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Elgin Country Kitchen and General Store *By Julie Kean Marks* Above: Bennett Lake, Fundy National Park by Janet Wallace

When Mackenzie and Leanne Carter opened the Elgin Country Kitchen and General Store on February 26, 2020, there hadn't been a store in Elgin for over three years. The community responded with overwhelming support. The first Saturday featured a music night, and people lined up to get into the dining area.

There was a whirlwind of activity during the few months before the opening as the Carters renovated the building, which first opened as a general store in 1949. The original wood floors were sanded and stained. Every square inch was painted. A woodstove was installed. Wainscoting, refurbished church pews and modern lighting were added. The Carters' goal is to have a new store with the feeling of the original roots. The result is a pleasant, cozy, old-fashioned atmosphere with a fresh, clean look.

To showcase the history of Elgin, the Carters asked for photos from days gone by and worked with digital designer Eric Goggin to create a wall collage dating back 100 years. This stunning wall display is, in itself, an excellent reason to take a drive to Elgin!

When you approach the building, you can't help but notice the sign. The logo includes a colourful rooster atop the store surrounded by the rolling hills of Elgin with the rising sun in the background. Once you step inside, you'll see the large dining area at the front of the building. The country kitchen boasts an

on-site smoker and provides "small-town fine fare," with home-style comfort food such as smoked meats, fresh salads, desserts made in-house, and dishes flavoured with pure maple syrup.

At the back of the building, you'll find the general store with convenience items, as well as local maple products and Elgin T-shirts.



"Cubby Corner" is an indoor play space for children containing toys, a floor-to-ceiling chalkboard and a children's lending library. A volunteer-based story time for children up to age eight is scheduled once a week. (Due to COVID, Cubby Corner is temporarily closed; however, books are available to borrow.)

Josh Jones (General Manager and Chef) oversees nine staff members, offering courteous, friendly and helpful service.

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Albert County Community Health Centre: Update

In compliance with Public Health restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, **appointments are required for all visits.**

Lab and specimen collection services at Horizon's Albert County Community Health Centre in Riverside-Albert are by appointment only from 8am to 11:30am Monday through Thursday. Call (506) 882-3100 to book an appointment.

Lab and specimen collection services at Horizon's Hillsborough Satellite Office, 2807 Main Street, Hillsborough, are by appointment only from 8:30am to 11:30am every Tuesday and Thursday. Call (506) 882-3100 to book an appointment.

All **nursing services** such as: dressing changes, suture / staple removal, IV antibiotics, injections, ECG's, Holter Monitoring, 24-hr Blood Pressure Monitoring, etc., are by appointment only. Have your Health Care

Provider fax requisition to the Albert County Community Health Centre @ (506) 882-3101.

Appointments with our Health care providers may be in-person, virtually or by phone. If you are scheduled for an appointment at the Health Centre, please arrive no earlier than 15 minutes prior to your appointment. Wear a community mask if you have one. COVID-19 screening questions will be asked upon your arrival at the front entrance.

Other services such as X-Ray and Physio have resumed by appointment only. Please call the Health Centre if you have any questions or concerns.

Keep safe!

Albert County Community Health Centre: (506) 882-3100

Contributed by Phyllis Hudson, Facility Administrator, Albert County Community Health Centre.

Letter to the Editor: Welcome to Alma

As New Brunswick begins gradually opening back up, the business community of Alma would like to extend a welcome to residents across the province interested in visiting our area to experience all we have to offer. Here in Alma, social distancing is almost a way of life. We're a village of only 200 year-round residents next to a national park that offers wide open spaces for hiking and recreation. Alma is the perfect spot to get away from it all, and to remind yourself of what many of us have forgotten: the beauty and wildness of New Brunswick's coastal communities.

Alma's restaurants are open to welcome visitors while ensuring the highest safety standards are met. Our accommodations are also open and, once again, hosts are working hard to provide spotlessly clean environments. Public restrooms are available. Many trails in Fundy National Park are open and more will be opening soon.

So come on out to Alma for the day or even the week. Experience the amazing spectacle that is Alma and the Bay of Fundy. Take time to walk or bike through the pristine forests that make up the beautiful Fundy National Park. Spend a while strolling

on the bottom of the ocean on Alma Beach when the area's spectacular tide fluctuations expose what's usually only seen by sea creatures. Take a guided sea-kayak tour, or visit a local artisan shop where unique "made in Alma" items can be found. Watch the village's lobster fleet as the ships motor in and out of the harbour at high tide.

