### Schedule for Saturday July 20th (continued)

#### **MAINE POTATO BLOSSOM FESTIVAL PARADE**

SATURDAY, JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> LINE UP 11AM START TIME: 1:15 Pre-register online at: www.mainepotatoblossomfestival.com Judging will be done at 11:30am in all designated parking lots Sponsored by: Cassidy Orthodontics, Versant Power, Mad Dog Mow-in' and Beauregard Equipment & Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home. Theme: Fun on the Farm (categories) Most Original, Best Theme, Childrens, Non-profit group, Antique, Best Musical, All about Agriculture, Best Queen, Best Marching Unit, Best Overall Parade Chairperson: Paul Towle: ptowle309@gmail.com

#### **CLASS OF 1979 45TH REUNION**

Time: 5:30-7PM Contact; Heather Rogers hprogers327@gmail.com or Facebook: fortfairfield High School; Class of 1979

CLASS OF 1984 40TH REUNION Time: 4-10PM 10 Depot Street Contact: Mark or Janet Giberson 472-0991 or Roberta Lasater 478-217-1877

#### **CLASS OF 2014 10TH REUNION**

Time: 5:30 FF Lions Club House Contact: Madeline Martin 554-7443

#### **MAINE POTATO QUEEN PAGEANT**

7pm Location: Ft. Fairfield High School Gym Tickets: \$10 per person Director Betsy Fitzherbert Sponsored by: Maine Potato Board & F&B Couture

#### **ANTIQUE TRACTOR PULLS**

Riverside Park East (turn right at the end of the bridge) Start time: 3pm Hosted by: Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club Sponsored by Kilcollins Farms

#### **BAND PERFORMANCE BY: BEN KILCOLLINS**

7-10pm Main Stage Village Sq. Lot Sponsored by: McGillan Inc., Griffeth Honda & R.H. Foster

#### SUNDAY, JULY 21ST

#### **BLACKSMITH DEMONSTRATION**

By: Eugene Katsman (Blacksmith) Time: 10am-4pm Location: Next to the barrel display on Main Street Sponsored by: Center Farm Coal

**PINE & SPURS RIDING CLUB HORSE SHOW** 9am Location: Show grounds on Damboise Rd. Fort Fairfield

#### **CAR SHOW & SHINE**

Time: 10am-1pm Location: Riverside Park Turn left at the end of the bridge. New Prizes, Door Prizes and Food Vendor on site Sponsored by: Greenlaw Electric

#### **ANNUAL RUBBER DUCK RACE**

Time: Noon Start point: Bridge to the boat landing Tickets are \$5 per duck (can be purchased from any member) Prizes awarded: 1st \$250, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100, 4th \$50 Hosted by Frontier Fish and Game Club

#### **ENTERTAINMENT: CIRCLE OF FIFTHS**

1-4pm Location: Main Stage Village Sq. Parking Lot Sponsored by: Griffeth Honda & Irving Farms

#### **AROOSTOOK RIVER FAMILY FUN DAY**

1pm Starting at Forbes Pit. Bring your boats, kayaks, canoes, tubes and float the river with family and friends. **{Reminder: All boats need** life jackets by law} Have fun, be safe!

#### **BEAN HOLE BEAN SUPPER**

Time:4-6pm Price (\$10 per meal) includes: Old Fashioned Bean Hole Beans, Red Hot Dog, Potato Salad, Roll & a water Location: By the Food Court on Main Street Hosted by Frontier Fish & Game Club

#### **FAMILY FUN AT THE BANDSTAND**

1-7pm (9) Hole Mini Golf Course and NERF Axe Throwing Ring. Ice Cream Truck on site Sponsored by: MFX, County Federal Credit Union

**BAND PERFORMANCE BY: FRENCH TOAST WITH GUEST JERRY T.** Location: Main Stage in the Village Sq. Parking Lot Sponsored by: Northeast Packaging, Daigle Oil, United Insurance

#### FIREWORKS OVER THE AROOSTOOK RIVER Time: 9pm It will be an awesome show!

Sponsored by: McGillan Inc., Fields Realty, McCain Foods, Versant Power, Maine Credit Union, Allen's Coffee Brandy, Pineland Potato Company & Maine Potato Board

# **T-SHIRTS & HATS** \$20 each

Available at Festival Headquarters and the Fort Fairfield Town Office.



