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BEACON NOTES

This month we've got pictures coming out of our ears. Thankfully, the scanner and printer problems have been resolved so the quality should be better than in the last few issues. We've got a bunch of pictures from the Canada Parade and the Pie Eating Contest but only a sampling as I took three rolls of film.

Seeing as we're pressed for space, I'm not going to run on at the keyboard much longer but just before going...

From the *IRONY OF THE MONTH FILE* - we do business with *Advantage Business Internet Solutions* and have just discovered that the only way to pay these people is via mail. They do not have the capability to accept

internet payments! It makes you wonder 'cause this is no small corporation but a part of Bell Canada Enterprises.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- DON TUBB -

June 26th and July 10th

All members of Council were present for both meetings but at the second one, staff representation was limited to Brenda Hamilton (Clerk) and Ross Troop (Treasurer).

At the July meeting, there were about 20 people in the audience to witness the presentation of the Senior of the Year award to Glen Lowry. Reeve Gilmore made the presentation and all members of Council offered personal congratulations.

Join us for the 52nd Annual Garden Party

July 29: 12 - 4 pm

at

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

BBQ; Pie and Ice Cream

Bake Table; Auction

Music and Clogging and More

There were no objectors to the closing of the opened road allowance in Lot 75, Con 3. Later in the July meeting, a by-law to close this was passed.

Heather Young and Bonnie Baker were present at the July meeting to speak to their request for a Transient Trader's Licence for a chip truck. Their application had undergone several changes as problems became apparent. Council members listened and asked questions but in the end, the request was denied.

The Neilson Store Committee requested a grant of \$500 from the Township to be used to paint, make community mailings, etc. This was okayed but with the proviso that any work be approved in advance by Patrick Beyer (Recreation Director). Apparently the building is under active consideration for designation as a Heritage Building.

There was a report from the Treasurer about the Port Transfer Contribution Fund (that's the money the Township received from the Feds when the docks were transferred). He needed Council's approval to send off a required statement of Revenue and Expenditures of this fund to the Feds. The statements were included in the agenda package. They show that for the period between June 5, 1998 and December 31, 1999 the fund shrunk from \$222,500.00 to \$216,122.08. While there was interest earned in the amount of \$16,919.52, there were expenditures for professional fees, maintenance and repairs and purchase of the water lot which totaled \$23,297.44. The water lot purchase was over \$10,000.

Council passed a by-law stating how long various records need to be kept. While this is pretty irrelevant to this report. It did made for interesting reading if for no other reason then to see the amazing scope of the records stored by the Township. The list took up 5 full pages with retention time ranging from one month to permanent retention. Just to give you a taste of this, the Ferry records that are the responsibility of the Clerk are kept as

follows:

- accident claims 3 years
- invoices 7 years
- purser sheets 7 years
- revenue logs permanent
- ticket stubs 1 year
- traffic logs permanent

Somewhat less irrelevant (can you really say it that way...) was the Monthly Police Statistics. Amherst Island for the year 2000 (including May) has had a total of 13 items noted. The Township, in total, has had 1328 which means that the Island has just about exactly 1% (another weird way of saying something). The point is that we have roughly 3% of the total population of the Township (400 people to the Township's 14,000). Does this mean we are three times as law abiding or does it mean only one third of the crime gets caught?

This segues nicely but unfortunately into a verbal report by the Transportation Super (Jim Guest) who said that the new roads garage (on County Road 6) had been broken into. At the time of that report, he could only roughly guess that \$10,000 - \$20,000 in tools had been stolen. There has also been some vandalism at the Bath Sewage Plant. A first attempt (on several fronts) has been made to stop this.

Two additional members have been added to the Intensive Farming Committee. This seems to be in response to a significant increase in public interest. The two members will be urbanites (ie non-farmers and non-rural residents). The rationale seems to be that farming practices can affect the urban centres where urban and rural areas meet. In a related development, a letter from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs was attached to the July agenda package. It announced that a directive from the Minister had been issued "that

reinforces municipalities' ability to pass and enforce interim control by-laws affecting agricultural operations". We



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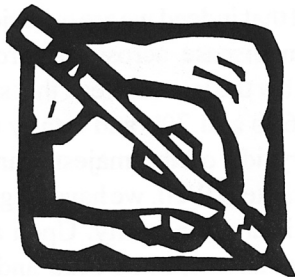
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**Job description available at
the Ferry Office 389-3393**

will have to see if this is the last flip or flop by the Province on this matter as there had been previous announcements of province-wide regulations. The directive states, in part: "...I

irect that an agricultural operation proposed to be carried on in an area which is the subject of an interim control by-law under the Planning Act shall be deemed not to be carried on as a normal farming practice until a by-law providing for nutrient management planning, minimum distance separation and manure storage has been passed".

Last but not least was the announcement that Deputy Reeve McEwen will be running for Reeve in the upcoming elections. Reeve Gilmore (who is not running again) offered his support but more on that later.



The Neighbourhood

- Lyn Fleming -

Congratulations to John Mayman and Tessa Fabian, who were married in Amherstview on July 1st.

Get well wishes to Ernest Fleming, who is mending at home after a fall. Hans and Hazel deHaan spent a couple of weeks this month in Holland visiting family. Caitlin and Geoffrey McDonald recently returned from England, where they spent 2 weeks visiting their grandparents.

Condolences to Judy Roberts and family, following the recent death of Judy's sister, Charlotte, in Florida. Also to Rod Barr and family and Helen Caughey and family on the passing of their wife, mother and sister, Rhoda.

The first concert of the Waterside music series opened to a full house on July 2nd. Island residents and visitors alike celebrated Canada Day on the Island. The parade, which was bigger and better than ever,

finished up at the school, followed by the PCW's Strawberry Social; hotdogs and drinks; kid's games; a pie eating contest and lots of visiting. The night was capped off by another great fireworks display.

A.I.P.S. students finished their school year with their year end trips. The primaries travelled to Fort Henry, where they had a tour, followed with front row seats to see the Snow Birds air show. The senior class travelled to Toronto, to the Royal Ontario Museum and Ontario Place.

Welcome back to our "summer people" and cottagers. Summer has been slow starting this year, but seems to be on the way now.



Amherst Island Women's Institute

- Anna Hitchins -

The regular meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Nancy Henshaw on June 21st at 7 p.m. A presentation on Israel with a video and interesting details given by Cathy Glenn, Karen Fleming and Ann Albertan was much enjoyed by all present. The hostess served a light lunch following the program.

The President conducted the regular meeting following the program. Marion Glenn gave the correspondence report and the President gave the report of the District Annual, held on May 11th. Wilton Branch is to host the District Annual in 2001 and Wilton Branch was presented with a \$1,000.00 from the District for help in restoration of their hall. A short course, working with parchment paper, was chosen at the Annual.

Final details for the Canada

AMHERST ISLAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Women's Institute will be holding the
BAKE SALES

again this year on the Friday of each long weekend starting on May 19th outside the Amherst Island General Store.

Time: - 3.45 pm.

Day parade float were discussed. The bake sale is to be held on June 30th.

Jackie Sylvester reported on the "Phone Directory". 400 copies are to be printed.

Discussion was had as to entertainment etc., for our November 5th 100th Anniversary party also for the December 3rd Christmas Party.

The July meeting is to be held on Sunday 9th at the home of Jackie Sylvester at 1 p.m.

NEWS FROM THE GENERAL STORE

Congratulations to the draw winners once again. The draw held June 23 was won by Fae MacArthur. Fae won a waterball splash kit. And the draw held July 6 was won by Brittany Sneep. Brittany won 5 ice cream cones at Youellie's Coolies.

New videos at the store are *The Green Mile* starring Tom Hanks and Michael Clark Duncan. Highly recommended, very good movie. *10 Things I Hate About You*, good movie for teens. *Bring Out The Dead* starring Nicolas Cage. *The World Is Not Enough*, for the James Bond fans starring Pierce Brosnan. We have a pretty good selection of movies new and old. New releases are \$3.00+tax=\$3.45 and older rentals are \$.99+tax=\$1.14.

We now carry some fishing supplies, hooks, bobbers, fishing line, sinkers, etc, etc.

The warm weather is finally here so drop by for a Youllies Coolie treat. Soft ice cream or frozen yogurt treats that you can mix with our wide selection of frozen fruit. Lots of flavors to choose from, you can even mix them up to make your own unique frozen treat.

Drop by and see what's new at the General Store.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS ARE HERE

There are a number of families with young children in the village. Now that school is out and the weather is better, they are outside riding their bikes and doing what children do during the holidays. Having fun. Please be aware of them as

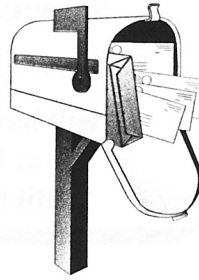
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NORTH SHORE AMHERST ISLAND.

Starting May 1st.

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you drive through the village or make that last minute dash for the ferry. Don't leave at the last minute and then have to put your foot down....it might be fatal. Let's all have a happy and safe summer.



Letters To The Beacon

It has rather painfully and quickly come to our attention recently that we have had a severe outbreak of Dutch Elm disease in our neighborhood. After leafing out in the spring the affected elms have just recently wilted and turn brown. Upon questioning several authorities on the subject my suspicions have been confirmed that indeed we are experiencing a second wave of Dutch Elm disease across the province. Almost everyone can remember the last outbreak that swept across the country during the 60's and 70's and totally devastated and denuded our countryside of the majestic and stately elms which we took for granted. Well, we have it again, this time in spades, and on our island especially. Upon a cursory drive around the island we have spotted dead and infected trees everywhere, from one end to the other. Unless we act immediately by cutting down and burning all the trees which show infection as well as any which have already died we are doomed to the same fate as before. If you choose to ignore this warning you are putting every one of your neighbours elm trees at risk. Neglect will bring the total destruction we experienced many years ago.

I have some information and a video on the subject given to me which I would gladly share with anyone who would like it. My phone number is 634-7894. The company which provided this information has been licensed recently to produce a chemical which is a preventative treatment for trees which have not yet been infected. You can get the same information on the web at www.engageagro.com.

One last point - I got permission to burn my trees rather easily from the Loyalist Fire Department probably because of the wet conditions that exist right now. If we all don't act soon maybe we won't get that permission.

Ross Haines (2860 Front Road)

FOR RENT

Cottage for rent. North Shore.

Phone Cherry at 634-1212

GARDENING JULY

- Fertilize roses, annuals and vegetables
- Pinch back and stake stringy annuals
- Mow, hoe, weed and water as required
- Finish pruning spring - flowering shrubs and evergreens
- Remove old raspberry canes and trim back strawberry plants after fruiting
- Transplant flowering cabbage and kale
- Turn compost.



OBITUARY

BARR, RHODA HENRIETTA MARSHALL, R.N.

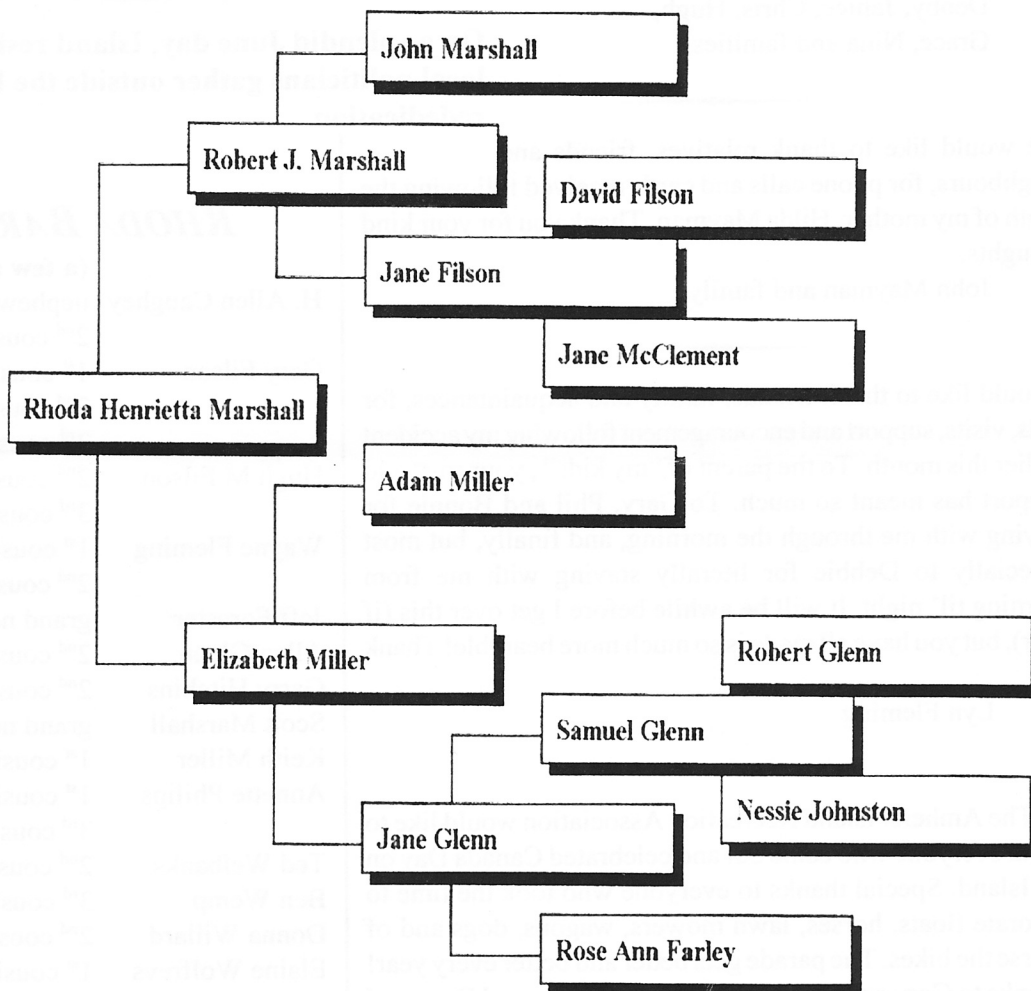
A former Island resident came "home" to be

