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Lemuel Richard (Lemmie) Chaisson Forever in our Hearts

Lemmie was the seventh of three boys and five girls born to Willie Jerome and Mary Louise (Burke) Chaisson. His mother died at age 30 when Lemmie was not quite 3 years old. The house where he was raised in Rollo Bay was torn down around 1970 when the highway was widened and in 1974 he and Judy moved into the house they built on the property.



Photo by Elizabeth Peters-Kearney

Lemmie Chaisson

Lemmie played his father's guitar from the age of seven. It was too big so he played it "over the neck". His older brother Jerome bought him his own guitar when he was a teenager and he started playing for Clifford Peters' barn dances in the barn that you see from the fiddle field.

In 1963, at age 18, Lemmie moved to Hamilton, Ontario and first found work on a dairy farm and then worked at Ford in Oakville from 1967 until he moved back to PEI in 1973. He met Judy at the Jockey Club dance in 1964 and they were married in 1966. Their two oldest children, Louise and Matthew were born in Hamilton.

When they moved to PEI, Peter Chaisson was their oil man and an old friend of Lemmie's. Lemmie played at the fiddle field from the first year, 1977, but missed two concert years, 1989 and 1990 when he was in a wheel chair recovering from an industrial accident. Judy has a newspaper clipping advertising the Chaisson Trio at the BIS in 1985. Lemmie went to the Rollo Bay fiddle classes off and on but more

regularly in the last 15 years or so. He taught guitar at home to some private students and at community school back in the 70s.

Lemmie and Judy's three younger girls, Susie, Mary and Paula were born in Souris hospital. They all sing. Louise plays the organ and guitar at St. Peters Church, Mary sings and plays guitar in the Souris area, Susie plays guitar and sings at weddings in Ontario and Paula, living in Montreal, plays fiddle and sings. Their son Matthew, living in Alberta, played drums and is a good singer too but doesn't perform.

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Submitted photo taken July 2012

Lemmie, in the centre of his universe, with his family from left: Paula, Susie, wife Judy, Matthew, Lemmie, Mary and Louise.

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From Lemmie page 1

There are 11 grandchildren and one on the way and two great grandchildren and one on the way.

When Lemmie was hurt in 1989, he was left with a permanent disability but this gave him time to play the guitar more and perfect his craft. He produced two recordings over the years that include some of his favourite songs. There have been many requests for these recordings since Lemmie's passing and Judy has copies available for sale. Feel free to contact her any time for a copy.

Judy says, Lem's faith has been tested more than once and proved equal to the test. When he was told he had lung cancer his reaction was "but I've been so happy". To her, that said that he had no regrets and didn't blame anyone, including God, for his situation. He asked Judy not to give up on him and she promised to go the distance with him, to try whatever it took, just as long as he wanted. She is glad that she was with him to the end and was able to tell him what a good father and husband he had been and that it was alright to go, they would be okay. She says she will miss him all the rest of her days but considers herself to be a very lucky woman to have had him for her husband for 47 years. They were never rich but had what money can't buy. Faith, hope and love in abundance and a wonderful family to enjoy. Music made for a big part of that enjoyment. Lemmie played the guitar and sang almost every day of their lives together and had a song for every occasion. If you asked anyone who worked with Lemmie they would tell you, "if you are looking for Lemmie, just listen for someone singing or whistling and you will find him".



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

The Chaisson Trio played together for over 30 years in PEI and in parts of the States: Kevin on keyboard, Peter on fiddle and Lemmie Chaisson on guitar.

PEI Fiddlers Come Together

At the PEI Fiddlers Society Annual Meeting last fall, the members present decided to invite all PEI Fiddlers to a Fiddle Jam to play some tunes together. Over the winter, a list of tunes common to all the groups was comprised.

The date was set for April 14 at 2:00pm at the Irish Cultural Centre in Charlottetown and at 1:50 there was about a dozen people present. Five minutes later, people started streaming through the door. Before long, more chairs had to be taken down and late-comers had to go park in another lot. Suddenly there was about 80 people in the room. At least 45 played the fiddle, 3 or 4 played guitar and 3 piano players took turns at the keyboard. There was also a good crowd that came to see what was going on and to watch and listen. Most of the tunes on the common list were played and a few other tunes as well. What a great time we had. Before long it was time for a wonderful potluck supper and some socializing and of course some dinner music.



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

PEI Fiddlers come together for the PEI Fiddle Jam.

