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Deserving Islanders Honoured



Anastasia DesRoches receiving a Life Membership to the PEI Fiddlers Society, presented by Anne McPhee

The PEI Fiddlers Society was pleased to recognize Anastasia DesRoches with a Life Membership this past July. Anastasia is a talented fiddler, dancer, composer and teacher who is well-known in the Acadian Region and in the music community across Prince Edward Island. She currently plays with the group DOC whose self-titled recording was nominated for three ECMAs. Anastasia has a passion for tunes from local composers and plays mostly her own compositions mixed in with those of her peers. She is very supportive of all things fiddle and loves transcribing fiddle tunes!

Anastasia collected more than 300 original Acadian tunes from 34 local composers. The original melodies were recorded and transcribed and the collection was published by the Federation Culturelle in 2011 as "Les Faix de Tounes - Tunesmiths." Subsequently, a series of videos by some of those composers was collected and made available at www.federationculturelle.ca.

PEI Fiddlers Society AGM: Nov 11 5 pm BIS Hall, Charlottetown, meal & square dance to follow



Mary Smith Honoured recently by the Maritime Fiddlers Association with the Tara Lynne Touesnard Memorial Award. The award was founded in 1995 and is presented annually. Photo courtesy of The Guardian.

Mary Smith is a well-known Island performer and event organizer. She began her musical life as a guitar accompanist for fiddlers at local dances and concerts, but she didn't become interested in playing fiddle herself until the late 1990s when she was nearly 60 years old. Nevertheless, she has since become an enthusiastic amateur player, leads many groups of musicians, and puts on weekly concerts during the tourist season with funds going to local community programs.

Her enjoyment of fiddling has played a very important role in her life. She travels regularly to New Brunswick to be part of the Sussex Avenue Fiddlers and participates in many fiddling contests. She devotes a large portion of her time to promoting fiddle and country music throughout the Maritimes. She started 'Fiddlers and Followers' -- a 3-day Fiddle & Country music festival initially held at Rainbow Valley over 25 years ago. The event is a community fundraiser for which Mary is still a key organizer. Her efforts were recently recognized by the Maritime Fiddlers Association with the Tara Lynne Touesnard Memorial Award—an award created in memory of a young fiddler who was dedicated to old time fiddling, possessed a concern for community affairs and was willing to share her talents. Past recipients include Ivan & Vivian Hicks, Kimberly Holmes, Keith Ross, Lorimer Higgins, Helen Edgar and many more.

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Section: CODA

The third Saturday in May each year is National Fiddling Day, established by an Act of the Parliament of Canada. The Honourable Elizabeth Hubley, Senator from Prince Edward Island, steered this bill through our Government on behalf of all Canadian fiddlers so this tune is Compliments to Senator Hubley.

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Dorothy Griffin-Farish

Acadian News by Dorothy Griffin-Farish

Greetings and Bonjour to All! The Evangeline area celebrated Canada's 150th Anniversary with gusto and musical activities, just some of which are mentioned here. My apologies if I have

missed anyone.

Congratulations are extended to Meghan Forsyth for receiving the Prix Gilbert Buote Award from the Acadian Museum for her work "Dansez: Acadian Dance Traditions on P.E.I. Past and Present." Meghan is an ethnomusicologist (a person who studies music and its relation to culture and society) formerly from Ontario, currently living St. John's, Newfoundland.

The Atlantic Fiddlers' Jamboree celebrated its 30th anniversary on August 5 & 6. The Jamboree is a celebration of traditional music organized by volunteers who take pride in keeping the Island Acadian culture alive and dynamic. Saturday's program at Mont Carmel Parish Hall started with a brunch and strawberry social featuring Island fiddler Keelin Wedge. Other performers included Lisa Ornstein, Bertrand Deraspe, Hailee LeFort, and Cajun musicians Roddie Romero, Yvette Landry and Beau Thomas. A barbecue that evening featured lively entertainment by the Wellington Friday Night Jammers followed by a square dance. Sunday's musical brunch was held at the Village Musical Acadien in Abram-Village alongside workshops with Ornstein and Deraspe. The afternoon festivities returned to the hall in Mont Carmel with a concert featuring Deraspe, Ornstein, Louise Arsenault & Helen Bergeron and members of the Chaisson family. The Golden Fiddle Award was presented to Jacques Arsenault of the Joe Bibienne clan, a resident of the Evangeline area who is described as "Passionate and generous with his music." The Jamboree finished the weekend with the closing concert in collaboration with the Mont Carmel Summer Concert Series featuring Ivan and Vivian Hicks, Ornstein, Rick Sparkes, 112 Accords, Les Freres Bouchard and more.