interred in her family plot at Glenwood Cemetery, on Saturday, July 1st, 2000. Born on the South Shore of Amherst Island, Rhoda Marshall Barr, passed away at home with her family in St. Catharines, on Thursday, June 28th. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband Derrick Barr, and children Peter (Sharon Broderick) and Elizabeth (Stephen Perry). She was the adoring grandmother to John Barr and Nicholas, James and Christopher Perry. She was the youngest of the Robert J. and Elizabeth Marshall family (nee Lizzie Miller), and is survived by brother Capt. Harold Marshall (Nellie) and sister Helen Caughey (Bruce). She was predeceased by her infant daughter Jane Henrietta; her parents; her brother and sister-in-law Bill and Kay Marshall; her sisters Nessie Drumgoole (Art), Ruth Glenn (Clifford), and Janie (age five years). She will be missed by sisters-in-law Isobel Marsh and Margaret Rhamey of Hamilton. She will be long remembered by any nieces and nephews.

Rhoda graduated as an R.N.

from Kingston General Hospital and nursed in Kingston and New York City. She joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in November 1942 and was posted to the Air Force Station at Trenton, Ontario. It was there she met Rod. She served as Nursing Sister at Trenton, Picton, St. Hubert and Rockcliffe and after the war nursed in Toronto. She married Rod in 1948 and moved to St. Catharines where she raised her family. Rhoda was a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church in St. Catharines and was always interested and contributing to the work of St. Paul's here on the Island. She had been active in many organizations in St. Catharines. A funeral service was held in Knox Church on Friday, June 30th. As well a service was held in St. Paul's on Saturday, July 1st at 3 pm. with Rev. C.A. (Zander) Dunn officiating. "And now abideth, faith hope, and love. These three. But the greatest of these is love." This she had and gave in abundance.

Ancestors of Rhoda Henrietta Marshall





Thank You Notes

We would like to thank all those involved and all who attended the rededication ceremony on June 16th.

A very special thanks to the Township and Community for renaming the Municipal Garage in our brother Stuart's memory. It would have meant so much to him.

Anna, Gwen and family

The family of the late Ben Wemp would like to thank relatives and friends for their many acts of kindness, food, flowers, donations and cards, etc. at the time of our loss.

Special thanks to the A.C.W. of Amherst Island for the beautiful lunch. Thanks to all who helped in any way.

Debby, Janice, Chris, Hugh,
Grace, Nina and families

We would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours, for phone calls and cards received following the death of my mother, Hilda Mayman. Thank you for your kind thoughts.

John Mayman and family.

I would like to thank friends, family and acquaintances, for calls, visits, support and encouragement following my accident earlier this month. To the parent of "my kids", your trust and support has meant so much. To Gary, Phil and Bonnie for staying with me through the morning, and finally, but most especially to Debbie for literally staying with me from morning til' night. It will be awhile before I get over this (if ever), but you have all made it so much more bearable! Thank you.