Stop by one of the village's restaurants to pick up a lobster dinner, fried clams, a pizza, or fresh-baked goods or a sticky bun for a picnic meal. Or, take some time to dine in at those restaurants. During the past few months, Alma's chefs have been working hard to create new menus for visitors.

The village's many fine accommodations are waiting to welcome you back. Give us a call soon to make your reservations. We'll be fluffing up the pillows in preparation.

For a complete listing of Alma businesses, please visit www.villageofalma.ca ("Businesses" tab).

Isn't it time to start planning your "Staycation" in Alma? We think so.

Contributed by various businesses of Alma

("Elgin Country Store" continued from page 1.)

The first few weeks were very busy, with staff adapting their strategies daily to keep pace. Then the pandemic arrived. The goal of the business is to function for the people of the Elgin area. The Carters agreed to keep the doors open, providing products and services for all, especially for those who felt unsettled leaving the community during the pandemic. They then decided to offer take-away fine food in compliance with government regulations; this has been very well-received.

As of late June, the restaurant is once again open to the public for dining in, as well as offering take-away. Also, picnic tables are now available for eating outdoors.

The Carters say their biggest challenge so far has been keeping up with the demand. They are very grateful to the community for the ongoing support and are pleased to be able to offer local employment opportunities.

Their vision for the future is growth with plans that include gas pumps, their own brand of local products, a farmers' market to sell fresh local produce, and a liquor licence to permit serving wine and beer in the restaurant. They envision a whole range of events, such as kitchen parties, music nights, dart evenings, outside gatherings, car rallies, carnivals and activities for children. They aim to provide the community with events that people will enjoy.

Mackenzie grew up in Elgin, just up the road from the store. Leanne, who is from Alberta, has a background in human resources, hospitality and the restaurant industry. Together they have four young boys, all named after beloved family members on both sides.

Owning a store in Elgin is a Carter family tradition. Just across the road from the Elgin Country Kitchen and General Store is the site of the former Carter's Esso, which was owned by Mackenzie's grandparents, Jean and Lionel Carter, for almost 29 years.

The store in Elgin was a meeting place for many years; local people and visitors alike are delighted that this community hub is up and running once again. To learn more about this exciting new venture, follow Elgin Country Kitchen and General Store on Facebook and Instagram.

Current hours are:

- Monday-Friday: Noon-8pm
- Saturday/Sunday: 9am-8pm with the weekend breakfast offered from 9-11am

Julie Kean Marks lives in the community of Elgin with her husband, Bruce.




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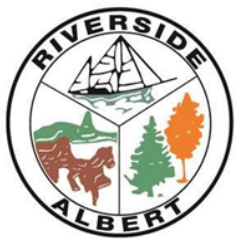
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Albert County Chamber of Commerce Award Winners

**Congratulations to all the nominees and winners of the 2020
Albert County Chamber of Commerce Awards!**

Winners:

Non-profit of the Year – Boys and Girls Club of Riverview

Emerging Business of the Year – Rocco's Cucina

Tourism Excellence – Albert County Museum

Accommodations Award – Broadleaf Ranch

Community Service Award – Friends of Fundy

For the Love of Food Award – Topsy Tales Restaurant

Environmental Award – Fundy Farms: Local Harvest

Arts & Culture Award – Albert County Clay Company

People's Choice Award (Three-way tie)

- Serenity Pools & Landscaping Inc.
- Broadleaf Ranch
- Rocco's Cucina

Business of the Year – Buddha Bear Coffee Roaster & Holy Whale Brewing Co.

You can watch a replay of the livestream awards event any time on facebook!

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-If you are sick, have a fever, sore throat or cough, we ask that you stay home and reach the pharmacist by phone with any questions and, if possible, arrange for someone else to pick up your medication.

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Prepared Meals for Seniors in Albert County *By Kate Doyle*

In Albert County, a new initiative has just been launched to help get prepared meals to seniors who are unable to either access the food bank or prepare meals for themselves.

These meals are for seniors whose circumstances have been affected by the pandemic. For example, the first delivery was to an 92-year-old man whose homecare worker was no longer able to come to his house and he had no family nearby who could help. Seniors who can prepare meals for themselves are encouraged to access their local food bank.

