

PICKS N' LICKS

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GENERAL MEETING of the PEI Bluegrass & Old Time Music Society

Sat., October 24, 2014 11:00 A.M. Room 125, 40 Enman Crescent, Ch'town

Potluck Lunch & Jam

after the meeting so bring something for Potluck and Instrument to Jam.

To ensure a quorum is present, please confirm your attendance: smedleyjay@icloud.com or leave a message at 566-2641. Thank you.

31st Eastern Canada Bluegrass Award Show

Saturday Oct. 17, 2015 7:00 PM Cobequid Education Centre, Truro, NS

\$12 Advance / \$14 Door Call 1-902-662-2896

30th Anniversary Festival Report



This year marked another successful year for the 30th annual Rollo Bay Bluegrass Festival. We were blessed with very sunny days and nice warm temperatures. This not onlv allowed everyone to enjoy toetapping music throughout the day, but to also keep the music jamming into the late, late hours.

We had a fantastic lineup to celebrate and festival goers were able to witness the amazing talent that we have here on PEI, within the Maritimes and beyond. The Spinney Brothers, Bluegrass Tradition and the Bluegrass Diamonds were our special guests from the Maritimes. The Clay Hess Band, Ned Crisp and Bottomline, along with The Lonesome River Band were our special guests southern from our neighbours in the States. Each band brought a unique flavour to their music and

really displayed how bluegrass music has developed over the years. However, they all were able to honour our bluegrass roots and pay tribute to the original bluegrass stars. Another big hit every year is the children's concert. It is a wonderful way to help keep the bluegrass tradition alive for future generations. Thank you to all of the families, children and volunteers who helped bring smiles to everyone's faces.

We were very fortunate and thankful to have the Buzz sponsor our workshops once again and to have some great instructors for our instrumental workshops. Thank you to instructors Ned Crisp (Banjo), Bryan Ross (Dobro), Clay Hess (Guitar), Eddy Poirier (Fiddle) and to Bryan Poirier (Bass). Your expertise and advice benefits all of us aspiring musicians.

It is true that the success of any big festival relies heavily on the support of sponsors and the help of volunteers. Thank you for helping make 2015 another big success, we could not have done it without you. Another big thank you to all of the volunteers and to our sponsors.

And thank you to all who attended the 30^{th} annual

festival and for making this year another fun, safe and successful year. We hope to see you again next year. Please take note that next vear we welcome some more wonderful talent to the 31st Annual Rollo Bay Festival. Some of the 2016 headliners include Volume Five, The Farm Hands Quartet, as well as Stacy Grubb. Joining us again next year will be the Bluegrass Diamonds along with local and maritime favourites.

Remembering the late Peter Chaisson.....

We lost our friend, Peter Chaisson in July. Peter owned and operated the Field of Dreams where we have held our festival for the past twenty years. He cut the grass, painted the stage and took care of all the behind the scene details to get the field in good shape for our event. One conversation went something like this....

Peter – "Well, I don't know but hope that everything is ready for your festival." Shirley – "The field is in great shape. Everything is perfect Peter....and thank you!"

A tribute concert was held on August 30 in the shelter building on the field in Rollo Bay to remember the life and musical contributions of the Peter Chaisson. He was the driving force behind the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival, which was created to preserve Island's Prince Edward tradition of music. Today it celebrates a history growth for successful

decades. Every year, during the 3rd weekend of July, the festival continues to feature top Atlantic Canadian performers. We will continue to honor his memory with our music as well as paying tribute to everything he has done and accomplished.

As always keep on picking and grinning. Thank you from the 2015 Festival Organizing Committee

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What I Learned on the Internet about Bluegrass Music!



The Spinney Brothers,

Canada's International Bluegrass band, made a special presentation at Bill Monroe Memorial Music Park in Bean Blossom, Indiana during their evening

performance on Wednesday, September 23rd. The band celebrated a recent #1 song with "My Music Comes From Bill" from their highly Tried successful *True* album on Mountain Fever Records. Tο commemorate the career milestone. Rick and Allan Spinney felt moved recognize the work of the Dillman family who have kept the legacy of Bill Monroe and his music alive in Bean Blossom, Indiana. During their evening performance, the band presented Dwight Dillman and his family with a commemorative plague that will be hung in Bill Monroe's Bluegrass Hall of Fame & Country Star Museum. (East Public Relations Press Release).



