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Small Halls To Echo Generations of Music

For generations the community hall was the social and musical centre of life for many villages and hamlets across rural PEI. In June 2008, a new festival will bring some of that vitality back into those venues. The Festival of Small Halls will run from June 14-22 with 14 shows over nine days in twelve communities.

Among the exceptional array of talent at this Festival will be a couple of generations of the renowned Chaisson family of Bear

River and Rollo Bay. The sons and grandchildren of Joe Pete Chaisson (one of the founding members of the PEI Fiddlers Society and the founder of the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival) will be among the fiddlers at the Festival of Small Halls. Chaissons JJ, Peter, Tim and Kevin along with Elmer Deagle will be performing in Georgetown, Charlottetown and Tignish.

The Chaisson family recently issued an extraordinary CD called Generations. It features two generations of Chaissons with the spirit Joe Pete not far away. Kevin was a driving force behind the recording. He wanted to capture the special nature of his family with so many talented musicians, especially fiddlers. There are eight Chaisson fiddlers on the album: JJ, Peter, Kenny, Melanie, Stephen, Koady, Tim and Elmer Deagle. The recording also includes accompaniment from Kevin and Brent Chaisson and Darla MacPhee.

This musical project has been described as a rare and remarkable coming together of family and talent. It is not very often that you see such a range of musical talent in one family. And what makes it even more enjoyable is that the younger members are reaching their prime at almost the same time. The Generations album was recorded at Lakewind Sound Studios in Cape Breton and was produced by Mike Shepherd.



Father Charlie Cheverie, who wrote a beautiful introduction to the recording, remarked in an interview, "I was very impressed with many things on the album. Firstly, I didn't realize a few of the younger players were playing so well, I hadn't heard them in a while! I also felt the versatility of some of the players was demonstrated well, with great recordings of Elmer on the mandolin and JJ picking tunes out on the guitar. I can also feel a change in the

fiddle these days that you can observe with the Chaisson family and others. Now there are still lots of what I'd call 'listening and dancing tunes,' but then there are some fiddlers that I'd call the entertainers of the day, who dress up the tunes in such a way, that I think they attract a younger generation of listeners."

The Generations album is dedicated to Joe Pete and his wife Margaret Chaisson. Fr. Charlie recalls, "Joe Pete was the driving force in getting his sons to play the fiddle. His effort was complimented nicely by Margaret's gentle ways...she was the heart of it all with encouragement and accolades for everyone. And Margaret was there for the grandchildren too. To watch her at the Rollo Bay field, Margaret would always have the front row, and when the kids came down from



playing, she'd have her arms around them."

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The Chaisson Brothers (from left) Peter, Kevin and Kenny at the Annual Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival all grandfathers of the next generation of

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Fiddler Ward MacDonald, who is one of the key organizers of the Festival of Small Halls, commented on the Generations album, "I was very impressed with the care put into the wide selection of tunes, and of course, it was all played incredibly well. Each player on the album brought something to the recording and the listener gets a great variety of styles." In fact, a couple of original compositions found on the album are featured in this newsletter. In the overall history of recorded fiddle music on PEI, Generations stands as a fine traditional album.

Besides booking the Chaisson clan, MacDonald has gathered a wide variety of traditional musical performers that will be appearing in small venues across PEI. The Festival of Small Halls will also have step dancers and visual artists as part of the overall package of entertainment. This Festival was organized to not only bring exceptional talent to the small halls, but to also bring funds and attention back into those halls.

Complete schedule and ticket information can be found on the internet at www.smallhalls.com. For more information, people can call 800-708-6505. There is also more information in an advertisement elsewhere in this newsletter.

Some Third Generation Chaisson Musicians



JJ Chaisson; Son of Donna (Chaisson) and Kenny Chaisson—plays fiddle, guitar and piano.



Tim Chaisson; son of Kevin Chaisson and Karen Chaisson, multi-instrumentalist and vocalist.



Elmer Deagle; Son of Dianne (Chaisson) & Elmer Deagle, plays fiddle, banjo, guitar and mandolin



Brent Chaisson; son of Kevin Chaisson and Karen Chaisson plays piano and guitar. Also compose tunes, see pg 10

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Fiddlers and Followers Weekend by Mary Smith

The Fiddlers & Followers Weekend will be held on Aug. 1, 2, 3, 2008 at the North Star Arena in North Rustico, PEI. Four Big Shows and Meals including BBQ's, Lobster Supper, Picnic and Chowder. Also a Spoon Workshop. See some of the Maritime's best entertainers. Fiddle Champions . Keith Ross, Allison Inch, The Landry's, World Champion accordion & spoon player Roger Lanteigne Plus lots of fantastic young entertainers that will just blow you away!! Special weekend packages are available includes all meals & Shows for only \$125.00 per person. Motor home weekend parking at no additional charge. All shows only are \$15.00 per person including tax. For more info call Mary 902-836-3610 or 902-963-2356.

