

Campobello Island Club

Spring Newsletter

Annual Meeting Events

Our 2025 annual business meeting will take place on Saturday, July 19, 1:00 pm Atlantic Time, at the Adams Lodge (RCIP).

Instead of sitting down for a long lunch this year we will walk and talk and graze. Enjoy passed hors d'oeuvres while you mingle with other members!

Dues will no longer be used to cover the cost this event. We anticipate a ticket price of \$40/person, purchased in advance through the CIC website. Exact details will be posted on the website and emailed* to members in May. There is of course no charge for attending only the business meeting.

Following social dining we will have our annual bonfire at Schooner Cove. CIC provides the s'mores. BYOB. Local folks please bring extra chairs!

THEN...Sunday, July 20, 11:00 am, show our island some love by joining our annual Mill Cove Cleanup! Wear sturdy shoes and meet at Mill Cove. CIC will provide gloves and trash bags.

*Sign up on the website to ensure we have your current email address!

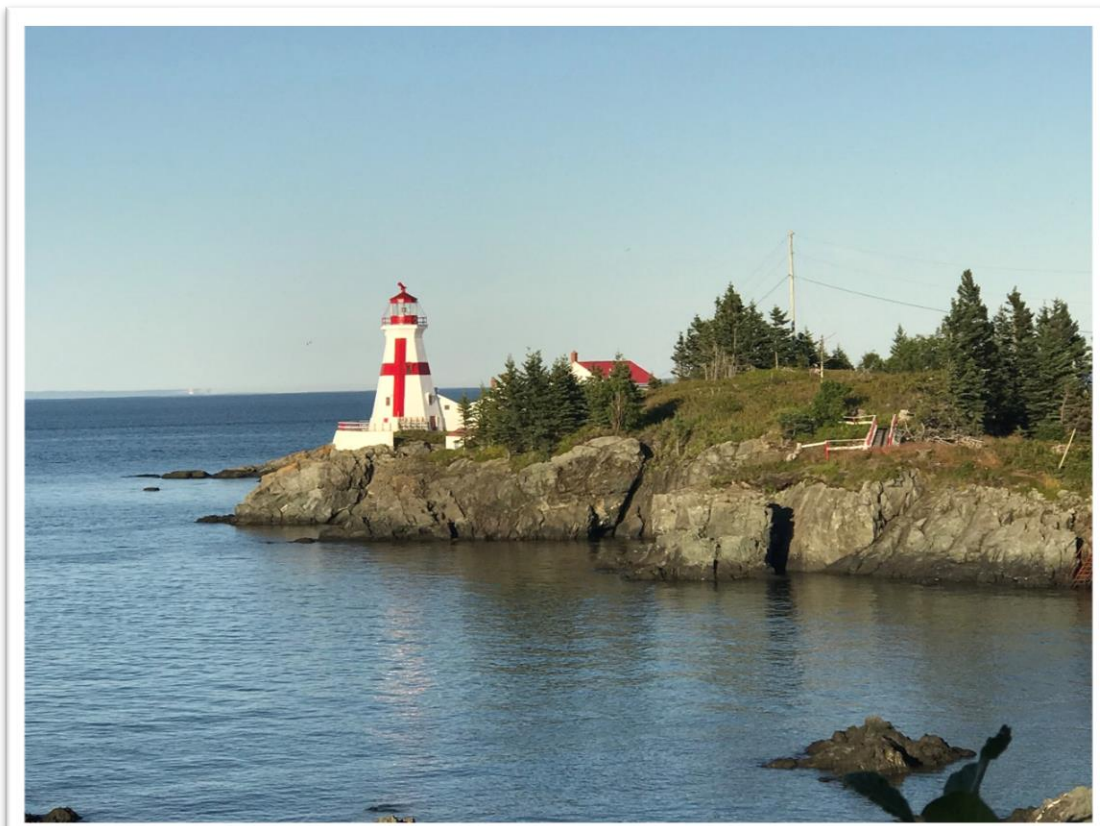
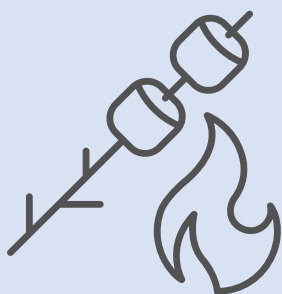


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President's Message

Dear Members,

I hope you have had a good year and are looking forward to the renewal of spring. As we reflect on our accomplishments over the past year, I am pleased to share the highlights that have contributed to our community's progress.