#### T-shirt design by: Amy Marie Schwartz of Fort Fairfield, Maine

## **T-SHIRT OR HAT \$20 EACH!**



## For more information regarding the Maine Potato Blossom Festival: Email: mpbf@fortfairfield.org or visit:

www.mainepotatoblossomfestival.com

Check out our Facebook page at: www.potatoblossomfestival.com

# **Thank You!**

On behalf of the 77th Maine Potato Blossom Festival Committee and the Town of Fort Fairfield, we would like to thank all our sponsors and many volunteers for their continued support again this year.

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# Maine **Potato Blossom Festival 2024 Event Schedule**







## **2024 Schedule of Events** Julv 13th-21st

#### **FESTIVAL HEADQUARTERS LOCATION: FOOD COURT ENTRANCE**

Hours will be posted starting Saturday, July 13th-21st. Festival T-Shirts, Hats & brochures will be available. Shirts and Hats will also be available at the Fort Fairfield Town Office.

FOOD COURT: COME SUPPORT OUR AWESOME FOOD VENDORS Food Court will open on Thursday July 18th-Sunday, July 21st Daily hours: 11am-10pm

#### **BEER GARDEN: OPEN: VILLAGE SQ. PARKING LOT**

Thursday July 18th-Saturday, July 20th 4-10pm Sunday, July 21st 5-9:30pm Provided by: Parkhurst Siding Pub/Northern Maine Catering

#### (NEW) POTATO DECORATING CONTEST

Bring your decorated potato, anyway you choose, to the County Federal Credit Union, Main Street, Fort Fairfield on Thursday, July 18th. Categories to be judge are: Most Creative, Most Unusual, Funniest, Favorite of CFCU Staff, Best use of the potatoes unique shape. Prizes will be awarded on Friday, July 19th at 11am at the CFCU Main Street, Fort Fairfield. *Sponsored by CFCU* 

#### SATURDAY, JULY 13<sup>™</sup>

#### **TOWN WIDE YARD SALE 8AM-5PM**

Registration Deadline to be listed on the flyer & map (July 8th) Registration Form online www.mainepotatoblossomfestival. com & available at the Town Office. Fee: \$5 to be listed in the flyer. (cash please) Forms & payment can be mailed to: MPBF 18 Community Ct. Dr. FF,

Maine 04742 or can be dropped off with payment at the Town Office.

#### **CAR WASH**

Time: 11am-4pm Location: VFW Parking Lot Hosted by Ft. Fairfield Fire Dept.

#### CHAMBER'S SMOKIN' BBQ COOK-OFF (6TH ANNIVERSARY)

Friday, July 12th BBQ Contestants Setup (Food Court) Saturday, July 13th (2:30-3:45) People's Choice Tasting begins Open to Community Members

Tickets on sale (\$25 each) Purchase your tickets early to ensure a place at the table. Tickets available at the Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce

Saturday July 13th, at (4:00) Competition Winners announced. Sponsored by Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce FMI: Contact: LaNiece Sirois, Executive Director (207-764-6561)

#### **BLACKSMITH DEMONSTRATION**

By: Eugene Katsman (Blacksmith) Time: 10am-4pm Location: Next to the barrel display on Main Street Interactive hands-on experience opportunity. Sponsored by Center Farm Coal

#### **QUILT SHOW**

10am-8pm Location: One Room Schoolhouse, Depot St. Hosted by: Crown of Maine Quilters Guild & Frontier Heritage Society