Plans are now well underway for a group of at least 15 PEI Fiddlers to play during the Sunday afternoon concert at the Cape Breton Fiddlers Association 40th Anniversary Celebration at the Gaelic College of Celtic Arts & Crafts, St. Ann's, Cape Breton, N.S. being held August 16 - 18, 2013. **A practice will be held on Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30pm at Long and McQuade at 104 Capital Drive in Charlottetown.**

The set list will be confirmed when we all get together but we are hoping to do a set of jigs: Hundred Pipers, Stan Chapman's, Chase me Charlie and Dan Collin's Father's Jig have been mentioned. Next we would do a slow air - possibly Memories of Father Charles MacDonald with the harmony. Then we will finish off with Stella's Trip to Kamloops, Lime Hill, Carter MacKenzie and Sandy MacIntyre's Trip to Boston and maybe one more reel. Anyone is welcome to join this group and we are hoping to have a good crowd with representation from across PEI. See you there!





Eastern Kings Fiddlers

by Anne M. McPhee

This spring has proven once again, that we live in a great community and, for those who are part of the music scene, that community is Island wide.

When someone is in need, Islanders come together to help in whatever way they can. The outpouring of support was overwhelming during the weeks leading up to the benefit concert for Lemmie Chaisson and his family. When Lemmie died unexpectedly while receiving treatment for lung cancer, family and friends, musicians and concerned community members came from one end of the Island to the other, and beyond, to support the family and those most devastated by this great loss. They came for the wakes and they filled St. Mary's Church for the funeral. Then they came again for the benefit concert, that went ahead as planned in support of Lemmie's family. St. Mary's Hall was standing room only as one great entertainer after another made their way to the stage to play a song or set of tunes, only to make way for the next act.



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

Kevin Chaisson accompanies Cynthia MacLeod with Peter Chaisson on guitar at the benefit concert for Lemmie Chaisson.

The silent auction tables were laden with prizes, there were dozens of door prizes and some of the most interesting looking cakes were also auctioned off. The entire event was a testament of the sense of loss experienced by all and the love and respect that the entire Island has for this great man and his family.

Just a few weeks later, St. Mary's Hall was packed again for a benefit concert for 46 year old Mark MacPhee, who is battling cancer. Mark is a well known multi-instrumentalist, singer, songwriter from the area. The outpouring of support from concerned Islanders is truly heartwarming and serves to help, not only the family, but all the members of the community as we all struggle to come to terms with the devastation caused by cancer. And it's the music that helps to carry us all through. Thanks to all the great Island musicians who immediately respond to these calls for help and step up to share their gifts to unite the community in support of all who are going through a difficult time, time and time again.





Photo by Anne M. McPhee

J.J. Chaisson sings "Blainey's Laughing Eyes" as a tribute to Mark MacPhee. The song and fiddle piece is recorded on Mark MacPhee's "Marvelous Mark and the Humble Pie Band" CD and is often played by the Chaisson cousins group "Kindle".

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2013 Rollo Bay Fiddle School Family Night Concert at the Souris Show Hall



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The students in Kathryn Dau-Schmidt's intermediate class played a tune called The Island Penny written by Paula Arsenaault, a member of the Acadian Jammers.

Chloe LaBrech plays a solo accompanied by her grandfather Kevin Chaisson.



Photo by Elizabeth Peters-Kearney

Charity Deagle, the newest member of the Rollo Bay Kitchen Group accompanied them on guitar then sang a song to everyone's delight.



Photo by Elizabeth Peters-Kearney

Darren Chaisson, despite a bad case of nervousness prior to taking the stage, expertly plays a set of complicated tunes at the Family Night Concert accompanied by his dad, Kevin Chaisson on keyboard, and uncle, Peter Chaisson on guitar.

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Amy Swenson

Southern Kings Fiddlers by Amy Swenson

Our group has been busy at our biweekly practices, working on tunes new and old. For summer performances, we are hard at work on two of Kinnon Beaton's compositions and an old Scottish reel taught to us by Sheila Fitzpatrick in her excellent fall workshop. We're also playing Vince Koughan's new Community School Jig, the old march Red Haired Girl of Tulloch, and the Pictou County Waltz which came to us through the playing of Vince Savoie, who learned it many years ago in Nova Scotia. We will be playing these and other favorites at the Sunday evening ceilidh in Sturgeon on July 14th, and the following Sunday at Rollo Bay.

