

PEI NEIGHBOUR WEEK 2021

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Individuals and families who choose to settle in rural PEI offer incredible value to the communities that they settle. In each of our numerous communities dotting the coastline or the inland rolling hills of our Island, you'll find a diverse group of community members who settled in PEI or were born as Islanders, coming together to help each other and create a prosperous and fulfilling life in Rural PEI.



Message from Maxine Rennie
Executive Director
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From September 20-27, the PEI Community Navigators, along with all Islanders, celebrated the first ever PEI Neighbour Week. This initiative proved to be a wonderful celebration of rural communities and encouraged people to connect with their neighbours. It also helped to raise awareness of the importance of social connection and neighbourly actions throughout the year.

Much thanks to all who participated by sharing stories of #PElgoodneighbours. And it's with much appreciation that we recognize the many municipalities, community groups and local businesses who contributed to the PEI Neighbour Week initiative. Thank you all for being such wonderful neighbours!

~ Maxine Rennie

PEI Neighbour Week: Sept. 20th-27th in Western PEI!

We wanted to take a moment to say THANK YOU Western PEI, for a fantastic inaugural 'PEI Neighbour Week'. We called on the Rural PEI residents and communities to share their stories, nominate their active community-minded neighbours, show their kindness, and complete some neighbourly deeds themselves. Western PEI: You did not disappoint! Were we EVER inspired by all of the acts of kindness, and coming together of communities to welcome others to the area, support each other, get to know each other, and share what we all have to share. Thank you! Thank you!

Without the help of many wonderful sponsors, this week would not have been possible. We'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge them and share some great memories from the week. Enjoy!





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O'Leary, Tyne Valley, Alberton, and Tignish Branches!







Community Sponsors: Municipalities: Tyne Valley, O'Leary & Alberton!









Community Sponsors: Businesses:

Tignish Co-op, Royal Star Foods Ltd., Bray's Independent, CIBC Alberton Branch, Bloomfield Foodland, and the O'Leary Farmers Co-op!















Special thanks for the community leaders support, including Chief Darlene Bernard with Lennox Island First Nations, MP Bobby Morrissey, local MLAs (Hal, Minister Ernie Hudson, Robbie, and Trish), and local Municipal Mayors (Tignish, Alberton, O'Leary, & Tyne Valley)!















Community Members celebrating PEI Neighbour Week: Sept. 20th-27th in Western PEI!



























Western PEI, PEI Neighbour Week Event Highlights:

Town of Alberton: Community Yard Sale, Saturday, September 25th, 2021













Town of O'Leary: Community BBQ, Saturday, September 25th, 2021

















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Thank you, one and all, for an AMAZING PEI Neighbour Week in Western PEI!



PEI Neighbour Week: Sept. 20 - 27 in Central PEI!





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Malpeque Bay Branch



Stella Maris Branch

Central PEI, PEI Neighbour Week Event Highlights:



September 27: Meet your Neighbour Event Connecting neighbours new and old.

Thank you to the Town of Kensington and Ross' Place Community Garden for your partnership!















Thank you to these community partners for their contributions to PEI Neighbour Week!



THANK YOU











NEIGHBOUR WEEK IN EASTERN PEI

We are so fortunate to have such fantastic sponsors and participants in the Eastern Region!

Check out the photos below for a recap:



THANK YOU PIGEONS
HOME DECOR,
INNOVATION PEI,
EAST COAST PADDLE
ADVENTURES. AND
MAIN STREET HOME
HARDWARE IN SOURIS
FOR YOUR GREAT
PRIZES DONATIONS!



THANK YOU KENT MONTAGUE, SOBEYS MONTAGUE, KINGS COUNTY CHRYSLER, AND GALLA DESIGNS STUDIO FOR YOUR GREAT PRIZES!





English Language
Training is happening
around rural PEI!

If you're interested, or know someone who is working toward their Permanent Resident Status and needs to practice, contact Lindee

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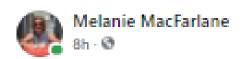
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NEIGHBOUR WEEK IN EASTERN PEI

We travelled Eastern PEI and found people participating in PEI Neighbour Week where ever we went!

Check out the photos below for friendly faces throughout the region!





Every Saturday from about May until October, we have a bonfire. We have been doing this for approximately 10 years. Every Saturday I would post on FB "it's Saturday bonfire at 6pm all are welcome, if you can read this, you are invited " there were some Saturday nights that there would be people around the fire that I have never met before. I remember one family visiting PEI from England. They came with their two small children and said, "a friend told me that you had these fires, I hope it's ok that we came"

I used to keep a guest book and One Saturday we had 41 people!! We have mostly neighbours, cottage people, and of course friends. Since Covid, the gatherings have stopped and started and stopped and started. Definitely not any big crowds like in the past. I was thinking the other day that I miss those big crowds and the 'random' people. Then last night as I was coming around the house from getting more hotdogs, I see this....and it made me smile. Times may be different these days but it's nice to celebrate the people that we can gather with

#peigoodneighbours



How to be a good neighbour - IDEAS!

- 1. Pop by a new neighbour's house to introduce yourself and your family.
- 2. Offer extra garden goodies to your neighbours.
- 3. Rake leaves or shovel the stairs for a neighbour in need.
- 4. Keep an eye on your neighbour's house while they are away.
- 5. Share a skill with your neighbour(s): carpentry, typing, sewing, other.
- 6. Start a Facebook Group/Email thread/Newsletter in your neighbourhood.
- 7. Install a Little Library in your yard for neighbours.
- 8. Take the time to learn your neighbour's name and the proper way to pronounce it.
- 9. If your neighbour is new, share information about community programs that may be helpful to them.
- 10. Be open to learning about your neighbour's interests, culture and family.
- 11. Take your neighbour's waste cart in from the road after it has been emptied.
- 12. Offer a tour of the neighbourhood to a new neighbour.
- 13. Check in on neighbours in bad weather or power outages.
- 14. Organize a neighbourhood BBQ.
- 15. Share a friendly wave!

Please consider that certain interactions with neighbours may need to be limited depending on COVID-19 regulations.

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To find out more about the PEI Community Navigator's mandate to build welcoming, inclusive communities, visit: