

## ■ GOLF

# Fairway to Success

## Rotary Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Surrounded by sensational scenery, 36 teams will compete on the fairways of the Summerside Golf and Country Club for the annual Rotary Golf Tournament with the ultimate goal of raising money to support a charitable cause.

The Rotary Club of Summerside has been a long standing and major donor to the Prince County Hospital Foundation (PCHF) for the past 16 years through the organization of their annual golf event. And thanks to long time tournament sponsor Fitzgerald and Snow, this annual event has raised more than \$180,000 for the purchase of critical medical equipment.

"A group of Rotarians recognized the Prince County Hospital's original capital campaign for the new hospital and being community minded wanted to support this capital campaign with funding," explained tournament co-chair, Boyce Murphy.

"The original funding commitment was met and a decision was made to continue the partnership to support the annual equipment campaign with our local hospital. This is a continued partnership that the Rotary Club is happy to support."

Hospitals have a continuous need to raise money to meet the increasing demands for new and



replacement medical equipment. Annual equipment needs average over \$1 million each year, and partners such as the Rotary Club are helping to ensure the essential equipment is in place when needed.

Prince County Hospital is a cornerstone in our community and has been providing quality care for its patients now for over a century.

David Hopper, Sandy Rundle, and Blair Dunn were the first Rotarians to start the planning for the golf tournament. Since then the tournament has successfully run with a consecutive sell out for 16 years.

The winning team is presented the Earl Cannon Trophy in honour of an inspirational man, a great motivator, and a positive role model for others to look up to.

"It's a best ball golf tournament," said Murphy. "Team

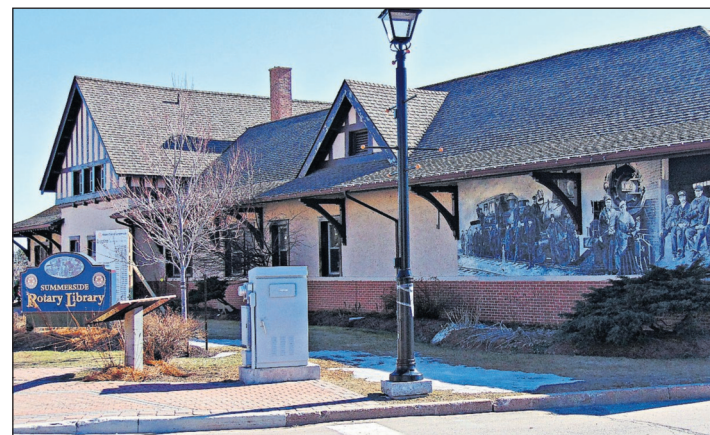


prizes will be presented and golfers are treated to a delicious lunch at the Summerside Golf and Country Club."

Thanks go out to the many local businesses and individuals who support Rotary's commitment to the community by either entering a team to golf or through their generous prize donations or valued hole sponsorship.

Local businesses are encouraged to support the 17th Annual Rotary Golf Tournament that will take place this year on Friday, July 22nd. The Rotary expects to see 144 golfers participate in this year's tournament.

For more information on the Rotary Golf Tournament visit: <http://summersiderotaryclub.com>



## ■ Summerside Rotary Regional Library

In 1989, the existing Summerside Rotary Regional Library was established in the old train station. It served the community well for over 24 years. However with 72,000 library visits, and 229 free programs available per year, including 400,000 items to borrow, the demand for this facility far outstripped the available space.

When the opportunity to purchase the former Summerside post office came along, it provided the 15,000 square footage to meet the needs of the community. This gave the Rotary Club of Summerside the opportunity to research what libraries of the future offered. From this research the Rotary Club, along with the Town, designed the new facility to meet the following needs:

- A place where children can learn while they play
- A place where youth can access technology and resources they might not have at home
- A place where seniors can

socialize and continue lifelong learning

■ A place where community groups can gather and do good work

■ A place where entrepreneurs can explore opportunities

■ A place where local business can leverage our resources to be more productive

The new "Inspire Learning Centre" will be an extension of your home. Housed in the former post office, it will be efficient and environmentally friendly.

The approximate cost for this facility is \$1.6 million.

The Learning Centre will not only be good for people (an engaging facility for retirees and young families), but also good for the economy by attracting new business and helping to retain a good workforce.

It will join a network of charming features that bring to life the downtown, and keep the core a place of interest.