

**BIBLE HILL**



**VILLAGE OF BIBLE HILL**

**ACTION ON THE HILL**

**September 2017**

## Message from the Chair

As we are seeing some signs of fall in the air it is time to get ready for back to school! Please be on the watch for our children in crosswalks and along our streets. Please pay attention to our Crossing Guards as they see our children safely to school. Speaking of schools, it is wonderful to see our new "Bible Hill Consolidated Elementary School" ready to open for our new school year beginning in September.

It was a great pleasure to attend the Open House for our newly renovated RCMP station on Pictou Road. Congratulations on your beautiful new building.

It has been a busy summer construction season in our Village. The Bible Hill Guest Drive Sewer Upgrades is now almost complete. Great job done and our splash pad was only closed approximately 10 days. We will be doing some sidewalk repair this fall. Canada Day was a great success even though it was a bit soggy! Again this year, a great parade that was enjoyed by many. Thank you to all the participants that joined us. Hope to see you on the route again next year!

Our Day Camps were very successful again this year. Thank you to our Recreation Director Cody Brown and his staff for a job well done. I hope you have enjoyed your summer with all the beautiful weather. Enjoy your fall.

**Lois MacCormick,**  
*Chair*  
*Village of Bible Hill*

## Senior Fitness

It's that time of year again for Senior Fitness classes run by Laurie Gunn to start up! The program is planned to begin on October 2nd. Classes will be at both 10:00am and 11:00am on Monday and Wednesday's. There is a drop-in cost of \$2 per session. For any further information please contact the Village Office.



## Senior Socials



If you are 55+ and enjoy the waltz and foxtrot, old-time music and food, then our Senior Socials are for you! Held on the third Thursday of each month, they feature the volunteer group 'Y Senior Band', a musical group featuring fiddlers, guitar and piano. The Social begins at 4 with music and dancing, and then at 5 there is a light lunch prepared by Village staff. It is always a wonderful and FREE evening out.

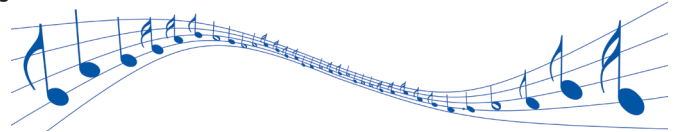
The next socials will be:

- Thursday, September 21st from 4pm – 6pm.
- Thursday, October 19th from 4pm – 6pm.
- Thursday, November 16th from 4pm – 6pm.

## Music Jamborees

Bible Hill Music Jamboree's are held monthly at the Bible Hill Village Hall from 6:30-9pm and are FREE! Come out and enjoy some great music and time with friends. The next Music Jamborees are:

- Saturday, September 16th
- Saturday, October 21st
- Saturday, November 18th



Coffee and tea is served. If you would like to find out any additional information on the Music Jamboree's, please contact Foster Stewart at **902-897-6194**.

## Like us on Facebook!

'Liking' Bible Hill Recreation on Facebook is a great way to hear about new programs and initiatives. In addition to our sign and website, all upcoming programs will be posted there, as well as pictures from past programs.

# Friendly Reminder from Bible Hill Jr. High

Bible Hill Junior High prides itself as a community minded school that appreciates the community's use of its facilities. In the coming school year, community members are asked to refrain from walking through the property during school hours. It is important the staff know who is on the property at all times.

Bible Hill Junior High also appreciates the community member's need to use the fields for their personal use as well as for their pets. We only ask that you ensure you take your garbage with you and clean up after your pets. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

# Cobequid Spartans Gymnastic Centre

We are now accepting registration for Fall classes. To register visit our website [www.cobequidspartans.com](http://www.cobequidspartans.com) or call **902-895-7727**. We are in a new 12,000 square foot facility located at 19 Lower Truro Road.

In addition to our regular classes we have added



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Beginner ninja training (5-11yr olds), diff abilities class, cross fit skill and flex class, parkour (12+), open gym drop in, and mom and tot drop in classes.

