Community of
Bible Hill
since 1946"

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Village of Bible Hill Yoga

With summer yoga coming to an end, September, brings back the Village of Bible Hill's yoga program. The yoga program will begin on Monday September 17th at 7:15pm at the Village Hall (Fire Hall). This will be a 6 week program (Monday evenings) and the cost is \$25 per person. Space is limited so if interested contact the Village Office at **893-8083** before the class is full. Prepayment at the time of registration is requested.



Regional Trail Maps

In a partnership with the Town of Truro, Municipality of Colchester and the Village of Bible Hill, a new regional trail map has been developed showing the wonder of the Cobequid Trail through the County of Colchester. This regional trail map is the first step in increasing the promotion of the wonderful trail system that allows us to explore Colchester County. The Cobequid Trail is a 16 km walking and cycling trail network through central Colchester County. The Cobequid Trail takes you along a former railway, through Acadian dykelands, through forests and along brooks, and beside the tidal Salmon River.

The new regional map has been posted on the Village of Bible Hill website (www.biblehill.ca) or you can drop by the Village Office and pick up a printed copy. With the great weather it a perfect time to get out and explore the wonder of your community trails.

Summer of Fun in Bible Hill

The Village wanted to thank everyone that participated in our Village summer camps. We had a successful summer with enthusiastic children participating in each of the summer camps. The Village would like to thank the Day Camp Counsellors for their tireless efforts to make our camps the best we ever had. Leaders are the key to success with summer camps and the Village could not have asked for a better staff. Thank you and good luck in your schooling this year.

The Village would like to send out a special "Thank You" to Bible Hill Junior High School for the use of their gymnasium during our Sports Camps. Their wide range of facilities allowed the youth to participate in more opportunities than we had expected. The smiles on their faces made every day rewarding. The Village hopes to continue the strong relationship it has with the schools in the area.

Cobequid Trail Run



The 8th Annual Cobequid Trail Run will begin and finish on the Cobequid Trail located behind the NSCC Sport and Wellness Centre. The route is an out and back flat course heading westerly out of Truro on the trail. Race begins at 9am for 5k, 10k & half marathon participants. This is an Atlantic Chip Timing event, with chip start and finish. Registration, continental breakfast, and awards will take place at the Cafeteria, NSCC Truro Campus, 36 Arthur St. Washrooms, change rooms, and showers located at the NSCC Sport and Wellness Centre are available to runners.

Sunday, August 26, 2012, Truro, Nova Scotia

Race Fees: RNS member: **\$28**
Non-member: **\$30** After August 23: **\$35**

Registration fee includes t-shirt (for first 250 runners) & one ticket to continental breakfast and awards after the run.

Register online at: www.atlanticchip.ca , call **897-3155** or contact trobblee@colchester.ca for more information.

Senior Social



For all of those young at heart the Village Senior Socials are back! Dancing, music, friends and food - what more could you ask for? Throw on your dancing shoes and make the evening yours. The socials are held once a month at the Village Hall and are open to all. The first Social will be: Wednesday, September 19 from 4pm - 6pm. For any questions please contact the Village Office at **893-8083**.

Senior Fitness

With the summer over and Senior Social's about to kick into gear, the Village will also be bringing back the Senior Fitness classes run by Laurie Gunn. The program is planned to begin in early October so watch the Village website (www.biblehill.ca) and the sign for the official start date of the class. There is a drop-in cost of \$2 per session which runs Mondays and Wednesdays. For any questions please contact the Village Office.

Back to School at Bible Hill Junior High

Bible Hill Junior High will be holding student registration on August 30th from 9 am to 12 noon. This is for students in grade 8 or 9 who have moved into the area. Please bring proof of residency such as a utility bill with the guardian's name on it as well as the address. For out of province registrations, a birth certificate will also be required.

“Back to School” Safety Tips



Many children are walking and biking to school. Younger children often lack the skills to negotiate traffic safely. **Help them by stressing the following safety rules:**

- Stop, Look and Listen for traffic
- Look in all directions before crossing
- Cross safely when the road is clear
- Walk, don't run, across the road
- If riding a bike, stop & walk it across the crosswalk
- Wait for the pedestrian walk sign
- Increase visibility and indicate your cross intention to motorists
- Follow the directions of the crossing guard



Scotia Pool Registration

Scotia Pool will be holding Fall Registration for Red Cross Swimming Lessons on Saturday, September 8th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. At this time we will also be taking registration for Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross, Rookie, Ranger and Star. If you would like more information about our programs, please call us at **893-6364**.

KidSport Grants

Social and economic obstacles prevent some young people from participating in organized sport. KidSport grants are available to help support families in need so that ALL kids can play. To be eligible you must be under 19 years of age and your sport organization must be a member of Sport Nova Scotia. For more information, please feel free to contact Bible Hill Recreation at **893-8083** or recreation@biblehill.ca.



Bible Hill 60th Anniversary Meetings

On August 1, 2013 the Village of Bible Hill will be celebrating it's 60th Anniversary. The planning has begun and we are looking for your help. If you have some great pictures of some golden memories you would like to share please drop them off at the Village Office or join us at our next meeting and help with some planning. The next meeting is to be held on September 17th at 2 o'clock. We are planning a full day of events to celebrate this event with the closing being an evening concert in our Recreation Park. Join in the fun! 67 Pictou Road.