Several players in our group were able to get to the PEI Fiddlers Jam in April and enjoyed playing with fiddlers from all over the province as well as partaking in the delicious potluck. We all hope this becomes an annual event.

Our group is happy to announce that we are donating to the Music Program at Montague Intermediate School. The band there is growing by leaps and bounds and the new music room is nearing completion, so there is a need for more instruments and supplies. The school is putting on a benefit concert for the band on June 4th, and Scotiabank has generously offered to match donations taken in that evening. We are very fortunate to have wonderful music teachers in our local schools who work tirelessly with their bands and choirs. Their enthusiasm for music is rubbing off on all their students and is producing great results.

We have summer practices set up for Mondays on June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22, and August 5 and 19, at the Rural Development building at the corner of Brooke and Main Street in Montague. The group gathers around 6:30 pm and practices from 7 to 9pm. We invite any summer visitors to come play along or just listen, everyone is welcome. We generally practice tunes for our next performances in the first hour or so, and then we go around in a circle so that everyone gets a chance to choose a tune or two for us to play together. This has proven to be a great way to be exposed to new tunes and to revive older ones that deserve to be played again. Hope to see you there! 🐦



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PEI Fiddlers from all regions were represented at the Fiddle Jam. Fiddlers from Prince County, Queens County, Southern Kings and Morell fiddlers are seen here.



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Frank Lechowick

The Morell Fiddlers by Frank Lechowick

Morell fiddlers have been going at a relaxed pace this winter. We played at a benefit in St. Margaret's Hall in March. Things are heating up right now. We meet every Thursday and we're selecting and practising sets for our second appearance at the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival in July.



Carolyn Drake

Queens County Fiddlers by Carolyn Drake

The members of the Queens County Fiddlers have enjoyed plenty of opportunities to share their music in the last few months.


On March 13, we enjoyed our usual annual March visit to the Prince Edward Home where we treated the residents to music and dance and where we, in turn, were treated to some delicious St. Patrick's Day baking. Then in April, we were off to Andrews of Stratford, where we were warmly welcomed. In addition to the music, residents at both the Prince Edward Home and Andrews of Stratford were treated to the step-dancing talents of Vanessa Bernard.

A few weeks later, we met at Geneva Villa in Charlottetown with a large group of fiddlers coming out to play. A special treat that night was a duet by Katie Sonier and Fiona MacCorquodale, with Aaron Crane on the piano. It was wonderful to see how accomplished both teenagers are on the fiddle. Father Charlie Cheverie also made a point of mentioning resident Elvira Stewart, who is the widow of one of our longtime members, Kenny Stewart, who died a few years ago. She almost always accompanied Kenny to practices when he played with the group, so it was nice to see her again. Our tour around to nursing homes took us back to Andrews of Stratford on May 8 for another night of tunes.

Several group members also took part in an afternoon of fiddling on April 14 when the P.E.I. Fiddlers Society hosted a Fiddlers Jam at the Irish Cultural Centre (formerly known as the Benevolent Irish Society) on North River Road. Members of many chapter groups, including accompanists, came by to play and enjoy a potluck meal.

When we weren't out playing or practicing we did make time for some administrative work, including our annual meeting. The group met March 20, with a good turnout of members. After supper, a brief AGM was held with mostly housekeeping items on the agenda. Thanks to Tammy MacEachern for staying on as president, to the rest of the executive and to everyone else who agreed to help out in various ways.

Finally, the Queens County Fiddlers said goodbye to another of its members this spring with the death of Father Andrew Macdonald. A life member of the group, Father Andrew, 80, was a resident of the P.E.I. Atlantic Baptist Home. In addition to playing with the group for many years, he was one of the fiddlers to be part of our CD, *Forty Fiddles Flat Out* — a project he treasured. While his health had been poor for the past several months, he still enjoyed music. His good friend, Marie Burge, was kind enough to share this in an email with our group shortly after his death: "Over the last years, I often played for him *Forty Fiddles Flat Out*. It was the only music that would get his foot gently tapping out the rhythm and he would usually make some verbal response such as "wow" at the end of each set. He loved his time with you all." Father Andrew was buried on April 22 from All Saints Church, Cardigan. Several members of the QCF, as well as Rannie MacLellan, played at his funeral and at the interment.

Now, with summer right around the corner, all of our members are looking forward to our usual summer schedule, including the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival and a possible trip to Cape Breton. In addition, watch for group members out and about at ceilidhs and concerts all summer and be sure to make time for plenty of great music. 

