#### August 26, 2014 By-Election Report: St.George's-Stephenville East

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Honourable Wade Verge Speaker House of Assembly Main Floor, East Block Confederation Building St. John's, NL

#### Dear Speaker:

Section 214 of the *Elections Act, 1991* states that, "the Chief Electoral Officer shall publish within 9 months after each general election and each by-election a book containing pertinent statistics of the election, including poll by poll results of each electoral district."

In accordance with this, I am pleased to present you with this report on the August 26, 2014 by-election in the electoral district of St. George's – Stephenville East.

I have arranged for copies to be distributed to all Members of the House of Assembly. I trust this meets with your approval.

Sincerely,

**Victor Powers** 

Chief Electoral Officer

On Friday, August 1, 2014, a Writ of Election was issued for a by-election in the electoral district of St. George's – Stephenville East. The by-election, set for August 26, 2014, was called to fill a vacancy resulting from the resignation of Progressive Conservative Member of the House of Assembly, Joan Shea, on June 2, 2014.

The preliminary list of electors for the district, dated July 2, 2014, contained 7233 names. Updates to the list continued during the election period until 8 p.m. on August 19, 2014 (Advance Poll day), resulting in a final revised list of electors containing 7274 names. The final revised list included electors who applied to vote by Special Ballot, voted at the advance polls and applied to be added to the list (and also included other changes such as elector moves or corrections to electors' names and/or addresses).

On August 20, 2014, the final revised list was given to the district Returning Officer for distribution to the political parties and candidates. This list was used by the Returning Officer and all election officials as the Official List of Electors on polling day.

Official Nomination day was Saturday, August 16, 2014. At the close of nominations three candidates had completed the official nomination process and were added to the ballot for the by-election:

Wally Childs – Progressive Conservative Party Bernice Hancock – New Democratic Party Scott Reid – Liberal Party

Voters in the by-election had the opportunity to vote by one of three methods:

- at one of the 34 regular polls held on August 26, 2014
- at one of the three advance polls held on August 19, 2014
- by Special Ballot (from July 7, 2014 to August 19, 2014)

Special Ballot applications were available on the Elections Newfoundland and Labrador website, by mail, or during specified hours at Elections Newfoundland and Labrador's head office in St. John's or the District Returning Office in St. George's – Stephenville East. Once a Special Ballot application was approved, a Special Ballot voting kit was issued, and the applicant was then unable to vote by any other method. A completed Special Ballot voting kit could be returned by mail or dropped off at either of the above noted office locations within the specified deadlines.

- A total of 116 Special Ballot applications were processed at Special Ballot locations. Of the 116 applications processed, 113 ballots were returned by the specified deadlines.
- A total of 340 ballots were cast at the three advance polls held on August 19, 2014. 183 ballots were cast at the advance poll in Stephenville, 64 ballots were cast at the advance poll in St. George's, and 93 ballots were cast at the advance poll in Doyles.
- A total of 3307 ballots were cast at the 34 regular polls held on August 26, 2014.
- A combined total of 508 electors were sworn in at the advance polls, Special Ballot polls and regular polls on polling day.

The preliminary count on election night indicated a total of 3760 votes were cast resulting in 948 votes for Wally Childs, 579 votes for Bernice Hancock and 2211 votes for Scott Reid.

The official addition of the votes took place on Friday, August 29, at the district Returning Office which confirmed the

preliminary vote counts were correct for all candidates. Therefore, the official results for the by-election (which represented a 51.69 per cent turnout of registered voters) were:

Total	-	3760
Rejected ballots	-	22
Scott Reid	-	2211
Bernice Hancock	-	579
Wally Childs	-	948

On September 11, 2014, Liberal candidate Scott Reid was sworn in as a member of the House of Assembly.

Subsequent to the St. George's-Stephenville East by-election held on August 26, 2014, three additional by-elections have taken place in the electoral districts of Conception Bay South (November 5, 2014), Humber East (November 25, 2014) and Trinity-Bay de Verde (November 25, 2014). Representation in the House of Assembly currently consists of 29 Progressive Conservative Members, 16 Liberal Members and 3 New Democratic Members.

The Chief Electoral Officer would like to extend appreciation to the district staff for overseeing an efficient by-election: Louise Hines (Returning Officer), Amy Snook (Election Clerk) and Leona Bennett (Special Ballot Officer). Thanks are also extended to the many other district election workers and to the staff of the Chief Electoral Office for a job well done.