This year's Mont Carmel Summer Concert Series was another great success on Sunday evenings through July and August. Some of the performers included DOC (Anastasia DesRoches, Mylene Ouellette and Brent Chaisson); singers Patricia & Marcella Richard; Cookin Trio (Melissa Gallant, Remi

Arsenault and Megan Bergeron); Peter Arsenault & family; Cynthia MacLeod; Annie & Julien Kitson; Amy & Rachel Beck; Debbie Rousselle-Montgomery; Kim Albert; 112 Accords and les Freres Bouchard; Ivan and Vivian Hicks; Meaghan Blanchard; the group Les Paloudes; Darla MacPhee and Kevin Chaisson; Peggy Clinton & Johnny Ross; Colin Grant, Chrissy Crowley & Jason Roach; Albert & Mona Arsenault; Louise Arsenault and the Joe Narcisse family; Kaylee Arsenault & Jonathan Arsenault; the Steppettes; and a number of others from other parts of Canada, the U.S. and even one, Ryan Woods, from the United Kingdom.

National Acadian Day, August 15, was keenly celebrated in the Evangeline region with the raising of the Acadian flag in Abram-Village in the midst of dignitaries and locals.

The Evangeline Area Agricultural Exhibition and Acadian Festival took place August 31 to September 3 in Abram-Village. The event featured the official opening of four new facilities constructed on the grounds; an outdoor stage, a canteen, the Founders' Hall and an Artisans' Hall were all unveiled. The official host characters of Evangeline and Gabriel were played this year by Odette and Dennis Gallant of Mont Carmel. Some of the featured performers included Lennie Gallant, Laurie LeBlanc from New Brunswick, and the New Brunswick group Reveil. The parade and the fiddlers' concert on Sunday afternoon were highly successful. The closing concert on Sunday evening featured local talent and the presentation of awards. Shelaine Gallant, a caring and sharing young woman, received the Young Acadian of the Year Award, while the Acadian of the Year Award was presented to long-time worker and volunteer Yvette Arsenault.

Amand and Friends continue to perform at various seniors' homes and manors. Amand celebrated his 89th birthday in August and still is chocked full of life. Albert Arsenault (son of Eddy) sometimes plays with the group, as does Edward (Polycarp) Arsenault and Norman Arsenault.

Over the summer months the Friday Night Jammers have been quite active - participating in the various musical events. Numerous players have participated with the group on Friday nights at the Wellington venue and visitors are always welcome! Till next time, Cheerio!!



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Carolyn Drake

Queens County Fiddlers by Carolyn Drake

As we get set to turn into another fall season, the Queens County Fiddlers are tuning up to get back to practice at Andrews of Stratford.

We meet Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. A warm welcome goes out to all returning members – both fiddlers and accompanists. All players, no matter what your level, are also welcome to come by and see what the group is all about.

Highlights for the group from the summer of 2017 include playing at the annual garden party in July, hosted by Lt.-Gov. Frank Lewis and his wife, Dorothy. They have both been great supporters of the Queens County Fiddlers over the years, and we wish them both all the best as Frank's term at Government House comes to an end and they move on to the next chapter in their lives. Of course, July also meant a trip to the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival – great fun as always with the group playing a 20-minute set at the Sunday afternoon concert. And then it was time to scatter for the summer as some members headed to the cottage, others kept right on working, some travelled off the Island, some spent time on theatre stages, others played for ceilidhs and concerts and conventions. Three of our members also hopped on board a bus and headed to Ontario with the Cape Breton Fiddlers' Association for several days of music. Whether you busked on a street corner or basked in the sun, the fiddle was likely never too far away.

The group also received a request to play at the funeral of Hazel MacPherson on Sept. 2. Her husband, John Dan MacPherson,

had been a member of the QCF years ago, and it had been Hazel's personal request that some fiddlers play at her funeral, as had been the case at her husband's funeral. Ten fiddlers and Jennifer were able to attend the funeral at Trinity United Church in Charlottetown, and Hazel's family was so pleased with the music - Ashoken Farewell and Da Slockit Light.

