



BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

November 2020

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Belfast Lions Cash Draw

The Belfast Lions Club 32nd annual Cash Draw will be happening Saturday, November 21st, 2020. Cash prizes of \$10,000.00, \$3,000.00, \$2,000.00, \$1,000.00, \$600.00, \$400.00 and 22 x \$100.00 will be awarded.

Tickets are \$100.00 each and a limit of only 325 tickets are available. *This event sells out quickly!* Please contact any Belfast Lions Club member or e-mail BelfastNewsletter@outlook.com to request your ticket.

To satisfy Public Health restrictions, and respect the need to maintain Social Distancing, we will be presenting this event Live and Online via our Belfast Lions Facebook page at: [Facebook.com/BelfastLionsPEI](https://www.facebook.com/BelfastLionsPEI). Live streaming will start at 7:00pm with the Cash Draw beginning at 7:30pm.

The Belfast Lions Club would like to say, "Thank you!" for your kind support of this community fund raiser.

Belfast Community Development Corporation

Update from the Belfast Community Development Corporation (BCDC).

Call for Directors

BCDC would like to thank departing directors Jim Kinnee and Clifford McKenna for their volunteer service with the organization. The organization is looking for new individuals to join our volunteer Board of Directors. If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact BCDC by e-mail at belfastcommunitydevcorp@gmail.com.

BCDC's mission is to improve the economy of the Belfast area and enhance the quality of life for its residents. The organization operates the Belfast Highland Greens Golf Course and Lord Selkirk Campground.

Annual General Meeting

BCDC will be having its Annual General Meeting for the 2019 season on Wednesday, November 25th at 7pm. The AGM will be held online due to COVID-19. For details on how to participate in the meeting, please contact BCDC by e-mail at belfastcommunitydevcorp@gmail.com or monitor the "Belfast Highland Greens" Facebook page for meeting information closer to the date.

Belfast Lions Community Birthday Calendars – 2021

The 2021 edition of the Belfast Lions Community Spirit Calendar is now being prepared for.

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 2021 Calendar campaign, please contact a Belfast Lions Club member, e-mail us at BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com, or call/text Henry Kliner at 902-978-2447. *Thank you for your support!*

Belfast Consolidated School Report (as of October 25th)

I am sad to say that we will not be able to host a Remembrance Day Ceremony, or Christmas Concert at our school this year, due to COVID-19 restrictions. This will leave such a hole in our school year! Our students and staff always enjoy honouring our service men and women with song, plays, poems, and the laying of the wreaths. It is important for our community to continue to acknowledge the sacrifice so many made for our great country. Also, the Christmas Concert was always a "packed house" event, showcasing our students' great musical and performing abilities. I didn't mind having some of the baked goods at the event either, as they are always tasty, and helped to support our grade 9 students' trip in June. We will try to do something online, that we can share with others.

We are hoping we will be able to have the community start to use our facility again for meetings and sports. Stay tuned to our website for more information. We love to have the community using our building.

Our volleyball teams are off to an excellent start! The boys are 3-0, and the girls are 1-2. You can follow our website for upcoming games.

Congratulations to the boys and girls golf teams who participated at Provincials at Avondale Golf Course in October. Playing for the girls were Abbie Bell, and Milla Beck. For the boys, Dallas Singleton, Tristan John Solomon, and Callum Thomson. We want to thank Marshall, the staff, and the board of the Belfast Golf Course for supporting our team this year. We had 9 students participate during the fall, and they will all be great members of the course in the future. Thanks to Mr. Johnson for coaching the team this fall.

Congratulations to our cross country runners, and coach Johnson this year. Due to COVID-19, only 3 students went to provincials. Maddison Docherty, Bianca Harcourt, and Seamus Ryan. We held a cross country day at the school for grades K-9, as the younger age groups did not have a meet to attend.

Next on the sport schedule, girls and boys basketball! If anyone would like to support in helping to coach a basketball team, or help with gymnastics, we would love to have extra people share their expertise. Please call the school at 902-659-2532 if you are interested.

For more information, you can follow us at <https://www.belfastconsolidated.wordpress.com>, on Twitter @BelfastBulldog, on Facebook at Belfast Consolidated Home and School Association, or on our YouTube Channel BelfastConsolidatedSchool.

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

Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation



The Wood Island Village shops want to thank everyone who supported us this season through your purchases and visits to our centre.

The liquor store, lighthouse, Sweet Factory and Whistle Stop are now closed for the season.

