

A Guv'nor Presentation; February 22, 2016

Kayaking the Abandoned Outports of Placentia Bay

In September 2015, five members of Paddle NL paddled the western shores of Placentia Bay. On February 22nd Tony Roestenberg presented a slide show at Hampton Hall at the Marine Institute of their seven day expedition which described visits to several former communities including Clattice Harbour, St. Leonard's, St. Kyran's, Toslow; iconic names of communities which were resettled in the 1960s.

Tony's presentation included a blend of history, scenery and camp life. Of particular interest was the visit to the old stone church and the new one built in 1920 in St. Kyrans. Tony's presentation included a video of paddling into Toslow...which bought a smile to the 80 in attendance who were all familiar with the famous Newfoundland folk song.

Until we see bottom inside the two sunkers

When straight through the Channel to Toslow we'll go.

The expedition included a wide range of weather including high winds which forced the group to adjust their paddling plans, before and during the trip. The decisions ensured a safe and enjoyable trip.