



# BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

July 2023

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## The Deuce is Loose

The Deuce is Loose will be taking a break for the summer after the June 13<sup>th</sup> draw and will return September 12<sup>th</sup> with an estimated \$8,000.00 Jackpot. Thank you to all who have come out to support this fundraising event.

Recent 'Deuce' winners:

Jonathan Vincent	\$ 834.00	May 23, 2023
Klara Dougherty	\$ 307.00	May 30, 2023
Dana Hancock	\$ 434.00*	June 6, 2023
* \$334.00 door prize + \$100.00 for finding the Jack!		
Clifford Flynn	\$ 348.00	June 13, 2023

*Thank you all for your continued support!*

Belfast Lions Club

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Please watch our Facebook page for ongoing information and announcements - [facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast](https://facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast).

## Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation



The Wood Islands Village is excited to announce our first annual Musicabilia event Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00am - 4:00pm at the Plough the Waves Hall. A variety of vendors will be selling vinyl records, CDs, cassettes, audio equipment, memorabilia, and other related items. A must visit if you love anything music! We will also have great door prizes! Become a vendor and sell those records, CDs, and tapes sitting in storage! There are limited vendor spaces available. Contact us at [wiadc@woodislands.ca](mailto:wiadc@woodislands.ca) for vendor registration. Vendor registration \$25.00. Admission \$2.00.

Looking for some good summer reading? Well, you are in luck! Our Little Dory Full of Stories free library is fully stocked and open! We have books for all ages! We are also taking donations of previously enjoyed books.

## July Hall Events

- Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00am - 4:00pm. Wood Islands First Annual Musicabilia event
- Thursday July 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm - 9:00pm – Belfast and Area Watershed Group (BAWG) "Buffer Zones and Watercourse Regulations" presentation.

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## Selkirk Millennium Club

The Selkirk Millennium Club meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at the Belfast Rec Centre beginning at 2:00PM. Come join us for get together and meet friends. K. Ross 902-659-2920.

## Belfast Consolidated School Principal's Report for July 2023

We celebrated our school's "Spring Fling" event on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. It was a great time with all sorts of activities, games, and food. Thanks to all those who helped in the event including Bob Terpstra with his nerf games, Douglas MacKenzie for lending his large BBQ, Cavendish Farms who sent their fry truck for free fries, the Belfast Home and School, and Belfast School staff. We had a big crowd! We look forward to doing it again next year.

For this coming year, we are excited to announce that Ms. Kelley Carpenter will be our VP for our school! Ms. Carpenter has been with us for 5 years teaching music, core French, and various other courses. We look forward to Ms. Carpenter's energy, and dedication to our community working in the role of VP/Teacher for 2023-24. Also, congratulations as we welcome Mrs. Maggie Johnson to our school. Mrs. Johnson has taught with us in term positions, so we are enthusiastic to have her back again! Mrs. Johnson will be teaching in the elementary classrooms. We are saying good-bye to Mrs. Emmylou Good who is off to Stratford Elementary to teach. Emmylou was with us for one year before taking a year off for maternity. We want to thank Mrs. Good for her work with our students/parents, and wish her all the best in the future.

I will have lots to report in August, with all our graduation and field trip outings.

*Wish you all a safe, fun summer!*

Mr. John Munro, Principal BCS

## Coffee Club

Coffee Club meets every Tuesday morning at the Belfast Recreation Centre (9:00am - 11:00am).

## Pinette/Flat River Mosquito Program – Partnering with BCDC

The partnership between the Pinette/Flat River mosquito control program and BCDC continues to move forward, although it will have limited impact on treatments this year.

Troy MacNeil of BCDC will be leading the program starting next year. Troy is currently working on his biting fly pesticide applicators license (PAL). Later this year BCDC will identify at least 3 more employees who will undertake to obtain their PAL over the fall and winter so they will be ready to go as soon as the program starts up in the spring.

For this year, the program will continue to be operated by the committed group of volunteers who have operated the program for the last 8 years. All financial contributions made this year which are in excess of our actual costs will be held over and applied to next year's program.

So far, things seem to be going well in this region. Let's hope we can keep it that way!

## Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs



Items of note for the **Rural Municipality of Belfast (RMB)** for the month of **July 2023**:

### **New Strategic Plan for RMB 2023/24 – 2026/27 Adopted**

For the past few months, Council and Administration (with input from RMB residents) have worked to finalize a new Strategic Plan Roadmap for the next four fiscal years. The newly adopted Strategic Plan, details activities and action items that Council and Administration will be taking to help and encourage our municipality to grow and prosper.

