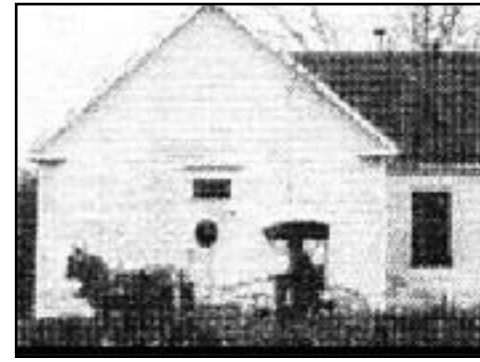


Black River COMMUNITY NEWS

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Christmas Bird Count

By Bernard Forsythe

December 15th, was mild compared to the early cold we had in November, making it a pleasure for Pauline and I to join in this year's Wolfville Christmas Bird Count. Once again we covered the large area from the White Rock Bridge through to Sunken Lake and then Black River.

Very few birds were present on our walks through the woodlots, except we were pleased to find Ruffed Grouse. Most of the birds counted where at feeders next to the houses. Sunken Lake was frozen so we missed the usual Hooded Mergansers, however we did see Common Mergansers on White Rock pond. Several members of the Finch family have been scarce in recent winters although we have heard reports of some being seen in Kings County.

We found a few Evening Grosbeaks in Black River, while others have reported Pine Grosbeaks, Pine Siskins and Redpolls. A large flock of Redpolls were spotted near Greenfield on camp day. We should be watching for these winter finches in Black River.

By the end of count day we had recorded 19 bird species with a total of 328 individual birds.



SPECIES

Numbers Found

CANADA GOOSE	13
COMMON MERGANSER	10
RUFFED GROUSE	3
BALD EAGLE	13
RED-TAILED HAWK	1
ROCK PIGEON	40
MOURNING DOVE	24
DOWNY WOODPECKER	2
PILEATED WOODPECKER	1
BLUE JAY	24
AMERICAN CROW	44
COMMON RAVEN	10
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE	35
RED- BREASTED NUTHATCH	1
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH	4
EUROPEAN STARLING	77
DARK-EYED JUNCO	6
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH	12
EVENING GROSBK	8

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What's Happening Around Us?

Death Café



An Open Discussion about Death

Think, talk or write for the Death & Dying Death Café you desire!

Let's talk about it!

Date – January 27th, 2019

Location – January 25, 2019

Time – 2-3:30 pm

Location – Port Williams Community Centre

No registration required. Free to all who can attend!

For more information visit www.deathcafe.com or call 1-800-451-4243



9TH ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER
 7:00PM
 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH, 2019
 AT PORT WILLIAMS COMMUNITY CENTRE
 \$45.00/ couple
 - MENU -
 Champagne
 Roast Beef Dinner
 (2 Potatoes, Vegetables, Pickles, etc.)
 Dessert
 Tea/Coffee
 BAR SERVICES, COFFEE PRIZES AND ENTERTAINMENT
 FOR TICKETS CONTACT ANY MEMBER OF THE LIONS CLUB OR CALL 902-512-3883 (Sponsor: February 15th, 2019)

Greenwich Fire Department Valentine's Dinner
 February 16th
 - A Special Night to Remember -
 Three Course Meal including: Salads, Roast Beef, four vegetables, Champagne, topped off with cassis for dessert.
 Live Performance by Doug Fleury
 Tickets \$16.00 per couple
 For Reservations: Please call 902-697-3962

Children \$4
 Adults \$8
 2 and under free

TACO 'BOUT A FIESTA

SATURDAY JANUARY 19
 BLACK RIVER COMMUNITY HALL
 4PM-6PM
 Dig out your sombreros, guitars, moustaches and maracas and join us for a FIESTA!
 Enjoy tacos, a piñata, games, and a musical craft!

Fresh Homemade Salsa

Ingredients

- 8 medium tomatoes
- 1/2 cup diced red onion
- 1 jalapeño pepper (serrano pepper also works)
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro
- 1-2 garlic cloves
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- 1 tbsp lime juice
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp pepper
- 1/2 tsp cumin



Instructions

1. Finely dice tomatoes, red onion, jalapeño pepper, garlic and cilantro. Combine in a large bowl and add lemon juice, lime juice and seasoning.
2. Alternatively, process all ingredients in a food processor for 30 seconds.

Notes

Storage: Store in the refrigerator in an airtight container for up to 1 week.
 Jalapeño Peppers: Remove the seeds for a more mild flavour. I personally leave the seeds.

ENJOY!

JANUARY CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE BLACK RIVER COMMUNITY HALL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1	2	3 7PM - 9PM Card Making	4	5
6	7	8 10:45AM - 12PM Bookmobile 12PM - 3PM Simply Computers 7PM General Meeting	9	10	11	12 7PM Jam Session
13	14	15 12PM - 3PM Simply Computers	16	17	18	19 4PM - 6PM FIESTA!!!
20 7PM General Meeting	21 7PM Maintenance Meeting	22 12PM - 3PM Simply Computers	23	24	25	26
27	28 7PM Heritage Meeting	29 10:45AM - 12PM Bookmobile 12PM - 3PM Simply Computers	30	31	1	2

EVENT DETAILS

Simply Computers - For only a 3\$ cover charge, you can come to the Black River Community Hall for an all ages computer gathering. You can play games or surf the net or simply just check your email. **NOTE: Simply Computers has moved to Tuesdays instead of Wednesdays.**

Jam Session - 

The Bookmobile - The Bookmobile will be at the Hall from 10:45am-12:00pm

FIESTA!!! - Details on page 2.





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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Call Tait	January 1st	Elaine Schofield	January 15th
Lewis Howe	January 6th	Amber Gertridge	January 16th
Brad Schofield	January 6th	Brandon Schofield	January 17th
Holly Chappus	January 7th	Sandra Cudmore	January 19th
Jim McInnis	January 8th	Marion Gee	January 24th
Darren Gertridge	January 9th	Jayn Kenny	January 25th
Shawn Levy	January 14th	Pauline Murray	January 29th

	<p>Porcupine Creech PRODUCTIONS HANDCRAFTED BY <i>Nellie Schofield</i> Black River - Nova Scotia nellieschofield@gmail.com 902 542 5134</p>	<p>Jessica Myra NATURAL FIBER LIFESTYLE</p>  <p><i>Jessica Myra</i></p> <p>www.tb.com/mothermuse mothermuse.touliok.com</p>
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Dear Black River Community,

Happy New Year to everyone and I wish you all the very best in 2019. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your ongoing support of our Community Hall.

Tina Gertridge
Community Club President

