



# BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## February 2022

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### **COVID-19**

During these changing and 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 and Area Watershed Group (BAWG)**

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. E-mail Sherry at [bawgpei@gmail.com](mailto:bawgpei@gmail.com) – Subject: membership. Include; full name, email & mailing address, phone number.

Soon, BAWG will be posting summer job opportunities. Watch our Facebook page for the job postings. These positions require the ability to work outside in a variety of conditions including navigating terrain. In addition, all positions require a high comfort level working in and around water, including the ability to swim. Regularly lifting and moving plant materials, equipment and strenuous physical activities related to stream restoration and other environmental work is a normal part of the workday – but very rewarding! Become part of the great BAWG team.

### **Selkirk Millennium Club**

Belfast millennium club and coffee time are not meeting until further notice. Thank you

### **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

### **Belfast Consolidated School Report for February 2022**

Currently (January 23<sup>rd</sup>), we are still in home/online learning due to COVID-19 restrictions. I know staff, parents, and especially students have been busy working over the past 4 weeks online, or with home learning packages. I have heard from many people that they miss coming to the school, and I know I certainly feel the same way! We will be excited to have everyone back as soon as it is safe to do so.

We have changed our website to <https://belfast.edu.pe.ca/>. The change was made as all schools will be using the same type of website to allow for parents to easily follow one style.

Also in February, we will be doing Toonies for Trayton as a fundraiser for the PEI Heart and Stroke Foundation. At this point, we do not know what the fundraiser will look like but stay tuned to our homepage <https://belfast.edu.pe.ca/>, and the Home and School Facebook page.

*Stay safe, everyone!*

Mr. John Munro (Principal Belfast Consolidated School)

### **Belfast Historical Society**

February has long been known as the month of “love” and “caring” and, with this in mind, we want to reach out and offer encouragement to those in our community who have felt these days long and dreary. We have all had to be creative in order to help pass the time; some people have returned to old hobbies... *i.e.*, jigsaw puzzles, games, crosswords, knitting, and the list goes on and on!

Food has always been an important part of our culture here in Belfast and we invite you to take a step back in time, think about some favourite recipes of your past and the memories of the people who made them.

Perhaps there was someone in your family who had a special recipe that was always popular at family gatherings, community suppers, or lunch after a meeting! We invite you to take a trip “down memory lane” (as none of us can travel too far these days) and recapture these memories on paper. We would encourage you to share one or two of these recipes with the BHS, along with a description of the memory that is recalled. Photos would be appreciated as well.

Once you have gathered your information together, please contact us. Call Eliza Gillis at (902) 659-2512 or e-mail Doris MacDonald at [dorismacdonald101@gmail.com](mailto:dorismacdonald101@gmail.com). We will be happy to pick up your “Food Memories, Recipes, and Pictures” or you can send them along by e-mail. Thanks for taking the time to keep treasured memories alive!

## **Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs**

Items of note for the ***Rural Municipality of Belfast*** for the month of ***February 2022***:

### ***February/March Council Meetings On!***

Unfortunately, due to new Provincial Covid Restrictions, the January Council meeting was cancelled. We understand that we will, however, be able to hold our February and March Council meetings as scheduled. Attendees must be fully vaccinated, wear a mask and practice 6-foot distancing measures. The meeting hall has a capacity of 21 attendees (7 Council, 3 Staff, and 11 Public) – The meetings will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> and March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM at the Wood Islands Village Meeting Hall.

*Stay safe everyone!*

### ***2022/2023 Community Grants Applications Now Available!***

RMB will be awarding \$65,000.00 this fiscal year to worthy organizations striving for the participation and betterment of our Municipality.

Applications are available on-line, or you can pick them up at the Municipal Office.

***Get your applications today!***

### ***Notice of Budget/Financial Discussions!***

Every year, RMB holds public discussions that help Council determine the Budget/Financial Plan for the upcoming Fiscal Year. Two public sessions will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> and March 16<sup>th</sup>, during regular Council meetings. Due to Covid restrictions, space for attendees is limited.

That said, RMB is also encouraging anyone who wishes to provide comments to Council to submit those comments by email to: [ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com](mailto:ruralmunicipalityofbelfast@gmail.com)

***Office Open: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon***

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



**Outdoor Event CANCELLED** ~ Islander Day February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, Islander Day is a holiday held each year on the third Monday of February. Due to COVID protocol in January, our planning and set up for the event has been cancelled for 2022.

Phone 902-962-3761, e-mail [wiadc@woodislands.ca](mailto:wiadc@woodislands.ca).