Our CD "Ages" is available at a few locations around Charlottetown. Check out the group's Facebook page for more information. Plans for the fall haven't come together completely yet – they likely involve some visits to nursing homes and maybe even a fall concert - so watch your e-mails if you're a group member and watch the local media if you aren't to find out what we're up to.



The hills of Cape Breton were alive with the sound of music in August as the annual Festival of Cape Breton Fiddling was held at the Gaelic College in St. Ann's. These Queens County Fiddlers have started an annual tradition of heading over to the college to stay for the weekend, visit with old friends and make some new ones, play some tunes and soak up all the fun. This year the little group consisted of Carolyn Drake, left, Linda Moran, Father Charlie Cheverie, Cheryl Edmunds, Marlene Gallant and Lorraine Lynch. Tunes all the way over, tunes while we were there and tunes all the way back – not too bad. Maybe next year we can entice a few more folks to fill another car and join us.



Prince County Fiddlers by Cathy Campbell

The Prince County Fiddlers performed this summer at a few venues. We had an enjoyable time performing during the Chautauqua Festival in Summerside. Our group likes to roll through the tunes on stage. As a group we are trying to be more interactive with the audience. The Festival encourages performers to interact with the crowd and educate them by sharing information about the music we play or perhaps the history of our group.

Another highlight for us this summer was receiving an invitation to play at the New London Lions Complex for the International Air Cadet Exchange 2017 in July. We entertained 86 cadets from all around the world. Our music was well-received by the young group, and it was a special moment for two of our

own members as they were both involved in the program years ago. The weather was great this year for the Tyne Valley Parade held in August. We appreciate Cecelia Bell joining us on the piano and Brent MacDougall joining us on guitar.

Our most recent performance was in early September. We were honoured to entertain guests at the retirement & birthday party for Senator Libbe Hubley. The number of fiddlers on stage representing Prince County on this particular day was the largest group we have had in a very long time. We had all our full-time members present plus we were joined by Anastasia DesRoches who played Carleton County for step dancer Samantha MacKay and Jason Campbell who played a lively tune for step dancer Veronica Murray. Also joining us were members Thelma Campbell, Lottie Locke, Mary Smith, Sabrina MacKay, Skye MacAusland and Ronnie Albert. Anastasia snapped a photo with Thelma Campbell, Lottie Locke and Patsy Bulger who was actually Anastasia's first fiddle teacher. A special reunion for sure! It appeared Libbe was overwhelmed by the turn out of family, friends and fellow musicians and dancers. It was a great afternoon for many reasons.



The Prince County Fiddlers turned out in large numbers in early September to celebrate the birthday and retirement of Senator Libbe Hubley.

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Amy Swenson

Southern Kings Fiddlers by Amy Swenson

It doesn't seem possible that fall is upon us already. Our fiddle group has had a fun summer, we have enjoyed having several musical visitors drop in to play with us, and we have played for the Murray Harbour Ceilidh, the Sturgeon Ceilidh and recently at the Orwell Farm Day on September 2. Some of our members have also been out to the Belfast Ceilidh, Perrin's Marina Villa, and the Northumberland Fisheries Festival. Urban Chaisson and Wayne Maclean also had a great time playing on a float at the Old Home Week parade last month.

I was at a table doing some repairs at the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival in July during the workshops before the big weekend. What a treat to have the background music of the fiddle classes while working away on pegs and bridges and so forth, and to see the enthusiasm of the workshop students, young and old, and to meet some of the excellent teachers. I am hoping that our fiddle group can sponsor some students next year.

Southern Kings Fiddlers have started to work on a couple more tunes from the Shetland Islands. Willie Hunter and Aly Bain play Willie's Love of the Isles slow air in a wonderful old video on YouTube, and Aly and Phil Cunningham have some videos of them playing Phil's Sarah's Song, another lovely slow air. Do look these up if you are curious. Aly plays the airs with great finesse & plenty of ornaments and subtle slides, they are a delight to hear and watch.

This all came about because a new student of mine, Alex Jackson, 11, from Belfast School, fell in love with Aly's playing of Margaret's Waltz, which sent me to the Internet to look that up and, in the process, I

discovered the other videos. Alex first picked up the violin at Wendy Evers' after school violin class at Belfast School last fall. He did well in the class and then took lessons from me all summer.