**Vision:** “A vibrant, sustainable rural municipality for all residents and visitors that promotes community engagement, diversity and inclusion, social and economic development, and environmental stewardship.”

**Mission:** “Provide transparency, fiscal responsibility, open communication and due diligence, supporting access to resources, information and services to the people of the municipality, while preserving and enhancing the quality of life.”

Check it out @ [www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com](http://www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com)

### **RMB Website Events Calendar**

Our new Events Calendar is going great! RMB residents are providing regular updates to inform and encourage participation in events going on in our municipality.

Check it out @ [www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com](http://www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com).

Email us your event @ [ruralmunicipalityofbelgast@gmail.com](mailto:ruralmunicipalityofbelgast@gmail.com)

### **RMB Photo Gallery**

Our new Photo Gallery is also going great, and with all the events going on, RMB residents should have lots of photos to post!

Email your photos to [ruralmunicipalityofbelgast@gmail.com](mailto:ruralmunicipalityofbelgast@gmail.com)

### **Community Members Supporting Community Members!**

**Office Open: Mon. – Fri. 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**

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## **Belfast and Area Watershed Group (BAWG)**

Coming soon! **NatureScapes Children's series.** Over the summer we are hosting 3 different nature, art, and outside adventures the kids will love!

**July 21<sup>st</sup>** (10:00am-1:00pm) NatureScapes at Cape Bear. Location: Cape Bear Lighthouse (42 Black Brook Rd, Murray Harbour)

**July 28<sup>th</sup>** (10:00am-1:00pm) NatureScapes at Wood Islands (critter dipping, macroinvertebrate ID, art activity and nature games) Location: Wood Islands Market (Visitors Centre)

**August 11<sup>th</sup>** (10:00am-1:00pm) NatureScapes at Wood Islands “Let's Fly a Kite and Seashore Adventure” Location: Wood Islands Lighthouse (range light area)

Registration for the above children's “NatureScapes” events will follow in the next BAWG newsletter and be published on our Facebook page. Free events, however, donations are welcome.

**Community Presentation - Watercourse and shoreline regulations (buffer zones, riparian areas, shorelands)** Join us on **July 27<sup>th</sup> (7:00pm)** at Wood Islands Market (upstairs hall) as we welcome guest speaker Shawn Hill. Mr. Hill is Environment Officer/ALUS Coordinator with Environment, Energy and Climate Action, Environmental Land Management for the province of PEI. They will be discussing the regulations around watercourses, including buffer zones and shorelands. This is an important topic, and any activity that happens in watercourses and along buffer zones affects wildlife habitat, downstream habitat, and landowners - with regulations and permits required. Be in the know and help us protect our watersheds.

Beach Clean-up with BAWG. We will be conducting more beach clean-ups this season and need your help. If you have an accessible beach-front/shoreline, please let us know. This will aid not only in reaching additional areas for clean-up, but in removal of larger debris, such as ghost gear - rope, barrels, nets, foam, and buoys. This beach clean-up is a part of our ghost gear project from Hurricane Fiona! Please text Sherry at 902-218-1582 or email: [bawgpei@gmail.com](mailto:bawgpei@gmail.com).

You can receive a charitable donation receipt for any donations by making them through the Community Foundation of PEI. There are various ways to donate to the Foundation; CanadaHelps, or direct via e-transfer to [info@cfpei.ca](mailto:info@cfpei.ca), or via a cheque with reference to BAWG. Of course, you can always reach out to us directly and we can arrange pick-up of your donation if that works best for you.

## **Belfast Historical Society**

**Welcome Back!** We are pleased to announce that our Selkirk Heritage and Cultural Centre is now open Tuesday -Saturday from 9:00am to 5:00pm. We are happy to welcome Rosemary Barton as our new Site Manager and Peter Noel as our Groundskeeper and Maintenance Man. All are welcome... Tourists, locals, golfers, campers, and the list goes on and on! 😊

### **Camp Buchan – Day Rental**

Camp Buchan is available for day rental, for those having a family gathering, anniversaries, and other similar gatherings. The main building has two main rooms with a number of windows on all sides, tables and chairs, fridge and small kitchenette and two washrooms with flush toilets and sinks. For more information, e-mail [mcdonald.waldron@gmail.com](mailto:mcdonald.waldron@gmail.com).

### **Thank you!**

Hi everyone, we want to send a huge Thank You and let you all know how appreciative we are for the time, effort, donations, prayers and well wishes coming from all directions over the past month in Belfast!