# Maggie's Place

Maggie's Place Family Resource Centre offers a FREE Parent & Tot Playgroup DROP IN at the Village Hall each Tuesday from 10:00-11:30 from September to June. Playgroups are a fun play and social time for parents/caregivers and their children from birth to school age to enjoy together. Each session consists of free play and art time, a healthy, peanut-free snack (provided by us) and ends with circle time – songs, stories and active fun. All families are welcome to join us. For more information, contact us at **902-895-0200** or check out our website: [www.maggiesplace.ca](http://www.maggiesplace.ca) or our Facebook page: Maggie's Place-Colchester. Our thanks to the United Way of Colchester County for their financial support of our program.

# Bible Hill Village Preschool



The Bible Hill Village Preschool, a fully licensed Preschool, is excited to offer the opportunity for your child to be part of our Pre-Primary class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 1-3.30pm: We have a few remaining spaces available. The Preschool is a non-profit co-op where parents have the chance to be involved in the classroom. Our play-based curriculum is offered in a modern setting .....where children can grow and learn,

develop independence and social skills. A maximum of 12 children are in each class, all teachers are fully trained Early Childhood Educators. Please visit our website and Facebook page. We look forward to hearing from you, for more info call **902-893-8062**.



# Scotia Pool

Scotia Pool has recently finished over \$400,000 worth of critical renovations and is open with a fresh new interior, washrooms and pool deck. It has also been renamed the Glen W Smith Community Pool in honour of the family whose donation made the pool's continued operation possible.

As usual, the pool offers many fitness programs offered at Scotia Pool including: Aqua Fit, Aqua Therapy, Aqua Yoga, and Aqua Zumba. Our registration for fall Red Cross Swimming Lessons will be held on Saturday, September 9th from 9-11am. A complete schedule of programs can be found at <https://biblehill.ca/scotia-pool.html>, or by calling them at **(902) 893-6364**.



The Scotia Pool Society is continuing to fundraise to support capital upgrades and operations. A bottle drive will be held on Saturday, September 16th from 9am to noon. All proceeds will go toward our new roof. Bring us your refundable beverage containers at this time OR drop them off at Subway Bottle Exchange and ask them to donate to Scotia Pool. You can also make a cash donation and we will issue a tax receipt.

As well, the Truro Legion Branch 26 Colchester is partnering with Scotia Pool in Chase the Ace on Saturday afternoons from 2-4pm. For more information about our programs contact Scotia Pool at **902-893-6364** or [scotiapool@gmail.com](mailto:scotiapool@gmail.com).

# St. David's United Church

Upcoming Fall Events at St. David's United in Bible Hill.

- Sept 17 (Sun) – Welcome Back Sunday Service (followed by luncheon and mini-harvest auction), 10:30am; come on out and see what St. David's is all about. We are a welcoming and all-inclusive church; with Sunday School and lots of activities.
- Sept 30 (Sat) – Silent Auction, 7pm, an evening of fund bidding and social time, lunch included, Church Hall.
- Oct 29 (Sun) – Country Gospel Concert, band to be confirmed, 7pm, Church Sanctuary, lunch to follow; admission by free-will offering.
- Nov 4 (Sat) – St. David's UCW Craft and Bake Sale, 9am, Church Hall.
- Nov 4 (Sat) – Roast Pork Loin Dinner (4&6pm sittings), St. David Stewards will be hosting at the Bible Hill Village Hall, \$12 (advance tickets only - phone Anna at 902-843-2085)
- Nov 18 (Sat) – St. David's UCW Poinsettia Tea, 11am-1:30pm, Church Hall.
- Dec 3 (Sun) – Canadian Bible Society Festival of Carols, 7pm, Church Sanctuary

# Safe Halloween Donations

Bible Hill's Safe Halloween is an annual event supported by local village businesses & organizations. Once again, we will be looking for donations in the form of chips, candy, pop, juice, or a monetary donation. Items such as small packs or crayons or small colouring books are also appreciated. 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** by October 19th.



