

The Bell Island Community Policing Newsletter

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From the Corporal's Desk

I have tried to stay away from this topic as I knew I would find it hard to keep from writing a novel. But a novel wouldn't be enough to cover the next segment of our newsletter which I will refer to as the **World of Drugs**.

I have spent the past ten years teaching youth about the World of Drugs in a play called "Norm and Fred - Think about drugs" (See www.drugplay.com) Complimented with almost 18 years of front line police work, six years as a Correctional Youth Counsellor dealing with Maximum Security Young Offenders discussing drug issues daily, and a BA in Criminology (Sociology) I would say that I have had a good background in the World of Drugs. In

response to the 530 live performances to over 150,000 youth over ten years we actually received thousands of letters and emails stating that our show was right. The World of Drugs was dark, dirty, misleading, dangerous and not fit for anyone.

I have been learning about the World of Drugs since I was old enough to be inquisitive. The first drug I ever saw was the world's most commonly abused drug which is locally and commonly known as alcohol. From my early teen years I witnessed the effects of alcohol on others and the problems associated with the consumption of this mind altering substance. While working in various bars in New Brunswick and beyond I was able to study cannabis (Marijuana), various pills, cocaine and

other substances one hears about almost daily in the news. I was able to see what they were, their costs, the effects and the problems associated to them. But to fully understand what I call the World of Drugs, I had to learn there was more to know that just what substances exist - I had to know how these things affected our lives. In other words The World of Drugs was a place one entered when they started using these items to solve problems - not just things you could buy and put in your pocket.

What does this all mean? Quite simply since men and women have existed there have been substances available for mind altering. Substances like Cocaine and Opium (Heroin and derivatives) have been available for hundreds of

years. Does this make it appropriate to take these substances for non medicinal use. The answer is no! In more recent years - since 1900 - drugs like cannabis became illegal after societies found it's use to be contrary to the common good. The taking or smoking or consumption of marijuana caused persons to be lethargic, lazy, and generally unfit for work environments which during the industrial revolution until the present day was and is important. We needed a skilled work force. We still do! One with good solid work morals. One that shows up for work, is motivated and is consistent. We can't afford to have a dope smoking, alcoholic type work base. Or any work force with drug addiction tendencies.

Now I can just hear those who support cannabis decriminalization ranting now. They are going to turn this entire article around to serve this element of their consciousness. The argument that cannabis is not harmful is rising out of their pipes with passion. No pun intended! (I wonder if they knew what the word cannabis meant? Just in

case, we better tell them we are still talking about marijuana, weed, pot, etc) Yes there are individuals who believe that since we can't control alcohol related vices then we should have another to deal with as they claim it doesn't do as much harm!? As much harm as what. The last time I checked cannabis wasn't included in the Canada Food Guide therefore it is a foreign substance to the body like alcohol therefore it is dangerous on that plane alone. We don't even need to discuss what actual harm it causes to nerve endings and brain cells and persons attitudes who are prone to addiction, etc. I could go on for hours. The bottom line here is it doesn't belong in your body, plain and simple....get over it!

Back to the original topic and to the centre of this article. **Without mind altering substances everyone would be forced to face their problems as they arise in life instead of self medication. Oh No!!!!** This scares those of us who are somewhat subject to procrastination as we tend to put some things off that bother us and cause us to

worry. These problems as we have learned could be subject to alcohol medication or cannabis medication or other form of body abuse. Why do we do this? For most we learned it through parents or friends. We saw others medicating problems and since we didn't know how to use good problem solving skills - we got stoned or drunk. After months or years of this self medication we then entered the World of Drugs. Simple eh! Dangerous though. From here we begin denying our vices are dangerous. We start defending them. Sound familiar.... friends of cannabis? **We do everything we can to portray what we do as needed, safe and positive because if we didn't we would have to admit we had problems we couldn't handle. This is too much for some.**

The world of drugs then grows as the supply must be increased to meet the demand. Organized crime develops to meet the needs of those using narcotics for their issues/ problems as it is lucrative. Drugs cost money and money fuels

organized crime. Those who use drugs flatly deny that their money supports organized crime. If it doesn't then who's money does?

