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Pugwash Area Master Plan

Actions Teams working towards a wide variety of projects

It was standing room only in the Village Hall board room when Rennie Bugley, CAO for the Municipality of Cumberland County and chair of the Pugwash Master Plan steering committee, reported to the Pugwash Village Commission and public gallery of the progress the steering committee has made in identifying the four Action Teams at the September regular meeting. The Action Teams all met together the next week and since then have had several of their own team meetings.

The Action Teams include many people from Pugwash and area. The four teams are:

- ◇ Infrastructure
- ◇ Multipurpose Centre
- ◇ Tourism
- ◇ Planning and Collaboration

There have been some wonderfully innovative and imaginative ideas and solutions discussed. The teams will soon be in a position to make their initial reports to the steering committee. The steering committee will report to the Municipality. Funding for projects will be primarily led by the Municipality. The teams will be meeting regularly over an extended period of time as these projects progress. There is considerable crossover between projects, making facilitating communications between teams an important function of the steering committee.

Lisa Betts, steering committee member

Collaborative Emergency Centre to come to Pugwash

from Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness press release

Nova Scotians living in Pugwash and surrounding communities will soon receive better care and increased access to emergency services of a collaborative emergency centre at the North Cumberland Memorial Hospital.

The Pugwash centre will be the third in the province, providing same-day, or next-day medical appointments and 24/7 emergency care.

Collaborative emergency centres (CEC) help address issues of emergency department overcrowding and long waits to see family doctors. These centres will keep emergency departments open, reduce patient wait times and provide a team-based approach that offers continuity of care.

The services at the CEC in will include access to primary health care by a team of professionals, including doctors and nurse practitioners, for 12 hours per day, seven days per week while providing emergency care 24/7.

"More than anything else, Nova Scotians want stability with regard to our health care," said Health and Wellness Minister Maureen MacDonald. "In rural communities, these centres bring peace of mind because they ensure faster and consistent health care."

In Pugwash, decisions are still being made about the exact structure of the collaborative centre. The Cumberland Health Authority is working with the community and officials at the Department of Health and Wellness to develop the best centre for the area.

Nova Scotia's first Collaborative Emergency Centre opened in Parrsboro in July. An announcement of a CEC for Tatamagouche was made October 4th.

Pugwash Library

Monday 11am – 4pm
 Tuesday 11am – 4pm
 Wednesday 2pm – 7pm
 Thursday 2pm – 7pm
 Friday noon – 5pm
 Saturday 10am – 1pm
 Sunday – closed

Application to dissolve the Village of Pugwash — update Lisa Betts, Village Clerk

An application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (UARB) to dissolve the Village of Pugwash was made last year. The hearing for this application is currently planned for 6th February, 2012 to be followed by a plebiscite (public vote).

The proceedings have been moving quite slowly to the point that many residents may have lost track of the current status. We want to keep Pugwash residents up to date with what has been happening with this application and will continue to make media releases as the application develops.

The first application to the UARB, made in 2008, was to reduce the size of the Village because some of those who lived in "rural" Pugwash did not feel that they were benefitting from the services the Village offers. These services include the care and maintenance of Eaton Park, the tennis and basketball courts, the library, Cenotaph and the Village Hall. There was a public hearing at the Pugwash Legion in October 2009 and on 22nd March 2010 the UARB released its decision. The application to reduce the size of the Village of Pugwash was not successful.

Shortly after the decision of the first application to the UARB was released, a new petition was circulated around the Village by all but one of the same applicants. This time the petition was to dissolve the Village entirely. All the applicants needed to be able to send another application to the UARB under this particular part of the law (the Municipal Government Act or MGA) was 10% of eligible village voters to sign the petition.

The petitioners were able to get the number of signatures required and the new application was filed 22nd June, 2010. The filing was not fully complete until 10th November 2010. The application claims that the Municipality of Cumberland County can provide all the same services currently offered by the Village at no cost to the residents of the village.

The Village filed its objections to the application to the UARB in December 2010. The Village claims that there is no way the County can provide the same services at no cost.

There have since been three preliminary hearings which were mostly to determine dates, legal points and to define terms of reference. The most recent of the preliminary hearings was in July, 2011.

The current status is: the Municipality of Cumberland County had to conduct a study to look at the current services provided by the Village and address which of those services the County is willing to continue to provide, at what cost and how will that expense will be raised. This study was submitted to the UARB on October 14th, 2011.

