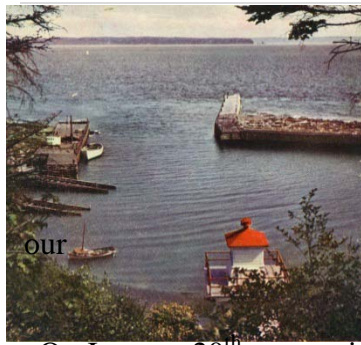


Age of Sail Museum Spring 2011 Newsletter

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Presidents Notes

Hello once again. We are trying to get our News Letter out early this spring in order to bring you all the exciting news and plans for 2011 season. Notably the winter of 2010/2011 has been a bit much and a challenge for most of us.

On January 20th we received word that we should prepare for an announcement coming on Jan 25th. It did, and I would like to thank most sincerely everyone who turned out for the occasion and showed such great support for the Age of Sail Heritage Centre and our Expansion Project. Your support of those who have worked so hard to get this together is sincerely appreciated. To clarify the funding to date, The Federal Government via ACOA has put in \$98,000., the Municipality of Cumberland has put in \$24,000. and the Greville Bay Shipbuilding museum Society (YOU) have put in \$24,000. The total amount, of \$146,000., has started the work.

As I mentioned in our fall news letter, our contractor said if we could pour cement before the end of Dec we could get the lower level completed by March 31st. Well ! we know we didn't get cement poured in Dec, BUT, we have one terrific Contracting Team. Rafes Construction, started ground clearing, and a drainage culvert in late Dec with Earle MacAloney. The Engineer came through in January. On Feb 6th, Brian Field plowed out the snow and on the morning of Feb 8, digging the foundation began. From my notes, Feb 9th, footings – taking shape of a boat ! Feb 14th, 10:30 am Pouring footings,- F 16th, cement set up good, start on wall forms, work continued in spite of snow and very cold,- Feb 24th, we pour the walls - Feb 28th prep for removing wall forms.- March 1st everything ice. - Mar 2nd Doors and windows have been ordered, water proofing and foam insulation are on the outside, weeping tile in and ready for electrical link, backfill and prep basement floor for cement pour by weekend. (see pictures) As Project Manager I would like to say that the challenges of design and weather are being well met by our construction crew, and they should be proud of the work they are doing, I am!

I have been meeting with our CREDA rep, Bernie Murphy, who has been putting together our funding applications every week and we are planning on getting the applications sent off the week of March 21st for 2011 funding. They will go to ACOA as well as to the various Provincial Departments for consideration. With a finish date of Mar 31st for the lower level we would like to be able to finish the construction of the total expansion this year. If possible the interpretive portion would also be done this year but we are willing to go longer if necessary to see the total project completed. We plan on using the completed lower level through out the spring and summer. As I wrap this up today, Mar 15th, we are making the top water tight and preparing for pouring the floor, inside framing& insulation, light & power, siding, windows & doors.

We are committed to another \$26,000. as is the Municipality of Cumberland to seeing this project through. We, the society, also along with Municipal and Provincial funds have paid for the Feasibility study . Our “Buy A Leaf “ Fund was launched in Dec., & we have raised over \$3,000. towards our commitment, and over \$600. given in Memory has gone to the project. As you will see by the Events

Calendar we are also going to be very busy with fundraising events, which will insure the daily operation of the Age of Sail Heritage Center Museum for 2011.

As your President, I encourage you to participate in any way you can, we would like to see you & hear from you, if possible attend our meetings, by all means support your heritage. We are working to continue a proud legacy, THANKS FOR BEING PART OF IT!

Ohra Colins President



In Memory



ROSS COLINS

November 11th, 1937 -- January 21st, 2011
Age of Sail President for 16 years

Grieve not for me, though I am gone,
For I am with you still.
God grant you strength to carry on
And understand his will.
A soft tear shed from time to time,
Will ease your sorrowed mind.
But live your life as fully as
You helped me live mine.
Time will heal the hurting heart,
Faith will see you through.
There's still a life left for you to live,
With courage, I leave you.
Remember me with thoughts of peace.
Live each day with your heart.
Grieve not for me, though I am gone,
We're never far apart.