- Thank you to our loyal staff for their unwavering support through this unusual season
- Praise and gratitude to Zoe Hanson for her continued care for our flower beds and trees.
- Thank you to Island Pride for supplying flowers for our centre.

We hope 2021 will bring a season of fun and prosperity for all.

We are pleased to announce that we will have ongoing yoga classes throughout the fall and winter with Joan Doucette. Classes will continue on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in the Plough The Waves hall.

Watch for further news on our Facebook page, website, and news outlets for details on a Christmas tree lighting event on Dec. 5th or 12th depending on weather. This event will be in partnership with the Belfast BRM and will include music, warm beverages, and safe distancing camaraderie.

Remember that we have a well-equipped hall that is available for rent. In current guidelines it is approved for 15 people appropriately distanced.

Don't forget that we have an electric car charging station that is available year-round.

We are planning to organize "in hall" classes to keep us connected through the winter. They could include painting, felting, repair workshops and re-purposing items. If you have a class you would like to see offered or you could lead let us know. You can contact us through a private message on Facebook, phone 902-962-3761 or email wiadc@woodisland.ca.

Watch our Facebook page and web site www.woodislands.ca for information on developments and events at The Wood Islands Village and Lighthouse.

Belfast and Area Watershed Group

Reminder: For our many members that have installed tree swallow bird boxes we encourage you to clean them out this fall in preparation for the spring nesting period.

With the holiday season approaching, BAWG invites you to visit our fundraising craft sale on Saturday, November 14th at Cooper's. Weather permitting, we will be set-up with volunteer created holiday items to bring cheer to your home or as gifts for others. This is a fund-raising event to support the watershed activities in our area, and we appreciate all community support that enables BAWG to continue. Follow us on Facebook (BAWG1) for a sneak-peek at the crafty gifts on offer. BAWG contact: Sherry Pelkey, bawgpei@gmail.com.

Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs

Items of note for the **Rural Municipality of Belfast** for the month of November 2020:

Councillor Resignation

It is with regret that Councillor Audrey Shillabeer has tendered her resignation from the Rural Municipality of Belfast effective October 21, 2020. In her resignation notice, Councillor Shillabeer notes that: *"I have enjoyed serving the community and my resignation is not something I do happily... I wish the Council the very best, and believe they are in very good hands with you at the helm, Mr. Mayor. The community is well served by each and everyone on Council with diverse expertise, intelligence, thoughtfulness, and true caring, each of you! Belfast is fortunate at a time when gender parity is a concern in politics generally and women have been reluctant to step up elsewhere, our Council has set a positive example..."* This resignation will require the Municipality to hold a call for a By-Election early in the new year. Notices and advertisements will be posted as we have more information. Our best wishes go out to Councillor Shillabeer and her husband in their future endeavours. Councillor Shillabeer will be truly missed on this Council.

New Municipal Meeting Space

All future Municipal Meetings will be held in the Upstairs Wood Island Meeting Hall.

Next Scheduled Council Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will take place on November 18, 2020. Agendas for the meeting will be announced and available on our Website, at least five days prior to the meetings at: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com.

Stay Safe and Healthy Everyone!

Municipal Office:

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Selkirk Millennium Club

All activities of the Selkirk Millennium Club, including regularly scheduled meetings and events have been postponed until further notice.

COVID-19

During these uncertain times, the Belfast Lions Club encourages our friends and neighbours to do all they can to stay safe and healthy by following the guidelines provided by Health PEI and the Chief Public Health Officer.

For more information and updates on the current pandemic situation, visit the PEI Government's COVID-19 information website - <https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/topic/covid-19>. Further information is also available on their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/govpei/>.

Be safe and stay healthy!

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AN INVOICE FOR SERVICES OF \$200.00 OR MORE
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The Deuce is Loose

The organizers of the Deuce Is Loose fundraiser have decided to postpone our weekly draw until further notice. The jackpot will hold steady until that time and we will resume where we left off.

Thank you all for your continued support!

Belfast Lions Club
Belfast Fire Department
Belfast Rec Centre Board

St. John's Presbyterian Church

Youth Group for students in Junior and Senior High is held Monday evenings from 6:00pm - 8:00pm at St. John's Presbyterian Church (located at 2794 Garfield Road), Belfast.

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Councillor - **1 Vacancy**

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Councillor - **Joanne Vessey**

Chief Administrative Officer - **Bob Brooks**

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Note our new meetings location at the Upstairs Wood Island Meeting Hall.

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