



When your parents were young boys and girls they played in their yards and down the streets of your town. Louisbourg was a town with its own mayor and council, school, police force, ambulance, and fire services. In 1995, all the communities in our area of Cape Breton came together to form the Cape Breton Municipality.

Let's start by travelling along Hwy 22 to where we find the community of Louisbourg.

LOUISBOURG

Louisbourg is made up of 4 areas:

- Havenside
- Main Town
- Blueberry Hill
- Old Town

When driving along Hwy 22, on the right, you will first come to Louisbourg Bypass. It is a road that leads to the offices of the Fortress of Louisbourg. (1)

A little bit along on the left you will find MacCuish Road, known locally as Clarke's Road. Not far up the road you will find three church cemeteries:

- Harbourview Cemetery (2)
- Willow Grove Cemetery (3)
- Stella Maris Cemetery(4)

Just past Harbourview Cemetery on the left a pulp yard owned by Williams & Simpsons Co. was once operated by Danny Hanham. Pulp from this yard was loaded on boats at the harbour and shipped all over the world.

In the early 1900s there were farms along this road following near the rail line. This road joined MacCuish's Road to Catalone and continued to Bateston on the Main- a -

Dieu Road. Clark's Road had a school, locally known as MacRury's School, which closed in 1918, and a church community who joined First United Church in later years.

Returning to the highway, if you turn left just down a bit on the Louisbourg-Main-a-Dieu Road you will find the landfill once used by the town. (5)

Returning to the highway next on the left you will come to the St Bartholomew's Anglican Church Cemetery.(6)

A little further on the left (near the mail boxes) you come to the former site of the White Rose Gas Station, originally owned by Earl Wilcox, and then by Jim Campbell. Later it was bought by Alex MacLeod, who owned a bus company in Glace Bay. He ran a bus to Louisbourg taking miners to work on the reconstruction of the fortress site. Seeing a business opportunity, he opened the station as a Shell Garage and had the bus driver run the station while in Louisbourg for the day. He also added a restaurant at this time which was run by his wife Agnes. The garage was later operated by Tom and Lizzie Bates as well as John and Marlene Drolet. It finally operated as an Irving owned by Jimmy Price. (7)

Just down the road on the right, we see a small paved area which contains a gate welcoming people to Louisbourg, and a group of signs containing information for tourists. Next we also see 3 buildings which make up the Sydney & Louisbourg Railway Museum. The S&L Railway ran from 1895 until it shut down in 1968. It was a passenger and freight train that carried coal from the mines in Glace Bay and steel from Sydney Steel Plant to the Louisbourg coal and freight piers. Here it was loaded into waiting ships and sent all over the world. The first building we see is called a roundhouse. It holds an original train from the S&L as well as displays. The next two buildings are called the freight shed and the station. They were built in 1895 and now serve as a museum which preserves and shares the history of the railway and surrounding communities. (8)

Next door on the right we find the site of the former Petro Fina Station. It was originally opened and operated by Peter Hutt, later as Hall & MacDonald Motors, and operated by others including Buddy MacDonald, Charlie Pearl, Eddie Campbell, and Jim Townsend. It was changed to Anchor's Away Restaurant, and operated by Jon and Cathy Lawrence for several years. It was later an auto repair shop owned by William Tutty. It is presently owned by Morrell Hutt, Belmor Construction, whose father was the original owner. (9)

Opposite this business you would have found Bussey's General Store- owned and operated by Ernest and Ruth Bussey. Their family operated the store in the front and lived in the back of the home. Busseys closed in 1963.(10)

At this time pause and place blocks at 1 - 10 on the map.