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Barry Thompson

Prince County Fiddlers by Barry Thompson

Frank Snake Peters 1810-1902

Frank once told an "important gentleman there would be few fiddlers in hell. When the man asked why that should be Frank is alleged to have replied, "Because you big bucks don't like music". From Red - The Island

Story book. Frank Peters was well known across the Island. People came from Souris and Tignish to his funeral and walked to Indian River where he is buried.

The Prince County Fiddlers continue to meet as usual at Community Connections in Summerside. Our group varies in size from night to night, depending on employment, weather, etc.

This spring we entertained the residents of Chez Nous Community Care Facility, Clinton View

Lodge, Kensington Community Care and Wedgewood Manor. Sometimes there is only a fiddler and a guitar player or sometimes there's a dozen of us. The important thing being the residents are entertained and the music continues.

We enjoyed the afternoon at the Irish Cultural Centre in Charlottetown at the PEI Fiddlers Society Fiddle Jam. It was good to meet up with and share some tunes with other fiddlers from across the Island. Congratulations to Jackie Biggar on receiving his Life Membership to the PEI Fiddlers Society. We have a couple of dates to entertain at the Stewart Memorial Hospital and the Clinton View Lodge in June.

The Prince County Fiddlers wish everyone a pleasant and music filled summer.



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

PEI Fiddlers Society President, Nathan Condon, presents a Life Membership award to Jackie Biggar for his contribution to Island Fiddling while Prince County Chapter President, Barry Thompson, looks on.



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

PEI Fiddlers Society Life Members from right, Jackie Biggar and Jim MacDougall, attended the recent PEI Fiddlers Jam held at the Irish Cultural Centre in Charlottetown on April 14. The event included fiddlers from the Society's four Chapters; Prince County, Queens County, Southern Kings and Eastern Kings as well as a group of musicians from Morell and the Acadian Jammers. Along with a number of guitar players, Paula Arsenault accompanied the group on keyboard with help from Janice Hebert and Marion Pirch.



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Acadian News by Dorothy Griffin-Farish

Bonjour and Cheers to All!

Congratulations to the Acadian musical group **Vishtën** on being selected for Francophone Recording of the Year for their album "Mosaik" at the East Coast Music Awards Ceremonies and Presentations gala earlier this year. The group was in Austria the evening of the gala, on their Celtic Caravan Spring Tour, touring Italy, Switzerland and France. The group was also nominated for the Folk-traditional Recording of the Year. Further information may be found on the Internet by going to Google and typing in "**Vishtën**."

Albert Arsenault, son of veteran Acadian fiddler "Eddy" Arsenault, who is a comedian, singer, step-dancer and fiddler from Mont-Carmel, will be featured in the new musical production "**Évangéline**". This new musical, written and composed by Ted Dykstra, presented in English and inspired by Longfellow's famous poem of the same name, debuts June 26th at the Charlottetown Festival and casts Albert Arsenault as René LeBlanc, the notary and fiddler in the Acadian settlement of Grand-Pré, Nova Scotia. Rehearsals began May 20th and "**Évangéline**" makes its world premiere June 26th at The Homburg Theatre. This colorful production will blend vibrant Acadian, Maritime and Cajun music and dance. Albert, delighted to be a part of this production, claims "I'm going to look good, man."



Photo by Anne M. McPhee

Amand Arsenault at the PEI Fiddle Jam. Happiest with a guitar in his hands.

in Wellington and Summerside. Jackie Biggar occasionally joins Amand and Friends at these events. Jackie is a lively fiddle player who plays with the Prince County Fiddlers.

Amand and Friends, the Eddy Arsenault family, the Mont Carmel Choir, and others continue to provide music at manors and seniors' homes

The Friday Night Jammers continue their sessions each week. During the summer months numerous guests come from "away", both to listen to the lively music, and some to participate. Visitors are always welcome.

Fiddle playing is not confined to the older members of the Acadian community. The École Évangéline has participated in a program where a number of students are learning to play the violin. An interesting article was featured on this program in the May 4, 2013 issue of the **Summerside Journal-Pioneer**. It looks as though fiddle playing will continue to be a part of the Acadian way of life for many years to come. Also, the Évangéline High School obtained a significant grant to update its musical instruments.

Zack Cormier and a number of others from the Evangeline region have been performing at the Magdalen Islands.

