

SACA NEWSLETTER 2010

A Publication of the Seymour Arm Community Association

News about our community



Ladies of The Lake

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Ladies of the Lake is a non-profit organization functioning under the umbrella of SACA. It consists of women who live full or part time in Seymour Arm who work to support the women of the community and to benefit the community as a whole.

The ladies got together on a several occasions to make different items to sell at the Seymour Arm farmers market the garage sale that was held at the farmers market. Thanks goes out to all who donated items to sell at the garage sale.

The fall fair was held on September 12, 2009 at the community hall. The theme was Welcome to Ogden City. Thanks to all the ladies who gave there time and thanks to all the members of the community for supporting and making the fall fair a success. The Ladies had a Christmas party at the community hall. Lots of laughs and fun was had playing games and exchanging gifts.



Seymour Arm Snowmobile Club

The Seymour Arm Snowmobile Club started their sled year with their annual meeting in October. The most important order of business was to elect a new president because after 11 years Don Honeychurch had decided to stand down and get some 'new blood' in the executive. Our new president

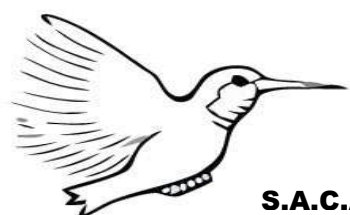
Our annual December rally on the beach had to be cancelled due to the lack of snow. (2nd time in our club's history!) Stan and 'his crew' however organized a very successful poker run. The event finished down at the beach where we held a smokie roast. A good time was had by all thanks to Stan, the sponsors, and the volunteers!

In February, we held our pot luck supper and general meeting. This year Martin was our host.

All fun aside, our club is still having issues with the proposed government closures of Grace Mountain. It appears that the 3 or 4 caribou the officials have seen(?) don't mind the big and noisy helicopters flying overhead or the heli-skiers whizzing by. But...we have been informed by officials that when a few of our members go for a ride those caribou are being 'displaced'. Funny...as the grizzly bear, wolf, and cougar populations increase it is apparent that we the sledders are becoming the endangered species.

Lastly, we are currently discussing the possibility of having an avalanche course available for those interested. It is only in the planning stages and no date has been set. Hopefully our members and other sledders will continue to use caution when in the mountains. Safe riding to all! Happy Trails!!

Waterline AGM Sunday August 1st 7:30 pm



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Community Hall Renovation

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Recreation Committee

Road Committee

Wharf Committee

Youth Committee

Clubs and Organizations

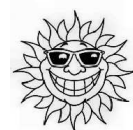
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Ladies of the Lake

Snowmobile Club

Water Users Community

Theater Group



2010 Summer Sizzler

Jul 31 – Aug 2, 2010

Daily Schedule

8:00-11:30 am pancake breakfast
12:00-6:00 pm concession
11:00-6:00 pm beer gardens

Registration for most events takes place in the morning on Jul 31st at Don Fink Field

Registration Times and Event Registration will be posted at the mailboxes.

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Hall Rental Please Contact Monica Ruggeri Via the Web For Dates And Rates

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President's Message

The Seymour Arm Community Association has completed another busy year sponsoring community events and working on projects that benefit the quality of life in our community.

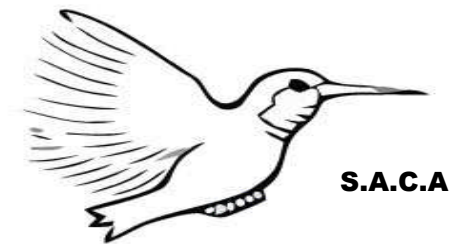
The renovations to the community hall are nearly complete. The renovations include replacement of windows, side deck, appliances, and the addition of storage area for tables and chairs. This work was done through grants from CSRD. In addition, we received another grant to upgrade the septic field at the hall. This project will be completed in the summer of 2010. The completion of the Concession Stand at the Don Fink Field will help to improve functions held at the park. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with this endeavor.