Author Unknown

Ross is deeply missed by Family and Friends

A Memorial will be held at the Age of Sail Museum in Port Greville Sunday
May 22 at 2pm. Everyone is welcome to join us in the celebration of Ross's Life.

www.ageofsailmuseum.ca

Curators Notes

Winter has not yet left us but spring is in the air. A long winter it has been in many ways and an emotional one too. The loss of my father has hit us very hard and it is a loss that will be felt for a long time. Bitter sweet will be my feelings this summer as I return to the museum. Over the past 10 years we have lost so many of our supporters and founders, Bob Cochrane, Stan Spicer, Sid Hughes, Jack Wagstaff, Ross Colins and these are only to name but a few but it is for them that we strive so hard to continue on. The Age of Sail was built not so much as a museum as a symbol of pride and love for our family history. The amount of time, hard work and love that has gone into the center far exceeds even the financial amounts that have gone into it and continues every day as we work at fundraisers and caring for the center and its visitors. The new addition is a testament to those who have gone on before us and those who continue on and we have a right to be proud of what we have created and I am proud to be a part of such a wonderful society and all of you who in your various ways have supported it. I continue on bringing the dream to life for those no longer able to the best of my abilities.

Over the last few months I have taken various “webinars” on the internet on several subjects to help in my duties as Curator. As well I completed two of the components towards my certificate in archival studies and look forward to continuing on in these studies. I also look forward to enhancing our archival collection and to our new research area and conservation room.

I have been working on our project “A peek into the lives of our Grandparents” and am enjoying the wonderful stories I am hearing from our elders.

Soon we will begin the arduous task of preparing the museum for the summer season. As always a great deal of time is spent cleaning and organizing displays for the new season. This year is also an evaluation year for our museum. Every 3 years the participating community museums are evaluated as a part of the CMAP-community museum assistance program. This evaluation is done by our peers and is geared toward helping museums reach a level of excellence. Extra volunteers are always needed at this time to help prepare the center.

Student grant applications have been submitted and we await the decision as to how many grants we receive which will affect the number of employees hired. Each year the museum strives through an impartial committee to hire student who will be an asset to the center. It is always a difficult decision because our communities are full of wonderful, intelligent and hardworking youths but like all businesses we have to pick the applicant we feel best fits our needs and try to do so in a completely unbiased way. I look forward to working with the students again this summer.

I look forward to meeting new faces and seeing old friends again this season. As spring settles in and summer approaches I hope I'll hear from many of you, come in and see what's new inside and out!. |Here's to a warm and prosperous 2011 season!

Oralee O'Byrne

2011 Directors List * Designates Life Member

*Layton Yorke ...	6 Woods Mountain. Rd., Fox River, NS	Retired	348-2531
Ratchford Merriam ...	4880 – Hwy 209, Spencer’s Island, NS	Retired	392-2492
*Ohra Colins ...	8089- Hwy 209, Wards Brook, NS	Retired	348-2060
David Clarke ...	8371 Hwy 209, Port Greville NS	Retired	348-2720
Rod Boland ...	6 Meadow Rd., Hwy 209, Diligent River, NS	Lab Technician	254-3283
George Fenwick ..	150 Spencer’s Island Rd, Spencer’s Island, NS	Retired	392-2785
Jeffery O’Byrne ...	10914 Hwy 209, Wharton, NS	Laborer	254-2079
*Isabelle Teply ...	# 2 Brook Road, Port Greville, NS	Retired	348 -2244
Walter Lake ...	8422 - Hwy 209, Port Greville, NS	Retired	346-2710
Judith McCall ...	8594 – Hwy 209, Port Greville, NS	Travel Consultant	348-2477
Todd McCall	8594 – Hwy 209, Port Greville, NS	Self Employed	348- 2477
Cindy Lake	8422 – Hwy 209, Port Greville, NS	Bank Clerk	348- 2710

Honorary Directors

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*Judy Wheaton, Wards Brook, NS	* William (Bill) Casey, Brookdale, NS
*Conrad Byers, Parrsboro, NS	Donna Merriam, Halifax, NS
*Gwen Spicer, Spencer’s Island, NS	Ruth Allen, Port Greville, NS
*Betty Hughes, Halifax, NS	*Josephine Slater, Wards Brook NS
*Freda Cochrane, Port Greville, NS	

Executive Positions held by

Ohra Colins ... President - Layton Yorke ... Vice President - Rod Boland ...Treasurer
 Todd McCall ... Secretary - Walter Lake ...Exec. Officer
 Oralee O’Byrne ... Museum Curator and Manager – Age of Sail Heritage Centre