Do you know a senior who might need this type of support? We can help! Included is a link to a form to be completed by anyone needing this service. The form can also be filled out on behalf of someone (with their permission and knowledge). Please feel free to call seniors who you think might benefit and fill out the form with them on the phone.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0obDbAb2zpRGQulfO9_FfjVVOFbK4vHwi3LDIMKLN1bW7iQ/viewform

This initiative is made possible via a partnership with the United Way of Greater Moncton and Southeastern NB, Forest Dale Nursing Home, Urban/Rural Rides and the Horizon Health Network. The weekly deliveries will be contactless. Deliveries of a week's worth of meals will be left on a step and a volunteer will call people to let them know it's there.

For more information, contact Claire (Claire.curtis@horizonnb.ca or 506-375-2820).



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The Old Church Farmers' Market

When coming into Hillsborough, you might notice that the Farmers' Market sign has changed. The scarecrow is still there, but the Foods of the Fundy Valley red chicken has been replaced by a cute little pink pig in a straw hat.

The market is in the same place but with a new name: The Old Church Farmers' Market. Most of the vendors from the previous Hillsborough Farmers' Market are now selling their wares at The Old Church Farmers' Market on Saturdays from 9am to 2pm.

Looking back, I guess it was just time for us to strike out on our own. On opening day, Foods of the Fundy Valley generously gave us a sizeable cheque which represented the savings of the Hillsborough Farmers' Market. How is that for a good start? We thank Foods of the Fundy Valley for their support now and through the years.

Our reopening was in question given the ongoing pandemic. Some vendors felt unable to join us due to health concerns. Without a big push from our vegetable, bakery, meat and food vendors, we would not have opened at all, but somehow we did it while other markets remained closed. We have just enough of our regular customers along with new customers



from other markets to keep us feeling hopeful.

Speaking 'COVIDly,' you will notice fewer tables inside and direction arrows on the floor. The flow-through walking plan involves entering beside Oliver's German Bakery and exiting through the old church library.

There is a lot of room. We decided to remove the interior seating for now. To keep the air flowing through, we are keeping the doors open and the fans on. There is hand sanitizer at the entry and exit. Vendors have masks on or nearby. The tables are wide enough to keep enough distance between the customers and vendors by the vendors simply standing back a bit. The bakery allows one customer at a time. The bathrooms are cleaned throughout the event. We keep up to date on best practices and, like you, we're adjusting as we go.

All very nice, you might say, but what's new?

We are building market tables out of reprocessed 'church wood' donated by Oliver. Five have been made so far. As best we can, we want to reprocess pews and try to stay with the theme of the historic church that hosts us. The stage has been fore-shortened with a new pine wall. The space behind is given over to a flour mill grinding local grain for your bread. (I think they call that 'food security.')

The Community Table is going all out to host local products in hopes of spawning new vendors. The market



will forgo its part of the Community Table fee to support local enterprise. (I think they call that 'economic development.')

Over in Jim's corner (oh, dare we look?), he seems to have started a market house band around a weird handpan drum with whoever blunders by, whether they have a musical instrument or not. Looks to be giving handpan lessons if you want to try it. (I think they call that 'if you don't know how to play, we will learn you up.')

Drop in for a hot cup of Buddha Bear Coffee and peruse the wares of our local vendors. Maybe you are in need of some meat for your BBQ this weekend, jam and a fresh loaf of bread, a gift for a special someone, maple syrup, or even a tub of Sussex Ice Cream to enjoy at the picnic table. Try your hand at Jim's steel tongue drum. There's bound to be something to spark your interest.

Come out, shop local, minimize your food miles, and don't forget your reusable shopping bags.

See you at the market!

The Old Church Farmers' Market

2807 Main St., Hillsborough
www.facebook.com/The-Old-Church-Farmers-Market-110454250674986/

Saturdays from 9am to 2pm

*Contributed by Jim Kitts and
Angela MacDougall*



The Hillsborough Public Library Has Reopened!

