



BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

November 2023



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The Deuce is Loose

Come on out every Tuesday evening at the Belfast Rec. Centre for our local fundraiser and progressive lottery. You could be the lucky winner of the Big Jackpot, now estimated at more than \$12,500.00! Advance tickets can be purchased at Cooper's Red & White. Tickets will also be available for purchase online via e-transfer. For more information on how to purchase your Deuce tickets online please visit our Facebook page at facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast.

Previous Deuce Winners:

Estelle Squires	October 17	\$ 376.00
Jamie Glasnovie	October 10	\$ 306.00
Dana Hancock	October 3	\$ 359.00
Douglas MacKenzie	September 26	\$ 376.00

Tickets: \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

Doors open: 6:00PM

Trivia starts: 7:30PM

Draw begins: 8:00PM

Thank you all for your continued support!

Belfast Lions Club

Belfast Rec. Centre Board

Please watch our Facebook page for ongoing information and announcements - facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast.

News from the Wood Islands Women's Institute

Come meet your neighbours and learn something new at our freshly launched Speaker Series taking place at the Wood Islands Schoolhouse, 822 Trans Canada Highway.

Mark your calendars: **Tuesday, November 21st, 7:00pm.** **Theresa Redmond**, a historian, author, and former senior executive with the Canadian Government. Her historical fiction, *Bound*, navigates the challenges and triumphs of settler life. She will be speaking about land treaties and the importance of land on PEI.

This is a free event which will be followed by light refreshments. Donations will be accepted to support the schoolhouse. The popular Christmas raffle tickets will be available for purchase, draw date is December 2nd, or ask a Wood Islands Women's Institute member.

Watch for the very popular Wood Islands Women's Institute Christmas Live Auction on Facebook starting November 18th.

Belfast Consolidated School Principal's Report

Congratulations to our girl's golf team who won the Silver Medal in the team scramble event for the PEISAA Provincial Golf Championships. Members of the team are Abbie Bell, Ally Myers, and Milla Beck. Mr. Munro coached the team with help from Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Shephard. The girls shot 45 missing gold by just one stroke. We also had other golfers who were a part of our girls and boys golf team included Kayley Carter, Lennon MacRae, Seamus Ryan, Gavin Thomson, Jaxon Knox, Austin Knox, and Reid White.

Our cross country team also had great results at the Provincial Cross Country meet at Mill River. Kayley Carter finished 20th, Simon Beck 48th, Syrianna DeSousa was 63rd, and Elsa Laybolt was 92nd. Thanks to our coach, Jodi McCormack for her support of our team this season.

We are also in need of a basketball coach for the upcoming season. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Taylor Johnson at the school. We truly appreciated the community supporting our teams. We couldn't do it without you!

Belfast School will be hosting its 7th Annual Bingo on Friday, November 10th starting at 6:30pm. We will have lots of great prizes, and bingo is always a fun game to play. The money raised will go towards the Spring Fling that will be held in June. If you are a business owner who wants to make a donation, please contact the school.

Pickleball has started again on Monday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm, and badminton Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm. All are welcome!

Mr. John Munro Principal Belfast Consolidated School

Belfast Historical Society

Happy November...and as "history" is our mandate, we would like to start off with a reminder to stop and remember on November 11th. In these troubling days, let us not forget those who left their homes and families to fight for our freedom.

November also brings with it happy memories as we look forward to our Christmas in Belfast Craft Fair at the Belfast Rec Centre on Saturday, November 25th, from 9:00am - 3:00pm (Storm date, November 26th). We are pleased to welcome back many of "your" favorite vendors as well as some new faces with amazing talents. Please "SAVE the DATE" and plan to drop by to support our local crafters as well as our Historical Society! Keep checking our BHS Facebook pages for updates on our vendors as well as other surprises!!! 😊

Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs



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

Continuance of the Community Plan and Development Bylaw Discussions...

October 18th, 2023 - RMB Council agrees that the Official Community Plan and Development Bylaw discussions, should now continue to completion.

Discussions will start from where we left off, with the review of the Draft Official Plan, Draft Development Bylaw, and Draft Schedules. RMB will notify everyone through our RMB Website when the next public meeting will take place. Documents can be found at: www.ruralmunicipalityofbelfast.com.

Don't forget about your Community Pantry Donations!

The colder we get, the greater the need! RMB is happy to take donations at the RMB Office (facilitated by Councillor Katherine Bryson); or you can take any donations to the Community Pantry itself at the Visser and Sons Lot on the Trans Canada Highway. **All donation greatly appreciated!**

Remembrance Day November 11th

RMB will again be attending and laying wreaths at the two area ceremonies put on by the Royal Canadian Legion (one in Belfast and one in Iona). Everyone encouraged to attend one of the ceremonies – **Lest We Forget!**

Holiday Tree-Lighting Event Saturday, December 2nd @ 6:00PM

RMB intends to light up the Wood Islands Market Courtyard with special guest MC Jolee Patkai singing Christmas carols, a Snowflake Decorating Competition and face-painting in the RMB office, Photo Booth, a visit from jolly St. Nick, Belfast Fire Department and more – everyone welcome!

