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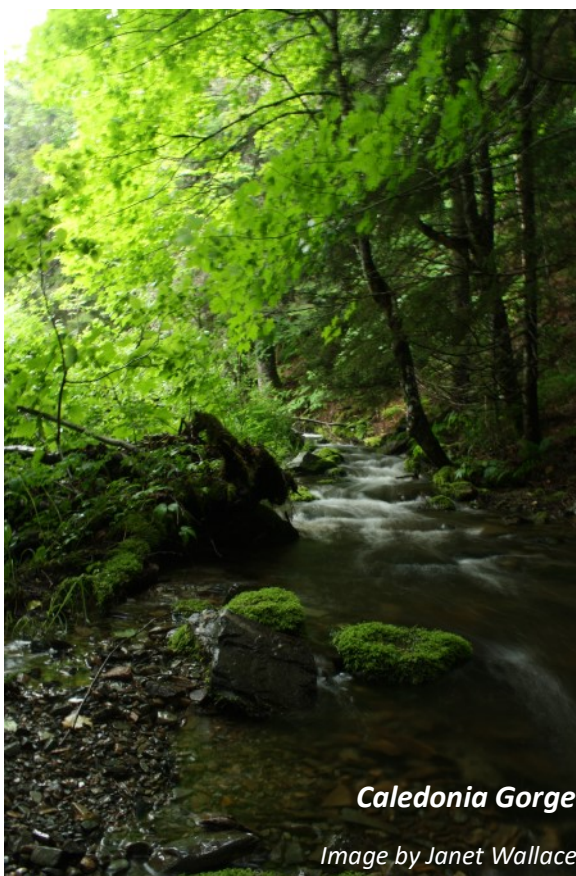
## ***NCC conserves rare Acadian forest, helps protect water supply***

**T**he Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), in partnership with the Village of Riverside-Albert, has purchased and conserved 132 hectares (326 acres) of old Acadian forest in south-eastern New Brunswick. This project not only conserves a rare type of forest, it also protects the water reservoirs and water supply for the 300 residents of Riverside-Albert.

Ownership of nine hectares of the 132-hectare property immediately surrounding the reservoirs will be transferred from NCC to the village for conservation and management of the water supply.

The Nature Conservancy of Canada's newest protected area is located between the Caledonia Gorge Provincial Protected Natural Area and the Village of Riverside-Albert. The property features red spruce, sugar maple, red maple and yellow birch, which are characteristic of the original Acadian forest of the Maritimes. The majority of the trees in the protected area are more than 80 years old.

*Excerpt from a NCC press release (May 15th). In this issue and in upcoming issues, we will describe the Acadian Forest, the value of community partnerships and the water supply of Riverside-Albert and other communities.*



**Caledonia Gorge**

Image by Janet Wallace

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### Deadline for July: May 31st.

The July issue will be sent to all households in rural Albert County.

## Three writers, three awards... and more

Connecting Albert County wishes to acknowledge and extend hearty congratulations to three of our regular writers—Janet Wallace, Deborah Carr and Jenn Shelby—who recently received awards for their work from the Atlantic Journalism Awards and Writers' Federation of New Brunswick.

On April 28, Janet Wallace and Deborah Carr were recognized during the 2018 Atlantic Journalism Awards gala in Halifax for articles published last year in *Saltscapes Magazine*.

Janet received the Gold Award for the Best Profile for her article "Free Range," a story about Barnyard Organics, the family farm of Mark and Sally Bernard of PEI. Deborah received the Silver Award for the Atlantic Magazine Article for "Lighthouse Keeper's Daughters," which chronicles a brief history of Grindstone Island, coupled with the fond childhood memories of Betty and Freda Weston, who grew up there.

On May 13th, Jennifer Shelby received a First

Place award from the Writers' Federation of New Brunswick in the Fig Lit Prize for Young People (short story/poem) category, for her short story "Dragon Crossing."

Also, Allan Cooper's new book, and two books published by CAC Board Member Kate Merlin of Chocolate River Publishing are shortlisted for New Brunswick Book Awards.

Albert County's creative community is certainly in the spotlight and making us proud! For links to the winning stories, see [www.connectingalbertcounty.org/current-news/three-writers-three-awards](http://www.connectingalbertcounty.org/current-news/three-writers-three-awards).

