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Summer Curtain Call at Glasgow Square Theatre

Opening Night July 4- Also playing July 5, 18 & 19



Amanda Jefferson-Gillis dressed as "Nellie Bly" has her hat fixed by Director, Gary Blackwood.

When Amanda Jefferson-Gillis read "The Shakespeare Stealer" to her children she could never have imagined that Gary Blackwood the author of the trilogy would one day be the director of her upcoming one woman show. Gary, who writes professionally both fiction and non-fiction, hails from Pennsylvania, USA. The playwright, author and most recently director has made his home in the little village of Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia. Shortly after his move, local theatre group the "North Shore Players" was formed and he began directing. Gary was also the Writer in Residence at the Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library from 2009-2010.

In February 2010, Gary was approached by Amanda Jefferson-Gillis to direct *The Belle of Amherst: The Emily Dickinson Story*. "We really saw eye to eye about how live theatre should work", says Blackwood. Having had such success with *The Belle of Amherst*, the duo was anxious to work together again. Jefferson having read many of Blackwood's books had thought the character Nellie Bly from *Around the World in 100 Days* would be perfect for stage adaptation. Both jumped at the opportunity to bring "Nellie" to life, and soon after began their new project. Their collaboration eventually yielded *Two Hours in a Madhouse*, which Gary describes as an inspiring story to tell. "A great role model for young women. She gave it her all to help people." Amanda adds "While both characters are quite dissimilar, they were ahead of their time and great inspirations."

Amanda and Gary's personalities complement each other and they work seamlessly together. "He keeps me from doing things Nellie would do when I'm in character as Emily", said Amanda. "Once in a while she gripes a bit, but we have a lot of fun," says Gary with a chuckle.

New Glasgow's Marketing and Communications Director Kim Dickson says, "It is exciting to have live theatre back in New Glasgow and we anticipate these great performances will be a draw for both residents and tourists."

Amanda and Gary genuinely hope that everyone will come out and embrace the local live theatre experience.

Two Hours in a Madhouse also runs on July 5, 18 & 19

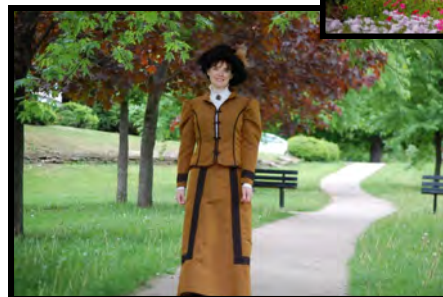
The Belle of Amherst will be presented on August 8, 9, 15 & 16

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Amanda Jefferson-Gillis in character as Nellie Bly (left) and as Emily Dickinson (above). Summer Curtain Call at Glasgow Square Theatre opening night is July 4. Doors open at 7:30pm, Show begins at 8:00pm.



Ready "OAR" Not - Dragon Fever

*Paddles will hit the water July 27 & 28 2012 at the
Race on the River Pictou County Dragon Boat Festival*



On July 27th & 28th Race on the River, Pictou County's Dragon Boat Festival will return to New Glasgow's riverfront to support the fight against breast cancer and to support its three beneficiaries .

The East River will become the backdrop for an event which represents courage, generosity and community spirit. This year's events are anticipated to be bigger than ever with 800 or more paddlers scheduled to participate in the festivities. "We are really excited this year as registration is full with 45 teams" said Team Recruiter, Terri-Lee Arbuckle.

Terri-Lee knows first-hand the importance of raising cancer awareness, as her mother fought two battles with breast cancer and ultimately won. Terri-Lee's family history caused her to fear that she and the other women in her family would develop this disease. "I wanted to do more so I was put in touch with the late Emma Lee Stewart, who at the time was Chair for Team Recruitment and wanted some assistance with her duties. I began by helping her but this was the same time she had found out about her re-occurrence with cancer and stepped down immediately to begin her treatments and I assumed her duties."