The Summer Concert Series at Mont Carmel Parish Hall is under way. Some of the artists included in this year's line-up are Cynthia MacLeod, Fayo, Big River, Katie McGarry, Ward MacDonald, Meaghan Blanchard, Peter Arsenault, Adrienne Gallant, Louise Arsenault, The Docksiders, Paul D. Gallant, Ten Strings and a Goat Skin, Mario Robichaud, Caroline Bernard, and others. 2013 promises to be an exciting year for musical events in the area. Check out the newspapers and the Internet often to keep updated.

Have a great summer! Cheers!



Safely Home



Lemmie Chaisson

March 12, 2013 of Rollo Bay, age 67 years. Honourary Life Member of the PEI Fiddlers Society.


Rev. Andrew Macdonald

April 18, 2013 at PEI Atlantic Baptist Home, age 80 years. Life Member of the PEI Fiddlers Society.



PEI Fiddlers Practice

Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30pm
104 Capital Drive, Charlottetown


All PEI Fiddlers are welcome to join us in playing some tunes as a group and representing the PEI Fiddlers Society during the Sunday afternoon concert at the Cape Breton Fiddlers Association 40th Anniversary Celebration at the Gaelic College of Celtic Arts & Crafts, St. Ann's, Cape Breton, N.S. being held August 16 - 18, 2013. There is no registration fee for performers and some meals are provided. A limited number of rooms are being held at the Gaelic College - two single beds with a full bath for \$77 a night including breakfast. Call 902-295-3411 ext #236 and ask for Gail Montgomery. Accommodations are also available at nearby hotels, B & B's and campgrounds in the St. Ann's and Baddeck area. 

Fiddlers, Followers & Country Weekend Festival Aug 2, 3 & 4, 2013, North Star Arena, Rustico, PE



Sussex Avenue fiddler
 Martha Pitre, NB Music Hall
 of Fame's Roger Lanteigne
 and Allison Inch.

This year's Festival is promising to be bigger than ever featuring NB Music Hall of Fame's Roger Lanteigne, a World Champion Accordion Player who also plays bass and is an amazing spoons player. Also featuring Champion fiddler and NB Music Hall of Fame's Allison Inch. And

just confirmed is PEI's **Billy MacInnis** who will be appearing at the Saturday night show Aug. 3rd. Sounds like a weekend not to be missed!! 

PEI Fiddle Camp 2013

PEI Fiddle Camp will offer another unique and enjoyable learning experience for enthusiasts of traditional music and dance this July 13 and 14. Fiddlers, bagpipers, step-dancers, and whistle players are invited to partake in a weekend of new tunes, new steps and new friends!




Ward MacDonald - Scottish fiddle instructor at PEI Fiddle Camp.

In its 4th year, the popular camp continues to focus on a variety of learning techniques, ear training, and the particulars of dance music. Camp will take a weekend format this year which will offer a very affordable opportunity for islanders and visitors alike. Classes will take place at Long & McQuade in Charlottetown.



Sophie Stephenson

The roster of instructors has an international flavour this year including PEI's Ward MacDonald, Ben Miller (USA), Will Woodson (USA), and Sophie Stephenson (Scotland). Confirmed classes include fiddle, Scottish smallpipes and Border pipes, Scottish step dancing and whistle. New this year, organizers will add other instruments where there is interest expressed, so potential participants are encouraged to express their interest before June 15.

Please visit www.peifiddlecamp.com for complete details including instructor bios and videos, or call Tammy at 367-3433 to register. 