We successfully completed the clean-up of Mill Cove and Schooner Cove was re-graveled, with brush cleared on both sides of the road to improve accessibility and enhance the look of the area. In response to the winter storms in December and January, we focused on improving shore access to address the erosion issues. I am happy to report that the base of the steps has been restored and a new railing installed. Many thanks to Warren Sandberg for his contribution in installing the railing and donating his time.

Additionally, the tennis courts continue to be maintained, providing a space for community recreation. The Thomas Agency, our membership dues billing and collecting company, was encouragingly timely with mailings this year!

Looking ahead we have exciting plans underway to begin the Pergola project at Schooner Cove. The new pergola will be placed on a cement pad and equipped with picnic tables, offering a welcoming space for gatherings and relaxation.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our association. I look forward to seeing you all at our annual meeting.

Kindest regards,
Lewis Pinkham, President

Notices to Members

I.

The CIC Board wishes to make all members aware that Mr. Jeff Clausen is no longer a member of the Board. An election consistent with the bylaws will be held at the annual meeting.

II.

After this issue, CIC will no longer be printing and mailing newsletters.

Rest in Peace, Newsletter. Live in Peace, Trees.

Beautifully formatted digital newsletters with glorious color photos will be emailed to members and posted on the CIC website.

III.

We have undertaken extensive renovations of our website over the winter - updating content and adding a member-only section for CIC business content. Login credentials are needed to access the members-only content. Just click on the “Request Member Access” box and you’ll be on your way. Super easy! Don’t delay!

The website has information about CIC, club projects, archived documents, comment forms, contact information for Board members and lots of other useful tidbits about Campobello in general.

Please visit the site, sign up, and let us know what other content you would like to see!

CampobelloIslandClub.com

Board News & Updates

2025 Open Board Positions:

At the annual meeting we will elect a President for a three-year term.

Board terms are ending for: Lewis Pinkham, John Marotta, and Linda Elliot. Jeff Clausen’s seat is open.

For information about candidate nominations please check the website in May



Protected Wetlands

The Board has temporarily decided to hold off work on CIC Common Properties that have been designated as protected wetland by the Province of New Brunswick.

The edge of The Meadow falls within a wetland buffer zone so clearing there has been suspended.

More noteworthy is the fact that our Common Property at Mill Cove is designated as “Provincially Significant Wetland”. Discussion about maintenance strategies and limitations will be on the agenda for the Annual Meeting on July 19.

If you are interested in exploring the maps published by GeoNB, you can find a link to them on our website: CmapobelloIslandClub.com

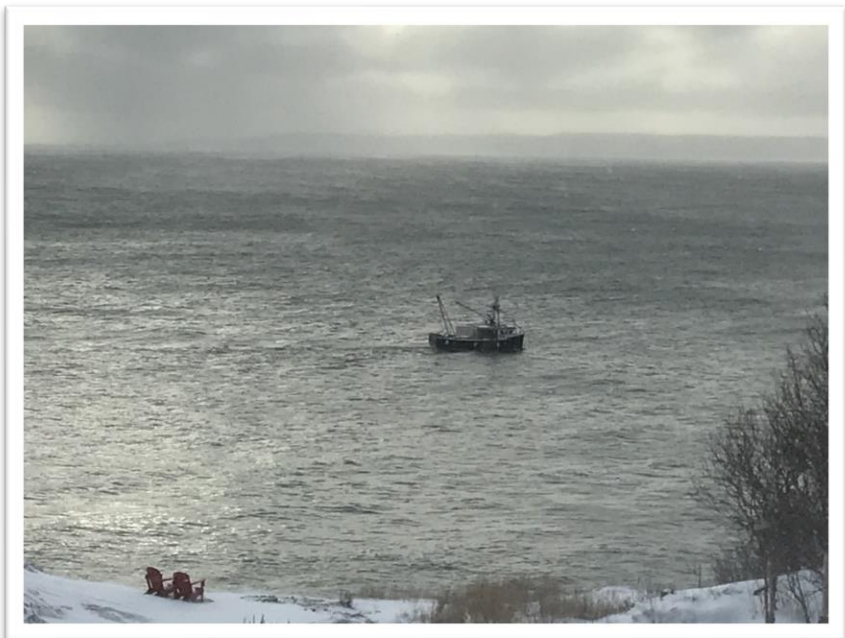
Underused Housing Tax

If you own a house on the island and are not a Canadian citizen you need to file an Underused Housing Tax (UHT) return before April 30, 2025. UHT is an annual federal 1% tax on the ownership of vacant or underused housing in Canada that took effect on January 1, 2022. This does not apply to vacant land.

