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Weather



TODAY: **SNOW**

HIGH OF -6 LOW OF -9



TUESDAY: **SNOW**

HIGH OF -4 LOW OF -17



WEDNESDAY: SUNNY

HIGH OF -10 LOW OF -21



THURSDAY: 30 PER CENT CHANCE OF **FLURRIES** HIGH OF -5 LOW OF -8



FRIDAY: **SNOW**

HIGH OF 1

Coop Du Grand Bois In Saint-Etienne-De-Bolton celebrates tenth anniversary



THE SCOOP MABLE HASTINGS

The Coop du Grand Bois, located at 12, rue Principale in Saint-Etienne-de-Bolton turns ten years old in 2021. Coop member, Marie-Eve Gaboury-Bonhomme reminisces in regards to the beginning of the Coop ten years ago and the great team of motivated and diverse people who came together to see the project to fruition. Deciding on the status of the Coop was at the forefront of decision making when it all began.

"After weighing the pros and cons," Gaboury-Bonhomme, first board of directors opted for a Solidarity Cooperative with drafted by-laws, a democratic functioning and membership (\$150)."

The particulars of the Coop took a lot of hard work and involvement to achieve and determine. The function of



took time and was no easy task and on

the verge of discouragement following

a variety of unsuitable locations, the

present site at 12 Principale came up for

sale. The building radiates community

both inside and out. There is a rustic



There are many stories in between this summary of the beginning of the venture ten years ago through to today. Like most businesses, the Coop is operating now with government Covid directives in place. The Coop is presently open for pick up of food products purchased on site, Thursdays, Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays

from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays

from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The diverse products and food available at the Coop is worth inquiring about and recent additions include: Virgin Camelina oil produced in St-Edouard, Cru Berger, Ferme les Broussailles, raw ewe's mild, pasteurized milk and new beers: Le Bilboquet Peau d'Ours, La Roche Bleue, L'Archange and Hibiscus IPA. You can find out more about the Coop du Grand Bois by visiting their partner site at the Marche du Rucher de Bolton-Est at: https://rucherboltonnois.net 450-297-

There are always a variety of activities happening and encouragement by organizers to get people to contribute and participate in events.

Congratulations to the Coop du Grand Bois and to the residents of Saint-Etienne-de-Bolton in sustaining and building upon this wonderful community initiative.



Ben by Daniel Shelton