*Submitted*



*Jennifer Shelby reading image by Deborah Carr*

*Pack your bags for a daydream*, was all the invitation said. I looked around my apartment, uncertain. What would I need for a daydream?

Google didn't help.

My empty suitcase, second-hand and no stranger to adventure, waited on my bedroom floor. "Think like a story," it suggested.

My suitcase is overfond of riddles.

In the end I packed a clock, so I wouldn't run out of time. A dictionary, so I wouldn't be at a loss for words. A compass, so I could explore with confidence, and a mirror, to reflect upon my adventures. Blushing, I tucked in my imagination. I probably should have thought of that sooner. Next came knitting needles, in case I felt the dream unraveling. The last thing I packed was a box of cookies. To share.

*Short fiction by Jennifer Shelby*

## Partnerships help protect sacred places

by Deborah Carr

One day, many years ago, I was in the parking lot at the Fundy National Park pool. A car of tourists pulled in beside me, and a family of four climbed out. As the parents were busy gathering towels and other articles from the car, their young son wandered over to the edge of the parking lot and stared into the trees. I watched the child with some concern, as the parents were distracted. Suddenly, he called out with some urgency, "Dad! Dad! Come here!" His father rushed over.

"Dad...what's that?" The youngster pointed into the trees and I squinted too, looking for movement of a bird or perhaps an animal. His father seemed as puzzled as me. "What? What are you looking at?"

The boy pointed into the woods, waved his arms back and forth. "All that."

His father paused. "Oh. That's a forest."

True story.

Last year, the Elgin Eco-Association successfully raised enough funds in partnership with the NB Nature Trust to purchase and protect The Mapleton Acadian Forest trail, an area of old growth Acadian Forest in their community that had been slated for clearcutting. Together, they were able to conserve both the property and the hiking trails constructed and used by the community.

The Acadian Forest is a unique ecosystem, indigenous to our area, yet only 1-5% of it remains intact due to aggressive industrial clearcutting. It is listed as one of the six endangered ecosystems in Canada, so any project that undertakes to preserve these precious forests—in particular the old

growth—is a good news story.

Here's another:

Last year, while the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) was inventorying plots of mature forest along the Fundy Coast, they identified a special area between the Caledonia Gorge Provincial Protected Natural Area and the Village of Riverside-Albert that contained 90% old growth. It also supports two reservoirs that have been the primary water supply for the village for nearly a hundred years, secured under a "water lease," set to expire in 2019. So, they approached the Village Council and the landowner to see if something might be put in place to protect both these precious resources.

In August 2017, the Nature Conservancy and the town of Riverside-Albert announced a joint effort to raise funds for the

purchase and conservation of this 368-acre property. It came at the same time as the City of Moncton was objecting to herbicide spraying on clear-cuts within their own reservoir watershed.

I was especially excited about the Nature Conservancy project, as I'm familiar with the property. Several years ago, on a December day before snow had fallen, friends and I hiked past the reservoir. We were in search of waterfalls.

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We found steeply-incised gullies and cliffs, stately moss-covered trees, and clear running creeks and, yes, ice-crusting waterfalls. But we also found a sense of quiet and peace in the winter forest. To stand in an undisturbed, old growth forest is to feel small and humble, yet grounded; a stark contrast to a society that demands we play large and loud and fast.

Author Wendell Berry says there is only sacred ground and desecrated ground. To walk within a pristine, natural forest is to walk on sacred ground. I do not say this lightly. Nor do I take the need to protect and advocate for such places lightly.

Our forests are under attack. In 2014, New Brunswick's Conservative government signed a secretive forestry agreement granting industry an unprecedented 2.5 million cubic feet of timber every year for 25 years—a 20% increase. The agreement also sacrificed 25% of previously conserved land for logging. And it reduced buffers, increased clear-cut size, while doubling the areas for tree plantations to roughly one-quarter of all Crown forests.