He is getting some good speed up on tunes like Devil's Dream and John Ryan's Polka (for which he has just come up with a variation), but he also has a good feel for waltzes and slow airs. He memorizes quickly, and is also rapidly learning to read standard notation - so I am betting we are witnessing the emergence of a complete fiddler. He has been enjoying busking at the Murray Harbour Market, and just made his stage debut at the Farm Day in Orwell. The audience gave him an enthusiastic welcome, and were amazed he had only been playing for nine months. And yes, there are fiddlers in his ancestry—Clarence MacLean of the Belfast-Roseberry MacLeans being one of them.

Keep an eye out in The Buzz for the November concert in Charlottetown of the Strathgartney Orchestra, which is being rebranded as the "PEI Pops" orchestra. To help celebrate Canada 150, the featured work will be Leo Marchildon's "Canada Our Dear Home," which incorporates PEI fiddle tunes from Kevin Chaisson, Maurice O'Shea, Emmett Hughes and others, as well as the Mi'kmaq Honour Song, which is an amazing piece sung by Sylvia Mutch. If you haven't heard it yet, do check it out! Admission is by donation.

The Southern Kings Fiddlers will be practicing every two weeks on Monday nights at the Rural Development Centre on Brook and Main Streets in Montague, starting at 7 pm. Dates for the fall are Sept. 18, Oct. 2, 16 and 30, Nov 13 and 27. Contact me at 962-2273 for more information. Visitors are always welcome!

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Anne M. McPhee

Eastern Kings Fiddlers

by Anne M. McPhee

Summer is winding down, but fortunately there are still lots of activities and musical events planned for the beautiful fall season. First let's talk about the fabulous summer we just had.

The Festival of Small Halls kicked off the summer as usual with a vast choice of musical styles from across Canada and parts of the US and filled halls across the Island. Shows in Kings County were presented everywhere from Souris Live's Centre to St. Peter's Courthouse to the Vernon River Parish Hall. Roma at Three Rivers, Dundas Heritage Hall, Orwell Corner, Montague, Murray River, and the spectacular finale at Kings Playhouse in Georgetown presented excellent shows.

That was just the beginning. The East Pointers performed a special show before a sold-out crowd at the Eastern Kings Community Centre. All the local ceilidhs got going for the summer and the numbers started swelling at the year round ceilidhs like the Silver Threads. The Kitchen Group enjoyed performing at the final ceilidh of the summer at the Eastern Kings Community Centre, and we were happy to see Mary Smith and friends from Rustico play there the previous week. Both shows were very well attended and enjoyed by all.

Music Week in Rollo Bay kicked off with a very successful and well-attended music camp with excellent instructors from Vishten, The East Pointers, as well as Andre Brunet, Mairi Rankin, members of the Chaisson family and many others, including the best of the best from PEI, Cape Breton, Quebec, Ontario, the United States, Scotland and Australia!

Students and instructors alike thoroughly enjoyed the whole music camp experience from the setting in Rollo Bay to the meals and the instructors, and the camp is set to continue year after year.

Most of the instructors then stayed to participate in the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival weekend, and

what a weekend it was! Combining the power of Vishten's Pascal Miousse's fiddling skills with Andre Brunet was like setting off a ticking bomb. The two simply fed off each other and set the stage on fire. It was a tremendous performance to see and hear. I have seen Andre Brunet perform beautifully in a few concert settings but clearly, this Quebecois fiddler thrives in a festival setting. He says, "other fiddlers' music is like food to me".

The children of Peter Chaisson took the stage to play a set of tunes in tribute to Peter accompanied by Kevin. It was very moving. Then when all the



Quebec's Andre Brunet and Colin Savoie-Levac performing at Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival in July

Chaisson cousins joined them with Darla accompanying, well, it was hard to keep a tear or two from falling. Peter's presence was definitely felt and it seemed he was pleased with what he saw and heard. The entire weekend was so well organized, even the Chaissons were impressed and in a bit of shock I think. They had a

schedule! It was posted prior to the weekend so you could pick and choose which concerts you wanted to attend, but how you could decide was beyond me. The lineup was just stellar.