AUGUST 26, 2014 BY-ELECTION
POLLING DIVISION RECAPITULATION OF VOTES FOR
THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF ST. GEORGE'S – STEPHENVILLE EAST

		ELIGIBL	ELIGIBLE VOTERS	CHILDS,	HANCOCK,	REID,		
NO.	POLLING DIVISION	REVISED	SWEAR IN	Wally	Bernice	Scott	REJECTED	TOTAL
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П	Stephenville	179	24	10	19	28	1	28
7	Stephenville	250	34	23	22	41	1	87
3	Stephenville	195	22	13	19	31	0	63
4	Stephenville	287	30	49	19	79	0	147
2	Stephenville	185	11	8	8	13	0	29
9	Stephenville	159		∞	9	26	1	41
7	Stephenville	290	27	27	31	46	0	104
8	Stephenville	226	15	12	23	45	0	80
6	Cold Brook	140	10	19	10	47	0	92
10	Noels Pond	125	16	9	6	48	1	64
11	Black Duck Siding	84	5	9	13	20	1	40
12	Stephenville Crossing	291	18	23	30	75	2	130
13	Stephenville Crossing	309	16	41	33	55	0	129
14	Stephenville Crossing	246	12	14	6	54	2	79
15	Stephenville Crossing	265	17	34	27	09	0	121
16	Stephenville Crossing	317	21	27	15	78	1	121
17	Mattis Point	118	2	7	4	27	0	38
18	Barachois Brook	115	10	18	10	39	0	29
19	St. George's	263		46	15	99	0	127
20	St. George's	335	28	68	20	58	0	167
21	St. George's	321	18	70	15	68	0	174
22	Flat Bay, St. Teresa, Journais Brook	322	14	89	19	61	0	148
23	Robinsons, Cartyville	209	6	29	∞	58		95
24	Heatherton	160	∞	29	∞	48	0	85
25	McKay's	120	1	17	7	51	0	75
56	Jeffrey's	126	2	10	∞	59	0	77
27	St. David's, Maidstone	186	∞	25	22	54	Т	102
28	St. Fintan's, Loch Leven, Codroy Pond	26	8	7	6	31	0	47
29	Highlands	09	3	13	1	30	0	44
30	South Branch, Coal Brook	203	6	12	16	82	0	113

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		LIST	AT POLLS	PC	NDP	LIB	BALLOTS	BALLOTS
31	St. Andrews, Loch Lomond, Tompkins,	244	20	17	15	111	0	143
	McDougals, Red Rocks							
32	Doyles, Benoit's Siding, Upper Ferry	250	17	11	10	87	0	108
33	Millville, Great Codroy, Searston, O'Regan's	308	15	37	14	107	0	158
34	Codroy, Cape Anguille, Woodville	289		14	2	154	0	170
35	Advance – St. George's		9	31	∞	23	2	64
36	Advance – Stephenville		41	45	09	92	2	183
37	Advance – Doyles		6	0	4	68	•	93
38	Special Ballots		-	33	11	62	7	113
	TOTALS	7274	208	948	579	2211	22	3760

#### ST. GEORGE'S - STEPHENVILLE EAST **Summary of Polling Divisions**

Total Number of Polling Divisions in District: 34

Total Number of Registered Electors in District: 7274

Polling Division	Boundary Descriptions	Registered Electors
<del>.</del>	STEPHENVILLE: GEORGIA DRIVE; AND GEORGIA LOOP.	179
2.	STEPHENVILLE: OHIO DRIVE; OHIO CIRCLE; MARYLAND DRIVE; FLORIDA LOOP; AND KENTUCKY LOOP.	250
e,	STEPHENVILLE: ALABAMA DRIVE; CAROLINA AVENUE; DELAWARE DRIVE; MAINE DRIVE; OREGON DRIVE; AND WYOMING DRIVE.	195
4.	STEPHENVILLE: NEW MEXICO DRIVE; AND PENNSYLVANIA DRIVE.	287
5.	STEPHENVILLE: WASHINGTON DRIVE; AND MONTANA DRIVE (INCLUDING MARY LAND ESTATES, 170 MONTANA DRIVE).	185
O	STEPHENVILLE: MASSACHUSETTS DRIVE (INCLUDING STEPHENVILLE MANOR, 430 MASSACHUSETTS DRIVE); MINNESOTA DRIVE (INCLUDING ACADIAN VILLAGE, 167 MINNESOTA DRIVE; SIR THOMAS RODDICK HOSPITAL, MINNESOTA DRIVE); PIEROWAYS STREET; PELLEYS STREET, AND LITTLE PORT HARMON (COTTAGE AREA).	159
	STEPHENVILLE: BROOK STREET; CRESTWOOD PLACE; FERN LANE; HANSEN MEMORIAL HIGHWAY (ODD NUMBERS 15 TO 223, EVEN NUMBERS 14 TO 246); ALEXANDER AVENUE; ELIZABETH AVENUE; KENNEDY DRIVE; MAXWELL AVENUE; MAIN STREET (EVEN NUMBERS 28 TO 136, AND ODD NUMBERS 179 TO 219); ST. GEORGE'S AVENUE EXTENSION (EVEN NUMBERS 50 TO 70, ODD NUMBERS 55 TO 79 FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH QUEEN STREET); STANLEY PLACE; WHITE'S AVENUE (EVEN AND ODD NUMBERS 33 TO 35 FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH BLANCHE STREET); WHITE'S AVENUE EXTENSION; WILLOWDALE DRIVE (EVEN AND ODD NUMBERS 2 TO 6); CROWN AVENUE; HOLIDAY DRIVE; KELLY PLACE; NEPTUNE DRIVE; SHERWOOD PLACE; PRINCESS AVENUE; LOGAN CRESCENT; RIDGEWOOD AVENUE; RIDGEVIEW AVENUE; MILL PLACE; ZION DRIVE; AND VALLEY ROAD.	290

