SOCIETY OF UNITED FISHERMAN TOPSAIL/KELLIGREWS

Society of Newfoundland Fishermen was formed in Newfoundland in 1873. In 1883 a group was formed in Topsail and in 1876 a group was formed in Kelligrews- then known as Middle Bight. The purpose of the groups was to help out members of the community, mainly widows and orphans of sailors and fishermen lost at sea. Members would provide vegetables, firewood, food, etc. to widows and orphans of deceased fisherman. In their heyday the lodges each had 100 - 200 members. Today the organization is known as SUF and is not fisherman based

The group remains active in the community, though on a reduced basis, and host fundraisers for those in need.