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## Address from the Chair

Welcome back to another edition of the Ship to Shore Newsletter! What is the Ship to Shore Newsletter?

*The Ship to Shore Newsletter is a harbour authority information forum meant to share updates on a municipal/provincial and/or federal level. Updates of upcoming events and times will be shared with the harbour authorities. We offer a place so harbour authorities can share their stories and so much more. The newsletter will arrive at your harbour authority in a brown envelope sent by Small Craft Harbours (SCH). We hope you enjoy it!*

There is a new sense of freshness in the air; might it be the onset of Spring? I know we are looking forward to saying good-bye to Old Man Winter and hello to Miss Spring.

*“Let us all look forward to a good year ahead that is filled with promise.”*

### What’s been happening?

Since our last Ship to Shore Newsletter, HAANL’s elections took place. To follow our mandate, a call for nominations, within the HAANL membership, was done in December 2024. I am pleased to say that Reg Best has returned to the board and let us welcome our new board member, Terry Hillier (please see an intro on page 2). I know you will be a force on this board. Below outlines the current executive board members of HAANL and to the left is the remaining board of directors.

Ross Petten – Chair  
Terry Hillier – Vice Chair  
Barry Spencer – Secretary/Treasurer

Big congrats to everyone! We will work together for the betterment of the Harbour Authorities of NL.

At this time, we would like to recognize our outgoing board member, Allan Starkes. Allan, we want to thank you for the time that you spent being the representative of the Central area of NL. Your knowledge and willingness to help will be missed by all, take care Allan!

This year, HAANL’s focus will be towards the following, but not limited to:

- Mentoring—a program that help HAs with their day-to-day operations.
- Outreach—a program that offers HAs and HAANL the opportunity to meet and chat, one-on-one.
- Training—although not decided, training is much needed in various categories.
- Support—we support our harbour authorities—don’t forget to join the membership.
- And so much more that we are working on, stay tuned!

Come April 1st, the HAANL membership is up for renewal. Please note - for the first time since 2011, the membership fee has increased to **\$150**. This increase was necessary to address the increasing cost of operating. We will continue to offer discounts, but along with discounts, we offer our time and effort to be your voice. We have more exciting news to share about the Harbour Authority Seminar 2026. Updates will follow soon.

On behalf of myself and our team, please have a safe, healthy, prosperous new fiscal year.

**Ross Petten**  
HAANL Chair

*“Spring: a reminder of how beautiful change can truly be.” — Unknown*



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## Terry Hillier HAANL's New Board Member



Welcome on board Terry. We know you will be a welcome addition to HAANL because of your willingness to help others when called upon.

Terry was born and raised in Grand Bank. Retired from the Canadian Armed Forces after 26 years in 2012, became involved in the Harbour Authority of Bauline shortly thereafter.

## Did you know!

The Regional Harbour Authority Advisory Committee, Records of Discussion, can be viewed on the HAANL website—Check it out!

## Ghost Gear Program Update

As part of the Ghost Gear Action Plan the Government of Canada have launched the Fishing Gear Reporting System (FGRS) to help Canadian fish harvesters meet their mandatory commercial lost gear reporting requirements. This system, which is free to use, is now available for fish harvesters to report lost gear offline, without any internet connection required. To promote the use of the FGRS, lost gear signs (12" X 18") have recently been delivered to all four Area Offices & will be distributed to HAs throughout the coming months.



**WE ARE ON THE WEB:**  
**haa-nl.ca**

## The Mentoring Corner

It's that time of the year when we need to get all the figures added for the fiscal year-end which will later form your annual sales. Check out the steps below to help with the calculations:

### STEP ONE

The sales journal is where the harbour authority keeps a record of all your sales for the fiscal year. The sales journal could also be an ordinary book; it is wherever the harbour authority stores this information.

- Add up the totals of your sales.
- Add up the totals of HST in your sales.

