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AUGUST 2019

RACE ON THE RIVER DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

The 18th Annual *Race on the River Dragon Boat Festival* took place on July 26-28 on New Glasgow's East River.

This year's event featured over 40 teams from across the Maritimes, Ontario and even the United States. The Town of New Glasgow was pleased to be a gold sponsor again this year, while also participating in the races as the *Melody's Dragon Slayers* team. Melody was a Town of New Glasgow employee who lost her battle with breast cancer in 2018 and contributed greatly to the Race on the River event. Members of Melody's family also joined the New Glasgow

team to honour her legacy. As part of the fundraising efforts for the event, Town employees and Town Council collected their favorite recipes, creating a cookbook that was for sale prior to the Festival. This was the fourth year and edition of the cookbooks. Thanks to the

community for your support!

The weekend kicked-off on July 26 with the opening ceremonies held at Glasgow Square Theatre, followed by beautiful fireworks display sponsored by the Town of New Glasgow. This year also marked the 20th anniversary

of the Women Alike ABreastARiver Dragon Boat team. In honour of the special milestone, pink bicycles, as well as pink and white flowers were placed around New Glasgow in the weeks leading up to the Festival. The team also held an anniversary celebration at Glasgow Square Theatre on July 28 to conclude the weekend.

This year's Race on the River raised \$111,000 for charity. Congratulations to the Race on the River Board of Directors, paddlers, participants and dedicated volunteers on your 18th successful year.



Town of New Glasgow staff and members of Melody's family gather at the Race on the River opening ceremonies on July 26.

SUMMER FESTIVALS & EVENTS

NEW GLASGOW CELEBRATES SCOTTISH CULTURE AT THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF THE TARTANS

The annual *Festival of the Tartans* was held in New Glasgow on July 17-21. This year marked the 62nd anniversary of the event, when it originally began as *The Braemar Athletic Gathering* and grew to become the well-known Festival of the Tartans.

This year's event featured the many long-standing traditions of the Festival, as well as some new additions. Attendees experienced the best of Pictou County's Scottish traditions with events including: Cruisin' by the River Antique Car Show, Kilted Golf Tournament, Rotary Park Fiddle Concert, Garden Party at Glen Haven Manor, Highland Games and the Kirkin' O' The Tartan at the historic Loch Broom church.

The official Festival launch

was held at the Glasgow Square gazebo where New Glasgow Mayor Nancy Dicks, MP Sean Fraser, Town Crier Jim Stewart and other municipal leaders welcomed the beginning of the 2019 Festival.

The Highland Games took place on Saturday, July 20. Highland Dancers, heavy-weight athletes, pipe bands, vendors, volunteers and spectators braved the summer heat to celebrate and take part in Scottish culture. The games were held for the first time at the Scott Weeks Sports Complex - a great new location for the event. This year, the Festival welcomed 175 Highland Dancers, as well as a bagpipe quartet competition to the games. The field day also included three

pipe bands, children's activities, food vendors and a beer tent.

Thank you to this year's Festival of the Tartans summer student employee, Luke Henderson,



Pictured from left to right: New Glasgow Deputy Police Chief Stephen Chisholm, Honorary Chair Henderson Paris, Mayor Nancy Dicks, Warden Robert Parker, Carol Paris and Glen Haven CEO Lisa Smith at the Glen Haven Garden Party.



Heavyweight athletes take their stance during the Highland Games.

committee, volunteers, entertainers and participants for your contributions and continued support of this signature hometown event.



Highland Dancers take to the stage during the Highland Games.



Kilted attendees at the Kirkin' O' The Tartan.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

AUGUST

- August 2-4: **New Glasgow Riverfront Music Jubilee**, 7:00pm, Glasgow Square Theatre
- August 8: **Mayor's Tea & Garden Party**, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Carmichael-Stewart House Museum
- August 9: **Summer Family Fun**, 6:00pm-8:00pm, Glasgow Square Theatre
- August 10: **New Glasgow Farmers Market Dinner by the River**, along East River
- August 21: **Atlantic Arts & Appetites**, 4:00pm-8:00pm, New Glasgow Farmers Market
- August 23-25: **Pictou County Ribfest**, Glasgow Square Theatre
- August 24: **Ride the River**, East River/Rotary Park

SEPTEMBER

- September 7: **Multicultural Association Fusion Festival**, 11:30am-4:00pm, Glasgow Square Theatre
- September 27-30: **New Glasgow Culture Days**, Downtown New Glasgow

NEW GLASGOW FARMERS MARKET
Every Saturday from
9am-1pm



NEW GLASGOW RIVERFRONT JUBILEE

The annual *New Glasgow Riverfront Music Jubilee* is set to take place on August 2-4, 2019. This year's event not only promises a weekend of top musical acts, but also a variety of new and improved components including: a VIP section, food trucks and the CHAD Transit Safe Ride Home Program.