In 2011 the Race on the River raised \$150,811 in support of its beneficiaries; Women Alike Breast Cancer Survivors Society, Special

Olympics Northern Regions and Pictou County Prostate Cancer Support Association. In addition to the record number of teams, race organizers are also hoping for a record number of pledges and crowds. "The more awareness and monies raised for these three wonderful beneficiaries the better," said Arbuckle.



Whether people are racing, volunteering or simply coming out to watch, their love and support is sensed and appreciated by everyone present during the events. "I love the day of the races. Going around and talking to all the teams and feeling their excitement. It's contagious", adds Terri-lee.

For those interested in catching the "Dragon Boat Fever" events will commence on Friday, July 27th. The opening ceremonies will begin at 7:00pm followed by live entertainment featuring Ghost rider and the Allied Horns at 8:00pm. On Saturday, July 28th the races begin! There will be a children's tent where the kids can enjoy games and prizes and the closing ceremonies will take place at 5:00pm.

New Glasgow Police Service Youth Trooper Program

Learning valuable and transferrable skills

The New Glasgow Police Service Youth Trooper Program Post 33 is an organization for youth ages 13 to 18 who are interested in receiving leadership and community training as well as furthering their knowledge of other police related topics. The group is comprised of teens who are expected to wear full uniform, practice drills, as well as maintain a strict code of discipline, dress and deportment.

While the youth involved are serious about acquiring the skills necessary to provide valuable services to the public, they also enjoy the many benefits of taking part in such a well organized group. There are several opportunities for advancement within the organization and the youth also work to achieve certification in First Aid and W.H.M.I.S., as well as awards and level badges for performance. In addition to the useful skill set that these youth are building, there are plenty of opportunities for fun. Members of the Youth Troop attend summer camps, parades and visit the Police Academy and Forensic Laboratory; they also work with police officers during training and events.

Cst. Ken Macdonald, Community Police Officer for the Towns of Trenton and New Glasgow is also the Program Coordinator for the New Glasgow Police Service Youth



Cst. Ken Macdonald, on behalf of the New Glasgow Police Service Youth Troop Program, presents a plaque to the Pinellas County, FL. Sheriff's Office Left to right- Sgt MacPhee, Officer Joyce, Cst Ken Macdonald, Deputy Chief Butterfield, Cadet Kenny and Officer Randal.

Trooper Program Post 33. Constable Macdonald says, "The program is designed to foster leadership and community development." He also describes the program as a "community support mechanism" because of the impact and contributions the troop has on numerous community events and services. He describes the youth involved in the program as hard working and motivated individuals who hope to progress through the organization's rank structure through complete competency and skill testing. The

benefits of the program are many; the skills learned are both valuable and transferrable. The versatility of these skills lend themselves nicely to the troop members recent involvement in an international exchange program.

This year 10 local youth from the New Glasgow program travelled to Florida to take part in a series of joint training exercises with a youth troop from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. The purpose of this trip was to give the youth in both programs an opportunity to learn from one another. By sharing valuable information and working together to build upon and improve their skills, the youth gain the confidence to implement their learning within their home communities. This exchange of ideas also allows each community to develop their own youth programs. Constable Macdonald attributes much of the program's success to its high retention rate. Often times youth enter the program and remain active in it for the full five years. The New Glasgow Police Service Youth Trooper Program Post 33 meets every Tuesday evening during the spring and fall. Those interested in joining the program in September 2012 are encouraged to contact 755-8318.



Communities in Bloom

Pride of Place also makes Good Business Sense



Long time resident of New Glasgow Patti Long, who is a former visitor information counselor for the Province of Nova Scotia and currently a member of the New Glasgow Communities in Bloom, shares her thoughts about the impact of investing in greening and beautification on community pride and economic growth.

