

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SEBA BEACH NEWSLETTER MAY 2012

MAYORS MESSAGE - Doug Thomas

The completion of the annual budget is always one of the more difficult tasks we have to tackle each year. As your elected representatives we have a fiduciary responsibility to be fiscally responsible and, at the same time, make sure we continue to provide the services that we enjoy in this wonderful summer village of ours.

Sue Evans and her team work tirelessly in keeping costs reasonable at a time when the same costs continue to increase throughout the rest of the province. We have managed to keep our 2012 tax increase to a very modest 7.6%. This may seem like a lot but please remember that the school requisition portion of the tax increase, which we have no control over, is 11.1%. The school requisition, which we collect on behalf of the provincial government, amounts to almost half of our total budget which means that almost 70% of the 2012 tax increase is a direct result of the increase in the requisition.

Public Works had a busy winter trying to keep the very slippery conditions around the village safe for cars and pedestrians. They worked many hours spreading sand and gravel so if you get an opportunity please tell them how much we appreciate their efforts.

Peace Officers, Dean and Jason, continue to do an excellent job in keeping our village safe from criminal activity. Please remember to obey all of the speed limits and stop signs around the village so that our Peace Officers don't have to be writing any tickets to the residents. Dogs and cats, and the 'odd wild turkey' running at large continue to be one of our most common complaints within the village so please respect the bylaws and keep your pets on a leash and please make sure to clean up after them.

As a result of the winter's ice ridges it is likely that quite a few of the residents are planning repairs or changes to their shorelines to repair any damage that they may have experienced. Please remember that depending on the proposed activity approvals from Alberta Sustainable Resource Development (SRD) Alberta Environment and Waters (AEW) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) may be required. A good rule of thumb is that impact to water requires approval from AEW; impact to the bed and shore of the lake requires approval from SRD; and impact to fish habitat requires approval from DFO. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the shoreline please contact Cody Nahirniak, Land Management Specialist with Alberta Sustainable Resource Development at cody.nahirniak@gov.ab.ca

I sincerely hope all of our residents have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Yellowhead Rural Crime Watch - Enclosed in this package is a YRCW brochure / membership application. Please consider joining and supporting your local Crime Watch Association and get involved. With each membership you will receive a telephone or email message advising of any crime activity taking place in your area.

Intelligent Community – Seba service start up and internet information

Fixed high speed broadband service is now available. Residents and businesses either needing access to high speed broadband, or those wanting faster speeds, are urged to contact the WISPs – Tera-Byte (1-866-960-7873) and Xplornet (780-963-9463 Starview Communications)

Wabamun Watershed Management Council – Kelly Aldridge, Chair

It has been a very busy winter for WWMC. Neil Fleming, my neighbor at Seba has joined us on the Board. Welcome Neil! We have been working hard to prepare a State of the Watershed Report. It will establish in detail the current state of Lake Wabamun and its watershed and it is a necessary first step in preparing a Wabamun Watershed Management Plan. In January we sent out a request for proposals and we will accept the proposal of an environmental consultant at a cost of \$ 20,000.00. To pay for this we have saved nearly every penny of our membership dues and have applied for and been granted a total of \$ 11,000.00 in grants from Parkland County and the Land Stewardship Centre of Canada. So we now have approximately \$13,000.00 in the bank and committed to us in grants. However, we need to raise more money if we are to continue with our mandate.

We are planning a golf tournament this summer at Pine Ridge Golf Resort as a fund-raiser. It is tentatively scheduled for Friday August 10th in the afternoon. We hope to attract 80 golfers, and I know there are a lot of you out there! We will be sending out membership renewal notices in May. The annual membership fee will remain at \$ 10.00 for regular members and \$ 100.00 for corporate members, and we will be asking all members to please make a donation in addition to your annual membership dues. **Donations from individuals will be matched 100% by a grant from the Alberta Community Spirit Program!**

The Invasion has Started!!! Weeds that is!!! You might think weeds are just something to sneeze at, but that's not the case with some of the invasive weeds that are now starting to appear at our lake. In order to not be over-run by these aggressive plants we all need to work together to deal with them. To this end the **WWMC is organizing two Invasive Weed Workshops on June 16th: One at the Wabamun Seniors Centre from 10 to 11:30 and the other at the Seba Beach Heritage Pavilion from 2 to 3:30.** The Director of Alberta Invasive Plant Council will be presenting the main workshop focused on general awareness and identification, with the Supervisor of Agricultural Agronomics from Parkland County also expected to attend to explain what's being done locally to control invasive weeds.

