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Concerts on the Grass 2023

ABMI-TV is presenting 7 free concerts for the community this summer, beginning June 28 in Bellingham and ending August 16 in Mendon. Most shows feature free pony rides for the kids.

ABMI-TV Concerts on the Grass 2023

BELLINGHAM TOWN COMMON

Wed June 28. 6pm – 8pm. Kids Night with Wayne Potash and Trevor the Games Man. Sponsored by Bellingham Town Common Trustees

Wed July 12. 6pm – 7pm – Free pony rides. 6:30pm – 8:30pm Morse Code (classic rock). Opening Act: The Wild Beyond (classic rock)

Wed July 19. 6pm - 7pm. Free pony rides. 6:30pm – 8:30pm <u>Riverboat</u> Stompers (Dixieland)

Wed July 26. 6pm – 7pm. Free pony rides. 6:30pm – 8:30<u>pm Back</u> Pages. (rock and pop).

MENDON TOWN BEACH

Wed Aug 2. Free Pony Rides 6:30pm – 7:30pm. 6:30pm – 8:30pm. *Brass Connection* (brass band).

Wed Aug 9. Free Pony Rides 6:30pm – 7:30pm 6:30pm – 8:30pm <u>Tobe Rode</u> (60s, 70s, 80s rock)

Wed Aug 16. Free Pony <u>Rides 6:30pm – 7:30pm</u>. 6:30pm – 8:30pm *Jesse Liam* (contemporary pop)



Annual Membership Meeting Features Election for Board Officers

On May 11 the ABMI-TV Board of Directors held the Annual Membership Meeting directly following the regular semi-monthly Board Meeting

All Board seats remained under term until 2024. As for Board Officers, Bellingham's Tracy Aicardi gained re-election as Board President, Mendon's Diane Mela Souvanna was elected Board Vice-President, Mendon's Earl Pearlman was elected Board Secretary, and Bellingham's Jereme Cooper was elected Board Treasurer.

In the regular meeting, Souvanna asked about Vinyl Echo for this year's concert series. Publicity Director Steve Saraceno said the main members of that band are booked as Tobe Rode for a show at Mendon Town Beach Aug. 9.





In old business, Station Manager Patrick Fleming said the installation at the Bellingham Town Hall is finished and tested and everything looks good. He said the project is now finished.

In new business, Fleming presented the proposed budget for FY24 to the Board. Pearlman made a motion to accept. Souvanna seconded. Budget passed.

Souvanna inquired about the line item for Trophies. Fleming said Pete Royce presents trophies on his show *Candlepins for Scholars*.

Fleming said the prize money for *Candlepins* comes from the sponsor of the show, Neighborhood Kitchen in Whitinsville. Neighborhood Kitchen cuts a check to ABMI and then ABMI cuts a check for the winner, which is donated to the scholarship of the winner's choice.



REGULAR SHOWS-ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

AUTO SENSE -10:30AM & 7PM

BHS SPORTS -1PM & 8M

MENDON SELECTMEN 9PM

TUESDAY

SKYDIVING 10AM

REAL ESTATE TIPS 3PM & 9PM

WEDNESDAY

MENDON TOWN EVENTS 7PM & 11PM

THURSDAY BELLINGHAM TOWN EVENTS 3PM & 8PM

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY

ST. BLAISE SUNDAY MASS 8:30AM & 6PM

BOWLING FOR SCHOLARS NOON & 9PM

DUNGEON OF DR. DRECK 10 PM

Lights, Camera, and Action at ABMI-TV

ABMI brought the mobile production van to the Career Fair at Bellingham High School on April 13.





Pete Royce interviews Bellingham High student Erik Orberg during preseason preview of the BHS Track Squad.



Pete Royce chats with Wendi Hall during shoot of Episode 2 of Bowling for Dollars, sponsored by Neighborhood Kitchen in Whitinsville.



Bowling for Scholars producer Pete Royce congratulates the winners in the debut episode of the show, shot at Sparetime Recreation in Whitinsville.

Cake of appreciation for Mendon Minstrels member presented at concert May 11 at the Mendon Senior Center. Below, the Minstrels perform at the Senior Center.



Producer Pete Royce's Bowling for Scholars Shoots Episode #2

ABMI-TV producer and announcer Pete Royce hosted the second installment of *Bowling for Scholars* in mid-May (see photos p. 3)

Local bowlers Wendi Hall and Kyla Nichols faced off against each other in a candlepin match played at Sparetime Recreation in Northbridge.

Winners on *Bowling for Scholars* receive a check from ABMI courtesy of the sponsor, Neighborhood Kitchen in Whitinsville. The money is donated to the winner's scholarship fund of choice.

Bowling for Scholars plays on the AB-MI-TV Public Channel every weekend, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, at Noon & 9pm.



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ABMI Board of Directors

President Tracy Aicardi *Bellingham*

Vice-President Diane Mela Souvanna *Mendon*

> **Treasurer** Jereme Cooper *Bellingham*

Secretary Earl Pearlman *Mendon*

Member Sue Carlson *Mendon*

Next Meeting to take place virtually by Zoom Thurs. July 13 6:15 p.m. Seven things to know about ABMI

- 1. You can post free notices for your nonprofit organization or activity on our video bulletin board. Best way is to email us at **abmi8@comcast.net**. You can also phone at 508-966-3234. Or send a fax at 508-966-2321.
- 2. All our public channel cablecasts stream live at the same time from our website at abmi8.org. Recorded public meetings and special events are also available for viewing in the Archive section at our site.
- 3. DVD copies of ABMI shows are available for \$15.75 per copy. We have shows going back as far as 1985, so if there's a blast from the past you'd like to see again, call us at 508-966-3234.
- 4. ABMI encourages interested volunteers. Our staff is available to teach basic camera technique and non-linear editing on a one-to-one basis.
- 5. Station Manager Patrick Fleming, Publicity Director Steve Saraceno, and Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman are generally available weekdays by calling 508-966-3234.
- 6. The ABMI public channel is Channel 8 for Comcast subscribers and Channel 47 for Verizon folks.



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