The new Constitution which had been approved by members at the 2009 AGM, has been accepted and signed off by the Victoria Registrar of Companies. This document will provide guidance and direction to the community association for many years to come.

The 2010 Sizzler is fast approaching and again, we need everyone's help in hosting this event. This is our main event of the year which draws our community together and also provides the revenues to host functions and operate our association.

Emergency Management Information

The location of Seymour Arm and area makes preparedness more difficult in that in most



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cases phone or most other means of communication do not exist here. Also hydro power is not available through commercial resources. Most residences do have some form of communication and/or electric generating ability. In many emergency cases these resources may not be available for use.

The preparedness plan has basically five levels of resource;
1 - Personal. (Yourself, your family and your company)
2 - Community. Your community could be your household, your apartment complex, Your city block, etc. (each community size is dictated on a local requirement to be manageable)

3 - Local government (Seymour Arm Community Association)
4 - Provincial government (C.S.R.D. - Columbia Shuswap Regional District)
5 - Federal Government. (Military, police, search and rescue)

Check the SACA website for maps, and other emergency measures and advice.

More information is available on the SACA website.

SACA AGM Meeting Sunday Sept. 5th 10:00 am
Seymour Arm Community Hall

Beswick Road Community Park



The groundwork has been started on the community park. All approvals have been received from the various government agencies to allow the work to go ahead. The site survey has been completed, the License of Occupation received and environmental and archeological studies completed.

The first part of the development of the park has been completed with the right of way opened up to the full width of 66 ft. This required that immature trees and brush were removed leaving the mature trees in place nearer the water to allow for shade and esthetics. The roadway has been graveled to create a large parking area.

A vaulted toilet has been installed that blends in very well with the surrounding trees that were left to provide privacy. This piece of infrastructure is an asset that will surely improve the functionality of this park.

The remainder of the landscaping including placement of picnic tables, benches, and fire pit, will be completed this spring.

New Road Signs in Seymour Arm

New road signs have been installed by Argo indicating Seymour Arm streets. This should make it easier in case of emergencies etc.

Seymour Arm Sunday Morning Fellowship

This group continues to meet every Sunday of the year at 11am. Attendance varies over the year peaking at about 25 during the summer and falling to as low as 1 or 2 during the depths of winter. Each Sunday features a different host & they bring their own unique version of worship with them. The group will celebrate its 4th anniversary on the 1st Sunday in May

Liquid Waste Management Report

The grant application for two-thirds of the capital funding to construct a septage facility in the Greater Seymour Arm area was denied. The solution in the LWMP that involved a septic tank pump-out program was directly linked to the local septage receiving facility, so we have been informed by the CSRD this solution will not move forward at this time. The other costs per resident should be consistent with the LWMP; maximum of \$25.00 annually for the education component and \$20 per year to conduct water quality monitoring. The building regulation solution was anticipated by the committee to be \$5.00 cost per property for the first year only. It looks like in the end all of the above will be in the form of a parcel tax for Seymour Arm LWMP for 2010 in the amount of \$34.09. SACA and our CSRD representative will have to keep monitoring in the future so that when economic conditions change we will get the benefits of a septage facility constructed at Seymour Arm.

Waste Transfer Station

Summer hours start June 15th, Sat., & Tues from 1 - 5 p.m. Special 1 summer hour/week as well as any changes will be posted @ the mailboxes and Daniels Store. Winter Hours are Sat. 1-5 pm.

Your Current Board of Directors are:

President: Bob Reimer

Vice President: Don Honeychurch

Treasurer: Bob Reimer (temp)

Secretary: Bonnie Mills

Directors: Allan Bates

Brent Dennis

Tom Hadden

Diana McConnell

Monica Ruggeri

Doris Porteous

Ken Shaw

John Castle

Membership Dues:

\$10.00/ person /year

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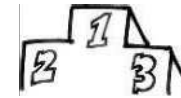
Hall Rental: Contact: Monica Ruggeri or leave a request on our website

THANK YOU

The spirit of this community is shown by the contributions of its volunteers. Without their continued efforts, we would lose the ability to participate in the many events this small band of people help to organize.

