

SACA Newsletter

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UNOFFICIAL CENSUS

April 2006

69 people
23 cats
18 dogs
6 horses

HALL RENTAL

Please contact
Doris Porteous
At 833-2316 ✓
For dates & rates

Your current SACA Board of Directors As of October 2005 is:

		Term:
President:	Wayne Grant	2 year
Vice-President:	John Watson	1 year
Treasurer:	Chris Dirks	1 year
Secretary:	Judy Reimer	2 year
Directors:	Lorraine Thomson	2 year
	Lorne Bradley	2 year
	Doris Porteous	2 year
	Lloyd Porteous	1 year
	Wilmer Marks	1 year

Thank You

Seymour Arm's spirit is continually shown by the efforts of its residents whether it is in the form of a volunteer, director, committee member, event participant, or supporter. This community would not be what it is today without the unending contribution that is made by many individuals.

The dutiful service and constant effort shown by these people is genuinely appreciated. We would like to extend our gratitude to all those whom have contributed in so many ways.

SACA Membership Dues

Currently \$5.00 / person
(October 2005 - October 2006)

Starting October 2006, Dues will be \$10 / person

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Seymour Arm Community Association

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Seymour Arm, BC
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President's Message

The year is continuing to be an interesting & productive time for our community. Your new board of directors has been busy over the last few months. We are carrying on with the work of the previous directors & must thank the outgoing executive for all their hard work.

All of our committees have been working hard to build a better & stronger community. The wharf project is nearing the final stages & if all goes well, we should be starting construction this fall. Thanks to all the members of the committee.

We continue to work on the renovation of the Community Hall. Thanks to Judy Reimer's efforts, we have received an additional \$7000.00 grant from the CSRD. We plan to do some site preparation to eliminate the water problem that plagues the hall. This is a prerequisite to the hall expansion.

We have had a busy time with a number of successful events. The Christmas play was enjoyed by all & we appreciate the hard work put in by the theatre group led by Helena Davidson. The play was followed by a great New Year's Eve dance & thanks to all the people whom volunteered & made the dance a success, especially Leeann Herechuk. The Easter brunch was also enjoyed by all the people who attended & a special thanks to all the volunteers. We appreciate the efforts of the recreation committee.

You should have noticed the two large piles of gravel adjacent to the road into Seymour Arm. This material is to be used as part of an upgrade to be done on the road. We have not officially heard when they plan to spread this gravel, but we can hope that it is in the near future. The community has sent a thank you letter to the people responsible for initiating this improvement project.

We have also been contacted by BC Hydro to provide information about our community to see if we qualify for the Remote Electrification Program that has been established to bring power to remote communities. Based on the responses from individuals in the community, a committee was selected by BC Hydro. The committee met & completed a number of questionnaires about the community. This information is being used to rank the community based on a series of criteria BC Hydro established. Our ranking is supposed to be available no later than the middle of May. If we rank in the top four, BC Hydro will start discussions with the community to determine interest & specific details.

Remember the Summer Sizzler is fast approaching & we look forward to your participation both in the activities & volunteering to help with the events.

The General Meeting on Sunday, May 21 @ 10:00 is an opportunity for you to voice your opinion & help set the direction for the community. This is your community & your comments & suggestions are important. Look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Wayne Grant
President SACA

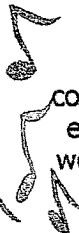


Our calendars were marked with a number of enjoyable events over the past year starting with the 2005 Mother's Day Lunch. The husbands and fathers of Seymour Arm delighted the ladies with an array of wonderful food for brunch & all the ladies were bestowed with beautiful roses.

Also in May, SACA hosted a community flea market at the hall. A number of people came by to browse, visit or haggle over "other peoples' treasures".

In June, the Ladies of Seymour Arm arranged a scrumptious roast beef dinner for Father's Day. The dads were all presented with lotto tickets and donated chocolates.

