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Facts & Figures

Since St. Anthony Basin Resources Inc. was formed in 1997:

Did you know that SABRI...

- ✓ has invested in excess of \$13.5 million in infrastructure in the region?
- ✓ has awarded more than \$125,000 in scholarships to area students?
- ✓ has provided \$340,000 to communities in the SABRI region?
- ✓ has employed more than 155 individuals from the area?
- ✓ has contributed in excess of \$2,000,000 in payroll to those individuals?
- ✓ has donated more than \$70,000 to different groups in the SABRI region?

**Helping to build the economy of
Northern Newfoundland
through investment in
our resources and our people**



Tides

THE NEWSLETTER OF ST. ANTHONY BASIN RESOURCES INC.

SPRING 2006

St. Anthony Cold Storage

St. Anthony Cold Storage opened its doors in November of 2004, and during our first week of operation we had two successful offloadings. From an operational perspective the building and the workers have performed extremely well, and customers who have used the facility have complimented the quality of service. In the first twelve months of operation we offloaded vessels for four different companies, and had in excess of 27,000 man

hours at the cold storage. While the operation has proved its ability to successfully provide quality service, we continue to face the challenge of higher fuel prices which undoubtedly is affecting the volume of landings at the facility.

During the first Summer of operation we stored product for local land based plants from Jackson's Arm to Charlottetown, Labrador, and we then shipped their product to market destinations via container vessel. Eimskip,

an Iceland based international shipping company, called the port of St. Anthony three times during the summer of 2005, and this was a success for all parties involved.

We look forward to building our success of the 2005 season, and we will continue to push forward in the upcoming 2006 season.



One additional student awarded Marine Scholarship in 2005

SABRI continues to partner with Clearwater to offer Marine Scholarships to students in the SABRI region. The scholarships are valued up to maximum of \$10,000 depending on which course of study chosen. Courses included in the scholarship are: Marine Engineering, Electrical Engineering (Power Controls) Co-op, Mechanical (Manufacturing) Engineering Technology, Millwright (Industrial Mechanic), Machinist, Welding Engineering Technician, Marine Diesel Mechanic, Advanced Diploma - Food Safety, Advanced Diploma - Aquaculture and Bachelor of Technology.

In 2005 one additional student, Robert Hillier, was awarded the scholarship.

Mr. Hillier is currently enrolled in the Marine Engineering Technology Program at the Marine Institute in St. John's.

There are currently 13 students enrolled in the program. In addition two students have completed the program. To date in excess of \$87,000 has been awarded to students in the SABRI region under this scholarship program.

16 scholarships, bursaries awarded

Harriot Curtis Collegiate

In 2005 SABRI disbursed \$10,400 to Level III students in the SABRI region who decided to pursue their post secondary education. \$2000 in scholarships and \$8,400 in bursaries.

Recipients in 2005 included:



CANDACE SMITH



KRISTA ASH



KATRINA CASSELL



MICHELLE DEAN

James Cook Memorial



NEILDREDGE



ANDREW ELLIOTT



SHAUNA ELLIOTT



CHARLENE KINSELLA



TIFFANY LARKIN

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Mackerel

In 2003 SABRI provided funding to fish harvesters to make two mackerel traps. In 2005 the fishermen of Straitsview requested to use the traps to fish for mackerel as a group. Their objective was to harvest enough mackerel to warrant a company coming in to buy their catch from them.

This has proven to be very successful, the fishermen's combined efforts resulted in landings totaling 100,000 lbs. All fishermen involved benefitted in this as all profits were divided up among them.

Three more communities have come forward requesting funding to make mackerel traps so their fishermen can also test the waters, and as a group, make a success of this fishery.

SABRI has contributed in excess of \$16,000 to this initiative through Fisheries Budget in 2005.

St. Anthony Seafoods

2005 was another good year for St. Anthony Seafoods. St. Anthony Seafoods finally received a Crab Processing License after a long court battle with the Provincial Government.

St. Anthony Seafoods employed more than 200 people from the local area in 2005. All shrimp plant employees gained more than enough hours to qualify for Employment Insurance. Unfortunately the Crab plant workers did not get enough hours because of the shortened season by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans due to soft shell issues.

Shrimp production was steady throughout most of the year with more than 14 million pounds of shrimp being processed. Crab production had a late start and early finish with one million lbs. being processed.

