

South of Town Events

November, 2021

From the Area C Director....

As I'm writing this I've got my fingers crossed that the crazy winds outside don't knock the power out – it sure has been a wild end to the month! Just when I thought the yard was all ready for winter now I've got a bunch of stuff to clean up. Oh well – I can use the fresh air and exercise.

It's been a pretty eventful month, which isn't surprising now that summer is done and in the books. I finished September off by participating in the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation march from Townsite to Willingdon as well as a ceremony held by the Tla'amin First Nation on their traditional territory at Teeskwat. I was honored to take part in both of these moving events and was pleased to see how much community support there was for the Willingdon event. I was among hundreds that made the walk and took part in six minutes and fifty seconds of silence to recognize the children who have been cited as having died while attending residential schools. Hopefully these demonstrations of support continue and real steps are made towards healing and a positive future.

This month brought the final meeting of the Poverty Reduction Committee and the acceptance of the final report. Poverty is a problem that affects many people in our community and has far-reaching effects. While complete elimination of poverty is probably unachievable, there are steps that can be taken to reduce the number of families experiencing it. The report we received includes many suggestions on what our next steps could be – now it's time to determine which efforts would have the greatest impact. Two of the issues at the top of the list are affordable accommodations and child care – moves are already being made to alleviate these problems. The Social Action Planning and Advisory Committee recently received the Housing Needs Report which will hopefully provide us with the information we need to make good decisions going forward.

Also in October I joined a few of the Knuckleheads Winter Recreation Association members and installed the first of many new informational kiosks in our back country. The first one was placed at the trailhead for the E Branch Cabin (known locally as the Hillton), and will be a place where local maps, avalanche warnings and other valuable information will be displayed. Al Parsons was on hand with his machine, making digging and back-filling a whole lot easier. It's the efforts of guys like him that make it possible for so many of us to enjoy the beauty of our back-country – show them your appreciation when you see them!

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Lang Bay Hall:

For all indoor events and activities please follow Covid-related safety guidelines.

The front door steps have been replaced and the outdoor book library is open.

Sunday Nov. 7th 2:00 p.m.: Lang Bay Community Club General Meeting. Everyone welcome! For the agenda or more info contact Carol at chearder@gmail.com.

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. - noon: Lang Bay Friends is an informal gathering of community members focusing on social interaction through a variety of topics and discussions. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information contact Laural at lghascats@gmail.com.

Tuesdays 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm: Slow Flow Yoga. Find your balance, connect with your body. Drop in fee \$10, all bodies welcome, limited spaces. Contact Danielle at 604-223-9493.

Wednesdays 3:50 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.: Yin/Restorative Yoga. New session begins Nov.10th - Dec 8th, five classes for \$50.00. To register call Robin at 604-483-6759.

Thursdays – 7:00 pm sharp: Cribbage. Everyone welcome up to 32 people, masks and proof of vaccination required. Cost: \$2 per person. Contact Rob – rkmaidland@gmail.com

Thursday Dec 2nd the Lang Bay Community Club will begin accepting non-perishable donations to its Christmas hamper families. Call 604-487-4499 for drop-off times.

****The hall is now available for indoor rentals - Contact Judy 604-487-4499 to book.****

Kelly Creek Community School Association:

Strong Start is meeting in the basement of Kelly Creek Community Church on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 8:30-11:30, Thursdays 11:30-2:30.

Kelly Creek Community Church:

Pastor: Mike Martinig Office: 604-414-4827 Email: kellyck@telus.net
Sunday service: Kelly Creek Community Church is meeting weekly at 10:00 AM. Samuel Robinson from "Voice of Revival", and Sebastian Olaru are special guest speakers Nov. 26-28.

Malaspina Volunteer Fire Department:

As of October 26th there were thirty-one calls this month, eleven of them related to the Oct. 24th storm.