



Chair's Message

We certainly hope you enjoyed your summer. Our parks and trails were well used and enjoyed by all. The splash pad at the Recreation Park continues to be a big hit with the young children. Have you walked the newly opened extension to the Farnham Brook Trail? We hear nothing but positive comments on this latest trail addition (enter at Village Court). Coming soon to the Recreation Park will be a "natural" playground, something new in design and promises to be lots of fun for the children. At the Airport Fields, new dugouts are in place for the teams that utilize the fields.

Scotia Pool continues with its efforts to reduce operating costs and recently received a considerable donation that will eventually assist in the needed upgrades to the pool heating system.

The Saywood Sidewalk Construction Project is progressing nicely and should be completed before month end. This project was the single most costly unassisted financial expenditure that the Village has done. The results are going to be a nice addition to the area.

Our summer camps were full once again and were a great success. Thanks to our summer staff for a job well done. As well we want to recognize our Village staff, as they have been busy keeping our parks neat and clean. Thanks for a job well done.

Our Village Hall renovations are now complete. Thanks to the users for their patience during the renovation period. It is now a fresh and bright place to enjoy many of the programs that are held in the hall.

Finally, on a rather sad note for the Village, we are losing a very respected employee, namely Brendon Smithson. Brendon has been with us for six years as our Recreation Director and will be moving on to a new position with the Province of Nova Scotia. On behalf of the Village Commission, its staff and residents, we wish Brendon the best of success in his new endeavours.

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 4th -10th.

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade is also bringing back our "Practice Your Escape Route" poster drawing contest for elementary school students.

When it comes to smoke alarms in your home, it's about "location, location, location".

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign is to install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of your home, including the basement. Larger homes may need more alarms. Make sure your home smoke alarms are properly installed and maintained.

Join us at the fire station for our Open House on Saturday October 3rd and we will have lots of activities and demonstrations for young and old alike, as well as a barbecue! The doors will be open between 11:00am - 2:00pm. 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 including fire prevention, community support, and emergency training to over 5000 residents. The Brigade works closely with neighboring fire brigades.

Apply today and the Brigade will provide you with protective equipment, exciting training opportunities, insurance coverage, and station wear uniform. Just complete the preliminary application form found at the Village of Bible Hill Office (67 Pictou Road or **902-893-8083**), contact biblehillfire@gmail.com or check our website www.biblehill.ca/fire-brigade.

Village of Bible Hill - 67 Pictou Road, Bible Hill, NS B2N 2R9

Phone: **902-893-8083**

Email: clerk@biblehill.ca Web: www.biblehill.ca

Senior Fitness



With the summer over, the Village is bringing back the Senior Fitness classes run by Laurie Gunn. The program is planned to begin on September 28th. Classes will be at both 10:00am and 11:00am on Monday's and Wednesday's. There is a drop-in cost of \$2 per session. For any further information please contact the Village Office.

Scotia Pool

Fall 2015 Red Cross swimming lessons registration will begin on Saturday, August 29th from 9 - 11 am at the pool.



After School Activity Programs

The Village of Bible Hill had a successful 2014/15 academic year bringing the students of Redcliff Middle School and Bible Hill Junior High an active after school program. Eighty-seven students in the Fall of 2014 and 74 students in the Spring of 2015 took advantage of the programs. Once again the Village of Bible Hill Parks and Recreation Department will be offering the students of both schools lots of great opportunities to be active in the 2015/16 academic year. We will be offering our popular Trailblazer Program at both the Middle and Junior High Schools this Fall. Redcliff will see the Trailblazer Program two days a week and Bible Hill Junior will see one day of Trailblazers and one day of activities planned by the students attending the program. Fall programs will run for six weeks, are free of charge and a healthy snack is provided. More information on these programs on these program and registration will be available in the schools.

Canadian Tire Jumpstart

One in three Canadian families cannot afford to enroll their children in sport or recreation activities. That means that many kids are missing out. Canadian Tire Jumpstart is dedicated to removing barriers, so children can participate in organized sport and recreation. We see it as equipping kids for life, because participation in organized sport and recreation increases a child's chance for success in life.



They discover and participate. They gain self-confidence. They develop self-esteem. They learn leadership skills. Their lives become richer. This is the power of Canadian Tire Jumpstart. Canadian Tire JumpStart is a community-based charitable program that helps kids in financial need participate in organized sport and recreation. The next deadline is **October 15th, 2015**. Contact the Village Office or see our website for an application form.

