Lots of casting, trawling and catching in comedy rehearsals at Grace Tipling Hall

Yes, the cast of Norm Foster's The Great Kooshog Lake Hollis McCauley Fishing Derby is back rehearsing.

The production next month of this rollicking comedy, set in a lakeside town during its annual fishing derby, has been re-energized by the break for Christmas and the New Year.

Of course, there's lots to do in addition to rehearsing the play. Props and costumes must be sourced and selected, lighting design and sound effects, music must all be assessed and re-assessed, and set construction must be scheduled. Community theatre demands lots of commitment from its actors, directors and crew, many working in more than one capacity. But members of the Tipling Stage Company, Shelburne Community Theatre love the challenge. And The Great Kooshog Lake Hollis McCauley Fishing Derby is destined to be a star attraction in Shelburne this winter!

Then, in addition to all that work discussed in the previous paragraph, there are tickets to be sold. The group has help with that. Holmes Appliances and Music Shop, Shelburne IDA and Shelburne Town Hall all have tickets for sale. They are also available on line at www.tiplingstagecompany.com

Show dates are Feb. 19, 20, 26 and 27 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. Plan to laugh away the winter blues.