

West Side Community Picnic



Congratulations to the organizers and volunteers of this year’s West Side Community Picnic, which took place on July 8 and 9 in Grand Desert. With food, baked goods, popcorn, games, bingo, and a chocolate wheel, the event raised \$9,537!

Search and Rescue Lobster Winner

Eastern Shore Ground Search and Rescue would like to thank everyone for their participation in our recent Lobster Draw Lottery. We would like to announce that the winner was Ralph Bayers from Ship Harbour. Once again, thank you for your continued support of our work.

Thanks for the Wave!

When I moved to Nova Scotia many years ago, I thought it was a pleasant and somewhat quaint thing that people passing each other on our side roads wave and smile to each other through their windshields. Even if they had never met in person! I’ve since come to realize that there is more to it than friendliness. There is a real public safety component to it as well. See, if some bad boy is cruising around looking for someplace to loot and he comes down our road, and three people smile and wave to him, he knows he has been seen here. That makes our road not a good place to misbehave. Thank you neighbours for your wave.



--Doug Wells

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FRI AUG 11

7-10 PM TRIVIA NIGHT
6-8 PM SCAVENGER HUNT PICK-UP

SAT AUG 12

11:30 AM-3 PM CAR SHOW + FOOD TRUCKS
8 PM-1 AM 80'S / 90'S VIDEO DANCE

SUN AUG 13

10 AM-11 AM FAMILY YOGA
11:30 PM-1 PM TEDDY BEAR PICNIC
12 PM-2 PM BARBECUE
1 PM-5 PM WASHER TOSS TOURNAMENT

All events at Porters Lake Community Centre except for the Car Show which is at 40 Innovation Drive

Wanna Know What Bugs Me This Month?

By Jeddore John

We are a little sparse on humor this month. Some of the things that are bugging me are too depressing to laugh off. What’s bugging me the most goes like this:

Since Europeans arrived on these shores, the grey wolf was wiped out, as were the Nova Scotia caribou, the Eastern cougar, and the walrus (yes, there used to be walrus in Nova Scotia). There is some dispute whether there were wild turkeys here when the first ships dropped anchor, but there are definitely none now.

From the fisheries perspective, the average decline in ten common species of fish is roughly 63% according to a report prepared for Oceans North by

Daniel Boyce of the Ocean Frontier Institute at Dalhousie University. The pebbled stream beds in our rivers that are the essential breeding grounds for salmonids (trout, salmon, whitefish etc) are being clogged with silt from construction, logging, and agricultural runoff. I could go on about bees, bats, amphibians and plants that are under threat or gone forever, but you get the picture – we are destroying the natural world.

This is where the much beleaguered trout in those pristine mountain streams come in. It annoys me to no end that General Motors and Chrysler Corp (and to a lesser extent other auto manufacturers) put out ads glorifying the abuse of our wild places. I was

walking in the desert in Nevada once, and I followed a dry riverbed which had carved a narrow winding path between two high rock outcrops. It was shaded and cooler in there, so I sat on a rock to take a break from the heat of the open desert.

After a couple of minutes, a few insects started moving around on the sand and a couple of flies appeared. Minutes later, small gecko-like lizards appeared on a rock face in front of me and started doing whatever it is they do. Then came the birds and little mouse-like creatures. The place that had seemed so harsh and barren had come alive.

The point here is that you can’t appreciate Nature by blasting through

it on or in your Fireball XL1000 off-road vehicle or your two-ton pickup. All you can do that way is destroy the tranquility that Nature needs to thrive.

To put that in perspective, how would you like a crazed raccoon on an ATV blasting through your living room with a bunch of his buddies in hot pursuit while you are trying to catch up on the episodes you missed of Yellowstone? Hide the popcorn. That would be the shoe on the other foot. My humble opinion is that GM and Chrysler should stop putting out advertising that condones and glorifies this type of behavior. When should they stop? Now would be good.

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