Because Campobello is in an area of Canada that is eligible for vacation property exemptions, it is likely that you will not have to pay tax if you use your house at least 28 days per calendar year. Nonetheless, a return must be filed.



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Dawn Knudson

The Quiet Months on Campobello

At some point in the late fall there remain only a few stubborn leaves on the trees and a few stubborn CIC members settling in for the winter ahead.

Life is quiet here in the winter, there is the absence of the sound of leaves rustling in the wind and birds singing their songs. Those sounds are replaced with the howl of the wind and the crackle of wood in the fireplace. The golden sun of summer is watery but can put on some incredible morning displays when it rises and is warning of an impending storm.

This winter was a snowy and cold one, as I’ve heard from the local folk, more of an old-fashioned winter. It started slow and stayed quite nice through the middle of December but then the snow and cold came and has not departed. Rather than the vicious storms of hurricane strength winds and driving rains of last year we instead have had to deal with snow and ice this year. The last storm, the middle of February, left roads and driveways as rinks. We had a thick covering of ice in our driveway and were unable to get out for three days. Using the modern alternative of the party line phone, Facebook, we were able to find someone to come and sand us out. I am sure all of us who have lived any time on this island have encountered the kindness and generosity of our neighbors. We were very grateful to this neighbor who set us free!

Unusually for winter, I have encountered many out of province license plates on my walks. Real estate is selling briskly as the word of the beauty we have here is spreading. There are several new driveways dotting Fundy drive. If you are reading this and you are one of the new buyers, welcome! We have an informal get together every Tuesday in the summer. Around 4pm we gather down at Schooner Cove to socialize and for those inclined, play games. Bring your chair, a drink for yourself and if you wish a snack to share. Schooner Cove is one of our jointly owned properties and one that your yearly dues go to for upkeep. Centrally located on Fundy Drive it is an easily accessible beach for those of us who do not have beach access on our property.

Campobello Island is once again hosting a trail run in August and back this year is the International Marathon in June. If anyone is interested in volunteering for the marathon contact Angela at the Campobello Island gift house, which you can find on Facebook.

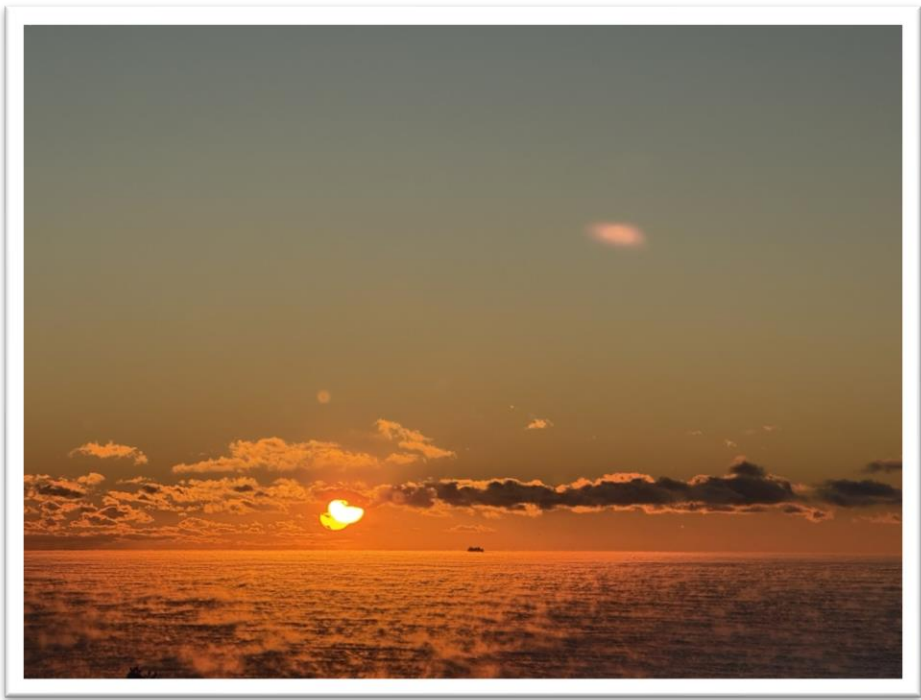
To make the trail run even more exciting this year, Roosevelt Park was able to get permission to place a ramp system over the bog so you can now get an amazing view of life on the bog. If you are looking to access this trail head down and park at Lower Duck Pond. From there turn away from the bay and follow the trail into the woods to encounter this wonderful walk.