Greville Bay Shipbuilding Museum Dates & Events for 2011

- April 10th**, ...Sunday, 2pm, Society Annual Meeting
 Guest Speaker – Mr. Chris Mills, NSLHP
- May 14th**, ...Annual Bean & Brown Bread Take-Out, we call for orders and
 Deliver – ... Baked Beans/ Brown Bread Rolls/ Cole Slaw & Dessert
- MAY 22nd**, ... Memorial Service For Ross Colins, 2pm , Age of Sail Heritage
 Centre. Celebrating a Life
- May 28th**, Museum Opens 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Thursday thru Monday
- June 18th**, Annual Salad Take Out Supper .. We will call for orders and
 Deliver, pick up can be arranged. ...2 Meats/ 3 Salads/ Roll & Dessert
- June 26th** ... Annual Memorial Service, To Those Lost at Sea, 2: pm
 Age of Sail Heritage Ctr. Museum open 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Daily
- July ,TBA** ... Annual Community Yard Sale, free tables at the museum
- *July 15th, 16th, & 17^h**,-- Annual Heritage Festival – Fri. Guest Speaker,7pm -
 Saturday, Dinner Theater, 6pm
 Sunday, Strawberry Brunch , 11 am – 2 pm
- July 23rd**, Car Wash – Bar-B-Q Fund Raiser, 11am – 3 pm , at the museum,
- July 30th, & 31st**, ... Birthday Celebrations & Volunteer Appreciation Days
- August 20th**, Car Wash – Bar-B-Q Fund Raiser, 11am-3pm, at the museum
- September 1st**, Museum Fall Hours 10 a.m. –6 p.m., Thursday thru Monday
- September 3rd**, ... Annual Labor Day Supper
- September 4th**, ... Annual Out Door Church and Breakfast, Special Weekend
 Events
- Oct. 10th**, ... Museum Last Day for Season
- November 5th**, ... Fall Roast Chicken Supper –
- December TBA..** Annual Tea & Sale ... & .. Merchants Christmas Basket

Regular monthly meetings at the Center the last Wednesday of each month,
 7:00 pm, ... May, June, July, August, September In the off season check
 for location. All interested are welcome, members and friends

Remember the We-care program! If you shop on line for anything please use we-care. At absolutely no cost to you every purchase you make through we-care results in a donation to our museum.

Simply go to <http://ageofsailmuseum.we-care.com> and shop the on-line mall or download the reminder

<http://ageofsailmuseum.wecare.com/Downloads/Reminder> the rest is automatic. Over 1200 merchants like e-bay, amazon, sears and indigo offer deals to shoppers and a donation to us just for shopping through we-care please check it out!

Donor Tree

This fund raiser is specifically earmarked for our new building project. The society is responsible for raising \$48000.00 towards our expansion. A metal tree will be erected on the outside wall of our new addition. Kerwin Davidson is donating his time and efforts to design and build this tree. Individual leaves will be made to hang off the branches and will have donors name a coloured line will indicate level of donation . Levels are: \$100-\$249, \$250-\$499, \$500-\$999,\$1000+ Donations of \$2500 or over will receive a branch on the tree.

Amount _____

Due to space limitations on leaves, wording must be kept to a minimum.

Wording to be on leaf

Membership Form

Typically membership is due the beginning of each fiscal year before our AGM. However memberships are sold all season long and are valid for a full season. Your membership helps us to raise funds. Each membership entitles the barer and a guest(3 if family membership) to free admission for the season, newsletters and a vote at the AGM. As well patrons showing their card in the gift shop receive 10% off the already tax free purchase of gifts. Is it time for you to renew?

Date _____ Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Single \$10.00 ____ New! Family \$15.00(good for up to 4 free admissions) ____

Donation ____ Amount _____ General __ or Specific please
state _____(for building fund leaf please fill out form on page 7)

Donations

As a non-profit organization we rely on donations and fundraisers to keep operational. Admissions and sales make up only a very small portion of the amount needed to operate each season. Grants for employees and projects help specific causes but general costs and maintenance still amount to a lot. Donations can be made for specific projects or general. Donations do not have to be financial, gifts in kind are a great way to support us too. Examples of a gift in kind may be office supplies, cleaning supplies, paint, sale items for the gift shop or café supplies, furniture or a service you provide. Donations of over \$15.00 are eligible for a tax receipt as are gifts in kind. If you wish to make a donation of a gift in kind please contact Oralee 254-2079/348-2030 or Ohra 348-2060 or email gbsmsageofsail@yahoo.com. Financial donations can be mailed in by cheque or money order (please use form above) to Box 14 Port Greville B0M 1T0

Every donation counts, there is no such thing as a small donation whether its time, effort, money or anything else and It is your donations that make this museum possible. On behalf of the Greville Bay Shipbuilding Museum Society we want to express our most sincere thanks for your past and continued support.