Fiddlers and Followers Weekend Schedule:

Friday Aug 1; 6:00 pm BBQ;

8:00 pm Show

Saturday Aug 2: 9:30 am Spoon Workshop; 1:00 pm Picnic; 2:30 Show;

6:00 pm Lobster Supper; 8:00 pm Show **Sunday Aug 3**; 11:00 Hymn Sing;

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Southern Kings Report by Amy Swenson

Congratulations are in order to Garnet Buell and many other hard-working people who put on a series of ten Saturday night ceilidhs this spring at the Murray River Hall, for the benefit of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. For the past several

years, this energetic group and their many supporters in the community have raised an impressive amount of money and everyone has enjoyed the many performers, cake auctions and that amazing fudge.

The summer season is kicking off Sunday, June 1st with a 6:30 pm ceilidh at the Sturgeon Hall featuring the Murray Harbour Five plus many other favorite local performers. Sturgeon also plans other events during the summer. Kilmuir Hall is opening its summer season with an 8 pm ceilidh on Saturday evening June 7th and the first Saturday of every month through October. The Murray Harbour Drama club will be hosting summer ceilidhs every two weeks as well on Friday evenings at 7:30 pm. Check the list of events and contact numbers listed elsewhere in the Fiddler for more information. Summer visitors are especially welcome to watch or perform. Bring your instrument along and join in!

The Singing Strings orchestra of PEI, composed of 22 young string players, is concluding their fundraising for a very exciting trip to Italy in July with a "Ceilidh Supreme" at the Kings Playhouse in Georgetown on Sunday afternoon, June 8th at 2 pm. You will be entertained by the Singing Strings, the amazing percussionist Phil Kromer (now attending UPEI), a dozen of Amy Swenson's advanced fiddle students, Barry O'Brien, fiddler Courtney Hogan (who is also a member of the Singing Strings), O'Connor will play for stepdancer Linnea Bell. and Attwood Attwood is now 86 which means that he has Senior fiddler been playing the fiddle for 79 years straight - quite the accomplishment indeed. He continues to play a few times a week at almost every local benefit and ceilidh.

Attwood will receive an Honourary Life Membership from the PEI Fiddlers Society for his long and outstanding contribution to Island fiddling.

Fiddle Practices Open To The Public

Prince County Fiddlers Summerside

Mondays 7:30pm

Community Connections, 836-3844

Queens County Fiddlers Parkdale

Wednesdays 7:45 pm

St. Pius X Hall, 569-4592

Morell Fiddle Group Morell

Thursday a 7:00 pm

Thursdays 7:00 pm

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Acadian Fiddlers Wellington

Fridays 8:00

Boys & Girls Club 436-5532

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Friday, July 4th - Opening Night! Kris Taylor & Friends, CD Launch, 7:30 pm

Saturday, July 12th - Howie MacDonald, Brenda Stubbert and Molly Rankin, 8 pm

Sunday, July 13th - Mike Pendergast, "The Big Squeeze", 6-7 pm

Friday, July 18th - Ian Stewart, Hypnotist and Comedy Show, 7:30 pm

Sunday, July 20th - 4/4 The Show Barbershop Quartet and Dennis The Menace & Friends, 7:30 pm

Sunday, July 27th - Catherine MacLellan & Meaghan Blanchard, 7:30

Saturday, August 9th - Bruce Guthro

Sunday, Aug. 10th - Mike Pendergast

Friday, August 15th - Ian Stewart

Sunday, Aug. 17th - Tim Chaisson

Saturday, Aug. 23rd - Dave Gunning

Sunday, Aug. 31st - Matt Minglewood

Plus! Island group, "Mulligan Stew" -Kendall Docherty, Sheila FitzPatrick and John Webster will perform each Wednesday @ 7:30 thru July & August

Check the website for more details!



