

24th Annual Potton Multicultural Festival



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Potton will celebrate its 24th Annual Multicultural Festival with activities starting Friday evening, August 12 through to Saturday, August 13 in Mansonville. Friday evening from 5-7pm is the Smorgasbord supper followed by Bingo with a \$200 Jackpot and then, a Karaoke Party with SuperLouis from 8:30pm to midnight.

Saturday's events are plentiful throughout the town. Visitors can enjoy, artisans, baking, information booths in the park area, the annual Parade at 11am, children's area with inflatable games, live music and dance, mechanical bull riding, karaoke and more. New this year, a soap box race has been added to the fun.

Following the Fireworks display on Saturday evening, Saturday night will be rockin' with Mannix & the Dirty Blues Band (with special guests including The Brunton Brothers from Potton's own Desert Heat). The dance floor will be full so arrive early!

"We are hosting two contests on our Facebook page, one of which has already started," explained Renee Morris, a member of the organizing committee. "The prizes for each contest will be two tickets to the smorgasbord supper and two lunches for 2 at the International cuisine lunch."

There are other activities happening in the town at the Round Barn(a must see), Covered Bridge, Farmer's Market, St.Cajetan Flea Market, and the Reilly House is doing a Chicken and Biscuit supper (call 450-292-3109) to reserve your space.

Also, a big attraction of the day is the Annual Book Sale organized by the Mu-

nicipality of Potton's library in cooperation with the Missisquoi North (CAB) Youth Centre. This book sale offers hundreds of books and unbeatable prices. The funds raised are split between the two groups. If you are looking for the perfect summer/fall read, the book sale has just what you need. Please come by and support these great causes. This sale is held in front of the Town Hall building.

Potton is proud to celebrate its community and its diverse and talented people as well as an area rich in history and tradition. Locals, neighbours, visitors...all are welcome to come and cele-

brate one of the most beautiful areas in the Eastern Townships.

Looking for something to do on Multicultural Day? The Municipality is looking for volunteers to help out during the festival. If you have even two hours to spare and are willing to lend a hand, contact the Municipal Office at 450-292-3313. All help is welcomed and much appreciated.

Visit the Festival website now, www.festivalmulticultural.weebly.com, to go along with our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/festivalmulticultural.



PHOTOS BY MABLE HASTINGS

Last year's parade had The Missisquoi North Youth Centre Zombies dancing to "Thriller" as the group celebrated their Annual Haunted Halloween



Bright colors and smiling children are always a joyous site as seen here in last year's Parade float by Jenny's Club