Hillsborough Public Library

Hours of Operation

(note these have changed since the spring)

Tuesday 3-6pm Wednesday 1-4pm

Thursday 1-4pm Friday 1-4pm

Closed Sunday, Monday and Saturday

2849 Main St., Hillsborough, 734-3722

Hillsborough.PublicLibrary@gnb.ca

What to expect when visiting your library

- Maximum Capacity. There is a limit on the number of patrons inside at a time. Please be patient as you wait your turn.
- Face Masks. We encourage you to wear a community face mask while visiting your library.
- Physical Distancing. Let's protect each other's space and maintain a two-meter distance.
- Limited Library Hours. This library is operating on reduced hours.
- Quarantine. Returned items will remain on your account during the 72-hour quarantine period.
- Grab n' Go. We encourage people to make their visit as brief as possible: 10-15 minutes.
- No Computer Usage. Computer stations are not available for use.
- Changed Your Mind? Kindly place any items you don't want in the area designated by staff.
- No Object Lending. Musical instruments and kits are not available to borrow.

Tips for Visiting your Library

Be Kind: Your library experience will be different than what you are used to. Let's work together so that everyone is safe when using the library.

Bring a List: Have a general idea of what you're looking for so that you can pick out your books in roughly 10-15 minutes.

Follow the Signs: Help promote physical distancing by staying in your lane.

Ask for Help: We are here for you. We can help you get the books you are looking for (from a safe distance).

Be understanding: We may not have the exact item you are looking for and your experience at the library might be a bit different than what you are used to.

Returns: If you have items to return to the Hillsborough Public Library, please put them in the outside book drop.

Contributed by Victoria Stroud-Arsenault



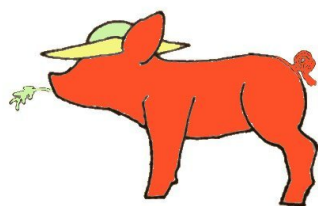
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The Magical Moths of Albert County *By Jennifer Shelby*

When people think of moths, they often think of the butterfly's drab cousin or the annoying pests who gnaw on their wool. They may not realize that Albert County is home to some spectacular moths. While this list is by no means definitive, I'd like to introduce you to three of my favourite moths: the Rosy Maple moth, the Cecropia moth, and the Luna moth.



The smallest of these is the Rosy Maple moth. They make their home in, you guessed it, maple trees. At first glance, their bright pink and yellow colouring seems out of place in a maple tree, but hidden under mature maple leaves are clusters of samaras, or seeds, that match the Rosy Maple moth's colouring and size.

We have several maples surrounding our house on Caledonia Mountain and we most often see Rosy Maple moths clinging to our window screens. Rosy Maple moths are nocturnal, like most moths, so they sleep during the day. Their preferred sleeping position includes a pair of their fuzzy pink legs sticking up past their heads, which my kids love because it makes the moths look like a caped superhero flying to someone's rescue.

The Cecropia moth is a giant silk moth, one of the largest in Canada, with a wingspan of up to 15 cm. It

looks similar to the Columbia silk moth, but the Cecropia has a telltale reddish orange stripe that the Columbia doesn't have.

Because of the Cecropia's size, it can be startling if one flies close or lands on you, especially at night, but they're harmless. They emerge from their cocoons with no mouths and can't bite. Unfortunately, this also means their life as an adult moth (as opposed to caterpillar) is only a few weeks long.

Lastly, there's the beautiful Luna moth. Like the other two moths in this article, Lunas don't have a stomach or a mouth as an adult moth. They live for only about a week in this form. Unlike the Cecropia, we get a few generations of Luna moths per year, giving us more chances to see Luna moths in the wild.

Luna moths have beautiful, trailing hindwings which gives them a distinctive look, but they're not there for decoration. When Lunas fly at night, those trailing wingtips can throw off a bat's echolocation and help the Luna moth avoid becoming dinner.

All three of the moths in this article are nocturnal and tend to remain still during the day. Sometimes when we notice these pretty moths and come in for a better look, they start trembling violently. It's easy to think that the moths are trembling with fear, or we might worry that they are having a seizure, but they are actually warming up their wing muscles before they fly away. We don't see butterflies do this during the day because they warm their muscles by the sun instead.

If you'd like to see moths for yourself, take a walk around your house during the day and keep your eyes open for patterns like the ones you see in the pictures. Since moths are attracted to light, the bushes and plants underneath a dusk-till-dawn or security light



are great places to find different species waiting for nightfall. The internet is a wonderful tool to help identify the species you find around your yard.

Happy hunting!