Anne M. McPhee

Eastern Kings Fiddlers Report By Anne M. McPhee

The Rollo Bay fiddle and guitar students finished off the season in fine style by holding their Annual Family Night Concert at St. Alexis Church in Rollo Bay. The

outstanding acoustics in the church made it an

ideal setting to showcase the results of everyone's hard work as well as one of the highlights of the program, Hélène Beaulieu. Hélène first offered to accompany Christian Norton during his fiddle solo on her classical guitar. Once her formidable talent became evident she agreed to play an old Celtic tune on her guitar.



Hélène Beaulieu

The solo, "Buck of Oranmore" delighted the large crowd that was there.

Hélène hails from Quebec and has been working at the French school in Souris for the past two years. She came out to fiddle last fall, started with the beginners, progressed quickly to the intermediate class and joined the advanced fiddlers after Christmas. It was only during the rehearsal for the family night concert that Hélène demonstrated her formidable talent on classical guitar. Turns out she has a Masters degree in music from the University of Montreal but this is the first time she turned her hand to fiddle. And we're glad she



Intermediate fiddle class—Christian Norton, Instructor Kathryn Dau Schmidt, daughter Mary Stewart, Hélène Beaulieu, St. Alexis Church organist Bill Matthews, Logan MacMillan.

did! Hélène is moving on to the Yukon in June and we wish her the best.

With the Rollo Bay fiddle lessons and the Family Night concert over for this year, all thoughts and plans are turning toward the summer ahead and the 32nd Annual Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival. Organizer Peter is out there cutting grass, as we speak, preparing those rolling hills for another season of tunes and reunions. Hope to see you there!

32nd Annual Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival "Under the Stars" July 18-20, 2008 Rollo Bay Fiddle Field Rte 2 West of Souris

Special Guests include:

Andrea Beaton Shelley Campbell
Chrissy Crowley Kim and Jeff Matheson
Richard Wood Queens County Fiddlers
Ward MacDonald Celtic Ladies
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Prince County Fiddlers By Barry Thompson

The Prince County Fiddlers have continued to meet Monday evenings as usual since our last report. In April, we were invited to entertain the residents of Chez Nous community care facility located in Wellington.

On May 10, the Prince County Fiddlers helped Audrey and Ivan Day celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary and Ivan's Birthday. Ivan and Audrey have been long time members of our group and are life members of the PEI Fiddlers Society. On May 17 the group performed at the annual Queens County Fiddlers' Concert in Charlottetown. It was a great opportunity to meet our counterparts from the east and enjoy the fellowship. We have accepted an invitation to play for the residents of Clinton View Lodge on June 9.

Summer will soon be here and it promises to be a fairly active season. We have accepted an invitation to perform at the annual Summerside Highland Gathering hosted by the College of Piping and Celtic Performing Arts of Canada. We will participate at the Fiddlers and Followers weekend August 1 to August 3. This event will be held at the North Star Arena in Rustico.

Mark your calendar for our annual concert held August 9, 2008 at the Kensington Community Gardens. You can expect another entertaining concert, with a variety of special guests.

The Prince County Fiddlers continue to meet during the summer and are always happy to welcome visiting fiddlers to join in our practise/jam. Guests who just want to drop by and listen are always welcome. We meet on Monday evenings at Community Connections, 701 Water Street West. The fun begins at about 7:30 pm. On behalf of the Prince County Fiddlers I would like to wish everyone a great summer season.

Safely Home

Mary Agnes (Rose) Grady (nee Paquet) of Charlottetown, peacefully on June 1st, 2008, age 80 years. Beloved wife Reggie Gradv and one of the founding members of PEI Fiddlers the Society.

Her ready smile and love of the music will be missed.

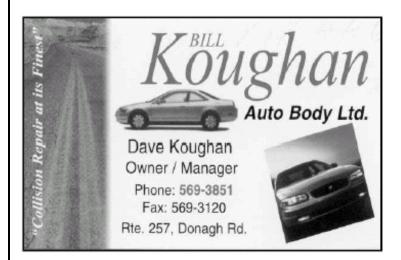


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Report from The Goose River Building Submitted by Mary MacLaren

In honour of the upcoming Festival of Small Halls it seemed fitting to publish this story about the history of one of our more infamous small halls.

In November 1991 the non-profit organization, Goose River Cooperative, was formed dedicated to the betterment of the community and its residents. In general, activities have been brisk in the past few months. The most recent renovations were completed at the end of April.

