Busy Saturday for the Ken Jones Centre

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Last summer, the Ken Jones Centre (a committee of the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre devoted to adults with intellectual disabilities) formally launched envelopes of stone seeds at the Potton Public Market as a light-hearted way to promote Potton and raise funds.

Saturday, Aug. 10, on the occasion of the community’s multicultural festival, the same group participated in the launch of a colouring book for adults and clever kids, entitled "The Curious Story of Potton’s Standing Stones" written by Murielle Parkes and translated into French by Michel Trudel as "L’histoire vraie et authentique des menhirs de Potton." In French, it’s geared for adults as "et les enfants curieux."

In the photo from left to right behind the display are Michel Trudel, Ali Leonard, Murielle Parkes, and Helga Heath. Absent for the occasion was Elizabeth Parkes, an artist who just turned 18 who provided all the illustrations and lives in Ottawa.

In less than a year, several businesses and restaurants have added their own stone-themed produce, including bread, honey, soap, sprouts and traditional tools, available throughout the summer at the KJC kiosk. The colouring book – its most recent addition – is available for $4 + postage from kjc@calm.org.