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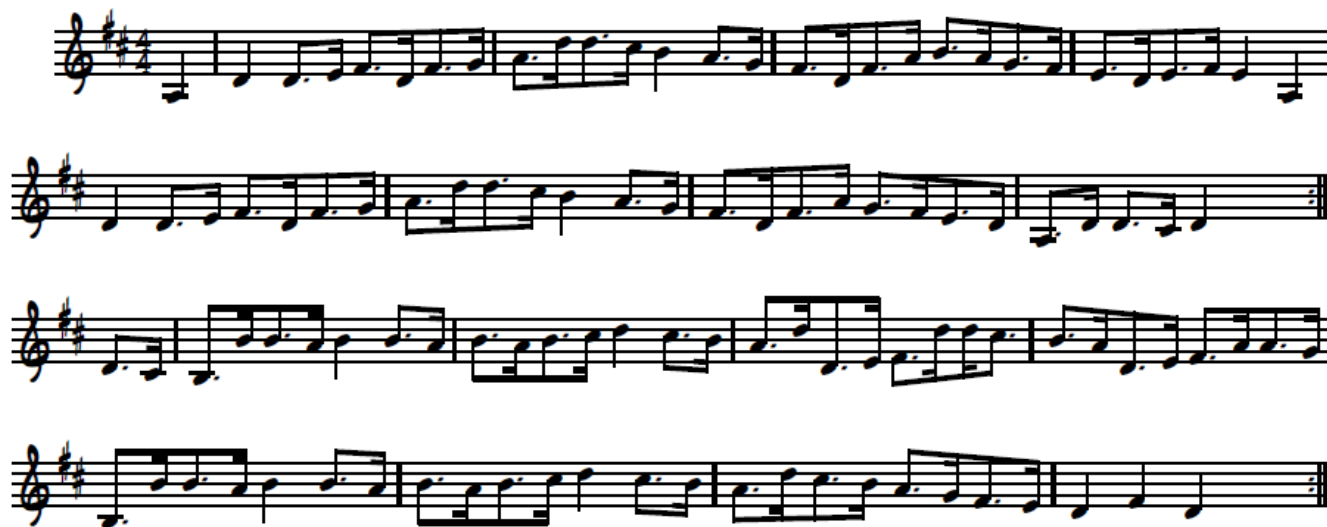
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The Island Penny


Paula Arsenault



The Island Penny (2005) – Écrite pour son père, Aubrey Doyle, qui était un collectionneur de pièces de monnaie et propriétaire d'une boutique pour numismates à Summerside appelée *The Island Penny*. / Written in honour of her father, Aubrey Doyle, who was a coin collector and owned a coin shop in Summerside called *The Island Penny*. Taken from "TUNESMITHS The First Collection of Acadian Compositions from Prince Edward Island" with permission from Paula Arsenault. To view and to hear Kathryn Dau-Schmidt's Rollo Bay Fiddle Students play *The Island Penny* accompanied by Kevin Chaisson, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bGCabdC7Hel>



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Events Forecast

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Sundays 2:00-5:00pm	Weekly Music Sessions	Old Triangle Irish Alehouse	Charlottetown	902-892-5200
Sundays 7:00-9:30pm	Sun Night Shenanigans	York Community Hall	York	902-566-5545
Sundays 7:30pm	Kitchen Party	St. Margaret's Parish Hall	St. Margaret's	902-687-2584
Sundays 7pm	Summer Concert Series	Mont-Carmel Parish Hall	Mont-Carmel	902-439-0126
Sundays 7:30pm Jun 30	Sunday Night Ceilidhs	Cymbria Lions Club	South Rustico	902-963-2166
Sundays 7:30pm Jun 23-Sep15	New Dominion Ceilidhs	Afton Community Centre	New Dominion	902-675-3593
2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays 7:00pm	Music in Motion Ceilidhs	Winsloe Lions Hall	Winsloe	902-368-8449
Alternate Sundays 6:30 pm	Sturgeon Ceilidhs	St. Paul's Parish Hall	Sturgeon	902-962-3918
Second Sunday 7:00-9:00pm	Kitchen Party/Ceilidh	Cotton Centre	Stratford	902-569-2732
Third Sunday 1:30pm	Ceilidh	Seniors Active Living Centre, UPEI	Charlottetown	902-628-8388
Third Sunday 7:00pm	Kellys Cross Ceilidhs	Kellys Cross Church Hall	Kelly's Cross	902-658-2290
Last Sunday 7:00-9:00pm	Ceilidh/Concert	Bonshaw Community Centre	Bonshaw	902-675-4282
Mondays 8:00pm	Ceilidh & Dance	St. Peter's Bay Circle Club	St Peter's Bay	902-961-2899
First and Third Mondays 7:00pm	Ceilidh Kitchen Party	Bingo Country, Riverside Dr.	Charlottetown	902-940-6702
Mon-Tues-Wed 7:30pm Jul1-Aug28	Highland Storm	The College of Piping	Summerside	877-BAG-PIPE
Mon & Wed 7:30pm Jul1-Sep18	Ross Family Ceilidh	Stanley Bridge W.I. Hall	Stanley Bridge	902-569-4551
Mon & Wed 7:30pm	Brackley Beach Ceilidh	Brackley Beach Community Centre	Brackley Beach	902-940-1825
Tuesdays 7:00pm	Georgetown Ceilidh	Kings Playhouse	Georgetown	902-652-2316
Tuesdays 7:30pm May 28-Oct 8	Scottish Ceilidh Concerts	MacKinnon Homestead Grounds	Richmond	902-854-3513
Tuesdays 7pm Jul 16-Aug 27	Celtic Ladies	St. Joachim's Parish Hall	Vernon River	902-218-1712
Wednesdays 8:00pm	Ceilidh	Silver Threads	Souris	902-687-2396
Wednesdays 8:00pm Jun 5	Square Dance	Old Lorne Valley School	Lorne Valley	902-583-2759
Wednesdays 7:30pm	Ceilidh at the Corner	Orwell Corner Historic Village	Orwell Corner	902-651-8515
Wednesdays 7:30pm Jun 26	Ceilidh in the City	Murchison Centre	Charlottetown	902-569-3327
Thursdays 8:00pm Jul-Aug	Rollo Bay Ceilidh	Rollo Bay Fiddle Field Ceilidh Barn	Rte 2, Rollo Bay	902-687-2584
Thursdays 8:00pm	Close to the Ground with Fiddlers' Sons at Kaylee Hall		Pooles Corner	902-838-4399
Thursdays 7:30pm	Ceilidh	St. Mark's Parish Hall	Burton	902-892-7948
Alt Thursdays 7:30 Jul 4	Parish Productions	St. John's Anglican Church	Crapaud	902-658-2333
First Thursday 7:30pm	Ceilidh	Kilmuir Hall	Kilmuir	902-838-4768
Fridays 8:00pm May 24	Ceilidh at the Irish Hall	Irish Cultural Centre	Charlottetown	902-892-2367
Fridays 8:00pm	Ceilidh & Dance	Dundas Ploughing Match Grounds	Dundas	902-583-2319
Alternate Fridays Jun 7-Sep 27	Ceilidh	Murray Harbour Drama Club	Murray Harbour	902-962-2792
Saturdays 7:30 Jun29-Sep21	Richard Wood Trio Ceilidh	Stanley Bridge Hall	Stanley Bridge	902-962-3204
Saturdays 9:00pm	Goose River Dance	Goose River Hall	Goose River	902-961-2205