We now continue down the station hill to turn left on Havenside Road. We travel along by the harbour until we see an open area of water on the left called the Barrachois. It's a pond fed by the ocean and is popular with bird watchers as it has attracted many different birds. (11)

On the left just past the Barrachois you would have found the home of Alice Skinner who opened the first B&B in the town. (12)

You will find homes along both sides with most built on the edge of the banks or high on the hills. One such home was the MacDonald home up on the hill near the first turn. Children often told stories of how after she left the home, it was haunted. This was always good for a scary trip by on Halloween! (13)

Just along the road on the right you would have found H. Fleet Grocery & Confectionery operated by Holly and Carrie Fleet. (14)

You will see many wharves along this road as many of these families made their living from the sea. You will then come to a fisherman's wharf known as LeMoines' wharf. It was originally The Lobster Kettle owned by Jim Wilson and Marmon Smith. Earlier Arthur Cann operated a small fish supply business and lobster cannery nearby. This is now owned by JK Marine Services. (15)

Continuing along we come to Benny Fudge's wharf where Shanty Town, a Saturday morning children's TV program was filmed, with some filming also at the Lobster Kettle. Oscar material? Maybe. (16)

If you follow along this narrow road you will come to Kennelley's. During WW2 there were large guns placed here to protect the harbour. In later years it was a popular place to swim, have bonfires, and beach parties for teenagers. (17)

Continuing on you come to the iconic Louisbourg Lighthouse. The first lighthouse was built here in 1734. The current lighthouse was built in 1923 and has the ruins of

the original light. There once were 3 homes here with lighthouse keepers, Wilfred Covey in the original light home as well as Kozeras, Forgerons, and Goyetches. Today it operates with an automated light keeping sailors and fishermen safe. (18)

Just past the lighthouse you will be able to follow the Lighthouse Trail, a beautiful coastal trail with rugged shorelines, and on a clear day breathtaking views of the ocean and a chance to catch a glimpse of a whale. (19)

At this time pause and place blocks at 11 - 19 on the map.

At this time we will return to Main Street.

Leaving Havenside Road we first see the former Fishery Office, which later operated as a rental, The Lupine Cottage, and now a private home.(20)

Next on the right was Chant's funeral Home, operated by Walter Chant and later his son Sheldon. They served the community faithfully for many years. It was formerly Dan Johnson's Funeral home, who was also Chief of Police at the time. This large home was demolished in 2020. (21)

Across the street on the left was the new school which opened as a Junior and Senior High but became an elementary school in 1967. Now this building is owned by Miron who ran a ceramic and craft business here for many years. (22)

Following along on the left you find The Mighty Fortress Church of God. This was the former site of the old Town Hall which occupied the front, with at one time a back room for the school Grade 8 class. Le Potager Restaurant also opened here at one time. (23)

Across the street on the right you will find The Stacey House. This home was built as a church manse and later bought by Charlie and Annie Stacey. It is now operated as a Bed & Breakfast by her nephew Darrell and Geraldine Beaver.(24)

Turning right on Pepperell Street, up the hill on the right you would have found Greta Cross' Bed & Breakfast. Greta retired from teaching and at 65 decided she would start a B&B. Imagine that! She encouraged tourism by bringing in the Elder Hostel program, a 5 day camp for seniors visiting the area. She ran her business until her death 23 years later. (25)

Along on the right is the Bell Aliant building opened in 1972, the former site of the Orange Hall, a 2 storey hall with first floor used as a Grade 7 classroom and second floor used by the Orangemen. (26)

Turning left on Marven Street you find Hopkins' Fish Plant, a fish packing and lobster business operating in this location since 1943. Joe Kelly's Welding also operated on this street in the 80's.(27)

Back on Main Street on the right you will come to the former site of Gordon Bussey's Dominion Hardware Store. It was larger at first as he used the freight shed from the station but later down sized and the shed returned to the train station. It is now the site of Bartlett's apartments. (28)

Across the street on the left is Montebello Cottage, a rental business owned by John Camp; Albertina Matias.(29)

At this time pause and place blocks at 20-29 on the map.