Goose River Building has been used for many functions over the years; wedding receptions, birthday parties, bridal showers, homecoming parties for relatives etc, graduations, Halloween, benefits, baby showers, meetings, AA Anniversaries, fishermen and community events. The first function was held in March 1992 with assistance from members, many of whom have passed away. Dedicated members assist in many ways; baking biscuits and goodies for lunches, cleaning, decorating, acting as M.C., preparing for functions and taking care of the canteen.

There are weekly functions including a dance every Saturday night and a card play on Wednesday evenings. Special occasions include masquerade parties with prizes, a Christmas party with chili and chowder and a New Years party which includes a cold plate. There is always a door prize plus a 50-50 draw at the dances.

Peter Chaisson is our "faithful fiddler" with a number of assistants when he is not available.

Filling in on fiddle when needed are (Fiddling) Francis MacDonald, Francis MacCormack, Allan MacDonald and even Santa played one year while his Christmas tree danced around the hall! Bonnie Campbell accompanies on piano with George Rogers on guitar on a regular basis while Lemmie Chaisson and Kevin Chaisson fill in when needed. Joe Hebert accompanies on guitar and mouth organ while Alton MacKenzie gives his spoons a good workout every week and brings his mouth organ along as well.

Singers include Urban MacAdam with guitar, Janice Hebert on piano and harmony, Viola Fitzpatrick and Jerome Chaisson. Special guests include the O'Halloran Sisters home from the states for the summer, Kevin Beanland from Newfoundland, Ken Perlman and his banjo and even Lee Cremo from Cape Breton played here one summer. This report would not be complete without mentioning the stepdancing skills of Doreen Chaisson and other dancers who have followed her lead.

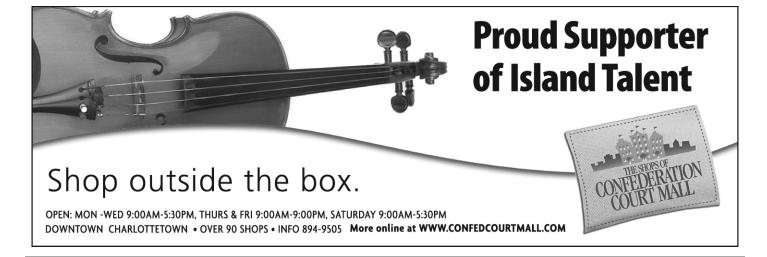
In years past Sheila MacKenzie, Ward Mac-Donald, Richard Wood and Shaun Allan Battams and many others were guests at Goose River Build-

ing and it has been an honour to have been part of their success.

Mary MacLaren, 85, is a long time active member of the Goose River Cooperative. She can be found tapping her toes at the dance every Saturday night.



Mary MacLaren



Dorothy Griffin-Farish

Acadian News by Dorothy Griffin-Farish

A lively time was held at the Acadian Museum in Miscouche early in April when the "Friday Night Jammers" provided entertainment to a full house on a Sunday afternoon. Among the entertainers included Edward P. and Clau-

dette Arsenault, Marie (Arsenault) Livingstone and her husband Orrin, Marcia and her daughter Jocelyne Arsenault, Amand (Arcade) Arsenault, Paula Arsenault, and Dorothy Griffin-Farish. Paula's husband, Norman, a member of the group, was unable to be at this session. People couldn't keep their feet still, and many in the audience and on stage provided some great step-dancing. Refreshments were served, and visitors and entertainers had a great opportunity to visit the exhibit "The Gallery of Our Ancestors", 80 charcoal portraits of Acadian ancestors.

The Acadian group Vishten, consisting of Emmanuelle LeBlanc (whistles, bodhran, piano, vostepdancing, feet), Pastelle LeBlanc (accordion, piano, vocals, stepdancing, feet), Pascal Miousse (fiddle, mandolin, guitar, vocals, feet) and Elmer Deagle (guitar, mandolin, fiddle, banjo) performed a bilingual show for its new CD as part of the Confederation Centre of the Arts' P.E.I. Presents program. Two performances were held on April 18th and 19th at the MacKenzie Theatre in Charlottetown. The group had Rémi Arsenault, a former member, join them for the live recording. The group Vishten have been bringing their Celtic-Acadian music to audiences for almost eight years. They have recently won an ECMA award for Francophone recording of the year and have done about twentyfive shows over a two-month tour in Europe. Congratulations, Vishten!

