



# The Town of Flatrock

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## **TARGA NL**

Targa Newfoundland was in Flatrock on Sunday, September 9th. There was a good turnout of fans to watch the many cars that went through our Town. The drivers went to the Flatrock Community Center where pictures were taken with the cars and drivers. The drivers were very impressed with the scenery in our town and how friendly everyone was. A huge thank you to the volunteers who made it a safe and successful day. Also thank you to the residents for their patience and the inconvenience while the roads were closed.

Check out the website at: [www.targanewfoundland.com](http://www.targanewfoundland.com)

## **TWITTER AND FACEBOOK**

The Town of Flatrock is now on Twitter and Facebook. Follow us at [facebook.com/townofflatrock](http://facebook.com/townofflatrock) and [twitter/townofflatrock](http://twitter.com/townofflatrock).

## **DOG TAGS**

The Town of Flatrock now has small dog tags available, free of charge, for anyone who would like one for a small dog or cat. The bigger tags are still available as well, free of charge.

## **JACK BYRNE ARENA FLEA MARKET**

Jack Byrne Arena will be holding a Sunday Flea Market beginning Sunday, September 9, 2012 from 10 am to 2 pm on the upper level of the arena. To reserve tables, please call Lorne or Cathy at 437-6224.

## **RED HEAD ROAD/ SANKIES LINE**

The contract has been awarded to Pyramid Construction for Red Head Road/ Sankies Line. Pyramid has said that they are planning to start construction next week. **YAHOO!!**

## **OUTSTANDING TAXES**

Outstanding Taxes – anyone owing outstanding taxes from 2011 and earlier are advised to make arrangements for payment as a list is being put together for a credit collection agency. Please contact town office at 437-6312 or drop in and we can set up an installment plan to pay all outstanding taxes.

## **2013 PROPERTY TAXES**

Assessment notices will be mailed out on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Appeals from the assessments will be received by the Municipal Assessment Agency up to and including October 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions regarding your assessment please call 1-877-777-2807.

## **PERMIT TO BURN**

A permit is required for burning outside starting May 1 and ending September 30 at midnight. Information can be found on town website. A permit is required from Department of Forestry in Paddy's Pond at no charge, phone number 729-4180. You also have to inform the Torbay Volunteer Fire Department (www.tvfd.nl.ca or phone 437-6542.) when you are burning debris with the permit.

## **PERMITS TO BUILD**

All builders are requested to ensure that their yellow permit sign given to them by the town is displayed at all times, for all construction. Please note that permits are not required for renovations such as siding and windows. Residents are encouraged to call the town if they see someone building without a permit displayed. If you need an extra copy of your permit please call the town hall at 437-6312

## **KEVIN PARSONS MHA**

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

## **JACK HARRIS MP**

Jack Harris MP contact information: phone 772-7171, email: Jack.Harris@parl.gc.ca

## **NEW MAINTENANCE POSITION**

The Town of Flatrock is hiring for a full time maintenance worker.

The candidate will be required to operate heavy equipment, perform snow clearing for all municipal roads, prepare the town for events and provide general maintenance such as lawn mowing, painting, and other duties as required. Qualified applications would have a Class 5 License with 09A Air Brake Classification and considerable experience in maintenance, heavy equipment operating, and snow clearing.

Salary will commence with qualifications and experience. Please forward your resume with two references no later than Friday October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 4 pm.

By mail to: Town of Flatrock, 663 Windgap Road, Flatrock, NL A1K 1C7

By email: [info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com)

Or drop off at the Town Council Office during 8:30 to 4:30 Monday to Friday.

## **SENIORS CHRISTMAS DINNER**

The Seniors Dinner will be held this year on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. Invitations will be mailed out by October 31st. 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](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com) and we will add you to our list.

## **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

Thanksgiving is a time for all of us to give thanks for what we have. We should feel thankful that we escaped the wrath of Post Tropical Storm Leslie. We should take the time to be thankful for all our family and friends. The Office will be closed on October 8th in recognition of Thanksgiving. The town council and staff wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

## **VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT**

The Town of Flatrock in collaboration with the Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board (NEA REDB) and the Towns of Bauline and Pouch Cove are conducting a volunteer recruitment drive in our region. Over the summer letters were sent to volunteer organizations/groups to gather information on volunteer needs. This information will assist us and you in recruiting new volunteers.

