



Beaver Bank Kinsac Bulletin

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The Voice of the Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association

Welcome to a Special Edition of the BBK Bulletin. We have put this together to keep everyone informed about what is going on and where. Since the fire many people have pulled together to help each other out and fill the gaps in services and events. I guess now we know how the beavers must feel when a flood breaks their dam, our support structure is gone and now our "colony" must work together so our community can once again flourish.

This Bulletin is an information edition and as such is a little different; we thank Councillor Dalrymple for sponsoring the printing and distribution. Our December Issue will proceed as normal, and will have more information as things progress. The deadline for the Dec issue is November 6th, as previously announced, but I will continue to accept items, as space permits, until Nov 13th.

The BBCAA would like to thank the Lions Club for allowing us (and other groups) to use the Den for our monthly meetings. The Lions support their building expenses (heat, power, etc) through their weekly dinners, 50/50 and various other draws. Other fundraising is done on behalf of the community and those in need (breakfast clubs etc). Please read their column on page 2.

If you can support the Community Centre, Keeners or Policing Office in any way, it will be gratefully accepted. Also on the last page is our request form for you to purchase a Yearly Share in the Community. All money raised through Share sales goes towards the BBCAA's efforts to keep Beaver Bank & Kinsac informed through the Bulletin, the Website and the Annual Town Hall Meeting.

Please check our website www.beaverbank.ca for updated information, also that of the Community Centre, www.bbkcc.ca. Thank you very much to Tammy Crawford and Jeff MacDonald for keeping the information flowing on our website after the fire, and to Jessica Gilby on the Centre's site.

-Dorothy Selig

Special Town Hall Meeting

A Special Town Hall Meeting is being held by the Community Centre Board of Directors. It will take place on Thursday November 19th at 7:00 pm at Harold T. Barrett School. (HTB).

This meeting is being held to inform the Community everything we know about the tear down, re-build of the new Community Centre, special Fundraisers that are coming up, ways you can help, and to get your ideas on what you would like to see in the new Centre.

If you have any questions about the Community Centre, there will be an opportunity to ask them.

Hope to see you all there.

Thank you, Eleanor Lewis, BBKCC Board Secretary

Community Policing Office Relocated

The Beaver Bank RCMP Community Policing Office will be temporarily located at Harold T. Barrett Junior High School. The office hours will be Monday to Friday, 9 am - 4 pm. Our phone number will remain the same, 864-6072. We hope to be up and running within the next few weeks.

The Beaver Bank RCMP Community Policing Office regrets to announce the Raffle of the BBQ Set will not be held due to the fire at the Community Centre. The prize was lost in the fire. If you have any questions, please call the office at 864-6072.

-Linda Keddy

Community DateBook

November

9 - Blood Donor Clinic, Lions, page 2
11 - Remembrance Day, Kinsac Corner, 10:30 am, wreaths can be obtained at the Sackville Legion.

19 - Town Hall at HTB School, 7 pm

21 - Keeners Xmas Craft Sale, page 3

December

5 - Breakfast with Santa, BBKCC

6 - Christmas Parade of Lights, Lions, page 2, storm date Dec 13

And the FUNdraising Begins!

Fundraising Committee

The BBKCC has formed a Fundraising Committee, chaired by Sue & Keith McLearn. While the Centre was insured, anyone that has ever been involved with insurance knows it's not quite as easy as it sounds - there are substantial expenses that are not covered. The BBKCC also wants to take this opportunity to make improvements over the last Centre. The Committee has held their first meeting and made initial plans. Many volunteers will be needed, any level of help, from a few hours to right through to re-opening day, will be appreciated.

Fundraising Through Art

TK Creations are donating \$6.00 from every framed print they sell at all craft shows from now until Dec 31st. Look for their Friendly Folk at the Town Hall meeting on Nov 19th and at Breakfast with Santa on Dec 5th as well as craft shows throughout Metro. There are over 500 pictures to choose from and are personalized just for you!! These make great Christmas gifts and you'll be supporting the re-building fund at the same time!!

