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WDRA

WESTMEATH & DISTRICT RECREATION ASSOCIATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 1st Lapasse CWL Soup & Sandwich - 11:30-1:00 pm

Apr 1st Westmeath/Beachburg Minor Hockey Banquet Westmeath Hall, 6:00 pm

Apr 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th Playgroup 9:30-11:00 am Beachburg United Church

Apr 2nd Ham Bingo, Orange Hall, Beachburg

Apr 3rd GOOD FRIDAY

Apr 4th Easter Egg Hunt Westmeath Hall

Apr 5th EASTER SUNDAY

Apr 7th WDRA Meeting - 7:00 pm

Apr 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th Wee Ones 9:30-11:00 am Fire Hall, Foresters Falls

Apr 8th RVSC Monthly Meeting - 12 noon

Apr 13th, 20th & 27th Zumba 6:30 pm Beachburg Hall

Apr 15th RVSC Soup & Sandwich 12 noon

Apr 17th Tween Dance - 7:00 pm

Apr 18th Pancake Breakfast, Beachburg Lion's Hall

Apr 20th WDRA AGM - 7:30 pm

Apr 25th Buffet Breakfast, Beachburg Lion's Hall (Proceeds going to Freestyle Kayak Team)

May 2nd Muskrat Minor Hockey Pub Night Featuring Dale Yuke

May 16th Community Garage Sale

APRIL 2015 NEWSLETTER

To rent Community Centre Hall or Ice Rink Facilities:
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www.westmeathtoday.ca

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Email: wdranewsletter@nrtco.net or call 613-587-4394

MUSKRAT MINOR HOCKEY

Come out & enjoy a Pub Night Featuring DALE YUKE

Sponsored by Muskrat Minor Hockey Association

WESTMEATH COMMUNITY CENTER

Saturday, May 2nd, 2014

8pm-1am

\$10.00 per person

Light lunch served

All proceeds going to Muskrat Minor Hockey

For tickets contact Brenda @ (613) 587-4518, wdra@nrtco.net, Julie Hennessey (Ted Barron's Insurance), Kenny's Store Westmeath, Beach-West Pharmacy

FOR HALL BOOKINGS

please call

Marg Gervais

613-587-4838

FOR ICE RENTAL BOOKINGS

please call Brenda Grady

613-587-4518 or 587-4559

TWEEN DANCE

Country Theme

Friday, Apr. 17th

7pm-10pm

Ages 8-15yrs

\$5/person

Music by Abbey Lane DJ Entertainment Canada



Community Event

Did your family ever tell you about your native grandmother?

Did you know you had family connections to native delegations that travelled to Washington?

Are you interested in learning more about the local Algonquin history of the Westmeath, Beachburg and LaPasse area?

Please bring your genealogy and come attend an information gathering, craft sale and display event.

Sunday, April 12, 2015, 1-3,

Westmeath Recreation Centre.

To confirm your attendance, please contact:

kichesippi@hotmail.com or

Call Amanda at 613-587-4875

WDRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, April 20th, 7:30pm

Everyone is encouraged to come out.

Board Positions Available:

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Kitchen Manager
Bar Manager
Facility Coordinator
Sports Convenor
Member at Large
Nominating Committee to be announced

Updating of WDRA Constitution

AGM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A special THANK YOU from Mel to the volunteers who helped out at the last two hockey tournaments, Hughie's and Carnival Days - Dave Laderoute, Durrel Chaput, Vince Gervais, Cal Johnston, Jordan Drapeau, Peter Crosby and Anthony Aide. Thanks guys, couldn't have done it without you!



Pancake Buffet Breakfast

Beachburg Lion's Hall

Saturday, April 25th, 7:00 - 11:00 am

Adults - \$8.00, Children - \$5.00, Under 4 - Free

Come out and support the *Canadian Freestyle Kayak Team* as they prepare for competition at the *2015 ICF Freestyle World Championships* held on the Ottawa River

August 30th - September 5th, 2015



Easter Egg Decorating Easter Egg Hunt & Crafts

Saturday, April 4th, 10am-12:30pm

For Children 10 years and younger \$2.00 per child

Westmeath Community Centre

Lunch Served from 11:30 - 12:30, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, \$2.00

Hot Dogs \$1.50, Veggies & Dip \$1.00

Cookies, Cupcakes, Drinks and more!

For more information contact Brenda @ 587-4518 or wdra@nrtco.net



Beachburg Bombers

A big THANK YOU to all those that participated in the Westmeath Winter Carnival Family Ball Hockey Tournament. The day finished with Beachburg Bombers in 1st place, Westmeath Road Squirrels in 2nd and the Bromley Line Beasts in 3rd. A big thanks to Terry Bromley for the use of

his straw and wagons, Gary Bromley for the set up help, Duane White for refereeing all day, and Heather Fleury for registration/posting results. And all the others who helped and participated to make the event a great one.



Westmeath Road Squirrels



Bromley Line Beasts



Content and ad submissions for the Newsletter are due by the 15th of the month for inclusion the following month.

Submissions can be made via email at

wdranewsletter@nrtco.net. For inquiries, please call

Heather at (613) 587-4394. Thank you.

UPDATE FROM RIVERVIEW SENIOR'S SOCIAL CLUB ~FOR APRIL 2015~ Welcome Spring!