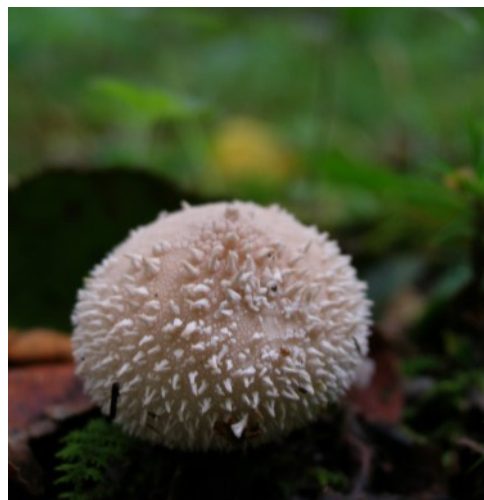
The time to protect is now. Last November, the Chipoudy Communities Revitalization Committee (CCRC) was able to present a cheque for \$6,000 to NCC as a contribution towards protecting this special old growth forest—and Riverside-Albert's watershed—and I understand the fundraising is progressing very well.

It has never been more critical to protect our threatened watersheds and natural forests, for ourselves, for the wildlife that inhabit them, and for the children who come later. So investing in such undertakings are important projects for our communities.

Several years ago, a Land and Sea show featured the lifestyle of local musician Jim Blewett. Jim said something I never forgot: "If every one of us could just keep one acre to grow naturally, what a difference we could make."

We may not all be able to protect one natural acre, but projects such as these allow us to still do our part. We can become a People who Protect by contributing, in some large or small way, towards conserving important forest landscapes for the generations to come. So our own grandchildren may have a chance to walk through a natural, uncut forest. So they may feel the thick moss give beneath their feet, hear the pileated woodpecker hammer for insects, search for clusters of mushrooms, or spot a flying squirrel. So they will know the humility and wonder of standing beneath a centuries-old tree, one that is too big to wrap their arms around.

And perhaps as they wander there, they'll also feel embraced and held. And perhaps in some way, experience immense gratitude for those who took action to conserve.



Story and images by Deborah Carr.

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## Hillsborough Public Library News

by Victoria Stroud & Rebekah Wheaton

If you frequent the Hillsborough Public Library, be prepared to see a new face greet you when you visit. Our Library Manager, Victoria Stroud, will soon be heading out on maternity leave. Have no fear; Rebekah Wheaton will be here to hold down the fort in her absence.

Originally from Sackville, Rebekah is excited to take on the challenge of managing our community library. Before coming to Hillsborough, Rebekah was the Acting Library Manager at the

McAdam Public Library. She worked as a Reference Librarian at the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly and for several years as the Summer Reading Club Activity Leader at the Sackville Public Library. Rebekah holds a Master of Library and Information Science from Western University and a Bachelor of Psychology from Mount Allison.

Rebekah wants to hear from you! If you have an idea for a program that you would like to see happen at the library or you have a skill that you would like to share with others, drop in and chat with Rebekah.

Details about child, young adult and adult programming will be posted on Connecting Albert County's calendar, NB Public Libraries website, Hillsborough Public Library Facebook Page, and in the library's monthly email newsletter (ask Rebekah to sign you up).

Drop in Saturday, June 2nd 1:30-4pm for an open house with tea, coffee, juice and sweets. It's a great opportunity to meet Rebekah and John Marcoux, Summer Reading Club Activity Leader, and to learn more about the library and upcoming programs.

### Hillsborough Library

2849 Main St. Unit 2  
(Village Office Building),  
734-3722

Hillsborough.publiclibrary  
@gnb.ca

### Hours of Operation

Tuesday: 10am-12pm; 1-5pm  
Wednesday: 10am-12pm; 1-5pm  
Thursday: 1-5pm; 6-8pm  
Friday: 10am-12pm; 1-5pm  
Saturday: 10am-12pm; 1-5pm  
Sunday & Monday: Closed



Victoria Stroud (L), Rebekah Wheaton (R)

Visit Connecting Albert County's Calendar at  
[www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org/calendar](http://www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org/calendar)  
Feel free to add community events to the calendar.

## Summer Reading Club at the Hillsborough Public

Library will be beginning at the end of June.

Visit or contact the library to find out more

Information.

Programs for this summer will be on the theme of

**I WILL BE WHAT I READ**



## CCRC Update

by Barb Gebuhr

Chipoudy Communities Revitalization Committee (CCRC) is pleased to have received a New Horizons for Seniors Grant from the Canadian Government which will be used for the projects described below.

### Video library: Seniors Sharing Stories

Inspired by the recent project on memoir writing at Forest Dale Home, part of the grant includes building a video library of local seniors' interviews. In cooperation with the local schools, students will interview and record seniors. The films will be edited and (hopefully) premiere during Heritage Week in February 2019.