Summer inspires a lot of activity in Seymour Arm & a great start is the Canada Day Celebration which is growing thanks to Abby organizing the Annual Horseshoe Tournament & Kelly's Restaurant's organization of the Kids' Celebration. It started at Kelly's with a scavenger hunt where over 45 young people rummaged their way to Don Fink Memorial Field where they received snacks and drinks, provided by Kelly's, before playing some team games. Tug of War was a highlight when even the parents couldn't hold back and joined in the fun. Everyone was gifted with 'Canadian' prizes. With the horseshoe tournament being under way, the young people made their way to the pits to join in. Even the spattering of rain didn't dampen the spirit of the day as everyone had a great time.



Sue Kyle & Alan Bates brought back their friends for a coffeehouse held at the hall in August. Always an enjoyable evening with Birchbark, we were not disappointed, as we were both entertained and surprised by some local flavour.

**Trail Bits' by the Seymour Arm Snowmobile Club
2005 / 2006**

Ahh...yes...It's sad but true that another season of fun in the snow is ending. Although there was a lack of snow, the months have certainly managed to 'slide' by us! This season's start up date was the annual October meeting.

November & December were hit or miss sledding with a record low of snowfall in & around town. This made trailering into the high country a must for die-hearts where they found the sledding great, as usual. Our annual Beach Snowmobile Rally in December had to be cancelled due to lack of snow but any donations we received for this event have been stored & will be used at a future club function.

A special 'Thank You' to Doug McClurg & Karen for hosting our Annual smokie / wiener roast at their cabin for our members.

In January & February one could find many of our local members making sled tracks in them there hills! In February, we had a club ride to Grace - stopping part of the way for a smokie / wiener roast. Harry & Monica Schrott again hosted our Annual PotLuck dinner & meeting...Many thanks to you both. Now with March gone & the end of April fast approaching, we are able to report that thus far, of our 50 odd members, we have once again had a season free of serious injuries.

I would like to conclude with a wish for next season...LET IT SNOW!

Linda Honeychurch
SASC Secretary



The Ladies of the Lake is a non-profit volunteer organization of women who live full or part time in Seymour Arm. They work to support the women of the community and to benefit the community as a whole.

In May, the Ladies of the Lake participated in a garage sale at the community hall. There was a good turn out & lots of community support. Some of the past years' workshops included baskets & potholders at Doris's, cards at Marina's, & gift bags at Diane's.

The 2005 Fall Fair was a community success one more time. The ladies have planned a few changes in lieu of a Fall Fair for 2006. Watch the bulletin board for info on garden judging & other contest events.

In September, a recognition lunch was held at the teahouse. All the women from Seymour Arm were invited. It was a beautiful luncheon with 29 women participating.

The Annual Christmas Ladies PotLuck Luncheon at the community hall was very entertaining with lots of food and fun.

The summer is never complete without the Annual Swim Across the Lake. Carol Schulz did a great job organizing the event and this year, every participant was awarded a T-shirt from Bruce & Paula, (Royal LePage Realtors).

Summer turns to Autumn in Seymour Arm with a flurry of activity at the Annual Ladies of the Lake Fall Fair. As usual, the ladies did an incredible job putting on this much anticipated and well attended event. Carol hosted a Dinner Night at Aino's Teahouse with Theresa & Kelly from Kelly's Restaurant providing an excellent supper that was enjoyed by all. The Teahouse was filled to the rafters with laughing people enjoying the sounds of Alan Bates & Sue Kyle.

Community Committees & Clubs

Hall Renovation Committee

Wayne Grant 403-540-4804

Hall Maintenance Committee

Doris Porteous 833-2316

Friends of the Library

Lorraine Thomson 833-6958

Helena Davidson 804-6018

Seymour Arm Forestry Committee

Lorne Bradley 804-6245

Seymour Arm Road Committee

Lloyd Porteous 833-2316

Seymour Arm Theatre Group

Helena Davidson 804-6018

Seymour Arm Wharf Committee

Lorne Bradley 804-6245

Seymour Arm Youth Group

Wilma Dirks 804-9112

Ladies of the Lake

Bonnie Grant 403-540-4804

Seymour Arm Snowmobile Club

Don Honeychurch 403-282-6670

Seymour Arm Water User's Community

Bob Reimer 833-7610

Southside Water User's Community

Lorne Bradley 804-6245

2006 August Long Weekend Summer Sizzler Schedule August 5 - August 7, 2006

Daily

7:30 - 10:30 Pancake Breakfast

11:00 - 6:00 Concession

11:00 - 6:00 Beer Gardens

On **Saturday, August 5th**, registration for most events takes place in the morning at the Don Fink Memorial Field.

