



## *Summer Village of Island Lake NEWSLETTER*

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### Administration Office has Moved!

A reminder that the administration office has moved. New mailing address: Box 409, Darwell, AB T0E 0L0. New phone: 780-892-0104. Email and website address remain the same.

### Message from Council

Another winter has come and gone and the summer is now upon us. We all can look forward to another summer at Island Lake and enjoying time with friends and family.

This past year we have completed some great projects to enjoy including the new stairs and viewing platform at the lake access across from the park at Lakeshore Drive. We will continue to finish any projects in progress and start planning for additional projects for the fall of 2015 including road upgrades on Lakeshore North. If you have any project suggestions please let us know so we can start planning and budgeting.

On a financial note, council has for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, maintained a balanced budget and not had to increase the municipal tax/mill rate.

From myself, Councillor Yontz and Councillor Montague, we thank you for the privilege of serving on council and all the best over the summer!

Chad Newton  
Mayor

### Annual Information Meeting

July 4, 2015 at the Island Lake South community hall at 11:00 am.

### 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Island Lake Days

Island lake Days has been scheduled for July 10-12.

**Golf** - July 10th - Organizer: Shannon Beck-Taylor Cell: (780) 916-8748 Email: [staylor@compass-ah.com](mailto:staylor@compass-ah.com)

**Baseball** - Organizer: Scott Reid

**BBQ:** - Organizer: Darren Lamarre

**Canoe Races:** Organizer: Willow and Robbie Macintosh

**Triathlon:** Organizer: Willow and Robbie Macintosh

More info and events to follow; please check the website and Facebook for updates.

If you would like to volunteer to help with any events or kids games please contact Chad directly at: [chad.newton@telus.net](mailto:chad.newton@telus.net)

*Council and administration wish you a safe and happy summer season!*

## The Historical Society

The Island Lake Historical Society was started by a group of long term "lakers" in 2002. Their purpose was to preserve the family stories and history of the lake. The end result was the creation of the Island Lake History book "Ripples and Reflections." It was a huge undertaking that took countless hours of volunteer work, but the end result was a book that is highly treasured by many lake families.

The next project of the Historical Society has been the creation of the Memorial Gazebo next to the original children's playground and ball diamond. The Memorial Gazebo was built with countless hours of volunteer time, personal donations, a government grant and council support. It is the wish of members of the Society that the gazebo be a place to honour the lives of those who are no longer here with us physically but whose memories and souls are still here at the lake with us.

There is still some landscaping to finish and some benches to add, but the gazebo is finished! Next the soul of the building begins....placement of individual plaques to honour those "lakers" who have passed on. We are hoping to start taking orders for individual/ family plaques this summer. More information will be available later on the "Island Lake" web site.

It is our wish that the gazebo be used for family gatherings, to celebrate new beginnings, or just to sit and reflect on what a wonderful gift the lake has been to so many of us.

Anyone still wishing to purchase a "Island Lake History" book can do so at the store.

Thanks to all that have helped to create these lasting gifts and to those who walk silently beside us, your absence is never far from our minds and hearts.

## Bylaws and Policies

Please take a look at our website for any updates and new policies, including our latest policy 01-2015 Management of Municipal Property - Waterfront. They can be downloaded from: [www.islandlake.ca](http://www.islandlake.ca)

## Development Permits

The Summer Village requires development permits for **all** construction projects. Development permits **must** be posted on the property and be visible from the road. The province of Alberta requires that any construction be completed in accordance with the Safety Codes Act.

You must have permits for all gas, plumbing, heating, electrical and building construction. You also need a permit for any demolition project or any clearing that may affect the contour of the land. No safety codes officer will give you a permit unless they have permission from the municipality. Please contact the village office for a development permit application.

## Shoreline Work

All shoreline development work must meet local, provincial and federal guidelines. The federal department of Fisheries is located in Edmonton. They have levied heavy fines and required remedial work at Lake Isle and Pigeon Lake for shoreline work that was completed without permits. All shoreline work requires a permit from Alberta Environment. Please contact the village office for further information.

## Alberta Summer Villages Association ([www.albertasummervillages.org](http://www.albertasummervillages.org))

For information on issues commonly encountered at Alberta lakes, requirements of legislation along with the jurisdictional authority of other levels of government, and potential resolution of the issues, please see the Lake Stewardship Reference Guide (pdf documents on this website). The Guide is an on-going joint project between the Province of Alberta and Alberta Summer Villages Association (ASVA).

## Address Changes

Please ensure you notify the village office when your permanent address changes. Please include your telephone number and email address as well.