# Introduction

## The Municipal Profile Project

This is one of a series of profiles produced in collaboration with the Federation of PEI Municipalities, the member municipalities, and Human Resources Development Canada.

Information for the 30 municipal profiles was gathered from interviews with municipal administrators, from PEI Government publications, and from many other helpful individuals and agencies.

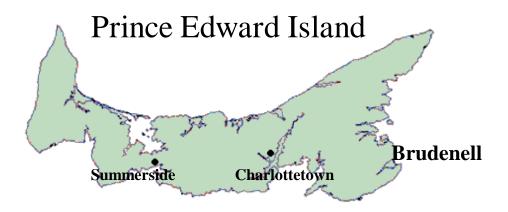
Contact information for this municipality, Human Resources Development Canada, and the Federation of PEI Municipalities may be found at the end of the profile. A list of all 30 municipal profiles is attached in **Appendix I.** 

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# Municipal Profile: Brudenell, Prince Edward Island

Brudenell is located in southern Kings County, on the banks of the Brudenell River which opens into Cardigan Bay. This region is known as the Three Rivers area, as 3 rivers - the Cardigan, the Montague and the Brudenell - all empty into Cardigan Bay.



#### General Overview

Brudenell is located in the federal riding of Cardigan and the provincial electoral district #4, Montague-Kilmuir.

Brudenell is located along the Route 319, just east of the provincial highway Route 3, which connects the community with the province's capital, Charlottetown.

Distances	
Charlottetown	44 km
Confederation Bridge	100 km
(to New Brunswick)	
Summerside	115 km
Wood Islands Ferry	28 km
(to Nova Scotia)	

Brudenell covers a land area of 5000 acres, approximately 20 sq. km. According to the municipal directory, Brudenell has a population of 358. Brudenell is the site of one of the first settlements in Prince Edward Island, established in 1732. Jean Pierre Roma's village was a control base for the Gulf fishery and trade with France, Quebec, and the West Indies. An archeological study has revealed evidence of the short-lived settlement and the tumultuous events that took place there.

## **Business and Commerce**

region. It is published in adjacent Montague.

Major employers in the Brudenell area are:

Mariner Seafoods Inc.
Durabelt Inc. (a conveyor belt manufacturer)
Island Fertilizers Ltd.

At the time of this report, the following businesses were operating in the community of Brudenell:

Gordon Dining Room
Fraser's Housekeeping Cottages
Golden Sunset Cottage
Three Gables Carriage House
Brudenell River Provincial Park
Campground

Many businesses and services are available in the adjacent town of Montague.

Nearby accommodations also include the Rodd Brudenell River Resort and Roseneath Bed & Breakfast.

# Transportation and Communication

Brudenell is located along Route 319, a secondary highway just off provincial highway 3. This highway connects with the Trans Canada which leads into the capital city of Charlottetown. Route 319 also connects with provincial highway 4 leading to the Wood Islands Ferry.

The Eastern Graphic is a weekly newspaper serving the Kings County

# **Housing and Real Estate**

The Montague Centre of Holland College is nearby.

As of March 1998, the Multiple Listing Service average prices for homes in Southern King's County region are: \$64,985 for a 1 or 2 bedroom home; \$157,500 for a 5 (or more) bedroom home; \$80,182 overall average.

Source: PEI Real Estate Association

There were 5 new single family dwellings built in 1997.

There is plenty of land area available for development.

## Education

Brudenell area children attend school in adjacent Montague.

#### **Pre-school**

Montessori Kindergarten And Nursery Kids Co-op Ltd. Kindergarten Montague Before and After School Program

#### Elementary

Montague Consolidated, grades 1 to 6, enrolment 474

## Secondary

Montague Intermediate School, grades 7 to 9, enrolment 358. This school has a web site at

http://www.edu.pe.ca/montagueint/.
Montague Regional High School, grades 10 to 12, enrollment 705

#### **Post-secondary**

## **Health Care Facilities**

There is a veterinary clinic in Brudenell. Other medical and health services are available in Montague.

The Kings County Memorial Hospital serves Montague and the surrounding area.

Care for elderly patients is provided at Riverview Manor (a long term care facility), Fraser Valley Inn Care Facility, MacKinnon-Pines Care Facility and Shady Rest Convalescent Home.

#### **EMS** Ambulance Service

In Montague, there are also two medical clinics, three pharmacies, an optometrist, one dispensing optician, and a physiotherapy clinic.

# **Municipal Services**

All properties in Brudenell have their own wells and septic tanks. Fire protection is provided by the Montague Fire Department. Police protection is provided by the RCMP.

In 1997, noncommercial assessments were \$14.6 million, and commercial assessments were \$4.5 million.

Municipal taxes in 1998 were \$0.20 for commercial properties and \$0.09 for non-commercial properties, all per \$100 of assessment.

## **Points of Service**

## **Regional Services Centre**

Many government services are accessible at the Southern Kings and Queens Regional Services Centre, which is located in Montague. The Centre has full-time offices for:

- Agriculture and Forestry
- Health and Social Services
- Environment, Fish and Wildlife
- Transportation and Public Works
- Staffing and Classification.

#### On a part-time basis:

- Addictions Services
- Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency
- Community Affairs and Attorney General, Education, Culture, Heritage, and Recreation Division
- Enterprise PEI
- Health and Social Services
- Forestry Special Products
- Premier's Office
- MLA's Office
- Justice, Probation Services
- Veterans Affairs
- Environment
- Workers Compensation Board

In adjacent Montague, there are Community Access Programs (CAP Sites) located in the library, the hospital and at Holland College. Residents can use the computers and access the internet. Other places to access the internet are at the HRC Resource Centre, and Montague Consolidated School.