Following the street on the right you will find The Fortress Inn Motel, formerly Fleur De Lis Motel, built by Archie and Margaret Leahy. In later years it was purchased by Michael MacDonald, and expanded with Jake's Lounge. There have been several owners since then, as in the present day with major renovations taking place. (30)

Along on the right is Ann's Hair Salon, owned and operated by Ann (LeMoine) Hall. (31)

Across the street on the left, is Louisbourg General Store, and Big Red Bus operated by Bobby and Linda Burke, taken over from Elaine Carter. This was previously Stevens General Store, owned and operated by Gordon and son Dougie Stevens. It was a full grocery store with in house meat cutter and known all over Cape Breton for its fresh fish. (32)

Turning on to Minto Street you will find The A&L Fish Plant, owned and operated by Joe Anthony. It is a crab plant where they cook and pack crab. It employs people from all surrounding areas. Previously Cadegan's Fish Plant operated on this site, as well as Chelsea Fish Company. (33)

On the corner of this street you find The Louisbourg Fire Station with Joseph Trimm Community Center. The center is an important community facility, used for meetings, dances, showers, and gatherings. It was the site of the former town playground. (34)

Next door is the Town Hall which also hosts the food bank and police community office. It is the site of the old 2 storey school which burned in 1982. (35)

Across the street on the right was Burns Taxi - owned and operated by Burns and Shirley MacMillan, now the home of his granddaughter Karen & David Skinner. (36)

Turning left on Mitchell Street you will find the Fortress Senior's Club, an active group of seniors enjoying many different activities.(37)

Back on Main Street, on the left is The Grubstake, a family restaurant which operated here for many years and has had several owners. Originally it was Wong's Restaurant, known as "The Place To Eat Right", famous for meals, lunches, soft drinks, french fries and candy. You could buy a bag full of candy for a few cents.(38)

Across the street on the right, you would have found Fred Burke's Barber Shop offering shaves, and haircuts. He was also an agent for Dexter shoes. How many remember getting a haircut here? Archie Hare, the town's Shoe Repair man also worked from this shop.(39)

Continuing on the right was the site of Stacey's Irving , a gas station and auto repair shop operated by Charlie Stacey.(40)

At this time pause and place blocks at 30-40 on the map.

Continuing along on the left is the former site of the Town Dairy, owned and operated for many years by Jon and Cathy Lawrence. In earlier years Billy Tutty ran a novelty store on this site. It had pin ball machines and a back room which had the walls painted black with a black and white TV mounted on the wall for patrons to watch, as not everyone had a TV then. You could get French Fries and sit to watch shows. John Allan MacKay tells of the time he was reported missed only to be found in the back room of Tutty's watching TV. It is also reported to have been the first place in the area to serve soft serve ice cream. (41)

Next on the left is the Royal Bank. In early years, in this bank area, Cecil Stevens ran a convenience store, as well as Lloyd Harris who operated a pool hall. (42)

Louisbourg can certainly lay claim to numerous entrepreneurs. Across the way at the top of Kent Street, a Marine Hospital operated in early years. (43)

Now continuing on the left of Main Street, you come to Hwy 22 restaurant and Bus owned by Parker Bagnell. In earlier days, it was opened as a restaurant by a MacDonald family, later operated as Rosa's by Rosa and her daughter Liz in the 60's. Many stories could be told about Rosa who ran a tight ship with her restaurant where young people met their dates and listened to the juke box while ordering french fries. Anyone who misbehaved was usually hauled out by Rosa herself. It was then operated by Gordon and Eileen Bussey and renamed as The Fortress View. It was later operated for many years by Jon and Cathy Lawrence and later Sam Mills. (44)

George D. Lewis High School can be found on the right just up on Huntington Avenue. This school was built in 1967 as a Grade 5-12 school and continued until 1986 when it became a P-9. It was an integral part of the community until its closure in 2017. (45)

Back on Main Street you will find the site where the train crossed the trestle to take coal to the coal piers. Also on the back tracks you can find the rail bed where the tracks split and came down just past Marven Street to bring steel and other supplies to the freight piers at the harbour and on along to National Sea Products. It was an important shipping port, as Louisbourg was an ice free port in winter. Children remember running and playing on the high piers. (46) This street overpass was removed in 1962.

