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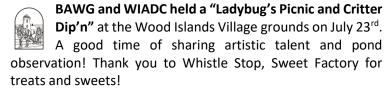
COVID-19

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!

Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation



August 20th ~ **Activities by the Sea** for kids in the works! Follow our Facebook page for registration and details of the event. Be prepared for a wet event! Weather pending.

Wood Islands Lighthouse Our summer hours 9:00am to 5:30pm. Tours are from 9:30am to 4:30pm. We welcome in addition to our current staff, Dakoda McKinley as our lighthouse staff this summer!

Come by and visit our gift shop. We would like to introduce to you a few new vendors and their works of art. There is something for your pets too!

Beacon of Creative Light We are extending an invitation to crafters to come by our Range Light and see what we can offer as an ideal site to set-up to and Show & Tell!

Call the Lighthouse at 902-962-3110 or email at: wilighthouse@woodislands.ca.

Proposal for a Under the Roof Outdoor Farmer's Market at Wood Islands Village. Discussion underway about using the grounds for vendors during the week. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, please email your letter of interest to: wiadc@woodislands.ca.

The WILSA hours for August Monday to Saturday, 10:00am to 7:00pm. Sunday 12:00pm to 5:00pm.

Sign Plaza To rent a space at our sign plaza – free for 2021. Please contact our office.

Contact Information: E-mail <u>wiadc@woodislands.ca</u>, Phone 902-962-3761.

Belfast Consolidated School Report for August 2021

Congratulations to the current grade 10 students, our graduates from 2020, on having a superb year at MRHS! The class passed all their credits, and all the students are on the honor roll! The overall average was 91.7%! Incredible! Also, a congratulations to all our grade 12 Belfast graduates as well. Mia Martell finished with the highest overall average for grade 12, and Carrie Docherty finished third. Way to go girls!

For the coming school year, our enrollment looks to be approximately 150 students. This would be up about 30 students from the same time, last year. With the increase in students, we have been able to hire in three new positions, and also hired three replacement positions. We are excited to have these ladies join our staff!

Danielle Farrow will be the grade 4 homeroom teacher, and will also teach grade 6 in the afternoons. Danielle has taught with the French School Board, as well as at Stonepark Junior High, and St. Jean Elementary.

Emmy Lou Clarkin-Good will be our new Kindergarten teacher, to teach the second class of students (Mrs. Sorrie will be teaching the other class). Mrs. Clarkin-Good has taught at Central Queens Elementary at the K-3 levels.

Jillian Fortier will be teaching grade 9 Language Arts, as well as another class TBA. Mrs. Fortier has taught at Birchwood Junior High at the grade 7-9 levels in Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science.

Ms. Heather Lea will be our school counsellor next year, replacing Ms. Amy McCarron. Ms. Lea has been a counsellor at Donagh Consolidated School, and will continue to be a counsellor at Vernon River Consolidated School.

Mrs. Megan Edward will be teaching grade K-6 music, as well as grade 7/8 classroom subjects. Mrs. Edward is coming with her family from Tisdale, Saskatchewan to live in our community in Flat River! Mrs. Edward would be the daughter in law of former principal, Mike Edward.

Mrs. Crystal Devries will be working as an EA in our school, replacing Ms. Dekoda Conohan. Mrs. Devries is coming from Ontario with her family to move into the Belfast Community!

I will be back in the office on Wednesday, August 25th with Mrs. Van Colen, and Ms. Alyssa Thaxter. If you need to reach me, you can always email migmunro@edu.pe.ca.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Mr. John Munro (Principal Belfast Consolidated School)

Macphail Homestead

Sunday Lunch & Lecture Series:

August 1st - "The Great Pandemic Influenza of 1918" - Dr. Lamont Sweet

August 8th - "PEI and the Great War" - Capt. Greg Gallant August 15th - "Scottish Supernatural Beliefs Alive on PEI" - Marian Bruce

August 29th - "Nurtured by or Stranded on an Island?" - Deirdre Kessler

September 5th - "Mills & Dams of Orwell" - Peter Metaxas The Lecture Series will be varied and interesting, \$30.00 for lunch and the talk. Starting at 12:30. Reservations necessary.

