



# BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## December 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.

### **Belfast Consolidated School Report**

We will be having our Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm (storm date is Thursday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>). We will also be hosting a fundraising canteen and 50/50 for the graduating class of 2020 for their year-end trip that evening. There will be baked goods and other treats for sale. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Badminton for 18+ is starting on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. The cost is a \$1 or \$2, and it's open for all skill levels. The money goes towards the School's PE Department. For December, we will hold badminton on Tuesdays, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup>. I hope to see you there!

We will be having a grade 7-9 basketball team this year from November to February. We would love to see you come to the games and support the students. We will post the games online and will share in future Lions Newsletters.

Congratulations to some of our former students/athletes who won gold this past fall with the MRHS sport teams. Lacey White and Mia Martell scored goals to win 2-1 and win gold in Women's A soccer in November. Team members included; Lacey, Mia, Macy Hancock, and Carrie Docherty. For men's golf, Jack Munro, won AAA gold for individual after a five-hole playoff. In team golf, MRHS won AAA gold with Jack Munro, Joel MacEachern, and Belfast Highland Greens members, Caleb Drake, and Isaac Drake. It certainly speaks highly of the work done by our local golf course. Congratulations to all our former athletes for great performances!

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

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([mjmunro@edu.pe.ca](mailto:mjmunro@edu.pe.ca))

### **Santa Claus is Coming to Belfast!**

Santa Claus will be at The Belfast Rec. Centre Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Rural Municipality Council Briefs**

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

#### **New Remuneration Bylaw for Review, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, and Adoption:**

At the regular Council Meeting of October 16, 2019, Council adopted a proposal for a new Remuneration rate for the Municipal Council for the 2020/2021 fiscal year and ongoing. Consequently, a new Remuneration Bylaw is required. The new Bylaw will be presented for review and first reading at the December 5, 2019 regular Council Meeting. To view the Draft Bylaw, please go to the Municipality Website at: [www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com](http://www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com)

**Next Regular Council Meeting:** December 5, 2019 @ 7:PM at the Firehall – 3410 Trans Canada Highway – items of note on the Agenda include:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Remuneration Bylaw # 2020-01
- Letter of Support – Access to Pioneer Cemetery Road

#### **Happy Holidays Everyone!**

During this holiday season, let us take time to slow down, enjoy friends and family, and also think about those less fortunate. May this wonderful time of the year touch your heart and those around you in a special way. The Council of the Rural Municipality of Belfast would like to wish all the residents, organizations, and businesses, much happiness and prosperity today and throughout the New Year to come.

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### **Mount Buchanan – Point Prim Women's Institute**

Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute would like to thank everyone who supported our apple pie project. Thanks to all who purchased pies and to the many volunteers who helped with the pie making. Many hands make light work!

Proceeds to many community projects. Hope everyone enjoyed their pies. *Thanks again!!*

Members of Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute.

### **Skate Night**

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Belfast Rink. Skate night is for all ages with proceeds going to PEI Lung Association. Prizes. Candy Canes. Cookies. Hot Chocolate served in the canteen! Admission is \$5.00.

For more information please contact Lynn Docherty by telephone at 902-969- 3032 or e-mail [lynndocherty1980@gmail.com](mailto:lynndocherty1980@gmail.com).

### **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!*

### **Belfast Lions 2019 Cash Draw Update**

The Belfast Lions would like to thank all those who participated in our 2019 Cash Draw, as well as those who generously sponsored us.

We are happy to confirm that all 325 tickets were sold and entered into the draw. All tickets were drawn on the evening of Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> with the last three tickets out of the drum winning the major cash prizes. Congratulations to all our winners and a special tip of the cap to the final three; Bobby Cooper (3<sup>rd</sup> prize), Emily & Bailey Gillis (2<sup>nd</sup> prize), and Rebecca Gerritsen and Stewart & Nancy MacLean (1<sup>st</sup> prize).

#### **Cash Draw Winners:**

Rebecca Gerritsen	\$ 10,000.00
+ Stewart & Nancy MacLean	
Emily & Bailey Gillis	\$ 3,000.00
Bobby Cooper	\$ 2,000.00
Iona Group	\$ 1,100.00
Layton & Anna Docherty	\$ 900.00
Dan Ross	Auto Detailing Package
David Crosby	Pressure Washer
One Mission Farms	\$ 200.00 Oil Gift Certificate
Lynne Guignard	Golf Membership

#### **\$ 100.00 Winners:**

Al & Erika Young	Ben & Gordon MacLean
Gerald Martin	Malcolm & Elaine MacKenzie
Letty Abbott	Vernon River Lions Club
Ruth Gosselin	Tonia & Nick Fraser
Scott Annear	Jeff Nelson
Everett MacMillan	Darcy & Kim MacRae
Terry Huestis	Morley Annear
Joe Goeseel	Derek Gillis
Doug & Holly Martin	Donald MacRae
Adel & Aya El-Mowafi	Graham Morrison
Mary MacPherson & Kaye MacDonald	
Jerry Morrison	