Turning left on Harbour Front Crescent you find Station House Restaurant and GoCarts operated by Johnny and Marlene Drolet. (47)

Across the street you find the town playground. Below this site, by the harbour, you will find Louisbourg Craft Center where several shops operated when it first opened. It is now the site of The Louisbourg Crabfest. From here you can follow the Boardwalk for a pleasant walk along the harbour enjoying the fresh, salty air. Beside these grounds was the former site of the Louisbourg Motorhome Park and Campground.(48)

Back on Main Street, to the right, you would have found Hugh Lynk's Insurance Office, now the site of Midtown Cottages, once owned and operated by Jim and Rita Price and now by Louisbourg Seafoods Family. (49)

Across the street is the CBRM storage facility. It was the site of the former fire hall, and in earlier days Florence Comeau operated a barber shop on this site.(50)

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Turning left on Aberdeen Street you will find The Star Dragon Beverage & Dining Lounge which now stands empty. It opened as The Chateau Beverage Room, a tavern, owned and operated by George and Joan MacMullin. It was a busy beverage room and restaurant for many years. Since then it had several owners until its closure. (51)

Further down on the left is The Louisbourg Playhouse. The Playhouse was built by Disney Productions in 1995 for the movie Squanto. It was later donated to the town and moved from the fortress to its present site. It has become a wonderful cultural center for music and the arts. (52)

Across the road you will find Louisbourg Seafood's Office. This building was the former Rovie's Pizza, owned and operated by Bruce and Rovie MacDonald. The building had been moved from Catalone and had been the one room school there for many years. This was also in the area of the original Fire Hall which had one truck, with the jail operating on the other side of the building. (53)

Along on the left is the Fisherman's Memorial Chapel. It had been a part of the train trestle system, with the coal trains running above and freight trains below. It is now used for storage for sand and salt. (54)

At the bottom of the street by the harbour on Commercial Street is Louisbourg Seafoods, owned by Jim and Lorie Kennedy. This company is a large employer in the surrounding area. It owns boats, and operates a fish plant, as well as buying and shipping lobster and crab to markets all over the world. Also on site is Louisbourg Ship Supply, owned and operated by Rena Lahey, having almost everything needed by the local fishermen. (55)

At this time pause and place blocks at 51-55 on the map.

Back on Main Street you would have found the Statiquarium Marine Museum owned by Alex Storm of Chameau Treasure fame. This was once one of 2 hotels owned by Jimmy Crowdis. The front section had also been used, once a week, by dentist, Dr Eric Jardine of Sydney; as well as Harry Steylen as his first barber shop. (56)

Next door the large hotel was also owned by Jimmy Crowdis, later purchased and became Lewis' Apartments, with Doctor's Offices on the front of the bottom floor. (57)

Continuing on the left you will find the Louisbourg Post Office which has operated here since 1935. (58)

Turning left on Lower Warren Street you will find The Louisbourg Harbour Inn operated by Parker Bagnell. (59)

In earlier years, at the bottom on the left, L.H. Cann had operated a ship repair and machine shop.(60)

At the end of this street, close to the harbour on Commercial Street is The Canadian Coast Guard Search & Rescue Station. This station is of vital importance to the fishery and all boats in the waters off Cape Breton. (61)

Along the street you come to the Government Wharf used by numerous boats in the fishery and tourist industry. (62)

Continuing along you will find Burke's Recycling - operated by Mary Burke.(63)

At this time pause and place blocks at 56-63 on the map.