Lyn Fleming

The Amherst Island Recreation Association would like to thank everyone who came out and celebrated Canada Day on the Island. Special thanks to everyone who took the time to decorate floats, horses, lawn mowers, wagons, dogs and of course the bikes. The parade gets better and better every year! Thanks to Gary and Susan at the Back Kitchen and Dave and Laurie at A.I. General Store, for their continued support and

donations. Thanks to Gary McDonald, for his loan of equipment; the Loyalist Fire Department for being on call; Shannon Youell for taking on the job of kid's games; Stephanie Fleming, for helping wherever she was needed; and to Canazon Fireworks for another amazing show. We would like to especially thank the Reeve and entire Council of Loyalist Township for participating in our festivities and for being such great and enthusiastic sports! !

Many, many thanks to all and we hope to see you all again next July 1st.



On a splendid June day, Island residents, Stuart's relatives and local politicians gather outside the Road's Garage after the rededication.

photo by DT

RHODA BARR'S RELATIONS

(a few as a sample)

H. Allen Caughey	nephew
	2 nd cousin twice removed
Gary Filson	1 st cousin twice removed
	2 nd cousin twice removed
	3 rd cousin twice removed
Hugh M Filson	2 nd cousin three times removed
	3 rd cousin three times removed
Wayne Fleming	1 st cousin twice removed
	2 nd cousin twice removed
Jeff Forester	grand nephew
Allan Glenn	2 nd cousin once removed
Garry Hitchins	2 nd cousin once removed
Scott Marshall	grand nephew
Keith Miller	1 st cousin once removed
Annette Philips	1 st cousin twice removed
	3 rd cousin twice removed
Ted Welbanks	2 nd cousin once removed
Ben Wemp	3 rd cousin once removed
Donna Willard	2 nd cousin once removed
Elaine Wolfreys	1 st cousin once removed



A Letter Home

Let's see now... I have dim recollections of something we do in the summer... oh yes! Haying. This year has been different in that we have only just begun and here it is the middle of July. Usually, you would be seeing wagon trains of large round bales heading home by now. The weather is the culprit and, as with most farming operations, we wait for suitable conditions. The hay is ready - is it ever with fields thick and tall but you can't cure hay under water nor can you bale with the axles buried in muck..

The up side of all this wet cool weather is the pastures continue to grow. In fact, the flocks still haven't made the circuit once. This while those pastures they have munched are re-growing. It really is amazing with these very tall grass pastures to see a flock of a couple of hundred ewes and twice as many lambs literally disappear. In a day or two, they start to emerge. Of course, the guard dogs don't like this at all because they can't control the flock nearly as well.

Speaking of water, the Lake is full. Over the last week or so, it has started to recede a bit which is about a month later than usual. Right now we are still above the 90 year average for this time of year. I think I heard that they pulled the plug in Cornwall around the start of the month. We'll have to see what effect this has in the next few months.



Gone to make way for a new house.

photo by DT



The old school house on the Third, now gone to make way for a new house.