I'll be around most of the summer, so if you have questions or concerns, drop by the cottage at # 591 – 1 Avenue North (beach road) or call me at (780) 953-2695. Have a great summer.

Don't forget to refer to the "2012 Business Directory" listing all local businesses and local contractors who currently hold a business licence in our municipality. Please support your local community and SHOP LOCALLY! The Directory can also be found on our website www.sebabeach.ca

ADMINISTRATION

Regular meetings of Council are generally held on third Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are posted at the administration office or call Sue for confirmation of dates. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you wish to address your Council, please call ahead and Sue will include your item of discussion on the agenda.

Municipal Taxes

Taxes are due on or before June 30th and there will be **no exceptions** made for late taxes. If your payment is received after June 30th a 12% penalty will be imposed. (see your tax notice for additional penalty date information)

The audited financial statement and auditors' certificate have been filed with Municipal Affairs. We are providing the Statement of Operations and Statement of Financial Position in this newsletter. Anyone wishing to review the entire statement please drop by the municipal office.

School Taxes

As you are aware municipalities have no control over school taxes. We are however directed by the Province to carry out the duties of the collecting authority. The 2012 Alberta School Foundation Requisition has increased from \$275,519.76 to \$307,100.32.

The Administration Office is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Office telephone number is (780) 797-3863 or Fax is (780) 797-3800 (use of the fax is available to the public at reasonable rates) and e-mail is svseba@telusplanet.net Seba's website is www.sebabeach.ca Please ensure that you provide the administration office with any change of address or new telephone numbers you may acquire.

Development Permits are required for most improvement developments affecting your property. **Tony Sonnleitner is the Development Officer** so if you have any questions just give him a call at 780 718-5479 or fax 866 363-3342 or email pcm1@telusplanet.net If you wish to obtain a copy of the Land Use By-law, which should answer most of your questions concerning development in the village, copies are available at the village office for \$ 10.00 or you can contact Sue or Tony for an electronic version of the by-law.

The Inspections Group is the Accredited Agency, which provides compliance monitoring pursuant to the Safety Codes Act of Alberta for building, plumbing, gas and electrical disciplines. Application forms are available at the municipal administration office or may be obtained directly from Inspections Group at 1-866-554-5048 or visit their website www.inspectionsgroup.com **Builder**, please be aware that you are responsible to meet all the Alberta Electrical Communication Utility Code requirements when constructing your new building.

Code 2-014 states: No persons shall construct or place buildings or other objects within the minimum clearances from overhead equipment or lines prescribed by this Code unless it is acceptable to the inspection authority having jurisdiction.

Please follow all safety regulations when working around power lines. All measurements for overhead power lines are to be taken by qualified personnel only or with a range finder from safe limits or approach distances as explained in the code.

SOME REMINDERS

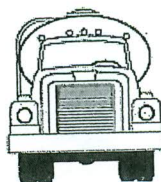
Road Ban – A 75% road ban is in place on all municipal roads. Thank you for your consideration when arranging deliveries, etc.

Alberta 1 Call - 1-800-242-3447. Whether you are involved in a large excavation job or simply installing a fence or planting a tree – don't gamble on the unknown. Remember there are underground gas, electrical and telephone lines. It is a free service so call before you dig. 1st Call suggests you call at least two working days before you plan to dig.

Beach Cultivation – will take place during the month of May. Please ensure that any obstacles belonging to your property are not a hindrance to the tractor and keep areas clear. If your property is not accessible for public works to access with the tractor we do have a hand cultivator that you could borrow to cultivate your own beach area. If you would like to arrange for the use of the cultivator or you have piles of weeds to be hauled away give Sue a call at the village office.