A representative of the NEA REDB will be contacting volunteer organizations in the region to answer any questions and gather the required information.  
If you have any questions please contact Dianne at 437-6312

## **50 PLUS CLUB**

If anyone is interested in starting a 50 plus club in Flatrock please contact the Town Office at 437-6312 or [info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com) and leave a message. If there is any interest a meeting will be held at a future date.

## **HISTORY OF FLATROCK**

Any students looking for information regarding the history of Flatrock can drop by the Town Hall and pick up information packages. There is also information available on our website.  
[www.townofflatrock.com](http://www.townofflatrock.com)

## **SILVER SUMMIT**

If you are retired or planning to retire and looking to start a business, a part time job, or a second career, the Silver Summit will have more information. The summit will be from September 30<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. If you like more information or to register please visit [www.silversummitnl.com](http://www.silversummitnl.com).

## **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The next Council meetings are 8pm on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, and December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Please note the date change for Tuesday October 9<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. All council meetings are opened to the public. If you would like to speak to council please call the Town Hall 437-6312 to have your name added to the Agenda.

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

The Flatrock Heritage Committee will be having a Remembrance Day ceremony on Sunday November 11th 2012 at the War Memorial. People are asked to be assembled by 10:40am. Refreshments will be served at the Town Hall following the ceremony. All are invited to attend to pay their respects.

The Heritage Committee are asking residents if they know of anyone or any names of people from Flatrock who served in any form in any of the wars from World War I to present, to contact Madonna 437-5836 so they can be observed at the service.

## **HALLOWEEN COLOURING 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 19th, 2012 at 4:00 pm. The winners will be selected at the council meeting on October 22nd, 2012 and will be notified the next day.

## **RECYCLING DATES**

The next recycling dates are September 26th, October 10th, October 24th, and November 7th. Please 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 that you pay a deposit on, to the Town Garage or the Town Hall. These recyclables 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".

## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARD WASTE**

The Household Hazardous Waste drop-off at the Regional Facility located at Robin Hood Bay operates every Saturday until November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more detailed information on the materials accepted there, please visit:

[www.curbitstjohns.ca/?Content=Residents/Household\\_Hazardous\\_Waste](http://www.curbitstjohns.ca/?Content=Residents/Household_Hazardous_Waste) or call 754-2489.

## **HALLOWEEN COFFEE HOUSE AND FALL FAIR**

St. Michael's Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a Halloween Coffee House on Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm. at Flatrock Community Center. Desserts, cookies, tea and coffee will be served at a price of \$10.00; also prizes for costumes will be given out.

There will be a FALL FAIR on Sunday November 18th. For more information call Madonna at 437-5836.

## **SPEED BUMPS**

Speed bumps have been installed on various roads within the town; this was done so that the speed on our side roads could be reduced. Please respect what the town is trying to accomplish, drive slowly over these speed bumps, not around them. There are many children on our side roads, walking to and from the school buses, please drive slowly.

## **TORBAY ENVIRONMENT AND TRAILS COMMITTEE**

The Torbay Environment and Trails Committee are pleased to announced they now offer a new environmental fundraising program for recycling of old print cartridges, cameras, cell phones, ipods/mp3 payers and laptops (no printers/monitors accepted). Please drop off your unwanted electronic-waste in the collection bin located in the main lobby of the District Drugs Building.

# Recreation News

## **2012 Summer Program**

Flatrock Recreation would like to thank everyone who helped make our summer program a great success. Over the course of seven weeks, campers participated in a variety of different recreational and leisure activities. Thank you to our program staff for going above and beyond your normal duties to ensure everyone enjoyed their summer. Special thanks to our Head Counselor for her great leadership and dedication this summer. Summer camp DVDs are still available at the Flatrock Town Hall for parents who have yet to pick up a copy.

## **Soccer**

Flatrock Recreation would like to express their gratitude to the volunteers that helped out during the soccer season. Their help is what made soccer a success except for the weather at times. Thank you and we hope to see you and the children back again next year. Flatrock Recreation would also like to congratulate all of the athletes that participated in soccer in Flatrock this year. Anyone who didn't receive their trophy or medal can pick them up at the Town Hall. For any questions please call Marion at 437-6945. The Flatrock Recreation Committee reminds you to keep active throughout the winter!