The Communities in Bloom program, from heritage to environmental action to greening to tidiness has been a very well received program in our community and continues to create interest in many areas. Overall, the program is a great tool for our community to focus our beautification efforts around “the friendly competition” aspect of it or just taking pride in our properties and businesses alike.

The New Glasgow Communities in Bloom Committee members invites individuals (with or without green thumbs) to join us in bettering all corners of our town. Cleaner, safer and greener neighborhoods produce social, economic and environmental spin-offs throughout the community. It is not simply a program about flowers nestled in a vase or gardening. It’s about civic pride, supporting arts and cultural events, promoting involvement of citizens of all ages and walks of life, and enhancing the quality of life in New Glasgow, to name a few. It is an opportunity to team up with other groups or businesses to fulfill your vision. Communities which take part in the CIB program are helping to leave a vibrant and

resilient community legacy to those that follow us. It’s a great program that adds a flare of natural color to the town plus a whole lot more. Our CIB supporters and sponsors recognize the importance of the visual appeal of flowers and plants to promote pride in our citizens, encourage business investment, enhance the experience of our visitors and entice travelers to stop and explore. If we look at other successful communities across the province and country that are growing and successful all invest in greening and beautification not because it’s fluff but because it makes good business sense as well as creating a place that people are proud to call home.

New Glasgow has many hard working, positive, bright and talented people all of whom enjoy the fruits of their efforts, share their personal expression of beauty with others, and contribute to the overall beautification of our town. Growing together is the power of the CIB program.

There are no two ways about it...we need more people to join our program. Give it some thought- if you have something to offer we are listening! Please get involved in making New Glasgow a better place for everyone to live, work and visit. Let’s all do our part in reinforcing our reputation as national winners!

-Patti Long

Mayor's Message



Dear Visitors and Residents:

Summer has arrived in New Glasgow with glorious sunshine and already we have been the hometown host for two signature events for the region. The 2012 Johnny Miles Running Event Weekend on June 16 and 17 was an outstanding high calibre event for all ages and race levels while the New Glasgow Pre-Canada Day festivities, held on June 30 also proved to be a great hit. The New Glasgow Farmers Market held its Grand Opening in early June and is now in full swing with more and more produce arriving each week as well as an outstanding selection of plants, baked cookies, art works and more. Members of Town Council and I were delighted to serve hundreds of residents at the Ice Cream Social as it was a wonderful celebration of our community, as thousands came to the scenic New Glasgow Riverfront for live entertainment and a great fireworks display over the river. It truly is a special sight to see families and friends gathered on both sides of the riverbanks as well as two abreast, shoulder to shoulder on the George Street Bridget to view the fireworks in honour of Canada’s 145th birthday.

We were pleased to pay tribute to Jim Stewart, who has been a fine ambassador for our town and county, on his 20th anniversary as town crier. Music and theatre will be alive and well in New Glasgow throughout Summer 2012 with festivals such as the Race on the River-Pictou County Dragonboat Festival, the Festival of the Tartans and the New Glasgow Music Jubilee. We are also thrilled to have summer theatre at Glasgow Square Theatre, opening on July 4, the Music by the River Concert Series and to be host to a broadcast of CTV’s Live at Five on July 12 from the Riverfront Gazebo, when we will also host a free hour of music for all to enjoy. So as you can see, New Glasgow is the place to be!

Here’s to many more great community events in the days ahead! Many thanks to the hundreds of volunteers, generous corporate sponsors and to town staff who assist the community and work very hard to make these quality events possible.

Sincerely,

Mayor Barrie E. MacMillan

Bloomer of The Week

This week the home of Susan and Marty Malcolm on Abercrombie Road was named New Glasgow’s Communities in Bloom residential “Bloomer of the Week” for its curb side appeal, beautification and heritage preservation. The home is more than 100



Pictured with homeowner Susan Malcolm is Jamie Stevens, Past Chair of New Glasgow Communities in Bloom.

years old and still has great character, charm and style under the Malcolm’s care for the past 19 years. The residence is also home to a lovely backyard complete with a magnificent magnolia tree and wild apple blossoms. The New Glasgow Communities in Bloom wishes to congratulate Susan and Marty on a job well done and commends them for their role in ensuring that our town continues to flourish.

Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Project Launched

Preserving our history

New Glasgow's Pioneer Cemetery is nothing short of a hidden treasure and is a significant part of Pictou County's heritage. Located off Stewart Street in the South End of New Glasgow, along the scenic banks of the East River, the property overflows with historic charm, yet is rarely seen. Because of the importance of the cemetery in preserving the history of the region, a sub-committee of the New Glasgow Heritage Committee has initiated a restoration project in partnership with the Riverside Cemetery Company that oversees the cemetery, which will result in the precious headstones being cleaned and restored. The Pioneer cemetery is the final resting place of New Glasgow's founding families and the Town's earliest settlers, many who arrived aboard the Ship Hector in 1733. The cemetery is home to graves dating back to the late 1700's, most of which contain legible descriptions regarding the lives and deaths of the deceased.

"Unfortunately, the Pioneer Cemetery has slowly deteriorated over the past many years. Stones have collapsed and many inscriptions are no longer able to be read. Grass has grown over some of the grave stones and several are leaning and about to fall. Such a valuable part of our history is slowly disappearing right before our eyes", says retired Judge Clyde Macdonald, Chair of the restoration project.

The Pioneer Cemetery is a site rich in history and culture, with several notable New Glaswegians buried there. Reverend James MacGregor, the first Presbyterian minister to the region as well as entrepreneurs James Carmichael and George Argo, who established the area's first trading post are buried at the Pioneer Cemetery. Clyde Macdonald explains the historical significance of Colin McKay who was a passenger on the Ship Hector and who is also laid to rest in the cemetery. One of McKay's descendants Colin B. McKay went on to be president of the University of New Brunswick from 1953 to 1969. At the age of 33, he was the youngest university president in Canada and when he died, he left his \$6 million estate to UNB. The restoration effort began in early May with the New Glasgow Heritage Committee forming a sub-committee called Friends of the Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Project. The group has spent a considerable amount of time evaluating the needs of the space and finally decided to begin the restoration with a focus on headstone preservation. Arsenal Monuments of North Grant were awarded the restoration contract.

There are currently 80 headstones in varying states of disrepair, and the cost of refurbishment will present a considerable expense in the range of \$8000. The sub-committee has begun a letter writing and fundraising campaign to the descendants of those buried in the pioneer cemetery as well as to others with an interest in preserving



Clyde Macdonald of the New Glasgow Heritage Committee and Lynn MacLean of the Pictou County Historical Society look over the condition of headstones at Pioneer Cemetery.

our cherished past. The committee hopes that many will come forward and to help preserve a critical part of our town's heritage.

New Glasgow's Director of Marketing and Communications Kimberly Dickson says that the "primary goal of this project is to preserve and celebrate the heritage of the Pioneer Cemetery and the impact those resting there have had on our community, province and country".

"In addition, we want to look forward to sharing our heritage with visitors because many visitors to the area are friends or relatives. Our primary goal is to share and celebrate history and take the opportunity to link the cemetery with other historical sites such as the Ship Hector and the Hector Heritage Quay because there is such an amazing historical link and bond," says Dickson.

Pictou County Historical Society president Lynn McLean explains, "There is a real link between the Ship Hector story and the bodies resting in Pioneer Cemetery." Dickson adds "that the restoration project represents something moving that people can relate to on an emotional level. We just witnessed that with the 100th anniversary of the Titanic and people visiting the grave sites to pay their respect. We just want people to respect and understand the stories of these people in the Pioneer cemetery who made such a mark on the development of our Town and County."