We always knew we lived in a great community! It's been a humbling and powerful experience for us being on the receiving end of so much positive, hopeful energy coming from our entire community, Belfast Lions, Mount Buchanan-Point Prim Women's Institute, family and friends. We feel it, and it inspires us along this journey.

There are many to thank... Everyone from organizers, participants, those who donated from so many great businesses and services, musicians, bidders in the auction and those who swung their cubs at the golf course to those who swung their partners at the dance.

Some further "Thank you", in particular: Amy Stewart and the staff at the Belfast Highland Greens, Belfast Sabres Alumni Randy Mitchell and Dillan MacMasters, Billy and Amanda Bell for planning and hosting the benefit golf tournament.

Thank you, Nolan, and the boys, for the 'visit' from Scotty Bowman :)

A big Thank you to the Queen of Online Auctions... Samantha Ross! The incredible time and effort it must have taken to implement and manage the online auction! Amazing! Bless you.

Last but not least, we'd like to express our appreciation to Monica Ross and the Belfast Rec Centre directors for hosting the benefit dance, Adrian Power and Alex MacPherson for lining up the entertainment, Allan Buchanan for being MC, the many musicians for their time and talent. We loved seeing the mini videos and selfies of the evening... we missed a good party! 😊

Val and Melody

### **Camp Buchan**

Drop off your pop bottles/can and beverage bottles/cans at the shelter set up at the entrance to the Camp Buchan property.

Appreciate if you would remove the caps and rinse out the containers, it helps a lot at the recycling depot.

Your refundable containers help support maintenance at Camp Buchan.

Thank You!

### **Notice from the Belfast Fire Department**

#### **Required rules for burning debris have changed.**

Fire season runs from March 15<sup>th</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>. There are new rules and categories that must be followed. Heavy fines can and will be given.

You can call 1-800-237-5053 to find out about the current burning restrictions in place for the province of PEI. This number can be accessed 24 hours a day; 7 days a week.

For detailed information, please visit our website at [princeedwardisland.ca/fireinformation](http://princeedwardisland.ca/fireinformation) and be aware that there is no burning allowed between 8:00am and 2:00pm. There are 4 categories and a map that details when, and if, burning is allowed.

### **Wood Islands Women's Institute**

The Wood Islands Women's Institute is proud to present "Stories from Bygone Days in Wood Islands" – a delightful evening of local history, music and dramatic reading inspired by; *Echoes of Home*, by Ruby MacMillan Matheson, and *Saltwater Road*, by Marion Bruce.

There are TWO performances planned at the Wood Islands Schoolhouse (822 TCH); Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM, and Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM. Tickets are \$15.00 each. To reserve your tickets, message the Wood Islands Women's Institute on Facebook, or contact Lisa Stewart by e-mail at [thestewartclan@hotmail.com](mailto:thestewartclan@hotmail.com), or phone 902-969-1901.

Seating is limited! Reserve early to avoid disappointment.

### **Out of Province Medical Travel Support Programs**

The PEI Government offers financial support for PEI residents travelling to another province for medical services. The Out-of-Province Travel Support Program includes:

#### **Maritime Bus Program**

- Islanders requiring out-of-province health care in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick may qualify for fare subsidy to travel with Maritime Bus.

#### **Hope Air - Flights Program**

- Since 1988, Prince Edward Island has partnered with Hope Air, a national charity, to provide free flights to PEI residents who cannot afford the cost of a commercial airline ticket for travel to medical services in another province.

#### **Hope Air - Bridge/Ferry Program**

- Beginning December 1, 2016, Hope Air, in cooperation with Health PEI, will subsidize the cost of a Confederation Bridge or Northumberland Ferry pass for pre-approved PEI residents (with a valid PEI Health Card) requiring out-of-province transport by private vehicle for medical services in another province.

For further details regarding the PEI Government's Out-of-Province Travel Support Program, qualification requirements, online application forms and contact information, please visit [www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pe/out-of-province-travel-support-programs](http://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pe/out-of-province-travel-support-programs).



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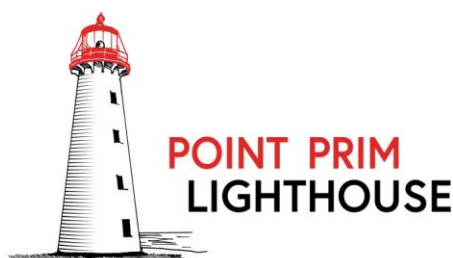


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\* The Community Vision Document \* The Official Plan and Development Bylaw (in process) \* And much more

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