



The Town of Flatrock

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Municipal Elections 2013:

The new Town Council for the Town of Flatrock is:

Darrin Thorne Mayor
Anthony [Tony] Grace Deputy Mayor
Marion McCarthy Councillor
Michelle Martin Councillor
Paul Burton Councillor
Catherine Houlihan Councillor
Terry Humber Councillor

Congratulations to all members of the new Council.

Thank you to our outgoing Councillor Brian Martin and Councillor Robert [Bob] Schmiedendorf for your hard work and dedication to your community over the years you served on Council.

Town Council Meetings:

Deadline for applications or correspondence for Flatrock Town Council meetings are noon on the Thursdays before the meeting. The Town Council meets every second Monday and is open to the public at all times. If you wish to speak to Council on a matter, please call ahead of time so we can put your name on the agenda. The next council meetings are Tuesday, October 15 and Monday, October 28 and Tuesday November 12.

Fall Fair

Sunday, Oct. 20th, 2 p.m. Christmas Raffle, sale of knitted & baked goods. Ladies are kindly asked to donate an item for the Raffle. Knitted & craft goods are also needed. Card Game - 8p.m. Door Prize - \$100. Your support is greatly appreciated for the success of this event.

Flatrock Community Centre:

The Flatrock Community Centre will be soon closing for renovations. The Town is waiting on the Tender for the work to be sent out by the Provincial Government. There will be a further update when The Town receives more information.

Targa

Thank you to everyone who helped out with Targa this year, especially the Torbay Volunteer Fire Department.

Compost Bins:

Compost bins are available at Town Office for anyone interested in having one. Cost is \$21.99 plus \$2.86 tax, total \$24.85 each.

Soccer

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out with soccer this year, the program would not have run so well without all of your help. Everyone involved in soccer hopes all the children had a great time the summer and hopes to see you next year.

Flatrock Fifty Plus Fun Club

We held our first meeting for 2013 - 2014 on September 19 at the Flatrock Community Centre.

President, Carm Martin, welcomed members back and we also welcomed some new members. Our MHA Kevin Parsons attended the meeting and presented the group with a grant of \$2,000 to help with the cost of activities for the coming year.

The financial report for February to August 2013 was given and plans for the coming year were discussed.

We have a busy month planned for October. We will be holding our regular meeting on October 3 at the Community Centre, the regular cards, rumoli, games, 50/50 and refreshments will be served. On October 12 we will be hosting a 50+ Dance at the Community Centre. For information please contact the executive.

Then on October 17 we will be visiting the Community Room at Sobeys, Howley Estates for a presentation on Healthy Living.

Also, we are planning a trip to Woody Island May 30 - June 1, 2014. Members are asked to pay a deposit of \$45.00 at the next meeting as we have to confirm numbers with Woody Island to hold the reservation. They can accommodate 44 people so if you are not a member of the club but are 50+ and interested in joining please let us know, and if there is space after members are confirmed we would certainly welcome your company.

Sincerely,

Flatrock 50 + Fun Club

Carm Martin, President 437-6921

Patsy Bishop, Vice President 437- 2352

Marg Parsons, Secretary / Treasurer 437-5789

Horses/Dogs Clean Up:

Complaints have been received from residents regarding people not cleaning up after their Horses /Dogs. Don't forget to Stoop and Scoop if your pet messes on any property other than your own, you must stoop and scoop the feces immediately. This is respect for our neighbours and public spaces. Also all dogs have to be on a leash when walking and tethered. Dogs should not be roaming. The cost to retrieve an animal from animal control is \$100.00 the first time and \$200.00 each time after.

Recycling:

Residents are asked to have your recycling out with your garbage by 8:00 am on those dates. Remember greasy containers such as chicken boxes and buckets as well as pizza boxes are not recyclable. Just a reminder, you can drop off your recyclables, the ones you pay a deposit on, to the Town Hall. These recyclables [remove corks and covers] are going into an account at the Evergreen Recycling Depot and all money raised will go to the Flatrock Recreation Program. If you would like to donate your recycling to the Flatrock Recreation Program, drop them off at the Evergreen Recycling Depot marked "**Town of Flatrock**". The amount Recreation has received so far for 2013 is \$235.20.

Royal Newfoundland Constabulary:

The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary [RNC] has increased patrols in Flatrock at the request of concerns from residents. Some concerns were regarding cars speeding during school times and on Pouch Cove Highway. If you have noticed any issues with speeding on the side roads in Flatrock, please contact the town office. You will notice the police car in the community more often than usual. So please slow down for the safety of everyone and to avoid a ticket.