### STEP TWO

The receipts' journal is where the harbour authority keeps a record of all your receipts for the new Fiscal year. The receipts journal could also be an ordinary book; it is wherever the harbour authority stores this information.

- Add up the total of your receipts.
- Have you deposited all the money received? This is especially important!
- If you did, great! If not, please review. The receipts and deposits should always be equal.

### STEP THREE

With Step One and Step Two completed – this should show if you have any accounts receivables (that is amounts owing to the harbour authority by the users). If there are any accounts receivable, make a list of all the users who owe the HA money, this will be used in the annual report.

### STEP FOUR

Now it's time to add up all the totals in the Cheque Disbursement Journal. The cheque journal could also be an ordinary book; it is wherever the harbour authority stores this information. This journal will offer the harbour authority information on your total expenditures for the fiscal year. This will be used in your annual report. This journal will also reflect on any account payables (amounts the harbour authority owes to vendors, i.e., NL Power), please make a list as this will be used in your annual report.

This information should help with the preparation of the annual report. If you require any further information, your mentors are available.

Contact info for your mentors:  
(891-2858/1051) or (222-5493)

## Area Updates

Congratulations to Mark Simms, who was recently appointed as the Area Director of the Labrador Area Office.



Congratulations to Vanessa Newman on her appointment as the new Client Services Manager for the Western and Southern Area Office.



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## Area Updates - Central Newfoundland and Northern Labrador

Salutations to our fellow HA's!  
We were recently asked if we could submit a "Good News Story," for our esteemed newsletter and even though we are extremely happy to do so, it was a bit of a struggle, to be honest!

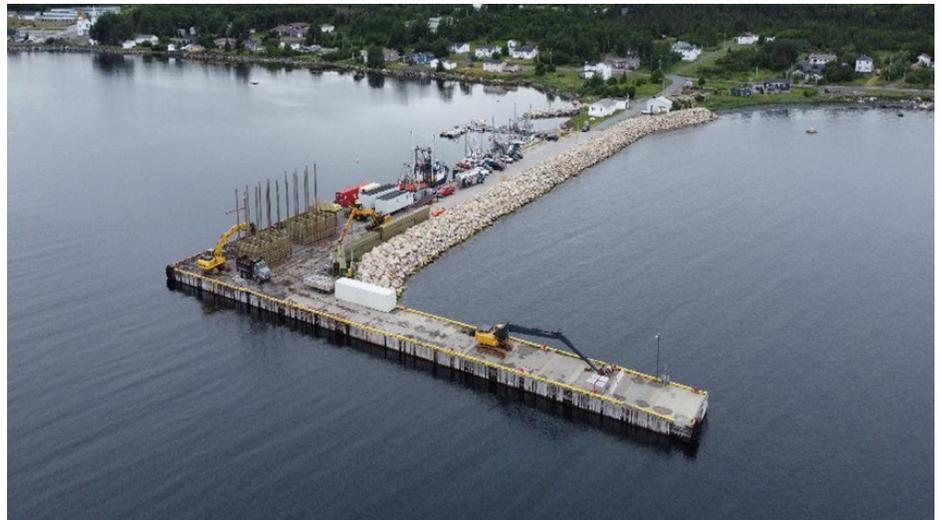
Not because I can't talk and praise up my harbour and facilities (if you know me, you know I can talk!! Lol) but because I am not one to relish or rejoice in, especially knowing my fellow colleagues have expressed concerns for their own HA more.

Please know that this project never happened overnight. It didn't happen in a year or two! It took 27 years to gather and to make a strong file, so that once money became available, we were ready to receive it and go forward.

When the Harbour Authority of Carmanville Incorporated in 1996, our facility was already 38 years old. In later years, frequent damage to our facility due to structural weakness caused not only by its age but the size of the users became extensive and let's not of course forget the dreaded climate change damage.

So, with the HA dedication, users' voices, SCH help, hard work, determination and documentation, we were able to secure funding in 2023 with construction commencing summer of 2024. To us, we also now have secured the heart of our community!