Signature Hometown Events- July & August

Live Theatre- Two Hours in a Madhouse: An Evening with the Notorious Nellie Bly — July 4th, 5th 18th & 19th— Glasgow Square Theatre

Summer Showcase— Live Entertainment— July 12th— New Glasgow Riverfront

Festival of Tartans— July 19th-22nd— Tartan Field & other venues- Concert under the stars- July 21st -Tartan Field

Race on the River Pictou County Dragon Boat Festival— July 27th-28th—New Glasgow Riverfront

New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee — August 3rd-5th -Glasgow Square & other venues- Kick off Party- August 2nd— Roseland Cabaret

Live Theatre— The Belle of Amherst: The Emily Dickinson Story— August 8th, 9th, 15th & 16th -Glasgow Square Theatre

Play the Pros— August 11th—John Brother MacDonald Stadium



New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee Gearing Up

Kick-off party to be held in memory of Emma Lee Stewart

The 2012 New Glasgow Riverfront Jubilee is gearing up to be New Glasgow's premier summer music event. This August music lovers will delight in the chance to watch top notch artists perform live on a local stage. It is the perfect combination of big name and up and coming talent presented to concert goers at a reasonable price point. The Jubilee has always encompassed many unique characteristics which add to the overall experience of the event. Features such as an outstanding talent from numerous genres and eras, an impressive outdoor amphitheatre, the distinctive downtown setting along the beautiful New Glasgow riverfront and an army of dedicated volunteers create a dynamic atmosphere, that makes the Jubilee weekend truly memorable!

Over the years the Jubilee has played host to a number of talented musicians, many of whom have been the recipients and nominees of various prestigious prizes. It is not uncommon to find East Coast Music Association, Music Nova Scotia and Juno Award winners on the Glasgow Square stage. The event has also received recognition with several Music Nova Scotia Awards and ECMA nominations. And this year the Jubilee was named Pictou County Chamber of Commerce's People's Choice Favorite Event while Glasgow Square garnered the Favorite Entertainment Venue honours. A key factor that makes the event so engaging is the variety of music played. The lineup for 2012 includes Rock, Blues, Folk, Country and the best of East Coast music. The Jubilee is also highly regarded in the industry for its first-rate production quality and attention to detail receiving kudos from both audiences and artists.

The event is a production of the New Glasgow Riverfront Music Jubilee Society, which is a not-for-profit organization administered by a volunteer Board of Directors. The board relies heavily on the enormous efforts of the over 300 volunteers who deliver the event; it is their ongoing commitment that ultimately

determines the success of the event. This year the Jubilee has decided to switch things up by adding several new events and venues to its schedule. The cooperation of local establishments is quickly helping the Jubilee organizers realize their vision of the Jubilee becoming a multi-venue festival.

This year's festivities will begin with a Kick-off Party on August 2 at the Roseland that will pay special tribute to the Late Emma Lee Stewart, founding Chair of the Jubilee. The Kick-off Party will feature entertainment by Emma Lee's daughter Mary Stewart, the Jubilee No Guts No Glory winner Lead Mule, ECMA nominated Andrew Hunter and the Gatherers, as well as a special guest band to be announced. The Crow's Nest and Dooly's will be the host venues for the Jubilee's Late Night Stages on August 3 & 4. The Crow's Nest will host the Rock Stage which features entertainment by Silvertongue, Stone Mary, Carry the Lost and Poor Young Things. Dooly's will host the Electro Stage which will feature Black Belt Machete, AA Wallace, Universal Soul and Slowcoaster.

Carlton Munroe, Program and Events Manager for the Town of New Glasgow adds, "Another stellar lineup will be rocking the main stage with a mix of national, regional and local musical talent. Joel Plaskett Emergency returns to the Jubilee in one of their only East Coast dates this summer. Also Big Wreck, with one of the most successful Canadian rock albums of the year, make their first ever appearance at the Jubilee, as well as rap/hip hop icon Classified, rock legend Kim Mitchell and much more."