Exact times of registration and event information will be posted at the mailboxes near the field. Scheduling of the events will be posted near the event areas.

Saturday's events include the start of the Slo-Pitch, Volleyball, & Horseshoe Tournaments, the Kid's races, and the Dinner.

Sunday, August 6th events include the Sand Sculpture Contest, Scavenger Hunt, Triathlon, & Horseshoe Finals.

Monday, August 7th will see the conclusion of the Summer Sizzler events with the Slo-Pitch & Volleyball Finals, Trophy Presentations & Closing Ceremonies.

2005 Sizzler Champions

SLO-PITCH

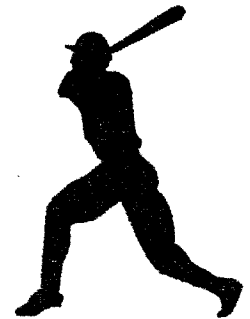
"A" Division

1st: Liquor Pigs

2nd: Odd Balls

3rd: 40 Pounders

Most Sportsmanlike Team:
Brewsters



Family "B" Division

1st: E Team

2nd: Pound 'em & Round 'em

3rd: Finkillinis

Most Sportsmanlike Team:
Pioneers



TRIATHLON

Teams

1st: The Seymour Slammers 34:52:00
Mindy & Ian Kallay, Tyler, & Kody Kjortien

2nd: The Bandits 35:00:00
Johnathon Morrison, Dale, Jason Reid & David Peet

3rd: Lucky Lukes 42:31:00
Jeff & Alta Scott, Tom, & Kyle Gray



Solo

1st: Kerry Kriese 33:53:00

2nd: Greg Wearmouth 38:30:00

3rd: Cory Doll 39:49:00



Health & Wellness Fair

Saturday, July 22, 2006

1 - 5 PM

Seymour Arm Community Hall

Sponsored by A.W.E. (Aging with Ease)

Playground and Youth Update

The swing set pipe has arrived and is waiting for construction. We have all the supplies needed to assemble the swings at the hall and the frames for the swings at the beach. With Wilma spearheading this worthwhile project, it has truly been a community effort. Many thanks to the volunteers who put in over 40 hours sorting bottles at the work bees last fall and Hans Uski who is *always* readily available to deliver them to Alice and Jocelyn at the Scotch Creek Bottle Depot. In addition, limitless thanks to the many people who donate their cans and bottles to this cause.

All the receipts put into the Youth Group Box at the Super Valu contributed to a fun way to earn some extra money for youth activities in Seymour Arm with the Christmas and New Year's draws. Theresa did a great job creating the raffle baskets.

Although our youth living full-time in Seymour Arm has decreased, we have many young visitors that will benefit greatly by the playgrounds. In addition, as many of our community events have some focus on young people, fundraising contributes to making these events more enjoyable for them. Wilma has worked very hard to get this project under way & it will be exciting to see the kids "swinging in spring".

It is with hard work and endless inspiration that we will keep our young people coming back for more.



HORSESHOES

Men's Doubles: *Abby & Milan*

Men's Singles: *Abby*

Women's Doubles: *Carol & Lesley*

Women's Singles: *Gail*

Mixed Doubles: *Lesley & Milan*

Junior Singles: *Currin*

Adult & Junior: *Abby & Nick*

Roy Wheeler Memorial:

Milan



Seymour Arm Water User's Community Annual General Meeting

Will be held at the
Seymour Arm Community Hall on
Sunday, August 6, 2006 at 7:00 PM

