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JUNE NEWSLETTER

*Marystown Volunteer Fire Department
June 2018*

June was another active month for the Marystown Volunteer Fire Department. Firefighters attended provincial training, attended and participated in community events, supported an annual fundraiser for children, conducted the Monthly Meeting, had representation at an international conference, conducted training, continued the annual hose testing, responded to an emergency call, concluded a fundraiser, completed a Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance and Inventory Drill, continued recruitment efforts, and continued planning for upcoming events.

Our Department completed the following in-house training during the month of June: Hose Lays, Hose Loads, Hose Appliances, Pump Operations, Ladder Operations, and Equipment and Vehicle Familiarization.

The Fire and Emergency Services Annual Fire School was hosted by Grand Falls-Windsor and surrounding communities from Saturday, May 26th to Friday, June 1st. The following is a summary of training completed at the Annual Fire School by our Firefighters: Captain Wayde Clarke and Lieutenant Jordan Hannam - Respiratory Protection Program, NFPA 1403 - Conducting Live Fire Training, and Fire Department Incident Safety Officer, Firefighter Justin Bolt - Respiratory Protection Program and NFPA 1403 - Conducting Live Fire Training, and Firefighter Walter Vallis - NFPA 1006 - Vehicle Rescue Level I. Fire Chief Alex Coady assisted with the instruction of courses at the training school. The knowledge & skills acquired through the courses listed above will better prepare our Firefighters for emergency situations we encounter in our community and surrounding area. Thank you to the Grand Falls - Windsor and neighboring Fire Departments for hosting, Fire and Emergency Services for coordinating and funding the school, and all instructors for making this training possible!

The 121 Mary Rose Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corp extended an invitation to our Department for a representative to attend their 65th Annual Ceremonial Review on Saturday, June 2nd. Captain Wayde Clarke represented our Department and joined the Corps' Officers and Cadets, parents and family members of the Cadets, and community representatives for the Annual Review.

Congratulations on 65 years and thank you for allowing us to be a part of your celebration!

The 34th Annual Telethon for the Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation took place on Saturday, June 2nd, and Sunday, June 3rd. The weekend fundraiser generates funds for the purchase of better technology, continued education, research, and specialized health programs for the Janeway Children's Hospital in St. John's. All improvements from the funds raised are for the benefit of the hospital's staff and most importantly the children of our province. Our Department made an annual donation to the Telethon, and we are proud to support the children of our community and province each year!

Tim Hortons' Camp Day was Wednesday, June 6th. At the day-long fundraising event, Firefighters Justin Bolt and Toby Saint, along with co-emergency services personnel from Marystown Ambulance, stopped by for a bit to lend a hand to the store staff. 100% of funds raised from hot beverage sales during the fundraiser go to support Tim Hortons' camps for kids. Thank you for the invitation to assist your staff with the special cause!

Public Relations Chairperson Justin Bolt attended the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Conference and Expo in Las Vegas, NV from Sunday, June 10th to Wednesday, June 13th. He had been recognized earlier in the year by the NFPA with a Star Scholarship Award for his public education efforts through his role of Public Relations with both our Department and the Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Fire Services, and as a result was invited to attend their annual conference. During the conference, he attended a number of training sessions and meetings, along with representatives from around North America, which will help us to further enhance public education programs currently in place.

On Thursday, June 14th at 5:05PM, the Fire Department received notification of a Pole Fire on Harris Drive in the area of Janes Pond. 5 Officers and 12 Firefighters responded to the location with Engine #3 and Rescue #4. The Department monitored the situation and secured the area until the arrival of Newfoundland Power. We cleared the scene at 5:31PM.

Our Annual "Grand in EACH Hand" ticket sale was another great success, and the ticket draw was completed on Sunday, June 17th. Congratulations to Ashley Ayers on winning the ticket draw! The ticket sale was in support of the Cancer Relay for Life, with half of the proceeds going to the winner and the other half going towards the cause. Thank you to everyone who supported our sale and contributed to the worthwhile cause!

