

Child-ish cooking makes a mess of fine dining



Fair Trade Committee members Anne Winship and Jay Sinha toast the crowd for the launch of the dish library. Below: Vicky Mara tries on one of Tina Trineer's funky hats. Trevor Greenway photos. Below right: Dj BeatScience spins some tunes while a young child rolls around on the stage. Aise Mariane photo



There was a sighting of world renowned chef and author Julia Child's evil twin Julio, at the Fair Trade Fair in Wakefield on May 15.

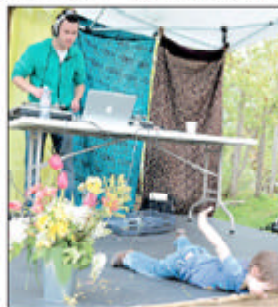
Villagers were treated to Julio Childs demonstrating how to cook a pie from local ingredients. But whatever grace Julia displayed in her prime never carried over to the evil twin, as the chef more or less made a mess of things on stage.

Eggs flew through the air, bananas got squished in bunches, with the animated Childs guzzling wine by the bottle throughout. But "A Lesson In Fine Dining" was all in fun, a sketch put

on by Scott Hebert-Daly and Lara MacIver of Theatre Wakefield, and it had audiences in stitches.

The Childs-ish display was just one event on the Fair Trade Fair program in front of Solstice Books on the sunny afternoon. A two-hour jam session, featuring Claude Lachaine, Jan and Jon Purocell and Nathan Curry who combined their musical skills for an afternoon Cajun jam, preceded the culinary mess-up.

DJ BeatScience then got the floor moving a bit with some world beats he was spinning. The kids responded and danced up a storm on the stage for part of the set.



The Fair Trade Fair featured business kiosks, arts and crafts for kids and the launch of the dish-lending library which is now open. The library aims to cut down on plastic and paper utensils and plates by offering up to 1,000 pieces of dishware to rent for large community events. The Fair Trade Fair was part of a larger Wellness Weekend in La Peche, which kicked off with a Cajun dance on Friday night and closed with a Wellness Gathering in Rupert on Sunday afternoon. The Wellness Gathering hoped to promote the creation of a wellness community in La Peche, and the gathering at the Rupert Community Centre was a fine start.

For more information on the dish-lending library contact Nelda Gonzalez at 819-459-3376.



Scott Hebert-Daly (Julia Childs) dumps some honey on top of a pie while cooking student Lara MacIver takes notes. Trevor Greenway photo