

Bringing New People to the Area is the Focus of the Emigration Show

Seeing our region through the eyes of newcomers certainly helps us to more fully appreciate the value of the lifestyle we enjoy in Annapolis Digby! And luring new immigrants to Annapolis Digby was the objective at the Emigrate Show at Sandown Park in Esher, UK, held this past March 6 and 7.

In attendance were exhibitors from across Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the US; Economic Development Officer Joy O'Neill represented Annapolis Digby Economic Development Agency at the event.

Although this year's attendance numbers were down, eighteen solid leads were obtained, representing a wide array of professionals including nurses and accountants, as well as a geomatics engineer. Creative entrepreneurs also showed interest in our region, particularly,

an adventure tourism operator.

Nova Scotia's proximity to the UK and a more temperate climate are our key competitive advantages



L-R Booth mates: Robyn Webb from Greater Halifax Partnership and Margo Begin-Lewis from Colchester Regional Development Authority.

Photo: Joy O'Neill Annapolis Digby Economic Development Authority

over other Canadian provinces. In addition, newcomers are seeking to emigrate for better educational opportunities for their children, and the opportunity to own acreage at an affordable price.

Of course, the Emigrate Show

was perfectly timed to coincide with the launch of ADEDA's Immigration Portal, [Welcome to Annapolis Digby](#), which is

designed to lure and walk potential newcomers through the immigration and settlement process. The site features videos of couples and families who have relocated to our region, as well as a multitude of welcome messages from local ambassadors.

Attendees received a brochure outlining the advantages of living in the Annapolis Digby region,

which permits a more peaceful way of life while still remaining connected to the world. They also learned about ADEDA's "Test Drive the Community" initiative, which gives visiting potential immigrants and in-migrants the chance to meet local business people and gain a connection to the community in other ways.



If you are a past or current user of the Kings Transit bus service please complete the survey included in this month's issue of the Coastline. We would appreciate your input so we can improve the service to you.

Weymouth Fire Department

The Weymouth Fire Department has a new fire truck on order to replace an 1986 pumper. It should arrive sometime in June or July. This badly needed fire engine is a Freightliner Crew Cab coming from Metalfab in New Brunswick. This response vehicle will make it easier and increase our response efficiency.

The Weymouth department has 32 volunteer firefighters, but we are always looking for new members who are 18 years of age or older. If you are interested, please contact Chief Roy Mullen

at 837- 4066. Our firefighters meet at the hall every Wednesday night. Our monthly meeting is the second Wednesday of every month at 7pm.

We had an Awards Banquet this past May, 2009 and gave out

given to Jeremie LeBlanc for 50 years of outstanding commitment and service to the department and the community.

The Weymouth Fire Department's Annual Fun-Day is

July 10th. We are having the Bucket Brigade competition but this year there is not enough space for the Barrel Roll. As in past years, there is the Silent Auction, games of chance, bake sale, BBQ and a dance at the Legion that night, a good

time for all. So please come out and show your support.

I would like to thank the community of Weymouth for the support they have given to the Weymouth Fire Department, *Chief Roy Mullen.*



(L- R) Roy Mullen, Steve Atkins, Burdina Atkins, Jonathan Johnson, Terry Melanson, Neil Trefry, Craig Melanson, Debbie Trefry, Sally Melanson, Donald Jubin, Maxine Doucette, Danny Trefry, Paul Raymond, Lester Moulton,

(Not in Uniform) Paul Dugas

20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 year service awards to our senior volunteer firefighters. A special award was

Municipal Office Renovations means relocating to the Municipal Airport

Starting in June, the Municipal office in Seabrook will be under renovation. The renovations will include a new roof with added insulation, new windows and additional exterior insulation and cladding. A renewable energy heating system will also

be installed that will operate on either geothermal energy or with wood pellets. Among other improvements, the \$500,000 renovation will make the operation of the building more energy efficient in the winter and summer. The municipality was able to access \$190,000 in government funding through the Nova Scotia for Clean Air & Climate Change Program, part of the Department of Energy incentives to reduce energy consumption in the province. While the office is being renovated, the staff will be moving to the Municipal Airport located at 1288 Bloomfield Road in Hillgrove.

All phone numbers and email contacts will remain the same. So, remember, the Seabrook office will be closed from May 28st to early Fall, and relocated at the Municipal Airport.

Due to the renovations, Council will conduct their meetings at the following dates and locations throughout the district for the summer of 2010.

- June 28** at Bear River Fire Hall
- July 12** Freeport Fire Hall
- August 23** North Range Community Hall
- September 13** *Committee of the Whole* Culloden Baptist Church
- September 27** Weymouth Library.

Household Hazardous Waste Depot



A permanent household hazardous waste depot is now open in Digby.

Location - Digby Recycling Transfer Station, 245 Upper Cross Road, Seabrook

Hours of Operation - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Mon - Fri), 9 a.m. - noon (Sat)

Definition - A product is considered a *household hazardous waste* (HHW) if it has one of the following symbols or if it has words such as *Danger, Poisonous, Caution* or *Warning* on the label.