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œ.	STEPHENVILLE: QUEEN STREET (EVEN NUMBERS 2 TO 206, ODD NUMBERS 39 TO 75); QUEEN STREET EXTENSION (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 193 TO 297); FORD CRESCENT; RIVERSIDE DRIVE; WOODSIDE LANE; WHALEN CRESCENT; AND NEWTOWN ROAD.	226
6.	COLD BROOK: THE COMMUNITY OF COLD BROOK INCLUDING COLD BROOK STREET; MAIN STREET; AND WHITE'S LANE.	140
10.	NOELS POND: THE COMMUNITY OF NOELS POND INCLUDING HIGHWAY 460; HANSEN MEMORIAL HIGHWAY; WHEELERS ROAD; REGATTA DRIVE; GULL POND ROAD; AND LONG GULL POND.	125
17.	BLACK DUCK SIDING: THE COMMUNITY OF BLACK DUCK SIDING INCLUDING ROUTE 460 AND THE RESIDENTS OF BLUE POND PARK.	84
12.	STEPHENVILLE CROSSING: BENNETT DRIVE; BROOK STREET; BROOKSIDE DRIVE; BROOKSIDE DRIVE; BROOKSIDE DRIVE EXTENSION; CHERRYWOOD DRIVE; AND TERRA NOVA LOOP.	291
13.	STEPHENVILLE CROSSING: BRAKE STREET; COURTLAND DRIVE; DWYER DRIVE; PAYNE'S LANE; PELLEYS BROOK LANE; WILLIE'S HILL; GALE DRIVE; OLD SHORE LANE; MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD; ELIZABETH AVENUE; FOREST HILL LANE; SOUTH STREET; HOSPITAL ROAD; HIGHLAND DRIVE; OAKLAND DRIVE; FOREST DRIVE; MIDLAND DRIVE; BRUMSEY'S LANE; RUSSELLS LANE; HILLVIEW AVENUE; HOGAN'S CRESCENT; ALEXANDER DRIVE; HYDES LANE; VALLEY ROAD; BARTER'S LANE; AND WALSH'S LANE.	308
. 4	STEPHENVILLE CROSSING: LUCAS DRIVE; OLD COVE LOOP; OLD COVE LOOP EXTENSION; SPRUCE LANE; SUMMIT DRIVE; AND SEAL COVE ROAD (INCLUDING SENIOR'S COTTAGES, 1 SEAL COVE ROAD; AND BAY ST. GEORGE LONG TERM CARE CENTER, 1 TO 13 SEAL COVE ROAD).	246

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15.	STEPHENVILLE CROSSING: BEACH STREET; QUEEN STREET; QUEEN STREET EXTENSION; CHURCH STREET; WELLS AVENUE; OCEAN DRIVE; CRESCENT STREET; RIDGEWOOD DRIVE; BAYVIEW AVENUE; MAPLE STREET; WESTLAND DRIVE; LEGION ROAD; LILLY LANE; DOWNEYS LANE; HAWKINS LANE; ROSEDALE DRIVE; PIEROWAY LANE; INGRAM LANE; AND ROTHESAY PLACE.	265
. 16.	STEPHENVILLE CROSSING: WATER STREET; STATION ROAD; LAKESHORE DRIVE; ISLAND VIEW DRIVE; WEBB'S FIELD; PLEASANT STREET; GROVE STREET; PARK STREET; WEST STREET; YOUNGS LANE; CRITCHLEYS ISLAND; AND MAIN STREET (INCLUDING EMILE BENOIT HOUSE, 78 MAIN STREET AND EMILE BENOIT COTTAGES, 82 MAIN STREET).	317
17.	MATTIS POINT: THE COMMUNITY OF MATTIS POINT.	118
18.	BARACHOIS BROOK: THE COMMUNITY OF BARACHOIS BROOK.	115
19.	ST. GEORGE'S: MAIN STREET (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 1 TO 440).	263
20.	ST. GEORGE'S: BARACHOIS DRIVE; FILLATRE'S LANE; COLSON CRESCENT; WOODLAND DRIVE; ALDER PLACE; FOREST DRIVE; PELLYS LANE; MERCER'S LANE; FARM ROAD; SHORE LANE; ABBOTT'S LANE; DIAMOND COURT; HARVIEW'S LANE; HARVIEW'S LANE EXTENSION; SULLIVAN'S LANE; STEEL MOUNTAIN ROAD; FLAT BAY BROOK ROAD; FLAT BAY RIVER ROAD; MUISE'S LANE; OLD MILL ROAD; BROOKSIDE LANE; PATH END ROAD; AND MISSION CROSS ROAD.	335
21.	ST. GEORGE'S: MAIN STREET (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 441 TO 724); MESSERVEY'S ROAD; BAYVIEW AVENUE; O'QUINNS LANE; COURT HOUSE ROAD; ALEXANDER'S LANE; SCHOOL ROAD; CHURCH STREET; STATION ROAD; WHITE HOUSE ROAD; HAYES LANE; PARSONS LANE; BEACH LANE; MARINE DRIVE; BUTTS LANE; HUDSON'S LANE; GOODYEARS LANE; GOODYEARS LANE; GOODYEARS LANE; RALPH'S LANE; HILLSIDE LANE; LEE'S ROAD; BLANCHARDS LANE; SIDING ROAD; LEGGES ROAD; PIEROWAY PLACE; SHALLOP COVE BROOK; BRAKES ROAD; YOUNGS LANE; SUNSET DRIVE; PITT ROAD; AND WHITE'S LANE.	321

