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VOLUNTEER NEWS



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Chair of Lunches

We are still looking for a very special person to Chair the Lunch Committees. If you are interested or you know of someone that might be, please let us know.

The Lunches Committee are responsible to compile safe, nutritious box lunches to be consumed by the appropriate people of the site of the IPM and Rural Expo.

Volunteers will handle package and transport these meals. A number of Church ladies have indicated an interest in working on this Committee.

All Food Handling Volunteers will be provided with appropriate training through the Public Health Unit. This training will take place at the end of July, beginning of August.

Please contact Larry Braiden larrybraiden@hcm.honda.com or Kelly Tovell at ktovell@sympatico.ca for more information.

Volunteer Coordinator Update

We are actively recruiting volunteers to become involved in this community event. There are over sixty committees being formed to plan, organize and implement the various components of the IPM and Rural Expo.

We have volunteers representing a number of service clubs including Lions, Optimists, Kinsmen and Rotary. We expect to have a number of Women's groups from our local churches involved as well.

Today we have 289 volunteers who have registered to participate in the IPM and Rural Expo. We are anticipating requiring 500-700. We will require a large number of volunteers for traffic, parking, gates and tickets. Please share the opportunities with family and friends. Interested individuals are asked to complete the enclosed form and return to Cindysabo@explornet.ca.

We are advertising the volunteer opportunities on Volunteer Dufferin. This group has a base of approximately 4,000 people who are interested in volunteering in their community.

Rogers Caledon has invited us to participate in a Volunteer Fair during Volunteer week. Courtney Van Omen with help from Bill, Dawn, Liz and Charlie have prepared an excellent video that we submitted to share information about the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo and the opportunities for individuals to become involved. Thanks Courtney!

There will be general orientation for all volunteers before the IPM and Rural Expo opens. Tentatively we're looking at Sept. 9th or 10th. A tour of the grounds—tented city, plowing areas, RV park will be included.

If you have any questions relating to volunteering, please contact me. I look forward to working with all of you on this community event.

I have enclosed the RV Park brochure for any of you interested in staying in the RV Park for the event. The site price includes 2 daily admission passes to Tented City, Shuttle to Tented City, Nightly entertainment, on-site dump station. Book your site so you won't be disappointed.

Also attached is a "Creativity" form for any interested individuals.

Looking forward to working with all of you.

Cindy Sabo,

Related Events Co Chairs

Liz & Charlie Bryan bryhome@hotmail.com

Committee Chairs

Beautification Committee—Kate Bryan & Sherry Fergus

IPM2023Beautification@gmail.com

The Beautification Committee is formed with the purpose of encouraging the community surrounding the Match to participating in dressing up their homes, schools, businesses and community buildings to showcase their excitement for the upcoming International Plowing Match and Rural Expo.

Celebration of Excellence — Caleigh Slits caleighthejerseygirl@gmail.com

Brianna Giger—brianna.giger@rbc.com

The objective of the Celebration of Excellence Banquet is to celebrate the successes of the plowing competitors while simultaneously showcasing Dufferin. This year's event will be Fri. Sept. 22nd .

Opening and Closing Ceremonies—Janet Horner

janet@whitfieldfarms.com

The objective is to provide a successful, memorable and professional Opening and Closing Ceremonies that commemorate the official beginning and end of the IPM and Rural Exp.

Queen of the Furrow Tina Hodgson tina.hodgins@hotmail.com

Steph McCannell queen2ipm2023@gmail.com

To provide a quality program for the Onario Queen of the Furrow Competition.

Parking Jan Scheurwater sgrandfarmer@aol.com

Ken Jordan

To organize and assist in the parking of all vehicles that will be parked outside of the Tented City, and to assist the visitors with accessing the wagons that go from the parking areas to Tented City.

Traffic Peter Van Kyk pvandyk1@hotmail.com

Jim Hastings—poppajim1955@gmail.com

To coordinate the traffic flow at the IPM and Rural Expo by getting the traffic off the road and into parking fields and establishing and managing traffic flow for commuter traffic around the site and to ensure minimal disruption and respond to traffic challenges as they arise.

Wagon Tours Jeff Holmes jeff@holmes@agro.com

To provide a safe and reliable mode of transportation from the parking lots to the Plowing Match site and back.

Steps and Greeters John Drummond john.drummond@hotmail.com

To assist visitors getting on and off of the wagons.

Worship Joanne & Barry Everson barry.everson@sympatico.ca

Del and Diane Franks

To provide a worship service that is interdenominational in scope and incorporates elements which highlight the uniqueness of the region including quality music and an inspiring speaker. It will take place Sun. Sept.17th.

Souvenirs Committee at Community Events

The **Souvenirs Committee** are planning to attend a number of Community Events to promote our event and offer the sale of Souvenirs. Thank you to you all for volunteering your time!! We are so excited to be promoting the plowing match and are so glad to have enthusiastic people joining us!! Looking forward to promoting with you all!

