

# The County’s history through its buildings



The Old Bras d’Or House

by Joan MacInnes

Both of these hotels depicted in the photographs were (are) situated on the



The New Bras d’Or House

Between 1894 and 1924, a period of thirty years, hotelier, Alexander Anderson operated the New Bras d’Or House. From 1924 to 1946, there were a total of seven different owners. In 1946, it was purchased by Alton and Judy Langille. The Langille’s ran the hotel until 1958.

At that time, it was purchased by local entrepreneur, George P. Fraser. He converted the hotel into apartment units.

The two structures were completely different architecturally. The first build-

ing was vernacular for that period which resembled the Georgian style. It was two and a quarter storey with a steeply pitched gable roof. The attached annex to the original hotel followed the same style. The second building was built in an architectural design known as Second Empire. It was three storey with a mansard style roof.

The New Bras d’Or House is extant, however, over the years, it has undergone several changes and modifications. It still has apartment units and also houses a restaurant.

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Hours of operation for the Baddeck branch of the Cape Breton Regional Library, located at the Baddeck Fire Hall, are as follows:

- Tuesday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Wednesday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Thursday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Friday: 10 am - 5 pm
- Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm

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- Tuesday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Wednesday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Thursday: Noon - 5 pm & 6 - 8 pm
- Friday: 9 am - noon & 1 - 5 pm
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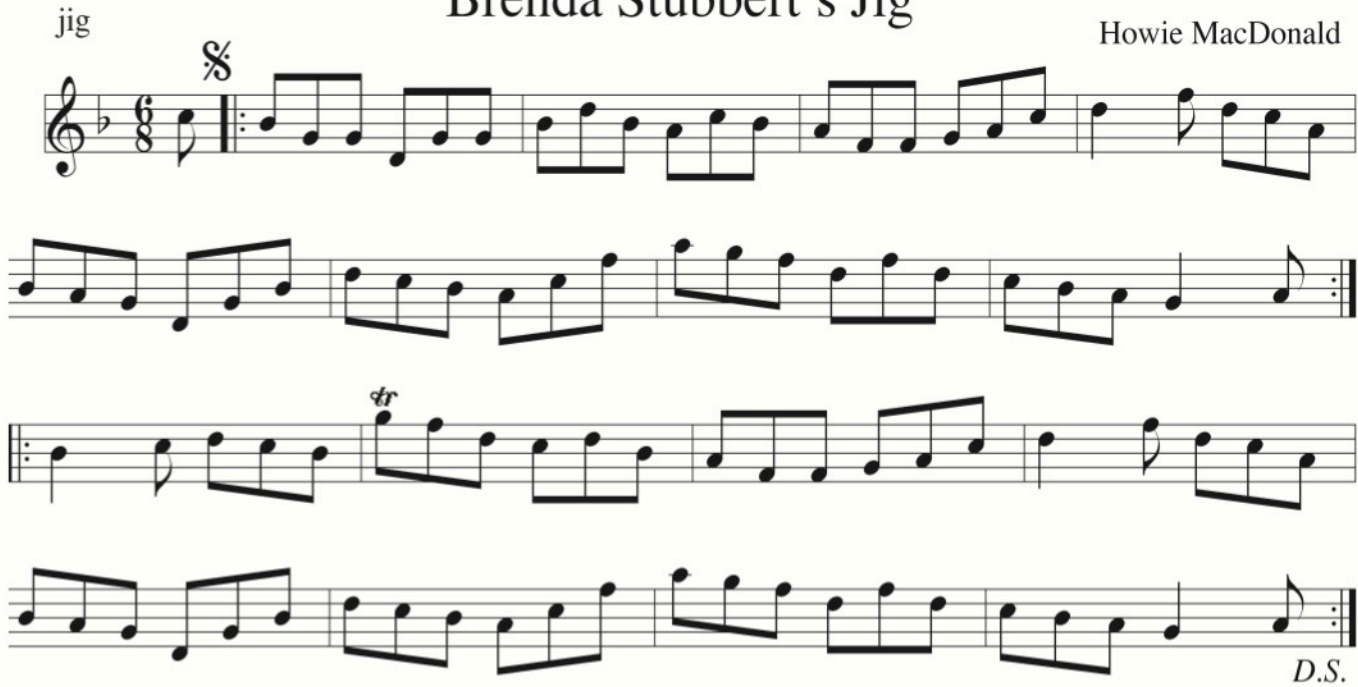
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### Brenda Stubbett’s Jig

Howie MacDonald



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This jig can be heard on *Auld School*, **Howie MacDonald’s** most recent album. The CD version is available at the usual outlets or at Howie’s performances. In upcoming weeks you can hear Howie at the following venues:

- March 10, 8:30 PM, The Cedars Club, Sydney, square dance with Mac Morin.
- March 18, 3-6 PM, Judique Interpretive Centre, concert with Allan Dewar.

## Victoria County’s Residential Curbside Organics Collection

### Garbage Shipped to Guysborough

For the month of February, 2012, **153.6 Tonnes** of garbage were shipped bringing the total to **17,411.16 Tonnes**

Residents can now put organic material such as vegetable peelings, table scraps, meat, fish, poultry, dairy, bones and soiled paper in transparent green bags to be collected weekly along with recyclables and garbage. Special transparent green bags for compost are now available in grocery & hardware stores in Victoria County.

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