# Sport and Recreation Funding Opportunities:

Program	Contact Person
<p><b>Kidsport</b> is a national children’s program that helps kids overcome the financial barriers preventing or limiting their participation in organized sport.</p> <p>Managed and operated in Nova Scotia by Sport Nova Scotia since 1994, KidSport Nova Scotia has assisted over 22,000 children totalling over \$5 Million. KidSport Nova Scotia provides funding of up to \$300/year/child for sport registration and/or equipment.</p> <p>In 2016 KidSport™ Nova Scotia allocated over \$575,000 to more than 2000 children from Sydney to Yarmouth.</p>	<p><b>Craig Burgess</b>                      Recreation Manager                      Colchester County                      Truro, NS  <b>P: 902-897-3181</b>  <b>cburgess@colchester.ca</b></p>
<p><b>Support 4 Sport</b> is a funding program through Sport Nova Scotia that can assist with purchasing sports equipment, supporting coaches, and supporting high performance athletes. It will also help support officials. If you or your child is associated with a Provincial Sport Organization it is worth looking into.</p>	<p><b>Stephanie Milbury</b>                      Administrative Assistant                      Town of Truro, NS  <b>P: 902-893-6078</b>  <b>samilbury@truro.ca</b></p>
<p><b>Jumpstart</b> funds any kids who would like to be active or learn a new sport or activity. From age 4-18, families can receive help with registration costs, equipment and/or transportation. For more information go to <a href="http://jumpstart.canadianfire.ca/en/">http://jumpstart.canadianfire.ca/en/</a></p>	<p><b>Stephanie Milbury</b>                      Administrative Assistant                      Town of Truro, NS  <b>P: 902-893-6078</b>  <b>samilbury@truro.ca</b></p>
<p><b>RECC Life</b> (Leisure Inclusion for Everyone) reduces financial barriers to programs offered by the Rath Eastlink Community Centre to help offset costs for their programming to a maximum of 75%.</p>	<p><b>Joy Hewitt</b>                      Fund Administrator  <b>P: 902-843-4817</b>  <b>jhewitt@ratheastlinkcc.ca</b></p>
<p><b>RECC Lets Play</b> is designed for children aged 4-16 and is available to multiple children in the same family. Up to \$600 per year is available and funding can be applied for any time of the year and used for repeating programs such as swimming lessons. As it is internally administrated, the turn around is very short.</p>	

## Guided Hikes:

The Village of Bible Hill Supported by Hike Nova Scotia is leading two guided hikes along our trails this autumn. These hikes are intended for adults, however all who are interested are welcome to attend. Please notify the Village by phone at (902)893-8083 if you plan to attend.

Trail/Hike Name	Date	Departure Time	Km Return	Trail difficulty	Directions & Details About the Hike
Farnham Brook Trail Bible Hill	Sunday, October 15	1:30 PM	4	Easy	Park at the end of Village Court off of Pictou Rd.
Dalhousie Agricultural Campus Trail	Sunday, November 5	7:00 PM	2	Easy	Night Hike, Park at Bible Hill Recreation Park

# Bible Hill Fire Brigade



Once again October is fast approaching. This means **Fire Prevention Week**. This year it is October 8th-14th.

In a fire, seconds count. Seconds can mean the difference between residents of our community escaping safely from a fire or having their lives end in tragedy. That's why this year's Fire Prevention Week theme: "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" is so important. It reinforces why everyone needs to have an escape plan. Here are this year's key campaign messages:

- Draw a map of your home with all members of your household, marking two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit.
- Practice your home fire drill twice a year. Conduct one at night and one during the day with everyone in your home, and practice using different ways out.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- Make sure the number of your home is clearly marked and easy for the fire department to find.
- Close doors behind you as you leave – this may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

This year the Bible Hill Fire Brigade Open House will be on October 14th from 11am-1pm and everyone is invited for BBQ, fire trucks, and events from our mutual aid partners and other agencies such as EHS, Red Cross, RCMP, DNR and more!

The brigade would like to remind you that fire prevention is a year round event. We can always play our part in preventing fires and being prepared in an event of a fire. This is also a reminder that you must check the provincial website before burning <https://novascotia.ca/burnsafe/>. This website is updated at 2pm every day and gives information about each county. As well, a reminder that there is a no burn by-law in the Village of Bible Hill. This means that only approved pits and on approved pads is allowed on top of the burning forecast from that website. For more information consult the by-law.

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade is always looking for more members. It is an excellent opportunity to receive training as well as to give back to your community. Expectations are that you are able to go to training nights, meetings, and calls when you are able to. Family and work will always take priority over the Fire Brigade. If you are curious about joining the Fire Brigade or would like more information, you can ask for an application from the Village Office, contact a firefighter if you know one, or come see us on October 14th.

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