Road Toll at Dartmouth Crossing

Dartmouth Crossing has generously

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Your Fire Department Still On The Job

Since the fire, our department has been trying to keep busy and go on like normal. This is tough to do when you have nowhere to call home. The members have been there in the parking lot every Tuesday (training) night to check the trucks, some nights even in the pouring rain. We still do the regular training, which for the most case is outdoors. We have been beefing up on our classroom stuff around the wood stove of one of our member's garage. As of the time of this report we still have our trucks parked outdoors waiting to hear the fate of the firewall. We hope to be able to put at least one truck in the bays soon as they don't take well to freezing temperatures.

As for the cause of the fire, that is still being looked into. They are hoping to have that wrapped up in a couple weeks.

In closing I would just like to say that the community support has been amazing. I would like to thank all those who have stepped up to help. A special Thanks to the Woodbine Family Association who kept us well fed the day of the fire. In the thirty years that I've been in the Beaver Bank Kinsac Fire Dept, I have seen how the people in this area step up and help when someone is in need. This is one of the reasons why the Beaver Bank-Kinsac area is such a Great place to live. We will get through this.

Thanks Again, Chief Gord West



Lions Club Update

I would first like to say how sorry we the Lions are for the loss of our Community Center. It's amazing how quickly the community came together and is already pulling all their programs back on target. The Lions club is very proud to be able to house some of the groups at our club.

The blood donor clinic will be held at the Ivy Meadows Nursing Home Nov 9th 5-8 pm, North Beaver Bank. Please use the Administration Entrance, not the main door.

We are having a brunch following the Remembrance Day Ceremony on Nov 11. It will be held at the Den and will be \$6 each.

The Parade of Lights will go on as usual, Dec 6th (storm date Dec 13th). Our stopping spot will be announced as soon as we work out that small problem. But, go on it will so get those floats planned and call Lion Dawn MacIsaac at 865-3115 to register. The next planning meetings will be Nov 15th at 7 pm at the Lions Den, 40 Sandy Lake Rd, everyone welcome.

The Lions Club will be holding a silent auction until Dec 5th, drop in any Friday night after 6 pm, have supper and bid on the items. If your groups are attending meetings at the Den, please bid or come for supper, the proceeds will go to offset the cost of having the club open for the extra meetings going on in there.

Keep us in mind if you have any old eyeglasses, used stamps, ink cartridges, pull tabs from pop cans, hearing aids or cell phones, all of which will go to a good cause instead of the garbage.

Thank you for your support at our road toll it was a great success. We also have tickets on sale for 2 prizes a beautiful bed cover and a wobble light, (2 draws) to get your tickets you can call me or any of our Lions.

We are always looking for new Lions, come join us.

P.R.C. Lion Carolyn Pitts 865-5479

Beaver Bank ATV Club

DID YOU KNOW THAT . . . If you are a 4-wheeler rider, you will have to have an ATVANS sticker to ride some of the trails in Beaver Bank? The answer is YES!! The Beaver Bank ATV Club is welcoming new members. We meet every second Wednesday at the Beaver Bank Lions Den located at 40 Sandy Lake Rd. Our next meeting is November 19th (which is a Thursday, for this month only). Hope to see you there.

Update From Councillor Dalrymple

We are one month since the fire that destroyed our Community Centre and grief has certainly turned to action, I am constantly amazed how everyone has pitched in and taken many volunteer duties and have moved the rebuilding of our Centre forward so quickly. While support has come from many groups, organizations and individuals I would like to particularly thank the members of the BBK Community Centre Board and the BB Community Awareness Association, the hundreds of hours you have already put in and your commitment to getting us up and running as quickly as possible is appreciated. I would be remiss if I didn't single out one person and I want to thank Tom Margeson for being everywhere and everything, Tom is the new Chair of the Community Centre Board and has worked non-stop every day, your enthusiasm, dedication and tireless efforts on behalf of the community are greatly appreciated.

