



BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

October 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 Red and White.

Apple Pie Sale

Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute will be making and selling Apple Pies on Saturday, October 26th, 2019 at Belfast Recreation Centre, 3033 Garfield Road. Pies are \$10.00 each and must be pre-ordered. Pies are unbaked, ready for the freezer or the oven! To place an order please contact Rose MacKinnon 902-659-2744, or Rebecca Gerritsen 902-659-2647 or any W.I. member from Point Prim-Mount Buchanan Women's Institute. Pies may be picked up that Saturday between 10:30am and 3pm. Proceeds are for community projects.

Thank you for your support and enjoy an Apple Pie!

Belfast Consolidated School Report

Thanks to all the parents and guardians for supporting our Meet the Families Night at the school on Tuesday, September 17th. It was great to see you all, and we are excited to work with our students again this school year. We had approximately 55-65 adults visit! Great numbers for a small school.

Interested in being a substitute bus driver? We have funding for a number of applicants interested in the Class 2 bus driver program through Skills PEI. Interested applicants must fill out PSB application, submit it with resume and proof of grade XII or GED. The next step is an interview process, if successful, you will need to provide other documents such as medical, criminal and driving abstract etc. If you are interested in the free funding, they will need to contact Sharon Horne, to meet the criteria for funding.

The Public Schools Branch started the school year on September 5th with **31** substitutes filling in for permanent drivers. So, we are in desperate need of drivers.

Any interested party can contact me, John Munro, at the school for more information. We have ads running on Jobs PEI, our website, career skills, and in our local newspapers.

The training consists of 3 weeks (Monday to Thursday) school bus driver program offered at JVI Charlottetown which includes First Aid & CPR. PSB will offer a two-evening student management course throughout the fall.

If you would like to volunteer at the school this year, please contact the office, and we would love to discuss your ideas. We have lots of opportunities for parents and community members to be involved in music, art, sports, drama, library, and other activities to help support students' co-curricular learning. We already have a person who is interested in helping in the library!

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

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

Santa Claus is Coming to Belfast!

Santa Claus will be at The Belfast Rec. Centre Saturday, December 7th for a Children's Christmas Party from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. All children will receive a gift from Santa. Please sign up your child with a Lions Club Representative, at Coopers on Tuesdays or Saturdays from 2:00 to 6:00 pm, or at the Belfast Rec Centre on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

This Belfast Community Event is sponsored by the Belfast Lions Club and is for children age new-born to Grade 6 inclusive. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of the Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute.

Belfast Historical Society

Thank you for your support this summer, and always; we met so many wonderful people at the Croft House this year!

Next BHS general meeting on October 24th, and please save the date - "**Christmas in Belfast**" is booked for November 30th at the Belfast Recreation Centre.

Watch Facebook (Belfast Historical Society) for current news and events. Also, Big Belfast: A Rural Community Model on Facebook brings you some great food for thought.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone!

Fall Harvest Dance and Chilli Fest

Saturday, October 12th, 2019 at the Belfast Rec Centre from 8:30-11:30 pm. Proceeds for Belfast Days 2020 Support. Tickets - \$12.00 and must be 19 +.

Entertainment by Diversified - Band of Brothers. Kendall, Jason, and Tim Docherty with Luke Farnham.

Cake Auction. 50/50 Tickets. Silent Auction Prizes. Door Prizes. Caramel Popcorn by Lucky Fox. Pumpkin Spice Tea by David's Tea. Pumpkins & Squash for Sale.

Chili and Biscuits will be served

Come out and support our community and enjoy a good old fashion Country Dance! Wear your plaid shirt, old denim jeans, cowboy boots and straw hat and enjoy the night of a Fall Harvest Dance in Belfast!

For more information contact:

Lynn Docherty at 902-969-3032 or Rebecca Gerritsen at 902-626-5378. *See you on October 12th!*

Belfast Minor Hockey

The Belfast Minor Hockey AGM will take place October 1st, 7:00PM at the Belfast Rec Centre. Looking for good attendance and new Board Members!!!

Belfast Lions Cash Draw

The Belfast Lions Club 31st Annual Cash Draw, coming to you this year on Saturday, November 16th, 2019, at Belfast Consolidated School. Top prizes of \$10,000.00, \$3,000.00 and \$2,000.00 with various other quality prizes. Only 325 tickets are sold. Cost \$100.00 each. Buffet meal at 6:00PM with draw beginning at 7:00PM. The Belfast Lions wish to thank each of you very much for your kind support in this community fund raiser.

Sir Andrew Macphail Homestead

The **Sir Andrew Macphail Homestead** is closed for meals and tours at the end of September. The grounds, forests, and paths are always accessible to the public and the beauty changes with the seasons. Events, weddings, and meetings can be hosted in the lovely historic home all year except the winter. Future public events include:

Thanksgiving Dinner, Monday, October 14th at 1:30 pm. Turkey and all the trimmings, 3-course meal, cash bar, \$37.00 per person. Reservations are necessary.

Lindsay Property Celebration, October 20th at 2:00 pm. The land along the Orwell river between the Macphail land and Orwell Corner Village has been donated to the Macphail Foundation by the Macphail heirs. Sir Andrew's daughter, Dorothy Macphail Lindsay owned this land and a house at Orwell Corner. To celebrate the additional 115 acres of protected land under our management, Gary Schneider of Macphail Woods Forestry Project, will give a talk on the ecological history of the property and guide a walk through the forest. There will be refreshments and traditional music. Donations will be gratefully accepted for the restoration of this land which needs more indigenous trees and plants, as well as paths and bridges.

Christmas Craft Fair, Sunday 11:00 am – 3:00 pm. A cozy fair with crafters setup around the house. Hot soup, fresh biscuits and baking available.