Last summer saw the opening of our first seafood shop in many years. Located out on Lighthouse Road, look for the open flag on your right. Wonderful to have a place on the island to purchase fresh fish, lobster and clams.

As the sun gradually warms, I look forward to the return of leaves on the trees and neighbors making their way back to the place they love. Hope to see you all this summer!



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Diane Moore

Schooner Cove

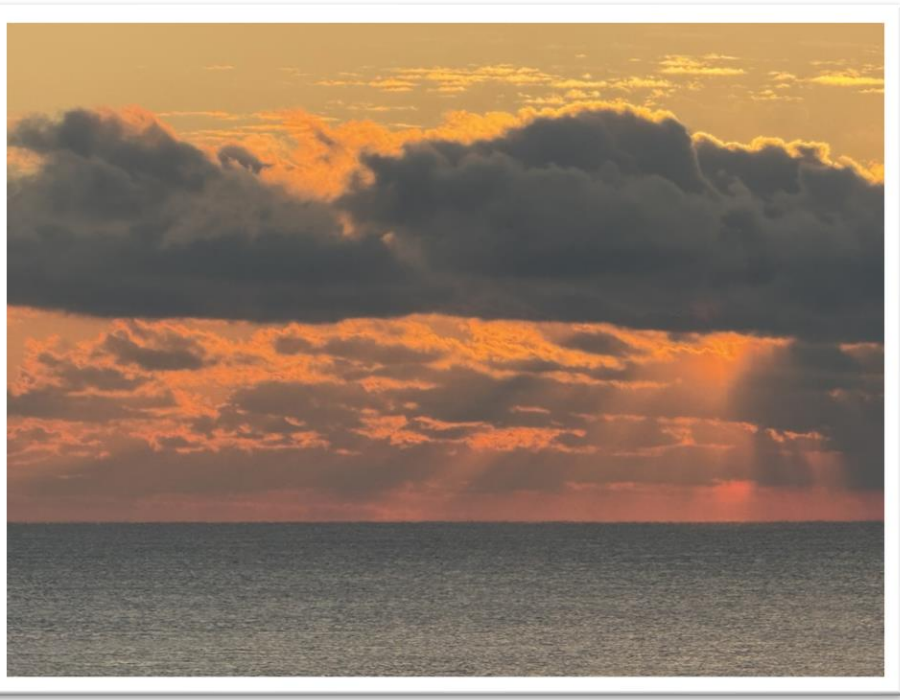
Schooner Cove is one of the jewels of the Campobello Island Club, cherished for its picturesque ocean beach which is nestled between craggy outcroppings on either end. This crescent shaped cove is a place for quite reflection, while listening to the waves lap gently across the rocky shore. It is also a spot for gathering, picnics, bird watching, and beach fires.

But access to the beach has been treacherous due to a steep drop of several feet, and unstable stairs to navigate it. Additionally, the rocks on the beach make it difficult for visitors, especially those with limited mobility, to gather for picnics. The board proposed making improvements and upgrades to the Cove to include replacing the stair railing to make it more secure, shoring up the rocks at the base of the stairs to provide a better platform to step onto, and building a picnic pavilion on the grassy area above the beach to provide a sheltered gathering space. At the 2024 Annual CIC Meeting members voted to in favor of these proposals.

Members Elisabeth and Warren Sandberg have recently taken the initiative to modify the railing. Warren generously donated his time to install a pressure treated post anchored 20 inches deep in concrete. He then extended the upper railing down to the base of the stairs.

Plans for the picnic pavilion are well under way. The first step is to clear the area, then prepare it for a poured concrete platform. This will be the foundation for a covered pavilion and picnic tables with benches. There will also be an inground-mounted barbecue grill. A request for bids will be made this spring, with projected completion of the project by mid-summer.

If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting in July, please join us for a picnic at Schooner Cove in the evening after the meeting. It’s always a fun time with a crackling beach fire and a chance to meet your neighbors.



