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YARMOUTH SEAFEST 2020 MARKS ITS FIRST WEEK WITH MORE EVENTS ON TAP

Following its first week of events the Yarmouth Seafest Committee is pushing forward with more fun and entertainment in its modified version of the iconic summer festival which began on Wed., July 15 and continues until Fri., Aug. 14, with the theme “Never Far From the Sea”.

“Folks around here are very happy that they still have a Seafest to take part in,” says David Warner, chair of the Committee. “While some of the big events, like the fireworks and the parades just aren't possible, there's still a lot going on and the schedule is still growing. Not only do we now have activities lined up nearly every day for a whole month, but on a few days we have multiple events.”

Events still on the calendar include:

- Yarmouth Garden Club Tours - Mon., July 27 (Weymouth), Mon., Aug. 3 (West Pubnico);
- Scotia Garden Mackerel and Mini Mackerel Toss, Noon, Sat., July 25 at Parker-Eakins Wharf;
- Virtual Trivia Contests - Wed., Aug. 5 and Wed. Aug. 12 (Seafest Trivia) and Wed., July 29 (Childrens' Trivia);
- Royal Fencible Americans 18th Century infantry drill and musket firings, Killams Wharf, 6:00 pm, July 29, Aug. 5 and Aug. 12;
- Virtual Concerts – The Great TimBeanie Magic and Music for Kids Aug. 8, Totally 80s Show Aug. 14;
- Dairy Queen Stationary Parade / House Parade, ending Aug. 8;
- Theme Days – Seafest Spirit Day July 28, Mermaid and Merman Day Aug. 4, Fisherman Day Aug. 11

“The Mackerel Toss on Saturday will be a test of how we can enforce social distancing and other rules under the state of emergency,” says Mr. Warner. “This has been one of our most popular Seafest activities over the past few years. Making this happen in the current circumstances will involve all the Seafest organizers as volunteers. We're sure we can make this a fun and safe event.”

A late addition to the Seafest lineup will be a port visit by the *Bluenose II* to Yarmouth overnight on Aug. 4/5. “While she won't be able to tie up or take tours, it will be a great boost to see our province's sailing ambassador in harbour during our festival.” says David Olie, a Seafest organizer.

More information on all these events available on line, at the Facebook group “Seafest” and from the Seafest website: www.seafest.ca. The Seafest office is open on the ground floor of the Killam Bros. Building on Water Street and can be reached at info@seafest.ca or by phone at (902) 815-8998.

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