Accepted: (some examples)

- Propane tanks
- Automotive fluids
- Pool chemicals
- Pesticides
- Household Cleaners

NOT Accepted:

- Explosives
- Radioactive materials
- Ammunition
- PCB's and PCB contaminated materials
- Commercial, industrial or institutional waste

This depot is permitted to accept residentially generated HHW only. NO commercial waste will be accepted!





The Municipality has scheduled a **spring metal collection** for the following items only:

FRIGDES, STOVES, DISHWASHERS, MICROWAVES, WASHERS, DRYERS, DEEP FREEZES, HOT WATER HEATERS, WALL OVENS AND COOK TOPS

If your regularly scheduled collection falls on: (scheduled clean up date is in bold)

Monday (**Fri, Apr 9th**), Tuesday (**Fri, Apr 16th**), Wednesday (**Fri, Apr 23rd**), Thursday (**Fri, Apr 30th**)

For more information, please call the Municipal office at 245-4777.

Recyclables - Bag 1	Recyclables - Bag 2
<p>Paper Products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Boxboard (e.g. cereal & shoe boxes) ▶ Egg cartons ▶ Envelopes ▶ File folders ▶ Flyers, newsprint ▶ Magazines ▶ Paperback books ▶ Phone books, catalogues ▶ Writing paper 	<p>All Beverage Containers**</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Liquor bottles ▶ Milk containers <p>Glass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Bottles, jars <p>Metal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Aluminum plates, trays & foil ▶ Food cans <p>Plastic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Containers #1-7 ▶ Plastic bags 
<p>Cardboard should be flattened & bundled with a string and placed beside the recycle bags.</p> 	<p>** Beverage containers (excluding milk) can be returned to an ENVIRO-DEPOT™ for a refund. Please remove covers.</p> 

All recyclables must be clean and dry! Recyclables are required to be placed in blue bags.

For questions on recycling & composting, please contact Waste Check at 1-800-569-0039 or check out the webpage at www.wastecheck.com.

"Waste Check provides waste-reduction awareness, education and program support!"



Along the Coastline

* The Municipal Building Steering Committee is finalizing plans for the energy retrofit of the Municipal office in Seabrook. A decision on geothermal versus a biomass heating system will be made as a result of tender information. Current plans see the entire administrative staff and building department moving to the airport facility during the renovations. It is expected that municipal services will be provided from the airport location from June 1 to September 30. The Municipality of the District of Digby was successful in receiving \$190,000 in funding towards an energy retrofit of the current Municipal office building. These funds were approved through the ecoNova Scotia Fund for Clean Air and Climate change. This initiative is targeted to reduce greenhouse gas and air pollutant emissions.

*Construction of the new library in Weymouth is nearing completion with the main structure weather tight and interior being finished. The library building is expected to be completed and opened to the public this summer. The Municipality of the District of Digby have received \$278,600 in funding from the Canada-Nova Scotia Building Canada Fund towards the construction of the new library in Weymouth.

*The Municipality of the District of Digby Land Use Bylaw (LUB) and Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) for the regulation of wind turbines officially became law effective March 18, 2010. Further information on this MPS and LUB can be found on the municipal website at www.digbydistrict.ca

* Work has begun by Council on the 2010 / 2011 operating and capital budget. The CAO and Council will be meeting during the spring months to prepare for submitting budget figures for the upcoming fiscal year.

* Council has requested information from Bell Mobility, Rogers and Telus regarding the lack of cell phone coverage in several areas of the municipality.

MILESTONE RECOGNITION POLICY

The Council provides a certificate of recognition to groups or individuals for significant milestones or achievements. To find out more visit our website under the Council page

[Municipal Website-www.digbydistrict.ca](http://www.digbydistrict.ca)

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e-mail heritage@municipality.digby.ns.ca

In particular the Weymouth, Bear River and Digby Neck areas are suffering from a lack of coverage. A complaint has also been lodged with the CRTC to see if this problem can be corrected.

Nova Scotia Power Low Income Home Owner Program can help make your home more energy efficient. Just Google: **NS Power's Low Income Homeowner Program for details or call: 1-877-434-2136 or e-mail LIsavings@nspower.ca**

Council would like to congratulate the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) graduates from Digby, Barton and Sandy Cove Elementary Schools.

Council would like to congratulate:

Miriam Cuthill celebrating her 95th Birthday. Born February 17, 1915.

Allister Chipman Milner celebrating his 90th Birthday. Born March 30, 1920.

Congratulations to Gillian Stanton, Ryan Perry and Marcus Taylor on receiving the Chief Scout Award.

Council Meetings 6pm

COTW April 13

Council April 26

COTW May 10

Council May 25

Correction!

In the February issue of the Coastline the photo of the Balancing Rock should have been credited to Robert Redmond.



Photo: Robert Redmond

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