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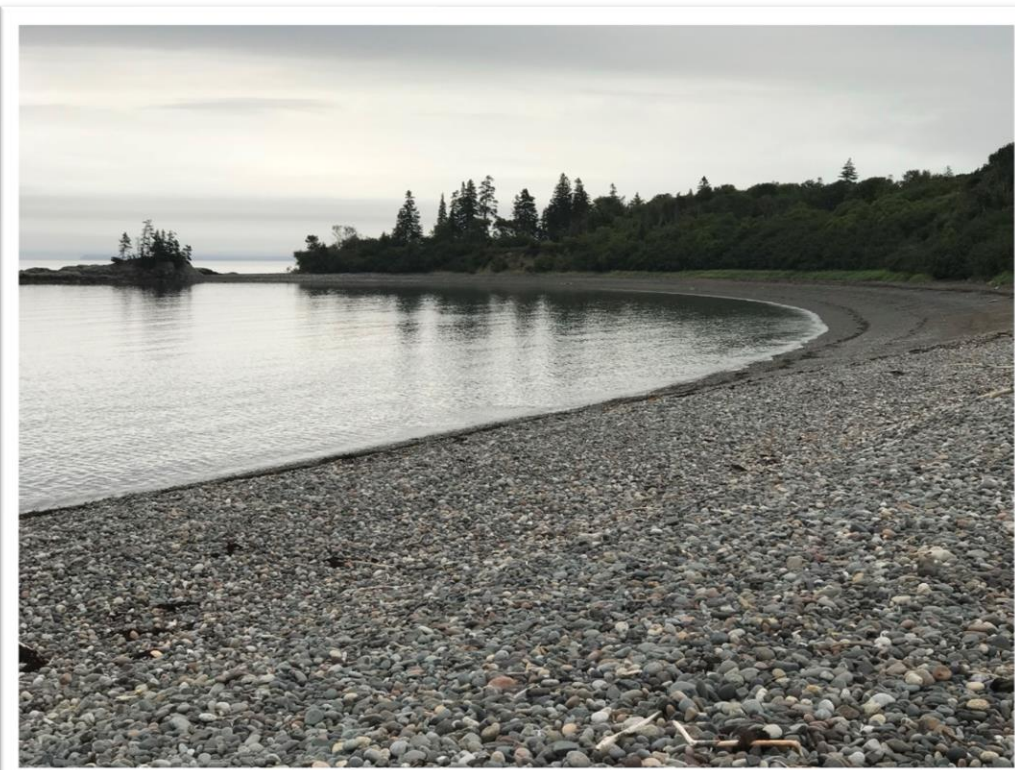
Island Scenes



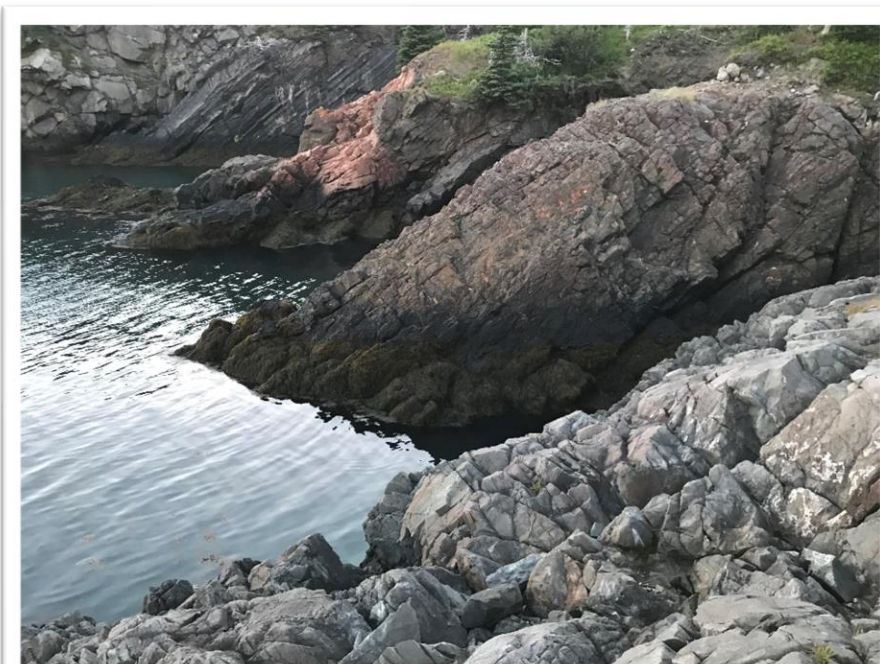
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