Many of us have heard stories at family gatherings, or even a church supper—any time when folks are together having a good time. If you know a senior with some great stories, we want to capture those memories on tape. Often, people open up more easily when a friend or sibling is there, in a sense, bouncing the stories off one another. This would be a great staging idea—bringing several people together to talk.

The students will also interview some of the residents at Forest Dale Home (provided permission has been granted by the relatives with powers of attorney).

### Lifelong Learning Opportunities

We will build on our successful courses offered at the school: French Second Language, various computer courses, financial management, and others. Have an idea? We are open to trying to find a teacher. Have a skill you want to teach others? We have the space for you!

### Community cooking

We would like to bring a group of adults to

the school kitchen to cook together, share a meal and take home containers of leftovers for the freezer. Some of these meals would use recipes that others would also enjoy—a cookbook could be created. Using the bounty of the fall harvest, we could make pies to share. Using the school's orchard, seniors could partner with the students to make a variety of apple recipes. The fall provides great opportunities for cooking together.

### Barn quilts

We are excited to have two students this summer to begin an Albert County Barn Quilt project. A barn quilt is a barn decorated with likenesses of old-fashioned, brightly painted, patchwork quilt blocks. Barn quilts began when Donna Sue Groves, who loved quilts and barns, wanted to brighten up the plain tobacco barn on her property in Ohio by painting a quilt design on the barn. A few years later, her idea turned into an economic development and tourism project.

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As part of Canada 150, Prince Edward Island received funding for a self-guided driving trail featuring 19 barn quilts in PEI. The barns are spaced at varying intervals, so locating each one is like a scavenger hunt over rural roads, an adventure in agri-tourism. Highly visible from the road, the barn quilt trail provides information about agriculture in PEI. This project has a website which gives a profile of each farm and a map. Closer to home, Kings County NB has a Barn Quilt Trail (see [www.quiltbarntour.com](http://www.quiltbarntour.com)).

Our summer students will work with clients who are interested in having a Barn Quilt made for their property. Together they will decide on the design and colours. Then, the student(s) will work with clients of the Albert Career Development Center, to complete the quilt block on wood suitable for outdoor use. The wooden quilts can hang on a building or on posts installed in a yard.

We are planning a website and/or Facebook page to highlight quilts at the businesses, farms, historic homes, or just homes of people interested in this project on our own Albert County Trail. It is one way to encourage tourists to slow down as they visit the tourist destinations of the Rocks,

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## Hillsborough Farmer's Market



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## Hillsborough Farmers Market update

### Building Community and Local Economy!

The Hillsborough Farmers Market is up and running in full force for the 2018 season. It is the place to be! It's open every Saturday 9am-2pm until Thanksgiving. Make it part of your weekly routine. Packed with farm fresh goodness and old-fashioned hospitality, our vendors are highly talented folks that will not disappoint! You can expect to find fresh baking and produce, hand-made crafts, hot coffee and tea, breakfast, personal care products, bread, meats, maple products, knitting and sewing, preserves, pottery, jewelry, wood working, local teas, plants, live music, activities for the kids, and surprises.

So grab your kids, neighbours, family and friends and come out to support our local small businesses! See you Saturday!

Hillsborough Farmers Market, 2807 Main St. Hillsborough. For details, contact Angela MacDougall at [market@foodsofthefundyvalley.ca](mailto:market@foodsofthefundyvalley.ca)

### Get your grow on!

Do you have a side yard, back yard, front yard, empty lot, old pasture or empty field that would be good for growing food?

Whether you are an experienced gardener, a newbie to gardening, looking for a hobby, a parent wanting to teach your child about fresh food, are unable to garden, just have space... we are looking for people and spaces to grow food. We have an increasing need for local produce.

If you want to grow your own vegetables or you have space available for us to grow vegetables, contact Angela MacDougall at 588-0808, [Angela.macdougall@yahoo.ca](mailto:Angela.macdougall@yahoo.ca) or find us Facebook at Fundy Farms: local harvest

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## Quilt and Fibre Art Show and Sale

By Donna Alward

The Albert County Historical Society will hold its Annual Quilt Show and Sale July 10th to July 14th. We are open each day 9:30am-5:30pm; the admission fee is \$3. We invite you to come and see the beautiful handiwork of our talented applicants in the Community Hall at the Albert County Museum.