The Village has provided to the County a comprehensive list of the services provided by the Village, including the job descriptions of Village staff and which properties are used by community groups. The information package includes the description of the duties of the Coordinator for the Gathering of the Clans, which has been increasingly under the umbrella of the Village for a number of years.

An incorporated Village has the authority to provide services and tax property owners to cover those costs. If the application is successful and the Village status is lost, only the Municipality will have that authority. The Municipality of Cumberland County can decide which services it will provide and at what cost. These services may or may not include those currently provided by the Village.

The MGA states very clearly that if a village is dissolved (unincorporated) it cannot be reinstated as a Village. Once it is dissolved, it is gone forever.

So, what happens next? The Municipality's study will be available for all parties to review and then prepare for the hearing in February. Requests by electors to speak at the evening hearing session on February 6th must be made by January 17th 2012. Written submissions from the public to the UARB may be sent by January 24th, 2012. The public hearing will start at 10am February 6th, 2012. This will likely be at St Thomas More church hall on Black Street, Pugwash.

The public hearings will be followed by a plebiscite under the direction of the UARB. A plebiscite is like a referendum and any village elector is eligible to vote. All evidence from submissions from the public, from the hearing and the plebiscite will then be used by the UARB to decide the fate of the Village.

The Commissioners for the Village of Pugwash believe that the majority of electors wish to keep Pugwash as an incorporated Village and would encourage all electors to participate in the hearing and plebiscite. It is our Village. Help us save it from being dissolved. Once it is gone, we cannot ever get it back.

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9am to 1pm

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Further information about the service can be obtained by calling the Legion at:

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Monday to Saturday



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Open Mon—Fri
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1pm to 4 pm
Village Hall
124 Water Street
ph: 243 2088

Communities in Bloom

Mary Maron



It has been a busy summer for Pugwash Communities in Bloom. We hosted the visit of two national judges from August 7-9. Lucy Chang and Roger Younker praised the community and the work of many volunteer groups that contribute to the warm spirit in Pugwash. We will receive the judges' evaluation at the end of October.

During their visit CIB sponsored an Appreciation Luncheon. Area politicians as well as representatives of businesses, volunteer groups and individuals attended this event at the Curling Club. Appreciation was extended to all in attendance and others who work so hard and volunteer so much to make Pugwash the community it is today.

A highlight of this summer has been the Pugwash Communities in Bloom sponsored "Community Pride in Action" program. This program has given recognition to area residents and businesses that have shown exemplary effort in the six CIB criteria: tidiness, urban forestry, floral display, heritage conservation, landscaping, and environmental action. Weekly recipients of this award are given recognition in the Oxford Journal. Some efforts are big and some are smaller but all are appreciated as we work together to improve our community.

Thank you to all who support the work of Pugwash Communities in Bloom.

C@P Site

Darrell Fawcett

The Pugwash C@P Site is still looking for some additional volunteers. The site, located in the Village Hall, offers computer and high-speed internet use to the general public, from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4 Monday to Friday. Volunteers are responsible for opening and closing the site, welcoming visitors, and looking after daily cash receipts during the months of September to May. A student is normally employed in the summer months (June to August inclusive) giving the volunteers those months off.