Back on Main Street, on the right, you would have found the Rexall Drug Store, first operated by Dr. Freeman O'Neill, and then by pharmacist Allister MacDonald from Sydney and later by Jean Bagnell. They were also ticket agents for Acadian and Highland Bus Lines operating between Louisbourg and Sydney at that time. (64)

Turning right onto Upper Warren Street

First United Church is found on the corner and Calvin Church Hall to the left behind the church. (65)

Just past the hall was the former site of the Masonic Hall, once used for meetings, gatherings, and movies by Walter Tucker. It was demolished in 1984.(66)

Across the street on the right is the W.W. Lewis Memorial Library. It was the old Methodist Church, which still has a few graves in back yard, while many more were moved to Harbourview Cemetery.(67)

Further along on Street to the left, on Milton Street, you will find Jim Price Enterprises, operating since 1985. (68)

Continuing up Warren Street on the right, you would have found Edith Warren's Beauty Shop run by Edith and Rita (Warren) Price. These ladies operated a shop here for many years. (69)

The street ends with a trail used by most young people as a short cut to Upper Lorway Street.

At this time pause and place blocks at 64-69 on the map.

Back on Main Street you find Melvin Huntington 's Variety Shop on the left corner. He was the mayor of Louisbourg for many years. The store closed in 1962 and was bought and attached to Lewis' store. (70)

Next door is Lewis & Company's General Dept Store which sold everything from groceries to furniture. It was owned and operated by George and Bill Lewis, passed down from their father William Lewis. Later it was operated by George Lewis' son Harvey Lewis. Harvey Lewis was mayor of Louisbourg for many years. In later years it opened as Arlie's Gift Shop.(71)

Continuing along on the left was the Co- Op Store, a grocery store which was operated by Charlie Lewis. It even had a delivery service. It closed in 1972. Later this store operated as a laundromat, pharmacy, and Sears location. (72)

This next building on the left, had a business operated by Duncan MacKay and Harold Wilson selling stoves, also at one time Danny MacMullin had a shoe repair shop at this location. Later it became the Louisbourg Credit Union. It also opened as a Pizza Shop in 1995, operated by David and Charlene Burke with several others owners to follow. It now has 2 apartments. (73)

Across the street on the right is Parker Bagnell's Heritage House Bed & Breakfast. This beautiful heritage building was originally the Anglican Church rectory. Close to the front by the road was the Anglican Church Hall, built in 1909, and destroyed in 1989 when it's hall was moved to the church basement.(74)

Behind this building is the St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. (75)

Along the street on the left is the Zion Presbyterian Church with worship here since 1932. (76)

Next on the left you find the Foggy Hermit Café, owned by Parker Bagnell, former site of Bagnell's Health & Gift Boutique, operated by Jean Bagnell. At different times, half of this building also housed a Laundromat, Sears and A&K Lick -A-Chick operated by Frank De Vito. (77)

Across the street on the right is the former Royal Bank Building. Since then it has been operated by Calvin Pitcher as Calvin's Main Street Shop, a hardware store and Marine Museum owned by Ernie Parsons, and now a summer Pop Up Café. (78)

Next on the right was the former Young's Bakery operated by Florence and Stuart Young. In early years it was the office of DR. Saunders, a doctor who lived in Louisbourg in the 50's. (79)

Across the street on the left is the House of Dolls, operated by Marmon and Margaret Smith. It is a gift shop which holds many beautiful items for locals and tourists alike. In early years this was a home that had once seen a small convenience store operated by Lucy Kennedy; as well as The Quay Craft & Gift Shop and the Brignolet in later years. (80)

Following along on the left you would have found Harry Steylen's Barber Shop; with Continental Hair Styling operated by Donna Holland. Later it was the office for Dr. Burns. In early years it was the site of an I.G.A. grocery store operated by Del Richardson. (81)

At this time pause and place blocks at 70-81 on the map.

Across the street on the right is Stella Maris Catholic Church & Glebe. Once this was an open field that was the site of Dundonald Inn, a marine hostel. (82)

Across Main Street you will find the Navy League Hut, a building owned by the Navy League of Canada. It was used during the war and later by Navy cadets. Teenage dances were held here for years, and later used as The Louisbourg Lion's Den, and Louisbourg Couple's Club, a social club very popular in the 70's. (83)

Next door Steylen's Esso Garage could be found on the corner of Main and Strathcona Street. This garage was opened by Lawrence Kelly, later run by Duncan MacKay as a Ford Dealership and Hector Mackay as mechanic. After Steylens, it was Diamond's Convenience Store, owned by Ray Johnson and finally by Ernie Parsons as a Hardware Store. (84)

Now we turn left on Strathcona Street.