The reality of it all is that I doubt anyone reading this article learned anything as they already knew the content....some are just in denial. The world of drugs is a filthy place. I am so glad Bell Islanders realize that truth. By the way....drugs are also illegal.

Best Wishes

The members of our detachment would like to extend best wishes to all the students returning to school this month.

We would also like to welcome our brand new students in Mrs. Mitchell's kindergarten classes at St. Augustine's.

Morning Class:

Alicia Barnes
Allison Boone
Selena Brown
Jaden Delaney
Cassandra Dunne
Paul Foley
Rebecca Keels
Matthew Lewis

Keshia Noseworthy
Krista Taplin
Keely Tobin
Cameron Warren

Afternoon Class:

Kolton Bennett
Preston Bickford
Brooklyn Carroll
Makayla Delaney
Bradley Doyle
Chasity Drover
Nicole Drover
Reanna Keels
Matthew Lewis
Jessica Parsons
Tyler Whalen
Toni Marie Wiseman

Good luck to all the students at St. Michael's in your final year of high school. Savour this final year of high school. It'll be over before you know it. Work hard and make it count!

Constable Colleen Donovan

***RCMP Technological Crime Unit advises:
Don't give out too much information on your school website!***

St. John's - Some Schools, in an effort to teach technology to students, have made the development

of a personal space/page on the internet available to students. The RCMP Technological Crime Unit warns that although this can be an excellent learning tool, it can also be a means for internet predators to seek out information for potential targets. While the likelihood of being abducted is slim, predators do use the internet to chat with and sometimes try to meet young people.

As another school year has started, it is important for students, parents and educators alike to review some safety issues regarding internet use. Web sites created by youth should contain as little identifying information as possible. Students should not post their picture, last name, address, school attended (unless using a school hosted site), parents name or work location or anything that could help identify who they are and where they live. Remember most visitors to your web site know these things about you because they are family or close friends. They do not have to be reminded.

Also, often youth will place more information about themselves on their web page while using fake information for their ICQ or MSN user profiles. By placing their web page link in their chat user profile they may have just revealed who they really are and have made it easy for potential predators.

Chat rooms can pose a risk for youth to be exposed to offensive language and subject matter. It is the only place in the world where a 55-year-old predator can pretend to be 12 years old! It is important for parents and youth to discuss acceptable surfing habits and place the computer in a common area of the home. Students should be reminded to never use their last name, give personal information or chat with a person they do not know and NEVER agree to a meeting with a stranger! Parents should limit the amount of online time their child spends chatting through agreements and open family discussions.

The internet is becoming a part of everyone's life and it is important that youth and parents alike have a

positive experience by remaining cautious and following basic safe internet surfing practices.

**R.C.M.P. Atlantic Region
Integrated Technological
Crime Unit (St. John's)**

***Bell Island Ferry
Users Committee
September Report***

The September Report of the Committee as compiled on Sept 15, 2004 is contained below. There have been few new developments since mid August.

1. FERRY SCHEDULE :

There still has not been any feedback from the department of works and transportation on any changes or otherwise to the current schedule.

Budget 2004 had identified the need for cost controls and the option of reduced trips by both vessels was presented by government officials

The committee is strongly opposed to any trip reductions in the current schedule, except for

flexibility to consider fewer trips in the late fall and winter season schedule when demand for the service is reduced somewhat.

The committee has met with government officials over the past few months and alternate options are being considered in lieu of suggestions that trips could be dropped.

Two vessel ferry service year round is the minimum acceptable service

It is the committee's position that the continued 12 month operation of the 2 ferries is entrenched as a basic core minimum service level.

Vessel reduction has not been brought to the table by government officials and the committee would not entertain its consideration.

We can all relate to the disadvantages and disruption of a one vessel service (long waits, line-ups and frustrations, no service during noon period for close to 2 hours, difficulty getting to and from work, school and

meetings, disruption of early morning service when one vessel has had to make an overnight medical emergency trip breaching crews hours of rest rules etc.)

However management efficiencies and cost controls can help control costs.

Several less sailings could be considered in the wintertime schedule- (December to April) especially to allow the vessels to have maintenance work performed during the normal sailing day.

There are indications that the crew size of the Beaumont Hamel is in the process of being reduced by 1 per shift and in turn the passenger capacity of the ferry dropped accordingly.