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22.	FLAT BAY, ST. TERESA AND JOURNOIS BROOK: THE COMMUNITIES OF FLAT BAY, ST. TERESA AND JOURNOIS BROOK.	322
23.	ROBINSONS AND CARTYMLLE: THE COMMUNITY OF ROBINSONS INCLUDING ROBINSONS ROAD; HIGHWAY 1; AND CROSSWINDS SENIORS RESORT, 303A STATION ROAD. THE COMMUNITY OF CARTYMLLE INCLUDING MAIN STREET.	209
24.	HEATHERTON: THE COMMUNITY OF HEATHERTON INCLUDING HIGHWAY 404; AND STATION ROAD.	160
25.	MCKAY'S: THE COMMUNITY OF MCKAY'S INCLUDING FOX HEAD ROAD; MAIN ROAD; AND SAM'S ROAD.	120
26.	JEFFREYS: THE COMMUNITY OF JEFFREY'S INCLUDING HIGHWAY 404 (ALSO KNOWN AS MAIN ROAD); FORTUNE'S ROAD; AND JEFFREY'S BY ROAD.	126
27.	ST. DAVID'S AND MAIDSTONE: THE COMMUNITY OF ST. DAVID'S INCLUDING MAIN ROAD; BEACH ROAD; MAIDSTONE ROAD; TAYLOR'S ROAD; AND WINTERHOUSE ROAD. THE COMMUNITY OF MAIDSTONE.	186
28.	ST. FINTAN'S, LOCH LEVEN, AND CODROY POND: THE COMMUNITIES OF ST. FINTAN'S, LOCH LEVEN, AND CODROY POND INCLUDING HIGHWAY 405.	26

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29.	HIGHLANDS: THE COMMUNITY OF HIGHLANDS.	09
30.	SOUTH BRANCH AND COAL BROOK: THE COMMUNITIES OF SOUTH BRANCH AND COAL BROOK.	203
31.	ST. ANDREWS, LOCH LOMOND, TOMPKINS, MCDOUGALS, AND RED ROCKS: THE COMMUNITY OF ST. ANDREWS INCLUDING RADIO RANGE ROAD. THE COMMUNITY OF LOCH LOMOND. THE COMMUNITY OF TOMPKINS INCLUDING MANUEL ROAD (CABIN AREA LOCATED OFF THE TRANS CANADA HIGHWAY, SOUTH OF THE COMMUNITY OF TOMPKINS). THE COMMUNITY OF MCDOUGALS (CABIN AREA) INCLUDING SHOAL POINT ROAD; AND BARRY'S ROAD. THE COMMUNITY OF RED ROCKS.	244
32.	DOYLES, BENOIT'S SIDING AND UPPER FERRY: THE COMMUNITIES OF DOYLES, BENOIT'S SIDING AND UPPER FERRY.	250
33.	MILLVILLE, GREAT CODROY, SEARSTON AND O'REGAN'S: THE COMMUNITIES OF MILLVILLE, GREAT CODROY, SEARSTON AND O'REGAN'S.	308
34.	CODROY, CAPE ANGUILLE AND WOODVILLE: THE COMMUNITY OF CODROY (INCLUDING OCEAN SIDE PERSONAL CARE HOME, CODROY). THE COMMUNITIES OF CAPE ANGUILLE AND WOODVILLE.	289

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