The 14th Annual Burin Peninsula Cancer Relay for Life was held on Saturday, June 23rd at the Marystown Track and Field Complex. Our Firefighters and family members participated as a team again this year, which we have done for the past eight years, in support of cancer survivor and fellow Firefighter Terry Price. Laps were completed by the Cancer Survivors, Caregivers and Teams early in the afternoon, followed by hundreds of laps by participants throughout the day. Activities for all ages filled the day, while turns were taken completing laps on the track, and the Relay concluded with the emotional luminary ceremony around 9PM. We joined twelve teams for the Relay, which raised over \$35,000. Awesome job to everyone who came out to support a cause which has affected many of us in some way!

The Fire Department hosted a Recruitment Open House on Sunday, June 24th to aid the ongoing recruitment efforts by the Department to fill current vacancies. The Open House aimed to attract future Firefighters to visit the Fire Hall, meet and talk with current Firefighters, and submit applications to join our organization. Thank you to those who came out and showed interest in serving our community!

The 2nd Annual Show Your Ride (Car Show) is being hosted by our Fire Department on Saturday, July 14th at the Marystown Track and Field Complex on Harris Drive. (Alternate Date: Sunday, July 15th). The event will feature our 1967 Dodge Fire Truck - Engine #1, along with vehicles from the past and present. A parade will follow the show. The Show will run from 1PM to 4PM, and admission is \$2 per person or goodwill offering. Registration for vehicles is \$10, and we encourage you to register early - please contact Justin Nolan - (709)276-0073, Rodney Nolan - (709)277-5755, or Perry Brushett - (709)277-4506. Come along and bring the family to view the vehicles on display, and enjoy the other attractions we have planned for you!

In just over a month on Sunday, August 5th, we will be hosting the 12th Annual Demolition Derby! The event will take place at the pit in Black Brook, on the highway between Burin and Marystown. Are you interested in driving a vehicle in the Derby (license required)? Do you have a vehicle you no longer use and would like to donate? If you

answered yes to either of the questions above, please contact Fundraising Committee Chairperson Colin Farewell at (709)277-5428 or the Fire Hall at (709)279-2226. We look forward to hearing from you!

Upcoming Events:

* **Sunday, July 1st, 2018** - Participation in the Canada Day Parade and Memorial Service in Burin at 10:30AM.

* **Sunday, July 1st, 2018** - Assistance with the Canada Day Fireworks show.

* **Saturday, July 14th, 2018** - 2nd Annual Show Your Ride starting at 1PM at the Track and Field Complex. Come along to see the many vehicles on display, along with attractions for the young and old alike (More details to follow). Alternate Date: Sunday, July 15th.



Picture 1. Sea Cadet Ceremonial Review



Picture 2. Tim Hortons' Camp Day



Picture 3. National Fire Protection Association Conference and Expo



Picture 4. Ladder Operations Training



Picture 5. Congratulations Ashley, the winner of the "Grand in EACH Hand" ticket sale!



Picture 6. Cancer Relay for Life

To schedule a demonstration, presentation or tour, call us at (709)279-2226 or email marystownfiredept@nf.aibn.com

The Marystown Volunteer Fire Department serves approximately 5400 residents from the centrally located Fire Hall at 97-105 McGettigan Boulevard. The Fire Department has 30 very dedicated firefighters and a fleet of 1 Ladder Truck(Ladder #1), 2 Pumpers(Engine's #2 & #3), 2 Rescue Vehicles(Rescue's #4 & #6), 1 Pick-up Truck(Mobile #5), 1 SUV, a Hovercraft(Rescue #1), Hazmat Unit & Antique Pumper(Engine#1). Visit our website at www.marystownvolunteerfiredept.com, or you can also visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MystVolFireDept and Twitter @MYSTVolFireDept.

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