All items in the Community Hall are for sale! We will have over 100 quilts plus a wide array of lap, baby quilts and quilt tops and small finished articles—everything from pin cushions, pot holders, hand towels, baby items, purses, scarfs, socks, mitts to beautiful wool hooked rugs! Sewn, knitted, cross stitched and crocheted articles are always popular but we will also have a few wool felted pieces. If it is made of fibre, you could possibly see it at our show!

Quilts and fibre arts are part of our history. Our early residents made quilts from whatever fabrics that were available to keep their families

warm during the winter months. Many of these patterns can still be seen in our entries, plus there are always a few new styles and techniques. I am sure you all remember having or seeing a quilt from your parents or grandparents.

This year our quilt display in the Courthouse is "Appliqué Through the Ages" featuring quilts from the museum and local fabric artists. On Wednesday, July 11th (2-4pm,) there will be demonstration on appliqué techniques. Learn about the history of appliqué and techniques we use on both wool and cotton; there are more options than black blanket stitch!

There will also be a Rug Hooking workshop on Friday, July 13th (10am-4pm). In this workshop, you will learn basic rug hooking techniques plus the Proddy Method to add beautiful dimension to your rugs.

Drop in and enjoy our large display. The Quilt and Fibre Art



Show and Sale is the biggest fundraiser at the museum to keep our museum running for the future. We appreciate your support by attending, submitting articles for sale and volunteering. For details, visit the museum website or call Donna Alward 882-2949.



### RCS News

by Barry Snider

The Staff and Students of Riverside Consolidated School (RCS) would like to thank The Shepody Fish & Game Association for their generous donation of \$500 to our hot lunch program. We would also like to thank Charlotte and Carl Fitzsimmons for all their hard work over the year in preparing the fabulous hot lunches and many early morning breakfasts for our students.

Back: Carl Fitzsimmons, Eric Tracey (Shepody Fish & Game)  
Barry Snider (RCS Principal) Charlotte Fitzsimmons.  
Front row: Max Bowron, Emily Fitzsimmons, Angus Dixon, Madison Dixon



# ***Bennett and Albert County Health Care (BACH) Foundation's 4th Annual Golf Tournament***

June 16th marks the date of the 4th Annual Bennett and Albert County Health Care (BACH) Foundation Golf Tournament. As in previous years, the focus of the day will be on fun, friendship and the charity.

The tournament will be a four-person scramble. In this format, all four players hit off the tee. The team then picks which ball to use for the next shot and all players hit from that spot. This continues until the ball is in the hole. The result is a game focused on fun more than on individual player skill. Because of the format, you don't need to be a good golfer to enjoy a scramble-style golf tournament. Better golfers do, however, have an improved chance of scoring lower in these types of tournaments.

The Hillsborough Golf Course is a gem of a golf course, located in the Village of Hillsborough. The hilly 18-hole

course is surrounded by natural forests, gypsum rock and the odd deer or fox roaming around. There is also a covered bridge on one of the challenging par 3 holes.

Four-person teams can be made up of corporate employees, groups of friends or even ad hoc teams. If you want to golf but don't have a team, call the Hillsborough Golf Club. They can place you on a list and will try to form teams with all the individuals and couples who want to play. Last year, 16 teams participated in the tournament. Despite some inclement weather, players had a wonderful day.

The event, which is held rain or shine, has a shotgun start at 10am. Teams play for five to six hours. Some bring their lunch but many eat at the Golf club's restaurant. By late afternoon, people gather in the clubhouse for refreshments and the awarding of prizes.

All players, regardless of their skill levels, have a chance to win prizes, including lobster, a Stihl trimmer, gift certificates and more. There will be many prizes which means that a lot of people will walk away with something.

In addition to a great day of golf, participants will leave knowing they have contributed to our community. The BACH Foundation contributes to rural Albert County in many wonderful ways. In addition to providing invaluable support to the Albert County Health and Wellness Centre in Riverside-Albert and the Hillsborough Satellite office, BACH also supports a great number of progressive community initiatives including the Literacy Express Program, Sistema Hillsborough, the Imagination Library and Connecting Albert County. You can read more about these programs at [www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org](http://www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org). Search for "BACH" and you'll see links to many stories.