2006 COMING EVENTS

May - October

MAY

Mother's Day Lunch
Hall Work Bee & Swing Assembly
SACA General Meeting
Community Flea-Market
Recreation Planning Committee Meeting
Horseshoe Pit Clean-Up
Sunday Horseshoes

JUNE

Father's Day Dinner
Summer Solstice Beach Party

JULY

Canada Day Celebration
Annual Horseshoe Tournament
Swim Lessons
Annual Swim Across the Lake

AUGUST

16TH Annual Summer Sizzler
Water User's Annual General Meeting
Coffee House

SEPTEMBER

Fall Celebration

OCTOBER

SACA Annual General Meeting
Halloween Costume Party

All events are tentative based upon volunteers & participants. Complete details, including dates & times will be posted at the mailboxes closer to the event. New ideas are always welcome & appreciated. If you would like to be involved, please contact one of SACA's Directors.



One had to know "when to fold 'em" this Valentine's Day as SACA hosted and Lorraine & Karen organized a Texas Hold 'em poker night at the hall. Over 20 gamers joined in the fun as the chips were laid & the cards were played. Dave B. was the big winner of the night and John R. & Martin K. split the pot at the 2nd round table.



St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with a crib tournament & potluck snack evening. The competition was fierce but fun with Wilma & Patti being an invincible duo & winning the team prize. Heidi persevered & came out the winner of the singles prize. We were all lucky Vivien B. didn't show up & beat us all by producing a "29" hand as she did in February.

Leeann hosted her Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating workshops at the hall this year & The Easter Celebration expanded to include a service on Good Friday & a showing of 'The Passion of the Christ'. Helena, Lorraine, & Leeann, with the help of Louise, Gary, John, Lorna, & Estralita, did a fantastic job of combining many traditions on Easter Sunday starting with a church service & continuing with a wonderful brunch at the hall where over 35 guests attended. An Easter bonnet contest with Lorraine & Tiffany having the 'Best Bonnets', two raffle draws, and an egg hunt rounded out the events that were enjoyed by all.

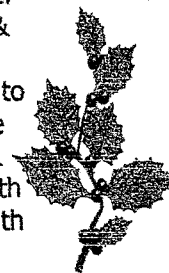
The winter activities were a little scarce, as was the snow, but with the regular events of Games Night, Library & Sunday church services we all had a chance to get together weekly.



This year, a Remembrance Day service was held. Very well attended, we honoured lost family and friends and showed our appreciation for the brave people that fought for the freedoms that we enjoy today.

The Christmas PotLuck Dinner was served up on December 17th. A winter highlight, a great number of people attended & contributed to this annual event.

The PotLuck Players entertained everyone & were pleased to present "A Christmas Smorgasbord". Directed by Helena, the cast of Monica, Lorraine, Leeann, Martin, John, Hans, Billy & Karen put on four separate skits that were strung together with all the cast members appearing in at least two of the skits. With the help of Judy, Shea, Gary, & others, remarkable variety brought each sketch its own laughter & creativity. A lot of hard work made way for a great deal of fun.



It was a great Black Tie Event with Leeann Herechuck hosting the 2005 New Year's bash! Everyone had so much fun eating, drinking, & being merry. The top hats & bow ties made for a costume-like atmosphere & many partygoers were "dressed to the nines". Beverages were cheap at the 1st cash bar we've had for awhile, but we still came out ahead with about \$100.

The ultimate purpose of the party was not necessarily to turn a profit, but to have camaraderie in the community - to have fun, dress up, to play & dance & enjoy good food & drinks with friends. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the event & to everyone who attended that made the evening so great!

A special thank you to our corporate contributors Askew Foods, Coopers Valleyview, K & S Builders, Schnurr Power Ltd., Scotch Creek Super Valu, & Sudden Impact Clothing for their generous donations. The winners of the Youth Group Super Valu baskets put together by Theresa, were Bruce, Lloyd D., & Wayne.

Seymour Arm's Annual Horseshoe Tournament

July 1 & 2, 2006

Registration will take place
at the horseshoe pits at
Don Fink Memorial Field
on

Saturday, July 1st at
10:00 am