Next Meetings:

- Regular Council Meeting - November 15th @ 7:00pm
- Reminder, the RMB Office will be closed from December 15th through January 2nd and there will be no regular Council Meeting in December.

Community Members Supporting Community Members!

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Belfast Lions Community Birthday Calendars – 2024

The 2024 edition of the Belfast Lions Community Spirit Calendar is now being prepared for publication and we are looking for this years' Featured Photo. If you have an image of Belfast and area that you would like considered for the 2024 Community Spirit Calendar, please e-mail your image to BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com before November 31st, 2023.

If you are a Calendar subscriber, a Lions Club member will be contacting you soon to verify your information. If you are not a subscriber and would like to be included in the 2024 Birthday Calendar, please contact a Belfast Lions Club member, e-mail BelfastLionsCalendar@outlook.com, or call/text Henry Kliner at 902-978-2447 for information.

Thank you for your support of this yearly fundraiser!

Remembrance Day Services

The Eldon Legion Remembrance Day Service on November 11th, 2023, will be at the following times:

- St Michael's Parish in front of the cenotaph at 10:15am
- St John's Church in front of the cenotaph at 11:00am

We invite all veterans, ex-servicemen, and current members to join in the parade and the general public to attend.

Selkirk Millennium Club

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

Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation



The Wood Islands & Area Development Corporation team would like to thank everyone for a successful 2023 season!

The Wood Islands Market November Hours:

Visitor Information Center – Daily 9:00a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Sweet Factory – Closed for the season

Liquor Store – Closed for the season

The Plough the Waves hall is available year-round! We have a licensed and stocked kitchen and seating for 80 people! Book your business or personal event with us! For more details, call or visit www.woodislands.ca/plough-the-waves/.

November Hall Events

- Saturday November 4th, 1:00-4:00pm. BAWG – Art for Nature presentation
- Wednesday November 15th, 7:00pm Rural Municipality of Belfast Council Meeting
- Friday November 17th, Women's Institute Appreciation Dinner for Belfast Fire Department

All inquiries Email: wiaadc@woodislands.ca
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Belfast Lions Cash Draw

The Belfast Lions Club 35th annual Cash Draw will be happening Saturday, November 18th, 2023. 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 (see the final page of this Newsletter for contact information) or request your ticket by e-mailing BelfastNewsletter@outlook.com.

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 7:15pm with the Cash Draw beginning at 7:30pm.

Thank you for supporting this community fund raiser!

Coffee Club

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

Belfast and Area Watershed Group (BAWG)

A pause with nature for November:

Sleeping in the Forest

(by Mary Oliver, poet)

"I thought the earth remembered me, she took me back so tenderly, arranging her dark skirts, her pockets full of lichens and seeds. I slept as never before, a stone on the riverbed, nothing between me and the white fire of the stars but my thoughts, and they floated light as moths among the branches of the perfect trees. All night I heard the small kingdoms breathing around me, the insects, and the birds who do their work in the darkness. All night I rose and fell, as if in water, grappling with a luminous doom. By morning I had vanished at least a dozen times into something better."

We at BAWG hope you enjoyed this moment of pause with nature.

Please make a difference with your donation for tomorrow's vitality of our environment! You can receive a charitable donation receipt by making donations through the Community Foundation of PEI (CFPEI). Ways to donate to BAWG through the CFPEI; via e-transfer to info@cfpei.ca, or via a cheque with a 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.

Sherry Pelkey, exd@bawg.ca or text: 902-218-1582

Thank you

We wish to thank all who came out to the Brian Mackinnon Memorial Golf Tournament at Belfast Highland Greens, along with the staff who organized the tournament. A huge thank you to those who made donations for the prizes, those who donated the strawberries and those who donated the ice cream, and those who helped collect prizes. Lastly, a special thank you to Brian's great friend Marshall McMahon, for his heartfelt and kind words.

Once again, thanks to all who took part and helped make the tournament happen,

Sincerely,

Brian's family

Thank you

Cheers to our Community-Minded People who put thoughts into actions by erecting a fence at the Polly Cemetery.

Your efforts honour our loved ones, enliven our history, and enhance Route 209. You also prove that voluntarily working together is alive and well in Belfast.

Many thanks to all!

Eliza Gillis

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-pei/out-of-province-travel-support-programs.

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Check out our Website for: * Contacts * Meeting Times and Dates * Agendas and Notices * The Community Emergency Plan
* The Community Vision Document * The Official Plan and Development Bylaw (in process) * And much more

Check out our Facebook Page for: Activities, Issues, Discussions, Local Events, Photos and more

Council and Committee Meetings are held at the Wood Islands Market - Upstairs Meeting Hall
(see Website for times and dates) Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00am - 12:00noon

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