Additionally, government officials have advised that significant fuel savings can be achieved by having the vessels tie up in Portugal Cove for fuelling and reduce the costs of bringing the fuel trucks to Bell Island. This could involve a schedule change to allow for the vessels as required

to be tied up in the cove while not sailing.

Vehicular traffic use on the ferries remains high and the early morning weekday sailings of the Beaumont Hamel at 720 and 820 is well used and the committee would not want this early service dropped given its proven use, need and importance to Bell Island's economy (its continuance however has been raised as an issue by government officials)

Ferry trip reductions would be penny wise and pound foolish and would lead to less employment and business on and off Bell Island and greater costs for government due to increased income support etc.

2. PLANS FOR NEW VESSEL TO REPLACE HAMILTON SOUND

The Committee has still not heard from Transportation Minister Rideout on his commitment to present a ferry vessel replacement program before Cabinet for consideration. The Hamilton Sound which sails several months on the Bell Island

service as a replacement is long overdue for replacement by a hoped for new 28 car ferry.

As witnessed in recent months despite a major refit, continuing breakdowns of the Beaumont Hamel is also an issue.

A construction start is needed in 2004 to have a new ferry by 2006.

3. SECURING STRIKE FREE FERRY SERVICE

The Committee is continuing its lobby to secure strike free status for ferry services and designation of ferries as part of the Provincial highway system.

As previously advised, our Member, Minister Whalen has committed to use her best efforts to secure Cabinet support to achieve strike free status for Provincial ferries so as to avoid the a repeat of the April 2004 striking of the ferry service.

4. PROVINCIAL FERRY COALITION CONTINUES LONG WAIT FOR MEETING WITH MINISTER

The newly formed Provincial Ferry Committee is still awaiting Minister Rideout's agreement to meet with the Executive of this newly formed Committee. The Committee is anxious to have a number of concerns addressed on ferry rates, vessel adequacy, improved scheduling etc.

5. COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING - NEAR FUTURE

The Committee Executive will schedule a public meeting this Fall once new developments occur to address ongoing issues and welcomes your input and attendance.

6. FEEDBACK , INPUT AND SUPPORT WELCOMED

Please contact any of the following members with suggestions and concerns (Chairperson David Brazil,

Mayor Gosine. Dr. Laurie. Officer Boyd Merrill, Keith Kent, Tony Power, and consultant Ed Kent.)

Ferry users are invited to contact Minister Whalen's and Minister Rideout's office to express your views on the ferry service and ferry issues and to support the efforts of the Committee.

The ferry service is the foundation of Bell Island's economy and we must be proactive to ensure the service meets our needs and promotes our economy.

Ed Kent

Operation Sunshine

During July and August, 2004, Operation Sunshine ran a summer program for the developmentally delayed of our area at the Wabana Boy's & Girl's Club. This has been an ongoing program since 1985 and has worked well for the group.

The program consists of several activities:

- School Work
- Outings

- Crafts
- Cooking
- Exercising.

This summer the developmentally delayed had the opportunity to attend activities in St. John's:

- Sports day sponsored by the Vera Perlin Society at St. Paul's School. This event was well attended with several individuals receiving awards while everyone received participatory ribbons.

- Bowling at Plaza Bowl which included pizza.
- Meals from McDonald's and a movie of one's choice.

Due to the efforts of Lori Hann of Community Services, these individuals as well as those attending Touch of Class and others within the community were able to avail of these activities.

Much gratitude and special thank you's are extended to Leona Ezekiel and Joey Somerton of the Wabana Boy's & Girl's Club, Jeff Young who helped coordinate activities at the

Boy's & Girl's Club, as well as the many volunteers and parents who helped make the program such a huge success. Thank you one and all.

Joan Whalen

Foodbank

Another summer has come to an end and the students are returning to school. We would like to wish them a successful and safe school year. This also means a great demand on our food bank. In order for us to keep up the demand for our services we need your support. Anyone who can help in any way to help us with our fund-raising would be greatly appreciated.

Interested people who will be applying for a hamper this Christmas from the Salvation Army will have to register on October 1st 2004 at the Pentecostal Church beginning at 9 am. Please make sure you have all identification with you.