*If you would like to be a tournament sponsor, contact Tournament Committee Members Bob Rochon (734-3491) or Danny Jonah (734-2526).*

*Individuals or teams of four can now register as well. For members of the Hillsborough Golf Club, the cost is \$20/person or \$50 for non-members. (Add \$15pp plus tax for a Power Cart if required.)*

***Save the date! BACH Charity Golf Tournament  
Saturday, June 16th***



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### **Fri Jun 1**

6pm - 7:30pm **Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert\***

6:30pm **Weekly Card Games - Alma Leisure Centre\***

### **Sat Jun 2**

9am - 4pm **Introduction to Beekeeping Workshop**, Albert County Museum. Beekeeping is a fun and interesting hobby that allows you to produce the delicious treat of honey while helping the environment. Learn the basic principles necessary to begin this fascinating hobby. No prior knowledge of honeybees or beekeeping is required. Instructor: Karen Thurlow (find her on Facebook or visit her website). Cost is \$40 for members of Foods of the Fundy Valley or \$45 for non-members. Register at [foodsofthefundyvalley.ca/beekeeping-workshop-2018](http://foodsofthefundyvalley.ca/beekeeping-workshop-2018). You can

become a member for a \$5 yearly fee! Members receive discounts on other workshops.

1:30-4pm **Library Open House**. Hillsborough Library. See page 5.

7pm - 9:30pm **Music Evening**, Hillsborough Kiwanis Center. Admission \$10. Featuring The Rocky Cape Band with: Charles O'Hara, Dave Smith, Gerry Richard, Darrell McAulay, Willis McKinley & Ken Eagles. Guests: Pearl Tones with Elsie Hickey, Joey Price, Donna Barron & Glendine White; Bruce Gibson, Amherst; Carolyn Steeves, Elgin; Freda & Betty, the Weston Sisters, New Horton; Bob Vineau, Amherst. Proceeds for the Hillsborough Kiwanis for ongoing maintenance.

### **Sun Jun 3**

8am - 5pm **Albert County Appreciation Day: Hopewell Rocks**

Free admission with a donation. Please support our local Shepody Food Bank with a donation of cash or non-perishable food items. This is the food bank's major fundraiser for the year.

Please help the food bank to serve our community. In 2017, they gave out over 25,000 meals to children, seniors and adults in need in our local area. High tide at 4:15pm, 35.4 feet. Ocean floor accessible from 7:04am to 2:04pm.

### **Mon Jun 4**

4pm - 5:30pm **Public Information Session**, The Moncton Hospital, Theatre A. Meet representatives from local nursing homes and the Department of Social Development to learn about going to a nursing home, financial assessment, and power of attorney.

6:30pm **Pickleball\***

### **Wed Jun 6**

1pm - 3pm **Shepody Food Bank\***

5:30pm - 8:30pm **Hillsborough Kiwanis Bingo\***

6:30pm - 8:30pm **Forest Dale Home Annual General Meeting**, Forest Dale Home, Brookside Room. Forest Dale Home & Forest Dale Home Foundation's Annual General Meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

### **Thu Jun 7**

4:30pm - 7:30pm **Friends of the Hillsborough Arena - Chase the Ace\***

7pm - 9pm **Country & Gospel Music Evening\***

### **Fri Jun 8**

6pm - 7:30pm **Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert\***

6:30pm **Weekly Card Games - Alma Leisure Centre\***

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**Sat Jun 9**

7pm - 9:30pm **Gospel Music Evening**, Hillsborough Kiwanis Center. Featuring: Judy & the Boys, Salisbury; Erdie & Julie Price, Doaktown. Special Guests: Boy's Trio, Landyn Kingston, Hunter Kingston & Tyler Holmstrom. Admission \$8. Organized by Down-Home Gospel Group. Sponsored by Silver J Mobile Homes Inc.

**Mon Jun 11**

6:30pm **Pickleball\***

**Wed Jun 13**

1pm - 3pm **Shepody Food Bank\***

5:30pm - 8:30pm **Hillsborough Kiwanis Bingo\***

**Thu Jun 14**

4:30pm - 7:30pm **Friends of the Hillsborough Arena - Chase the Ace\***

7pm - 9pm **Country & Gospel Music\***

**Fri Jun 15**

6pm - 7:30pm **Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert\***

6:30pm **Weekly Card Games - Alma Leisure Centre\***

**Sat Jun 16**

**BACH Golf Tournament.** See p. 9.

**Mon Jun 18**

6:30pm **Pickleball\***

**Wed Jun 20**

Noon - 8pm **Mobile EcoDepot**, Salem Train Parking Lot, Steeves St., Hillsborough (see box on right)