The Chaissons found it hard to find the time to play on the stage. JJ said, there were so many details to see to, it was hard to come off the field and go on the stage. They all took a turn running a golf cart to carry people back and forth from the parking area to the field. You just never knew who you'd see

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behind the wheel, even Julie Chaisson was seen taking a turn on a cart. There was never a wait for a ride. The Kitchen Group performed well thanks to a practice in the tuning room the week before and we even had time to allow our Irish youth Zoe and Holly O'Regan, to beautifully play Jerry Holland's "For My Mother Dear", another favourite of Peter's, more classically played as they were trained to do but including every grace note and embellishment as Jerry and Peter always played it. It sounded amazing from the Big Hill Stage! We are so glad we have another year before Zoe graduates next year. Sadly, for the Kitchen Group, Samantha Arseneau will be heading off to UPEI and we will greatly miss her, but we wish her much success.

The Kitchen Group with leader Darren Chaisson is looking forward to starting our practices again on Monday, October 16 at 7:00 pm on the stage at the Souris School. Anyone is welcome to join us or just come to listen.

We were shocked and saddened by the sudden death of superb Island fiddler Nathan Condon at age 32, of Kensington. Having worked with him on the executive of the PEI Fiddlers Society during his time as President, while I was Secretary and seeing him perform with various instruments and sing on Souris Live's Centre Stage with Peggy Clinton's Sunday Night Hoedown and Mike Pendergast's band he was a tremendous talent and addition to any band

and will be greatly missed by the Island's music community as well as his family.

A final word must be said to the many, many volunteers Island-wide who devote their time and talent for little or no pay to the music scene in PEI, from those who keep the halls and many venues running, from cutting the grass to cleaning the toilets, thank you. From the set up and tear down people to

the sound and lighting, the musicians who play at countless ceilidhs and benefits and those who promote these events, thank you. And for all those who attend these events, thank you all for coming out to see these live performances. As Tim Chaisson posted after the Fiddle Festival, "Your kindness, dedication and positivity is

what will keep the tradition alive. At the end of the day, the spirit of the festival is to bring families and music-lovers together for a dance, a tune, a song, a good laugh or even just a nice conversation. Seems fairly simple! We're shooting for another 41 years and I, especially, am looking forward to seeing how it evolves, grows and becomes a part of more people's lives. Hope to see you July 10-15, 2018!"

We are so fortunate in PEI to be steeped in such a wonderful musical history and heritage and to be able to share it with the world.



PEI Executive Meeting at Old Triangle on 28 November 2012: Jason Campbell (1st Vice President), Anne McPhee (Secretary and TIF Editor), Nathan Condon (President), and Paul Cheverie (Treasurer).



Above left: Aaron Crane steps outside The Guild during rehearsals of Anne & Gilbert to join Luka Hall for a tune. Anne and Gilbert runs until late October.

Above centre: Queens County Fiddlers performing at Garden Party Government House July 12.

Above right: Billy McInnis, Anne McPhee and Leon Gallant take a moment at The Small Halls concert at Fortune Community Centre on June 23.

Left: Scott Woods of Fergus, Ontario performs a feat of walking on a barrel at his show on July 28 in Kensington.





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Nathan Condon
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Nathan was a caring friend and a talented musician. He was a past president of the PEI Fiddlers' Society. He will be remembered for his beautiful music and sharing ways.