New Glasgow Farmers Market

Red & White Day draws rave reviews

It was red & white day at the New Glasgow Farmers Market this past weekend. The kids were just finished school and the sun was shining. Customers stocked up on delicious locally-grown food for their family & friends. Our farmers offered fresh meat and fish, farm eggs, and an increasing variety of veggies, greens and herbs every week. The was also honey & something sweet from our amazing array of baked goods. And the wonderful Middle-Eastern food continues to be popular (they make very tasty hummus dip). We also offered raw food (Natural Edge), gluten-free bread and sweets (Shannon Leigh's Bakery), meat and veg pasties (Stone Soup Cafe) and homemade meat pies to take away (Jiggy Java). Celebrating the early arrival of local strawberries, Cathy from Auchencairn Farm made strawberry shortcake, and Stone Soup Cafe created fresh strawberry cream-puffs! Ooh-la-la. The NGFM continues to be THE place to ensure your summer is delicious & effort-free!

But back to "the kids" - The NGFM welcomed the beginning of their summer holiday with an outdoor "kids tent" - featured local painter (and NGFM vendor) Joan Krawczyk with a simple and fun sewing project for older kids (small wall-hangings they made on-site were taken home). Loads of stickers and tattoos for Canada Day were also given out.

The free community table was the United Way promoting their "Bikes for Kids" program. Rachel had raffle tickets on a bike/accessories package worth over \$300 (1 ticket for \$2 or 3 for \$5). The money raised went to buying parts & repairing donated bikes. The table had applications to receive a bike, and also a sign-up sheet for anyone with bike repair experience to volunteer. Ben Coleman returned to the "15-under-15" table with his wee sculptures and new creations, and Layne Green was busking for everyone's enjoyment.

Celtic Circle's breakfast burritos continue to be very popular this season and the Market Manager, Natalie Gordon says, "The New Glasgow Farmers Market has the tastiest fair-trade coffee in town! (Vendors-Cookie Jar & Jiggy Java)." Because "When you know your producer, you really know your stuff!" Hope to see you at the Market! New Glasgow Farmers Market is open 8:30 until noon every Saturday in the Riverfront Dome in Downtown NG. The NGFM wishes all a safe & happy summer.

New Glasgow Budget & Tax Rate 2012-2013

Mayor's Remarks

June 16, 2012

The Town of New Glasgow is maintaining both its residential and commercial tax rates for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. The residential rate will stay at \$1.82 per \$100 of assessment and is at the same rate that was in effect seven years ago, prior to the provincial residential assessment cap. There will be no change in the commercial tax rate that continues to be \$4.40 per \$100 assessment. This has been a very difficult budget review process and some tough decisions have had to be made. Today's global economy continues to be challenging and the impact is being felt at local, national, and international levels. All town departments have experienced cuts and some at a higher level than others.

The provincial cap on residential assessments continues to negatively impact municipal revenues and for the Town of New Glasgow, this cap has resulted in reduced revenue of \$630,131 for fiscal 2012-2013. It is unfortunate that the cap program is no longer working as intended and is causing significant reduction in revenue to the municipalities.

Although, there was a small reduction in commercial tax revenues of \$120,000 on the total of nearly \$6,000,000, New Glasgow continues to be a strong commercial service centre with amenities such as regional health services, financial services, retail, dining and recreational assets, servicing a regional population base of nearly

46,000 on a daily basis and a wider catchment of 100,000 on a regular basis. We have invested in significant infrastructure during the past several years, which supports the business community and currently are partnering with the Municipality of the County of Pictou on infrastructure to support the new provincial correctional facility. New Glasgow also continues to see residential development and growth.

There have been increasing operational costs for waste water management, including the East River Environmental Control Centre (ERECC), yet the Town's pollution control rate will be maintained at \$3.70 per 1000 gallons and therefore continues to be subsidized by the residential and commercial tax base.

