



Letter B

Serving the communities of Ahbau Creek, Baker Creek, Bouchie Lake, Cinema, (lower) Cottonwood, Dunkley, Hilborn, Milburn Lake, Moose Heights, Parkland, Quesnel-Hixon, Riverpark, Strathnaver, Ten Mile Lake and many areas in between!

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Nov. 19—Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission Meeting

Nov. 27—Introduction to Back country Skiing & Snowshoeing, Parkland Community Centre

Nov. 28—Community Meeting, Bouchie Lake Hall

Nov. 29—Introduction to Back country Skiing & Snowshoeing, Bouchie Lake Hall

Dec. 14th—CRD Meeting, Williams Lake

Jan.—Community Planning 101

Jan./ Feb. —Bouchie Lake Volunteer Appreciation Evening

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NEWS FROM YOU TO ME... across Electoral Area B!

Greetings to all Area B Residents. With it being November already, it is one year since I took on this role as your Area Director. Over the last 12 months, I have learnt such a lot about local government processes and am learning how to be effective in navigating a rather complicated system. It has been an enjoyable and challenging learning curve. If there is anything you would like to learn about, please let me know.

There are some exciting things happening within the communities of Area B over the upcoming winter months. The Bouchie Lake and Parkland Recreation Commissions and Community Association have been working hard to bring some activities to the communities in which they operate over this coming winter season.

At the CRD level, we have been busy reviewing the proposed budget for 2013. The proposed budgets for

the services provided can be viewed online on the website link below.

“Area B News” Bulletin Boards & Brochure Racks will be installed at both Bouchie Lake Hall and Parkland Community Centre within the next month or so. These bulletin boards will be for the sole use of the Area Director. I am hoping that these will be viewed as useful resources within our communities.

<https://caribooregionaldistrict.civicweb.net/Documents/DocumentList.aspx?ID=1845>

2012 - 13 PARKLAND & BOUCHIE COMMUNITY LECTURE SERIES

MAKING FRIENDS WITH WINTER

Introduction to Back Country Skiing & Showshoeing With Magnus Vinje and John Redburn

November 27th, 7pm: Parkland Community Centre

November 29th, 7 pm: Bouchie Lake Hall

Grab a friend and explore your outdoors, be it at home, down the block or in the Cariboo. This introductory lecture includes everything you need to know to start snowshoeing & Back Country Skiing, including how to use & choose equipment, how to dress for winter activity, what to pack, safety concerns and where to go in the Cariboo.

Fee: \$5.00 at the door / Refreshments will be available.

For information, email cariboolectures@gmail.com



BOUCHIE LAKE UPCOMING EVENTS



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

The Bouchie Lake Community invites all residents to a **Community Christmas Potluck Supper** on **Sunday, December 9th** at the Bouchie Lake Hall.

Doors open at 4:30pm with dinner starting at 5:00pm.

Santa has been called, he is hooking up his reindeers and will stopping in for a visit.

Donations are being accepted for community events. Please bring something to share.

Hope to see the hall packed with neighbours, friends and family :) Everyone welcome!

To volunteer, please call;

Lisa—250.249.5029 (for information)
Jennifer—250.249.5845 (assist with set up)
Mary—250.249.5525 (assist with clean up)

**Merry Christmas from the Bouchie
Lake Community**

COMMUNITY MEETING

November 28, 2012, 7 pm
Bouchie Lake Hall

Purpose of Meeting:

To create a solid community volunteer base. It will only be a positive, energetic and creative meeting.

EVERYONE WELCOME!



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ASSISTED WITH THE HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION AT BOUCHIE LAKE HALL. THE EVENT WAS HUGE SUCCESS. A SPECIAL THANK TO THE BOUCHIE LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION, ROCKY'S, BOUCHIE LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, BOUCHIE LAKE PARENT PAC, GREG'S FLOORING, QUESNEL BAKERY, JD MEATS, AND COUNTLESS VOLUNTEERS!

COMMUNITY PLANNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR RURAL NEIGHBOURHOODS

Community planning is a process which engages residents to establish visions, goals and policies for achieving social, economic and environmental sustainability within our communities. Community planning can be undertaken using the approaches outlined in the *Local Government Act* or by using a variety of non-legislative planning methods. Plans can be directed at the community as a whole, specific neighbourhoods and individual properties. They can also be directed at particular sectors such as economic development, social development, housing, parks, or environmental management.

Community planning is an orderly process that allows residents to identify and address pressing issues in their communities. This planning method can begin with three simple questions:

- ◆ *Where is our community today?*
- ◆ *What do we want our community to be like in the future?*
- ◆ *How can we effectively move toward the future?*

Keys to a successful community plan:

Identify the geographic area of the community to be included in the planning area.

Form a planning committee consisting of 8 to 15 members who rally participation from the entire community. The committee should be representative of the community and be comprised of a cross section of residents (age, professions, gender, geographic area, etc.)

Identify key issues based upon a SWOT analysis (strengths / weakness / opportunities / threats). Issues to consider should include: demographics, community pride, recreation, education / schools, land zoning (residential, agricultural, industrial), safety, accessibility, transportation, facilities, health, economic development, social development, housing, parks, beautification / landscaping, sensitive areas, infrastructure, environmental management;

Developing a goal (outcome the

community would like to attain) for each of the issues identified.

Develop an action plan that can be used to carry out steps to attain the identified goals. This plan should outline how the actions will be implemented.

Continual monitoring of the plan to assess the progress toward meeting the goals and recommended strategies adopted by the community.

IF YOU SEE VALUE IN HAVING A PLAN FOR YOUR COMMUNITY / NEIGHBOURHOOD & WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING PROCESS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW!

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Both the **Bouchie Lake Hall & Rec. Grounds (Bouchie Lake Recreation Commission)** and **Parkland Community Association** are on FACEBOOK!

OPEN MEETINGS IN THE NORTH CARIBOO INCLUDE **NORTHERN RURAL CAUCUS (CRD DIRECTORS AREAS A, B, C & I) & **NORTH CARIBOO JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE** (NORTHERN DIRECTORS & CITY OF QUESNEL COUNCILLORS). THESE MEETINGS ARE HELD ONCE A MONTH AND, UNLESS THEY ARE "IN CAMERA", THEY ARE OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**