## **2012 Killick Coast Games**

Flatrock Recreation wishes to congratulate our coaches and athletes on a very successful showing at the 2012 Killick Coast Games. Team Bauline – Flatrock – Pouch Cove had an amazing showing winning medals in the following sports:

Junior Girls Softball – Gold  
Junior Boys Softball – Gold  
Senior Girls Softball – Gold  
Senior Boys softball – Bronze  
Junior Boys Ball Hockey – Bronze  
Junior Boys Basketball – Silver  
Senior Girls Basketball – Gold  
Senior Boys Basketball – Silver

Liam O'Reilly and Josh Farrell also won medals in the Cross Country Run. Thank you all coaches and volunteers for your support during the games. The 2013 Killick Coast Games will be co-hosted by the towns of Flatrock and Pouch Cove.

## **Killick Coast Games Send off Party**

On Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our annual send off party for our Killick Coast Games athletes. This event will be held at the Red Head Road Recreational Complex and will feature the following:

1:30 pm – Sr. Girls Softball vs. Mom's  
2:30 pm – Junior Soccer Teams vs. Parents  
3:30 pm – Sr. Boys Softball vs. Dad's  
Refreshments will be provided.

## **Running Program**

Interested in running? A beginner's running group will be offered in Flatrock this fall! If you are completely new to running or if it has been a while since you last tied up those shoes, then come out to run with the group and have some fun. The program will offer a 10 week running progression finishing just in time to participate in a local 5 kilometer road race. What a great goal it would be to cross that finish line! The running program is designed for a beginning runner but all levels of running experience are welcome to join.

The running program will take place on Sundays at 5pm and will meet at the Red Head Road Recreational Complex. To register please contact the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270 or [pouchcoverecreation@hotmail.com](mailto:pouchcoverecreation@hotmail.com).

## **Little Dreamers Playgroup**

Little Dreamers Preschool Playgroup will be returning on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Playgroup is open to youth ages 3 – 5 and is held at the Flatrock Town Hall from 9:30 – 11 am. There is a \$2 charge per person to help

cover the cost of our healthy snacks. Please remember not to bring any banana snacks of any kind due to severe allergies.

### **Gentle Gym**

Flatrock - Pouch Cove Recreation would like to advise residents that our Gentle Gym is returning for the fall season. Ideal for seniors or new comers to exercise classes, this is a low impact aerobic program that includes stretching, low impact cardio; follow by conditioning with weights, and abdominal exercises. This program will be held at All Saints' Parish Hall on Friday's from 12:00 - 1:00 pm starting on October 5<sup>th</sup>. There is a \$5 fee per session.

### **Community Skates**

Community Skates are held at the Jack Byrne Arena on Saturday afternoons from 4 – 5pm. The following dates are Community Skate times for the Town of Flatrock: October 13<sup>th</sup>, November 17<sup>th</sup> and December 15<sup>th</sup>. Admission is \$2 per skater. A helmet is required for skating.

### **Halloween Spooktacular**

Flatrock Recreation will be holding our annual Halloween kids dance (ages 5 – 12) on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 pm to the Flatrock Community Centre. Admission is \$2 per child and canteen service will be provided for a fee. Remember to dress in your Halloween costume.

### **Guy Fawkes Bonfire**

Flatrock Recreation will be holding a bonfire to celebrate Guy Fawkes Night on Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 on the beach in Flatrock. We would like to invite all residents to come out and join us for some hot chocolate and hot dogs.

