

BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER April 2019



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The Deuce is Loose

The Deuce is Loose! Come join your neighbours every Tuesday evening at the Belfast Rec. Centre for our local fundraiser and progressive lottery. Ticket sales and kitchen/bar opens at 6:00 pm, trivia with prizes starts at 7:30 pm. Advance tickets available at Cooper's.

Belfast Consolidated School Report

Congratulations to last year's, grade 9 graduating classes of Belfast Consolidated on excellent results at the start of grade 10 at Montague Regional! The class passed all their 1st term credits, and as a collective, had an overall average of 88.6%! Wow! We also had 7/11 of the students average over 90% in their four courses. We are very proud of our academic standing at our school, and will continue to work hard every day, with parents and the community, to ensure this tradition continues.

Bingo was a huge hit again this year! We received prizes from 70+businesses, filled the gymnasium, and between BCS, and our Home and School, raised close to \$2,000 for the school's Spring Fling hosted in late May/early June for the community. Thanks to George Docherty who donated his share of the \$480 pot in the 50/50 back to the school. Congratulations to our winners Daniel Carpenter, Chloe Henbest, Michelle Nowe, Madelyn Vessey, Dallas Singleton, Mary Mahar, Nikki Livingstone, Joy McCormac, Cathy Stewart, Molly Bell, and Tammy Davies. A great night!

Did you know that Wednesday, April 17th is The Canadian Foundation for Economic Education (CFEE) annual **Talk With Our Kids About Money Day?** If you would like resources to help talk to children about money and finances, please check out www.talkwithourkidsaboutmoney.com for more information.

Last month, we provided some information about what bullying really is. Here are some information about how students and staff view our school; (1) we have a higher sense of belonging, and (2) a higher level of connection to the school as compared to schools our size in PEI and Canada. (3) Students reported 100% positive self-behaviour at the school. (4) 95% of students reported feeling safe at the school, and (5) teachers felt that we score 9.5/10 for providing a safe and orderly school. These stats are from the 2017-2018 Our School Survey provided by the Department of Education. More stats next month!

You can follow us on Twitter @BelfastBulldog, or at https://belfastconsolidated.wordpress.com/.

Mr. John Munro Principal Belfast Consolidated School (mimunro@edu.pe.ca)

Spring Luncheon

Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute will be hosting our annual Spring Luncheon Fundraiser on Saturday, April 6th, 2019, from 11:00am-1:00pm at Belfast Recreation Centre, 3033 Garfield Rd. Tickets are \$10.00.

Call Rebecca 902-659-2647 , or Rose 902-659-2744 or a W.I. member to reserve your tickets.

Proceeds to community projects. Thank you for your support

Calling All Belfast Residents

Announcing the return of "Belfast Days"!

Saturday, June 29th & Sunday June 30th

We need volunteers to join our team to help make this a huge success! We need sponsors and support from local businesses!

Please bring forward your ideas and we will include them into the mix.

We are in the early stages of planning and have a lot of work to do! More details will be coming soon. Such as.... Activities-Entertainment-Food-Parade. Also, a Talent Pageant! We need contestants between ages of 13-18 to enter. This is a diverse pageant, open to girls and boys of Belfast. "Baroness/Baron of Belfast". We want your talent and your willingness to help your community.

"It Takes A Community"

For details please contact:

Lynn Docherty 902-969-3032 <u>lynndocherty1980@gmail.com</u> Tim Docherty 902-969-0235 Rebecca Gerritsen 902-626-5378

Let's Do This!!!!!!

Wood Islands and Area Development News



Spring is a time of renewal and awakening and the WIADC board at the Wood Islands Welcome Centre are fully engaged:

- We are welcoming a new restaurant entrepreneur to the train station. We can look forward to diner style offerings from the appropriately named Wood Islands Whistle Stop Restaurant. The Wood Islands Whistle Stop will be opening in mid May.
- We are very excited about the installation of the electric car charging stations being installed at the welcome centre this spring.
- The **rental hall** has a new coat of paint, a new fridge/freezer and a fully operational high-speed dishwasher. This is a beautiful venue for parties, presentations and training seminars.
- The Agency Liquor Store/Commissary will also open in mid May on a weekend basis until full time hours begin in June.
- We are excited to welcome the return of The Candy Shop and Island Gold Honey to our compliment of shops.

In a refreshed focus we will be implementing a more environmentally sound waste management system with garbage separation containers as well as food containers that are compostable and recyclable.

Watch our web site www.woodislands.ca and Facebook page for progress updates on our planning for a summer concert series, market days, sport, exercise and other events.

Belfast Lions 2019 NHL Playoff Hockey Pool

Be sure to get your playoff bracket pool filled out. Pools may be picked up at Cooper's Red and White. Prize money will be based on the number of pools sold. Pools will be available April 7th. Deadline 8:00PM April 13th.