## **Municipality-wide Mosquito/Black Fly Control (Proposal)**

The Pinette/Flat River and Point Prim Mosquito Programs have prepared a proposal for consideration by the Belfast Community Council. The proposal suggests that the Municipality replicate the highly successful biting fly control program that has been operating in Eastern Kings for many years. The program would be funded by the Municipality, but operated by the Belfast Community Development Corp. It calls for two seasonal employees to take responsibility for the control of mosquito (both salt- and fresh-water species) and black fly larvae throughout the Municipality. Vectobac, which is a completely environmentally safe product for reducing numbers of mosquito and black fly larvae, would be used. The program will require an approximately 3.5% increase in overall property taxes in the region in order to avoid having any impact on other beneficial activities undertaken by the Council. The proposal includes feedback from local tourism operators and real estate agents as to the impact of mosquitoes on their businesses and land values.

Please visit: [www.facebook.com/groups/mosquitoprogram/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/mosquitoprogram/) to view the full proposal.

## **RADIANT RURAL HALLS**

Radiant Rural Halls (RRH) is a series of public art events, including installations, workshops, screenings, and performances, held in rural P.E.I. community halls and organized by this town is small.

### **Radiant Rural Hall Events in February:**

#### **Screening of *Island Cowboy***

59 minutes, Directed by Raphaël Sandler

February 20<sup>th</sup> at Plough the Waves Community Hall at Wood Islands Village (Pre-registration required). "*Island Cowboy* is a documentary that follows a local beekeeper during one of his last years of work. At the age of 68, Stan Sandler would like to retire, but impending threats to his Island home's ecosystem threaten the future of the bees and the health of the environment. The relationship between a beekeeper's labour and the economy of the Island's blueberry crop is explored through a season of beekeeping as we get an intimate look at Stan and the "bee cowboys".

For more details about Radiant Rural Halls and registration for events, visit [www.thistownissmall.com](http://www.thistownissmall.com) and follow this town is small on Instagram: @thistownissmallpei.

## **Galla Designs Studio**

Galla Designs Studio will be open again starting February 5<sup>th</sup>!! Just in time for Valentines Day!!

We will be open 12:00 – 5:00 Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday for now. Covid restrictions will be in place for numbers and masks will be required. Thanks! Located at 1167 TCH wood Islands.

# Wood Islands Revitalization Plan

## **Community Pride. Community Engagement. Community Voice.**

The Wood Islands Revitalization Plan is a 100-Day Process intended to enhance local quality of living and bring enhanced destination stature to the Wood Islands area - Lighthouse, Provincial Park, Sustainable Shorelines, Harbour/Port and connected to Wood Islands Village (formerly Plough the Waves) via an extension of the Confederation Trail. Also included is the provision for a replacement 'Fishing Village' - new look, new location.

This is a plan that will celebrate Wood Islands' natural environment, its rich heritage and stories and is intended for the use and enjoyment of Wood Islands and area residents as well as visitors to Prince Edward Island.

The process is under the direction of the Wood Islands & Area Development Corporation (WIADC) and various community stakeholders forming a Project Steering Committee. The consultants working on this assignment are iImagine, based in Charlottetown in partnership with The Glenn Group, based in Fredericton, N.B. Both firms have a lengthy history working to advance tourism and the well-being of communities across the Island, throughout Atlantic Canada and elsewhere in Canada.

During the 100 days, viewpoints and ideas will be sought and considered, with a draft strategy to be presented to the community in an open-house setting on a date to be determined in March 2022, subject to Covid-19 protocols and restrictions.

For additional information, please contact any WIADC Board member:  
John Rousseau, 902-962-4190, [john@redclay.ca](mailto:john@redclay.ca)

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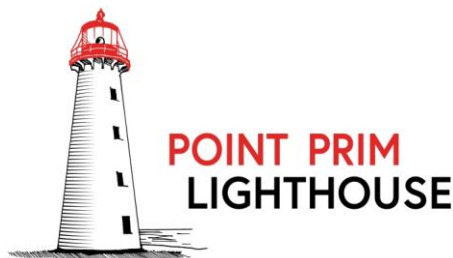
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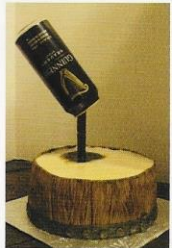

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*Councillor - Mary Mecher-Carlson*

*Gas Tax Committee Chair - Councillor Andy Henry*

*Councillor - Joanne Vessey*

*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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