15<sup>th</sup> Annual Burlington Cemetery Newsletter Barley St Burlington, Kings Co., NS April, 2021

Here we are once again sending this newsletter out in the middle of this dreadful pandemic. We, here in Nova Scotia, have been so lucky, but that is certainly not the case in the rest of the country. Also, due to the pandemic, we have had a quiet year at the cemetery, but the work continues.

We were unable to have a spring cleanup last year but will do so this year on Monday, May 3 at 6:30 pm. All those interested in the upkeep of the cemetery are asked to attend and bring a rake, but please remain socially distant.

The Burlington Community Club took on the responsibility for the care of the grounds in 2020. The student hired by the community did the mowing and the cemetery paid the community club. He did a good job with only a push mower. This year Julie Morse has offered to come back, after a years absence, to do the mowing and, since we were happy with her previous work, we accepted her offer. She is willing to do the job for the same amount as she charged previously, which was \$3250.

We have been unable to have our Annual General Meeting since the pandemic began, but Helga Wheeler, bookkeeper, reviewed the current financials & records for the 2019/2020 fiscal year and documented that she found them to be balanced and in good order. We continue to make decisions by e-mail.

We have sold 3 green burial lots and 2 conventional lots and had 1 burial in the green cemetery this year. The Green Burial sign is falling into disrepair and will be replaced this spring. Also, a donated new gravestone presently located under the Green Burial sign, will display a nameplate of the first burial. This common headstone will identify those who have been interred in the Green Burial over the years.

As we depend on your kind donations for the continuing care of our beloved cemetery, we once again ask anyone who can make a donation this year to do so upon receiving this newsletter. We understand these are difficult and unusual times for everyone, but if you are able to donate this year please do so by using the enclosed envelope or, if you receive this by e-mail, please send to Burlington Cemetery c/o Pat Kemp, 3305 McNally Rd., Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0.

You may also donate at <u>burlingtoncemetery.ca</u> using a credit card or Paypal. Along with our thanks, you will receive a tax receipt, as we are a registered charity. As well, have a look at the website. We are very proud of it.

If anyone who would like to receive future newsletters by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to bobanddoreen50@hotmail.com.

Stay safe,
Doreen Bennett

The current Volunteer Executive of the Burlington Cemetery Society:

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