If you would be interested in looking after a morning or afternoon shift on a regular basis, or if you could be available as a spare, drop in to the site or call Daryl Fawcett at 243-3610 or leave a message at 243-2088. While some familiarity with computers is needed, you don't have to be an expert to lend a helping hand with this valuable service!

~~~~~ Computer Course For Beginners

A Computer Course For Beginners is being offered in the near future, provided there is enough interest. The course will either be offered during an afternoon, or during an evening once weekly until the course material has been covered. There will be a small fee to cover the necessary course material that will be provided, etc. If you are interested in being a student of this course, please call 243-2088 and leave your name and phone number.

Gathering of the Clans—Established 1951

*** Diamond Jubilee ***

60th Anniversary of the Gathering of the Clans

Lisa Betts, Event Coordinator



The 60th anniversary of the Pugwash Gathering of the Clans met with very pleasant weather on July 1st. Residents, visitors from near and far, paying guests, volunteers, vendors, parade entries and competitors accounted for over 7,000 people.

Over \$25,000 was taken in at the gates. Revenue of \$41,583 and expenses of \$30,382 left a gross profit of \$11,201. Although down 9% from last year's particularly excellent numbers, this will be more than sufficient to maintain last year's level of support to other local organizations (see financial report left).

Without these groups helping run the gates, the event could not afford to carry on, as it is the entrance gate fees that are the most significant part of the funding of the festival. Further funding comes from sponsorships, raffle, Midway concession and vendor fees.

Organizations who ran their own fund raising booths, exhibitions or breakfast included the Route 6 Snowmobile Club, Pugwash Fire Department, Pugwash District High School "Reach for the Top" and the Oxford Legion.

There were four pipe bands this year, two from Dartmouth and District, one from the 78th Highlanders and new this year was Southern Victoria pipe and drum band from Perth-Andover, NB. The pipe bands are considered integral to the Gathering and we were pleased to be able to secure the future of the pipe bands returning to Pugwash by offering a \$1000 bonus to each competing organization.

There were 90 Highland dancers aged five to 25 who competed in a variety of dances on Eaton Stage. The winner of the prestigious

Bonnie Gael Huston Memorial Award winner was Meredith Miller from Nanaimo, British Columbia.

The traditional lobster dinners were much missed this year but unavailable because the Old Dining Hall on the Eaton estate was not available. It is hoped that pending renovations will have the building ready again for next year's Gathering.

The winners of the raffle were: three seat swing: Dan Cress of Malagash, party size keg cooler: Ian Murray of Wallace River, buffet table and solar lights: Sharon Simons, Pugwash.

The Parade prize winners were: Commercial: 1st Cunningham Construction, 2nd Harrison's Home Building Centre, honourable mention: Pugwash Co-Op. In Non-Commercial 1st HarbourFest, 2nd Northumberland Community Curling Club, honourable mention: Communities in Bloom. Most humorous prize went to: Paws for Fun.

The Gathering of the Clans could not happen without the countless volunteers who help out - not just on the day of the event, but through the year in preparations and fund raisers, and our thanks go out to them. Many of those volunteers gathered again in Eaton Park on July 30th to enjoy a volunteer's appreciation barbeque.

Preparations start again very soon for the 61st Gathering of the Clans which will be held on Monday, July 2nd in 2012. Volunteers, new fund raising ideas and sponsors are always welcome. Call Event Coordinator, Lisa Betts at 243 2946 for more information.

Gathering of the Clans 2011 Financial Report

REVENUE

Sponsors and raffle	9,119.00
Gate proceeds	25,259.05
Booth fees	1,050.00
Pipes and Drums	652.00
Highland Dancing	1,903.00
Midway	3,870.35
Total Revenue	41,583.40

EXPENSE

Admin supplies	128.74
Admin travel	108.00
Advertising	2,113.75
Bank charges	189.18
Casual wages	130.00
Entertainment	7,547.73
Fireworks	4,500.00
Grand Parade	486.22
Highland Dancing	1,636.66
NS Heavyweights	2,086.25
NS Scottish Clans	64.00
Opening ceremonies	150.00
Psychic fair	73.28
Pipes and Drums	7,465.10
Sanitation	3,146.38
Volunteers	557.31
Total Expenses	30,382.60

GROSS INCOME 11,200.80

Donations	4,500.00
Coordinator's wages	6,300.00
NET INCOME	\$400.80
Bank balance:	\$9,206.75

Old Dining Hall

The Dining Hall (the old Lobster Factory near Thinkers' Lodge) was not available this year for the Gathering. It will be undergoing extensive renovations later this year so that it *will* be available for many, many years to come for this event and any other community events.



Donations to local organizations

\$1000
North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxil
Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue
Pugwash District Volunteer Fire Department

\$250 per entrance gate

HarbourFest (two gates)
Pugwash Chamber of Commerce (two gate)
Pugwash Royal Legion
LA Animal Shelter.

Fall and Winter Events

Check out pugwashvillage.com
"Events" page for more details!