The early focus after the fire was on getting the many organizations that used the Centre into alternative buildings so they could carry on and I believe that has been accomplished with a lot of help and effort and a lot of assistance by other groups within our community and with help from our neighbours. I hope I don't miss anyone but I would like to thank various Halls, Schools & Churches for their help, places like the Beaver Bank Lions Club, Peace Lutheran Church, Ivy Meadows Continuing Care Facility, Friends of Ivy Meadows, Brown Hall, HT Barrett Jr High, BBK & Monarch Elementary Schools, Church of the Good Shepherd, Springfield Lake Rec & the LWF Community Hall - thanks for pitching in and helping out.

I would also like to thank the Fundraising Committee for stepping up so fast and forming and they have a very aggressive but doable schedule of events and ideas. One of those events is coming up on Saturday, Nov 14th and is a Road Toll at the Dartmouth Crossing Malls, please drop by and drop your loose change into the bucket. Great appreciation to those business and sponsors who have already pitched in,

most of them came forward with their own ideas and I hope we visit those particular businesses and pass on our thanks.

Any of you that have driven past the location this week have seen that the demolition is well underway and the site will be cleaned up very shortly, the main firewall will then be checked and if it is cleared it means we can save the fire bays and begin fixing that side of the building to get the trucks inside. We already have a Design Committee in place and they are already looking at improvements for our rebuild, designing is underway.

To all of you, all the Boards and organizations and especially to the many volunteers that have poured their heart and souls into getting this rebuild effort underway - thank you for the hundreds of hours you have already put in and for your commitment to follow this through to completion

As we move into November one overwhelming thought comes to mind and that is Remembrance Day, an opportunity to remember and to thank our veterans and their families for all the sacrifices and efforts they've done and continue to do on our behalf. From the first day after the fire Tom has been working with the Insurance people, HRM, the schools and various groups to ensure we can have our Remembrance Day Services in our Community involving our War Memorial. While final details are still being worked out we are very pleased to let citizens know that we will hold Remembrance Day in the School yard beside the Community Centre and afterwards will place wreaths & poppies at the Memorial, thanks for all of your efforts Tom.

For any other info please feel free to visit the websites of the Community Centre or the Awareness Association, we will be hosting a Town Hall meeting to update information on our rebuild and answer any questions, it will be held on Thursday, Nov 19th at the HT Barrett School.

*-Barry Dalrymple, Councillor, HRM
District Two*

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Updated Schedule and Venues for
Events at hosted by the Community
Centre

Ball Hockey began October 2 at
BBK \$2 drop in fee, kids ages 6-12
every Friday night -6:15-7:15. Please
fill out and bring a registration form
with you, the form can be printed off
our web site.

Living Hope Baptist Church will
resume at the Peace Lutheran Church
located at 971 Windgate Road
(formerly Beaver Bank Windsor
Junction Crossroad) service begin at
1:00 pm every Sunday.

Carr Taekwondo - classes are
being held at the Sackville Heights
Comm. Ctr, 45 Connolly Dr in Lr.
Sackville, Mon and Wed nights only
6:15 to 7:45 pm.

To make a donation to the
BBKCC Rebuild fund please make all
cheques payable to HRM (BBKCC
Rebuild Fund) and mail them to:
1583 Beaver Bank Road
Beaver Bank, NS, B4G 1C5
A tax receipt will be mailed to you

*Thank you for your generosity
Jessica Gilby, BBKCC*

BBKSA 50+Keeners Craft Sale & Schedule

BBKSA (50+Keeners) Christmas
Craft Sale will be held at the Beaver
Bank Community Hall (Brown Hall) on
Saturday, November 21st from 10 am
until 3 pm.

Regular weekly timetable for our other
activities:

Tuesdays and Fridays 10 am - 11 am
Fitness Classes at Acadia Hall, Sackville
Wednesdays craft afternoon - 1 pm -
3.30 pm, Brown Hall

Thursdays Lunch at noon, Brown Hall

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offered to allow us to have a volunteer road toll on November 14 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. This has the potential to be a huge fundraiser for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre Rebuild.

