

NOVEMBER 2019 | YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

# SHIP TO SHORE NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR



Ship to Shore Newfoundland and Labrador has had an exciting and successful few months! We were welcomed into 8 harbours to deliver our program. Ship to Shore works with Ocean Users and Harbour Authorities to better understand and aide the challenges facing harbours regarding marine debris and land disposal.

Under the program we have organized clean-ups, signed up harbours under Used Oil Management, provided them with an information tool-kit, completed underwater assessments by partnering with Ocean Quest, and gathered Ocean Champion signatures, pledging to "Bring it Back" and keep our oceans clean and thriving!

Want to become an Ocean Champion? Take the Pledge: bit.ly/S2SPledge

Interested in becoming a Ship to Shore Harbour? Contact our Ocean Conservation Coordinator at mabutt@cpaws.org or call us at 709-726-5800

## TOP 10 PRIORITY COASTAL SITES: PLACENTIA BAY



In consultation from experts, CPAWS-NL has created a Top 10 Priority Coastal Sites List of areas requiring immediate attention for protection.

Placentia Bay Extension Special Marine Area includes all of Placentia Bay, from Point Crewe on the Burin Peninsula to Point Lance on the Avalon.

Even with a fisheries management area to protect Scallop stocks, a Seabird Ecological Reserve in Cape St. Mary's, and a Wetland Stewardship Area in Come by Chance, there are still many threats affecting this Ecologically and Biologically Significant Area.

Placentia Bay contains the largest spawning stock of Atlantic Cod in the Northwest Atlantic Ocean, and high concentrations of ichthyoplankton. The area is also a frequented feeding ground of the Endagangered Leeatherback Sea Turtle, Harbour Porpoise and Humpback Whales.

Learn More: https://cpawsnl.org/special-marine-areas/

### FEATURE SPECIES: DOGBERRY TREE



Newfoundland and Labrador actually has two different species of what we term "Dogberry Trees", the American Mountain Ash, having smaller leaflets, and the Showy Mountain Ash.

Do you know the folklore tales of more dogberries means a harsher winter? Suggesting that more berries provides the extra food needed by birds and small animals to survive a long and harsh winter.

The amount of berries on trees actually indicates how the summer/spring season was, an idea of the past rather than the future. Cooler summer and springs reduces the energy trees have to produce berries, therefore having a low amount during fall and winter months.

#### GIVE THE GIFT OF NATURE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



Consider giving the gift of nature: helping protect our province's beautiful, diverse, and unique ecosystems this holiday season.

Your donation will support our conservation projects and initiatives.

Send a Christmas E-Card to that special person at www.cpawsnl.org and click "Donate".

#### DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS, COMMENTS OR CONTRIBUTIONS?

We are always looking for inspiring stories, photos and ideas to help us engage Canadians in nature conservation. Do you have any great stories about your experiences in nature? Pitch your ideas and content to us at nlcoordinator@cpaws.org!



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