### **Santa Claus Parade**

The 2012 Santa Claus Parade is scheduled for Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm weather permitting. Anyone who wishes to put a float in the parade is welcome to do so. 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](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com). The alternate date in case of weather is Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Tree Lighting**

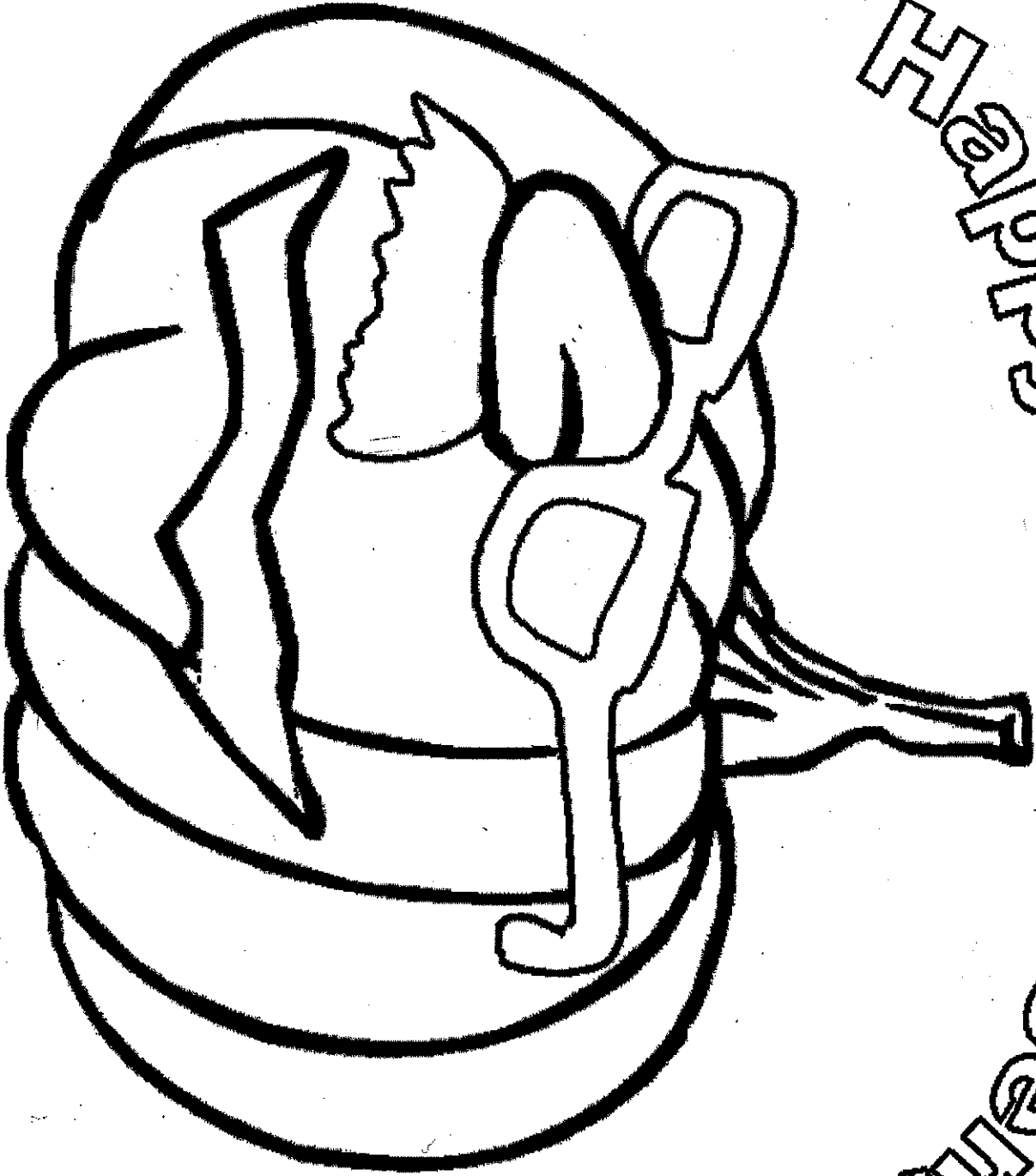
Our annual tree lighting ceremony will be held after the Santa Claus Parade on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:30 pm. at the Town Hall. Hot chocolate will be served and Christmas carols will be sung with Santa and his helpers.

### **Breakfast with Santa**

Flatrock Recreation Commission will be holding their annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Flatrock Community Centre from 9 am to 11 am. Don't forget to bring your cameras as Santa will be available for pictures.

### **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

Flatrock Recreation Commission will be holding their AGM on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. The AGM will start at 7:30 pm and be held at the Flatrock Town Hall. New members are welcome to join.



Happy Halloween!

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AGE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_