



# BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## November 2024

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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 – currently estimated at more than \$9,200.00!

Advance tickets can be purchased at Cooper’s Red & White. Tickets are also available at the door or for purchase online via e-transfer. For more information on how to purchase your Deuce tickets online, and when online ticket sales begin, please visit [facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast](https://facebook.com/thedeuceislooseinbelfast).

#### Previous Winners:

Matthew Gillis	October 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$ 388.00
Coleen Creed	October 8 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 408.00
Paula MacKenzie	October 15 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 396.00
Glen Compton	October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	\$ 403.00

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  
Belfast Fire Department

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

### Remembrance Day Services

The Eldon Legion Remembrance Day Service on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 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-serviceman and current members to join in the parade and the general public to attend.

### Macphail Homestead

Sir Andrew Macphail Homestead is now closed for daily visits. The following events happening:

- Remembrance Day Talk by Simon Lloyd – Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Specific details to follow.
- Christmas Dinners on November 30<sup>th</sup>, December 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

To reserve for the Holiday Meals please use our website [www.macphailhomestead.ca](http://www.macphailhomestead.ca) or contact Angela at [macphailhomestead@gmail.com](mailto:macphailhomestead@gmail.com).

### Belfast Consolidated School Report

Our grade 9 class was selected to be the virtual class to interact with six-time Speedskating Olympic Medalist Cindy Klassen during a Nationwide Zoom presentation. Our students were able to ask her questions directly, and people watching across the nation could hear our students asking questions.

Thanks to Dorothy Oulton and those who supported the Gary Oulton Memorial Softball Tournament this year. The proceeds of the tournament were used to buy non-perishable items that the school was able to deliver to families just before Thanksgiving.

Congratulations to the golf team on their excellent results at the Zone 4 and Provincials this past October. In the girl's division, Harlow Knox finished 6<sup>th</sup>, and Ally Myers 15<sup>th</sup> out of 22 participants. In the team scramble event, Gavin Thomson, Jaxon Knox, and Brayden MacPherson finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 18 teams. Other members of the team who participated in the zone event were Temperance MacCormack, Neely Bell, Reid White, and Kolten MacInnis. The team was coached by Jack and John Munro. A huge thanks to Amanda Bell and the staff of Belfast Highland Greens for being so accommodating with tee times for our athletes. In comparing other schools' experiences, our school is spoiled by the Highland Greens! Congrats as well to our Cross Country Team. We had a large number of students go to the zones as they trained at recess and after school. Thanks to our coach Mr. Adams for coaching the team.

Adult pickleball and badminton have started again for another season. Pickleball is Monday from 6:00pm-8:00pm and badminton 6:00pm-8:00pm. A \$1.00 or \$2.00 donation to the PE equipment fund is appreciated. This year, with the money donated, we were able to buy a dozen soccer balls and two indoor soccer balls for the school.

You can follow us on Instagram at Belfast Bulldogs, or our web page is <https://belfast.edu.pe.ca/>.

Sincerely,

John Munro Principal Belfast Consolidated School

### Belfast Historical Society

What's the best thing about November???

Why, it's the Christmas in Belfast Craft Fair!

Where? Belfast Rec Centre

When? November 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am - 2:00pm

What should you know about the Fair? We have the best vendors, familiar faces, and NEW crafters, who are happy to meet everyone! Follow our BHS Facebook page for updates.

*Shop local...it's good for our community!*

## Rural Municipality of Belfast - Council Briefs



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

### **RMB to participate in Two Wreath-Laying Ceremonies for Remembrance Day**

**Remembrance Day – November 11<sup>th</sup>:** Looking forward to seeing as many RMB residents as possible for the Royal Canadian Legion sponsored events to commemorate the sacrifices of our Veterans. RMB will be participating at two such events. One at St. John's Presbyterian Church in Belfast, service starts at 11:00am. The second, being held at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Iona, service also starts at 11:00am.

Hope to see you there...

### **RMB Holiday Tree-Lighting/Christmas Event**

**December 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm:** Come join us at RMB's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday Tradition. RMB intends to light-up the Courtyard at the Wood Islands Market, sing Christmas Carols with musical guest Norman Stewart, a photo area, a special 'Woodland Wonders Crafting – making Magical Christmas Ornaments from Nature's Treasures', and even a special visit from Jolly St. Nick! Everyone welcome – be sure to bring your best sing-along voice, and a food item for the community pantry.