On the opposite corner we find the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 62. We are all thankful for the service of all veterans, past and present. (85)

Behind the Legion we would have found Calvin Church which later joined with the Methodist church to make First United Church. In 1975 the building was demolished. (86)

Next on the right is the former United Church Manse, which is now used as a private home. (87)

Across the street is the Veteran's Memorial Park with parade grounds and cenotaph belonging to the Legion. This was the former site of an outdoor rink enjoyed by many in the town. (88)

At the end of the street you will see the Lobster Kettle, which was owned and operated by Jimmy deVries and family. It was sold to other interests in recent years.(89)

At the right was National Sea Products, which in early years combined with Gordon Pews Fish Plant, and Louisbourg Fisheries to open a more modern plant which operated for many years. It brought employment to the surrounding areas with work on draggers, a fish meal plant and the cutting and packing of fish in the main plant. (90)

At this time pause and place blocks at 82-90 on the map.

Let us now return to Main Street.

On the right across the street was the Telephone Office, which was operated by Hector MacInnis and his sister Edith Fox. It was in the front of their home. Stories are told that Hector slept in a small room next to the office to answer any call that came in at night. It was also an agent for a Sydney flower shop.(91)

Continuing along on the right you would have seen a tailor shop, advertising suits and dry- cleaning, operated by Dan James MacLeod. Then it was a hairdresser's shop for many years operated by Marjorie Horne. Later it was the site of the Lord Finn, a small restaurant operated by Lisa and Derrick Kennedy as well as Sonny's Pizza Shop. (92)

Along on the right you will find Beaver's Transfer which operated since 1934 as a transfer, freight, trucking and road maintenance business. They worked as major contractors for the town, as well as trucking supplies to most stores in Louisbourg, as well as the National Sea Plant. It was owned by Donald Beaver and his sons Chal and Millan. Today it still operates on a smaller scale. (93)

Just past here on the right is the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission Store. (94)

A little further on the right you would have found Jim and Pearl Suffidy's Convenience Store. Mr. Suffidy travelled around and sold clothes and bought bottles for 1 or 2 cents. When children knew he was coming, they often gathered enough bottles to buy a treat, as \$0.25 could buy you a pop, chips and a bar. The kids often called him the Beer Bottle man. In 1964 Archie Nathanson's Clothing Store operated here and in later years the store was sold to Ray Johnson. (95)

Now you come to Lorway Street. Turning right onto Lorway, you will soon come to the Senior Citizen's Complex just on the left. (96)

This street leads to an area with homes originally built for management at the Fortress of Louisbourg National Park, later sold to the public.

The United Church Manse was purchased on Braddock Street in 1987. (97)

At this time pause and place blocks at 91-97 on the map.

Back on Main Street on the left was ANE Fish Plant, former National Sea Fish Plant which was a large employer in the town and surrounding area, employing plant workers, as well as dragger crews which brought in full boats of fish to run the plant. It is now owned by Jim Kennedy for lobster storage and other boats and vehicles. (98)

In early years on that site near the road there were 2 large homes owned by Walter Tucker and the O'Toole family. These later became apartment buildings and boarding houses. (99) On the opposite side on the right was Peck's Manor, a senior's home operated by Mary Farkas. Previously it was the home of Charles and Camilla Peck. Charlie Peck was the chief of police in town for many years. Today it is a private home. (100)

Continuing down the hill you will pass over Jerret's Brook. (101)

Turning right at the fountain, leads to an area known as Blueberry Hill. There are homes along the way, and it leads to Terra Nova Road and the Louisbourg Bypass. (102)

