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Pokeshaw & Black Rock 2024 recap, maybe I should have sent this first, saving wor

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Pokeshaw & Black Rock 2024 recap

To recap 2024: *Pokeshaw and Black Rock Lions Club*.

We are very pleased that we have added 3 new members to the club.

At the District N1 annual convention in April our club was presented its charter.

Mid-May, two of the club members attended the Jemseg Lions Club, Spring breakfast and market.

On Saturday June 23, Lions training was provided at the Founding Cultures Museum, Grande Anse. It was a great pleasure to have District Governor Susan Stennick in attendance as well as Carlos Vicente and his



team of trainers.

On Sunday, August 11, a fundraising barbeque for Ste. Jerome Catholic church, Shippagan was held. Members from both the Pokeshaw and Black Rock Lions Club and Shippagan Lions Club hosted the event.



In August, numerous club members purchased, royal blue, Lions golf shirts and tee shirts to promote the club's visibility and awareness.

On Saturday August 24 the *First Annual Stripped Bass Tournament*, inconjunction with a community barbeque was held. To promote both Pokeshaw and Black Rock Lions club as well as the Stripped Bass Fishing tournament, a 50/50 was held over the summer with tickets being sold at numerous markets/events



throughout the province of NB.

In September, through Tourism NB, the club was the lucky recipient of a three day/ two-night *Fly Fishing package to Larry's Gulch Lodge*. Presently, a raffle is being held to win this package as it is our clubs major winter fundraiser.



**You could win a Fly Fishing Trip
for two to Larry's Gulch Lodge!**

Trip Date:

June 2-4, 2025, fixed dates

- 3 days, 2 nights
- one rod, own guide
- meals & accommodations

Tickets: \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00

Draw date: March 16, 2025

For tickets contact Thomas @ riordont@gmail.com or Cell: 506 624-3242

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In October, to promote club awareness and community visibility, numerous club members attended the two-day *annual Pokeshaw/Black Rock Cranberry Festival*, where a table was rented, with Lions fruits cakes

being offered for sale, raffle tickets on the Fly-Fishing package as well as admission tickets to the October



Harvest Country dance.

On Saturday, October 26th, the club hosted a *Harvest Country Dance* at the Pokeshaw/Black Rock Recreational Center. Entrainment was provided by Kelly Jacques.



During the fall months, members from the club attended Lions Club Christmas breakfasts and markets in Burtts Corner, Jemseg and Burton, where they sold tickets on the Larry's Gulch Fly Fishing raffle as well as



Lions fruit cakes.



At the fall/November meeting, our special guest was Luc Robichaud, MLA for Hautes-Terres-Nepisiguit. Also attending the meeting was Stephan Picard, from Cliff Valley Astronomy who discussed the possibility to work together to create an Astro tourism project in our region. As well, Benoit and Jean Marie Robichaud,

both members with the Shippagan Lions Club joined us for the meeting followed by a potluck lunch.



Our club made a donation to support *Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides*.

In December, our club president, Bernie Riordon and his wife, Lillian attended the Shippagan Lions Club Christmas dinner.

The year ended with the distribution of Christmas hampers in the community, as well, a hamper donation was given to the Monsignor Doucet Foyer in Grande Anse.