Council Briefs - Rural Municipality of Belfast

Items of note for the Rural Municipality of Belfast:

2019/2020 Community Grants Awarded

On March 20, 2019, the Council of the Rural Municipality of Belfast awarded \$149,500 in Community Grants, as per Bylaw #2018-02 for the interests and betterment of the Municipality and its Residents. Community Grants for the 2019/2020 fiscal year include the following:

Fire Protection Grant:	Belfast Rural Fire Dept.	\$ 90,000
GPEI Rink Grant :	Belfast Rec Centre	\$ 8,500
Community Grants:		
Belfast Area Watershed Group		\$ 3,840
Belfast Days		\$ 1,000
Belfast Historical Society		\$ 4,000
Belfast Minor Hockey Assoc.		\$ 3,000
Belfast Rec Centre		\$ 26,500
Belfast Minor Soccer		\$ 500
Mosquito Abatement (Pin/Flat/Roseberry)		\$ 750
Pinette Raceway		\$ 2,000
Point Prim & Area Enviro. Dev. Committee		\$ 1,500
Point Prim Lighthouse		\$ 3,000
Wood Islands Area Dev. Corp. (WIADC)		\$ 3,500
WIADC – Wood Islands Light House		\$ 1,500
		\$ 149,590

Council would like to thank all those that participated in the Community Grants process and look forward to the positive results these projects will bring – thankyou.

Next Scheduled Council Meeting

May 15, 2019 @ 7:00 PM - Belfast Fire Hall Agenda to be announced.

New Outdoor Bulletin Board

In an effort to provide the Municipality with as many notification methods as possible; Council has installed an Outdoor Bulletin Board, to provide information to those stopping by the Belfast Firehall and Rural Municipality of Belfast Municipal Office.

Municipal Office

3410 Trans Canada Highway, South Pinette, PE, COA 1BO

Website: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com Email: ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com

Phone: (902) 659-2813 CAO: Bob Brooks

Thank you!

On behalf of myself and Helen, Danny and Thelma, we would like to thank all those who came out to our St. Paddy's Day Shin Dig in aid of the Belfast Recreation Centre. Thanks to Douglas and his staff for making sure a bus load of residents from the Gillis Lodge were able to attend.

With the generous admission donations and the winner of the 50/50 draw kindly donating those funds back to the rink along with an anonymous 'top-up' donation of \$83.00, a total of \$1000.00 was raised to help support the Belfast Recreation Centre. We would like to thank all of you very much.

What a great community we live in!

Thanks again,

George Docherty

Belfast and Area Watershed Group

Songs for our Streams - Thank You!

Belfast and Area Watershed Group would like to extend sincere thanks to anyone who participated in our event. It wouldn't have been possible without the generosity of performers and donors and all who attended, over 120 people in total! The event was a major success and we're already looking forward to next year.

Looking for Work in Belfast this summer?

Belfast and Area Watershed Group soon be looking to hire several crew members to join our team for the summer. High school and post-secondary students who are highly motivated and interested in the environment are welcome to apply. Position details will be posted as funding details are finalized. Those interested in applying or learning more information about the positions can send their resume to belfastareawatershedgroup@gmail.com.

About Belfast and Area Watershed Group

The purpose of the Belfast and Area Watershed Group Inc. (BAWG) is to protect, maintain and enhance the ecology of the area for the environmental, social and economic well-being of the area residents. The geographical coverage area covers the Belfast Area – Eldon to Wood Islands thru to Cape Bear. Since it's beginnings in 2017 the BAWG has provided summer employment for students, planted over 800 trees, built tree swallow boxes for community members, stocked the Roseberry branch of the Pinette River with 500 Brook Trout and are facilitating a restoration project at MacPherson's Mill. For any additional information, please contact Scott Roloson, President, Belfast and Area Watershed Group at 902-393-1061.

Carbon Capture Tree Planting Initiative

Belfast Area Watershed Group (BAWG) is looking for land owners with high sloped fields, fields with sensitive soils and stream buffer zones with reduced forest cover. There is currently a call out under the Carbon Capture Tree Planting Program that would see all planting costs covered and a one-time payment through ALUS program. BAWG is interested in helping land owners access the program. For more information, interested landowners can e-mail belfastareawatershedgroup@gmail.com.

2019 Belfast Lions Club Annual Calendar Fundraiser

Delivery has happened In February! You may have received a visit to your home by a Lions member, or you may not have been at home. If you do not already have your 2019 edition hanging on your wall, you may purchase one at Cooper's Red & White store. The Calendar covers February 2019 to January 2020 inclusive, and provides lots of great information spread over twelve months. For more information, or to be added to our 2020 delivery schedule, please call or text Henry Kliner at 902-978-2447, e-mail BelfastLionsCalendar@Outlook.com, or contact any Lions member.