Our next **Soup and Sandwich** will be held on Wed. April 15 at 12:00 noon, upstairs in the Westmeath Hall. A delicious lunch with homemade soups, cold meats and delicious desserts all prepared by our Seniors will be served. The cost is \$8.00 and everyone is Welcome. Items for the local Food Bank would be appreciated.

Following lunch, the **Whitewater/Bromley Community Health Center, and the OPP will sponsor a Presentation on Personal and Home Safety as well as Community Safety.**

Our regular **monthly meeting** is held on the second Wed. of the month, April 8 at 12 noon. You are encouraged to attend, and bring your lunch. Tea and Coffee will be served.

The **Wellness Clinic and Foot Care Clinic** will be held on April 8 at 1:30 pm.

"COMEDY PRODUCTION" in 2015, sponsored by The Riverview Seniors Social Club "Laugh Louder, Live Longer", a series of short skits, song and dance will held on May 26, 27 and 28 at the Community Hall. The May 26 Matinee performance is being reserved for the residents of our Senior Homes, and their care workers. A Goodwill donation will be accepted at that time. Tickets for the evening performances on May 26 & 27 will be \$10 each, available after April 8. For tickets please call Cathy at 613-587-4715, or Shannon at 613-401-9539.

Members, Reserve Thur. June 25 for our **Spring Pot Luck supper.**

The **Historic Westmeath Township Project** is proudly sponsored by the Riverview Social Club. If you have old photos or stories from the 19th or 20th centuries of local people or events – think about having them added to: <http://hwtproject.ca/>. Curious about what crops the early pioneer owner of your farmland cultivated? Hunt that up in the "1851 Agricultural Census" in the "Rural Life - Plant & Livestock" section. See what was under production on your acreage 16 years before Canadian Confederation.

If your ancestor lived in Westmeath Township, or any place in Renfrew County in the year 1888, you can now see his listing in the "Demographics - Gazetteer" section; in the "1888 Directory of Renfrew County". This document is wonderfully rich with details – lots and concession, occupations – of every resident of the County of Renfrew. It is all male with only widowed women listed.

In the "Maps" section, you can study the original Map No. 22 by Land Surveyor John McNaughton, which began use in the 1830s. The original of this historically significant map is huge to allow the writing in, with beautiful calligraphy, the owner-names on the lots. It was used for several decades as the primary map for this township.

Look for us now on Facebook!

Thank you for your continued support.

Westmeath Winter Carnival

A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to everyone who came together on the weekend of March 6th, 7th & 8th to make this years' Winter Carnival another tremendous success.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped in the kitchen, worked at the front doors taking food orders and button/ticket sales and everyone who donated delicious food!

Special thanks to Mr. Bob Watson, who took the time to snow blow a trail for all the outdoor activities, Mr. Brian Gervais for repairing and inflating the inner tubes, Pastor Anita and Kenny's store for providing items for the scavenger hunt, teen volunteers - Hailey, Braedon, Nathan, Eve and Tara for all your fantastic work organizing the scavenger hunt, assistance in the kitchen and clean-up.

Thank you to the 4-H Club for once again running the ever popular kid's corner of crafts and activities and Carolyn Ellis for the wonderful face painting.

Westmeath Public School and Our of Grace Catholic School once again held their Carnival day on Friday, March 6th. Thank you to all the teachers, parents and students who helped make the day run smoothly. Thank you to both schools for their donation \$1,100.00 generated from their annual 'Skate-a-thon',

Thank you to Crystal and Mark Kranz for organizing another very successful hockey tournament! Thank you to Neil Nicholson and helpers for organizing the 2nd Annual Family Ball Hockey Tournament. Both were a great success!

Thank you to all our sponsors and those who donated prizes - Anna & John Moreau, Jessica McMullen, Splash AutoCare, Simple Things, Kenny's Store, Rossow Home Hardware, Anne & Andrew Bromely, Amanda Gervais, Wilderness Tours, Smitty's Home Hardware and Buns Master.

Without all of you the Carnival would not be possible!

This year's Carnival Button winners are as follows:

- 1st 3 Roasting Chicken donated by Anne & Andrew Bromley
Winner - **Brad Gallan**
- 2nd The Ultimate Spin Mop donated by Rossow Home Hardware
Winner - **Danielle Gervais**
- 3rd \$25 Gift Certificate donated by Kenny's Store - Winner - **Ayla Lammi**
- 4th Gift Basket donated by Simple Things - Winner - **Russell Racine**
- 5th Gift Certificate donated by Splash AutoCare - Winner - **Landon Keeping**
- 6th Gift Basket donated by Amanda Gervais - **April Keller**
- 7th Jamerry Gift Bag donated by Jessica McMullen - Winner - **Grace Bulmer**
- 8th Mugs & Hot Chocoalte donated by Anna & John Moreau
Winner - **Joseph McFarland**

Other winners include Scavenger Hunt winner Calysta Couturier and her team and candy jar winners, Bradley Thoms, Ayla Lammi, Nya Nicholson and Brody.

Russell and Johnny Loxton wish to extend their deep appreciation and thanks to all in the community for their messages of sympathy, gifts of food and comfort, following the loss of their beloved wife and mother Lana.



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