1pm - 3pm **Shepody Food Bank\***

\* See Weekly Events page 12

5:30pm - 8:30pm **Hillsborough Kiwanis Bingo\***

**Thu Jun 21**

Noon - 8pm **Mobile EcoDepot**, Salem Train Parking Lot, Steeves St., Hillsborough (see box on right)

4:30pm - 7:30pm **Friends of the Hillsborough Arena - Chase the Ace\***

7pm - 9pm **Country & Gospel Music\***

**Fri Jun 22**

6pm - 7:30pm **Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert\***

6:30pm **Weekly Card Games - Alma Leisure Centre\***

**Mon Jun 25**

6:30pm **Pickleball\***

**Wed Jun 27**

1pm - 3pm **Shepody Food Bank\***

5:30pm - 8:30pm **Hillsborough Kiwanis Bingo\***

**Thu Jun 28**

4:30pm - 7:30pm **Friends of the Hillsborough Arena - Chase the Ace\***

7pm - 9pm **Country & Gospel Music\***

**Fri Jun 29**

**Canada Celebration Days - Alma (Friday to Sunday, July 1st)**

6pm - 7:30pm **Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert\***

6:30pm **Weekly Card Games - Alma Leisure Centre\***

**EcoDepot**

The mobile EcoDepot visits a different community each month. For no fee, residents will be able to visit any Mobile Eco-Depot to dispose of the following (up to ½ tonne truck/utility trailer):

- Appliances
- Electronic waste
- Furniture
- Small household machinery (emptied of gas and oil)
- Construction/renovation waste
- Household hazardous waste
- Car and small truck tires
- Brush/branches and yard waste
- Clear glass, metal
- Cardboard and paper
- Cooking oil

\*\*No car parts, gas tanks, residential oil tanks, regular curbside waste or commercial waste.

See details at [www.eco360.ca/mobile-eco-depot-program](http://www.eco360.ca/mobile-eco-depot-program)

The Albert County Museum cookbook, ***Fiddleheads, Fricot & Frittata: A Hodgepodge of Atlantic Canadian Recipes*** is now available! Only \$8 (including tax) for 200+ recipes, as well as stories about the people and foods of Atlantic Canada. Order 10 copies and get one free! Order now at [albertcountymuseum.com/cookbook](http://albertcountymuseum.com/cookbook) or pick up a copy (or two) at the museum gift shop in Hopewell Cape.



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### **Housing Needs Assessment**

The Albert County Area Community Advisory Committee has developed a Housing Needs Assessment to identify the type, quantity, location and cost of housing needed in our area. The goal is to develop a draft plan by which housing can be developed to meet these needs.

To gather an accurate understanding of housing needs, we are asking that all community members take a few minutes to complete a questionnaire. To protect your personal information, the questionnaire does not ask for your name, address or any other information by which you could be identified.

You can complete the survey online at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/J2MM26Y](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J2MM26Y) or use the paper copy mailed to households in rural Albert County. The deadline is June 30th, 2018.

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

### **Mondays**

**Free Grocery Trips.** Door-to-door service for residents from Alma to Hillsborough to Hillsborough Fresh Mart. If interested in this free service, call 875-1190 or email [tele-driveac@gmail.com](mailto:tele-driveac@gmail.com).

### **6:30pm Pickle Ball**

The Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre hosts Pickle Ball. Come on out and see what this sport is all about! \$2/night. First night is free!

### **Wednesdays**

**1-3pm Shepody Food Bank.** Albert County Health & Wellness Centre, Riverside-Albert. Bring Medicare numbers for every household member. Closed when schools are closed due to weather.

### **5:30pm Hillsborough Kiwanis Bingo**

Doors open 5:30, games begin 6:30.

### **Thursdays**

**4:30-7:30pm Friends of the Hillsborough Arena - Chase the Ace** Hillsborough Golf Course. Raffle tickets 3 for \$5. Draw 7:30pm.