In addition, the first annual Carlton's Community Bash will take place



on Saturday, August 3. The free event honours Carlton Munroe, former executive director of the Jubilee, who lost his battle with Glioblastoma in 2017, and will feature local musicians for all ages. It is being held at the

Sobeys Sports Complex from 11:00am-4:00pm.

This year's headliners include Kim Mitchell and Sass Jordan on Friday night, Wintersleep and Ria Mae on Saturday and Big Wreck and Trooper to close out the

weekend on Sunday. The acts are expected to be a big draw for fans from Pictou County and beyond. The weekend will also include late-night stages and a Blues Matinee to keep the party going at Wranglers Bar & Grill and The Spot.



NEW GLASGOW TO HOST 2021 INTERNATIONAL TOWN CRIER COMPETITION

The Town of New Glasgow will be hosting the 2021 International Town Criers' Competition, where town criers from all over the world will gather in New Glasgow to take part in the three-day event on August 12-15, 2021. Stay tuned for

more details and mark your calendars for August 2021. We're excited to be the host community of this international event!

New Glasgow Town Crier, Jim Stewart, recently participated in a town crier competition in England where

he took home trophies for Best Dressed and the Ambassador Award as the crier best representing their community. He is the first Canadian to have their name on these trophies. Way to go Jim, we are very proud of you!



New Glasgow Town Crier, Jim Stewart.

NEW GLASGOW RECREATION

NEW GLASGOW RECREATION LOOKS TO COMMUNITY TO DESIGN NEW ACTIVE LIVING STRATEGY LOGO

The Town of New Glasgow's Active Living Strategy needs a logo! Submit your *Let's Get Moving* logo design for a chance to win **\$100.00 in gift cards** to shop in New Glasgow.

Create your design on paper, digitally, etc. and send in a photo or drop off your creation to New Glasgow Town Hall Monday to Friday between 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Submissions are due by August 30, 2019. Visit www.newglasgow.ca to check out the Active Living Strategy.

For more information and to submit a design, contact 902-755-8363 or recreation@newglasgow.ca



MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP STUDENTS PREFORM CLASSIC FAVORITIES

During the month of July, musical theatre camp students aged 9 to 14 prepared and preformed a *Musical Theatre Revue* to an audience at Glasgow Square Theatre on July 25. Their performances featured solos, duets, trios and group numbers from classic favorites such as *The Sound of Music*, *The Lion King*, *Grease* and more.

Thank you to our Program Assistant Summer Student employee, Laura Sellers, for



Musical Theatre Camp Students preform on the Glasgow Square Theatre stag on July 25.



her excellent work with the camp students and congratulations to the talented youth on their excellent performance!

A second show is in the works for August - stay tuned for the date!



NEW GLASGOW RECREATION

UPCOMING RECREATION PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Mayor's Tea & Garden Party

Socialize with Mayor Nancy Dicks and members of New Glasgow Town Council while enjoying light refreshments in the beautiful heritage gardens behind the Carmichael-Stewart House Museum.

Date: Thursday, August 8
Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm
Location: Carmichael-Stewart House Museum
Age: Age-friendly (all ages)
Cost: Free
Registration: Not Required



#GIRLCODE SUMMER CAMP

A week just for the girls! #GirlCode will motivate and encourage girls to have fun and build self-esteem. Students will get to participate in a variety of activities that are part of themed days, while developing leadership skills and learning about personal well being through physical activity and nutrition.

Date: August 12-16
Time: 1:30pm-4:00pm
Location: Ward One Community Centre
Age: 6-10
Cost: \$20.00
Registration: Required



THE NEW GLASGOW OPEN

A tennis tournament for adults. Participate in a day of friendly competition, socializing and prizes. Registration numbers will determine the structure of the tournament.

Date: Friday, August 16
Time: 10:00am
Location: West Side Tennis Courts
Age: Adults 18+
Cost: \$5.00 for non-members, free for members
Registration: Required



YOUTH TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Head over to the West Side Tennis Courts for a fun-filled youth tennis tournament. There will be two age group divisions, prizes for the winners and a barbecue. A great way to end the 2019 summer season!

Date: Friday, August 23
Time: 10:00am
Location: West Side Tennis Courts
Age: U14 & U17
Cost: \$5.00 for non-members, free for members
Registration: Required

For more information or to register, contact 902-755-8363
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