Thank You Very Much for your continued support of the Belfast Lions Club in raising funds for community needs.

Thank you!

Thanks to George & Helen Docherty, Danny & Thelma Messer, Janice & Joe Hebert, Tom LeClaire, Amy Stewart and Billy Bell for the very successful *St. Paddy's Day Shin Dig* fundraiser for the Belfast Recreation Centre. This benefit performance raised \$1000.00 to help maintain the Rec. Centre. We would also like to express our appreciation of the great community support for this event!

Director of the Belfast Recreation Centre

Pinette-Flat River-Roseberry 2019 Mosquito Program

Once again, the dedicated volunteers of the Mosquito Combat Unit plan to be on the watch. We need your support to continue keeping the mosquito population down from where it was in past years.

Our team of combat trained volunteers can always use more help, when you are available, to help spoil the mosquitoes' plan to make our lives miserable! I am sure most can recall back before the program was started how bad the infestation was. It will, as you know, return, with vengeance, if we do not stay mission-focused to manage these beasts to the best of our ability. As always, and most importantly, we need your continued financially support. For program support in 2019, we are again asking \$120.- per household within our treatment area from Pinette-Roseberry-Flat River to Big Point Road and all stops in between, this is our battleground.

A few things to consider: a) there will always be mosquitos, and we will never eliminate them all; b) before the program started, going outside in the summer was miserable for most homes in this area; and c) we cannot continue without your continued financial support.

Those wishing to support the treatment area, please drop off your contribution at Cooper's Red and White. Cheques or cash are accepted. Mail-in payment can be sent to Debbie Beck, 38 Pinette Road, Belfast PE COA 1AO. An e-transfer is the easiest way to pay, send to belfastmosquitos@hotmail.com. Any contribution amount at all would help, with the continuation of the program. To join the team or for more information, please contact Blair Morrison by phone: 902-626-5481, by e-mail: blairmorrison.75@gmail.com or belfastmosquitos@hotmail.com. Join our Facebook group — Pinette & Flat River Mosquito Program — for updates and treatment calls.

NOTE: There will be a meeting at the Belfast School, Tuesday evening, 9-April-2019 at 7:00 PM to review the go forward plan. All are welcome and encouraged to attend to ask questions, sign up, and or see what it is all about. Payments can be made at this time.

We Thank you for your support,

The Pinette-Roseberry-Flat River Mosquito Team

The Belfast Lions Club - What Lions is All About

As mentioned in the March newsletter, our goal is to support projects that meet the goals of Lions Clubs International and foremost, we have a strong commitment to our community and its needs. When we say Lions support, it is actually each of you by your support, with sponsoring the Belfast Lions Club and our various fundraising events. Our community support is a direct reflection on the wonderful community support we receive from you! Moving forward through the text, when "we" is used, it means you.

Our largest sponsorship activity is providing a financial contribution to individuals who must travel to receive medical assistance they cannot get here at home. This could be to NS, NB, QC, ON or beyond. During the past 12 months, there has been support provided to over 40 individuals.

We will be hosting the annual Seniors Supper in the month of May, with date to follow.

If you are interested in becoming a Club Member, we invite you to attend a meeting or two to learn what we are all about. *All are welcome!* Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:30 PM at Belfast Consolidated School. Please contact David Cooper at 902-659-2667 or 902-940-7415 or any Lions member if you are interested and we will ensure you get to a meeting.

Belfast Historical Society (BHS)

The Belfast Historical Society is a not-for-profit community organization with charitable status. We preserve, protect and promote the arts, culture, heritage and history of the local area.

Should the BHS receive student funding, we will be looking for a 2019 student to work at the Croft House at Selkirk Park this summer for the months of July and August. If history and community are passions and you are interested:

- polish up you resumé;
- register with the PEI "Jobs of Youth" Employment Registry; and
- reach out to any of the following Directors of the BHS. Ian Mac Pherson, Gordon Furness, Kim Doherty Smith, Doris MacDonald, Donald MacDonald, Darlene Compton, Audrey Shillabeer, Kevin Jeffrey, or Phyllis MacCabe.

For messages or news of upcoming BHS events, like (and share, please!) our Facebook page: Belfast Historical Society. We are a wee, but heart strong, organization, and we welcome new members. Our next scheduled general meeting is April 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Croft House on Selkirk Park Road. Speaker (TBA), and shared lunch.

Big Belfast: A Rural Community Model

The Belfast Historical Society continues to work on a community development plan called "Big Belfast: A Rural Community Model" using vision and leadership just as Lord Selkirk did over 200 hundred years ago. "Big Belfast" is a BHS "brand" and follows guiding principles.