photo by DT

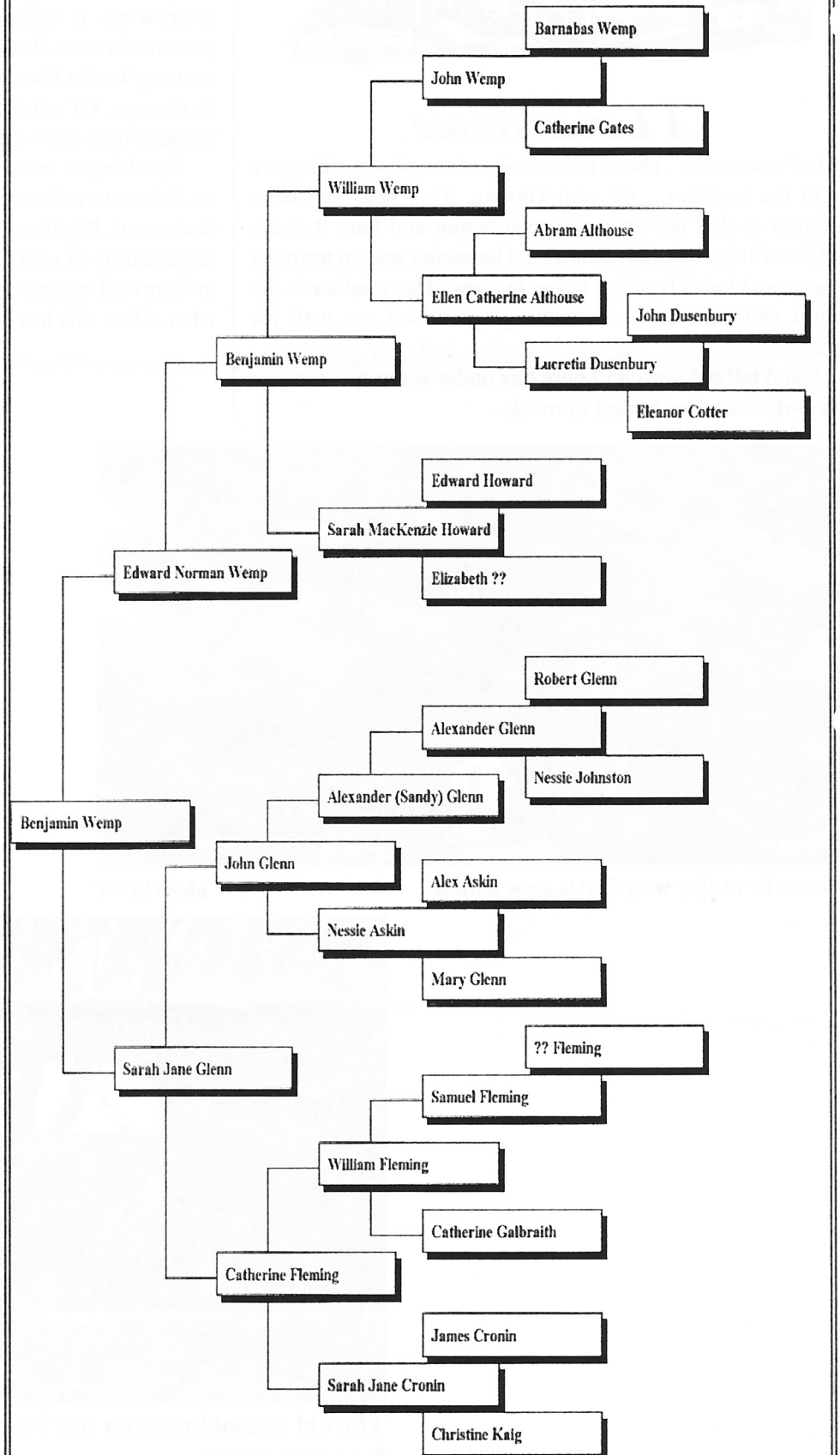


Ben Wemp at age 19.
photo courtesy of Chris Filson

BEN WEMP'S RELATIONS (once again - only a sample)

Rhoda Barr 3rd cousin once removed
 W. Bruce Caughey 4th cousin
 Tessa Fabian 3rd cousin twice removed
 Hugh M Filson grand nephew
 Larry Fleming 3rd cousin twice removed
 Allan Glenn 4th cousin once removed
 Gary Hitchins 4th cousin
 Bonnie Marshall 4th cousin once removed
 Noel McCormick 3rd cousin once removed
 Connor MacDonald 5th cousin once removed
 great-grandnephew
 Danny McGinn 3rd cousin three times removed
 Ryan McGinn 3rd cousin once removed
 2nd cousin twice removed
 3rd cousin twice removed
 3rd cousin three times removed
 5th cousin once removed
 4th cousin three times removed
 5th cousin twice removed
 Ted Welbanks 4th cousin
 David Wemp 3rd cousin
 Donna Willard 2nd cousin
 4th cousin

Ancestors of Benjamin Wemp





FOR SALE

Swing set for kids \$30. Located on south shore # 4895. Come and get it (good condition)
Call: **546-3986**

For Sale: Solid oak desk, 4 drawers plus a file drawer. Measures 72"length, 36: width, and 29"height. Grey office work table, also for sale. Measuring 60"length, 30"width and 29"height. Both good condition \$150. or best offer.
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**Topsy Farms
The Weasel & Easel
The Bath Village Gallery**

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Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Sunday 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**A.I.P.S. Club Z
account number is
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JULY

Saturday, July 29th Les Barricades Misterieuses

Saturday, July 29th noon to 4 p.m. Garden Party

AUGUST

Monday, August 7th Civic Holiday (Mun. Offices closed)

Saturday, August 12th Country Gospel

Saturday, August 19th Queen's 2000

Monday, August 21st 7:00pm Council Meeting

Saturday, August 26th Kingston Ceili Band



The Weasel and Easel at it's new location in the old Neilson Store at the east end of the village will be open daily from July 1st. The hours are 11 am to 5 pm.