MCP, INCOME and DRUG CARD NUMBERS OF ALL PEOPLE IN THE HOUSEHOLD ARE A MUST, WITHOUT IT WE CANNOT PROCESS

YOUR APPLICATION.

Also taking place the same day and place will be a bake sale and flea market. If anyone has any thing laying around that you are planning to get rid of we would certainly appreciate it. We can have it picked up or it can be dropped off to the Food Bank. If anyone has a few hours to spare on August 1st to give us a hand at registration and our sale it would be greatly appreciated. Interested people please phone the Food Bank and leave their name and phone number.

Congratulations are in order for Tom And Bonnie who by the time this newsletter is printed will be Mr. and Mrs. Spracklin. They are both members of our board. Congratulations and best wishes for a wonderful life together.

On September 18th the VOCM radio bingo will start. We do get a portion of the profit of the cards sold on the Island. Your support every Saturday night for the next 14 weeks will be greatly appreciated.

Wabana Boys & Girls

***Club
"Every Kid Has Potential"***

During the months of June through September the club had a ticket sale on \$1,500.00 in total cash prizes. We like to thank all the people who sold or purchased these tickets to help the club. The tickets were drawn on Sunday Sept. 5th at the Curling Club after the Labor Day softball tournament. The winners were:

1st Prize was Angela Cobb - \$1000. Ticket was sold by Sheree Penney

2nd Prize was Beverly Murphy - \$500.00. Ticket was sold by Peggy Kent.

The Fall Program Registration has started and all leagues will start in the first week of October. If your child has not registered for the programs, now is the time to do so.

We would like to congratulate all our members that participated in our summer programs. Also a huge thanks to the summer staff for their efforts and hard work,

without your dedication our programs would not have been a success. Any time the Boys & Girls Club offer programs to our members we focus on children playing safe and having fun. This past summer it seemed as if the parents forgot the purpose of these games. We appreciate the support and encouragement from parents while they attended their children's games but in some cases this year the parents seem to have added unnecessary stress to the staff as well as letting the children think that winning was everything.

Congratulations go out to the Boy & Girl of the Month for July (Evan Kent & Tish Barnes) and August (Brendon Fowler & Sara Burt).

On Saturday July 30th the Bell Island Hall of Fame held their annual induction to the hall. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all inductees to the hall especially Mr. James Hearn. As you all know Mr. Hearn was the former Executive Director of the club for over 30 years. He was a positive role model for the

thousands of members that came up through the Boys & Girls Club. I have been involved with the club for 30 years as a member, volunteer, and now staff. I have learned many valuable skills from Mr. Hearn that I carried through my teen and adult years. Hats off to you Mr. Hearn, your induction into the Hall is applauded by many.

On September 14th, Mrs. Vera Stone traveled to Ontario to receive an Award from Today's Parents Magazine. Mrs. Stone was nominated for this award by her daughter Gladys. She received this award for making a difference in children's lives. As all Bell Islanders know Mrs. Stone has provided a caring home for many children through the years. For winning this prestigious award Mrs. Stone won \$3000.00 to be donated to a charity of her choice. We thank her for keeping the Boys & Girls Club in mind and having us the charity of her choice.

On Saturday October 2nd the staff will attending a Luncheon in St. John's where 2 staff members (Leona Ezekiel & Joe

Somerton) and 2 Board members (Brenda Sweeney & John Pendergast) will be receiving awards for their years of service.

Compassion: Vera Stone - Bell Island, Nfld.

Vera Stone never had a baby, but almost 200 kids knew her as Mom. Now 78, Stone has lived her whole life on a dairy farm on Bell Island, two minutes' walk from a lighthouse that sits 150 feet above the Atlantic. From 1965 to 1990, Stone and her husband, Kevin, were Mom and Dad to a steady stream of foster kids.

Gladys Stephens was one of those children. The frightened eight-year-old arrived with her two sisters on a cold and rainy day in 1976 and were met by a woman with rollers in her hair, held in place by a pair of white underpants. A pot of seal flipper stew awaited them on the stove.

At one point, Vera was looking after five babies at once. "I used to just line them up and give them their cereal, then give them their bottles." Still, she

always found time to do something special with each child — picking wild blueberries, teaching them to knit, playing cards in the evening or just listening to their fears about the future.

