

NEWSLETTER

LAKEVIEW ESTATES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
#53-9196 Tronson Rd. VERNON, BC V1H 1E8
WEBSITE: www.leca-vernon.ca
September 2014

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LECA Events - Summer Parties:

The **LECA Annual Family BBQ** was held on Saturday, July 26th. The weatherman co-operated and the attendance was up from last year. We were able to use the Fix It Auto Community barbeque that proved to be amazing. Burgers, smokies and hot dogs were cooked and served with all the fixings. Freezies were available for dessert for the children. This year we had a Sand Craft table for the children, as well as the ever-favourite Piñata. A big thank you is extended to all the volunteers and the community members in attendance for making this such a success.

On Thursday, August 21st we held the **LECA Adult Pot Luck Dinner**, and what a feast! The highlight of the evening was the entertainment brought to us by our very own LECA Minstrels, a.k.a. Ian Carlton and Juve Furtado. It was wonderful to see everyone up dancing, enjoying the familiar music, and singing. Another big thank you to all the great cooks, musicians, set up crew and the take down crew. We all look forward to another fantastic party next summer!

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Director of Physical Resources – Update:

BEACH:

The paved ramp to the beach from the parking lot is excellent. No more water problems (rutting). With the handrail now installed the ramp is very safe for all ages and makes a nice entrance to the beach area. A "NO PARKING" zone at the top of the ramp will be defined with diagonal lines.

We now have 41 floating buoys visible on the water connected from swim buoy to swim buoy with ropes. This improvement defines the swim area and helps protect the swimmers from boats entering the area.

LECA has received many compliments regarding the ramp/handrail and the floating swim buoy line.

We have purchased a 5 lb. fire extinguisher that will be located in the men's washroom. It is to be used for any fire emergency, (boat, vehicle or structure fire) of any kind. The location of the extinguisher will be shown by a sign posted on the exterior of the washroom building (summer season only).

As summer is coming to an end **the washrooms were closed and winterized on Sept.19** and will reopen in 2015 on May 11.

The swim platform will be removed from the water, cleaned and dry docked - latest October 15, possibly before depending on the weather.

The repair to the broken 4 X 4 and attached bumper on the boat dock will commence shortly. A boat must have hit the dock very hard to do this kind of damage. Remember, please approach the dock at a "dead slow" speed.

After pressure washing, the boat and the swim docks will be stained, as will the picnic tables.

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The concrete boat ramp this year has been trouble free – thanks to everyone who used a rope to load and unload their boats. The need for repairs this summer to the concrete planks was minimal. **FLOAT IT ON AND FLOAT IT OFF.** Thank You!

No Stand Up Paddleboards or Kayaks allowed in the SWIM AREA. This is to protect the swimmers from injury. SUP's and kayaks are considered boats, and as such the operator must have a life jacket. Please use these boats outside the ropes. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

To all the volunteers who pulled weeds, watered trees, picked up garbage, etc. throughout the summer.....A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL!!!

Long range planning:

The Board is initiating the development of a 30 year plan that will help define the spending requirements for LECA. Principal among this is the understanding of the current and future costs of the major facilities for which LECA has management responsibility. This long range plan (LRP) will be developed over the next months leading up to a presentation and discussion at the spring AGM.

Membership:

LECA has over 200 members in 2014. This speaks well to the value seen by these property owners in the work that is undertaken by the LECA Board and community volunteers. The Association looks forward to welcoming more property owners. Non-members will be contacted in the near future with the hope that the benefits of membership and value of this Community Association will result in an even higher level of membership. The Board of Directors thanks all of the property owners who have contributed in 2014. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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Community Liaison:

The City of Vernon is in the final stages of completing the purchase of land along Tronson Road that will become a City Park. This park will be a welcome addition to our Community and the area in general. LECA has been involved for 6 years to bring this to fruition. Now our Community and the City will work together to determine the final plan for development of the park. A "Parkland sub-Committee" will be structured by the LECA Board of Directors to work on this exciting project with the City of Vernon.

LECA Website:

The Minutes of the AGM and NEWSLETTERS are available on the website. Please visit the website regularly for updates and LECA Events.

Communication with LECA members via email has been changed and the results of these changes have been evident in the readership statistics.

If any members have photos of LECA events (Beach Clean-up, Family BBQ or Beach Pot Luck Dinner) that they would like to share please forward them to a member of the LECA Board for inclusion on the website via an email to: info@leca-vernon.ca. The Photo Gallery on the website will be modified to include "folders" for specific events.

Community Sewer System:

The operator of the sewer system that serves many of the homeowners in Canadian Lakeview Estates (CLE) advises us of the following: *the CLE sewer pumps broke down twice and a crane had to be brought in to clear the system. This was due to baby wipes being flushed down the toilet, the cause of the breakdown in both cases.* A letter has been sent to all residents. Please be cognisant of this issue.

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Be Bear Aware:

There have been many reports of bear sightings this year. Please be very careful when putting out your garbage. Put your garbage out on collection day, not before. Please remove all bird feeders during bear season, and do not use a composter in this wildlife interface area. We'll all be safer, and so will our children and our pets. Hibernation is still weeks away, so please don't put down your guard. Visit the wildsafebc.com website for additional information.

Board of Directors
Lakeview Estates Community Association (LECA)
Sept 19, 2014

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