### **7pm Country & Gospel Music Night**

Hillsborough Kiwanis Center. Canteen, 50/50 & Door prizes. Open mic; join us with your singing voice and/or instrument. Admission \$7

### **Fridays**

**6pm Chase the Ace - Riverside-Albert** Fundy Curling Club. Effort of CCRC & Fundy Curling Club to raise money for the ice plant & lifelong learning center at Riverside Consolidated School. Call if you have questions, 882-2573, 882-2052, 882-2626

### **6:30 pm Weekly Card Games - Alma**

**Leisure Centre.** Playing Auction 45. All ages welcome. Refreshments are part of the game night.

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Fun-  
dy National Park and Cape Enrage— and enjoy the drive through some of the most beautiful scenery New Brunswick has to offer.

Interested in becoming part of the Barn Quilt project? Let us know! Interested in participating in a course? Have an idea for a course? Want to cook together with like-minded folks? Let us hear from you. Email [chipoudycrc@gmail.com](mailto:chipoudycrc@gmail.com), send us a Facebook message, call 882-2052, 882-2573 or 882-2626 and give us your ideas.

We are better together!

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### **Looking for work, workers or volunteers?**

Connecting Albert County posts job opportunities as a free service to local businesses. Visit our job page: [connectingalbertcounty.org/jobs](http://connectingalbertcounty.org/jobs).

We have a new page: [connectingalbertcounty.org/volunteer](http://connectingalbertcounty.org/volunteer). Find out about volunteer opportunities for many groups. For example, Connecting Albert County is looking for a website poster, community liaisons and a calendar coordinator. Computer knowledge is not required for all of these and training will provided if needed. Contact Janet Wallace at [info@connecting-albertcounty.org](mailto:info@connecting-albertcounty.org) if interested.



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## Exciting New Exhibit at the Albert County Museum

By Dan Ross

The staff and volunteers of the Albert County Museum are very excited to launch a new exhibit for 2018 and invite everyone to come and experience: "County of Heroes: Cyrus Peck, VC and the Victory Cannon."

The exhibit is presented in a stylized First World War trench; complete with sandbags and rusted corrugated steel, it recreates a realistic setting of life in the trenches and memorializes the lives of those brave heroes of

Albert County who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

You will learn the courageous accounts of Albert County born Colonel Cyrus Peck (1871-1956) who won the Victoria Cross (VC) on September 2, 1918. The VC is the highest military decoration for valour awarded in recognition of the most exceptional bravery displayed in the presence of the enemy. An excerpt from Cy Peck's citation reads: "For most con-

spicuous bravery and skilful leading when in attack under intense fire."

We present the exciting story of the capture of the Vimy Gun, from its use on the battlefield to its historic final resting place in

Hopewell Cape Square; a prize won by the citizens of Albert County in the Victory Loans Competition of 1919.

This is a true account of courage, sacrifice and, most of all, enormous accomplishment. The exhibit highlights two significant historical events not only for Albert County, but for New Brunswick and Canada as a whole. It is the telling of one of Canada's greatest unsung heroes and the amazing sacrifices made by the people of Albert County for their country, not only by its brave men and women, but also by the generous contributions of its citizens.

The Albert County Museum is open daily 9:30am to 5:30pm from the Victoria Day weekend to Labour Day weekend.

*Dan Ross is Manager/Curator, Albert County Museum & RB Bennett Centre. Image by Alison Elias*



## The Albert County Blast-Off! 20-Minute Energizing Workout

by Elaine Demaline

Huh? What is this? I remember some curly-haired dude 30 years ago on television doing some funky work-out moves.... but here in Albert County now? Seriously? What's this all about?

It's so easy, just dust off your old Walkman, put in some 80's Dance Music, throw on those oversized earphones and head outside. This is the start of your 20-minute workout. Intrigued? Oh, and you'll need a few more items to make this work: a garbage bag or two and some gloves.

**Let's all clean up Albert County together!** Go outside, look around your property, the ditches, along the roadway, your favourite walking paths and clean up any wayward garbage. All it takes is the 20-Minute Blast-Off Workout - pick up litter and drop calories, all at the same time.

On a recent 20-Minute Blast-Off Clean-up, my husband exclaimed, "I'll be the first to tell you exercising can be a bore and a chore, but this one is so much fun that I actually **want** to do it! None of the movements are difficult or

strenuous, but it gets you moving to really catchy music. Best yet, you feel great when you're done! How can you go wrong?"

Richard Simmons would be proud... all the way here, in Albert County. Geez, who would have thought?

Stay tuned for next month's issue to see how we're doing with trash talk (or is that talking trash?) and more testimonials from the folks who are embracing this new phenomenon sweeping the County!

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