For the fiscal year 2012-2013, the Town of New Glasgow will operate on a budget of \$17,231,035, compared to a budget of \$16,681,549 for the fiscal year 2011-2012. This represents a 3.3% increase, which is not keeping pace with the Nova Scotia Consumer Price Index increase of 3.8%, and therefore causes strain on all municipal resources. It is important to note that from the residential tax rate of \$1.82 per \$100 assessment, 79.8 cents funds provin-



cial and regional programs, leaving only \$1.02 per \$100 of residential assessment to fund town services and programs. For example: From the \$1.82 per \$100 assessment of the residential tax rate, 40 cents goes towards education costs and six cents goes towards subsidized housing. An example of regional services would be that from the \$1.82, 7.6 cents goes to the Pictou County Shared Services Authority for planning and development services and 1.7 cents goes towards the Regional Library.

Barrie MacMillan
Mayor
Town of New Glasgow

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Left-Right- Jill MacGillivray, 12; Libby Treen, 6; Zoe MacKay, 5; Makayla Treen, 5 and August Mackay, 9 sport their Canada Day Colors as they enjoyed the festivities.

Movie Nights

Friday Night Family Movies @ the Library presents "Up"
When: Friday July 6th - 6:30 - 8:30pm- Pictou Antigonish Regional Library

Movie Showing of "We Bought a Zoo"
When: Friday July 13th - 6:00- 10:00pm- Glasgow Square Theatre

Seniors Movie Night presents "Gone with the Wind"
When: Monday July 16th - 6:00- 10:00pm -Glasgow Square Theatre

Friday Night Family Movies @ the Library presents "The Sword in the Stone"
When: Friday July 20th - 6:30pm - 8:30pm- Pictou Antigonish Regional Library

Friday Night Family Movies @ the Library presents "Jumanji"
When: Friday August 3rd - 6:30pm - 8:30pm - Pictou Antigonish Regional Library

Carmichael Stewart House Museum

Historical museum receives extensive sunroom renovations

On 86 Temperance Street in New Glasgow sits the stately Carmichael Stewart House. This majestic historical residence was constructed in 1880, and has been transformed over the years into a charming community museum. This late Victorian era home contains original hardwood floors, beautiful stained glass and houses an extensive collection of antique collectables that tell the story of yesteryear in Pictou County.



His Honour Brigadier-General The Honourable J.J. Grant, CMM, ONS, CD (Ret'd) Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia; Lynn MacLean, President of the Pictou County Historical Society and New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan cut the ribbon at the opening of the newly renovated, Carmichael-Stewart House Museum sunroom.

The house was built by Senator James W. Carmichael, a wealthy and prominent shipbuilder of New Glasgow. It was constructed as a wedding gift to his son James M. Carmichael, whose daughter Maria Carmichael eventually inherited the house. Maria married a man named R.B Stewart and became Maria Carmichael-Stewart. The couple lived in the house for the re-

mainder of their lives and did not have any children.

Following the death of R.B Stewart in the 1960s the Carmichael Stewart house was bequeathed to The Town of New Glasgow. Around the same time the Pictou County Historical Society was collecting objects of historical significance, with the intent of keeping them in the local area. Soon after, the group took over operation of the house and converted it into a museum which is filled with items of interest from the Carmichael Stewart family as well as a wide variety of objects donated by community members.

Over the course of the summer season the museum becomes the temporary home of several different exhibits and an assortment of public events. The Carmichael Stewart House's permanent collections include antique clothing and costume collection, Trenton glass and other local valuables. While a few original Carmichael Stewart artifacts remain, the majority of items are either donated or on loan from members of the community.

Recently the house has undergone extensive renovations. The sunroom has been completely replaced; the front parlour has been renovated and is now called the Carmichael Room. The kitchen has been repainted, another room has new drapes and the entire first and second floors have been cleaned. There has also been a much needed storage area created on the third floor.