#### **HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT**

10am Location: Riverside Park Hosted by: Boy Scout Troop #194 (they are providing food for sale) Cash Prizes: 1st \$300, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50 Registration Fee: \$20 per team Reminder: Bring your own horseshoes Contact: Travis Norsworthy (551-8050) Sponsored by: Precision Custom Woodworking

#### **NORTHERN MAINE SUMMER ALL-STAR BASKETBALL** SHOWCASE

Northern Maine's top high school basketball players from Classes B, C, & D go head-to-head in a showcase game for the summer! 3-point and Skills Competitions at halftime of each game! Doors open at 4pm! Girls game at 5pm and Boys game at 7pm. Admission is \$2.00 12 and under and \$5 for 13 and up. This covers both games! Location: Fort Fairfield Middle High School. Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department.

#### **MAINE POTATO BLOSSOM GOLF TOURNAMENT**

(3) person scramble Call the AVCC Pro Shop 1-800-980-8747 to register Golf Pro (Steven Leitch)

#### SUNDAY, JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### **SNOWMOBILE CLUB BREAKFAST**

7am-10am (\$10 adults-\$5 under 12) Hosted by: Fort Fairfield Snowmobile Club (12 Strickland Rd.)

CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT Village Sq. Parking Lot, Main St. The cost is \$50 per team. Cash prizes for top 2 teams will be determined by number of teams participating. Remaining funds will go towards the purchase of new cornhole boards for future events. Double elimination best of 3 match format.

Registration will begin at 10am with first bags being thrown at 11am. Rain Location: Community Center

Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department.

BLACKSMITH DEMONSTRATION By: Eugene Katsman (Blacksmith) Time: 10am-4pm Location: Next to the barrel display on Main Street Interactive hands-on experience opportunity Sponsored by: Center Farm Coal

#### **QUILT SHOW**

10am-3pm Location: One Room Schoolhouse, Depot St. Hosted by: Crown of Maine Quilters Guild & Frontier Heritage Society

### **ENTERTAINMENT: GOOD OLE BOYS & GIRLS BAND**

1pm Bandstand Ice Cream Cones for the first (75) attending Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Housing Authority

#### **ANNUAL FAMILY DAY**

5-8pm Riverside Park Events will include: Inflatables, Lawn Games, Potato Picking Contest, Potato Sack Races, Tractor Train Rides, Shriner Clowns and Heroes, Face Painting and much more! Concessions available. Sponsored by: R.H. Foster, Dead River, Aroostook Savings & Loan, Cary Medical Center, Greenlaw Electric, Hillside IGA

#### **ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAMES**

Dust off the old basketball shoes and join us for an evening of fun! Location: Fort Fairfield Community Center. Ladies game tips off at 5pm and men's at 6:30pm. Watch as our High School players try to out play the alumni in a fun spirited game of basketball. There will be no admission fee for spectators.

Sponsored by: Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department.

#### **MOVIE UNDER THE STARS AT DUSK RIVERSIDE PARK (DUSK)**

Bring your chairs & blankets Concessions will be available Sponsored by Cary Medical Center

#### **ENTERTAINMENT: ADAM OUELLETTE BAND**

7-10pm Bandstand, Fields Lane Main Street Sponsored by: McCrum Family Holding, Katahdin Trust Bank

#### **MONDAY-THURSDAY**

COMMUNITY CLOSET Time: 9-4:30pm Sizes and items available for everyone. Location: Housing Authority (Fields Lane) Hosted by Ft. Fairfield Housing Authority

MONDAY, JULY 15TH THRU FRIDAY, JULY 19TH **MEET AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER 7 AM DAILY** 

## **WALK WITH PATTY & LYNN**

Two of the Reynolds sisters are back again this year to lead walks around Fort Fairfield. They will discuss Fort Fairfield History, notable residents, Fort Fairfield at war, Fort Fairfield at peace and the future of Fort Fairfield. Two-four miles each day. Wear comfortable shoes.