The store has a wide variety of local art and crafts for sale. Wood work, pottery, paintings, blankets, sheep skin rugs, to name some of the work there. The place to find that perfect gift or memento of a visit to the island.

THE BACK KITCHEN

389-7200

HOURS OF OPERATION

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

through September 10

Plus

August 7th and September 4th Holidays.

Dinner Specials, Friday and Saturday evenings

Homemade Bread for Sale

AMHERST ISLAND COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

meets Thursday a.m. - 0945 - 12 noon

July Janet Scott

August Janet Scott

Join in a time of prayer and
studying God's word. All welcome.

Amherst Island GENERAL STORE

389-0417

SUMMER HOURS

7 Days a Week 9am - 9 pm

CANADA POST

Monday - Friday 9 am - 11:30 am

..... 2:30 pm - 5 pm

Saturday 9 am - 12 noon

*The Saturday Beaver will now be available at
the Amherst Island General Store.*

We have a wide variety of products available.

If we don't have what you need, it can be
ordered with deliveries.

Delivery days are Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Just call a day ahead to place your order.

Our deliveries arrive at 10:50 a.m. and we ask
that you pick up orders around 11a.m. as we
have no room for storage in coolers at this time.

FAX SERVICE

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Amherst Island General Store

Mon - Fri only

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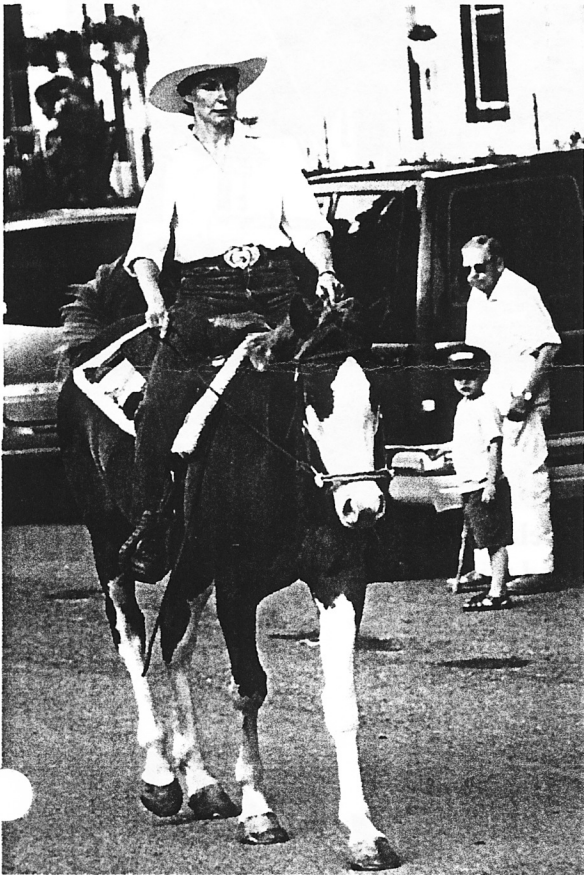
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The Canada Day Parade 2000



Three riders signaled the start of the parade.

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Resplendent riders and their mounts. photo by DT



One of the floats... this one celebrating the A.I. Women's Institute's centenary accompanied by droves of children.

photo by DT



Parade security was provided by Bat Boy and his Bat-Scooter.

photo by DT



The Bath Fire Department (courtesy of St John's Anglican Church) sent their main fire engine over which was awful nice of them.

photo by DT



Our Council (l to r) Ashley (showing off his 1999 Pie Eating Contest trophy), Gilmore, Linkson, McEwen, Bresee, Storms, and Lowry. photo by DT



Tom Richmond carefully raising (to avoid overhead wires) his articulated, mobile flag pole. photo by DT



Councillor Bresee demonstrating his winning form in the Pie Eating Contest. photo by DT



Councillor Bresee shows off his hard won trophy while Councillor Linkson towels off. photo by DT



After being pied by Reeve Gilmore, Deputy Reeve McEwen wondered aloud whether he really wants the Reeve's support in the upcoming fall elections. photo by DT