

# Miscellaneous Information about Safe Harbour, Bonavista North

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Circa	Year	Month	Day	Event	Additional Info	Source
decade	1860			Safe Hr first know as Puddingbag Cove	settled mostly by people from Greenspond & Pool's Is	Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1874			Safe Harbour first appears in Census info		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1874			Census states 98 inhabitants, 4 born in England	14 houses, 17 families	1874 Census
about	1888			schooner went to Labrador came in contact with smallpox		Wilfred Osborne
early part of	1900			Safe Harbour names from my childhood: Attwood, Barbour, Blackwood, Bourn, Burton, Burry, Davis, Dyke, Elkins, Feltham, Ford, Gillingham, Goodyear, Green, Granter, Hounsell, Hoyles, Janes, Kelloway, King, Knee, Kean, Moors, Mercer, Osmond, Pelley, Pinsent, Robinson, Shepard, Stokes, Spurrel, Starks, Sturge, White, Winters, Wakely, Welsher		Jake Pinsent
	1901			Population of Safe Hr recorded as 300		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1907			whaling factory closed		1990 Gander Beacon Article about Safe Hr
	1909	Dec	13	Methodist Church at Safe Hr was dedicated.	Used until 1956 when settlement was vacated.	unknown

	1911			SAFE HARBOR, a post settlement in Bonavista district; nearest post town, Shambler's Cove in winter.		1911 McAlpines
	1911			PUDDING BAG COVE, in Bonavista district; nearest post town, Pool's Island		1911 McAlpines
	1921			Peak population of 326 recorded that year		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1930	Apr		arrived in Safe Hr: schooner Neptune	driven across Atlantic in November gales	St Johns Daily News 1930
	1941			population 256		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1945			Population recorded at 181		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1951			population of Safe Hr listed as 155		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1955			51 houses remaining, people moving out		Encyclopedia of NF & Labrador
	1956			people lived in Safe Hr for 82 years in total		H Rogers
early part of	1956			Safe Harbour as settlement was vacated		H Rogers
	1900s			three people died of smallpox and were buried on Partridge Is	one survived, age 3 yr	1990 Gander Beacon Article about Safe Hr
	1900s			"boy, age 10 drowned in a lake of water in the harbour"		1990 Gander Beacon Article about Safe Hr
	1900s			"several fishermen drowned while fishing"		1990 Gander Beacon Article about Safe Hr
	1900s			schooners from Safe Hr: Elsie George, Laura Grace, Water Splite, Fanny		1990 Gander Beacon Article about Safe Hr