Anastasia DesRoches has been busy recording fiddle tunes composed by Acadian musicians as part of a project she has been working on for some time. She is hoping to launch the Acadian tune collection in June. When she has her project completed to her satisfaction I'm sure you'll hear all about it. She is a busy lady. You might check her web site at www.anastasiadesroches.com to see what she's been up to. Anastasia is also taking part

in a Dinner Theatre at Centre Expo on Tuesday and Wednesday nights this summer, starting July 8th. Also in the show are Christina Gallant-MacLean, Nick Arsenault, Genevieve Ouellette and Pierre Arsenault.

A major cultural event, L'Événement Éloizes, was held in Charlottetown from April 30th to May 4th. This event, the tenth edition, was held for the first time on Prince Edward Island. It included an Awards Night, as well as a series of artistic activities. The Municipality of Charlottetown hosted the event, which was organized in collaboration with Carrefour de l'Isle-Saint-Jean and P.E.I.'s Fédération culturelle. Music and step-dancing played a big part in this event and a number of people from the Acadian region performed, particularly at the kitchen party event. The kitchen party was hosted by Robert Arsenault with Mitchel Richard, Mario Robichaud, Peter Arsenault, Pascal Miousse, Tracy Arsenault, Brandon Arsenault, Corinne Cormier and Roy Johnston. The Prix Hommage, an honourable award, was presented to Angèle Arsenault, born in Abram's Village to Arthur and Josephine Arsenault and a part of a very musi-She was one of the first Acadian cal family. women to promote Acadie outside of the area mainly through her music. Her first record album was launched in 1975 and since then she has produced nineteen more albums. She is affectionately called the "Star of the Island" and has received numerous awards, including the Order of Canada in 2003.

Fiddler Peter Arsenault, accompanied by Gary Gallant, provided musical entertainment at the Acadian Museum in Miscouche on Sunday afternoon, May 25th during the launching of Earle Lockerby's latest book entitled *Deportation of the Prince Edward Island Acadians*. The deportation occurred in 1758, and this year is the 250th anniversary of this sad event in Island history.

Eddy and Amand Arsenault, Fred Arsenault and Dorothy Griffin-Farish have played at several seniors' homes and manors in the area. Their toe-tapping music is very much enjoyed.

Numerous activities will be occurring over the summer and fall in this area. Keep your eyes and ears open and check the media for musical events in the area.

Queens County Fiddlers Report By Carolyn Drake

Spring has finally arrived after a busy winter of practicing and playing for the Queens County Fiddlers. The highlight of the season was the group's annual spring concert, which was held at the Carrefour Theatre on Saturday, May 17. Packed with talent from across the province and emceed by Ward MacDonald, the evening was highlighted by the presentation of life memberships to Carl and Reby Sharpe, Paul Cheverie and Richard Wood. Congratulations to these four players who have added a great deal both to the group and to Island music over the years.

The group was also pleased to be invited to take part in a kitchen party night at Lucy Maud Montgomery School on Thursday, May 22. The strings program at the school has been working on some traditional fiddle tunes, and it was a real pleasure to watch the young people perform. The Queens County Fiddlers closed the show with four sets, which were very well received by the audience.

The group has continued its regular Wednesday practice schedule this winter with a few exciting variations. Once a month, Ward MacDonald has been coming to the group to lead everyone in an ear-training workshop. So far, we have learned Soldier's Cloak and a slightly different version of the well-known jig, Haste to the Wedding. These sessions have proven to be interesting and challenging as they provide many of the members with a whole new way of learning.

In addition, the group has tried to set aside one Wednesday a month for a special guest fiddler to drop by, play us some tunes and have a chat. Our most recent guest was Richard Wood, who played for more than an hour and answered all kinds of questions from practice habits to his favourite tunes. Thanks so much for sharing your time with us, Richard.

Thanks also to the members who have opened their homes on Sunday afternoons for a chance to play and enjoy a potluck meal. These get-togethers made the winter season go by a bit faster.

Looking ahead, the group's performing schedule so far this summer sees us playing at the Highland Gathering in Summerside on June 28 as well as at the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival in July. In addition, several of our members will be performing in ceilidhs throughout the summer. Be sure to check out Courtney Hogan's ceilidhs at Afton Hall in New Dominion.

Sheila Fitzpatrick and The Celtic Ladies are back at The Guild in Charlottetown once a week this

summer. And Matthew Reid will be performing at Aaron Crane's weekly ceilidhs at St. Andrew's Chapel, just east of Mount Stewart. Many other members will be sharing their playing or dancing talents as the summer rolls along.

Be sure to get out and enjoy the warm weather and the music. And don't forget to check out the Festival of Small Halls, June 14-22.

