

Mahone Bay Museum Newsletter

Autumn 2019

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**We had another great season!
Thank you to all 7,212 visitors who
visited us so far this year!**

**Our regular season ended on Oct 6th,
2019.** However, we are open by
appointment with a donation thanks to
volunteers who will open the museum.
Therefore, if you would like to visit, we
would appreciate 48 hours notice. To
request an appointment to visit us, leave
a voice message at 902-624-6263 or email:
info@mahonebaymuseum.com

Our 2019 Staff



Our Manager and Curator, Lyne Allain, returned for her 4th season and we were fortunate enough to receive grants from NS Skills, Young Canada Works, and Canada Summer Jobs to hire 5 wonderful young staff members who helped the Museum thrive all summer!



**Thank you to
everyone who
donated gently
used items to our
Granny's Attic
Yard Sale**

**Fundraiser and our volunteers who
sorted, priced, moved and sold items!**

So how did it go? We had a marvelous turnout! The good weather really helped to bring locals and visitors to our sale. Community members really came through and donated quality items to us for the sale, including many pieces of furniture. So again, a great big THANK YOU to you all who helped and came out to buy items.

**Adding to
our archival
collection
again this
winter!**



Be sure to follow us on Facebook to follow the archival work progress this winter from our Manager and Curator, Lyne Allain, and our Archival Consultant, John Bell. From November 2019 to March 2020, they will once again be processing some of our archival backlog thanks to funding from the Government of Canada and Library and Archives Canada.

Our kids activities were a big hit during the Mahone Bay Scarecrow Festival!



We had 1,180 visitors who stopped in during those 3 days of fun! Special thanks to our volunteers who helped 429 kids make crafts!

We are now prepping for kids activities we will offer during the Father Christmas Festival. Want to volunteer during the festival? Contact us!

Events Roundup.....

Our other events during the summer to celebrate our local history and culture included:

-August 3rd & 4th, 2019 we hosted kids activities as part of the Heritage Boat Yard Weekend

-July 6th & July 7th 2019 was our Annual Home & Garden Tour

We are actively recruiting Committee Members!

Volunteer applications are welcome from anyone in the community but we are specifically interested in active volunteers with small business/non-profit management or fundraising experience. Committees include Fundraising,

Have you heard about Rural Riches?

Rural Riches Treasures Trove Association is a lottery that makes a difference in Lunenburg County communities. It is a 50/50 weekly toonie lottery.

Among other organizations, the Mahone Bay Museum has registered to receive support from this lottery.

Consider supporting this new fundraiser by registering at Pharmasave or Circle K in Mahone Bay or Ali's General Store in Blockhouse. It's a great way to support our museum and other hard-working non-profits in Lunenburg County. More info at www.RuralRiches.ca



And the winner is...

We set up a donation system for visitors to donate towards which future exhibit topic they wanted to see next! It was a tight race between local folklore, architecture, or birds, but the winner was LOCAL FOLKLORE!

Did you renew your membership this year?

Being a member allows you an opportunity to buy tickets to events and RSVP to free events before the events go public, to attend and vote at our AGM, and to receive a 10% discount on all our retail products. By becoming a member, you will be supporting the growth of our community museum.

Please visit our website: www.mahonebaymuseum.com and click the "Support us" tab for instructions, a form to print and mail, or contact us directly.