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Weather




TODAY:
RAIN




HIGH OF 21
LOW OF 7




TUESDAY:
SUNNY




HIGH OF 21
LOW OF 6




WEDNESDAY:
SUNNY




HIGH OF 22
LOW OF 8



THURSDAY:
SUNNY



HIGH OF 24
LOW OF 13



FRIDAY:
RAIN

HIGH OF 20
LOW OF 13

Spirit of Potton Festival a success despite the dreary weather



THE SCOOP
MABLE HASTINGS

Despite the less than ideal weather conditions, the Annual Spirit of Potton Festival held from Friday, Aug. 18 through to Saturday night, Aug. 19 was deemed a success with delicious food, abundant entertainment, activities galore and bargains on baking, produce, crafts, jewelry, gifts and more.... Hundreds attended the event that is held annually at the Municipality of Potton's multi functional shelter located in the Park Andre Gagnon.

Friday evening began with a mechoui supper fundraiser organized by the Potton Covered Market and prepared by Lynn and Jason Bedard of Tente Mechoui Plus. The market added a "make your own sundae dessert" to top off a wonderful supper. Following the Mechoui the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) organized a Bingo that was sponsored by some generous Potton businesses and friends: Construction Matthieu Laplume, Construction Alain Pouliot,



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Deneigement TC, Myrna Cote and Steve Romain, FamiliPrix Mansonville, Immobilier Mike Cyr, AFRP Marcoux, Marie Elaine Hvizdak Immobilier Coldbrook and Owls Head Ski and Golf. Some 200 people came out to enjoy the Bingo and with volunteer bingo caller, Norma Clifford it was a fun for all evening. Following the Bingo, a band from New Brunswick, La Patente brought the evening to a close with some toe tapping tunes!

Saturday morning found the CABMN Partage Share food bank offering its annual pancake breakfast, the setting up of the Covered Market kiosks, the festival additions and the games. Throughout the day musical

performances, a magic show, circus, food trucks, a performance by the CABMN youth dance group and more kept a steady flow of people coming and going.

The evening came to a close with the band, Leadville Union and Desert Heat reuniting and that kept the dance floor filled and all entertained. Braking only for Vincent Giroux's amazing fireworks that never disappoint, the band then continued playing crowd favourites as the cheering escalated with finding everyone sad to see the evening come to an end.

This Annual event is organized by the Potton Municipal Cultural committee. The Municipal staff devotes its time and talents in seeing the event through to fruition. The CABMN solicited some twenty amazing community volunteers plus many more who partook in specific events organized over the two days, these volunteers are without doubt, an extremely vital part of the celebration in its entirety and cannot be recognized nor thanked enough for their invaluable help.

Potton's community spirit could not be dampened despite the rain. With activities happening from the North end of town at the multi functional shelter through to Main Street South with Reilly House fun day and the Euro-deli Polish festivities, there was something for everyone to enjoy.



Ben by Daniel Shelton

