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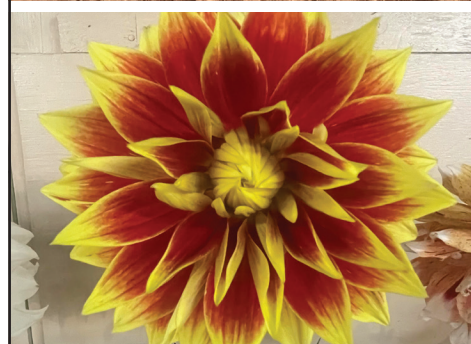
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The PC's Twila Gross being sworn in as the new MLA for Preston after flipping a 20-year Liberal seat in the August byelection to replace Liberal Angela Simmonds (see page 3).



The 139th Halifax County Exhibition had its problems with rainy weather, but there was still plenty to do and see, from the traditional ox pull on opening night to a stunning display of dahlias.

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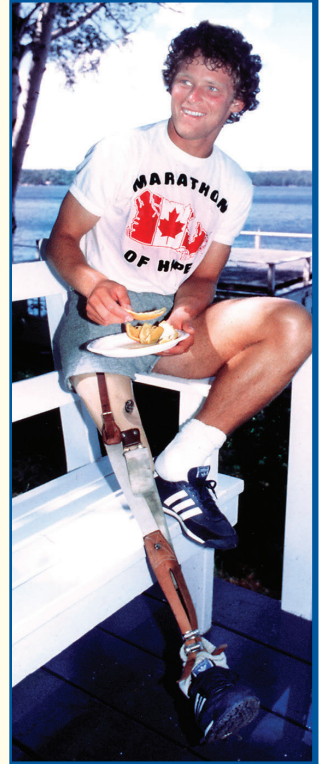
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PC’s Twila Grosse Wins Preston Byelection

By David Shuman

The Progressive Conservative Twila Grosse won the August 8, 2023, Preston byelection handily, putting an end to twenty years of Liberal domination of the riding. Gross easily topped her two main rivals, winning 45.22 percent of the vote.

Grosse spent 35 years working in business planning and budgeting at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport. In an interview with the *Cooperator* during the election, she said she brings what she learned managing problems at the airport to working with the people of the Preston riding as their next MLA. Grosse grew up in a large family and has lived in Cherry Brook her whole life. She says her family is built on service, with teachers, ministers, and community leaders. Her brother, Russell Grosse, is the executive director of the Black Cultural Centre.

Grosse spoke to her supporters at the H. G. Bauld Centre after her win. “I stand on the shoulders of family,” said Grosse, listing the brothers, sisters, parents, aunt and uncles, and grandparents who inspired her. The one thing all of these individuals have in common is the willingness to serve.”

The *Cooperator* ran a livestream coverage on election night with previous MLAs from the riding talking about their experiences and the byelection. Dr. Wayne

Adams was the first African Nova Scotian elected to the legislature and sat from 1993 to 1998 for the Liberals. Yvonne Atwell was the first woman of colour and represented the NDP from 1998 to 1999. David Hendsbee represented the Progressive Conservatives from 1999 to 2003 and currently serves as HRM councillor for the area. “People are excited about this riding, there’s no doubt about it,” said Atwell. “Think of what that means for development.”

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