Images by Jennifer Shelby. Top left: Rosy Maple moth; top right: Luna moth; above: Cecropia moth.

Jennifer Shelby is an SFF [Science Fiction & Fantasy] writer and moth enthusiast who lives on Caledonia Mountain. She hunts for stories in the beetled undergrowth of fairy-infested Acadian forests and fishes for them in the dark space between the stars. If you'd like to know more about her ongoing catch-and-release program, you can find her on twitter @jenniferdshelby or at jennifershelby.blog

Recruiting Volunteer Drivers: Enter To Win \$1000 In New Tires

WA Transpo needs your help. In exchange for your help, you will be entered into a draw for new tires generously donated by National Tire Distributors and valued at \$1000.

WA Transpo is a volunteer-powered group comprising registered charities created in response to an ever-growing need in our rural communities for safe, affordable, reliable transportation. We offer our transportation services to our clients and those services have grown from providing transport to and from medical appointments to include scheduled transportation to shopping, other appointments and recreational activities. Tele-Drive Albert County, Rural Rides and the Volunteer Centre of South East NB Drive program are all part of WA Transpo. WA Transpo is commonly known as Urban/Rural Rides.

You do not need to be a volunteer driver yourself, but you can enter the draw simply by referring a new volunteer who then clears the screening process. For each volunteer you refer, you will receive one entry in the draw. Each new volunteer who registers and clears the screening process will also be entered in the draw. Volunteers can live anywhere in Westmorland and Albert Counties including, but not limited to, Salisbury, Petitcodiac, Moncton, Riverview, Dieppe, Hillsborough, Alma, Riverside-Albert, Memramcook, Dorchester, Sackville, Port Elgin, Cap Pelé, Grand Barachois, Shediac and all points in between. The draw will take place at the end of August.

Volunteer drivers use their own vehicles to drive people who do not have transportation or are unable to drive, such as seniors and people with disabilities. The trips include taking people to medical appointments, grocery stores and other services. In addition to transporting clients, volunteers are also delivering food and prescriptions in response to the COVID-19 crisis. Drivers are reimbursed \$0.41/km.

Safety protocols have been developed by Public Health in response to the pandemic to protect drivers and clients using the service. Drivers are provided with personal protective equipment to use when transporting clients and doing deliveries.

Volunteering as a driver is a great way to meet and help neighbours in the community. If you, or someone you know, has a few hours a month or more to volunteer, and you want to be part of a team on a mission to help others get to where they need to go, please call (506) 215-2100 or email r.r.ruralrides@gmail.com for more information. Drivers need to be over the age of 21 with a valid driver's license and reliable automobile. They must carry \$2-million liability insurance (Rural Rides will reimburse the extra charge up to \$80 per year). Drivers must sign an oath of confidentiality, clear a police record check, provide a

driver's abstract (a document from Service NB that shows any violations or accidents), and provide two references.

Our valuable existing drivers are not left out of the opportunity to win. In addition to being able to gain entries by referring other drivers, their names will be entered into a second draw for \$1000 in tires. This second draw is open only to those wonderful people who have been actively volunteering.

Submitted by Kelly Taylor, Executive Manager, Urban/Rural Rides



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Community Calendar

Connecting Albert County has an online community calendar at ConnectingAlbertCounty.org/calendar.

We encourage organizations and local businesses to post events on the calendar. Due to COVID-19, however, many events have been cancelled. For a period of time, we removed the calendar from the website and deleted all recurring events.

The calendar is online again! Please feel free to enter events (just click on "Submit an Event") and check the calendar regularly as new events are added throughout the month. Our focus is events held in rural Albert County or of interest to people in rural Albert County. Please see pages 11-12 for events planned at the Albert County Museum and page 6 for details about The Old Church Farmers Market in Hillsborough.

Chipoudy Communities Revitalization

Committee (CCRC) AGM will take place on Tuesday August 4th at 6:30pm at the Riverside- Albert Recreation Centre, 9 Bicentennial Rd. The CCRC Mission is "To encourage and inspire sustainable economic and healthy social environments, facilitate networking, attract new residents and businesses and to fully utilize our current wealth of resourceful people."