Road Allowances – residents are reminded that all road allowances must remain open and accessible. Please remove and clear all hoists, pier sections and or any other debris from the access roads. Any obstacles remaining on municipal road allowances after June 30th will be hauled away.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS will be in place from May 22nd through September 30th. No person shall drive or park any vehicle or trailer on any portion of the lakeshore with the exception of the main pier area. Although the main pier area is not formally recognized as a "boat launch" it remains open for anybody who wishes to use it. Anyone who wants to launch a watercraft is encouraged to do so at the recognized boat launch at Wabamun where vehicles do not enter the water. At the present time the Sundance boat launch location remains closed to ensure the integrity of the water treatment plant after the oil spill.



Ditches – It is an offence to put ashes, grass, debris, branches etc. in the ditches, lanes or streets. Spring cleanup should be bagged and public works will haul it away for you. **When you dump refuse in the ditches you impair drainage adding extra work and expense. Offenders will be charged.** Please do not throw rocks / yard waste in the ditches! – You may be removing these items from your property but you are simply creating more work for public works as they have to remove all discarded items from the ditches – Please help keep our ditches clean!!

LETS TALK Solid Waste / Transfer Station information

There are still many properties that do not have adequate garbage stands and containers. Municipal By-law 386 states that garbage containers must be fastened in such a way as to prevent insects and animals from reaching the contents of the containers and that each owner shall provide a suitable stand for his or her garbage containers that will hold them securely and prevent them being tipped over by animals. In the event that it is necessary for public works to clean-up scattered garbage from your property there will be a minimum \$ 50.00 charge for clean-up.

All garbage needs to be placed in a garbage can lined with a large garbage bag, not thrown in the cans loosely. Garbage cans full of small grocery sized bags will not be collected. Garbage bags should weigh no more than 35 lb or 16 kg. Cardboard boxes need to be broken down and flattened. Remove styrofoam and place in garbage bags. Ideally multiple boxes should be broken down and tied together. The recycle bin at the Parkland County Transfer Station has small openings so boxes will not fit until flattened down.

Parkland County / Seba Beach Transfer Station

Please see “guide to recycling and waste management” brochure enclosed in this mailing for your information. Please keep this guide handy so that you can take full advantage of the recycling options available to us.

Compost – In the interest of the environment please participate in our composting program for grass and leaves. This is the seventh year of this very well received program and we encourage all of our residents to continue to participate. **Clear plastic garbage bags are made available to residents to be picked up at the administration office.** Place your leaves and grass clippings in the clear bags and public works will pick them up and recycle them to the compost pile. Please feel free to utilize the compost in your gardens and flower beds this season. Contact the office and make arrangements for access if you wish to pick up compost. **Compost must be placed in clear bags only, not black, not green, not orange as they can be mistaken for household garbage. Again, bags should not weigh more than 35 lb or 16 kg.**

Garbage Pick-up - is Mondays, sometimes extending into Tuesdays. All garbage must be stored in proper garbage containers with lids, which are fastened to prevent offensive odor and to keep flies and animals out of the containers. All garbage containers must be kept in suitable garbage stands capable of keeping the containers from tipping over. Regulation size garbage cans must be used. **If you require a garbage stand to meet village requirements why not call one of our local contractors to build you one!**

Dogs are not allowed at large – Please keep pets on leash and respect other people’s property. Please clean up after your animals, this is an ongoing problem and we do want an attractive village and clean walking areas. **IRRESPONSIBLE PET OWNERS WILL BE CHARGED.**

Fire Permits – are required for the discharge of fireworks as well as open fires with the exception of regulation approved pits or containers. A pit shall be deemed to be approved if it is fully contained on all sides with a mesh screen over top. No opening within the mesh shall exceed 13mm. Permits may be issued by the Administrator or Constable. All fire pits must be constructed on property owner’s land. **NO OPEN FIRES ALLOWED ON BEACH OR ACCESS AREAS.**



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Family Fireworks (low hazard – do it yourself) are only allowed to be discharged with a permit at the following times:

- New Years 8:00 pm December 31st – 1:00 am January 1st
- Canada Day 8:00 pm – 11:59 pm July 1st
- Labour Day 8:00 pm – 11:59 pm on the first Monday of September

High hazard Fireworks also need a permit. Anyone wishing to discharge high hazard fireworks needs to have a qualified pyrotechnics contractor apply for a permit.