Christmas Dinners, November 23rd (Sat 6:00 pm), 24th (Sun 2:00 pm), 29th (Fri 6 pm), 30th (Sat 6 pm). A 3-course traditional turkey dinner will be served, the cost is \$37.00pp, cash bar, live background music and some sing-along caroling at the end. Reservations are necessary.

All reservations can be made on our website or by e-mail at: www.macphailhomestead.com or macphailhomestead@gmail.com. Telephone messages may be left for Angie Jeffrey at 902 651-2789.

Stewart MacRae Memorial Golf Tournament - Thank You!

The Belfast Lions Club would like to THANK all who participated in and helped support the Second Annual Memorial Golf Tournament in memory of Charter Member, Lion Stewart MacRae. It was a great day of golf and friendship. We greatly appreciate everyone's help in making this a success.

Thank you for your Support!

Belfast and Area Watershed Group

BAWG continues to work through the fall season on planning for 2020, along with stream monitoring. Concept planning is beginning for a 2020 special EcoArt project and we invite local artists that wish to volunteer and assist with planning to get in touch with Sherry at belfastareawatershedgroup@gmail.com.

We thank the community members that are participating in citizen science via weather station installations and shoreline erosion monitoring pins. These projects are in collaboration with the UPEI Climate Lab and enables data to be collected for research on climatic changes in our region.

Point Prim Lighthouse

October hours are as follows: September 15th to October 13th, open 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Tuesday to Saturday. October 15th to October 24th we are open when cruise ships are here.

Email pointprimlighthouse@gmail.com for more information.

Belfast Rural Municipality Council Briefs

Items of note for the **Rural Municipality of Belfast** for the month of October 2019:

New Mailing Address:

As per new Canada Post Mailing Guidelines, our new mailing address is as follows:

3410 Trans Canada Hwy, South Pinette, PE COA 1R0

\$256,245.58 Gas Tax Funding – Approval-In-Principle*

At the September 18th, 2019 Council meeting, (7) Not-For-Profit Organizations received **Approval-In-Principle** for Gas Tax Funding through 2019-2024. *Final approval is still required by the PEI-Canada Infrastructure Secretariat.

Approval-In-Principle awards include:

Infrastructure Improvements at Wood Islands	\$24,624.00
Emergency Warming Centre	\$84,705.00
Selkirk Park Church Re-Model/Re-Purpose	\$20,916.58
Iona Park Revitalization	\$21,000.00
Pinette Raceway Refurbishment	\$44,000.00
Point Prim Lighthouse Repairs/Lantern Floor	\$11,000.00
Roseberry Pond Fishway Installation	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
Total Awarded:	<u>\$256,245.58</u>

Congratulations to all the award recipients for continuing to strive for improvements and services in this municipality.

Much appreciated!

Additionally:

At the August 12th, 2019 Special Meeting of Council – Council authorized a Municipal Strategic Component Gas Tax Funding submission for the Municipality for an Official Municipal Plan, as per the **Municipal Government Act** requirement for 2020. This \$100,000 submission now goes to the PEI-Canada Infrastructure Secretariat for Final Approval.

Next Regular Council Meeting:

October 16th, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

Municipal Office:

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Email: ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com

Phone: (902) 659-2813

CAO: Bob Brooks

Belfast Lions Community Birthday Calendars – 2020!

The 2020 edition of the Belfast Lions Community Spirit Calendar is now being prepared for publication and we are looking for this year's Featured Photo. If you have an image of Belfast and area that you would like considered for the 2020 Calendar please e-mail your image to BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com before October 30th, 2019.

If you are a Calendar subscriber, a Lions Club member will be contacting you to verify your information. If you are not a subscriber and would like to be included in the 2020 Calendar campaign, please contact any Belfast Lions Club member, e-mail us at BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com, or contact Henry Kliner at 902-978-2447.

Thank you for your support of this yearly fundraiser!

Belfast Recreation Centre

We are hiring!! Looking for an Arena Manager. This is a Full Time Seasonal position October - March Annually. Please contact Monica Ross via email at mjross59@gmail.com for full job description and to submit applications!!

BURNING PERMITS ARE FREE

A friendly reminder from your Fire Department
PLEASE READ THE PERMIT CAREFULLY, FRONT AND BACK

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THE FIRE PREVENTION ACT, states from March to December any year... -"there shall be NO OPEN FIRES (GRASS, BUSH ETC) WITHOUT A PERMIT".

Landowners, contractors, government/private projects are required to have burning permits which are available from the Dept of Energy & Forestry District Office, West Royalty on Beach Grove Road (368-4800). It is VERY IMPERATIVE that the landowner check the fire index via internet, local radio stations, TV and the newspaper also report the fire index each day through the summer month. If in doubt, contact the Forestry Dept.

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW CHANGES LISTED BELOW:
FAILURE TO HAVE A VALID BURNING PERMIT WILL RESULT IN AN INVOICE. FOR SERVICES OF \$200.00 OR MORE

HAVE A SAFE SUMMER!

Camp Buchan

Drop off your pop bottles/cans and beverage bottles/cans at the shelter set up at the entrance to Camp Buchan. Appreciate that you remove the caps and rinse the containers, helps at the recycling depot.

Your refundable containers support the maintenance at Camp Buchan. *Thank you for your Support!*

Coffee Time at the Belfast Rink - Tuesdays 9:00 - 11:00 AM

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!

Out of Province Medical Travel Support Programs

As you may not know, the Province presently operates four Out of Province Travel Support Programs. The program has provided 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 Confederation 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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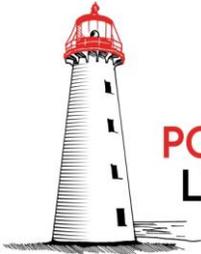
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