

CHRIS and JOY ROBERTS joined the Newfoundland Club of Victoria in 1996

Chris has held the positions of Secretary (2006), Member At Large (2007) & Vice-President (2008)

**Joy has held the positions of Membership Director (2004 – 2006),
Member At Large (2008), Chair of the Children's Christmas Party (2003 – 2006)
and Co-Chair of the annual Beer & Skits (2008)**

Chris and Joy also Co-Chair the Newfoundland Club Dart League (2008)

Chris was born in Harbour Breton, Newfoundland, raised in Hermitage, NL and moved to St. John's, NL in 1985 to attend MUN. He then moved back home for a couple of years to work at the fish plant.

Joy was born in Cartwright, Labrador but lived in Little Bay, Newfoundland since the age of two. When she was 8, her family moved to Point Leamington for a couple of years and then back to Little Bay.

In 1990, Chris moved to Springdale to attend community college. This is where he met Joy, who had moved to Springdale, with her daughter Laura, to take Early Childhood Education ... at the same community college.

Between 1991 and 1993, Chris spent half his time boarding in Gander, in order to continue his studies, and the other half living in Springdale.

Chris and Joy were married on August 15, 1992. *"Some of you may have been at the wedding of Bill and Sharon Hammond on that day, and not at our wedding,"* says Chris. *"But you couldn't be at two places at the same time, so I forgive you!"* he quips.

In 1993, Chris and Joy moved to Bishop Falls and lived there, while Chris worked in Grand Falls, until 1996 when they moved to Victoria, British Columbia. Chris works for Canadian Tire and Joy has been with the Fernwood Neighborhood Resource Group for five years, currently as Manager of the 3 – 5 daycare.

As well as their daughter Laura, Chris and Joy have a son Lucas (better known as Luc).

Although Chris enjoys fishing and camping in his spare time and Joy likes to read, it's probably safe to say that they share one spare-time activity in a whole-hearted way. And that would be, of course, their involvement with the Newfoundland Club of Victoria. Introduced to the Club by Joy's parents, Archie and Christine Strickland, who took them out to the Newfoundland Club Dart League at the DRA in Esquimalt back in 1996, they've been devotedly involved ever since. *"This Club to me is not as much an organization as it is my friends,"* explains Chris. *"Many of you I would not know without being an active member. The friendships we've developed are invaluable to me. And, even though you are not all Newfoundlanders, you are truly great!"* Joy agrees with Chris and adds *"I was always a very shy person, until I joined the Club and I feel I came out of my shell when I became more active in the Club. I especially enjoy getting involved in the Beer and Skits."*

Both Chris and Joy would like to see current members get more involved in the Club. *"The more you put into the Club, the more you'll get out of it,"* says Chris *"And I'd like to see more young people join as members,"* adds Joy.