June 13 - 23	Festival of Small Halls - 50 performances, 11 days, 30 rural community halls - smallhalls.com
June 28, 29, 20	Summerside Highland Gathering, College of Piping - collegeofpiping.com/gathering.php
July 12 - 18th	PEI Fiddle Camp - peifiddlecamp.com for details and to register
July 19, 20, 21	37th Annual Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival, Rollo Bay - rollobayfiddlefest.ca
Aug 3 - 4	26th Annual Atlantic Fiddlers Jamboree, Abram-Village - atlanticfiddlersjamboree.com/en/
Aug 2, 3, 4	Fiddlers, Followers and Country Weekend Festival, North Star Arena, North Rustico - facebook.com
Aug 3 - 4	149th Annual Highland Games and Festival, Lord Selkirk Park, Eldon - caledonianclubofpei.ca/
Aug 16, 17, 18	Cape Breton Fiddlers Association 40th Anniversary Celebrations, Gaelic College, St. Ann's, N.S.
June 23 - 3pm	The Strathgartney Orchestra with conductor Leo Marchildon presenting a "Chamber Potpourri" concert in the Georgian Room of the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel. Admission by donation.

Celtic Ladies Summer Concert Series; Tracadie Community Center - June 15; Cymbria Lions Club (Rustico) - July 28 and August 11; Old Triangle - July 11 and August 22; Rollo Bay Fiddle Field Ceilidh Barn - August 31. All shows 7:00pm. Tickets available at the door.

Fiddle Practices Open To The Public

Eastern Kings Fiddlers Rollo Bay 687-1521

Mondays 7:00pm Rollo Bay School Oct - May

Prince County Fiddlers Summerside 836-3844

Mondays 7:30pm Community Connections

Southern Kings Fiddlers Montague 962-2273

Alternate Mondays 7:00pm Active Communities

Queens County Fiddlers Charlottetown 940-5949

Wednesdays 7:30pm Long & McQuade

Morell Fiddlers Morell 961-2962

Thursdays 7:30 - 9:30pm Morell Pharmacy

Acadian Fiddlers Wellington 436-5532

Fridays 8:00pm Boys & Girls Club