



BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

February 2021

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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/govpe/>.

Be safe and stay healthy!

Belfast Consolidated School Report (As of January 20th)

You are invited to attend adult badminton (+18 years of age) at Belfast School on Monday nights from 6:30-8:00, and pickle ball (+35 years of age) on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30. You don't need to have any equipment, just sneakers for the gym. The cost is a \$1 or \$2. The money goes to school athletics (new equipment, jerseys, etc.). To date, we have had 17 different badminton players, and 12 pickle ball players. If you are interested, please contact the main office to register.

We will be doing a fundraiser for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of PEI through our "Toonies for Trayton" initiative. Trayton Acton was a grade 5 student at Belfast Consolidated School who passed away suddenly in September 2018. Trayton was a wonderful student who was loved by all our students and staff. He was active in school, and community sports. If you are interested in making a donation to our PEI Heart and Stroke fundraiser in Trayton's name, please contact the school. Thank you for any support you can provide.

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

On Facebook at Belfast Consolidated Home and School Association.

On YouTube Channel BelfastConsolidatedSchool.

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

Wood Islands Women's Institute

The Wood Islands Women's Institute would like to thank everyone who supported our first on-line Christmas auction. Your support through donations and bidding made it an amazing success. Visit our website "Wood Islands Women's Institute" for information on WI news and stay tuned for news on our next Christmas on-line auction.

Many thanks!

Notice of By-Election March 15th, 2021 - Councillor

The Rural Municipality of Belfast will be holding a By-Election on March 15th, 2021 to fill one Councillor vacancy for the remaining Council term to December 2022.

The By-Election Calendar is as follows:

- **Notice of Nominations** – Friday, January 1st, 2021
- **Nominations Open** – Wednesday, February 17th, 2021
- **Nominations Close** – Friday, February 26th, 2021

Following the Close of Nominations, an:

* Immediate electronic public notice of **extension** will be issued, if enough candidates have not been nominated (if required), **or**

* Immediate electronic public notice of **Candidates for By-Election** will be issued, if enough candidates have been nominated (if required), **or**

* Immediate electronic public notice of **Acclamation** will be issued, if only one candidate is nominated for the vacant position of Councillor.

- **By-Election Advance Poll** (if required) – Saturday, March 13th, 2021 (Belfast Firehall)
- **By-Election Day** (if required) – Monday, March 15th, 2021 (Belfast Firehall)
- **Councillor Sworn In** – Wednesday, March 17th, 2021
- **First Day of Office for New Councillor** – Thursday, April 1st, 2021 (term will end on December 6th, 2022)

Nomination Forms are available on the Municipality Website at: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com.

Anyone interested in discussing the matter, or wishing further information, can contact your local Council Members, or contact the CAO at: ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com.

Municipal Office

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Belfast and Area Watershed Group

Are you a member of the Belfast Area Watershed Group yet? If not, we invite you to join us and stay informed of our conservation, restoration and advocacy work, including educational and volunteer opportunities. Help us care for our land and water resources, and wildlife communities, together. Email Sherry at bawgpei@gmail.com – Subject: membership. Include: full name, email & mailing address, phone number.

Thank you!

Belfast Lions Community Spirit Calendar 2021 – DELAYED!

The Belfast Lions Club regrets to inform our loyal subscribers that the 2021 edition of the Community Spirit Calendar will be delayed.

For 38 years, Linmark Publishing Ltd. of Vancouver, B.C. has provided us with the Calendar that has become so popular with Belfast residents. Sadly, in December of 2020, Linmark Publishing declared bankruptcy and closed their doors forever.

This unfortunate turn of events has forced us to seek an alternate publisher to provide the 2021 Calendar. We are currently in the process of working with a new supplier to print the 2021 Calendar.

This new partnership will take time to develop and will require a *huge* effort to start over from the beginning. Although the Belfast Lions Club and our new publisher are working exceptionally hard to print and deliver the Calendar as soon as possible, there will be an unavoidable delay in delivery. Everything possible is being done to have the Calendar available by early March. For this reason, the Calendar will cover the 12-month period from April 2021 to March 2022.

We thank you for your patience and continued support of this important annual fundraising effort as we work through the difficulties caused by the bankruptcy and closure of Linmark Publishing Ltd.

Further updates on the progress of the Calendar and availability will be provided via the Belfast Lions Club Facebook page at www.facebook.com/belfastlionspei/ as well as in the upcoming edition of this Newsletter. If you have any questions regarding the Calendar, please contact Henry Kliner by e-mail at BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com or call 902-978-2447.

Valentine's Online Auction & Toonies for Trayton Campaign

It's that time of year again when we support the Heart and Stroke Foundation during Heart Month. This year we need to make a few adjustments due to Covid19. Our usual Valentine's dance will be replaced with an amazing assortment of Auction items online. We will combine the total raised with the monetary contributions collected by the students at Belfast Consolidated School from February 8th-12th, 2021.

On February 12th, there will be a presentation to a representative from the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

This is our continued commitment to remember Trayton Acton.

A Facebook Page will be created by February 1st with the items up for bid.

Please support this combined event as an ongoing mission to raise awareness and funds for heart health and stroke prevention on PEI. There will be links and info on this page for contacts and making donations to this important event.

Kindest Regards,

Lynn Docherty

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Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs

Items of note for the **Rural Municipality of Belfast** for the month of February 2021:

By-Election – March 15th, 2021

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Notices and documentation are available on the Municipality Website at: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com.

Anyone interested in discussing the matter, or wishing further information, can contact your local Council Members, or contact the CAO at ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com.

New Municipal Office

Please be advised that as of February 1st, 2021 the Municipal Office for the Rural Municipality of Belfast will now be located at 13056 Shore Road, Wood Islands (in the Wood Islands Village). At this time, we would like to thank the Belfast Firehall for generously housing our Municipal Office for the past few years. *Thankyou!*

2021/2022 Community Grants Program

Please be advised that the Rural Municipality of Belfast is now accepting applications for this year's Community Grants. Deadline for Applications is March 7th, 2021. Applications and eligibility can be found on the Municipal Website at: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com and thankyou to everyone for your commitment to the Municipality!

Notice of 2021/2022 Budget and Financial Plan Consultations

Notice is hereby given, that the Municipality will be holding public meetings on February 17th and March 17th to discuss and ratify the Municipality's 2021/2022 Budget and Financial Plan. Public input is welcome and encouraged. Agendas will be posted on our website.

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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!

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Chief Administrative Officer - Bob Brooks

Check out our Website for Contacts, Meeting Times/Dates, Agendas, Notices and
Note our new meetings location at the Upstairs Wood Island Meeting Hall.

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