Corn & Mussel cook-out! All you can eat local mussels and corn served with a bread-roll and beverage. Saturday August 14th from 4 - 6pm, cost \$25 for adults, kids 12 and under \$14. Bring some friends or family, see some neighbours and sit under the historic Linden trees and feast on fresh local food.

Kids camps - This camp is for those wonderful kids who love literature and history! A one-day camp, 9:00am-4:00pm on Fridays in August, grades 3-7. Activities will include; creative writing, old fashioned games, readings from classic literature, and penmanship. We'll explore the indoors and outdoors of our beautiful property. Snacks provided, bring a lunch, cost \$10:00 per child.

For more info on any of the above events please see our website www.macphailhomestead.ca or call 902-651-2789 and speak to Angie Jeffrey or any of our pleasant staff.

Pinette Raceway - Kilted Pace

The Kilted Pace will be run Sunday, August 15th at 2:00pm. See the drivers in their finest Kilts! There will be something for everyone to enjoy. Free ice cream for kids under 12. Enter to win the 50/50 draw. Admission \$2.00 at the gate. Come join us Sunday afternoon for a great day of family fun at the Pinette Raceway in *Downtown Belfast*!

Point Prim Lighthouse

Please come on down and visit us. Our staff give an amazing tour and our gift shop offers beautiful items all made by Island artists. Bring a picnic, paints and easel, scrabble game - whatever catches your fancy and enjoy the view, beauty and peace.

Hours: June 19th - September 5th 10:00am-6:00pm

Labour Day: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Last Climb: 5:45pm

Camp Buchan

Drop off your pop bottles/cans and beverage containers 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 yearly maintenance at Camp Buchan. *Thank You for your Support!*

Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs

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

Congratulations to FOTENN Planning + Design

Successful bidders for the Official Community Plan and Development Bylaw Project Watch for your chance to provide input on our very first 15year Community Plan! Coming Soon!

Also Coming Soon

- Consultations for a Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMP), and
- New RMB Logo and Slogan Contest!

Watch for announcements for participation!

Next Meetings

- The next regular meeting for the Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMP), is scheduled for Wednesday, August 11th, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Upper Meeting Hall at the Wood Islands Village.
- The next regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 18th, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Upper Meeting Hall at Wood Islands Village.

The public is always welcome to attend these meetings!
Stay Safe Everyone!

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Belfast and Area Watershed Group

Phase 1 of the community tree planting at the Portree Trail was a huge success, thanks to everyone who helped out. Looking for a nice walk with nature? We have recently cleaned up three trails you may like to visit — Ken's Trail (Wood Islands Visitors Centre), Selkirk Park Trail, and the Hancock-MacDonald trail (Douses Rd). Our second year of sampling fish species and populations is underway at Hughies Dam (MacPherson Mill Rd., on Camp Rd.), and if you would like to see us in action, text Sherry at 902-218-1582 for schedule. PS: It is early AM.

A new venture for us recently was working with Go! EastPEI in Go! Nature Programming - the children were full of energy, creativity and wonder at our natural world - we hope to see them all again next year.

The field crew is hard at work on our streams, along with water quality monitoring, Bank Swallow and amphibian surveys. We appreciate all the community support as we move forward. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for regular updates.

<u>Belfast Mosquito Control Program – What is Vectobac?</u>

The mosquito control program is still in full swing with volunteers out in the marshes treating larvae roughly every two weeks. The product used is called VectoBac and there are some misconceptions about it which we thought we would clear up.

First of all — what it is NOT. VectoBac is NOT a chemical pesticide ... So, what is it?

VectoBac is a bacterium (fancy Latin name is *Bacillus thuringiensis*) — also known as Bt). It is coated on some granules which we spread in stagnant salt marsh pools if larvae are present. The larvae eat the Bt and it kills them. When used in a salt marsh, it is very specific for mosquito larvae, but it can also be used in fresh water for black fly larvae. Bt is also approved for use in organic agriculture.

