President's Message

Our 2023 AGM was held on June 2nd at the Killarney Lake Lodge, and everyone enjoyed the BBQ/Lobster feast.

I am honoured to take the gavel from our former President Jim (Quig) Quigley. They are big shoes to fill.

It is incredible, but we have seen a bit, very little bit, of sun in June. Yes, yes, that's apparently the yellow UFO that radiates heat. It's about time, after two months of intense rainfall.

Francis, our GM, has returned from his one-month European vacation with Greg. Welcome back Francis.

I encourage all members to check out the events' schedule for the summer months. Finally, the Board suggests that all members consider inviting family and friends to our Club events and maybe encourage these guests to become members.

Cliff Kennedy





June Events - AGM





DATES TO MARK ON THE CALENDAR

July 5 – 1st Luncheon – Byblos - RSVP by ASAP.

July 15 – Cocktail at the Wade's - RSVP by July 8.

July 22 – Lamb BBQ - RSVP by July 15.

August 9 - 2nd Luncheon – Wolastoq - RSVP by August 1.

September 15 – Rossmount Inn, St Andrews. 3 Course
Dinner and overnight.

Message from the Club Manager

Happy Birthday, Canada! I hope you had a chance to enjoy the sunny afternoon and maybe the fireworks.

We are back from a simply wonderful European vacation! May, and early June, are most definitely the months to go. (Less people and less heat) We are back into the swing of things and I'm hoping, we are soon done with the rains! Then we can plan and enjoy several events this summer. You will see by the "Dates to Mark on the Calendar" that we have several things in July that are fast approaching. The Byblos luncheon (open to all) is tomorrow, July 5. The very fun cocktail party at the Wade's and their, not to be missed view, is on the 15th! Lastly, the big summer BBQ bash at Barbara and Robin's place, on 22nd. Also, a spectacular view! Please let me know ASAP if you can attend any of these events. As Clifford noted in his message, by all means, invite family and friends to any of our events. We are also always open for possible new members.

Enjoy your July!

Francis Perry



<u>June Events – History Tour</u>

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FREDERICTON GARRISON CLUB HISTORY TOUR 2023

The 25th annual History Tour got underway bright and early (08:30) at the Old Fredericton Burying Ground, at the graveside of Captain John Jensen. That old romantic, Colonel Bob Dallison, recounted a tale of love and war to get us all warm and fuzzy to start the tour.

After a brief car trip, we met at Fort Lawerence, near the Nova Scotia border for a delightful lunch despite the wind and cool temperatures.

Although this was a return visit to this area, we were surprised to find The Tantramar Wetland Centre, where Lina Gallant toured us through the facility. Supported in part by Ducks Unlimited, this centre has developed wonderfully creative programs for schools and researchers alike. From critter dipping to evaluating the silkiness of various wildlife furs, we enjoyed ourselves.

Back at Fort Lawerence, the Colonel recreated for us the first 100 years of the Acadian conflict at Beaubasin and the siege of Fort Beauséjour. We followed the exact route the British took in the attack. This leg ended with a tour of the Museum and the Fort Beauséjour ruins where some of our group were lucky to find ancestral coats of arms and other sources of information on their Acadian roots.

After dinner together and a stay at the Marshlands Inn in Sackville, the tour resumed the next day with a trip to Parrsboro NS and the Fundy Geological Museum. Another well kept secret! Our tour Guide and director of the Museum gave us a 1 1/2 hour overview of the geological makeup and the prehistoric rundown of the Bay of Fundy and Chignecto areas.

It should be noted that this part of the tour was enlivened by a spirited questioning on the skeletal sexual/reproductive make-up of dinosaurs and reptiles. Thank you Dr's Don MacQuarrie and Peter Fraser.

My, my we did indeed learn a lot on this trip!

After a Nova Scotia seafood lunch at the pier in Parrsboro, we made our way back home.

Thanks again to Bob Dallison, who always finds a way to surprise and entertain us with new stories, tales and other historical tidbits on our tours.