

GossWalks Summer 2025

Free walk 'n talk programs originated by David Goss in 1978. Led by David & others. Tuesdays at 7:15 -exceptions noted. If in doubt about location, contact: gosswalk@nbnet.nb.ca Always check (506) 672- 8601 after 6 P.M. if the weather is wet or unsure of rain plan. Does not apply June 03, 10, 17, as Mr. Goss is unavailable. Walkers do so at their own risk. Walks are about 1.5 hours and are 2 km or less. There are frequent stops for the stories.

Sunday, May 18: Loyalist Day walk from Loyalist Rock on Fundy Quay opposite Saint John Ale House, with David. **Topic is Market Square/Market Slip/ ihtoli-maqahamok.** Sponsored by Envision Saint John.

June 03: Fact and Folklore at Reversing Falls sponsored by Brenan's Castle Fallsvieview Funeral Home (309 Lancaster Avenue). No rain date.

June 10: Fernhill, 200 Westmorland Road. Harold E. Wright's "Death by Alphabet". Sponsor is Fernhill Cemetery. Rain date: next night.

June 17: A history of Saint John in Five Murders from Loyalist House, 120 Union Street with Greg Marquis. Sponsored by New Brunswick Historical Society. Rain date: next night.

June 24: Champlain and other explorers with David Goss and Brian Russell at Loyalist Rock, Fundy Quay. Sponsor is Great Canadian Dollar Store. (This day, Saint John was named 421 years ago.)

July 01: Canada Day at 11.00 am at Fernhill to honour Fathers of Confederation from Picnic Pavilion.

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July 08: Location is Fernhill, 200 Westmorland Road led by Bill Gardiner. Theme is the Drury Brothers incidents and adventures of Louise Coxetter & James Domville. Sponsor is Fernhill Cemetery.

July 12: "Ghosts of Grand Entrances" or "Stories behind those Trinity Heritage area doors" Pre-registration is necessary by contacting laura@hatchparley.com for details of cost and time and location.

July 15: Grand Bay Centennial Trail leaving from the River Valley Community Centre. We will walk a portion of the trail, while sharing poems about enjoying outdoor experiences, by award-winning author **Kim McAdam**. Sponsored by Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc.

July 22: At Fernhill with **Katherine Biggs-Craft**. Meeting at the entrance to the Shaarei Zedek Cemetery, Westmorland Road, opposite Ellerdale Street. The topic will be “In Their Own Words – Memories and Life Lessons”. Based on interviews Marcia Koven made with the Jewish community as the current museum was developed. Sponsor is Fernhill Cemetery.

July 29: At Rothesay Common. Join us for Old-Time Stories, as we get ready to celebrate New Brunswick Day! The storytelling walk begins at the Cenotaph and features guest student **Cloe Lawton**. We’ll stop at grandmother, Nancy Lawton’s home, for the dramatic retelling of the Great Fire story -followed by a cookie party! Proudly sponsored by the town of Rothesay.

August 04: 7:30pm start. NB Day Evening Walk and Storytelling, “**Strange NB Stories**” with **David Goss** at Arts and Culture Park, 12 Landing Court. Sponsored by the Town of Quispamsis. If inclement weather: Qplex indoor track, 20 Randy Jones Way.

August 05: At Fernhill Cemetery 200 Westmorland Road- Some graveyard folklore with **David Goss and others**. Sponsor is Fernhill Cemetery.

August 12: Prince William at King Street: What I learned from Brenda Mc Dermott’s two-volume book: Historic City Blocks with David Goss. Sponsor is Envision Saint John.

August 19: Location Fernhill, 200 Westmorland Road. **Steve Fowler and Troy Middleton** share Loyalist and Civil War connections. Cemetery walk. Sponsor is Fernhill Cemetery.

August 26: Saint John Vocational School. Story with **John Kelly**, who grew up in the area, and **David Goss**, a Voc graduate. **Meet at school parking lot, off Brunswick Drive**. We’ll explore how an iconic heritage building was built, has thrived, and supported Saint John as it changed from an industrial to an information economy. Sponsored by Great Canadian Dollar Store.

Thanks to all the sponsors, we can offer these walks (except July 12) free to participants.