Back left-right: New Glasgow Town Crier, Jim Stewart, Retired Judge; Clyde MacDonald. Front left-right: New Glasgow Mayor Barrie MacMillan, His Honour Brigadier-General The Honourable J.J. Grant, CMM, ONS, CD (Ret'd) Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia and Her Honour Mrs. Joan Grant.

The majority of funds raised to complete the renovations were obtained through the Town of New Glasgow and Community Foundations of Canada. Other donors include Benjamin Moore Paints, Carmel and Wayne Margeson, New Glasgow Communities in Bloom and Anne Beaver.

All other funding was raised by the Carmichael Stewart House through various fundraisers, memberships and donations. The Carmichael Stewart house has recently introduced new programming opportunities, with events on Thursdays and Teas every Tuesday from 1:00-3:00. They would like to encourage visitors and residents alike to stop by and check out all that the historic museum has to offer. They also wish to remind the public that there is no admission charge.

55th Annual Festival of the Tartans

Celebrate traditional scottish culture



The Festival of the Tartans - New Glasgow Highland Games is a four day festival filled with activities sure to delight all ages! The fun kicks off Thursday, July 19th with the Kilted Golf Tournament at Glen Lovat Golf Club, the Official Opening at the Town Bell and a Ceilidh at High Crest.

Friday, July 20th, tap your toes to *Music on the Patio* with fiddler Robin Foote at New Glasgow Library. Relax with friends at Glen Haven's Garden Party and later join in the Youth Track & Field Meet at Pioneer Coal Athletic Field in Stellarton or stop by to cheer on the athletes.

Saturday, July 21st is certainly the most jam-packed day. So many things to see & do! Come to Tartan Field on Walker Street where there will be Highland dancing, piping and drumming,

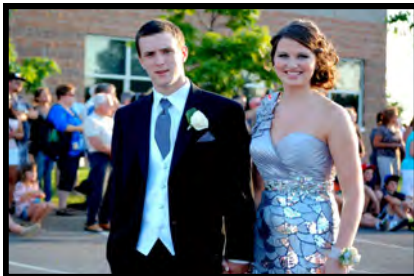
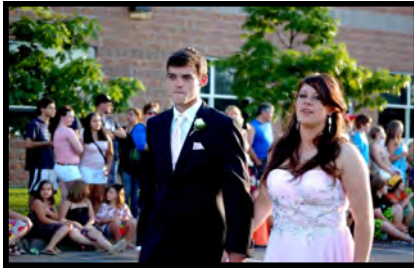
massed pipe bands display, heavy weight events and even a boot toss and rolling pin toss event! Clan tents, genealogy, concessions and of course, the Concert Under the Stars - this year featuring fiddler Troy MacGillivray along with fiddler/vocalist Fleur Mainville and vocalist Tom MacDonald.



Sunday, July 22nd the Festival wraps up with the historic Kirkin' O' the Tartans at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church followed by a reception and the official festival closing.

Come one, Come all... Come Ceilidh with us at The Festival of the Tartans New Glasgow Highland Games. For more information visit www.festivalofthetartans.ca or call 752-4800.

Ciad Mile Failte!



New Glasgow Now



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The graduates of North Nova Education Centre and their dates reflected their own special style and personalities during the traditional Grand March. Parents and friends were beaming with pride and joy. Top row: Tyson Duggan and Sarah Bennett; Arran Whyte and Kaylee Moore and Nathan Beck and Alicia Hennessey. Second row: Sean Robertson and Hope Gallant; Nick Fraser and Sydney Dean; Jared Sloan and Heidi Feit. Third row: Evan MacDonald and Tanisha Campbell ; Duncan Williams and Julia Brooks; Benjamin Wilson and Mairi Keay. Fourth row: Rene Amit and Kieshia Brown; Sam Cameron and Delaney MacKay; Nathaniel MacDonald and Johna Gosbee. Fifth row: Stuart MacDonald and Sarah Myers and Bryson MacDonald and Chelsea Borden.

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