



BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

January 2024

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The Deuce is Loose

The Deuce is Loose will resume Tuesday, January 9th, 2024. Come on out to 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 \$16,000.00! Advance tickets can be purchased at Cooper's Red & White. Tickets will also be available for purchase online via e-transfer. For details on how to purchase your Deuce tickets online, please visit our Facebook page at: facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast.

Previous Deuce Winners:

Evan Young	December 19	\$ 403.00
Wilma McKinnon	December 5	\$ 347.00
Emily Mutch	November 28	\$ 371.00

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.

Wood Islands and Area Development Corporation



Happy New Year from the WIADC team!

Islander Day Monday February 19th, 2024. We'll be holding our annual get-together again in 2024! Join us for great food and fun for all ages! Let us know if you'd like to volunteer in both planning and participating. Be sure to follow our website and Facebook page for details!

Planning a birthday or anniversary party? Why not consider holding it at our hall? We have a fully licensed commercial kitchen and enough seating for 80 people. We have a great sound system as well! Contact us for rates and availability.

Hall Events: Wednesday, January 17 7pm: Rural Municipality of Belfast council meeting.

All inquiries Email: wiadc@woodislands.ca

Phone: 902-962-3761 Website: woodislands.ca

Free Family Skate at the Belfast Rec Centre

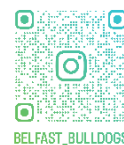
The Belfast Lions Club is pleased to sponsor a Free Family Skate, including free hot chocolate, at the Belfast Rec Centre, Sunday, December 10th, from 1:10pm to 2:10pm.

All are welcome!

Belfast Consolidated School Principal's Report

On Wednesday, December 13th, we hosted our annual Christmas Concert. The gymnasium was packed to see a great show! If you would like to watch it, you can find it at <https://www.youtube.com/live/SqOZdlmbMkQ?si=fJuu83PWJUP-WNmZ> or on our YouTube Channel: "BelfastConsolidatedSchool"

We have created a new Instagram page for the school with lots of photos and information. You can find us at Belfast Bulldogs or at this QR Code:



The Grade 9 Class would like to also thank the community for supporting their fundraising initiatives this year. In November, we did Christmas Planters, in December we ran a canteen and sold tickets on crocheted items made by Brenda Burhoe. The students/parents/staff are working hard to see that the students are able to go on a grade 9 trip in June.

With the financial support of our community, the Belfast Lions Club, and our staff, we were able to support a number of families at Christmas time with toys, and gift certificates for food and gas. We appreciate the outreach of care we received in December to make this annual event happen.

This season, we have a girls' and boys' basketball team. We hope people can come out to watch. The schedules can be found at <http://peisaa.pe.ca/>. This fall/winter we also have girls' and boys' wrestling. We want to thank Wallace Roach and Tracy Knox for their support of our teams. We will also be running a gymnastics team/club in the month of January. Stay tuned.

Mr. John Munro Principal Belfast Consolidated School

Coffee Club

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

Belfast Lions Community Birthday Calendars – 2024

The 2024 edition of the Belfast Lions Community Spirit Calendar is now being prepared for publication. 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!

Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs



Items of note for the ***Rural Municipality of Belfast (RMB)*** for the month of ***January 2024***:

Happy New Year!

RMB Council, Staff and Residents, have a busy year ahead, with many municipal issues and initiatives. All with the goal of continually creating an atmosphere that helps our residents and businesses thrive and prosper!

Stay up-to-date by watching this column, attending our Council and Committee meetings, checking out our Facebook Page or checking out our website. Looking forward to a great 2024!

2024/25 Community Grants Applications on our website soon!

Applicants will have until noon on Thursday, March 7th to submit their grant applications. The Community Grants Committee will be reviewing the applications on Wednesday, March 13th for a recommendation/decision of Council on Wednesday, March 20th. Everyone is encouraged to apply. The 2023/24 Program saw RMB Grants total almost \$200,000.00! Looking forward to hearing from you.

Public Notice of upcoming RMB Budget and Financial Plan Discussions for the 2024/25 Fiscal Year

Two public meetings will be held to help Council plan for the upcoming fiscal year: February 21st and March 20th. If you have any comments you wish to provide, you can attend the meetings, watch them livestreamed on Facebook, or you can send us an email. Have your say!

Next Meetings:

- Annexation Sub-Committee Meeting – January 10th – 7:00pm (RMB Office)
- Regular Council Meeting – January 17th – 7:00pm (Upstairs Wood Islands Mtg Hall)

Community Members Supporting Community Members!

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Wood Islands Women's Institute

Thank you to our community for supporting the Wood Islands Women's Institute's online auction and raffle to assist in raising funds to be returned to the community with the many activities the Wood Islands women do through out the year.

Thanks to everyone who supported our raffle draw! The winners are:

1st Ruby Doyle

2nd Dougie Panting

3rd Timothy Burke

Come meet your neighbours and learn something new at our Speaker Series taking place at the Wood Islands Schoolhouse, 822 TCH.

Mark your calendars:

Tuesday, January 23rd, 7:00pm, Anne Keuper, retired physiotherapist shares her knowledge on *Reducing falls and increasing balance for all ages*. Anne brings to you her experience in working with many people in home care and in the hospital on how to reduce falls. She uses some of her balance activities when she coaches youth and adults to cross country ski. She is known to present a fun, informative session and sends you home with a few things to try.

This is a free event which will be followed by light refreshments. Donations will be accepted to support the schoolhouse.

Belfast and Area Watershed Group (BAWG)

As we welcome the new year, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation for your continued support. Your support has been pivotal in enabling us to continue our mission of protecting our waterways and promoting sustainable practices. We are excited about what the new year has in store for us and look forward to working together to make meaningful progress towards our goals. With your support, we are confident that we can achieve great things and positively impact our environment and community. Thank you for being a part of our journey and for your unwavering commitment to our cause. We wish you a happy and prosperous new year filled with joy, good health, and success.

To hear more about our vision for building an ecologically minded and climate-smart region, join us at the Rural Municipality of Belfast council meeting on January 17th, at 7:00 pm, as we present recommendations towards the Official Plan.

MARK THE DATE for the return of BAWG's fundraiser, "Songs for our Streams", on April 6th! We have an exciting line-up of local talent - you will not want to miss this.

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

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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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Submission deadline for the next newsletter is January 22nd, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

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