There are several community "pillars" under our brand umbrella. One we are focusing on right now is Big Belfast Businesses. A "Fun Map and Passport" of Big Belfast businesses (Lots 57, 58, 60 and 62 — from MacPhail Homestead to Little Sands) — specifically targeting tourists and other visitors to THIS area. (A similar project in past years was successful beyond our wildest expectations.) The fun map is being created now by a local media company and will have room for a limited number of paying businesses to participate. Participating businesses will need to demonstrate support for the Big Belfast concept and brand in the form of a "Letter of Support" which many of you have already kindly provided.

Other "pillars" included in our Big Belfast model are Arts, Culture, Heritage and History; the Environment; Housing; Infrastructure; Education; "Food, Fish, Farm and Forage;" Sports and Recreation; Health and Wellness; Faith; and Transportation... and more can be added as people express interest in them. Details—and actions— are community driven. Thanks to all those who have contacted the BHS and are stepping up already.

An illustration of the community model concept can be found by scrolling through our Facebook page: Big Belfast: A Rural Community Model. Like and share as you wish! Contact Audrey at ajs@bellaliant.net or (902) 940-4784.

The Spring Information Session and Workshop has been postponed —sadly— owing to the health of our favourite facilitator. Some Saturday morning breakfast sessions are being imagined now, instead. Stay tuned.

Mosaic Classes

Kro in the Skye Art Studio will be having Mosaic classes in May and June. The cost is \$200.00 and all materials and tools are provided. If interested, please call Cathy (902) 659-2524 to reserve a spot.

Belfast Highland Greens Golf Course

The Belfast Highland Greens Golf Course is getting ready for another successful year and planning to open as soon as conditions allow!

2019 Rates (HST included):

Adult Membership	\$499.00
Senior Membership (60+)	\$449.00
Student Membership	\$399.00
Monday-Thursday Membership	\$384.00
Junior Membership	\$149.00

Also, there is a \$30.00 tax free PEI Golf Association fee for Adult Membership and \$20.00 for Junior Membership.

Power Cart Membership	\$275.00
Push Cart Membership	\$100.00
Driving Range Membership (Member)	\$95.00
Driving Range Membership (non-Member)	\$150.00

Memberships paid in full by April 15th, 2019 will receive 3 free power cart rentals.

Help Wanted - We require the following staff for the 2019 season:

- 2 Club House staff members
- 1 person for the Pool Canteen
- 1 person for Mechanical Maintenance for operations
- 1 'General Duty' person for the Campground

For more information, or to apply for these seasonal positions, please contact us at HighlandGreens@gmail.com or call the Club House at 902-659-2794.

For the latest information, promotions and updates about the upcoming season please "Like" our page on Facebook, follow us on Twitter @GolfBelfast_PEI, Instagram @belfasthighlandgreens or visit our website www.BelfastHighlandGreens.com.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Belfast Community Development Council will be May 8th at 7:00 PM at the Belfast Recreation Centre.

Coffee Time at the Belfast Rink - Tuesdays 9-11am

Enjoy meeting casually with folks in our community. No meeting, nothing organized, no pressure!!! FREE Coffee and Tea with possibly a treat! Play a game of pool, cards, dominoes, etc. *ALL WELCOME!*

Property Wanted

Large family in Belfast looking to purchase 10+ wooded acres for recreational use. Plan to build off-grid camp for horseback riding, ATV'ing, etc. Hardwood stand preferred. Jack's, Laurie's, and Colluden road are ideal locations. Looking to purchase in May and cash deal only. Email garfieldgardens@gmail.com.

Out of Province Medical Travel Support Programs

You may not know; the Province presently operates four Out of Province Travel Support Programs. The program will provide financial support for eligible patients and/or their essential escorts traveling out of the province. This ensures travel is possible for all PEI residents who hold a valid PEI Health Card. Financial assistance is provided through subsidizing eligible applicants and their essential escorts' fare costs. Health PEI reviews all requests using eligibility criteria, based on total household income:

- 1. *Maritime Bus Program*: subsidizes the cost to Maritime Bus service destinations.
- 2. *Hope Air Flights Program*: a national charity, to provide free commercial flights for eligible PEI residents to travel for medical services out-of-province, outside of the Maritimes.
- 3. Hope Air Bridge Toll Program: subsidizes the cost of, Bridge Toll passes for eligible PEI residents to travel for medical services out-of-province using a private vehicle.
- 4. Hope Air Ferry Pass Program: subsidizes the cost of Northumberland Ferries Limited passes for eligible PEI residents to travel for medical services out-of-province using a private vehicle.

For all additional details and the application process, please go to: www.hopeair.ca/Our-Work/Travel-Request/Travel-Request.

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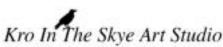


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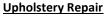








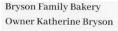




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