

LETTER B



Newsletter for CRD Electoral Area "B"

Serving the Communities of Ahbau Creek, Baker Creek, Bouchie Lake, Cinema, Dunkley, Hilborn, Milburn Lake, Moose Heights, Parkland, Quesnel-Hixon Rd., River Park, Stathnaver, Ten Mile Lake, lower Cottonwood River, & many areas in between!

Greetings from me to you!

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Back to school! We have 2 girls (ages 15 & 12)... so we are still immersed in the excitement of a new school year. New school supplies, different teachers & subjects, new opportunities & experiences and in some cases... a new school! September is shaping up to be a busy month... I will be attending the "UBCM" Convention for the 1st time towards the of the month. Check out www.ubcm.ca for additional information. This month, I have had several enquiries from residents regarding Bylaws and how they can or cannot be enforced. I have included some information on the Bylaws within the Cariboo Regional District in this newsletter. Our next CRD Board Meeting is in Kersley... so come on down if you wish to see / hear how the CRD is governed and by whom. As always, I welcome hearing from residents. I can be contacted via phone (250.249.5329) or email to hdixon-warren@cariboo.rd.bc.ca

Online Links

BLOG



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AREA B COMMUNITY MEETINGS / OPEN HOUSE

PARKLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Sun. Oct. 14th, 1-5 pm

BOUCHIE LAKE HALL

Sat. Oct. 20th, 1-5 pm

Plan to attend one of the above Community Meetings scheduled for within Area B to meet residents, share information, and receive feedback in terms of future direction. Additional information on meetings will be on facebook, my BLOG and in email. It'd be great to hear from YOU!

Potential Topics:

Rural Recreation, Taxation Overview, Accessing Grants through Quesnel Community Foundation, Grants for Assistance, Online Presence, Invasive Plants, CRD Programs, Zoning / Bylaw Overview, etc.

DATES TO NOTE!

Sept. 10th; 7-9 pm—Two Mile Flat Fire Protection Meeting, Quesnel & District Arts & Rec. Centre;

Sept. 11th —Northern Rural Caucus Meeting; Joint Planning Committee Meeting

Sept. 13/14th—CRD Board of Directors Meeting ("Board on the Road"), Kersley, BC

Sept. 15th—Quesnel Antique Machinery Park Open House

Sept. 22-23—Quesnel Fall Fair

Sept. 24-28—UBCM, Victoria

Sept. 29-30—LakeKeepers Course, Bouchie Lake Community

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*Create Healthy, Local, Rural Communities!
Meet New People & Learn New Skills!
Plan Local Recreation!
Volunteer without having to travel too far!
Even Have fun!*

YOUR RECREATION COMMISSIONS NEED YOU!

There are 2 Recreation Commissions within Area B & 1 in Area C—they oversee the management of Bouchie Lake Hall & Recreation Grounds, Parkland Community Hall & Kostas Cove, and Barlow Creek Hall & Ranger Ball Park respectively.

All Recreation Commissions are governed by a CRD Bylaw and work closely with the community they represent. For information on becoming a Commissioner, please contact me at hdixon-warren@cariboord.bc.ca or Director Massier (Area C) at jmassier@cariboord.bc.ca

TWO MILE FLAT FIRE PROTECTION

OPEN HOUSE

**September 10, 2012, 7-9 pm
Quesnel & District Arts & Recreation Centre**

NOTE: COMPLETED PETITIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CARIBOO REGIONAL DISTRICT BY SEPTEMBER 17, 2012. AN UNSIGNED OR UNRETURNED PETITION MUST BE COUNTED AS A "NO" VOTE

SHARE YOUR PHOTOS OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ELECTORAL AREA B...

These can be landscape, recreational, family, wildlife... anything that captures living in Area B! Email your photos, with a caption, to hdixon-warren@cariboord.bc.ca



Area B supports the growth of incredible sunflowers! Area B residents Tom & Chris Dunlop have a green thumb when it comes to growing sunflowers. These plants, in a single season, have grown to upwards of 10-12' in height. Tom & Chris live near the Quesnel River.

CRD EVENT & MEETING SCHEDULE

<http://www.cariboord.bc.ca/WhatsNew/EventsMeetings.aspx>

CRD BOARD, NORTHERN CAUCUS, AND N. CARIBOO JOINT PLANNING AGENDAS & MINUTES

<http://www.cariboord.bc.ca/WhatsNew/Agendas.aspx>

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ZONING & RURAL LAND USE BYLAWS IN THE NORTH CARIBOO

In the North Cariboo (*Electoral Areas A, B, C & I*) there are 2 Land Use Bylaws that residents should be familiar with. They are **Bylaw 3504** and **3505**.

Bylaw 3504 is the *Quesnel Fringe Area Zoning Bylaw*. This Bylaw applies to the *Quesnel Fringe Planning Area* which contains parts of Electoral Areas A, B, C and I including the Dragon Lake and Two Mile Flat areas,, the West Quesnel and

West Fraser areas, the Bouchie Lake area, Ten Mile Lake and Barlow Creek areas.

Bylaw 3505 is the *North Cariboo Area Rural Land Use By-law*. It covers the **North Cariboo Rural Planning Area** which includes the remainder of Electoral Areas A, B, C and I, exclusive of the Wells Area and the Quesnel Fringe Area. It also includes Barkerville Historic Park.

These bylaws refer to issues of permitted uses for a specific property. Each parcel of land is zoned to allow specified permitted uses. These permitted uses are determined by community, regional and provincial planning. Investigations relating to property use are generally initiated upon receipt of a formal public complaint but may also be initiated by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer.



LakeKeepers Course

September 29-30th, 2012

NO COST TO REGISTER!.

The LakeKeepers course is an information-packed 2-day workshop taught by a qualified instructor. A variety of topics will be covered, including:

Lake ecology; How to tell if there are ecological issues with your lake and some potential actions to take, Differences between lakes in the area; What makes good habitat for fish, invertebrates, and birds, Recreational uses of lakes and their impacts; Whatever interests you! The course will be dictated by the questions you ask and what you want to learn about your lake.

This course will provide tools and resources to participants that can be used to: monitor the health of their lakes; provide relevant observations to agencies responsible for the management of your lake; & teach family, visitors, and other community members about your lake.

Locations: Sept 29th: Bouchie Lake Hall & Sept 30th: 2167 Barker Road (shoreline and on the water).

Contact BCES for more information or to register: 250 992 5833; Email: bc.es@telus.net

Thanks to the support of the Ministry of Environment and BC Lakes Stewardship Society, Baker Creek Enhancement Society & Bouchie Lake Stewardship Committee

Thank you for reading "Letter *B*"!