Kidsport

Kidsport is a national children's charitable program that helps disadvantaged kids overcome the barriers preventing or limiting their participation in organized sport. Kidsport Nova Scotia provides funding of up to \$300/year/child for sport registration and/or equipment. The next deadline is **November 1st**. Please submit your application before this date. Contact your local Kidsport Chapter Member: Craig Burgess by calling **902-897-3181**, Fax **902-843-4065** or Email **cburgess@colchester.ca** or **recreation@colchester.ca**

So **ALL** Kids Can Play!



KidSport™

Summer of Fun in Bible Hill

The Village of Bible Hill wanted to thank everyone that participated in our Summer Day Camps. We had a great summer with enthusiastic children participating in each of the summer camps. The Village would like to thank the Day Camp Counselors, Brittany Robben, Bret Hazelton, Katelyn Bower and Anaya Gould 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. The Village hopes to continue the strong relationship it has with the schools in our area.

Senior Socials



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 come out to join us. The socials are held once a month at the Village Hall and are open to all. The first Social will be on Wednesday, September 16th from 4pm - 6pm. For any questions please contact the Village Office.

Safe Halloween

Bible Hill's Safe Halloween is an annual event supported by local businesses. Once again we will be looking for donations in the form of chips, candy, pop, juice, or a monetary donation. If you are interested in helping to provide a safe environment for the children of Bible Hill to trick or treat, please contact the Village Office at **902-893-8083**.



Maggie's Place

Maggie's Place Family Resource Centre offers a FREE drop in Parent & Tot Playgroup on Tuesday mornings from 10:00-11:30 beginning on September 15th at the Bible Hill Village Hall. All parents and caregivers with children birth to school age are welcome to join us for free play time, crafts, a healthy snack and a circle time including songs and stories. Contact Maggie's Place at **902-895-0200** for more information.

2015 Bible Hill Volunteer Award Winners



Back row: Fred Mason – Outstanding; Brenda Geldart – Outstanding; Charlie Boyce – Outstanding; Sue MacEachern – Outstanding; Jason Roberts – Outstanding; Gunther Foerster – Outstanding; David Pearston – Outstanding; Rick Hilliard – Long Term Service

Middle row: Debbie Mason – Outstanding; Avis McNutt – Outstanding; Helene Smith – Outstanding; Art Weatherby – Golden Long Term Service; Ron Logan – Golden Long Term Service; Elaine MacInnis – Outstanding

Front row: Harshini Arumugam – Young Achiever's; Anaya Gould – Young Achiever's; Rebekka Fraser – Young Achiever's; Lorna Letcher – Outstanding; Jennifer Hicks – Outstanding; Angela Ogden – Outstanding; Viraji Rupasinghe – Young Achiever's; and Alyssa MacKinnon – Young Achiever's

Missing from photo: Chloe Trites – Young Achiever's, Joey Bisson – Outstanding, Judy Smith – Outstanding,

Lynn Donnolly-Burns – Outstanding, Christina Cooke – Outstanding

25 and 50 Year Volunteer Recipients

The Village of Bible Hill's history and community was built on the strength of many of our long term volunteers. The Village is proud of the work they have done to make our community a special place. In honor of all the work long term volunteers have done, the Village of Bible Hill now plants a tree for any nominated volunteer of over 25 years and places a bench within the Village in their name. We hope this honor celebrates the long lasting legacy of these volunteers today and in the future.



This year the Village of Bible Hill celebrated three long term volunteers at the 2015 Volunteer Awards. Art Weatherby (left) - 50 years, Ron (Sunny) Logan (middle) – 50 years, Rick Hilliard (right) – 25 years, who are shown in the picture above, showing over 140 years of volunteer service between the three. To celebrate these volunteers, the Village has planted Rick Hilliard's and Ron Logan's trees in the Bible Hill Recreation Park and Art Weatherby's in the Bible Hill Cemetery. Ron and Art's benches can be found on the front lawn of the Fire Hall, facing the Bible Hill Fire Department monument, celebrating all their years of service with the Fire department.

When walking in these areas, have a look for their trees and bench along with others who have given so much to our community. The Village is looking forward to celebrating more volunteers at next year volunteer awards.

Cobequid Spartans

Registration for gymnastic and trampoline classes is on-line (www.cobequidspartans.com) with classes beginning on September 14th.



Cobequid Spartans
Gymnastics Centre

Thanks!

On Wednesday June 24th, over 100 students from Bible Hill Junior School volunteered their time to clean up sections of Bible Hill including a roadside litter pick-up on College and Pictou Road. The Village of Bible Hill would like to thank all the students that participated in the clean up, showing how caring today's youth are about our community. Our community has a bright future with such strong, supportive and passionate youth leading the way. A special thank you to Troy Baird, Lisa MacNutt and the Huskies Spirit Squad that took the lead on this program. Thank you for everything you do for our youth and community.