Don't forget the village owns the **tennis courts, camp shelter with cook stoves and playground equipment** located at the south end of the school grounds. If you wish to play tennis, have a cookout and / or enjoy the playground equipment this is an ideal place to go.

The restricted **swimming area** on the south side of the main pier and the restricted boating areas are registered with the Provincial and Federal Governments and will be marked with regulation buoys. Powerboats must keep outside the markers when towing skiers or cruising and proceed at **DEAD SLOW** when inside the buoys marking restricted boating areas. **Public Washrooms** located at the pavilion area are for the use of the general public.

LAW ENFORCEMENT - Happy Spring from Seba Beach Protective Services!

With the new season comes the usual reminder to ensure all residents work and play safe this summer in and around the village.

Safety on Highway 31. Over the past few months, we have encountered a significant increase in vehicles driving over 100 KPH through the village in our 50 KPH zone. This creates a severe risk to all drivers and pedestrians. Aside from the extreme speeds, we are seeing speeding vehicles continuing to come through Seba Beach. As such, we would encourage pedestrians to refrain from walking on the highway. Due to the lack of sidewalks on the crests of both hills, pedestrians are at risk. If you choose to walk along the highway, please exercise extreme caution. We would also recommend that drivers ensure they are entering the highway safely (ie: refrain from backing onto highway, stopping at stop signs and observing traffic flow before entering the highway. A note on the school zone: remember that the 30 KPH zone sign only refers to the prescribed times for school zones: 8:00am- 9:30am, 11:30am- 1:30pm, 3:00pm- 4:30pm; Monday – Friday on school days only. Although it causes confusion for some drivers, please respect those who are traveling 30 KPH during non-school hours by leaving reasonable room between vehicles. Driving too closely to a vehicle causes unsafe driving conditions, driver frustration for both drivers, and the fine for such is \$172.00. Take the extra minute you save by slowing down and enjoy the fine view our village offers!

Bicycle Safety. Remember: bicycle helmets for cyclists under 18 years of age are mandatory. The offense carries a fine of \$57.00. However, the focus is on the safety of our cyclists. Parents, please ensure that your child is wearing an approved bicycle helmet while riding a bicycle. It doesn't hurt for adults to wear them as well! Bicycle safety is for everyone!

Impaired Driving. While we all want to enjoy the fellowship of summer vacation, we want everyone to remember that there is one tradition of this season that is not so enjoyable: IMPAIRED DRIVING. If you are the designated driver, do not consume ANY alcohol beverages. If you are going to drink, arrange for a designated driver or alternate transportation. If you are hosting a gathering, take steps to ensure your guests get home safely. Please drink responsibly during the summer season.

Liquor in Public Places. Liquor on the beach and in public areas of Seba Beach is PROHIBITED by provincial statute. This continues to be an issue in our public areas. This offence carries a fine of \$115.00. This statute will be strictly enforced. Please refrain from bringing alcoholic beverages to the beach, and leave liquor at home when traveling through the village. If transporting liquor in your vehicle, please transport it out of reasonable reach of the driver. The trunk or farthest rear of the vehicle is your best bet.

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Liquor (open or closed) in reach of the driver is also an offence, and carries a fine of \$115.00. Please save yourself some money and hassle, and use alcohol responsibly.

Off Highway Vehicles. A reminder that Off Highway Vehicles (quads, dirt bikes, etc.) are also another tradition of this season. While these are a significant source of entertainment, it is unlawful to operate them as transportation within the village limits. Registration and insurance is required for these vehicles, and a valid plate must be displayed. We encourage OHV fans to enjoy them courteously and lawfully. Please familiarize yourself with the laws surrounding the use of such vehicles. The Village Office has a pamphlet that explains the up-to-date laws surrounding OHV's, as well as Parkland County OHV bylaws.