So, how does the control program use VectoBac? A few days after some peak high tides have passed, pools of stagnant water are left behind in salt marshes. Mosquito eggs hatch and turn into feeding larvae within a few days. The amount of time spent as larvae ranges from about 3-14 days, depending on the water temperature. In the middle of summer, when the water is very warm, the window of time in which we can treat larvae is very short. Once it is put into a pool, the VectoBac completely disappears within 2 days so by the time the next peak tides are arrive to flush out those pools, the Bt is completely gone. It never gets out of those stagnant pools.

Remember, if you haven't made your contribution (\$120.00 per household) to the program, please do so as soon as possible. We hope all residents of the Pinette, Roseberry, Flat River areas will contribute. You can either drop off a cheque (payable to Belfast Mosquito Control Program) or send by etransfer to: belfastmosquitos@hotmail.com.

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

Chess Club

PLEASE NOTE: Due to unavoidable circumstances, the e-mail address listed in earlier Newsletters was inactive. Please see below for the updated e-mail.

Do you play chess? Are you good at it, or are you a beginner like myself? Whether it be for social or competitive reasons no matter. So, if you are interested in forming a chess club or finding out more information, please contact Peter Metaxas at Metaxaspja@icloud.com.

Belfast Historical Society

Welcome to August and we are pleased to host our first public event for this year!

We are thankful for the many people who worked so hard in our province to keep us safe over the past months. As our province has opened up to visitors from across the country, we want to share a special milestone in our history as we celebrate our heritage.

On August 7th, 1803, the ship *Polly* arrived on the shores of Belfast, Prince Edward Island. This was one of three ships bringing Scottish settlers from the Isle of Skye under the guidance of Thomas Douglas, the 5th Earl of Selkirk. Every year on this date, now known as "Polly Day", the Belfast Historical Society celebrates the arrival of these settlers and honours their legacy of establishing the community that lives on today. This year, our Polly Day celebration will take place August 7th, from 2:00-4:00pm in front of the Croft House at Lord Selkirk Park.

Our very own Alan Buchanan, well known for his love of history, storytelling, and of course humor, will be sharing some tales to enlighten and entertain us. Music is an important part of our culture and we are delighted to welcome the traditional Celtic band, Lovely Nelly. Prepare to sit back and be entertained!

The afternoon will also include a BBQ featuring Island Taylored Meats as well as ice cream and cake celebrating Lord Selkirk's 250th Birthday. Follow our Facebook page for more details. Rain date, August 8th, 2:00-4:00pm. Covid-19 protocols will be followed.

Cead Mile Failte!

Donation

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Do you have an old chess set sitting around the house or in the attic collecting dust? No matter the condition, please consider donating it to the newly formed Big Belfast Chess Club. Contact Peter at Metaxaspja@icloud.com.

The Point Prim Market

Hello PEI! We are thrilled to bring new life to our community & island with our new Market. Come and join what PEI is talking about with our Facebook Group, The Point Prim Market 968!!

We are located at 968 Point Prim Rd Belfast every Saturday between 12:00PM and 4:00PM until late fall.

We have over 20 vendors who carry food items such as brownies, breads, focaccia bread and cakes to local artisans that create essential oils, gorgeous planters, stunning stain glass, beautiful jewelry and fresh produce... the list goes on!!!

For a full vendor list please follow us on Facebook at The Point Prim Market 968. We look forward to seeing you there.

BURNING PERMITS ARE FREE

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

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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 BURNNG PERMIT WILL RESULT IN AN INVOICE FOR SERVICES OF \$200.00 OR MORE

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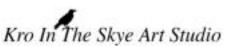
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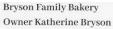






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Check out our Website for Contacts, Meeting Times/Dates, Agendas, Notices and Note our new meetings location at the Upstairs Wood Island Meeting Hall.

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