Registration for Scouts, Cubs, and Beavers

The annual registration for Bible Hill Scouts, Cubs and Beavers is here! Stop by St. David's United Church parlour on Pictou Road in Bible Hill on Thursday, September 13, 2012 from 6:00 to 8:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact Shane Keddy at **897-1069**.



Recreation Nova Scotia Conference back in Truro

Recreation Nova Scotia is pleased to present **Recreation: The Power of Community**, RNS 15th Annual Conference and Trade Show taking place October 24th-26th at the Best Western Plus Glengarry & Central Nova Scotia Civic Centre in Truro, NS. Plan to experience a top quality program, excellent networking opportunities and a professional trade show. Register for what will prove to be a memorable experience. You will leave the conference feeling energized, connected, informed and full of new ideas! For more information on the RNS Conference check the website at www.recreationns.ca/conference or contact the RNS office at **902-425-1128**

Spartans Registration

The upcoming fall registration dates for the Cobequid Spartans Gymnastic Centre are as follows:

Friday, September 7th | 6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, September 8th | 9:00-1:00pm

Registration takes place at the GYM EX Building located on the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Grounds, 74 Ryland Avenue. For more information about schedules and pricing, please phone the gym at **895-7727** or visit our website, www.cobequidspartans.com.



Notice to Dog Owners

The Village Office often gets complaint calls from residents regarding people out walking their dogs off leash and not cleaning up after them. Colchester County Dog's Bylaw states in part that it is an offence for "every owner of a dog, other than a dog who is trained to assist and is assisting a person, from public or private property other than the owners" As well, the bylaw states that " in development areas the owner of a dog shall, while off the property occupied by the owner, keep the dog under control by means of a harness or leash, and the dog shall be deemed to be running at large where the owner fails to use such apparatus."

The Town of Truro Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the Village of Bible Hill offer dog owners the opportunity to permit their pets to freely run and play at their off-leash dog park on Marshland Drive. It is located near the Colchester Legion Stadium, the free, public facility includes more than a hectare of fenced in property that includes grassy play areas, trees and water. The dog park is open seven days a week. For the safety of dogs, their owners and the public, users are asked to please adhere to rules which are posted at the park. Please note that children under 12 years of age are not permitted in the park at any time, even with parental supervision.



Jessie will be a grade 11 student at CEC in the fall and is a former student of Bible Hill Junior High School. During his time at BHJS, Jessie was a participant in the Bible Hill Junior Bike Club. He was a dedicated and active member of our club and his leadership skills became very evident during his two years in this club. This past fall, Jessie volunteered his after school time to return to Bible Hill Junior High to serve as a leader and mentor to the 52 students participating in our bike club. He attended all of our rides, Monday to Thursday from 3pm to 5pm. His role as mentor was key to the bike program success this fall. Furthermore, Jessie intends to continue to support our Bike Club this spring. We consider ourselves very fortunate to have Jessie play a role in the development of our program.

Thank you from the Village for all you do.

Colchester SPCA

- The SPCA Dogwalk will be held on Saturday, September 15th at 10 am starting at the Victoria Park Pavilion in Truro. Pledge sheets are available at the SPCA Shelter at 408 Industrial Avenue in Truro, all local vets, and All My Pets. Every \$50 raised gets and entry for various draws. There will be a bar-b-que so come join us for lots of fun and a walk through Victoria Park. See you there!
- 2013 Colchester SPCA calendars are now available for sale at the SPCA Shelter, MacQuarrie's, all vets, Global Pets, Alderberry Gifts, Shear Haven, Pennington's, Clarence's, and Shur-Gain.
- There will be a dogwash at Shur-Gain on Willow Street on August 26th from noon till 4 pm. Rub a dub for a \$10 donation and get your dog squeaky clean.



St. David's United Church

Looking for a Sunday School program for your children? St. David's United Church, Bible Hill, (corner of Pictou Road and St. David's Avenue), runs an enjoyable, active Sunday School during their regular Sunday morning service time (10:30 am). Classes are closed for the summer months but will resume in mid-September. Parents, grandparents, and guardians can enjoy a peaceful hour of worship upstairs in the sanctuary while their children are busy learning and having fun downstairs with our capable and friendly program teachers. And it's free!!! Ages pre-school to junior high inclusive. For further details, contact the St. David's United Church office at **895-4368** and leave a message or email us at stdavidsuc@eastlink.ca. We'd love to have you join us!

Festival of Trees

It is early to be thinking about Christmas with the sun still shining all day, but the Village wanted to get creative juices flowing for people and community groups interested in having a tree at this year's Festival of Trees. All monies will be given to the community group that decorated the winning tree. This is great fundraising opportunity for a community group. At this time we are looking for community groups so please contact the Village Office at **893-8083** or email recreation@biblehill.ca. Trees will be provided by the Village of Bible Hill, you just need to provide the decorations. The Festival of Trees event is the end of November and helps kick off the Christmas holidays in Bible Hill.