"We welcome all community members to attend and to share your ideas of how we can improve the social and economic well-being of our communities." *Roy Ries, Co-Chair of CCRC*



Fundy National Park Update

Starting June 25th, visitors at Fundy National Park have access to the following services and facilities:

- Front country camping at Cannontown, Chignecto, and Headquarters, including access to picnic and kitchen shelters, and washrooms;
- Day-use spaces at Herring Cove (including beach) & Point Wolfe;
- The golf course;
- Headquarters and Chignecto playgrounds;
- Additional day-use trails such as Coastal East, Coastal West, Matthews Head, Tippen Lot, Goose River, Third Vault Falls and Tracey Lake; and
- Point Wolfe, Herring Cove and Hasting Roads are now open. Laverty Road is open up to Third Vault Falls only.

Please note that backcountry camping, all roofed accommodations, the swimming pool, as well as the Point Wolfe and Lakeview campgrounds remain closed until further notice. Event and group activities also remain suspended until further notice.

The park's East and West entry kiosks are open and admission fee collection has resumed. Visitors are encouraged to pay by debit or credit, although cash will be accepted. Visitor Reception Centres remain closed.

Visitors with existing reservations can start camping. Parks Canada will start accepting new online reservations for Fundy National Park on Monday, June 29.

Visitors must follow local and provincial or territorial travel restrictions, including requirements for self-isolation. It is not possible to self-isolate at Parks Canada campgrounds.

The health and safety of visitors and employees is of utmost importance to the Government of Canada. Parks Canada is following the advice of public health experts and continues to make every effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. Visitors should follow the advice of public health experts, including necessary hygiene practices and physical distancing of two metres from others.

For a complete list of what's open in Fundy National Park, visit this link: <https://www.pc.gc.ca/en/pn-np/nb/fundy/visit/covid-19-info>. Detailed information on Parks Canada places and the measures the Agency is taking to limit the spread of COVID-19 can be found on the Parks Canada website. Please check regularly for updates.

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Celebrate 175 Years of the Land, the Sea & the People of Albert County, NB

Over the course of 2020, we are telling the stories of every community in Albert County, which includes Riverview and hugs the shores of the Petitcodiac River to the Bay of Fundy. Albert County features some of the most iconic treasures in New Brunswick, such as the beautiful Fundy National Park, Hopewell Rocks, Cape Enrage, and inland areas stretching beyond Caledonia Mountain in all directions. This celebration is presented by the Albert County Historical Society, Government of Canada, Province of New Brunswick and the Hopewell Rocks.

Our rich history will be told in various ways, including a special Albert County 175 Exhibit on display at the Albert County Museum, which will be open daily 9:30-5:30 from June 6th to September 30th for self-guided tours on our 6-acre site (open as conditions allow following physical distancing protocols).

Digital means of storytelling will be used, including "Photo-A-Day," an AC175 Podcast, "Home Schooling" history reading lessons, social media platforms and videos. We are also working with publications, such as *Connecting Albert County* and other media outlets including tv, radio, newspapers and magazines, bringing the story of Albert County to you!

You may have received the special Albert County 175 Souvenir Booklet in your mailbox! We sent copies to every household in Albert County, all 15,000 of them according to Canada Post! An additional 5,000 copies were printed and extra copies are available at the Albert County Museum (by donation).

A celebration of the 150th Birthday of Prime Minister RB Bennett, who was born in Albert County, will be held July 1st. A special AC175 Birthday Bash will take place August 8th—the date we became a county in 1845! The celebration will showcase local musicians—details to be announced.

New: Albert County 175 Collectors Pins! Only 500 will be available. These are made in New Brunswick by Aitkens Pewter! Priced at only \$25, you will receive a one-of-a-kind lapel pin featuring the beautiful AC175 logo, a membership to the Albert County Historical Society, a season's pass to the Albert County Museum for both the 2020 and 2021 seasons, a copy of the Souvenir Magazine and an entry into the draw for the Albert County Prize Package. The proceeds go towards supporting the work of the Historical Society and AC175 programming. Purchase yours at the museum while supplies last. You can also purchase this online at www.albertcountymuseum.com/AC175Pin.



Enter to win at AC175.ca! We are drawing for an Albert County Prize Package! There are three ways to enter.

- (1) Visit our website and fill out a prize ballot.
- (2) Enter a photo or story, and your name will go into the draw.
- (3) Visit the Albert County Museum and a prize ballot will be given for every paid admission.

