



# The River Round Up

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## Maynard Boyd



Maynard Gregory was born on February 11, 1940 to Lillian (Ratchford) & Cameron Boyd of the Southside. Maynard moved to Northern Quebec as a teenager to join his brothers Hervey, Gerard, Kevin & Joe. When the Stora Pulp Mill opened in 1965 he returned to RB and remained employed with them until his retirement. Maynard was an animated character whose colourful/potty mouth was as well known as his generous heart and his antics. His friends wanted to relay some of their memories.

Maynard wanted to be a “sea captain” so after studying for many years he wrote the qualifications and did become one. He boasted that he was qualified to marry anyone as long as they were on his boat. He offered to marry his cousin Ann Boyd but she declined gracefully.

Maynard had a reputation for having a few too many spirits at times and once heard that Jimmy Burke from the lake had shot a deer so he and a friend decided that they would remove it from its location. What they were unaware of was that Jimmy had moved his outhouse to clean it out as was customary in those days. As they carried the deer on their backs, Maynard went down into the hole and was literally up to his neck in “poop”. He then had to go face Jimmy

and ask for water to wash up. Jimmy is probably still laughing as they meet in the hereafter.

Maynard had borrowed dad’s new car and took it down to a social at Richard’s Pond. Accidentally hitting a tree, leaving a few dents in the back, Maynard quickly covered the area with mud and dirt and dad never noticed or if he did never mentioned it. Last year as Maynard took a nap in his car by the marina in St. Peters, his car did a slow descent into the lake. He woke up as the water hit his face.

What most people don’t know about Maynard is that after he left his drinking days behind he would spend weekends at St. Augustine Monastery supervising at the detox centre. He did this for several years until the center was relocated.

Several years ago while at the hockey rink in Port Hawkesbury, Maynard fell and hit his head on the cement floor, knocking himself out. An ambulance was called and as they crossed the causeway he woke up and demanded they take him back to the rink for the rest of the game. He caused such a disturbance that they returned him to the rink at no cost.

Maynard loved playing cards in St. Peter’s and RB and did not hesitate to use some chosen words when defeated or when people made errors. Everyone learned that there was no point in getting upset over his choice of words as he couldn’t care less. Maynard was generous to a fault when it came to giving. He was always the first to donate to a cause and always made sure that everyone received the mackerel he caught.

Sadly, Maynard passed away on July 22<sup>nd</sup> after years of heart, lungs & stomach ailments. He had a fond farewell at St. John the Baptist Church with a packed house of co-workers, card players, hockey players, ball players & fisherman. There were four priests in attendance: Father Dennis Lamey PP, Father Sandy MacNeil (fishing buddy), Father Hughie D MacDonald (fishing buddy) and Father Duncan MacIssac (a former co-worker and friend for many years). We’re sure he was thinking everyone has lost their minds. Maynard, you had a great farewell and will be remembered always! R.I.P.

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# River Bourgeois 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival

The following are a few of the events.

## Men's Fashion Show-Grand Opening



John (Anne) Sampson modeled her bright pink housedress with matching kerchief, cross your heart bra & dainty red purse. Monsignor (defrocked) George J. Landry as he prepares for the wedding.



Donnie (Donalda) Pottie mesmerized the audience in her dapper blouse and skirt, with her matching handbag and hat along with her hand woven shawl. Glen (Glenda) Sampson modeled her evening wear in a mini dress which she accessorized with a single string of pearls and shoulder handbag.



Glen (Glenda) Sampson, Miles (Geri Lynn) Boudreau & Gerry (Geraldine) Fougere proudly wear their lovely bridesmaid gowns and each carrying an elite array of plastic flowers. They were the attendants at the shotgun wedding of Charlotte & Elmer.



Peter (Charlotte) is wearing a polyester yellow evening dress, a silk jacket with matching hat & handbag. The big faux pas was her black wonder bra. William (Brandy) Coleman modeled her ankle length evening gown with an eye catching slit. She is also wearing a complimentary evening hat & unflattering white socks under tacky sandals.

## Art Show



Lucille Martell was kept busy selling her beach glass art during the Art Show at Boyd's Warehouse.