Returning to the fountain, on the right you will pass the Riverdale RV Park owned and operated by Gary Peck and son Darrell Peck. (103)

At the beginning of Wolfe Street you will see Peck's Store & Cottages former Peck's Lucky \$ Store, then Peck's Red & White. It was owned and operated by Cliff Peck, later by son Gary Peck. For a time, Gary Peck and Jon Lawrence operated a new Washbrook Laundromat and Bottle Exchange as P Camp; L Enterprises. Later Jon Lawrence left and opened his own businesses. Gary Peck added several cottages in 1995. The store was closed in 2019, but the remainder of the businesses still operate at this site. (104)

At this time pause and place blocks at 98-104 on the map.

Across Wolfe Street on the left was Mac Mullin's Taxi operated by George and Joan MacMullin. (105)

Just to the right is the Cranberry Cove, a beautiful Inn, owned and operated by David LeMoine and family. (106)

Along the street on the right is Louisbourg Little League Ball Field. Behind this field is The Fog Dome, a ball field once used by Parks Canada, and later by adult ball teams. (107)

On the left we come to the Point of View, an RV and Suites Park which was owned and operated by Tommy and Linda Kennedy. On site you will also find the famous Beggar's Banquet.(108)

Further up the street on the right you will come to the entrance to the Fortress of Louisbourg National Park. (109)

Just a few homes later on the left you would have come to the home of Dr. Saunders, a well known Doctor in town in the 50's. This home was bought by Mrs. Eleanor Wilson who built The Tartan Tea Room at the top of her property. It was a very popular restaurant at the time. Now it is a private home. (110)

At this time pause and place blocks at 105-110 on the map.

Along the street to the left you would have found Wilson's Bed & Breakfast operated by Harold & Jessie Wilson in the 80s, now a private home. (111)

A little further along the street, on the left, you will come to the beginning of the Old Town Trail, a well kept walking trail just inside park lands. You can wander along the trail and rest on one of the red chairs that dot the trail. You will have beautiful views of the ocean and the Fortress. (112)

Tom & Dorothy Lynk also operated a canteen here in the old town community in early days.(113)

Next on the left, you would have found the site of the former Stella Maris Catholic Church, and Glebe. Here many people come to take pictures by the tree that has stood there for a seemingly endless time. (114)

Still here, by the water, is the site of the Stella Maris Cemetery used by the church at that time. (115)

All the lands in this area, known as West Louisbourg, became expropriated lands, claimed by the government with the rebuilding of the national historic site. Some families moved and resettled in Louisbourg and some in Catalone. It was a sad time

for these families which included Kennedys, Pecks, Lynks, Popes, Baldwins, Bates, Kehoes, and Cunninghams to name a few.(116)

West Louisbourg had a store operated by Mike Pope. It was at the corner of the Compound Road. (117)

Their school was on the opposite side of the road and the building remained there for a number of years. It is now a turning area. (118)

In earlier years the Fleur De Lis Tea Room operated at the entrance to the causeway leading to the Fortress. It was operated by Annie Stacey and her sisters. (119)

Across the causeway you will find the iconic Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Park. With a rich history, the fortress was originally built to protect French lands in the new world. It switched ownership between the French and English until it was destroyed by the English in 1760. Part of the fortress was rebuilt in 1962 so that future generations seeing it might understand the role of this fortress in our history. (120)

At the end of the street to the left you will find the road to Kennington Cove. This small farming community also had their lands expropriated in 1962. The church was destroyed and the people were moved to the Louisbourg and Catalone Area. Now it is part of the park lands and is a popular swimming site, having 2 beautiful beaches which attract families from all over Cape Breton. There has been a movement to reopen the Kennington Cove Road, as it once existed, for travel to Gabarus and St. Peters along the coastline.

As you can see Louisbourg has a long, rich history and is a beautiful community, enjoyed by all the families who live here. (121)

At this time place blocks at 111-121 on the map.