We look forward to an enjoyable summer season. If you have any questions or concerns that we may be able to assist you with, do not hesitate to call or stop by the office or feel free to "wave us down"!

Cheers!

Community Peace Officers, Sgt. Dean Young and Jason Welin

Emergency contact numbers are as follows:

email sbps@telus.net

Law Enforcement Administration Line: (780) 797-3021 (voice mail)

Non Emergency Complaints Line: (780) 968-8401

Emergency Complaints Line: 911

RCMP Administration 780 727-3654

RCMP Emergency 780 727-4446



FIRE DEPARTMENT – Rick Hart, District Deputy Fire Chief

Hello Everyone, here we are again, another winter behind us and it looks like spring has finally arrived. Considering the forecast was for a long cold winter with lots of snow, we got off pretty lucky with only a couple of weeks of really cold weather. The "lots of snow" forecast did not happen and the temperatures were pretty mild. Even though we have had two or three freak snow storms in the past couple of months, the ground is still extremely dry in the fields, ditches and in the bush amongst the trees. This can mean only one thing, **Springtime Grassfire Season**. As your District Deputy Chief, I would like to take this time to remind and ask you to use extreme care and caution if you are planning to do any burning on or around your property. Make sure all the necessary permits(s) are in place and that all safety and precautionary steps outlined in the permit(s) are being followed.

With summer just around the corner and all the fun activities on and around the lake please take the time to play safe both on and off the water. I will finish up by wishing everyone a safe summer and **Please don't drink and drive**. Let's all do our part to keep our roads and highways safe.

In the case of EMERGENCY dial 9-1-1 and ask for either fire/ambulance or police.

The Seba Beach Volunteer firefighters thank you for supporting the department and wish you a safe and fun summer.

WHAT'S NEW AT THE SEBA LIBRARY – Judith Watts-Mott

What's New at the Public Library...?

I want to share some of the new things available through our public library regional system. There's a feature for our library's Facebook page "Seba Beach Public Library", which links it to Tracpac (our online catalogue). If you click on the blue Tracpac icon at the upper right of our Facebook page, it allows you to sign onto your account, and do all the usual searches, requests, and checking of your account that you can do at the Tracpac website. Now you can get more things done on Facebook!

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There's a new eBook collection available to all library members called Freading. Go to their website at www.yrl.freeding.com to see 15,000 titles in many genres. It is free if you have a membership but it uses tokens as an exchange for a title. You receive tokens every week for a month, and what you don't use rolls over to the next week. New or popular books are worth 4 tokens while older books take fewer tokens. Your loan time is 3 weeks like the regular loan for books. These eBooks are compatible with more types of readers and devices so "check it out".

Mango Language Learning and Consumer Reports are online resources included in your Tracpac library membership. Mango is a self-paced, online system for learning languages utilizing oral and written language. There are about 3 dozen different languages such as: Japanese, English as a Second Language, French, etc. for study. I will do a training session in June so stay tuned for the time and date.

The library's Second Hand Book, Movie & Equipment Sale will be on Regatta Weekend. Due to our limited storage space, please save your boxes until the week of July 23. This community is very generous so thanks again for your great support!

New Materials in the Library:

We have some excellent magazines donated to our library. We keep only the latest/current year's issues:

- Birds and Blooms
- Canadian Geographic
- Canadian Living
- Gardens
- Readers' Digest
- Sky News
- World Archaeology

You can borrow them without signing them out... this is an honor system **only for magazines.**

Some New Books:

Down these strange streets: tales of urban fantasy/ c. 2012

Never too late: take control of your retirement & your future/by Gail Vaz-Oxlade

The Next Always/ by Nora Roberts, c. 2011

One child /by Jeff Buick, c.2010 (this book has an interactive website at onechildonline.com)

Quiet: the power of introverts in a world that can't stop talking / by Susan Cain, c.2012.