October 18th - noon

Dave Wilson, the Minister for Communities, Culture and Heritage will unveil a plaque recognising that the Pugwash Train Station has been designated as a Heritage Property with the Province of Nova Scotia.

Remembrance Day

November 11th

10:30am	Parade to Cenotaph
11am	Cenotaph
11:30am	St John's Presbyterian Church service
Noon	Reception at Pugwash Legion

December 2nd

2pm - 6pm Village Hall open house and LED holiday light exchange

7pm Community Christmas tree official lighting

More events are planned for this date - watch out for more details as they are confirmed.

Saturday November 12th, 7pm at the curling rink

Pictures in Park (winter edition) presents:

Rear Window, 1954

Directed by: Alfred Hitchcock

Starring: James Stewart and Grace Kelly

Entry by donation. Popcorn and beverages available for sale.

Communities in Bloom presents

Homes for Christmas

December 10th \$10

Private homes AND Thinkers' Lodge will be decorated in a variety of styles.

Thursday, December 15 and Friday December 16

6pm to 8pm

"BETHLEHEM LIVE"

NO PASSPORTS REQUIRED

FREE!

Santa Claus will stopping by the
Pugwash Legion at 2pm on
December 17th

Citizens of Pugwash and visitors to the area will have the opportunity to visit the town of Bethlehem as it might have been in the night that Jesus was born. Situated within the Village limits, on Water Street, "BETHLEHEM LIVE" will again be presented by the churches in Pugwash as a Christmas gift to the Village with a real stable, live animals, a blacksmith at his forge and many of Bethlehem's citizens ready to answer questions and help you find your way around town.

Just follow the signs to Bethlehem!

New Years Day Levées

10am to noon at the Pugwash Village Hall

Noon to 2pm at the Pugwash Legion

The Friends of the Margaret King School

Pat Briggins

The Friends of the Margaret King School Society recognizes the value of that great school and it is our purpose to keep the memory alive, and where it has died, to rekindle it. We wish to assure readers that we continue to be active in our pursuits of choice & establishing a proper monument. Those of us who toil gladly with the various details of "Project Monument", also serve those of Alumnae who survive to this day, and support us with their membership in the Society and with their encouragement.

The finished product will be one of a kind which will immortalize the fond memories of the Margaret King School and the generosity of Mr. Cyrus Eaton.

During the summer, a number of visitors came by to see the site in its interim condition and have expressed their approval. The Society believes that this is only the beginning and that completion of "Project Monument", will draw Alumnae, and others to view our work. FMKS membership now stands at 25 and interest is high among our various committees and our supporters. We welcome more supporters and membership details may be received by contacting **Patricia Briggins** at (902) 243-3346 or by e mail - patriciabriggins@gmail.com

" Together we can do the extraordinary . "

Thinkers' Lodge National Historic Site Restoration Project Update

John Eaton, PCC Chair

The restoration and rehabilitation work on Thinkers' Lodge was completed in early August and the results were unveiled to the public at a very successful Community Open House on Tuesday, August 9, 2011. More than 200 people took the opportunity to tour the refurbished lodge and the response was extremely positive.

A highlight of the event was a talk by special guest Sandra Butcher, Senior Program Coordinator, Pugwash Conferences on Science & World Affairs who spoke about the significance of the name Pugwash around the world. "The name of your town has importance and relevance in places you can't imagine," she said. Butcher added that people throughout the international Pugwash Movement are excited about the work being done to restore and reinvigorate the National Historic Site.

Just prior to the Open House, the Lodge hosted its first post-restoration conference when a group of teachers from the graduate studies program at St. Mary's University spent a week in Pugwash learning what peace is and how to implement it into their classrooms, schools and communities. This past Labour Day weekend the Lodge was the venue for a sold-out Story Telling and Creativity Workshop by one of the greatest story tellers working today - Jay O'Callahan.

The non-profit Pugwash Park Commission (PPC) has partnered with a number of stakeholders to restore and rehabilitate Thinkers' Lodge, which was designated as a National Historic Site in 2008. Funding has been secured from various partners including NS Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, ACOA, Parks Canada, the Municipality of Cumberland County and the PPC. The project is being overseen by a broad-based Advisory Committee, which is a sub-committee of the Cumberland RDA.

Phase 1 got under way in late 2009 and focused on the stabilization. Phase Two addressed the remaining interior and exterior work on the Lodge and focused on new mechanical systems (heating, plumbing and electrical), plaster restoration, and other key historic details. It also includes the development of an Interpretive Master Plan and a Business Plan/Marketing Strategy to address operational requirements and enhanced public access, and detailed architectural and engineering plans for the restoration and rehabilitation of the lobster factory.