Interested in becoming a Spare School Crossing Guard?

Do you have some spare time? Do you like to work with children? Do you like to work outside in all kinds of weather?

If you answered yes to the above questions, why not join our team? The Village of Bible Hill is currently looking for reliable people like you to work as a Spare Crossing Guard for the current year. A School Crossing Guard provides assistance to children and other pedestrians in crossing at specified streets along school routes.



Please apply at the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road (8:30am-noon and 1:00pm to 4:30pm) or call 902-893-8083 for more information.

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Farewell

Over the past six years as the Parks & Recreation Director for the Village of Bible Hill, I had the opportunity to work with so many amazing people in the Village. Bible Hill is a thriving community that has been supportive in the development of so many new projects and programs. Recently, I have accepted a new position with the Province of Nova Scotia and will be continuing to support recreation in a wider scope. I am excited about the new challenges that lay ahead in my new position but am sad to leave a community that has given me so much. I want to thank the Commission, Parks & Recreation Committee members, schools, parents, community groups and everyone that supported me in my career over the past six years. Bible Hill is truly a progressive community and one that I have been honored to be a part of. Bible Hill will always have a place in my heart and will always be proud of what we accomplished together. *Brendon*

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2015 Jack Rabbit Run

The 2015 Jack Rabbit Run is right around the corner (Saturday Sept 19, 2015) now is the perfect time register for such a great event in our community. Check out thier Facebook group, which is offering prizes and draws for people registering.



Website -

<http://raceroster.com/events/2015/4553/jack-rabbit-run>

Facebook group -

<https://www.facebook.com/JackRabbitRun2015?pnref=story>

Terry Fox Run

The Terry Fox Run is an annual non-competitive charity event held in numerous regions around the world in commemoration of Canadian cancer activist Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope, and to raise money for cancer research. This year's local run will be at Perennia Park in Bible Hill, on Sunday, September 20 from 1-4pm. To register or for additional information, please contact **Danielle Crowe: 902-897-6362** or info@bodysolacestudio.com



A single dream. A world of hope.
The Terry Fox Foundation

Canada Day Thank You

The Village of Bible Hill would like to thank everyone that participated in this year's Canada Day event at the Bible Hill Recreation Park. The great weather and community support made a great Celebration of Canada. The Village of Bible Hill would like to thank all of the vendors that made Canada Day a great success, thier groups provided food, drinks and information that kept everyone in the celebratory mood.

Last we would like to thank everyone that participated in the Village of Bible Hill Canada Day Parade. It is the kick off for our Canada Day celebrations and nothing better than seeing all of the kids lining the road waving their flags. This year winners of the Canada Day parade were:

- 1st Place – Miss Teen Nova Scotia
- 2nd Place – Crime Stoppers

We are looking forward to expanding our parade next year and always welcome to new entries, it is a great way to bring more publicity to your community group or business!

Fall Back To Fitness Has Never Been So Easy...



ZUMBA[®]
fitness

It's back to fun and fitness at the Bible Hill Village Hall with something for everyone!

ZUMBA is back starting on Wednesday, September 9th and running every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning from 8:30 to 9:30 am. This is a great way to start your day off on the right foot with one hour of Zumba party dance fun and fitness..... guaranteed laughs and friendship...All ages and Zumba experience welcomed. You can purchase a day pass, a 10 class punch card or chose a one month unlimited Zumba option.

YOGA classes (both morning and evening) will resume this Fall with our very popular Yoga in the Park at the Clover Drive Park (continuing until Sept 18), on Friday mornings at 10:30am (weather permitting). Our nurturing yoga practices welcome all yogis, beginner to experienced. You will be greeted with open arms and hearts and encouraged to practice at your own pace in these all inclusive yoga classes. Our Thursday evening yoga practice at 5 pm will begin Sept. 10 and will run for a 12-week session from Sept. 10 to Dec. 3. (no class on Sept. 24). Our Friday morning practice at 10:00am will begin on Oct 2 and will also run for 12 weeks - from Oct. 2 to Dec.18. (Don't forget our outdoor yoga in the park class is on until Sept. 18)

Please PRE-REGISTER for all classes prior to start dates or call for more information, by contacting **Celeste** at **902-814-8000, 902-662-3009** or cchesal@gmail.com

Zumba	Mon, Wed & Fri	8:30-9:30am	Begins Wed, Sept 9
Yoga	Thursday's	5:00-6:00pm	Begins Thurs, Sept 10
Yoga in the Park	Friday's	10:30-11:30am	Continues to Sept.18th
Yoga (indoor)	Friday's	10:00-11:30am	Begins Friday, Oct.02