As a result of this activity at both the Shrimp and Crab plants, St. Anthony Seafoods deposited a total of 9-10 million dollars into the local economy through payroll to fishermen and plant workers.

Due to the poor market for crab, St. Anthony Seafoods did not purchase any rock or toad crab.

Exchange rates, lack of European Union Shrimp tariff, declining market and the increase cost of fuel all had an impact on the operations in St. Anthony in 2005. No relief is in sight for 2006.

The 2006 season is scheduled to start in late March.

SABRI Donates \$10,000 to the Grenfell Foundation

SABRI is very proud to support the fundraising efforts of the Grenfell Foundation in efforts to raise funds to purchase specialized medical equipment for the southern part of the Labrador-Grenfell region. The SABRI Board has approved an annual contribution of \$10,000 for a period of three years (2005, 2006, & 2007).



On behalf of the Grenfell Foundation, Boyd Rowe (left) accepts a \$10,000 contribution from Charlie Reardon, Chair of SABRI.

FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT

Mussel Farming

2005 was a busy year for SABRI in terms of Mussel Farming. Not so much with regards to harvesting, however, we began a busy task of setting up a processing plant. The applications for licensing were approved and renovations of a building in St. Lunaire-Griquet were completed with new equipment installed. We were hoping that things would be finished in time for a fall harvest, however, deadlines were extended and a decision was made to postpone processing until the spring of 2006.

SABRI will have 150,000 lbs of mussels ready to harvest in 2006. We feel that selling this amount will not be a problem as we are comfortable with where we sit in today's markets. New markets are becoming available and we will continue to look into these new markets.

For those who have received coupons for our mussels please be advised that they will be carried over to the 2006 season. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and hope you will have a chance to enjoy the mussels in the new season.



Marine Institute, Fish Food and Allied Workers (FFAW), and the North of Fifty Thirty Association (NOFTA).

Two local harvesters had been chosen in 2005 to collect sea cucumber samples. These samples have been sent to the Marine Institute. DFO is looking at four to five years of survey work. There is much work involved in terms of the biology of the animal, this will be carried out at the Marine Institute. Also, further research has to be done on sustainability of the animal.

The initial results are very encouraging. The fishermen harvested approximately 200,000 lbs. of sea cucumber in 2005.

2005 proved successful and SABRI looks forward to the 2006 season.

Rock/Toad Crab

The Toad/Rock crab fishery did not materialize in 2005. Unfortunately, there haven't been sufficient markets for a successful fishery this past season, but SABRI is very optimistic of a future fishery. SABRI is still very dedicated to assisting small boat fishermen to help make this fishery viable.

SABRI continues to monitor the fishery as it has become a very important part of the livelihood of fishermen in the SABRI area.

Whelk

In 2005 SABRI continued to assist small boat fishermen by providing 6¢/lb for each pound of whelk landed by SABRI fishermen and bought by Carroll's Fisheries. This extra amount helped fishermen to offset the cost of truckage and bait. A total of 560,730 lbs of whelk was landed by SABRI fishermen and SABRI contributed in excess of \$34,000.

Sea Cucumber

A project has been undertaken to explore the possibility of developing a new fishery on the Northern Peninsula. The idea to harvest sea cucumbers came about through the combined efforts of several partners, including SABRI, the Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO), the Department of Fisheries & Aquaculture (DFA), the Canadian Centre for Fisheries Innovation (CCFI), the



SUPPORT FOR HIGHER LEARNING (cont'd)

Bayview Collegiate



SAMANTHA HILLIER



JOETTA ADAMS



KAYLA COLBOURNE



STEPHANIE PATEY



SAMANTHA ROBERTS



MARLANA PRIMMER



MELISSA ROBERTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Development Program

In 2005 SABRI made available \$160,000 for the Community Development Program over a three year period. SABRI staff have had several meetings with Community Representatives to elicit their ideas on developments that would help make communities in the region sustainable. It was decided through those meetings to work on a proposal for a three year project to enhance and increase tourism infrastructure within the SABRI region. Pending funding approval, this project is anticipated to employ 25-30 individuals for a three year period. Further economic benefits will be realized as an

increase in tourism infrastructure will provide opportunity for further development within this industry therefore creating more employment.