The Daly sisters: Alexia, Carol & Avis presented a cheque for \$1000 to Rose Merrick co-chairperson of the RBCSS Festival. The sisters, daughters of Casilda (Boyd) Daley, operate the Art Show at the Warehouse.



## Cardboard Races



Miles Boudreau received help from his brother Stewart to carry his boat the SS Sinkable down to the shore. Miles took first place and was one of only two boats who managed to complete the course.



Jeffery Martin & his buddy Daniel Mombourquette were busy bailing and rowing before making it close to shore prior to sinking. Josh Grimes paddled vigorously but eventually was towed to shore.

## Other Events

Lob Ball Tournament winners were: "Family" division-*Hurricane Joyce*, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to the *Nevats*; in the "A" division *Dragon Slayers* and 2<sup>nd</sup> place was the *Legion 59ers*.



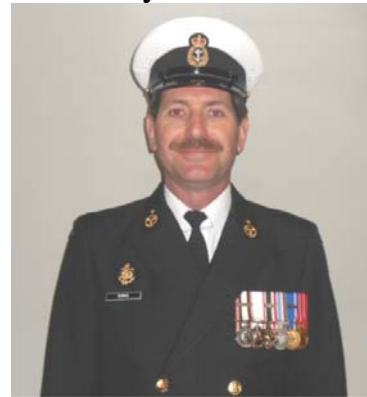
*Miranda Sampson manning the fish tank*

Booth games were held for the first time along with *Discovery Centre Science* on the Fly Program. A children's Masquerade Ball was held for the younger children. Among other events were: a dinner theatre, dance, merchandise bingo, poker walk, men's breakfast, pot luck supper, concert, music at the docks along with fireworks, 45 card game, music at Boyd's

wharf and a boat parade. Club 500 ticket winners: \$1000: Ben Stewart Rankin & Wayne Pottie; \$500: Edna Casey, Ben Stewart Rankin, Bobby Cotton & John Sampson; \$250 were Neal Burke, Beatrix Howell, Jennifer Snowden and Greg Rioux & Francis Bowman.

Thanks to all who participated, worked, cooked and those who helped organize events to yet another successful festival. The profit to date is \$16,822.38 after expenses. *Sharon & Rose co-chairs.*

## Wayne Burke



After graduating from St. Peter's District High in 1986, Wayne (son of Annie & the late Freddie Burke of the Southside) joined the Canadian Forces on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 1987, signing on the dotted line at the Recruit Centre in Sydney. After completing ten weeks of basic training at *CFRS Cornwallis*, he was posted to *CFB Halifax* to start his trade training as a Marine Engineer in the Navy. His first ship was *HMCS MARGAREE*, where he spent four and a half years, and took part in a *NATO* mission during the first Persian Gulf War in 1991. The following year the ship was decommissioned and he joined the Canadian Patrol Frigate (CPF) program as a member of *HMCS VANCOUVER*. After completing Shipbuilders Trials with Saint John Shipbuilding, the ship was turned over to a West Coast crew and Wayne was posted to *HMCS MONTREAL* to begin the process all over again. In 1992 he met his wife Denise and between deployments in 1997, they found the time to get married. From 1995 to 2000 Wayne was posted to *HMCS FREDERICTON* where he attained his Cert 2, Machinery Control Console Operator certification and took part in three, six-month European *NATO* deployments. Included in these deployments was one to the Adriatic Sea over Christmas in 1995 to enforce sanctions against the former Yugoslavia. After five busy years of sailing Wayne was posted ashore to the Halifax Dockyard where he spent the next two years employed as a Hydraulic Fitter. In the summer of 2002, he was posted back to *HMCS FREDERICTON* to continue with career training. In February 2003 Wayne & Denise became parents for the first time with the