House Numbers:

Council recommends residents have a visible house number on your property in case of emergency.

Holidays:

Please be advised that the Town Hall will be closed on Monday, **October 14, 2013 in observance of Thanksgiving Day.**

Household Hazard Waste:

The Household Hazardous Waste drop-off at the Regional Facility located at Robin Hood Bay operates every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. from June to November. For more detailed information on the materials accepted there, please visit:
www.curbitstjohns.ca/?Content=Residents/Household_Hazardous_Waste

Speed Bumps:

Permanent Speed Bumps are being installed in the town. They are now painted. Residents are asked to watch their speeds and watch out for pedestrians and children. The Town Council has received a request to install speed bumps at Red Head Road and are considering installing temporary speed bumps in the spring.

Remembrance Day

The Flatrock Heritage Committee will be having a Remembrance Day Ceremony at the War Memorial on Monday, November 11th, 2013. People are being asked to assemble at the War Memorial at 10:40 am. Refreshments will be served at the Town Hall following the ceremony. All are invited to attend to pay their respects.

Outstanding Taxes

Interest is being applied to all outstanding taxes. Tax payments can be made by monthly instalments. Payments are accepted by Visa, Debit, MasterCard, cheques and cash as well as post - dated cheques, at the town office between the hours of 8:30 to 4:30, Monday to Friday.

Prestige East Taxi:

Prestige East Taxi has a shuttle bus service from Pouch Cove and Flatrock to Stavanger Drive. For more information contact Donny or Natasha at 690-6654 or email prestigeeasttaxi@hotmail.com or www.facebook.com/prestigeeasttaxi.

Coloring contest

The Town of Flatrock is having a Halloween Coloring Contest again this year. The picture is attached to this newsletter. We will be picking one winner from four age groups: 2 years and under; 3 to 5 years; 6 to 8 years and 9 to 12 years. You can drop off your picture to the Town Office from Monday to Friday between 8:30 to 4:30 pm. or after hours it can be put in the mail slot outside the office door. The deadline will be Friday October 25th, 2013 at 4:00 pm. The winners will be selected at the council meeting on October 28th, 2013 and will be notified the next day.

Santa Claus Parade

The Santa Claus Parade is being held on Sunday December 8th at 2:00 pm weather permitting starting at Ocean View Park / Breakwater proceeding in to Back Road turning right on Pouch Cove Highway and back Windgap Road. All children can bring their letters to Santa Claus as Canada Post will be at the parade to collect letters. Everyone is invited to put a float in the parade and if you know of any business or groups who would like to put a float in the parade please contact the Town office at 437-6312 or e-mail at info@townofflatrock.com. The alternate date in case of weather is Sunday December 15th.

Prizes for family or community floats are:

1st place \$100.00, 2nd place \$75.00, 3rd place \$50.00

Prize of \$100.00 for best commercial float

Prizes for best costumes are:

1st - \$40.00, 2nd - \$30.00 and 3rd - \$25.00

Tree Lighting

The tree lighting ceremony will be held after the Santa Claus Parade on Sunday, December 8th at 4:30 pm. at the Town Hall. Hot chocolate will be served and Christmas carols will be sung with Santa and his helpers.

Senior Distinction Award

Congratulations to Ronald Ryan on receiving a Senior Distinction Award from the Department of Health and Community Service, Office for Aging and Seniors. Awards were given out for volunteerism, fundraising, and outstanding contribution to the community.

Fire prevention week

The Provincial Government and fire departments throughout Newfoundland and Labrador will be promoting Fire Prevention Week from October 6 to 12.

Throughout Fire Prevention Week, fire departments around the province will perform fire drills in schools, host open houses at fire stations, deliver public information door-to-door, and hold information sessions in malls and shops. Fire Prevention Week is aimed at encouraging residents to make fire safety a priority year-round.

Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. More information can be found at www.gov.nl.ca/fes/ or www.fpw.org.

Bulk garbage

The Town of Flatrock has scheduled a roadside pick up of bulk garbage commencing in the Town of Flatrock. All residents are requested to have all debris by the side of the roadway on or before Monday, October 14, 2013. There will be NO duplication of any roadways so we encourage you to have all garbage out. Items eligible for pick up include fridges, stoves, toilets, branches, and doors. This collection WILL NOT include trees, hazardous goods, or auto parts. If you have any questions on what garbage can be picked up please call the town office.

Presentations to Kevin Butt and Kevin Parsons family

After the Council Meeting on Monday, September 30, 2013 a presentation was made to Kevin Parsons family by Deputy Mayor Darrin Thorne of a park bench, with a memorial plaque, to be erected at Flatrock War Memorial in memory of Flatrock's first Mayor Kevin Parsons Sr.