Orangeville Home and Garden Show

April 1 and 2nd

Drayton Farm Show

April 12 and 13

Orangeville Farmers Market

May 6

Fergus Home Show

May 10, 11 and 12

Caledon Fair

June 9, 10 and 11

Sherkston Niagara (NAPA)

June 30-July 2

Keady Farmers Markets

Tuesdays in the summer

Shari will be going to these markets with her husband and selling our products alongside hers. Thank you Shari!

Orangeville Farmers Market

Aug 5

Cookstown Steam and Gas Association (Tractor)

August 4 - 5

Grand River Antique Society in Dunnville

August 11- 13

Potato Festival—Alliston

August 12 -

Bruce County Heritage Show in Paisley

August 18, 19 and 20

Plowing Match in Cookstown

August 19

DBoT's Golf Tournament in Orangeville

August 24

Milton Steam Era

September 1-4

The president of Niagara Fair offered to promote our IPM at his fair (June 2-4) if anyone is going to Niagara in the weeks before this please let me know and we can send some stuff to Colin.

For further information contact Courtney at socialmediaipm2023@gmail.com



Souvenirs also available at:

Amaranth Municipal Office (374028 6 Line, Laurel),
Manex Plumbing* (137 Main St W, Shelburne)
and
Pure Water Canada* (165 St. Andrew St W, Fergus) are selling clothing items.

Dufferin Board of Trade* (246372 Hockley Rd, Mono) is selling cookbooks, mugs and playing cards.

Products are limited at these locations.

Also available for pick up or drop off. Please contact socialmediaipm2023@gmail.com for more information.

Special Features Co Chairs

Kelly Tovell ktovell@sympatico.ca

Billie Jo Berry Photo8bj@yahoo.ca

Special Features Committees are to assist in the presentation of entertainment and special events during the IPM and Rural Expo.

Special Features Committee Chairs

Antiques: Peter Ryzebol s.t.p.ryzebofarm@gmail.com

To present local antiques and historical artifacts for the education and enjoyment of visitors to the IPM and Rural Expo.

Information Booths: Gord McDonald mcdonaldgord@gmail.com

The objective of the Information booth is to provide information, answer questions about the event for guests and to act as a communication link to EMS, Lost Person, Sanitation, Waste and Waters and the OPA.

Education: Brianne Curtis ipm2023education@gmail.com

The objective of the Education Committee is to provide children unique, interactive educational experiences in agriculture and food production to all children visiting the IPM and Rural Expo as well as to create a simple and easy online registration for Teachers.

Entertainment: Heather and Greg Holmes IPM2023Entertainment@gmail.com

To provide an array of local talent from the region and surrounding area and to entertain guests of all ages during the IPM and Rural Expo.

Lifestyles: Grace Brown gracieland43@yahoo.ca

Fabienne Good fabiennegood@gmail.com

The Lifestyles Committee is to ensure that the Lifestyles tent is a promotion of the best of quilting, fashion and much more within the County of Dufferin.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies: Janet Horner

janet@whitfieldfarms.com

To officially open the Match on the 1st day and close it, turning it over to the following year's IPM.

Parade: Keith Quinn schoolroader@hotmail.com

To organize and manage the opening day parade through Tented City.

VIP: Diana Morris diana@dufferinbot.com

To provide food for special events during the IPM and Rural Expo that reflect the local area.

Lounge: Bobbi Ferguson bobbirferguson@gmail.com

To provide a venue where attendees of the IPM and Rural Expo can sit down, have a drink, good food and enjoy entertainment and opportunity to socialize.

Quilts: Louise Cornelius l.cornelius12@outlook.com

115 kits were purchased and distributed to create the challenge blocks. Close to 90 were received. Three winners were declared:

1st Kim Beckner

2nd Debbie Panke

3rd Eileen Parkinson



Lifestyles

Call for Creatives

From September 19th-23rd, the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo will be coming to our area. Within the “Lifestyles” area, we would like to highlight and show off our thriving creative community.

How do you express your creativity

When we think of creativity, we often think of painting or making sculptures—however creativity can be many things. Maybe you enjoy carving ducks, or making soap, or writing poems in calligraphy or maybe you enjoy making fancy smoothies... Maybe you will paper or weave baskets out of garden weed? If you have an interesting pastime or hobby that you would like to share with your community, then we want to hear from you!

We are looking for creatives to do demonstrations and or to contribute a 4x6” image so we can create a wall showing off our diverse creativity.

If you are interested in either or both of these opportunities, please complete the form that is included in this email and return to ipmlifestyles2023@gmail.com by April 30th, 2023.

Please share with any other creatives in the community.

IPM 2023 Local Committee

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