In moving forward with this initiative, SABRI has met with various stakeholders. A steering Committee has been formed to develop a Terms of Reference for this proposal. ACOA recently approved funding, 75/25, for Consultant Advisory Services to retain the services of a consulting firm to work with the committee to define the plan objectives to support the development of a Tourism Master Plan for SABRI.

SABRI business development services to continue through Northern Resources Diversification Centre - NRDC

In 2002, SABRI partnered with Great Northern Peninsula Development Corporation (GNPDC) to provide business development services in its region. ACOA also supported this initiative with a financial contribution over the past three years.

The business facilitation has involved supporting local entrepreneurs by providing professional enabling assistance to help develop new ideas into viable business ventures. A key focus of this approach has been to address the challenges that entrepreneurs face in patching together help in an effective manner. This has involved working one-on-one with local clients to help rationalize assistance one need at a time. The support provided has been customized to suit each entrepreneur's needs and it has been delivered on an ongoing basis to ensure continuity for greater success.

To date, there have been a number of measurable positive outcomes from the SABRI business development services. Over 100 clients have requested business facilitating assistance. Some 20 new businesses have been started while another 11 businesses have expanded. This business activity has helped to create or maintain over 70 jobs in the local area. These businesses and jobs represent new sources of economic activity that did not exist prior to SABRI implementing its business development services.

Building on the success of the SABRI business development services initiative, NRDC has been established as a college research and business support centre for innovative enterprise development. This new development has evolved over the past six months as a working partnership

involving SABRI, GNPDC and the St. Anthony Campus of the College of the North Atlantic.

It is proposed that NRDC would continue the business facilitation services provided by SABRI and extend those services to the whole of the Great Northern Peninsula through a more integrated and cohesive regional business support framework. It is also anticipated that the business facilitation support can be provided by NRDC through an affiliate relationship with the P.J. Gardiner Institute's Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Gateway located at MUN. The Gateway is recognized as a best practice model that supports the needs of potential entrepreneurs during the early stages of business development through the provision of coaching advice and direction.

As with the SABRI business development services, the day-to-day delivery of the business facilitation services would be undertaken by the GNPDC. Operating under the branding of Gateway North, this component of NRDC would provide a regional focal point for business expertise and knowledge to encourage and nurture entrepreneurs and all types of business.

NRDC will also conduct applied research and provide technical assistance to help find new ways to develop, improve and use local products and services. In effect, NRDC proposes to provide local entrepreneurs and companies with practical research, product development, consulting, business assistance, training, seminars, workshops and other support services. NRDC's overall aim will be to strengthen the local capacity to help encourage innovative resource diversification in the regional economy of the Great Northern Peninsula and create new employment opportunities.

\$10,000 donated to recreational organizations



To assist in the development of youth, SABRI introduced in 2004 a \$10,000 donation to recreational organizations in the SABRI region. The object of the program was to help offset costs of offering the program in order to make it affordable to those who wished to participate.

Groups that received donations in 2005 included:

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| Junior Girls' Broomball | \$1,500 | Aurora Nordic Ski Club | \$1,500 |
| Dolphins Swim Team | \$1,000 | St. Anthony & Area Minor Hockey | \$2,500 |
| Junior Boys Broomball | \$1,000 | All groups must provide updated information on number of members, registration fees and income statements in order to be considered for the program next year. | |
| Viking Trail Ski Club | \$1,000 | | |
| Northern Blades Figure Skating Club | \$1,500 | | |

Fishermen from SABRI's area employed on offshore vessels

SABRI's 3,000 MT shrimp allocation is contracted out with Clearwater. As part of the agreement fishermen from SABRI's area was to be employed on offshore vessels. Currently there are 38 fishermen from SABRI's area employed on the *Arctic Endurance*, *Ocean Prawns* and *Atlantic Enterprise*. The breakdown is as follows:

Breakdown of fishing crew:

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| Zone 1 | 7 | *Zone 1 = St. Anthony |
| Zone 2 | 9 | *Zone 2 = Goose Cove - Great Breat |
| Zone 3 | 12 | *Zone 3 = St. Lunaire-Griquet & Quirpon |
| Zone 4 | 3 | *Zone 4 = Noddy Bay - L'Anse aux Meadows |
| Zone 5 | 7 | *Zone 5 = Ship Cove - Cook's Harbour |

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