Most of the children eventually returned to their parents, and Vera had to get used to saying goodbye. She remembers the day a six-year-old named Denis left after being with her for three years. “We put him in the car and he was screeching and patting the seat, saying, ‘Come on, Mom.’ I’m telling you, that was hard.”

When Gladys Stephens headed for Toronto at 18, Vera just waved and made her promise to write. “It had been 10 years and she wasn’t crying,” Stephens remembers thinking. “Well, Dad drove me down to the boat, but it didn’t run that day because the ice was in. When we came back home, that’s when I saw her up in her bedroom crying. She just didn’t do it in front of people.”

Vera Stone’s chosen charity: Wabana Boys & Girls Club
(bellisland.net/wbgc)

Joe Somerton

Bell Island Brighter Futures Family Resource Centre

Hollie Neary - Program Coordinator 488-2699

A call to all families with young children - Brighter Futures Parent & Tot program is now being held again. It currently is held on Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:15pm to 2:15pm each week. If you need a ride to attend the program please call the office and arrangements can be made for you to be picked up at your door FREE of charge. Think about getting out and enjoying some fun time with your children and other adults. For the month of September all families who attend this program will have their name entered into a draw each time they attend. The prize will be drawn for on September 30th during program. There are also other programs available to you so please drop by for information or call the office for details.

Once again thank you to all

the residents who sponsored our coalition fun walk in May month. Monies were being raised, with the assistance of the St. John’s Rotary Club, to purchase a van. You may have seen a van on the island during the week of September 22nd with logos all over it and wondered where it belonged. Once again THANK YOU.

Sometime before Christmas the Centre will be holding a rummage sale to aid in fund-raising efforts. I would like to ask all resident if you have any previously loved items (except clothing) that you would like to donate please call the Centre and pick-up arrangements can be made. Also for this sale we are hoping to have baked goods available for sale and if any residents would like to donate this type of item please give me a call. We have not held this sale for a few years, but it has been very successful and anticipated by residents during that time, and once again with your support I am sure it will be every bit as successful as it has been in the past.

NOTE: Some items

currently gathered that may be of interest to residents are a commode, microwave, youths bed, kitchen supplies and bedding - these will not be available for sale until the date of the rummage sale.

If any resident would like to have any information about our many programs please call the office and all your questions will be answered.

Early history of Bell Island - Part 1

Unlike some other places in Newfoundland, the date on which the first settler made his home on Bell Island has been established with reasonable accuracy. For more than 150 years before the discovery of iron ore in 1893, this rich island in Conception bay supported a hard working and prosperous people whose forefathers had hailed from England, Ireland, and the Channel Islands. The riches of the Island then were of a different kind from those derived from its now famous mine. Its wealth lay in its fertile soil of which the best description came down to us from Rev. Philip Toque,

M.A., in his book "Newfoundland – as it was, as it is in 1877", in which the following passage occurs:

The soil of Belle Isle is said to be richer than any other part of Conception Bay..

It was this richness of soil that was responsible for the original settlement of the Island. And it continued to provide a comfortable living for its early residents until the key was found to unlock its great treasure store of mineral wealth for the benefit of later generations.

Its possessions of these two sources of natural riches, and the fact that both have been successfully developed, would tend to lend support to the suggestion that the story of Bell Island may be unique in the history of Newfoundland.

To trace the beginning of settlement on Bell Island one must go back to the year 1739. In the Autumn of that year, when the

harvest was over on his native island of Jersey, a young man named Gregory Normore stepped ashore at the port of Poole in the South of England. He was on his way to visit relatives in the county of Dorset. It was his first journey away from his native isle and from the prosperous farm on which he had been born twenty years before.

The Island of Jersey is the most southerly of the channel group. Covering an area of twelve miles long by four miles wide, it lies close to the shore of the Cotentin Peninsula in Normandy. In fact the Channel Islands originally belonged to the Dukes of Normandy and passed into the possession of the English Crown when William the Conqueror defeated the Saxon King Harold at the Battle of Hastings in 1066. They are, therefore, the oldest English possessions outside the boundaries of the British Isles.