Yes, the Lodge will be accessible to the public. Strategically placed interpretive displays will be installed over the next several months, including the Nobel Peace Prize and the Lenin Peace Prize.

Phase 3, the complete restoration of the Lobster Factory, will get underway shortly.



The Friends of the Pugwash Estuary (FOPE) has seen tremendous growth and accomplishment in 2011. Membership currently stands at more than 100 and very successful fundraising in April has provided some financial stability. This money, plus a variety of other funding sources, enabled us to continue to rent an office on Water Street, employ a total of five people over the summer, and engage in two major projects plus a variety of smaller ones.

The Habitat Restoration Project on Patton Brook saw the continuation of last year's work, with 19 more installations completed this year. Already, the benefit of last year's work was seen - the increase in the number and depths of pools have led to sightings of many more fish.

The Culvert Assessment Project identified 100 culverts in the watershed and completed an in depth study on 40 of those. The main objective was to determine if these culverts were fish passable, document the problems and prioritize for improvements. Some of the information from main road culverts has already been forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

This summer a newsletter was published and distributed to members. The annual flotilla was expanded to include a social with entertainment and drew more than 100 people. During HarbourFest, tours of the Estuary were popular, as were postcards of aerial photos of the Estuary. The Friends continue to be involved in the Community Aquatic Monitoring Program, the stewardship of Nature Conservancy lands, and general monitoring of the Pugwash Estuary and River.

Alice Power

The Inside Scoop would like to
THANK all our customers for
their patronage
during our summer season!



See you all next season!
Jennifer, Mike and Staff

Refundable cans and bottles from the Village bins can be used as a fund raiser for your non-profit group.

Make a request to the Village in writing and we'll put you on the list. So far, the Friends of the Library and 4H have benefitted from some of the cans collected over the summer.

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Pugwash Farmers Market



Jennifer Houghteling

The Pugwash Farmers Market had another very successful year thanks to all our wonderful customers and dedicated vendors. We are enjoying the new location and hope to be there for a while.

Please watch for the upcoming Christmas Market that will be the 3rd annual held at the high school, as well as our 3rd annual IncrEdible Community Supper that is usually late February.

In order to have a local economy it is very important to support local families who are working hard to supply the community with the products available at the market.

Thanks Everyone!

It Takes a Village Newsletter is generally published quarterly in March, June, September, December. The deadline for our next issue is **November 18th**.

Maximum word count of 250. We reserve the right to edit for length and content. Photos or graphics will be used as space allows. Send articles by email to:

villagecommission@
pugwashvillage.com

For more info call:
243 2946



Busy season for Sport Pugwash

Bert McWade

Sport Pugwash on the Miller Road is a busy place. The installations of our parking lot, new bathrooms have been a big help to all the ball teams. The PDHS girls and boys teams were able to play home games at the Sport Pugwash this year. Two co-ed adult tournaments were held there and the diamond was used for all ages FREE of charge two nights a week. Next year make plans to come and join in the softball fun at Sport Pugwash.

Our all weather walking and horse training track was resurfaced this year and is a great place for people to walk safe, no traffic, great level surface, walk immediately after, rain, snow or sunshine. Don't forget it's all free at Sport Pugwash, come out and walk, its good for you.

We finally got our horse racing card in on Saturday September 24, 2011. Rain had caused two previous delays, but on Saturday the 24th we had close to 500 race fans come out and watch three harness horse races and three miniature horse races. The miniature horses were a big hit with the children, as they were able to get very close to these tiny horses.

We encourage everyone to come out to see Sport Pugwash on the Miller Road; which has just been widened and resurfaced. The walking track and walking trails are all free to use. Next year we are planning more activities of sports, racing and exercise for families.

Northumberland Community Curling Club

Hazel Felderhof



Northumberland Community Curling Club (NCCC) celebrated the start of a new season with its annual Dinner, Dance and Draw (3D Event) held September 10th at the curling club. A catered turkey dinner was served to 160 participants by Jeanne's Decorative Cake House & Catering, Amherst. Dancing followed with music provided by Steve and the Boys from Springhill. The 3D Event is NCCC's major fund raiser of the year so the excitement heightened as the evening progressed towards the time for the drawing of raffle tickets. The winning ticket was valued at