The Spy / by Clive Cussler (CD audio book)

Your brain on nature/ by Eva M. Selhub, c.2012

Wishes fulfilled/ By Dr. Wayne Dyer

Some New Movies & TV series:

Adventures of Shirley Temple (classic kids 'movie)

BBC's Life (nature series)

Big Bang Theory (Seasons 1-4)

Chuck: the complete Third season

Eat, Pray, Love (DVD)

Extraordinary Dogs: Canine companions

Hugo (in DVD & Blu-Ray)

Modern Family: the complete second season (DVD)

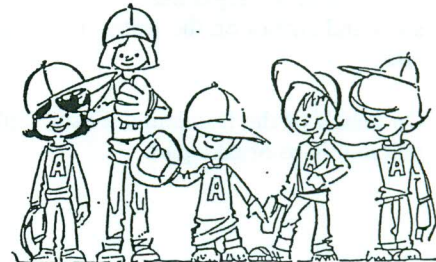
Puss in Boots (in DVD & Blu-Ray)

Cartoons on DVD:

Care Bears

Hello Kitty

Madelaine



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Our Summer Reading Club 2012 will begin in July and run until mid-August. This year's theme is "Imagine" so we will read stories about fantastic creatures, princesses, knights, etc. We will create our own puppet theatre, dress up in costumes, create our own imaginary island with a map and mini-book, create magical artworks, etc. There will be one day a week for pre-school children to come for early literacy games and crafts (children under 3 years must be accompanied by a guardian). The program is free but you should register your children to get their stickers and activity books.

**The full-time, summer hours start Tues. July 3 – August 31 as follows:
Tues.-Sat.'s 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Happy Spring!

By Judith Watts-Mott
Librarian
Seba Beach Public Library



SEBA BEACH SENIORS - President Don Hall

This year has been a very successful year socially for the Seba Beach Seniors. Long time programs like the monthly potluck lunches on the third Monday of the month continue to draw people with superb food and friendly conversation. We have begun to invite a theme speaker to some of our lunches, the first being Peace Officer Dean Young who spoke to us about challenges of senior driving. Jam nights each Wednesday evening since May 4th, 2011 have been a shining success. Peter Dykes and Phil Walton, along with as many as nine other local musicians have kept the music flowing. They play a wide range of styles that appeal to an audience of dedicated music lovers. In June we invited the Wabamun Seniors Club to a pulled pork dinner which was delicious and it was fun to meet with our Wabamun counterparts. Our Christmas party, with dinner, was catered by Carol from the Village Kitchen in Tomahawk. The music was provided by the "Jam Night Musicians".

We have re-instituted a weekly drop-in on Saturday afternoons from 2 to 5 - pool, shuffleboard, cards, scrabble, darts, puzzles, tea, coffee, cookies and great conversation are all available. In this year, with your help, we are considering an occasional jamboree, dramatic reading of plays, summer outdoor games and a barbecue. Your suggestions to help make these programs a success are always welcome. Have a happy summer!!

EDMONTON YACHT CLUB - Paul Kantor

There used to be a time when members of the Edmonton Yacht Club, once paid their yearly membership, were given a chance to guess the exact time when the ice was officially off the lake, (Now this was a long time ago, some time in the late fifties and early sixties). Dan Smith, owner of Seba Beach Boat Rentals, was the official judge and his word was final. Someone became the proud owner of the prize, which could be anything from an inflatable boat roller to a hat or whatever it was, the winner would treasure it for the rest of the season. This was before all this talk about "Climate Change". The ice went out around the end of April, if the spring came really late, a few days after the first of May. For us, the climate change came after the Wabamun power plant closed. We may be lucky to have the lake free of ice before the second week of May. However, regardless of the date, we will be there to start the season. There will be watercraft of all sizes and shapes on the water, the wind will blow, the sun will shine and we will enjoy the beauty of the lake.

On behalf of the Edmonton Yacht Club, I would like to share with you some of our highlights and invite you to join us or take part.

Intercity Regatta and the June Series

Once the docks, mooring balls and finally the boats are in the water, we host the **Intercity Regatta** on June 10 – 11. This is when sailors from all over Alberta come to compete in several different classes. This regatta is important for the younger sailors because it is part of a series of regattas, to qualify for a place on Team Alberta, to represent the province at national events. Cruisers too, on the same days, race on a different course. This is usually the contest among the sailing clubs on the lake and some visitors from other clubs in the province. This is also the beginning of a series of races in June, called the **June Series**. Depending on the weather you will see 5 – 10 cruisers and have one or two races every Sunday at 1200 hours. To watch sailboats race from the shore may not make much sense, they seem to be going all over the lake. If you want to know what is happening out there, come up to the bar after 9 on Saturday night. We will arrange to have someone take you out on one of the racing boats or on the committee boat.

