



ECHO BAY CELEBRATES CANADA 150

Plans are in place for a celebration to commemorate our country's 150th anniversary and we hope you will join us.

Under the leadership of Neil Buswell, and with help from several volunteers, the plans are as follows:

THESE ARE NEW PLANS FROM WHAT WAS SENT IN THE MAILED OUT NEWSLETTER.

The day will begin at 9:30 AM by commemorating Canada 150 with the following activities:

- 9:30 to 11:00 – Pancake Breakfast at Quonset..
- 11:00 AM – Flag Raising
- 11:15 - resurrection of the Louis Riel style relay from the main beach area.
- 1:00 to 4:00 - community wide volleyball tournament – located at the north playground, teens and adults welcome.
- Kid's games and activities will take place during the volleyball tournament – this will include traditional games like the sack race, money pit, and fish ponds.
- At dusk (about 10:30PM) – fireworks at the main beach.

We would also graciously accept donations to this event to cover costs of fireworks and other items.

Helping to make this day possible is a funding grant from Canada Foundations.

JOIN US IN THIS COMMUNITY WIDE CELEBRATION!

STORAGE LOTS – PHASE 3

Council is proceeding with the phase three storage lot project. The area will be south of the phase 2 storage lots, east of the Quonset. We will have a map of the area at the annual meeting. Our target is to have these lots ready to turn over to those who have purchased one by August 1. Initial packages have been sent out to those who expressed interest in purchasing one of these lots. Cost of the 50' by 50' lot will be \$10,000. There will be a chain link fence on three sides, the front is left open. The surface will be clay capped only. No gravel provided. There are still lots left so if you are interested please contact one of the council members and we will get you a package.

2017 ANNUAL MEETING Sunday, May 21st, 2017 10:00 a.m. / Quonset Agenda

Coffee available—bring your lawn chair

1. Introduction of Council
2. Financial Report
3. Tax Assessment
4. Thank You(s)
5. Canada 150 Celebration
6. Storage Lot Phase 3
7. Environment
8. Q&A

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ENVIRONMENT

1. Contributors to the "Tree Dump" – PLEASE note the sign at the entrance that indicates allowable material in this area. Anything that will not rot does not belong in the clean fill. Back up to the pile with your load! As a courtesy flatten spikes, nails and screws with a hammer. Four rental "Loaner" bins are available for construction projects or yard clean up. Contact the administrator for information.
2. Some residents are organizing bush clean-ups around their property. Thank you and a great idea to slow potential fire spread.

PERMITS

1. New builds, additions, new decks, knock-downs....all need a permit. Permits available online at <http://rvechobay.com> or contact our administrator.
2. Contact Saskatchewan Water Security Agency for work along the water's edge. Their web site is www.wsask.ca

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The community garden is located just north of the Quonset. It grew lots of great vegetables last season. Kaysie Wall is in charge of the project. If you have interest in the community garden please talk to Kaysie. Have a great growing season!

QUONSET/WASHROOM

Having a family celebration at the lake and need more room?? Our Quonset is available for use on a first come basis. There are 10 tables and 60 folding chairs and the addition of L.E.D. light fixtures has brightened up the area.

The washroom and mini kitchen are complete. The kitchen has a fridge, microwave and sink with hot water.

PUBLIC STORAGE

Our present Public Storage area has been very well received. Sale of more individual storage lots should take pressure off the public storage area. There is one unclaimed trailer in the public storage lot area. It is in very rough shape. It will be removed from the public storage area.

TAX ASSESSMENT

The 2017 Echo Bay municipal flat tax is remaining unchanged at \$700 per residential property and \$110 per storage lot. The education mill rate decreases from 5.03 to 4.12 but the seasonal residential tax assessment percentage, which is tied to your educational tax amount, went up 10% to 80%. The net result is everyone will pay about 10% more education tax on their seasonal property.

THANKS

- ☺ Ruth & Manfred for returning as our Summer Workers for 2017. You are the best!
- ☺ Neil for providing winter access to our cabins by offering his expertise at operating the Village snowplow truck.
- ☺ Brian McCaig for doing the Sewage Lagoon, staying on the Fire Department and truck repairs.
- ☺ Leona Weiler for looking after web site.
- ☺ Bob Bodnarchuk – Work completed on the south end of storage lot 1 area. Mechanical work on truck. Watering trees. More to water!
- ☺ Darren & Dean Hrytsak and Taylor Pozniak for New Year's Eve entertainment. Still have people commenting on the great job they did!
- ☺ Kaysie Wall for looking after Community Garden.
- ☺ Dianna Sutton for doing the ski trails.
- ☺ Richard Fitch for mechanical work on the snowmobile and doing ski trails.
- ☺ Darren Hrytsak for the wonderful boards on the skating rink in the marina!

