

**GENERAL MEETING
of the
PEI Bluegrass & Old Time Music Society**

**Saturday, January 12, 2019 11:00 A.M.
Room 236, 40 Enman Crescent,
Charlottetown
Storm date is January 26, 2019**

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



**Joy, Peace, Good Health and Blessings to you
all as you enjoy time with family and friends
over the Christmas Season & a Happy New
Year 2019**



Jam Sessions

Wednesday - Murphy Centre Acoustic Slow Jams,
hosted by Caroline Jones, 6:30 PM contact
jonescb@eastlink.ca or call 902-940-9565

Friday - Looking for Jam location; if you know of
a location contact Shirley at:
smedleyjay@icloud.com

The PEI Bluegrass & Old Time Music Society is a
non-profit organization that has as one of its
objectives; the promotion of Bluegrass & Old Time
Music on PEI. Come out and learn about the music
and have fun!

Elvis Presley- Bluegrass Christmas
I'll have a Bluegrass Christmas without you
I'll play some bluegrass while thinking about you
Decorations of red on a green Christmas tree
Won't be the same dear, if you're not here with me

And when those bluegrass snowflakes start falling
That's when those bluegrass memories start calling
You'll be doin' all right, with your Christmas of
white
But I'll have a blue, blue blue bluegrass Christmas

You'll be doin' all right, with your Christmas of
white,
But I'll have a blue, blue, blue bluegrass Christmas



**6:30
THE BLUEGRASS MUSIC ASSOCIATION
OF CANADA
For more info:
info@bluegrasscanada.ca
<http://www.bluegrasscanada.ca>**

GREAT NEWS:

THE 34TH ANNUAL PEI BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME MUSIC SOCIETY FESTIVAL IS MOVING TO THE TERRIFIC DUNDAS FAIR GROUNDS

July 5, 6 & 7, 2019

298 Route 314, Lot 55,
260 Little River Road, Dundas, Prince
Edward Island C0A 1G0



**PHOTO OF STAGE & SEATING AREA. A VERY
LEVEL SPACIOUS AND CONVENIENT
GROUNDS FOR A FESTIVAL**

We are extremely pleased to announce that our 34th annual festival will be held at The Dundas Fair Grounds in Dundas, PEI. Lots of perfectly level camping and a large indoor air conditioned space in case of bad weather.

Planning is already underway for better spacing of parking like handy cap requirements, quiet area, spacing of the lots, entrance location, band parking, and inclement weather requirements. And yes

folks, there is plenty of green space for a great weekend on these large grounds, it has been well maintained with many improvements over the years.

The fairgrounds were established during the Second World War in an effort to assist with the war effort and have continued since. The approximately 100 acres has been used each year for agriculture competitions and fair, the competitors and audience come with many modes of camping gear for that weekend.

The Dundas Fair Grounds location is close to larger centers:

50 minutes to Charlottetown;
20 minutes to Montague;
20 minutes to Georgetown;
20 minutes to Souris; and only
40 minutes to Wood Islands Ferry.

We are looking forward to seeing all our music friends and making new friends at this wonderful location this summer. This is a new start for us and we hope that you enjoy our new digs.

Thank you to the many members of the Society who contribute so much of their time and abilities to help make the festival and society work.

The Board of Directors consist of:

Shirley Smedley Jay, President
David Clarke, Vice President
Pat MacKinnon, Treasurer
Denise MacLeod, Secretary
Glenda Johnston, Board Member
Ann Chaisson, Board Member
Albert Shepard, Board Member

We need to support our Board of Directors as much as possible. Just ask what you can do to help or volunteer for an activity.

MORE NEWS



A number of members and friends attended the Society's Pot-luck Christmas Party at the Beaconsfield Carriage House in downtown Charlottetown, November 24, 2018. After we had a meal of delicious food a jam took place. The acoustics in that building are awesome! A great time was had by all.

"UPCOMING EVENTS"

The Society will be holding the following concerts at the wonderful venue of the Beaconsfield Carriage House, 2 Kent St. Charlottetown.

Sunday February 3, 2019 at 2-4pm

Sunday March 3, 2019 at 2-4pm

Come out to enjoy the music and these beautiful surroundings. There is a wheelchair ramp and plenty of free parking on West St, and the Provincial Bldg. parking lot.

There is a Bluegrass and Acoustic Music Concert every Monday night all year long from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Summerside Legion. Open Mic performers are from 7:00-7:30pm. Admission is JUST \$5.00. There is also a 50/50 draw and door prizes. Come, bring a friend and acoustic instruments for a jam after the concert. For anyone interested in doing a 15 or 30 minute open mic, contact John Campbell at 902-439-6830. Open mic performers have FREE admission. These Monday night concerts are fundraisers for our indoor Summerside Bluegrass & Acoustic Music Festival held at the

Causeway Bay Linkletter Hotel on November 1, 2 and 3rd, 2019.

There will be a pot luck meal and Christmas party at the Summerside Legion on Monday, December 17th from 7pm-10pm. For those who bring something to share admission is FREE, or just pay \$5.00 at the door. After we eat, we will have an evening of open mic entertainment with Blue Zone doing backup, so bring your instruments and a few songs!

