



# The River Round Up

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## Walter Fougere Honoured

Strait Regional School Board recently dedicated the library at Richmond Academy in memory of Walter Fougere, a native of River Bourgeois.



In a ceremony attended by his daughter, Mimi and sons Russell, Eddie and Gerry, a plaque was unveiled to their father for his contributions to education in Richmond County. Walter served as Councillor for River Bourgeois for 21 years and as Warden for the County for 9 years. He was Chairman of the Richmond County School Board and Returning Officer for the Federal Riding of Cape Breton Highlands. At one time he was manager of the River Bourgeois Credit Union and a bus driver for Gordon's Bus Service between Arichat and Sydney. Walter was also owner and operator of what is now Bucky

Sampson's Service Station. Somehow he still found time to foster local sports teams

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## CWL News

Our annual bazaar, under Chairperson Maureen Cosman-Burke, was a great success due to members donating their time and talent. We thank Madeline Cook for donating a beautiful quilt, which raised over \$1,700.00 and was won by Joanne Burns. Alma Burke, Kevin Garnier, and Marlaine Burke won other donated items. The \$400.00 raised at the Penny Bingo went to Breast Cancer Research. *Operation Christmas Child* was also coordinated by Maureen as well as Eileen Yuille. Approximately eighty shoeboxes filled with toiletries and toys were put together by parishioners and sent to needy children around the world. Christmas Brunch for all CWL members will be held at the Bras D'Or Lakes Inn at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 16. Cost is \$5.45 per person. Call Marlaine Burke at 535-2769 by December 10 if you wish to attend.

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## Attention: Knitters!

Anyone interested in knitting a small teddy bear to be given to a child in a third world hospital, please contact Marlaine Burke at 535-2769. Doctors notice children recuperate faster when they have these small bears to cuddle and would greatly appreciate receiving these bears to pass on to the children. This is an ongoing project and patterns can be found in the church entrance.

## Jim Boucher's Rink!

Judy (Burke) Davey fondly remembers weekend skating at Jim Boucher's Rink as a teenager growing up in River Bourgeois.



Judy wrote: "Without a doubt Jim Boucher and his rink saved many of the local teens from getting into serious trouble. Around 6-6:30 at night the lights at the rink would go on and we would meet with our friends and walk across the river to the rink. As we neared we could hear the music and could not wait to get there. What fun and enjoyment we would have all evening! Mr. Boucher always tried to please us all by playing our favourite tunes. On cold nights when I am down visiting with my Mom I often go outside and look over to where the rink was and my mind goes back to those happy days. THANKS JIM!"

## Technology & Training Centre

Our new web page can be viewed at <http://www3.ns.sympatico.ca/rbcap/>. The computer courses are filled for December and filling very quickly for January. If you are interested in taking a course please register through the above Web page or call Glenda at 535-3141. Upcoming courses are: Introduction To Computers, Introduction To MS Excel (Spreadsheets) and Keyboarding. Our public hours for December are Monday to Friday 2-4 p.m. and Monday to Thursday 6 – 9 p.m. and on Saturdays 1-4 p.m. Please note change in afternoon hours. We are closed from December 24 to January 3 as well as the evening of December 11. During the Xmas period the CAP site is available by appointment by calling Sherry at 535-3182 or Glenda at 535-3141.

## River Bourgeois Note Cards!

The Cap Site is selling note cards containing a 19300picture of the River for \$5.00 (package of 10). These are available at CAP site during hours of operation or call 535-3251.

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## Bits & Bites!

- Christmas Party for children under 12 on December 17 from 1-4 p.m. Santa in attendance. This will be followed by a Community Christmas Concert at 7 p.m. featuring local talent. Admission is a donation to a Silver Collection supporting Christmas Dinners for Needy Families.
- Anyone knowing of a family in the community requiring help with Christmas groceries and goodies contact Sharon Digout at 535-3516 or Father Sandy Mac Neil at 535-2602.
- Don't forget New Year's Eve Gala at Tara Lynne Centre. Hot Roast Beef Supper to be served at 8p.m. followed by dancing to "Country Mist". Tickets \$30.00. Contact Eddie Pottie at 535-2515
- Darryll Walsh, son of Pauline & Brice Walsh of Halifax has written a book called "Ghosts Of Nova Scotia" which is available at most bookstores. Darryll is the grandson of the late Alice and Maurice Burke of River Bourgeois.
- Next meeting of River Bourgeois Community Services is Wednesday, January 17, 2001 at 7 p.m.
- If you have any suggestions for The River Round Up articles contact Sharon at 535-3516 or Joe at 535-2677, mail to P.O. Box 56, River Bourgeois or Email to [rbcap@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:rbcap@ns.sympatico.ca).
- The River Round Up is available at Howard's Grocery or CAP Site for \$1.00.

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