Special Dates During Albert County 175

Wednesday, July 1 - RB Bennett's 150th Birthday Celebration. Canada's 11th Prime Minister was born and raised in Albert County! He led Canada through the worst years of the Great Depression (1930-35), and his legacy as Prime Minister is helping Canada through our current health crisis today. Details on how we are marking the birthday of this remarkable New Brunswick native, known as "the Rebel who Changed a Nation," will be announced soon. By the way, the next time you listen to CBC radio, you can thank RB Bennett; he was instrumental in passing the Canada Broadcasting Act in 1932.

July 25 & 26 - Artisan Showcase. Albert County has talent! This Art Show will be held in the County Court House at the Albert County Museum, displaying the best works of local artisans. Artists will showcase their best piece, and the story behind it. Free to attend, self-guided tours only.

Albert County Annual Quilt Show for 2020

We regret that the Annual Quilt Show and Sale is cancelled for this year. It was a unanimous decision of the Albert County Historical Society Quilt & Fibre Arts Show & Sale committee to cancel the show and sale for 2020. After much discussion, we realize this is the best decision considering the provincial requirements for physical distancing and group gathering size during this time. We look forward to participation of our loyal contributors and volunteers in 2021. We will post updates on our Facebook page to keep in touch. Thank you for everyone understanding our situation this year.

Stay safe and enjoy our beautiful province!

Donna Alward, Chairman of Quilt Show Committee

Saturday, August 8 - 175th Birthday Bash. This is the big day, Albert County turns 175! We will showcase local talent including several of the best musicians in New Brunswick. A highlight will be the performance of an original composition written about Albert County. Stay tuned for details.

August 13 - 10th Annual Royalty Tea. This High Tea is very British. The 2020 focus is Prince Albert and Queen Victoria. In 1845, Queen Victoria signed the proclamation making this a county and naming it after the love of her life Albert. Enjoy this from the comfort of your home!

August 21 & 22 – An Evening in the Parlour. An evening of music and historical drama will take place in a lamp-lit Victorian parlour in the Court House. The script will be based on actual events and community news of the time period in Albert County. Details to be announced.

Saturday, October 17 - 1845 Albert County Dinner. What were people eating here in 1845? You might be surprised! We will share information on a traditional meal including menu items found in 1845 with heritage meats, vegetables, desserts and drinks. Special menus will be shared online; details to follow.

Wednesday, November 11 - Flag Lowering at Sunrise at the Hopewell Cape Square as part of the region's Remembrance Day events. The ceremony will be held at the Bennett Monument beside the Albert County Cannons. Show your respect for our veterans and join us (physical distancing of course).

December 28-30 - Photo Show AC175 Finale Event. A showcase of photos taken by residents of Albert County showcasing life from 1845 to 2020. Participate by sending your photos from years past and your love for our community today! The photos will be collected and added to the Albert County Museum's permanent collection. The Photo Show will feature some of the best entries; prizes will be awarded in 3 categories: Historic, Albert County Today, and Youth Photos (18 and under). What a great way to celebrate the year! Details to follow.

For more information, visit AC175.ca or [Facebook/albertcountymuseum](https://www.facebook.com/albertcountymuseum). This event is presented by the Albert County Historical Society and is supported by the Governments of Canada and New Brunswick, The Hopewell Rocks, Albert County Tourism Association, Chamber of Commerce, Friends of Fundy, Bayview Chalets & Motel, Connecting Albert County, Ponderosa Pines Campground, Town of Riverview, Villages of Hillsborough, Alma and Riverside-Albert, and Broadleaf Guest Ranch. Learn more at AC175.ca or by calling 506-734-2003, or email ac175@albertcountymuseum.com.



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To volunteer, contribute a story or find out more, contact Janet Wallace at info@ConnectingAlbertCounty.org. To find out more about donations to support our work or ads, visit ConnectingAlbertCounty.org.

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The Bennett and Albert County Health Care (BACH) Foundation helps create a healthy, vibrant community. The BACH Foundation improves access to health care services in rural Albert County and supports programs that improve community health.

BACH Foundation supports: the Albert County Community Health Centre in Riverside-Albert & the satellite clinic in Hillsborough; Tele-Drive Albert County; Little Rocks Curling; School Spin Bikes; Connecting Albert County; Tele-Health; Forest Dale Home Van; Literacy Express; Sistema Hillsborough; Imagination Library and much more.

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