So, elbows up, steadfast, to all harbour authorities. You are heard, you are not alone and one day it will happen.



## In Memoriam



**LINDA FITZPATRICK**, of Lawn, passed away on February 21, 2025, at the age 62. Leaving to mourn with a lifetime of wonderful memories are her husband of 43 years, Leonard Fitzpatrick; sons, Jordan Fitzpatrick, and Christopher Edwards; 3 grandchildren, Emma, Nyah and Nicholas; mother, Kate Edwards; very special niece, Maressa (Linda's girl); sister, Connie (Ex) Drake; brothers, Frank Edwards, David Edwards, Scott Edwards and Syl Edwards; plus a large circle of other family, cousins, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.



**VERNON PETTEN** of Port de Grave passed away surrounded by family on January 17, 2025, after a brief illness. He was pre-deceased by his father Henry, his mother Emmie, and his siblings Eileen, Lester, Doreen, and Lewis. Vernon leaves behind his beloved wife of 69 years, Shirley; On March 6th, 2025 she joined her husband once again—for eternal love. Left to mourn are: There six children,,: Ross (Christina), Iris (partner, Peter O'Flaherty), Ina (Rick), Ivy (Wayne) Leverna (Tony) and Blair (Lorraine). Fourteen grandchildren, and nineteen great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his sisters Clarice, Velva, and Beulah, and his many nieces and nephews, and a wide circle of friends. You will be missed by all!



**TONY DOYLE**, of Bay de Verde, passed peacefully away on February 26, 2025, at the age of 67. Tony was surrounded by his loving family. Leaving to mourn is his loving wife of 47 years, Marie; daughter, Dawn; son, Thomas (Angela); grandchildren: Zander, Madison and Claire; sisters, Bride and Patsy nieces and nephews; as well as large number of extended family and wonderful circle of friends. It would be amiss if we didn't mention his fur babies: Reg, Jess, Tom Tom, Ranger, Darrbie, and Oreo.



**HARVEY CALVIN AVERY**, of Southport passed away on January 29, 2025, at the age of 75. Leaving to mourn his loving wife of 48 years, Joyce; son, Matthew (Meghan) and daughter, Chelzea (Alex) and 2 beautiful grandchildren, Zadie and Charlie; brother, Jim (Alice); sisters, Marguerite and Judy (Wilmore) as well as a number of nephews and nieces.



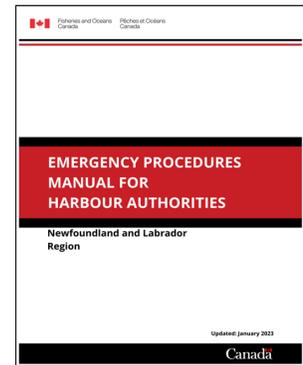
**HAANL IS ON FACEBOOK:  
[www.facebook.com/HAANL](http://www.facebook.com/HAANL)**

## Tools for Harbour Authorities

Please go to the address below to view the following:

- Emergency Procedures Manual for Harbour Authorities
- National Environmental Management Plan
- Emergency Response Plan Template (with tank)

<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sch-ppb/toolbox-boiteaoutils/environment-environnement/procedures-urgence-eng.html>



## Harbour Authority Training

Staff from Small Craft Harbours (SCH), and members of the Regional Harbour Authority Advisory Committee (RHAAC), have formed a working group to develop a training plan for harbour authorities in Newfoundland and Labrador. Using information collected from last year's seminar registrations, the group will create a plan to offer training on the topics that are most important to harbour authorities. If you have any training needs that would benefit your harbour authority, please contact your Client Services Officer.

## Contact Information

Harbour authorities are reminded to keep contact information, especially email addresses, up to date with Small Craft Harbours. Any time there is a change to a harbour authority board your Client Services Officer should be updated as soon as possible to ensure Small Craft Harbours can contact the board of directors.