#### (NEW) POOL PARTY

Join us at the Fort Fairfield Municipal Pool for our 1st Annual MPBF Pool Party! The pool toys will be out and there will be a FREE hot dog BBQ for swimmers (Donations Accepted). First come first serve. 12pm-4pm. No pool entry fee for non-residents! Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department

### TUESDAY, JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>

#### (NEW) NMCRA REGIONAL PITCH, HIT, & RUN COMPETITION

Time: 1pm Location: Fort Fairfield Middle High School Athletic Complex. Age Requirement: 7 to 14 as of November 14th, 2024. Participants will pitch at a target, hit off a tee focusing on distance and accuracy, and run from a designated distance that will be timed. Awards for top 3 performers in each age group and gender. Contact your local Recreation Department for information on how to register. Sponsored by: Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department and the Northern Maine Community Recreation Association.

#### **PET SHOW AT THE BANDSTAND**

Time: 6pm Registration: \$5 per pet. 5:15-6pm Show starts at 6pm (Leashes required) Ribbons & Prizes Awarded Fundraiser for the Central Aroostook Humane Society More details on our FB Page (www.mainepotatoblossom.com) Sponsored by: Tempo Employment Agency In Memory of Marcia Reed, Founder

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>

#### POTATO BLOSSOM SWIM MEET

Event Starts @ 11am Registration/Check-in - 10am Location: Fort Fairfield Municipal Pool If you are part of a swim team, please register through your local Recreation Department. Individual swimmers will register the day of. Participation is free.

Sponsored by the Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department

#### **CANOE & KAYAK DAY (RETURNS)**

Location: Monson Pond 12-4pm At the boat launch Free Hot Dog cookout for families during the event Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Fish & Game Club

#### **3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

The fee is \$100 per team (max of 5 people per team). There will be medals for the top 2 places. Double elimination best of 3 match format. Entry fees will be going towards our outdoor athletic court revitalization project. Register the day of. Registration: 4-4:45pm Rules meeting: 4:45-5pm Tournament starts: 5pm! Location: Fort Fairfield Recreation Department Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING FIDDLERS

Time: 6pm Bandstand (Fields Lane) Sponsored by Maine Credit Union

#### **BABY AND BIKE PARADE**

Town Clock thru Fields Lane Theme: "Hawaiian Luau Party" Age brackets: 0-475-up Pre-Registration by calling (207-472-3651) 8:30-4:30 Special Drawing for all those pre-registered Line up 6:30 Parade starts at 7pm Judging categories: Surf's Up (Most Creative) Big Kahuna & Little Kahuna (Best in Show) Most Colorful Sponsored by United Insurance Fort Fairfield

#### **JR. MISS & LITTLE MISS POTATO QUEEN PAGEANTS**

7pm Location: Fort Fairfield High School Gym Admission: \$10 per person Directors: Jr. Miss (Pam Nason) Little Miss (Chloe Wheeler) Sponsored by F & B Couture

#### THURSDAY, JULY 18<sup>™</sup>

#### **SPUDDY BUDDY CHALLENGE (RETURNS)**

11am Start Time.

Pick up your clue card and help Spuddy find his lost buddies. Ages 6-12 Pre-register at 472-7838 (40) clue cards available(first come, first serve) Location: The County Federal Credit Union, 232 Main St. Fort Fairfield Sponsored by The Fort Fairfield County Federal Credit Union

#### **JR. GIRLS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT**

Register by July 1st through your local recreation department. Game times and matchups will be determined the week before the event depending on number of team entries. This is for girls entering grades 4-8 in the fall. Come catch the action as Aroostook Counties young athletes battle it out for the MPBF championship. Awards for top 2 teams. The cost will be \$75 a team.

#### Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department

#### FORT FAIRFIELD ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME BANQUET

Location: Fort Fairfield High School Cafeteria Social Hour: 5pm Meal 6pm Induction Ceremony 7pm \$35 per person Reservations Required Contact: Larry Gardner |gardner@msad20.org

#### MASHED POTATO WRESTLING CONTEST (RETURNS) 5:30-8pm

Main St. Adults and Children matches. Special VIP Challenge! Look for more details. Come out and support the Fort Fairfield Fire & Rescue with this fundraiser! Hosted by FF Fire & Rescue Sponsored by Machias Savings Bank

#### **BAND PERFORMANCE BY: NO PRESSURE**

Time: 8-10pm (Location) Main Stage in Village Sg. Lot Main Street Bring Your chairs and relax Sponsored by: F.A. Peabody Ins. Co. and Dead River Co.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 19TH

#### **BIKE RODEO**

Time: 9am (ages 12 & under - bring your bike and helmet) Location: Across from Bradley's Car Wash Sponsored by Fort Fairfield Rotary Club

#### **BLOCKHOUSE WILL BE OPEN**

Friday, July 19th-Sunday, July 21st 10am-2pm Hosted by Fort Fairfield Frontier Heritage Society

#### **MINI MUSTER**

5pm-7pm Main Street

Fund Raiser geared to building relationships with children. There will be different Police and Fire related tasks for children to complete and it will be a timed course. Age brackets: 3-5, 6-10 & 10 plus. No registration required. Participation will be by donation. Hosted by FF Fire & Rescue

#### 1994 CLASS REUNION Time: 5:30

Location: Shawn Rogers Home Contact number: 551-9427

#### CLASS OF 1974 (50<sup>TH</sup>) REUNION

Time: 6pm Fish & Game Club, Monson Pond FMI: Contact: Ann Dionne 207-999-9357

#### **SIP & PAINT**

6-8pm (\$45 per person) Includes: All art supplies, instruction, wine & light snacks. For tickets please call: (207-762-3576) email: wintergreenarts@gmail.com or message us on Facebook Location: Bandstand Fields Lane Hosted by Wintergreen Arts

#### **BAND PERFORMANCE BY: STAR CITY SYNDICATE**

Time: 7-10pm Main Stage in Village Sg. Lot Main Street Sponsored by: Fields Realty & NorState Federal Credit Union, Mapleton Oil

#### SATURDAY, JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>

#### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Time: 7am-10am Location: Depot Street (\$8 per person) Tours of the one room schoolhouse and train station will be available Hosted by the Frontier Heritage Society

#### **ARTS & CRAFT SHOW**

Fields Lane 8am-5pm Registration available online: www.mainepotatoblossomfestival.com Hosted by: Maine Potato Blossom Festival

#### **PINE & SPURS RIDING CLUB HORSE SHOW**

9am Location: Show grounds Damboise Rd. Fort Fairfield

#### **5-MILE ROAD RACE (RETURNS)**

Start Location: Across from the IGA Store Registration: White Smiles Yard 7:30am Walkers (\$20) Start:8:30am Runners (\$20) 9am Hosted by: FF High School Baseball Team Contact: Race Director: Rob Langner langnerrob@yahoo.com Sponsored by: Hillside IGA

#### **BLACKSMITH DEMONSTRATION**

By: Eugene Katsman (Blacksmith) Time: 10am-4pm Location: Next to the barrel display on Main Street Sponsored by: Center Farm Coal

#### **ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH CHICKEN BBQ**

10am to sold out Location: Main Street next to food court Hosted by: St. Paul's Episcopal Church

#### **(NEW) BOOKMARK DECORATING CONTEST**

10am-12pm FF Library

Children can pick up their blank bookmarks on Thursday, July 4th at the Library Bookmarks are due back to the library by July 18th. Winners announced Sat. July 20th during the following other events: Ice Cream Booth, Face Painting, Henna Tattoos, A Potato Paint Art Booth, Times: 10am-12pm,

Sponsored by: Fort Fairfield Public Library

#### Schedule for Saturday July 20th continued on next page