ATLANTIC FIDDLERS JAMBOREE

July 25-27, 2008 Abrams Village, PEI Invited Guests:

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Sundays 8 pm (Jun29 - Sep)	Monticello Ceilidh,	Monticello - Log Hall	Rte 16 Monticello	902-687-3368
Sundays 8 pm	Sunday Night Shenanigan	s Benevolent Irish Society	Charlottetown	902-892-2367
Sundays 7:30 pm	New Dominion Ceilidh	Afton Community Centre Rte	19 New Dominion	902-675-3593
Every Last Sunday 2-5 pm	Roy Johnstone	Brennan's Pub and Eatery	Charlottetown	902-675-2541
Last Sunday of the month 7-9 pm	Ceilidh/Concert	Bonshaw Community Centre	Bonshaw	902-675-4282
Alternate Sundays 6:30 pm Jun01	Sturgeon Ceilidhs	St. Paul's Parish Hall	Sturgeon	902-962-3918
Sun Mon Wed Thurs 7:30 pm	Scottish Ceilidh Concert	MacKinnon Homestead	Richmond	902-854-2245
Mondays & Wednesdays 7:30 pm	Ross Family Ceilidh	W.I. Hall	Stanley Bridge	902-569-4551
Mondays 8 pm	Ceilidh & Dance	St. Peter's Bay Circle Club	St Peter's Bay	902-961-2899
Mondays 7:30	Brackley Beach Ceilidh	Brackley Beach Community Centre	Brackley Beach	902-672-2555
Every other Monday 7:30	Ceilidh Kitchen Party	Bingo Country, Riverside Dr.	Charlottetown	902-940-6702
Tuesdays (Jul 8-Sep 30) 8 pm	Celtic Ladies	The Guild	Charlottetown	866-774-0717
Tuesdays 9—10 pm	Bluegrass & Country Jam	Summerside Legion	Summerside	902-886-2935
Wednesdays 8 pm	Square Dance	Old Lorne Valley School	Lorne Valley	902-687-2584
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Wednesdays 7:30	Ceilidh at the Corner	Orwell Corner Historic Village	Orwell Corner	902-651-8515
Thursdays 8 pm	Ceilidh and Dance	Rollo Bay Fiddle Field Barn	Rte 2 Rollo Bay	902-687-2584
Thursdays 7:30 pm	Kitchen Party	Brennan's Pub and Eatery	Charlottetown	902-675-2541
Thursdays 8 pm	Close to the Ground	Kaylee Hall	Pooles Corner	902-569-3745
Fridays 8 pm	Friday Night Ceilidh	Dundas Ploughing Match Grounds	Dundas	902-583-2113
Fridays 7:30 (June 20)	Mary Smith and Friends	Stanley Bridge Hall	Stanley Bridge	902-963-2356
Fridays 8 pm	Music, Song and Dance	Benevolent Irish Society	Charlottetown	902-892-2367
Fridays 6:30 pm departure	Ceilidh on the Water	Montague's Cruise Manada Tour	Montague	800-986-3444
Every Other Friday 7:30 pm Jun20	Drama Club Ceilidh,	Murray Harbour Hall	Murray Harbour	902-962-2157
Saturdays 9 pm	Goose River Dance	Goose River Hall	Goose River	902-961-2205
Every second Saturday 8 pm	Square Dancing	York Community Centre	York	902-629-1869
Every third Saturday 8 pm	Reuban's Jamboree	Sea View Hall	Sea View	902-836-3844
First Saturday 8 pm	Ceilidh	Kilmuir Hall	Kilmuir	902-838-4768

Festivals

June 14—22 Festival of Small Halls	14 Shows in 9 Days!! All shows start at 7:30 www.smallhalls.c	com
June 27, 28, 29 Event in the Tent	Summerside Highland Gathering www.CollegeofPiping.com	902-436-5377
July 18, 19, 20 Rollo Bay Fiddle Festiva	al Rte 2 Rollo Bay www.rollobayfiddlefest.ca	902-687-2584
July 25, 26, 27 Atlantic Fiddlers Jambo	oree Abrams Village www.festivalspei.com/events	
Aug. 1, 2, 3 Fiddlers & Followers W	eekend North Star Arena, North Rustico www.rainbowvalley.pe	e.ca
August 10 Prince County Fiddlers	Annual Concert, Community Gardens Arena, Kensington	902-836-3844
August 6, 13 and 11—13 Five Ho	ouses Fiddle Workshops St Peter's Circle Club	902-961-3130

