



# Spring Newsletter

Addendum 1

Mineville Community Association

## \$3542.50 Raised From Our Auction

Our auction raised \$3542.50. Thanks to all the donations from the many residents and businesses from the community. Thanks to Karen Webb for organizing this event. It has been our most successful fundraiser for the last 3 years. Thanks to the many other volunteers who

helped out from pounding the pavement and getting donations, setting up the night of, selling 50/50 tickets, Vanna's, Vanna's assistants, cashiers and seeing the people off with their purchases and a smile, it takes a lot of help. Volunteers were: Nick

Hetherington, Suzie Dech, Paula Stone, Joanne Colson, Clare O'Brien, Karen & Bart Cooke, Cindy & Lawrence McKay, Kevin & Stephanie Murphy, Terry Webb, Paige Giles, Barb & Guido Schneider, Wendy & Martin Tanner, Lynda Manuel, Susan Swartz, Crissy Sears, Sandy & Murray Mason.

## Student Summer Jobs (3)

We have 3 jobs available for the upcoming summer. There are 2 positions through the N.S. Youth Conservation Corps ("NSYCC"). These positions are to perform environment related work within the community. Applicants must be between the ages of 17-24 years. **The deadline for applications is June 3<sup>rd</sup>. If interested please send resume and**

**application from the** <http://www.gov.ns.ca/enla/es/s/ycc/> web site to the address posted.

We also have 1 position available through HRDC. This person must be between the ages of 16-24. It will consist primarily of doing physical park work, but will also involve assisting with the summer fair. If

interested please send resume to Grant MacDonald by June 3<sup>rd</sup> (55 Dempster Crescent.)

Youth interested in either position are allowed to apply for **both**. The final decision on the NSYCC positions will be decided by N.S. Dept of Environment staff. The HRDC position will be hired directly by the MCA.

## April Bottle Drive Raised \$523

Our last bottle drive raised \$523. As always, **thanks** for

your support. We will let you know when

the next bottle drive will be.

## \$1000 Donation – Roz Prinze – Sutton Group

Thanks to Mineville resident Roz Prince from *Sutton Group Professional Realty*

for making a \$1000 donation to the MCA. Her name and company will also be added

to the sign at Bennett Park.

## \$1000 Donation – John Rogers – CM Farms

Thanks to Mineville resident John Rogers who owns *Candy Mountain Farms* for

making a \$1000 donation to the MCA. Candy Mountain Farms has also provided

trees to the MCA for excellent prices the past couple of years.

## This Issue's Sponsor – Conrad's Septic

Thanks to Conrad's Septic for sponsoring this issue of the newsletter. Sponsors get to have the last page of the

newsletter for their advertisement. The cost for this is \$50 and it completely covers our photocopying and

mail charges. If interested in sponsoring future newsletters please contact any member of the executive.



## Western Electrics (Mike Currie) – Donated Galvanized Pole

Fellow resident Mike Currie managed to find us a FREE galvanized pole for our 3 way basketball net going in at Bennett Park. He had a friend at Western Electrics in Burnside who made

the donation. This saves us somewhere between \$100-200. Thanks to Mike and Western Electrics for this donation.

## Community Developer Position - Julie Eldridge

Julie Eldridge of the community has been hired for the 16 week position as Community Developer (through a HRDC grant.) She will be managing the youth corps crew and helping out with all the

community work over the next few months. She will be a big help in our efforts.

## Middle Park Day (Candy Mountain Islands) – Success

We had a beautiful day for the Middle Park Work Day and a lot of work was accomplished. Thanks to the over 60 volunteers who showed up to help get the work done. We save many \$\$\$ by doing the work ourselves. Thanks to Nellie Loughran for baking the brownies and cookies, Clare O'Brien for bringing the Popsicles

and others who brought some cookies too (we didn't see who.) Thanks to Terry Webb, Martin Tanner, Jim Sullivan and Lawrence McKay for doing some preliminary work on the park the previous week (cutting up the windfall laying across the trail.)

## Experienced Excavator Operators Needed

We will be renting an excavator again sometime in the next few weeks. If you have *many* hours of experience operating one of these and want to help us out by donating your time to do park

work please let us know. We need to do excavate the playground area at Bennett, fix the drainage and do a little more trail work at Bennett Park

## Community Meeting – Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 p.m.

We are having a community meeting this Thursday night at the Lake Echo Fellowship Baptist Church (first left on the Mineville Road coming from HW107.) New RCMP community

representative – Kevin Veniot – will be there to say a few words. The MCA will talk about the upcoming playground projects, trail projects, events, etc. It is also executive election night.

## Bennett Park Playground Work Party

We will be organizing a work party for the playground equipment for Bennett Park sometime in the next few weeks. We will be assembling the equipment under the guidance of a CSA approved

playground installer. Watch the message board (and e-mail) for dates and times.

## Community E-mail Distribution List

The community e-mail distribution list is now up to 182 names. If you want to be kept better informed as to what is happening in your

community, please send an e-mail to [grant.macdonald@hp.com](mailto:grant.macdonald@hp.com).

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## Dartmouth Metal – Austin Estabrooks

Thanks to Dartmouth Metal (Austin Estabrooks) for donating the use of their boom truck for unloading the playground equipment at

Bennett Park.

## Community Cleanup

Thanks to Kevin Schreiner, Glen Spears and Doug Colson and his cub pack for cleaning up the garbage along the side of the road along the Lawrencetown side of the Mineville Road. There was a lot of garbage there (a washer, a weight bench, etc.) Shortly after they finished, Doug spotted a landscaping company dumping a truck load of grass clippings in the same area they just cleaned up. Doug reported it and the landscaping firm has come back and

cleaned it up.

It is advised that you ask any contractors you deal with to provide receipts proving they took their garbage to an appropriate landfill site.

Also, we will be organizing a community clean up day sometime in the next few weeks. We'll keep you posted on dates, etc.

## Loon Platforms Installed

The 8 loon nesting platforms have been installed in both Lawrencetown Lake and Lake Echo. Thanks to the community volunteers who took the time to put these in: Chris & Cathy Graham, Doug Colson, Martin Tanner, Phil Myers, and Jim Bocking.

Also, thanks to Bill Bourque and Helen Fredericks for the use of their boats and for the use of their property to help launch the

platforms.

Also, thanks to Wendy Tanner of Whitman Signs for donating the “Loon Nesting Platform...do not disturb” signs.

Our NSYCC crew will report this summer on the utilization of these and other bird nests.

## Neighbourhood Watch Update

A black 1994 Pontiac Sunbird licence # DNB 939 is suspected of having been involved in a number of B&E's in the local area. If you see this vehicle in your neighbourhood, please call the RCMP.

Also, shed break-ins are on the increase. (just like every other

spring). Not so much in Mineville but that doesn't mean it won't happen to us. Stay vigilant and keep your things locked up when you're not out and about.

## Werner Park Playground

The playground for Werner Park is proceeding fairly quickly. The layout will be a ship design. More details on it will be provided at the general meeting on Thursday.

## Miscellaneous

Thanks to Leon Myers for cleaning up the windfall at Wadlow Park.

Don't forget to keep track of your walking/jogging KM's. After a 1000 KM's you earn a free Mineville Walking Club T-Shirt.

We will not be organizing a yard sale this year. We will organize this every 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

An axe and a jacket (hooded burgundy) were left behind during the

Middle Park Work Day.

Thanks to Judy & Graham Reeves for the ping pong table donation for the building at Bennett Park.

Our web site is:

<http://www.chebucto.ns.ca/CommunitySupport/Mineville/>