In common with the other islands of the group - Guernsey, Alderney and Sark - Jersey has long been noted for its famous cattle and its agricultural

products. The people have close ties with neighbouring France, and the dress of the young Jerseyman as he set foot in Poole on the Autumn day in 1739 openly proclaimed that fact. His clothes were cut more in the French than the English fashion. He wore a tricorne or three cornered hat, a long silk coat trimmed at the throat and wrists with Mechlin lace, an embroidered waistcoat, knee length breeches and hose, and shoes with buckles of silver. In his pocket he carried a supply of louis d'ors or gold louis, the coins of France which were in circulation on the Island.

Enquiring his way to the nearest inn Normore engaged a room and exchanged his French coins for English sovereigns. Then he went out to see the sights of the thriving seaport which was then one of the busiest in England. And indeed there was much to attract his attention and there was a continual bustle and commotion with the passage of goods and supplies to and from the busy wharves.

The port of Poole lies

directly north of Jersey and about 100 miles distant. Its name is inseparably connected with the early commercial history of Newfoundland. Around the middle of the eighteenth century when Gregory Normore visited there its trade with Newfoundland was at its height, the fishery giving employment to 200 vessels and 1500 men from Poole alone. The vessels that went out to Newfoundland each Spring returned loaded with cargoes of dried and/or salted codfish as well as cod liver oil and carried them to the countries of the Mediterranean from which they brought back cargoes of wine, fruit and olive oil. And when they left for Newfoundland in the following spring they were loaded with supplies of all kinds, food, clothing and fishing gear, for the various settlements along the coast.

Young Normore was fascinated by all he saw and heard as he made his way along the waterfront. There were ships there laden with produce of the two Indies, East and West, consisting of cargoes of sugar and spices, tobacco, molasses, and rum. The

trade with Newfoundland was only a part of the maritime business of England. Her hardy seamen in their fast sailing ships had penetrated in search of trade to every part of the known world, even to far away China for the beverage of which her people are so fond.

At last, his inspection finished, Gregory Normore turned around to make his way back to the inn. Retracing his steps he found himself on the main street which was crowded with maritime adventurers from all parts of the world. The street was a famous one which had echoed to the sound of Drake's drum as he and his men marched to their ships to challenge the might of Spain in the great days of the first Elizabeth. The story is told that when Sir Francis came abreast of the main inn, the owner came running out with a tankard of foaming ale—the best in the house—and offered it to the admiral.

The gay old sea dog shouted to his men to halt, summoned the drummer forward, and sitting down on the famous drum drank

a toast to his enemies in his own picturesque words: "Death and Damnation to all Spaniards". It was a wish that was heartily echoed by his admiring audience.

As he walked along, Normore's attention was attracted by a group of deep-sea sailors ahead of him. They wore long leather boots (the secret of manufacturing rubber was then unknown) stocking caps and Guernseys or thick woolen sweaters, a name derived from the Channel Islands. Having just finished their summer voyage to the Newfoundland Banks and discharged their cargo, they had come ashore to enjoy an evening on the town. When they reached the inn they turned in and went to the taproom followed by the young Normore who felt the need of some refreshments after his long walk.

He found himself at the next table to the sailors. Several of them were of his own age and naturally they asked the stranger to join them. One drink led to another and friendship soon ripened in that mellow

atmosphere. The young Channel Islander learned that his new friends were all relatives of one another who had been fishing for several years past in the waters off Newfoundland. His imagination was fired by the stories they told him of the fog weathered seas, huge icebergs and teeming fish around the rugged island in the Western Sea to which the men of England went to fish for cod.

Next day they called for him at the inn and took him aboard their vessel. Normore left them a few days later to visit his relatives in another part of Dorset, but saw them again before he returned home. And in between he did some serious thinking, for the spirit of adventure was calling and an ever-recurring thought had taken shape in his mind.

By the time he returned to Jersey his decision had been made. Back home on the farm he told his parents that he had decided to go out to Newfoundland in the following spring. They made no objection once they saw that his mind was made up. And so in the month of February,

Gregory Normore was back in Poole with his new friends, the fishermen. He signed on as a member of the crew, putting away his dainty apparel with its buckles and lace, and replacing it by the rough but serviceable clothing and the long boots, more suited to the sea.

They sailed for Newfoundland in the first week of March in company with hundreds of other fishing vessels from the West Country of England.....TO BE CONTINUED....