Weekly Events Forecast - Fall 2017

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Sunday Oct 22 6:30pm	Ceilidh	St. Paul's Parish Hall	Sturgeon	902-969-7258
1 st Sundays 7:00pm	Ceilidh	Olde Dunstaffnage School Centre	Dunstaffnage	902-629-1494
4th Sundays 2-4pm <i>incl Oct 29</i>	Ceilidh/Concert	Bonshaw Community Centre	Bonshaw	902-675-4282
2nd Sundays 7:00-9:00pm	Kitchen Party/Ceilidh	Cotton Centre	Stratford	902-569-2732
2 nd Sundays 7:00pm	Ceilidh	Hunter River Lions Club Hall	Hunter River	902-964-2536
3 rd Sundays 1:30pm	Ceilidh	Seniors Active Living Centre, UPEI	Charlottetown	902-628-8388
3 rd Sundays 7:00pm	Ceilidh	Kelly's Cross Church Hall	Kelly's Cross	902-658-2290
1st & 3rd Mondays 7:00pm	Ceilidh/Kitchen Party	Bingo Country, Riverside Dr.	Charlottetown	902-940-6702
2nd & 4th Mondays 7:30pm	Winsloe Ceilidh	Winsloe United Church	Winsloe	902-368-1233
Tuesdays 8:00pm	Georgetown Ceilidh	Kings Playhouse	Georgetown	902-652-2053
3rd Tuesdays 7:00pm	Lions Club Ceilidh	Cotton Centre	Stratford	902-393-2264
Wednesdays 6:30 pm	Old Time Music Jam	Murphy Community Centre	Charlottetown	902-569-2471
Wednesdays 8:00pm	Ceilidh	Silver Threads	Souris	902-687-2396
Wednesdays 7:30pm <i>mid Nov</i>	Ceilidh in the City	Jack Blanchard Family Centre	Charlottetown	
Thursdays 7:00-10:00pm	Schooner Sessions	Old Triangle Irish Alehouse	Charlottetown	902-892-5200
Fridays 8:00 pm	Ceilidh at the Irish Hall	Irish Cultural Centre	Charlottetown	902-892-2367
Fridays 8:00pm	Ceilidh & Dance	St. Peter's Bay Circle Club	St. Peter's Bay	902-739-3334
2 nd Fridays 9pm-12am	Kitchen Party	Resto-Bar La Trappe	Abram-Village	902-854-3300
Fridays 8:00pm	Ceilidh	Kaylee Hall	Pooles Corner	902-838-4399
Fridays 8:00-11:00pm	Workshop & Jam	Boys & Girls Club	Wellington	902-436-5532
2 nd Fridays 7:30pm	Kitchen Country Ceilidh	Wheatley River Community Hall	Wheatley River	902-964-2586
Fridays 9-12	Kitchen Party	Centre Expo-Festival	Abram Village	901-854-3300
Saturdays 3:00-6:00pm	Kitchen Party	Summerside Legion	Summerside	902-436-2091
Saturdays 8:00pm	Belfast Ceilidh	Belfast Rec Centre	Belfast	902-659-2554
Saturdays 8-11pm	Pig & Whistles	Kaylee Hall	Pooles Corner	902-838-4399
Saturdays 8:30pm	Kitchen Party de Cuisine	Village Musical Acadien	Abram-Village	902-854-3300
Alt Saturdays 7:30pm	Ceilidh	Immaculate Conception Parish Hall	The Brae	902-659-2536

Upcoming Special Events

Oct. 14 7:30 pm	Tip-to-Tip Hoedown Finale	Souris Live Centre Stage	www.sourislive.com
Sept. 29 - Nov. 11	Autumn Swing Festival	Various Locations	www.autumnswingfestival.ca
	Oct. 11 7 pm Emerald Rae – Fiddler & Folk Singer		The Pourhouse, Charlottetown
	Oct. 14 8 pm Shane Cook, Ray Legere, Brent Chaisson		Barnone Brewery, Rose Valley
	Oct. 27 7 pm Shelly Campbell & Allan Dewar		The Old Triangle, Charlottetown
	Oct. 28 8 pm Halloween Square dance (Shelly Campbell/Allan Dewar)		Barnone Brewery, Rose Valley
	Nov. 11 8 pm Square dance (Ward MacDonald/Richard Wood)		BIS Hall, Charlottetown
Oct. 15 2:30 pm	PEI Symphony with Ten Strings And A Goat Skin	Confederation Centre	Charlottetown
Oct. 27 7:30 pm	JJ Chaisson & Family – Farmers Helping Farmers Fundraiser		Holland College Perform. Hall
Oct 28 8 pm	Halloween Square dance (Allan MacDonald/Louise MacKinnon)		Goose River
Oct 29 7 pm	Mont-Carmel Variety Show with local artists		www.cooperativeculturelledemontcarmel.com
Oct 29 2-6pm	Fiddle Doo & Pot Luck	Murray Christian Centre in Kensington	
Nov. 3 8 pm	Fiddlers Sons and Keelin Wedge	Harmony House	Hunter River 888-311-9090
Nov 11 5 pm	PEI Fiddlers Society AGM	BIS Hall, Charlottetown (meal & square dance to follow)	
Nov.12-Feb 11 Sundays 2pm	Treble with Girls QEH Fundraising Concerts	Assumption Parish Hall	Stratford



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| Nov. 12 - the Chaisson Trio | Nov. 26 - Jon Matthews |
| Dec. 17 - Courtney Hogan -Chandler | Jan. 14 - Keelin Wedge |
| Jan. 28 - Storyteller Dennis King | Feb. 11 - Taylor Johnston |
| Feb. 25 - Peggy Clinton & Johnny Ross | |
| Mar. 11 - Cian O'Morain & Mary MacGillivray | |
| Apr. 8 - Finale Kitchen Party!! | |

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