

**Annual BLUEGRASS  
CAMPOUT WEEKEND and  
the PEIBOTM SOCIETY  
GENERAL MEETING  
coming....October 2-4, 2009  
"Sun n' Shade" Campground  
Borden, PEI**

The **GENERAL MEETING** is scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Sat., Oct, 3/09 **Time:**2:00 PM

**Place:** Rec Hall at the Sun n' Shade

**Pot Luck Supper/Jam 5:00. PM....**

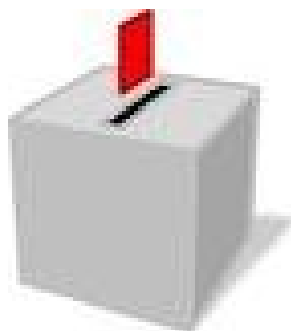
Bring your instrukment and favourite dish!

**PLEASE call Shirley at 566-2641 or e-mail: [asjay@eastlink.ca](mailto:asjay@eastlink.ca) to confirm your attendance for the General Meeting.**

**All Members** are urged to attend the General Meeting (Enc.Agenda/Minutes). We welcome your suggestions on how to make the Society better and tips on celebrating our **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival in Rollo Bay next summer 2010.**

Call Marnie Noye **855-3492** or email **info@sun-n-shade.com** to book your campsite. Members, friends, and family are welcome to come for a weekend of music and fun at the Sun n' Shade. Be ready to sign up with Alan MacRae to sing on stage in the Rec Hall. We'll attempt to give everyone an opportunity to strut their stuff and showcase their abilities, Bluegrass Style!!! Hope to see you all in Borden!

*Regards, Shirley S. Jay, President*



## **DOWNEAST BLUEGRASS AWARD BALLOTS**

**Your voting ballot is enclosed in this newsletter.**

1. Review categories/musicians and fill out ballot.
2. Mail your ballot to:  
**PEIBOTMS  
Att. AWARD BALLOTS  
PO Box 2812 Charlottetown,  
PEI C1A 8C4**

**.....by September 11/09.**

**For further information re bands call Charlie 566-3011 or Shirley 566-2641**

***Late ballots will not be counted.***

**25<sup>th</sup> Annual Downeast  
Bluegrass Award Show  
Truro, NS. October 18/08,  
Cobequid Education Centre  
\$12 advance tickets  
Call 902-673-2957**

***Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.***

## **5<sup>th</sup> Annual PEI Laurie Blue Bluegrass Festival Nov 6-8, 2009**

Causeway Bay Linkletter  
Hotel & Convention Center  
Summerside, PEI



**Featuring: Beartracks  
from Upstate New York  
Junior Barbour, Tom Venne  
& Julie Venne Hogan**

[www.beartracksband.com/](http://www.beartracksband.com/)

The trio was formed in 2004. Great sibling vocal harmony of Tom and Julie combined with Junior's unique stylist approach to playing dobro resonator guitar. Junior Barbour is one of the most well known resophonic guitar players in the world, having been nominated many times by IBMA for Dobro Player of the Year

Plus...PEI, NB, NS, Acts.....  
Jericho Road, Bluezone, Bluegrass Revival, Glenda & Charlie Country Grass, Dunromin Duo Bluefield Grass, SK Bluegrass, Wheatley River.....

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**Laurie Blue Festival RAFFLE  
TICKETS on a Blueridge  
Guitar/Case**

**Program Begins Friday afternoon**

(Check in as early as 1pm)

**5 PM - Meet & Greet/Reception**

**6:40 PM - Grand Opening**

**Plus ....Concerts Friday night,**

**Saturday afternoon & evening,**

**Sunday morning & afternoon**

**Sunday Room Checkout time 2 PM**

**\$220(tax included) for Double Room**

**(Fri. & Sat.) + 2 weekend**

**entertainment passes**

**Will be able to book for only one**

**night combo starting**

**October 1st for \$160**

**(if any rooms are remaining)**

**Limited # of Passes for those**

**without a room**

**Weekend (advance before Oct 20).....\$25**

**Weekend (after October 20th)..... \$30**

**Friday Concert Only.. \$15...\$12 (advance)**

**Saturday(All Day)... \$20... \$15 (after 6pm)**

**Sunday Gospel Concert ..... \$ 7**

**Sunday afternoon Concert .....\$10**

**Weekend Jam Pass/Armband .....\$ 5**

**Great Restaurant & Bar - Very  
economical!**

**Reserve your room/tickets  
weekend package soon by  
contacting:**

**The Causeway Bay Inn**

**Linkletter & Convention Centre**

**(902) 436-2157 / 1-800-565-7829**

**www.petfriendly.ca/property/871.html#inquiry**

**When it comes to chocolate,  
resistance is futile.**

**24<sup>th</sup> Annual PEI  
Bluegrass & Old Time  
Music Festival 2009  
Report**

Well the 24<sup>th</sup> annual festival is over and all things taken into consideration it was a success. The weather sure didn't cooperate and our day crowd suffered but as it always has been, the show went on. The committee would like to thank all the island bands that played this year, we really appreciate your dedication to the music and the understanding with which you approach our festival.

No event can be successful without the participation of volunteers and we believe that we have the best group of volunteers around. You all know your jobs and go about them cheerfully. It's hard to imagine what would happen to our festival without you.

A big thank you to Audrey Barlow and Emily Bryant for organizing the children's program along with their helpful staff and the participation of the park staff from Red Point. We'd also like to thank Audrey and John Barlow for their tireless fundraising efforts.

Although Alan MacRae wasn't able to be with us this year Angela and Owen MacCormac stepped in and did a wonderful job on field duties. Alan says he'll be back next year for the 25th. Our sponsors are also a very important part of our festival and this year many companies stepped up and helped us financially or with in-kind donations. Of course we couldn't operate without the

support of Tourism PEI along with Tourism minister Valerie Docherty and Souris/Elmira MLA Alan Campbell. They were a great help to us both financially and morally.

**Planning is in full swing for the  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festival  
July 2, 3, & 4, 2010.** So far we have hired three US bands, The Midnight Ramblers, Barry Scott & Second Wind, and Ralph Stanley II, as well as the Spinney Brothers from Nova Scotia and one of Canada's premiere bluegrass bands and the ever popular Bluegrass Diamonds.

We will be sending out applications to island bands soon and we will be hiring the rest of the maritime bands as well. If we feel that we are financially stable enough we will be adding one more off island bands.

We're always looking for volunteers so if you feel inclined to help out whether it be at fund raising concerts or in any other ways please contact us. You can get Shirley at [asjay@eastlink.ca](mailto:asjay@eastlink.ca). Many, Thanks, from Charlie & The Festival Committee

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*Excerpts from "To celebrate growing older", Written By Regina Brett, 90 years old, of The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio*

- 1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.*
- 2. When in doubt, just take the next small step.*
- 3. Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.*

Send your news items for the **December 2009 Newsletter** by Nov. 15/09 to: Caroline Jones 569-2471 [jonescb@eastlink.ca](mailto:jonescb@eastlink.ca) or Shirley Jay [asjay@eastlink.ca](mailto:asjay@eastlink.ca) Website: [www.bluegrasspei.com](http://www.bluegrasspei.com)