

August 2025 Newsletter

Celebrating 15 Years of Elderberries - 2010 - 2025

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1. August 10 Salon: Picnic at Point Pleasant Park

When: Sunday, August 10, 1:00pm - 4pm

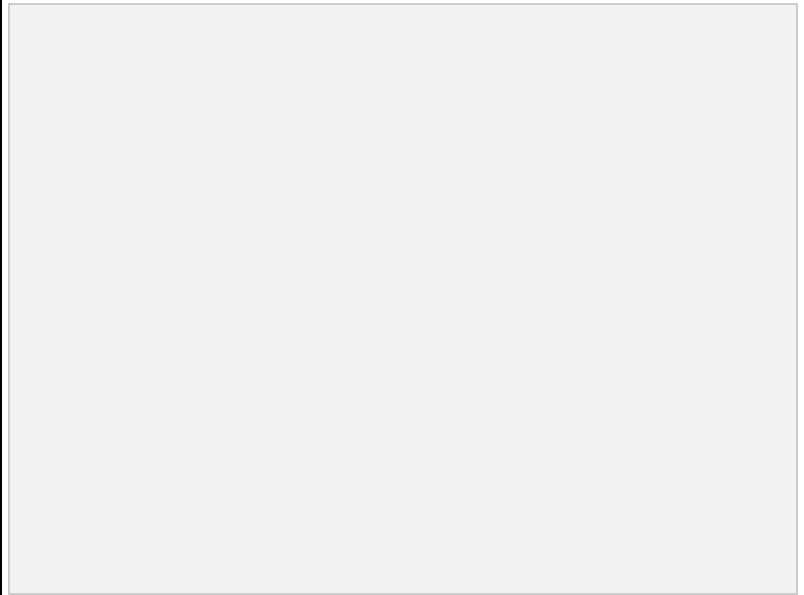
Where: Near Black Rock Beach (see map)

What: Potluck picnic. Some eats and drinks will be provided. Bring a folding chair or a mat, food and drink you like and like to share.

2. July 13 BBQ @ Point Pleasant

About 20 people showed up on a day with absolutely perfect weather for Elderberries sponsored hot dogs and hamburgers and many many other treats that people brought for a pot luck share.

A new member from Truro joined us - she had just read the invitation at 11AM and hopped right in her car to come to Halifax.



3. July 21 Elders Hangout

The traditional Pride Elders Hangout, sponsored by Halifax Pride, was celebrated on Monday July 21, 4:00 to 6:00 pm in the Pride Tent on the Garrison Grounds.

In a nod both to the past and to the future, Dr Jacqueline Gahagan of MSVU spoke about the conference of 2SLGBTQ+ historians and archivists to take place in Halifax in May 2026.

Elderberries has already written a letter of support for the project and has promised volunteer support too. In addition, a history-focussed Salon is in the planning stages.

Participants were treated to an elegant chocolate cake and a variety of snacks and cold drinks courtesy of Halifax Pride.



Photos courtesy of Stoo Metz, on contract with Halifax Pride.

4. Hugo Dann

Among the attendees at the Elders Hangout was Hugo Dann, formerly a Board member of the Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project, and one of the organizers of meetings in 2010 that eventually became Elderberries. Dan introduced Hugo and we gave him a round of applause.

Lee-Anne Poole coordinated getting Hugo from the hospital to the event. Lee-Anne is coordinating a Hugo visit / biography project. [See that section of this Wayves article if you hung around with Hugo at all.](#)



Photo also by Stoo Metz

5. We Want You!

Your Elderberries Board - that is, the team that plans and executes activities and makes decisions (including when to write angry letters, and to whom, when necessary) needs a few more people on a few teams!

Please think about pitching in to help run the Elderberries in a variety of ways. It's very rewarding, not much time, needed and requires no special skills - except regularly reading and responding to emails.

Stand by early next month for the details.



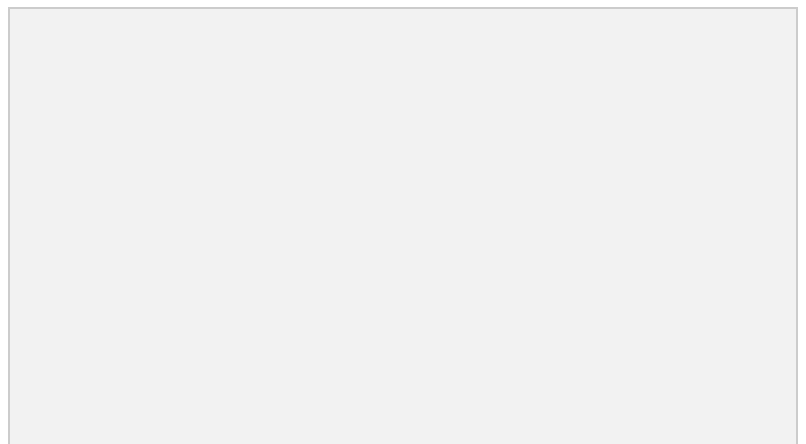
6. Upcoming LGBT Events

You can find all local LGBT Events in one place at:

<https://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents>

Or google “gay halifax events”

Wayves Magazine publishes the big list of Pride celebrations in Atlantic Canada. Head



over to wayves.ca and click the first button, [Prides].

7. Members Notices

Broadcast your news! If you have an announcement about a birth, a graduation, moving, wedding, yours other significant other's just <REPLY> with them or send them to

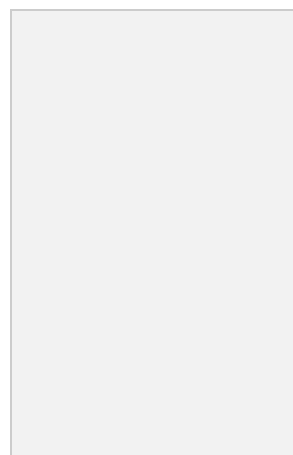
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8. Elderberries Mugs For You!

Need a cosy gift? Elderberries mugs are perfect.

On the back is the grey pride ribbon and the words: We are old. We are tired. We can get away with things. So... don't piss us off! The price is \$15.00; you can get one at our events or we can mail one to you.



9. About The Elderberries

The Elderberries is the social, educational, and activism group for LGBT Elders in Atlantic Canada. To join the Society and the mailing list, send an email to

AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com • We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebook Group, "NSElderberries" • To be removed from this mailing list, just <Reply> with the word "Unsubscribe".