## Recreation

There are many opportunities for outdoor recreation in the Brudenell area. The region boasts rivers for fishing, paddling, sailing, swimming, golf fairways, hiking trails, horseback riding, and campgrounds.

The Confederation Trail travels through the community of Brudenell, with a bridge crossing the Brudenell River.

The "Three Rivers" area streams are among the best on the Island for catching Rainbow trout, in addition to the abundant brook trout. Anglers have several opportunites to fish for brook trout. These include, among others, Woodville Mills Road Pond, the Cardigan River at the causeway, Easton's Pond, the Brudenell River, Dewar (Munn's) Pond, Martin's Pond, Knox's Pond, Valleyfield Stream, the Old Maritime Electric Dam, Thompson's Pond, and the Montague River.

Atlantic Salmon can also be caught in the Valleyfield River but a fly must be used if the fish is to be retained.

Across the river from the village is Brudenell River Provincial Park which offers a playground, fireplaces, showers, flush toilets, camping, restaurant, hotel, barbecue, tennis courts, lawn bowling, horseback riding, canoe, kayak and sailboard rentals, theatrical programming, driving range, golf course, hiking, and a river beach. Panmure Island Provincial Park offers a playground, fireplaces, showers, flush toilets, supervised beach, and camping.

Adjacent Montague has the TCAP Fitness Centre.

# **Cultural Facilities and Events**

There is a National Historic Monument at the "De Roma Settlement", also known as Roma at Three Rivers.
"Here in 1732, Jean Pierre Roma founded a base for control of the Gulf Fisheries and for trade with France, Quebec, and the West Indies. His establishment was destroyed after the fall of Louisbourg in 1745."

Source: Parks Canada

The Brudenell Cemetery is of historic interest.

Annual events occurring in Brudenell include:

- Annual community picnic
- Remembrance Day ceremony
- Christmas Party in the old school house

## **Contact Information**

To find out more about the community of Brudenell, contact one of the following organizations:

## **Community of Brudenell**

Box 1183 Montague, PE C0A 1R0

Tel: (902) 838-4044 Fax: (902) 838-4045 Email: **gnixon@cycor.ca** 

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm

Council meeting: First Thursday of month, 8:00pm

Incorporated: 1973 Population: 358

Chairperson: Naomi Bree
Administrator: Gordon Nixon
Councillors: Jenny Delodder

Georgina Dewar Charles Fitzpatrick

Neil MacDonald Peggy Hooper

#### Federation of PEI Municipalities

The Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities is a body formed for the purpose of representing in one organization the various cities, towns, resort municipalities, and incorporated communities within the Province of Prince Edward Island.

Lisa Doyle-MacBain, Executive Director 1 Kirkdale Road.

Charlottetown, PEI

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Telephone: (902) 566-1493 Fax: (902) 368-1239

E-mail: macbain@auracom.com

Web site: http://www.munisource.org/fpeim/

## **Human Resources Development Canada**

Brudenell is served by the Montague Human Resource Centre. For information on programs and services offered by HRDC, you may visit our website at: <a href="http://www.pe.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/common/">http://www.pe.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/common/</a>

This site also contains links to other sites of interest.

#### **Montague Human Resource Centre**

44 Main Street North PO Box 580 Montague, Prince Edward Island Canada COA 1R0

The Montague Human Resource Centre (HRC) is one of five service delivery sites on Prince Edward Island that offers a full range of Human Resources Development Canada's programs and services. The area served by the Montague HRC is mainly rural and includes southern Kings and Queens Counties. The Town of Montague is the largest community with a population of 1,995. The other communities served by the Montague HRC are: Belfast, Belle River, Cardigan (371), Georgetown (732), Morell (336), Murray Harbour (356), Murray River (420) and Wood Islands.

Employment in the area is highly seasonal. The primary industries of Agriculture and Fishing and the related processing activities for these industries dominate the local economy. Also important to the area are the seasonal jobs generated from the Forestry, Construction, and Tourism industries. Most of the year-round employment is generated from the Community, Business, and Personal Service sector and the Public Administration sector.

Hours of Operation: 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday to Friday

#### **Telephone Numbers:**

Employment Insurance Inquiries: 902-838-3334

Calling from Eldon, Charlottetown, Morell and Vernon River. 902-566-7781 All other areas: Toll free: (English): 1-800-206-7218, (French): 1-800-808-6352

Job line: 902-838-3572

Training and Employment Services: 902-838-5562 Toll Free: 1-800-284-7567

Employer Job Orders: 902-838-5562

Records of Employment: Toll Free: 1-800-578-6821

**Income Security Programs:** 

(Canada Pension/Old Age Security) English: 1-800-277-9914, French: 1-800-277-9915

The Montague Human Resource Centre operates a satellite office in Morell, Tuesdays from 1:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. Telephone number: 1-902-961-2784

## Appendix I

The following municipalities are members of the Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities. A profile of each municipality was created during the Municipal Profile Project between February and June, 1998.

City of Charlottetown

City of Summerside

Town of Alberton

Town of Cornwall

Town of Georgetown

Town of Kensington

Town of Montague

Town of Souris

Town of Stratford

Community of Abrams Village

Community of Borden-Carleton

Community of Brudenell

Community of Cardigan

Community of Central Bedeque

Community of Crapaud

Community of Kinkora

Community of Miscouche

Community of Morell

Community of Murray Harbour

Community of New Haven-Riverdale

Community of North Rustico

Community of O'Leary

Community of Resort Municipality

Community of St. Louis

Community of St. Peter's Bay

Community of Tignish

Community of Tyne Valley

Community of Victoria

Community of Wellington

Community of Winsloe South