The Northern Alberta Sailing College (and some more history) once about a time, there was the Edmonton Yacht Club and there was the Wabamun Sailing Club. They were forward thinking clubs and teaching the young children how to sail was considered important. So important, that both clubs raised funds, bought boats (Flying Juniors) hired instructors and there was sailing school during July, every weekday 9 to 4. Parents, grandparents enrolled their youngsters and everyone was happy. There was no problem, once the kids were deposited at sailing school. They were happy to be with their peers, safe, and looked after. Some even learned enough about sailing to carry on and keep on sailing. Water safety was always high on the agenda. A few years later the two clubs in their wisdom, realized, that pooling their boats, instructors and their resources would result in a better program. The NASC was incorporated. The school is still there. The children are still there. The program is second to none in the world. The instructors are super, well trained and enthusiastic. Why don't you consider enrolling your youngsters in the sailing school? The best care (babysitting) service money can buy. There are programs age 7 and up. For more info go to www.northernsailingcollege.com

More Water Safety !!! Get Your Card !!!

Even at the cost of sounding like a broken record (CD?) I would like to draw your attention, that, just because the law requiring the possession of a Pleasure Craft Operator Card was not seriously enforced in the past doesn't mean it will not be this year. There is a \$250.00 fine for not being in possession of the card regardless of horsepower or age of the operator. Save your money and avoid the embarrassment. Before the boating season gets really underway, you can get your card. There will be two courses and exams available at EYC (see me) or mail in application available at www.sinbad.ca
Have a great and safe summer!

HERITAGE HIGHLIGHTS SPRING 2012 – Sandy Drummond

Another great summer is almost here and the Seba Beach Museum will be opening its doors with great enthusiasm to welcome visitors and guests once again. The Museum will be open most weekend afternoons in June with regular hours through July and August.

Hours are Wednesday to Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Museum memberships are \$ 20.00/year. Our memberships are important not only as a source of revenue but also as an indicator of community support and grant funding purposes.

Note: We now have a new email address: sebamuseum@shaw.ca

There will be lots of activity at the museum this summer while staff and board members continue their work toward developing, revising and constructing new displays in the process of reorganization. Access to the museum will continue as usual. Community suggestions are always appreciated and help always accepted.

The Community Yard Sale is again planned for the second Saturday in July (July 14th). Donations welcomed and may be left at the Museum anytime during the day when open. Contact: Betty McTavish

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Ladies Open Golf Tournament takes place the third Thursday in July (July 19th) to be held at Pineridge Golf Course, lunch included and everyone welcome.

Contact: Darrin Kristjanson 780 797-3930

Bridge on the Beach - 7th Annual will be held Thursday August 9th. This is an invitational fundraiser. Beginner tables available, lunch and prizes provided. Everyone welcome.

Contact: Pearl Nielsen 780 797-2373

Questions or further details needed for these events are posted at the Museum. Wishing everyone a great summer from the Staff, Board Members and Volunteers of the Seba Museum.

FARMERS MARKET – Carol Blake, Market Manager

The Seba Beach Market vendors are excited about the 2012 summer season!

We are a mixed market with both new and seasoned vendors. Visit us every Saturday 10:30 am - 12:30 pm May 12 to September 1st

Regatta Weekend Market special hours 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

Special Harvest Market September 22nd

Meet you at the Beach!!



SEBA BEACH REGATTA 2012 August 4th, 5th & 6th

Hard to believe it is time to begin planning time again. Time to start thinking about our spectacular Regatta Weekend August 4th, 5th and 6th. Regatta has been operating for approximately 75 years and I want to recognize all the volunteers over the years that worked so diligently to make this weekend special for the children and adults. The weekend is always fun, busy and exciting.