A presentation was also made to Kevin Butt's family by Mayor Anthony Grace of a picture of all Council with the dates and pictures Kevin Butt served on Council as a Councillor, Deputy Mayor and Mayor. A presentation of a park bench with a memorial plaque, donated by Henderson Equipment Ltd. was also presented to Kevin Butt family by Mayor Anthony Grace. The park bench will be erected at the Flatrock War Memorial in memory of Mayor Kevin Butt.

Seniors Christmas Dinner

Invitations for the seniors dinner will be mailed out by October 31st with the date to be confirmed shortly. If you are 65 years old this year or 65 years old and new to Flatrock please contact the Town Hall at 437-6312 or email info@townofflatrock.com and we will add you to our list

Contact List

Town Hall

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Jack Harris MP:

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Kevin Parsons MHA:

Kevin Parsons MHA contact information: phone 729-6979, fax 729-5774,
Email: kevinparsons@gov.nl.ca

St. Michael's Parish, Flatrock

Phone:335-2863

Fax: 335-8240

[http://www.htpt.net76.net/
agnesmichaelparish@email.com](http://www.htpt.net76.net/agnesmichaelparish@email.com)

Parish Priest: Father Paul Lundrigan Phone: 685-9705 e-mail: plund@nf.aibn.com

Dept of Forestry

Permits to Burn 729-4180

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department

Contact information for TVFD 437-6542 <http://www.tvfd.nl.ca/>

Flatrock 50 + Fun Club

Carm Martin, President 437-6921

Patsy Bishop, Vice President 437- 2352

Marg Parsons, Secretary / Treasurer 437-5789

Community Centre Bookings

Anita Dyer 437-5736

Animal Control Officer

Dana Kelly 437-6532 ext 285

Recreation News

Flatrock Recreation Commission

On Tuesday, September 18th, members of Flatrock Recreation Commission held their Annual General Meeting (AGM). During the AGM the following individuals were appointed to fulfill the following roles on the commission:

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| Flora Pike | Chairperson |
| Keith Smith | Vice chair |
| Nancy Gosse | Secretary |
| Anita Walsh | Treasurer |
| Madonna Wilkinson | Member at Large |

Flatrock Recreation Commission would like to thank outgoing Chair Chris Reglar for his leadership and support over the last number of years. If anyone is interested in joining the recreation commission please contact the Regional Recreation Coordinator.

Fall Fitness Programs

Our fall fitness programs are now being offered in Pouch Cove. For information regarding sessions offered, cost and locations please visit www.townofflatrock.com.

Little Dreamers Playgroup

Our Playgroup Program will be returning on Wednesday, October 16th for the fall session. Playgroup is open to youth between the ages of 3 and 5 and held at the Flatrock Town Hall from 9:30 to 11:00 am every Wednesday. Sessions include playtime, refreshments, and arts and crafts. Fee \$2 per session. Please do not bring in any bananas to the sessions due to allergies.

Seniors Outing

Flatrock – Pouch Cove Recreation will be holding a seniors outing to Christmas at the Glacier and the Big R restaurant on Thursday, October 24, 2013. The bus will be leaving the Flatrock Town Hall at 9:15 am and travelling to the Glacier. Seniors who are interested in attending this outing must call the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270 and reserve your seat by Monday, October 21st, 2013. Limited space available.

Halloween Spooktacular

Flatrock Recreation will be holding our annual Halloween Spooktacular Kids Dance on Friday, October 25th at the Flatrock Community Centre. This year we will have two different time slots, grade Kindergarten to Grade three will be from 6 to 7:30 pm and Grades four to six will be from 8 to 9:30 pm. Admission is \$2 per person and canteen service will be available for a fee.

Pumpkin Carving

On Tuesday, October 29th, 2013, Gina Rae King will be at the Flatrock Community Centre demonstrating the art of Pumpkin carving. Individuals who are interested in participated in this event are asked to call the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270 to reserve your Pumpkin by Wednesday, October 23, 2013. \$5 per pumpkin and bring your own carving tools.

Guy Fawkes Night

The Town of Flatrock will be holding a Community Bonfire on November 5th in celebration of Guy Fawkes Night. The bonfire will be held at the beach and will start at 6:30 pm. Refreshments will be provided. Bring your own roasting sticks!!!