Submitted by: Don Squires

Newfoundland Definitions (do you speak the language)

See if you can match the words to the definitions listed below. Answers can be found on the last page....don't cheat!!!!

- Word
- a. Snarbuckle _____
 - b. Titivate _____
 - c. gumbeens _____
 - d. clout _____
 - e. cuddy _____

- f. faggot _____
- g. balderdash _____
- h. witlow _____
- I. Douse _____

Definition

- 1. A covered space in the bow of a boat.
- 2. To hit an opponent hard.
- 3. A pile of half-dried fish
- 4. A hard knot, burnt to a cinder.
- 5. Cubes of chewing tobacco.
- 6. Adorn with excess.
- 7. A hangnail.
- 8. T put out; give a quick blow.
- 9. Stuff and Nonsense.

Submitted by: Don Squires

Lost and Found

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of a wood lathe belonging to Buck Mercer (Quigley's Line), please give him a call.

Charges and Convictions

On 2004-08-06, a 33 year old male attended court on a charge of Assault from an April 16th, 2004 incident that occurred at the East End residence of his

girlfriend. He plead not guilty and the trial is set for 2004-12-08.

On 2004-09-07, a 48 year old Wabana male appeared in court for a charge of Impaired Driving and a charge of Operating a Motor Vehicle while Blood Alcohol in Excess of 80 mg from a April 29th, 2004 incident on Beach Hill. The matter was set over until 2004-10-22.

On 2004-09-07, a 44 year old male from the East End, appeared in court on one charge of Uttering Threats, and one charge of Intimidation from a July 23rd, 2004 incident that occurred in an East End residence. The matter has been set aside until 2004-09-29.

On 2004-09-07, a 46 year old male appeared in court on a charge of Uttering Threats from an August 1st, 2004 incident on Grammar Street. The matter was set aside until 2004-09-27. On that date, he plead Not Guilty and the trial has been set until 2005-01-11.

On 2004-09-08, a 26 year old male from St. John's appeared in court on a

charge of Breach of Probation. This same male was also charged on 2004-08-03 for Failure to Appear for Identification Act which was also being heard before the judge at the same time. The matter was then set aside until 2004-09-24. This male then failed to appear in court on that day and a Warrant of Arrest was issued.

On 2004-09-08, a 24 year old male from the East End appeared in court on a charge of Assault and a charge of Mischief from a May 19th, 2004 incident at the medical clinic. The matter has been set aside until 2004-11-01.

On 2004-09-09, a 17 year old and a 27 year old male, both from The Green had their ATV's seized on St. Pat's Lane. The court date for the 27 year old is set for 2004-10-27. The court date for the 17 year old is set for 2004-10-29.

On 2004-09-12, a 28 year old male from Wabana was charged under the Dog Act for not keeping his dog penned up or tied up. The dog was reported to have attacked small dogs and

children.

On 2004-09-13, a 49 year old male from West Mines charged with Assault from a April 9th, 2004 incident at Casa Mia Apartments, appeared in court and plead Not Guilty. A trial has been set for 2005-02-10.

On 2004-09-13, a 42 year old male from the East End, appeared in court on a charge of Impaired Driving on an ATV on Bennett Street on 2004-05-01. He plead not guilty and the trial has been set for 2005-02-10.

On 2004-09-15, a 59 year old male from Lance Cove was arrested and charged with having Care or Control of a Motor Vehicle While Impaired and having Care or Control of a Motor Vehicle With a Blood Alcohol in Excess of 80 mg. His plea date is set for 2004-10-15.

On 2004-09-22, a 32 year old male from the Green, appeared in court on a charge of Impaired Driving from an August 1st, 2004 incident. The matter has been set aside until 2004-10-25.

On 2004-09-22, a 21 year old male appeared in court on a Breach of Probation charge from a 2004-05-09 incident on The Ridge. The matter has been set aside until 2004-11-03.

On 2004-09-23, a 34 male appeared in court on one charge of Supplying Liquor to Minors for supplying liquor to his son and the charge was dismissed.

Answers to Newfoundland Words

- a. 4
- b. 6
- c. 5
- d. 2
- e. 1
- f. 3
- g. 9
- h. 7
- I. 8

Thank You

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