Jam Sessions

There is now a slow "BLUEGRASS" JAM happening every Thursday evening in the County Fair Mall's new Community room in Summerside, hosted by Bill Walsh. Time is from 7pm - 9pm.

For Wednesday Jams at the Murphy Centre contact Carolyn Jones carolynjones@bellaliant.net

For Friday / Other Jams contact Shirley at: smedleyjay@icloud.com

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MORE Bluegrass news from Jerry Murphy.... "UPCOMING EVENTS"

- 2015, 09, 28 BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME COUNTRY MUSIC CONCERT -SUMMERSIDE, PEI
- 2015, 10, 04 A TRIBUTE TO GEORGE JONES -GAETZ BROOK, NS
- 2015, 10, 17 31ST
 ANNUAL EASTERN
 CANADA BLUEGRASS
 MUSIC AWARDS TRURO,
 NS
- 2015, 10, 24 FIDDLE DOO and POTLUCK SUPPER - KENSINGTON, PEI

Send your NEWS! We want to hear from you. Please send us your offerings for the December 2015
Newsletter: smedleviav@icloud.com

Recipes Bluegrass Salad Ingredients

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup rice vinegar
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon butter or margarine
- 3/4 cup walnuts
- 2 heads romaine lettuce, torn
- 2 pears, chopped
- 1 cup asparagus tips*

- 1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries

Preparation

- Whisk together first 4 ingredients. Chill at least 1 hour.
- Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat; add walnuts, and sauté 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove walnuts with a slotted spoon.
- Toss together lettuce, pears, asparagus, and Gtoasted walnuts.
 Sprinkle with cheese and cranberries; drizzle with dressing.
- *1 cup broccoli florets or

1 cup snow peas may be substituted.

Corn Pudding Recipe Ingredients

- 1 stick butter, melted
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 package Jiffy corn muffin mix
- 1 can whole kernel corn, drained
- 1 can creamed style corn

Preparation

- Pour melted butter in the bottom of a greased casserole dish.
- Mix rest of ingredients together and pour on top of butter.
- Bake at 350 degrees for 30-45 minutes.



The Downeast Bluegrass Award Show will be held on Saturday, October 17that the Cobequid Education Center in Truro, Nova Scotia. The Awards Show weekend is a chance for us to recognize those who have contributed their talents and hard work to establishing and maintaining the amazing bluegrass community here in eastern Canada. It is also a celebration of this community and its history. (http://www.downeastgrass.com).

Rollo Bay Snapshots





Everyone joining in for Canada Day celebrations to help kick off the festival



The official opening ceremony for the 30th Annual Rollo Bay Bluegrass Festival.



Congratulations to Carolyn Jones on winning the Chesley MacDougall Award.



Bluegrass Today Monthly Airplay Chart Posted September 1, 2015 ARTIST Title (Label) Songeriller(x) BIG COUNTRY BLUEGRASS The Bluefield West Virginia Blues (Rubsi) Dide Hall, Tom T. Hall, Troy 114 DALE ANN BRADLEY 13 CHRIS JONES & THE NIGHT DRIVERS 730 Laurie (Mountain Home) Chris Jones, Jon Weisberger BALSAM RANGE D 705 SHANNON & HEATHER SLAUGHTER That's What's Good In America (Elite Circuit Music) Shannon Slaughter 684 LONESOME RIVER BAND GIBSON BROTHERS Long Gone (Rounder) Leale York 642 112 Clary Mae (Ten In Hand) Harley Allen, Tim O'Brien STEVE GULLEY & NEW PINNACLE She's A Taker (Rural Rhythm) Steve Gu ADKINS & LOUDERWILK Georgia Mountain Man (Mountain Fever) Edger Lou TRINITY RIVER BAND 490 THE STEELDRIVERS D 474 rinkin' Alone (Rounder) Chris Stapleton, Jay Kre DOYLE LAWSON & QUICKSILVER D 408 BECKY BULLER D 317 Out In The Parking Lot (Dry Lightning) Guy Clark, Darrell Scot CHRIS JONES & THE NIGHT DRIVERS D 313 Dust Off The Par SPINNEY BROTHERS 309 Proud To Be Your Dad (Mountain Fever) Rick Spinney 308 RUSSELL MOORE & HIRD TYME OUT 3 305 Brown County Red (Break-A-String) Kyle Burnett D 200 BLUE MAFIA D 200