We would like to extend our gratitude & appreciation to the individuals that bestow their time & energy to make these events possible.

Tournaments and Awards



Tournament Winners are posted on the SACA website

New Road The Seymour Main

There are different routes into Seymour Arm but only one is maintained and remains open year round. This road is named the Seymour Arm Main Road. It connects with the outside world at St. Ives kilometer zero, and terminates at kilometer forty one where you would make a right hand turn and proceed into the community of Seymour Arm. This road is maintained by the forestry of British Columbia. It is posted as using VHF radio communication at frequency 157.32. Please arrange to call your location periodically if you have this equipment. Coming in you would call at the start "0" (or zero) up the Seymour Arm Main. There could be logging trucks, fuel trucks, vacationers with extreme RV's out there and although fairly wide in most areas, we still have points with restrictive clearance. The road conditions are posted on the SACA site, the Seymour Arm News, web site and at locations in Seymour Arm itself. (For example, Postal box bulletin board.) Currently we have had a major road upgrade with new crush and calcium applied as top layers and packed in.

AWE'S News & Views

What's the Scoop for 2010?

I will try to provide you with highlights of what has been going on within the society in the past year. It is our intention to build on a positive relationship within the community. We would like to hear from you on how we can continue to improve the Societies services. From the 12th of March until 16 April we are once again having "Dancing for Health". These fun

exercises are done to music each Friday from 1 PM to 2:30 PM at the community hall and are free to all area residents. This program will also run during the summer months for six weeks, watch for times and dates.

Our "Happy Feet" introduction to the community from February 1 until March 31 has ended. It will continue with user fees. The cost, to members of the society, will be \$15 per hour, \$35 for nonmembers.

Beginning August of this year and continuing until the end of September we will be reinstating our "Chimney Cleaning Program". Last year we ran it too late for it to be a benefit to our members and we apologize for our lack of hindsight. We will be running our "Winter Wood Program" for the 2010/2011 year with a few changes but it will continue to be a huge benefit to our eligible members.

The "Community Garden" project is in its second year, the plots are the same size 4' x 16' and the price of rental is \$20 per season, from April 1 until October 30. See Lois Bradley or any one of the directors.

Yoga is a form of exercise that adapt to your needs and abilities. It makes your body fitter, the mind calmer and some are designed to normalize your blood pressure and balance the nervous system. Yoga is also beneficial in the control of common health and emotional problems linked with aging. We will be introducing an "age-appropriate" yoga classes this summer. Watch for upcoming dates! Watch for our Annual Fund Raiser coming in July and our membership drive in May and June. To keep up with modern technology we've had a website created, www.awesociety.ca. We are quite proud of this endeavor (thanks Wayne). We invite you to visit and to leave your comments.

Given the current economic climate, charities in Canada are facing many challenges. It is my goal to ensure that we meet the budget requirements in which we operate and to strengthen our commitment to our members.

New SACA Constitution

The new revised Seymour Arm Community Association constitution is now posted to the home page of the Community Association website.

Fall Fair 2009

On September 12, 2009, the community was welcomed to the Seymour Arm Fall Fair, carrying on a tradition that began in 1915. The theme, "Welcome to Ogden City" celebrated the history of this community. The Community Hall was made to resemble an old gold rush town, complete with a saloon and even a graveyard! The day began with a well attended pancake breakfast. Entries were judged and displayed in produce, preserves, handicrafts, photography, and wine-making. During the sunny afternoon, guests could partake in various games, enjoy local entertainers and purchase fresh produce at the farmers' market or locally made crafts at the craft table. A bannock booth and baking booth were also open. Gourmet dishes and baking were judged prior to being served at the potluck dinner. After the presentation of awards and prizes, the evening ended with an old-fashioned sing-a-long around the piano. Thanks to the numerous volunteers who contributed time and expertise to ensure the success of this event. Appreciation is also extended to all our entrants, participants, performers, donors and sponsors. Special thanks to Calgary Realtor Marc Doll whose generous donation allowed us to print a quality program.