In order to make this happen we need your help! Forty people are required to cover three shifts at six exist points throughout Dartmouth Crossing. If you can help with this (and are 16 years or older) please email or phone Laurie at mc@accesswave.ca 865-6611.

Breakfast with Santa

Same great Breakfast with Santa, Santa & Mrs Clause will be there of course!! Due to the loss of our centre this years breakfast will be held at Knox United Church at 567 Sackville Drive in Lower Sackville, December 5th from 8:00 am until 11:00 am - admission is \$4.00. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, juice and tea or coffee. Don't forget your camera!! This year we will be having a bake sale in conjunction with the breakfast so this would be a great time to stock up on your Christmas baking!! If you would like to donate some fresh baked goods, please contact Marina at 865-5282 or Norma at 869-5677.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events including: New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance, Family Skating Party, Monte Carlo Night, Guess Who's Coming to Dinner and a Booster night just to name a few. If you would like to get involved in the fundraising committee or help with any event please contact the Community Centre at 865-5114 or Keith / Sue McLearn at 864-4823.

Many Thanks From the Children's Learning Centre

Beaver Bank Children's Learning Centre Ltd. is happy to report that we are once again operational after a brief closure. We are operating out of the Ivy Meadows Continuing Care Facility for our morning preschool program and the afterschool program is operating at the Beaver Bank Kinsac School.

Cheryl Leadlay and Marina Johnson would like to take this opportunity to thank EVERYONE who was instrumental in getting us up and running so quickly. Thank you first to our Staff of wonderful teachers who immediately hit the ground running to help us collect the overwhelming amount of donations from community members far and wide. We thank HRM, HRFD for expediting our inspections, our ECDO and Licensing Officer for understanding our urgency, to HRSB and BBK for the space to operate and to Ivy Meadows for the space and warm welcome. Thank you to our families for the patience and understanding during this trying time and also thank you to the children for their amazing resilience to quickly adjust to new settings. Thank you to the BBKCC Board of Directors for including us in every stage of moving forward. Thank you to past and present county councillors and our MLA for their support. We know we have not listed all our thank yous by name, but we will have an update in the December Bulletin with more names.

In closing we continue with the new construction of our second facility. The construction may seem slow but it is moving along and we hope for an early winter opening.
With Heartfelt Thanks, Cheryl and Marina

Carr's Tae KwonDo Located at Sackville Heights

My classes have been relocated to Sackville Heights Community Ctr. at 45 Connelly Rd. in Lr. Sackville. We tried to get back into the community however no luck. After the investigators allowed access to the building, Fred Gallop contacted me and said that my equipment was fully intact with only minor damage. My safety matting was cleaned and has some stains on them, however it is usable. The storage cabinet that I had my supplies and equipment in had some damage, the veneer adhesive started to melt and lift from the cabinet but it should be able to be repaired, and the training equipment had smoke damage. The odour is quite strong so I am planning to replace it.

My students are glad to be training again, however miss their home as I do. It hasn't dampened their spirits though. Recently 5 members of my Beaver Bank location with 5 more from my program in Dartmouth, competed at an Open Martial Arts Tournament in Amherst, the entire group returned with 14 medals. Our only Gold medal was won by a member (Brandon M.) of the Beaver Bank location.

We look forward to returning in full force when the BBKCC is rebuilt.

Sincerely, Robert Carr, Carr's Tae KwonDo

Purchase a Yearly Share in the Community & Support the BBCAA

Please mail to: Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association, 1901 Beaver Bank Rd, Beaver Bank, N.S., B4G 1C9.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ P.C. _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

- Enclosed is: \$20 Family Share Cash Please mail me a receipt
- \$50 Group/Business Share Cheque I have a Question Please Call Me
- Please send my renewal form to my email address instead of in the postal mail

Please make payment payable to "BBCAA" or "Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association"
This form and payment can be dropped off at Barrett Lumber Company, Hartlen's Esso, or the Policing Office.