#### **'Second Chance' Winners:**

East Side Truck and Auto	John MacPherson
Scott Speelman	Jena & Irene
Trevor MacDonald	Darlene White
Kevin & Roberta MacLean	Gerry MacRae
Fred Duffy	Courtney & Katie MacLean
Dunkers & Billy & Stephen & Charles & Philip	Bonnie Gillis

### **St. John's Presbyterian Church Christmas Cantata**

St. John's Presbyterian Church's Christmas Cantata will be presented at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

On Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, the Christmas Eve services are as follows: Wood Island - 6:00 p.m. St John's, Belfast - 7:00 p.m. Come and enjoy as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child!

### **Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation**



Join us for Yoga at Wood Islands with Joan Doucette on Wednesdays at 9:30 am. This is a free 4-week program starting Nov 27<sup>th</sup> in our beautiful hall. This class is sponsored by goleastepei and hosted by WIADC.

Our electric car charging station is installed but not yet connected to the grid. Watch for our announcement when it becomes fully operational.

We had a busy year at the Wood Island Lighthouse this past season and were able to have the large range light painted. New windows were installed this season and in the Spring we will be installing a ramp and decking around the lighthouse to make the lighthouse more accessible.

Thank you to everyone who supported our operation by visiting the Whistle Stop restaurant, Wood Islands Liquor Store, Sweet Shoppe and Island Gold honey and the lighthouse.

Don't forget that our hall is available for rental throughout the winter and has a fully equipped kitchen. We will soon be installing sound remediation panels and a new sound system to enhance your event.

Watch our Facebook page and website [www.woodislands.ca](http://www.woodislands.ca) for information on events coming up.

### **Belfast Historical Society**

As 2019 draws to a close, The Belfast Historical Society would like to thank the Lions Club for allowing us this space to share our vision and our activities with this community. We want to wish everyone reading this newsletter a Christmas filled with peace, joy, and love.

*Never a Christmas morning,  
Never the old year ends,  
But someone thinks of someone...  
Old days,  
Old times,  
Old friends.  
Nollaig Chrìdheil (Merry Christmas)*

### **Belfast and Area Watershed Group**

Nature is not a place to visit; it is our home (*Gary Snyder*) and at this time of year may the beauty of nature fill your heart and home with joy and peace. The staff and board of BAWG send heartfelt wishes across the breezes for all the assistance from members and encouragement from fans throughout the year.

Mark the date: 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Songs for our Streams will be March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If you would like to donate a door prize or raffle item please email Sherry at [belfastareawatershedgroup@gmail.com](mailto:belfastareawatershedgroup@gmail.com), or text 902-218-1582. *Happy Holidays!*

### **MacLean's Christmas Tree Farm**

Warren and Sandy MacLean would like to thank our valued customers for choosing our Christmas trees and wreaths over the past 30 years. Although enjoying our retirement, we will certainly miss your friendship, stories, and smiles from the children during the Festive Season. *Happy Holidays to all!*

*Thank you again, Warren and Sandra MacLean*

### The Belfast Lions Club - What Lions has Recently Supported

As mentioned in previous newsletter, our aim is to support projects that meet the goals of Lions Clubs National and International, with a strong commitment to our community and its needs as our foremost objective. When we say, "Lions support", it is actually each of you by your support and sponsorship of the Belfast Lions Club and through various fundraising events. During the months of October and November, The Belfast Lions Club has provided support to:

- 10 families for off-Island Medical Travel
- Malpeque and Area Lions Club fund raiser
- Pinette Raceway
- Kidney Foundation
- Parasport PEI
- Portage Atlantic Centre

We cannot always be aware of when individuals travel for off-Island medical support. If you know of someone requiring travel for off-Island medical care, please let a Lions member know so that the Club can do its part in supporting our community. *Thank you!*

### Thank you

We would like to extend a huge Thank You to everyone who came to celebrate our 40th Wedding Anniversary! Special thanks to our family who organized the surprise and to Adrian Power, Norman Steward, & Jim Madden for the wonderful music. The beautiful cards and gifts are also appreciated. We are so blessed to live in such a wonderful community!!

Cathy & Donald MacPherson

### Thank You

The Belfast Lions Club would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all who have supported this Newsletter throughout 2019. Your contributions, kind words, generous sponsorship and ongoing encouragement are greatly appreciated .

*Thank you!*

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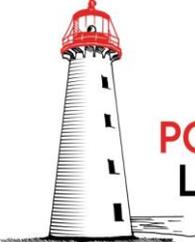
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