

# Newsletter Summer 2020

#### Are you Missing Winter?



We have certainly lived through one of the oddest Springs in the history of PEI. The **COVID-19** crisis put a stop to the annual enjoyment of getting outside to enjoying the great Island outdoors with family and friends. Well, summer is here and restrictions are easing for Islanders to try and resume a normal way of life on PEI. Elections PEI wishes you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer.

# COVID -19: Now What?

Elections PEI has been closely monitoring the **COVID-19** outbreak and its impact on Prince Edward Island. In between electoral events, Elections PEI continues it's ongoing readiness planning, and as part, we're exploring a possible new operational approach to delivering an election in the context of a pandemic and post-pandemic. The health and safety of electors and the thousands of election workers who make a general election possible will always be a priority. As a result, Elections PEI is currently analyzing which measures should be put in place for the next election event.

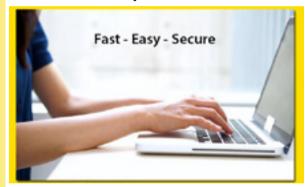


### Three Levels of Government

Elections PEI is very proud to have produced two new information videos on democracy, explaining the Three Levels of Government we elect and the responsibilities of each government. Take a moment and visit our YouTube page to watch them.

**The Three Levels of Government** 

#### *Is Your Voter Registration Correct and Up-to-Date?*



Since the 2019 Provincial Election, if you have moved, or perhaps had a change of names, you need to check and update your Voter Registration information. It only takes a few minutes and it can save you time at the polls, when it's time to vote. Call us toll free 1-888-234-8683 or visit our secure Online Registration Portal.

## Summertime Voting

Between 1919 and 1966, summertime elections happened 5 times!

July 24, 1919, July 24, 1923, June 25, 1927, July 23, 1935, July 11, 1966.

The Island saw it happen again one year ago with the Deferred Election on July 15, 2019 in District 9. It concluded the 2019 Provincial General Election from April 23, 2019. (<u>source</u>)

## **Political Contributions**

The records of <u>contributions</u> made to registered political parties on PEI must be submitted annually to Elections PEI no later than May 31st for review. Once checked, the contributions are posted online. The list of contributors lists contributions in excess of \$250. This is in accordance with the *Election Expenses Act* Section 20 (2)

An individual's contribution limits for 2019 was \$3000. That was increased to \$3050 on January 1 for the 2020 calendar year. Elections PEI also offers this information as Open Source Data on our website.



## **School Board Elections**

The PEI government will be reinstating the Board of Trustees for the PEI Public School Board. Elections PEI is meeting with School Board officials to discuss a Public School Board and a French Language School Board election to be held simultaneously for May 30, 2022.

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