\$10,000 and five \$1,000.00 tickets were up for grabs. Five door prizes were also drawn. The lucky winners this year were:
\$10,000.00 Winner: Rick Hollis, Brookfield. \$1,000.00 winners: Lionel Prokopow, Malagash; Cameron MacDonald, Port Howe; John K. MacDonald, Tatamagouche, Eldon Mundle, Pugwash and Karen Jost, Malagash. Door Prizes: \$100.00 certificates Club Doctor: Mary Lou Copp, Pugwash, Inglis Jewellers: George Tilt, Malagash, Jim Hathway: Janet Canfield, Malagash, Mundle's Propane: Jim Dixon, Linden, Earl Chase Lobsters: Janice Mundle.

With the 3D Event behind them volunteers at NCCC are settling into the serious business of preparing for the curling season. Registration packets went out in September and posters and ads will be appearing on the local bulletin boards and in the local newspapers. As in the past there will be Open House, Monday to Thursday 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., October 24 - 27. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in taking up the sport to come to the rink, free of charge, and try it out. Instructors will be on hand to assist. This is also a time for former curlers to register, pay their fees and sign up for the league of their choice. Ice man Gary Gullens is aiming to have the ice ready by Oct. 15.

All is ready for a good season of curling. Dig out your brooms and join the fun.

Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are on the third Monday of the month at
7pm

Come to the next meeting and find out what is going on in
YOUR Village!

Meetings often include special presentations from local
organizations and groups, the RCMP or
Provincial representatives

If you would like to make a presentation,
call the Clerk at 243 2946 or email
villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

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Musquodoboit Valley
Scott Armstrong
1 888 752 0552

MLA for Cumberland North
Brian Skabar
667 9812

Councilor for District 4
Allison Gillis
243 3313

Next Regular Meetings

October 17th
November 15th
December 19th

Pugwash Village Commissioners: Who are they?

Pugwash Village has five elected Commissioners who volunteer their time to help administer what is going on in YOUR Village. To be a Commissioner, you have to live within Village limits and be willing to give up a lot of time to work for the sake of all Village residents. Elections are held every June for one or two positions that are for three years.

Rod Benjamin (243 3629) is the Commission chair. Rod lives on Water Street and is also a lay reader for the Anglican church.

Jim Whitman is Commission Vice Chair and lives on Queen Street (243 3647). Jim is the Harbour Master for Pugwash Harbour.

Linda Langille (243 2669) lives on Russell Street and an active defender for animal rights.

Dave Farley (243 3284) is a member of many organizations and is currently director at large for the Association of Nova Scotia Villages.

Danny Brooks (243 3253) lives in Pleasure Cove, Pugwash and also a member of the Pugwash Fire Department and Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue.

DOG OWNERS

When walking your dog, please remember to take a bag (or two) with you to pick up your pet's waste. Thank you for helping us keep our park and streets clean and healthy for everyone!



The **Environmental Home Assessment Program (EHAP)** is available in all areas of Nova Scotia until March 31, 2012. Homeowners with onsite septic systems and private wells can request a free environmental home assessment by calling 1-800-500-3427. The service is funded by the *Nova Scotia Department of Environment* and delivered by non-profit organizations providing environmental education. Homeowners can contact *Clean Nova Scotia* at 1-800-665-5377 to book your FREE assessment in HRM, Hants, Guysborough, Antigonish, Pictou, **Cumberland**, Colchester counties.

During the **EHAP** assessment, *Clean Nova Scotia* staff will meet with the homeowner at their home for approximately an hour and a half. The homeowner will receive information on how to manage their septic system and well water quality and how to inspect their oil tank. All information obtained during an **EHAP** assessment is confidential.

Home owners who participate in the EHAP assessment are eligible for a \$100 septic tank pumping rebate. Those who meet certain eligibility criteria may also apply for a grant of up to \$3,000 from the *Nova Scotia Department of Environment's Septic Repair Grant Program*.

Participation in this program helps to protect our environment and the health of Nova Scotia households. Call 1-866-500-3427 (**EHAP**) to request your free environmental home assessment.



New rules regarding solid waste are coming into effect January 1st 2012

From the County website: "As of **January 1st, 2012** residents of Cumberland County will be permitted to place only ONE non-clear "privacy bag" per clear, non-coloured bag of residual garbage. Multiple non-clear bags such as kitchen catchers, grocery bags, etc. will no longer be accepted."

For more information call:
667 5141

www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/solid-waste.html

Visit the Pugwash Village website at
www.pugwashvillage.com
Listings include local businesses and contacts,
history of the Village and an Events page.

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