

Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay

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<u>Summer Activities Update</u>

It was a busy summer in the Summer Village. Some of the activities included:

- Tackling the Himalayan Balsam problem again, with the help of the County of St. Paul.
- Dealing with a Beaver & Beaver dam problem, which was causing flooding and damage to trees. The beavers & their dam were removed from the creek behind Coney Drive & under the bridge on Horseshoe Bay Drive. Thanks to Dave Amyotte & the crew from the County of St. Paul.
- Excessive amounts of rain caused overland flooding in residents yards. To help us deal with the problem, the Village has hired a consulting firm to conduct a Stormwater Management Study. The study is being funded by a grant from the Alberta Gov't.

Prohibited Noxious Weeds

The rain this summer has made it difficult for people to cut grass in their yards & noxious weeds flourished; such as <u>OXEYE DAISY</u>, <u>WHITE COCKLE</u>, <u>CREEPING BELLFLOWER & HIMALAYAN BALSAM</u>. If you see these weeds in your yard, please pull them up and dispose of them. They may have already gone to seed, so keep this information handy for next spring. More information is available at www.abinvasives.ca









Temporary Seasonal Docks

Effective June 2019, <u>A TEMPORARY FIELD AUTHORIZATION (TFA)</u>

will be required by the Government of Alberta, for placing a mooring structure for personal use in the bed and shore (water), of all lakes, for longer than 14 days. TFA's are also required for any activity in the water including vegetation removal.

Mooring structures include:

- Docks/Piers
- Mooring Anchors for Buoys
- Boat Lifts and Shelters
- Swimming Rafts & Wharves

For more detailed information go to: www.alberta.ca/lakeshores.aspx

Village administration will try to have application forms available next spring. The good news is, there is no fee for the TFA and it is valid for 5 years.

Brush Burning & Open Fires Change in Process

Occasionally Village residents would like to burn brush on their property. Residents should be aware that the requirements for open fires has changed and fire permits are now required.

The procedures for acquiring a fire permit for Summer Village residents are currently being worked out with the County of St. Paul and the Mallaig Fire Department.

If you want to burn brush or have an open fire, please call the Village administration, Norman Briscoe, at (780)645-4677.

Fire pits and BBQ's are not considered open fires and do not require a permit.

REMINDERS

<u>WASTE DISPOSAL</u>: The waste bins located in the Summer Village are for:

BAGGED HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE ONLY.

All other items for disposal should be taken to one of the land fill sites listed on the Village website. www.horseshoebay.com. The closest ones are Mallaig or Vincent Lake at 59117, RR 95. The garbage trucks will not take large items, so someone from the Village has to take them to the County land fill site. The waste disposal site is now being monitored by a surveillance camera.

BOTTLE RECYCLING: A reminder to please use the bottle/can recycling barrel at the waste bin site. The money raised from bottle recycling is used for Village social events. Thanks to Melanie & Mike for managing this project.

The May Pot Luck Supper and the Canada Day events were paid for from the bottle recycling money.

<u>VILLAGE DOG POLICY:</u> Dogs in the Village must be tied up or on a leash at all times. Residents are urged to be considerate, responsible dog owners.

CANADA DAY

On June 29, 2018, the Village celebrated Canada Day.

The day started with the Annual General Meeting. There were 32 ratepayers in attendance.

The afternoon and evening activities included kids games, pinatas, a Bones tournament and a Pot Luck/BBQ. A big THANK-YOU to Denis and Cynthia Martin for putting it all together. Approximately 80 people attended the Pot Luck, and as usual the food was excellent.

Rec Center Flowers

A big THANK-YOU to Melanie Russell for planting & taking care of the flowers at the Rec Center. Also a BIG THANK YOU to Owlseye Green House for donating the flowers.

Snow Removal

The Summer Village has a contract with the County of St. Paul for snow removal on our roads. If you don't want your driveway blocked by the snow plow, please put a small sign by your driveway asking the snowplow operator not to leave a ridge of snow in your driveway.



Again this year, Village resident, Garry Hutchison, has offered to clean residents driveways for FREE. Just send him an email with your lot number to:

hutchison_garry@yahoo.ca (underline between hutchison and garry)

Rec Center Rental

Martin Recreation Center is available for Village residents to rent. It is perfect for family get-togethers, such as birthdays or anniversaries or any event where you need more space than your cottage or back yard.

The Rec Center is fully equipped and is usable all year round:

- Running water & indoor washrooms
- ♦ Fridge, stove & microwave
- Lots of tables and chairs

Rental Rates
Rental \$100 per day
Deposit (Refundable) \$250 \$500

For more information or to rent call Elaine Staudzs, (780)645-7864 or the Village office, (780)645-4677.