***“The greatest use of life is to spend it
for something that will outlast It”***

William James

Each year we have our traditional events. Each event involves enthusiastic volunteers who work very hard to ensure everyone has a safe, fun experience. Again this year we always need volunteers to share the workload and provide new ideas. There are many jobs that need to get done. We again work with our village administration, maintenance, law enforcement and fire department and look forward to working with them again.

Everyone is welcome to attend the regatta general committee meeting held at the Heritage Pavilion on Sunday May 27th. It is a fun committee with volunteers that help each other. Just a reminder if you are interested in taking part in the festivities please let me know early.

Please call Marie Caley for further information at (780) 797-3050 or (780) 451-1491

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SEBA BEACH

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Budget Unaudited	2011	2010
Revenues			
Net municipal property taxes	\$ 390,761	\$ 390,835	\$ 375,733
User fees and sale of goods	17,300	9,009	25,218
Government transfers for operating	19,036	28,108	14,484
Licenses and permits	1,440	1,650	1,455
Franchise	20,000	23,224	18,380
Fine	35,000	43,057	31,068
Penalties and costs of taxes	3,000	4,523	4,132
Investment income	4,315	4,506	1,675
Local government transfers	75,937	81,076	77,577
Local agencies transfers	1,000	1,811	1,750
Rental	3,000	2,678	3,841
Donations	5,300	5,300	6,300
	<u>576,089</u>	<u>595,777</u>	<u>561,613</u>
Expenses			
Council	13,064	14,151	9,140
Administration	194,335	204,984	175,662
Police	149,024	163,007	135,254
By-law enforcement	2,500	2,633	2,157
Fire, disaster and emergency measures	18,177	8,356	30,224
Public works	110,802	135,303	89,701
Roads, streets, walks, lighting	15,000	14,337	17,132
Water supply and distribution	1,716	1,816	1,716
Waste management	30,500	31,771	49,476
Planning and development	6,000	3,300	5,807
Parks and recreation	22,750	24,557	24,763
Culture	11,317	12,364	12,531
	<u>575,185</u>	<u>616,579</u>	<u>553,563</u>
(Deficiency) Excess Revenues Over Expenses Before Other	904	(20,802)	8,050
Other Revenue (Expenses)			
Government transfers for capital	107,500	92,243	6,760
Gain on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	-	2,925
Amortization	-	(69,897)	(66,029)
	<u>107,500</u>	<u>22,346</u>	<u>(56,344)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenses	108,404	1,544	(48,294)
Accumulated Surplus, Beginning of Year	<u>1,396,673</u>	<u>1,396,673</u>	<u>1,444,967</u>
Accumulated Surplus, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,505,077</u>	<u>\$ 1,398,217</u>	<u>\$ 1,396,673</u>


SUMMER VILLAGE OF SEBA BEACH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2011

	2011	2010
Financial Assets		
Cash	\$ 71,427	\$ 154,733
Investments – Note 2	250,000	200,000
Taxes receivable	10,436	11,247
Trade and other receivables	127,980	84,697
Government transfers receivable	3,880	-
	<u>463,723</u>	<u>450,677</u>
Liabilities		
Payables and accrued liabilities	42,816	36,521
Prepaid taxes	8,770	7,088
Deferred revenue – Note 3	260,899	241,858
	<u>312,485</u>	<u>285,467</u>
Net Financial Assets	<u>151,238</u>	<u>165,210</u>
Non-Financial Assets		
Tangible capital assets	1,245,299	1,229,270
Prepaid expenses	1,680	2,193
	<u>1,246,979</u>	<u>1,231,463</u>
Accumulated Surplus	<u>\$ 1,398,217</u>	<u>\$ 1,396,673</u>

Approved by Council

 Mayor

 Chief Administrative Officer

Seba Beach Memorabilia

Remember When ...

THE DATES THE ICE WENT OFF LAKE WABAMUN



1999 – April 24

2000 – April 27

2001 – April 28

2002 – May 15

2003 – May 2

2004 – April 20

2005 – April 19

2006 – April 22

2007 – April 28

2008 – May 7

2009 – May 1

2010 – April 14

2011 – May 9

2012 – May 7