Brunch with Santa

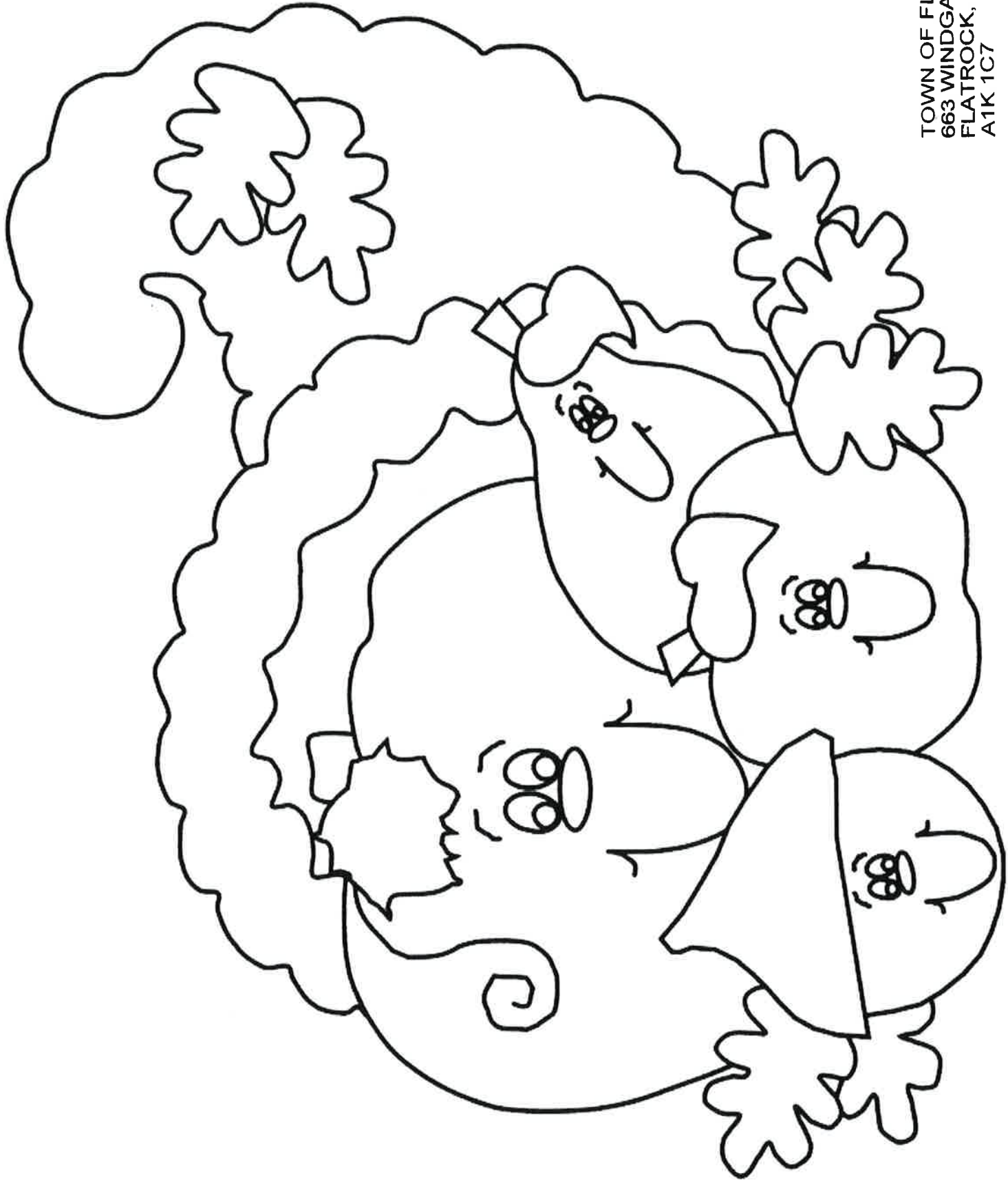
Flatrock Recreation will be holding a Brunch with Santa on Sunday, December 8th, from 10 am to 12 pm at the Flatrock Community Centre. Tickets will be going on sale in early November and will cost \$5 per adult and \$3 per kid.

2013 Santa Claus Parade

The Town of Flatrock will be holding our annual Santa Claus Parade on Sunday, December 8, 2013. Lineup for the parade will start at 1:30 pm at Ocean View Park. The Parade will start at 2 pm and travel the same route as in the past few years. Prizes will be awarded for best floats and costumes. If any individuals or businesses wish to enter a float or be a part of the parade please contact the Town Office at 437 6312 or the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270.

Tree Lighting Ceremony

Residents are invited to join us at the Town Hall on December 8, 2013 as we light our Christmas tree and sing our favorite Christmas Carols. The Tree Lighting Ceremony will start at 4:30 pm and have a visit from Santa Claus. Refreshments to follow.



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