

BLYTH LIONS CLUB

SERVING BLYTH & AREA SINCE 1945 CLUB PRESIDENT – LION KEN STEWART P.O. BOX 383, BLYTH, ONTARIO, NOM 1H0

March 19, 2018

Township of North Huron P.O. Box 90 Wingham, Ontario NOG 2W0

Re: CKNX Barn Dance Jamboree & Campout

Reeve Vincent & Council:

The Blyth Lions Club wishes to advise that our Club fully supports the endeavors of the Barn Dance Historical Society. Since the inception of the Barn Dance Jamboree & Campout twenty-one years ago, the Blyth Lions Club has worked in conjunction of the Barn Dance Historical Society to promote the Blyth Campgrounds and tourism throughout our community.

The economic impact to our community is great. Community and service groups such as ourselves benefit financially each year. During the past twenty-one years the Blyth Lions Club has hosted the Saturday evening dinner, the Sunday morning breakfast and operated the hospitality bar on Friday evening and Saturday performances. The Blyth Lions Club has raised more than \$40,000. from these events with every dollar being returned to the community through activities and projects such as the following:

- Renovations and maintenance to the Blyth Lions Park
- Sponsorship of youth sports: minor hockey, minor soccer, junior broomball, Boy Scouts
- Lions Youth Exchange Programme and Lions Effective Speaking Programme
- Youth Education: literacy, healthy eating, school trips, bursaries
- Sight Conversation & Hearing Preservation
- Financial support for the Blyth & District Community Centre, Blyth Memorial Community Hall, North Huron Food Share, Local Hospital Foundations

The Blyth Lions Club looks forward to continuing our partnership with the Barn Dance Historical Society for many years to come.

We trust that the Council of the Township of North Huron shall also offer its full support and find ways to create additional opportunities for the Barn Dance Historical Society as well as other community organizations.

Yours truly

Ken Stewart

President Blyth Lions Club

cc – Gord Baxter, Barn Dance Historical Society