### **RMB hears from Premier Dennis King and Others regarding the Lack of Ferry Service at Wood Islands**

**October 16<sup>th</sup>:** During the Regular Council Meeting of RMB, MLA Darlene Compton read out a Letter from Premier Dennis King expressing his dismay and concern regarding the lack of Ferry Services between Wood Islands, PE and Pictou, NS. In his letter, Premier Dennis included a letter that he was also sending to Prime Minister Trudeau where he was encouraging immediate follow-up. You can find both letters on the RMB Website.

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### **Belfast Rec Centre**

Thank you to Hakker's Produce for donating onions to the 70 Mile Yard Sale which raised \$618.00 for the Belfast Rec. Centre.

### **Coffee and Card Games**

Coffee and card games every Tuesday morning from 9:00am to 11:00am at the Rec. room in the Belfast rink.

## **Belfast Lions Cash Draw - November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

The Belfast Lions Club 36<sup>th</sup> annual Cash Draw will be happening Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. 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](mailto: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 begin at 7:00pm with the Cash Draw beginning at 7:30pm.

*Thank you for supporting this community fund raiser!*

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



The Wood Islands & Area Development Corporation team would like to thank everyone for a successful 2024 season!

The Wood Islands Market November Hours:

- Visitor Information Center – Daily 9:00am - 5:00 pm
- The Sweet Company – Closed for the season
- Wood Islands Saltwater Market and Liquor Store – Closed for the season

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### **November Hall Events:**

- Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm - Rural Municipality of Belfast Council meeting
- Monday November 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm - Belfast Area Watershed Group "Flight to the Future" Conserving Forest Birds in the Rural Municipality of Belfast

For more information, please contact us:

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

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 issued.

Please 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 holding a Christmas online auction to support the Wood Islands Schoolhouse and the many activities the women do to support the community. Watch Facebook for The "Wood Islands Women's Institute Christmas auction" November 16<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, pick up for items will be November 30<sup>th</sup>. Bid for many baked goods, jams and much, much more!

The fabulous raffle is starting now with the draw date November 30<sup>th</sup>

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize a Winter staycation basket
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Interior lighted Christmas Ball Wreath
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Bird house donated by Red Sands Wood Products

Find a Wood Islands Women's Institute member to purchase your tickets. Raffle tickets will also be sold at Panting's garage and Galla designs in Wood Islands (cash only).

### Belfast Community Development Corporation

The BCDC wishes to update residents with its ongoing work to "Do Good Things" in the community. It has been a successful season for the golf course and campground; with hard work by our staff being helped by dry sunny weather. The campground is now closed, and the golf course is currently scheduled to close November 15<sup>th</sup>, weather dependent.

With the end of our fiscal year being October 31<sup>st</sup>, BCDC has decided to hire BDO Canada to conduct an audit review of our financial situation. This comprehensive review will help gauge where we have been, as we plan for the future. The amount of work required has made it impossible to have our AGM in November this year. We have received assurances from BDO that the audit should be ready for an AGM date of January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025. We wish to thank the community, patrons, and especially staff for a successful 2024.

### Belfast and Area Watershed Group (BAWG)

Thank you to everyone who attended our Strategic Planning sessions in October and all our stakeholders who gave their time for interviews, Belfast Rec Centre, Wood Islands & Area Development Corporation, Rural Municipality of Belfast, and the Village of Murray Harbour - thanks to the facilitators at Volume 18 and our guest speakers. The information gathered will assist in developing a 5-year plan to guide BAWG into the future.

#### **Upcoming public presentation – Monday November 25<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm) "Flight to the Future" – conserving forest habitat.**

BAWG and guest speaker Julie-Lynn Zahavich, Forest Conservation Specialist, PEI Forests, Fish and Wildlife Division, will present the data collected from our first Forested Landscape Priority Place for Species at Risk project and other important conservation information. All are welcome. Refreshments served.

Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> - Belfast Historical Society **Christmas in Belfast Craft Fair**. See you there.

To contact BAWG: email: [bawgpei@gmail.com](mailto:bawgpei@gmail.com)

### Selkirk Millenium Club

The Selkirk Millenium Seniors Club meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 2:00pm in the Rec. room of the Belfast rink. Come join us.

### Belfast Run Club

The Belfast run club meets at Belfast Consolidated school every Sunday morning at 8:30am and Wednesdays at 6:00pm. Open to all ages and paces. Hope to see you there!

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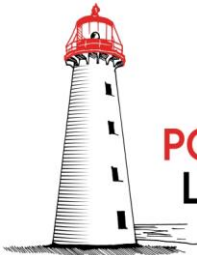
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\* The Community Vision Document \* The Official Plan and Development Bylaw (in process) \* And much more

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

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