31st Annual (2015) Eastern Canada Bluegrass Music Awards Nominees

The Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society is pleased to announce the nominees for the 31st Annual Eastern Canada Bluegrass Music Awards (in alphabetical order):

Banjo Player of the Year:

Ryan Dillman (Shadow River) Greg Hamilton (Shady Lane) Darren Richard (Bluegrass Tradition)

Bass Player of the Year*:

Karen Decoste (Bluegrass Tradition) Brian Hazlett (Shadow River) Terry Mumford (A New Shade Of Blue) Chantal O'Neil (Eastwind)

Dobro Player of the Year:

Frank Doody George Grant Dan Fraser

Fiddle Player of the Year*:

Matt Hayes (Monroe) Lukas Munroe (Blue Tie Affair) Eddy Poirier (Janet McGarry & Wildwood / Poirier Family Band)

Guitar Player of the Year:

Trevor Boutilier (Bluegrass Tradition) Jeff Nauss (Eight Wheel Drive) Waylon Robicheau (Shadow River)

Mandolin Player of the Year:

Waylon Robicheau (Shadow River) Dean Simm (A New Shade Of Blue) Richard Bourque (The Russell Sawler Band)

Male Vocalist of the Year:

Trevor Boutilier (Bluegrass Tradition)
David Doyle (Shadow River)
Waylon Robicheau (Shadow River)

Female Vocalist of the Year:

Karen Decoste (Bluegrass Tradition) Heather Majcan (Shady Lane) Christal Thibault (New Ground)

Individual Entertainer of the Year:

Brian Hazlett (Shadow River)
Darren Richard (Bluegrass Tradition)
Terry Mumford (A New Shade Of Blue)

Vocal Group of the Year:

Bluegrass Tradition Shadow River Shady Lane

Gospel Performance of the Year:

Next Generation Shadow River Shady Lane

Most Promising Band of the Year:

Highway Train Next Generation Shady Lane

Band of the Year:

Bluegrass Tradition Shadow River Simply Blue

Recording of the Year*:

Blue Tie Affair Janet McGarry Kristina McCully Shadow River

Composer of the Year:

Ryan Dillman Heather Majcan Rick Spinney

Promoter of the Year*:

Danisha Comeau Chantal O'Neil Ray Legere Ward Robicheau Shirley Jay

Emcee of the Year:

Brian Hazlett Terry Mumford Bob Sharples

Radio / TV DJ of the Year**:

Charlie Hansen – Bluegrass Island (CFCY 99.5 FM Charlottetown, PE)
Nancy Keddy – Bluegrass Atlantic (CIOE 97.5 FM Sackville, NS)

*Categories receiving four/five nominations is a result of a tie within the top three placements.

**There were only two valid nominations in this category

Information is taken from downeastgrass.com

















31st Annual PEI Bluegrass and Old Time Music Festival

at The Festival Grounds In Rollo Bay, PEI - July 1, 2, & 3, 2016



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The local and regional bands will be announced as soon as we have them finally booked.

Also all your island favourites.

Island bands will be added in due course according to availability.



We will also have a full lineup of acoustic instrument workshops, a children's program, open mic on Wed June 29th & Thur June 30th, and lots of concessions and fun for the whole family.

Check our website at: www.peibluegrass.tripod.com for more information on the festival



Gates open Wednesday June 29th at 1:00PM.
For advanced tickets or information call:
Glenda Johnston (902)569-4501, or Shirley Jay (902)566-2641

We are in constant contact with many other bands and hope to present the finest lineup in the maritimes this summer.

Stay tuned for more information on bookings.

We reserve the right to change the program without prior notice.