birth of their son Ryan. Seven weeks later Wayne was deployed to the Persian Gulf during the second Gulf War. After returning home and being promoted to Master Seaman, he was posted to the Canadian Forces Naval Engineering School machine shop. In 2006, Denise gave birth to their second child Brooke and in 2007 Wayne was promoted to Petty Officer Second Class and posted to the Canadian Forces Damage Control School as a Fire Fighting Instructor. After three and a half years away from ships, Wayne returned to sea in February 2008 when he was posted to *HMCS HALIFAX*. There he attained his Cert 3, Engine Room Artificers certification and in February 2010 he deployed with *HMCS HALIFAX* to provide humanitarian aid to earthquake stricken Haiti. One year later, with 48 hours notice, Wayne deployed to the Mediterranean Sea for 6 months with *HMCS CHARLOTTETOWN* as part of a *NATO* contingent opposing the Gaddafi regime in Libya. During the deployment he received a promotion to Petty Officer First Class and at the end of the trip was posted to the Halifax Dockyard as a Job Planner/Estimator for the Fleet Maintenance Facility where he remains today. During his twenty five years in the Navy, Wayne has enjoyed travelling the world, visiting ports in Canada, USA, the Caribbean Islands, Iceland, Scotland, Ireland, England, Norway, Denmark, Germany, France, Belgium, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Gibraltar, Italy, Croatia, Malta, Greece, Turkey, Africa and the United Arab Emirates. He now enjoys his time at home with his family in Upper Tantalon and is looking forward to retirement in the near future. *Thanks Wayne for serving our country.*

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### Mariner's Poker Run



The Mariners Society held its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Boat Poker run on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Winner was Paul Gould, taking home \$570. Over 70 additional prizes were given out.

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### River Bourgeois gets new Web Design

River Bourgeois Community Service Society has a new web design. The site can be viewed at "riverbourgeois.ca". It has much information on the history of our community, current events, facilities, community groups, business and much more. RBCSS would like to thank Marina Burke for her creativity

and wisdom in producing the website. Marina has recently returned to her roots in RB following her graduation in graphic design. You can contact Marina at [2coastscreative@gmail.com](mailto:2coastscreative@gmail.com)

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### Births

**Boudreau:** Andrew Daniel Ronald, 7 lbs 15oz, born to Tanielle & Dwight of River Tillard. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents: Gail Boudreau, Tanya & Daniel Collier, great grand parents: Mathilda Boudreau, Vincent Dewolfe, Sylvia & Tom Hall, Raymond Collier and great great grandmother Marie Boucher.

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### Deaths

**Bennett:** Tracy, 78, of L'Ardoise passed away on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Our condolences to her son Ross & his family.

**Ellis:** Madeline 92 of Alberta passed away on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Our condolences to her brother Leo Bouchie.

**Pottie:** Fabian, 82, passed away September 18<sup>th</sup>. Our condolences to his brothers: Lionel & Francois, his sister Rita LeBlanc and sister-in-law Edna Kline.

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### Bits and Bites

- ... **Seniors 45 Card** game every Sunday at 7pm.
  - ... **Cribbage** every Monday at 7 pm, Seniors Bldg.
  - ... **Merchandise Bingo** Sunday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> 1:45pm. Sponsored by RB Seniors Club.
  - ... **Happy Birthday** to Ernest Burke (90), Margaret Pottie (92) Buddy Boudreau (86).
  - ... **Seniors meeting** on Tuesday, Oct 9<sup>th</sup>, 1:30pm.
  - ... **RB C@P site meetings** October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.
  - ... **CWL meeting** on Oct 11<sup>th</sup> in the vestry at 7pm.
  - ... **Seniors mini bingo** on Wed., Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm.
  - ... **RBCSS meeting** on Wed., Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.
  - ... **C@P site:** The C@P site was closed permanently to the public on September 28th.
  - ... Anyone wishing to book the TLC should call Mike Fougere at 535-3308. People requiring use of the Funeral Home, call Marie & Conrad Fougere at 535-2621. Call Georgie or Harold Landry at 535-2939 to open the church for any special functions i.e. weddings, baptisms etc.
  - ... The Round Up is available at Bucky's Garage, RB Post Office or East Coast Credit Union. The Round Up will cease publication after the December 2012 issue. Subscriptions are still available on a pro-rated basis. Please call Therese Pottie at 902-535-2740.
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