

Down to Earth Pottery 13th Annual Christmas Open House



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If you have not had the opportunity to visit Down to Earth Pottery, one of the Eastern Townships local pottery studios located 67 Bailey Road in West Bolton, their upcoming three-day open house may be the perfect opportunity. The event will run Nov. 13-15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Potter Robin Badger is likely best known for her blue porcelain line while her husband, Robert Chartier, is a clay artist with a unique ap-



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Robin Badger and Robert Chartier

proach to his creative works.

Customers will get a first peek at the new products and will learn about the process of working with clay while visiting the studio/store, which first opened in 1995 and is nestled in the woods on

their hundred acre family farm.

My husband and I had the chance to visit the studio and were fascinated by what we saw. Robin demonstrated her work and spoke about her love for what she does with such conviction and joy

that we honestly felt the need to sign up for a class. Robert conveyed a pure artist's perspective clearly echoing Robin's passion.

The handcrafted items are conversation pieces and as you hold a plate, bowl or platter in your hand you can almost imagine the comments of friends invited over for dinner. The three-day sale is the perfect chance to get that special gift for someone on your list.

Following the open house, the duo will take off for Montreal to participate in the Nutcracker Market held at the Palais des Congrès from Nov. 26 to Dec. 6. The market serves as a fundraiser for the Nutcracker charity that brings hundreds of children every year to see the Nutcracker ballet as well as bringing them to art and choreography workshops. For more information visit their website at www.marchecassenoisette.com.

More information about the Down to Earth Pottery is available at www.robinbadger.com, on Facebook at [robinbadgerpottery](https://www.facebook.com/robinbadgerpottery), or at 450-242-2836.

RCHS celebrates Scots heritage

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The Richmond County Historical Society has celebrated the townships Scots' heritage with several events and activities.

There were exhibits of tartans, photos, and artifacts at the museum, a presentation by Rod MacIver, a cavalcade to areas south-east of Sherbrooke, and a presentation of Richmond area Scots history at the recent Harvest Luncheon at Le Temps des Cerises in Danville. The guests at the luncheon were thrilled to

be piped in and out by Matthew Fowler from Lennoxville. The Scots Heritage presentation is a lasting collection of information to be shown at the new home of RCHS. These activities and events have increased awareness of the importance of the Scots throughout the Townships.

A small booklet titled "Scots Heritage in Richmond County and Vicinity - A Self-Guided Tour" has been prepared by RCHS to help interested visitors locate places the Scots put down roots in these parts, many of these sites exhibiting few

clues other than grave stones today. For users of GPS systems, the GPS coordinates are given and, whether explorers use these clues or old-fashioned means of navigation, tidbits of Scots-Canadian history are shared for the curious.

In September, 27 members and friends of Richmond County Historical Society formed a cavalcade and set off to Scotstown. The first stop was in Lennoxville where the guide, Rod MacIver explained the details of the tour with maps. The group drove first to Stornoway to visit the Cairn in Winslow

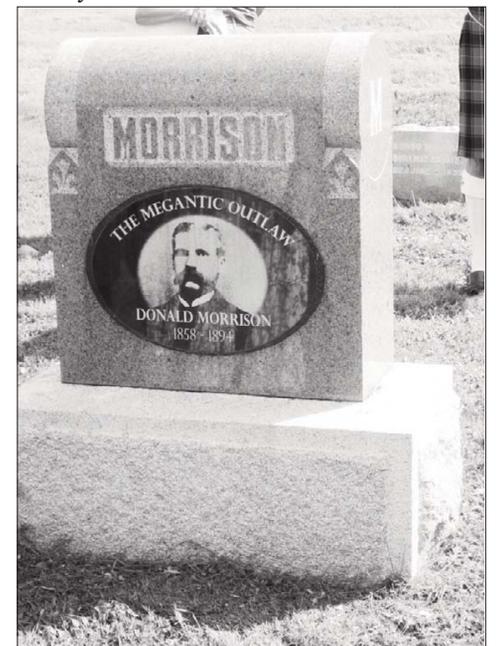
Cemetery.

The next stop was Gisla Cemetery where Donald Morrison was buried alongside his parents. A picture of Donald Morrison is mounted on a special stone at the front of the cemetery. Next the group visited a replica of the Gisla log cabin that Morrison and his friends built for his parents when they were turned out of their home.

At MacKenzie Park in Scotstown, MacIver explained the history of the large plywood factory and the smoke stack. From the former Scotstown High School, which is now the Town Hall, the group proceeded to Gould and walked over the McVety-MacKenzie covered bridge.

What a beautiful spot for a picnic! The weather was perfect, and the route is one of the most scenic in the Eastern Townships. The group is very grateful to MacIver for his superb narrative as he explained aspects of life lived by the Scots families who immigrated to the Scotstown area from the Isle of Lewis. As a native of Scotstown, he brought the past alive.

Submitted by Richmond County Historical Society



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Donald Morrison's tomb



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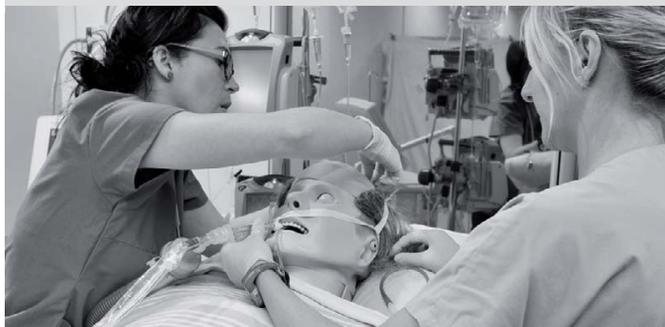
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Dr. Dominique Bérard, Dr. Yannick Poulin and Dr. Marc-André Leclair proudly presenting the equipment

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