The second annual Gospel Christmas Concert is coming up Dec 20th at 7:30 pm at Central Queens United Church in Hunter River. This will be a great evening of Christmas, Gospel & Fiddle Music and what a variety! We will have musical talent with Bluegrass Gospel by Janet McGarry, Serge Bernard; Soulful Melodies by great gospel singer, Kendall Docherty, Carol Chipman-Francis will be singing some old favorites -Blair Coughlin will be on the bass and singing as well! Stephen D Gallant will be performing a number as well as keeping the sound going Brad Fremlin will perform a number on the musical saw and be our keyboardist for the evening and Niall MacKay will be keeping a steady beat on the drums! This and so much more! Join us for a night of music and Christmas Spirit!

Bluegrass On The Tube:

Get Bluegrass Music Videos sent to your email everyday by subscribing to Bluegrass On The Tube. Dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of bluegrass music -- past and present: <http://www.bluegrassonthetube.com/>

Some laughs for you:

-My boss told me to have a good day...so I went home.

-The other day, my wife asked me to pass her lipstick but I accidentally passed her a glue stick. She still isn't talking to me.

-Why are frogs so happy? They eat whatever bugs them.

-What do you call a snowman on a hot day?
Puddle

Send your NEWS! We want to hear from you. Please send us your offerings for the **Spring 2019** Newsletter by February 23, 2019: jonescb@eastlink.ca

34th Annual (2018) Eastern Canada Bluegrass Music Award Winners

The Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society is pleased to announce the winners for the 34th Annual Eastern Canada Bluegrass Music Awards:

Banjo Player of the Year:

Greg Hamilton (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Bass Player of the Year:

Karen DeCoste (Bluegrass Tradition)

Dobro Player of the Year:

Phil Harris (Mountain Willow)

Fiddle Player of the Year:

Rod Blair (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Guitar Player of the Year:

Charlie Bourque (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Mandolin Player of the Year:

Al Ryan (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Male Vocalist of the Year:

Matt Lunn (Matt Lunn & Echo Mountain)

Female Vocalist of the Year:

Karen DeCoste (Bluegrass Tradition) Master(5 time Award Winner)

Individual Entertainer of the Year:

Brian Hazlett

Vocal Group of the Year:

Matt Lunn & Echo Mountain

Gospel Performance of the Year:

Janet McGarry & Wildwood

Most Promising Band of the Year:

Matt Lunn & Echo Mountain

Band of the Year:

Oxbow Mountain Boys

Recording of the Year:

The Bluegrass Unit

Composer of the Year:

Ryan Harvey

Promoter of the Year:

Chantal O'Neil

Emcee of the Year:

Marilyn Singer

Radio / TV DJ of the Year:

Nancy Keddy - Bluegrass Atlantic (CIOE 97.5FM Sackville)

Participation Award:

The Truro & Area Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society for having the highest percentage of returned voter ballots

Lifetime Member:

to the Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society were presented to Charlie Illsley (NS), Juanita Kneebone (PEI)

for their many contributions to Bluegrass and Oldtime Music

Fan of the Year:

was awarded to Dan Fraser of Cooks Brook, NS

Congratulations to: Janet McGarry & Wildwood for Gospel Performance of the Year and to Juanita Kneebone for her Lifetime Member award to the Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society. Information is taken from downeastgrass.com

The International Bluegrass Music Awards (IBMA), 2018 Winners.



As we celebrate our own Bluegrass Music Awards on the East Coast, we are also celebrating Bluegrass on the International stage as well. On November 23, 2018, the IBMA awards ceremony was held in North Carolina. Below is a list of the results from the awards show.

- **Entertainer of the Year:** Balsam Range
- **Female Vocalist of the Year:** Brooke Aldridge
- **Male Vocalist of the Year:** Buddy Melton
- **Vocal Group of the Year:** Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver
- **Instrumental Group of the Year:** The Travelin' McCourys
- **Song of the Year:** *If I'd Have Wrote That Song*, Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers
- **Album of the Year:** *Rivers & Roads*, Special Consensus
- **Gospel Recorded Performance of the Year:** *Speakin' to That Mountain*, Becky Buller
- **Instrumental Recorded Performance of the Year:** *Squirrel Hunters*, Special Consensus with John Hartford, Rachel Baiman, Christian Sedelmyer and Alison Brown
- **Emerging Artist of the Year:** The Po' Ramblin' Boys
- **Recorded Event of the Year:** *Swept Away*, Missy Raines with Alison Brown, Becky Buller, Sierra Hull and Molly Tuttle
- **Banjo Player of the Year:** Ned Luberecki
- **Bass Player of the Year:** Tim Surret
- **Dobro Player of the Year:** Justin Moses
- **Fiddle Player of the Year:** Michael Cleveland
- **Guitar Player of the Year:** Molly Tuttle
- **Mandolin Player of the Year:** Sierra Hull

34th Annual PEI Bluegrass & Old Time Music Festival

July 5, 6 & 7, 2019

at **The Dundas Fair Grounds, Dundas, PEI**

Featuring:



The Clay Hess Band



The Garrett Newton Band



New County Grass

The 34th annual PEI Bluegrass and Old Time Music Festival features: The Clay Hess Band, The Garrett Newton Band and New County Grass as well as perennial favourites, The Bluegrass Diamonds, back for their 28th appearance.

Other maritime bands will be added later in the fall.

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, open mic on Wed July 3rd & Thur July 4th, 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 July 3rd 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.

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Island*
The Gentle Island

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