

Katepwa

DISTRICT OF



NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2013

FRED'S FRONT PAGE NEWS

First off let me say a great big thank you to all those who volunteered during our flood preparation, the teamwork that came together was AWESOME! Very special thanks to the Water Security Agency for all their hard work and diligence in monitoring and controlling the facilities throughout our watershed.

For those that contributed to the Emergency Measures Operation fund thank you as well, your support for this project will be felt for years to come. We are a BIG deal! Thank you Warren Bobbee!

In our last newsletter I covered municipal and education taxes as well as the potential state of emergency rules that, fortunately, we did not have to apply.

Taxes - I will cover separately in your tax notice.

Enough of the flood, taxes and ice concerns... let's talk *Trash*, that's talk trash not trash talk! This is kind of a wet and dry subject!

We are in the very final stages of the new Lagoon build; our next major project is the landfill. Landfills have a life expectancy based on the amount of 'household' waste deposited. In the very simplest of

terms our landfill is made up of two parts; part one is for 'refuse' (dry) which is made up of grass, leaves, lumber, concrete, metal waste and such. Part two is household waste (wet) which is made up primarily of kitchen type products.

Dry items are buried on the outer edge of the current landfill. Wet items are buried inside the landfill in a pit that we continually cover and repack. The department of environment decides when the wet pit of our land fill is reaching its capacity and will close that portion of our landfill. As I understand it we will still be able to use the dry area.

This is not a great thing to have happen! When this happens we can expect our landfill costs to increase significantly as we will be obligated to haul all the household trash to a regional landfill, truck by truck by truck. I am sure you can see the implications. What do we need to do? We need to extend the life of the landfill as long as possible so we can get out from under the debt incurred when building the new lagoon which, by the way, was mandated by the Province to start in 2012!

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How can you help? There are several things that you as families can do:

- Try composting; there are good web sites that can guide you through this. It's a whole new world!
- Separate your 'household' waste from your 'other' waste and only place the household waste in your garbage box or garbage cans. You can then take the 'other' waste to the landfill at a time of your convenience and the household waste will be picked up on the normal schedule. Example: we have several households in the District that regularly place between 5 and 15 bags in the garbage for our local hauler to pick up and take to the landfill (dump). The hauler has no idea what is 'household' and what is 'other' so ALL of it goes into the household pit and, as a result, the household pit fills up 3 to 5 times faster than it needs to shortening the life of the pit and moving us to a 'regional landfill' 5 times sooner!
- Recycle cardboard, paper, plastic and tin cans. These can be placed in the bins provided throughout the District. They are located at Sandy Beach (by the tennis court), Village (beside the office) and Katepwa south (at the bottom of the road up to the Berry Hills Estates). Please make use of these facilities and PLEASE break the boxes down. Unfortunately there is no local recycling for glass.

The District has taken steps that will help you help us to extend the life of the landfill and manage waste. How do we propose to do this?

1. **Our garbage hauler will only pick up a maximum of 3 (three) garbage bags from each residence, the rest will be left.**

2. **If you have more than 3 bags of household garbage you will be able to buy 'tags' at the landfill or the village office for \$2.00 each.** The idea would be to buy 10 or 20 tags ahead of time and use them as you see fit. Please don't use the tags for 'other' garbage as it puts us (the District) right back to where we are now and... it's cheaper to collect the 'other' garbage separately and make a single run to the landfill.
3. **Another way we will be extending the life of the landfill is by NOT accepting cardboard, paper, plastic, or tin cans at the landfill.** These items are recyclable in the bins provided throughout the District.
4. **Place garbage in a garbage box or trash cans. Loose garbage bags will no longer be picked up.** The web site can give you the requirements on garbage containers; you can find them under 'resident services'. We have had problems for a number of years with 'varmints' getting into the garbage bags left at the side of the road for pick up. Some of you take the bags out first thing in the morning of pickup and for the most part these are not attacked by the critters. But if you happen to miss the pick up or the pickup is delayed or you put it out the night before... varmints and critters get at it and spread it around. We are not staffed to clean this up nor does our contract with the hauler allow for cleaning up garbage that's spread.

This was not a fun article to write, it is what it is!
And that's my soap box for today!

The District of Katepwa...It's a great place to live, let's keep it that way!

Fred Weekley CFP TEP CSC
Mayor for the District of Katepwa Beach

EMERGENCY MEASURES OPERATIONS IN ACTION

By Dwight Fisher

First of all, I would like to thank Warren Bobbee for his knowledge and direction, as well as all of the volunteers that helped out with the sand bagging.

Thank you to Dick Teece for his contribution and organization at Sandy Beach. He made our job a lot easier. And a big thank you to Anne Meyers and Eldeen Boehmer for organizing the food and refreshments that kept us well nourished. Also thanks to Don, Corey and Chris for their bobcat operations, along with Laura and Cheryl who coordinated the safety attire. Once again we came together as a Community Team to face Mother Nature head on. We were well prepared this time around and will be in the future.

Once again MANY MANY THANKS to all of the volunteers, you helped make our Flood Preparations a HUGE SUCCESS!!!!

SOON TO BE A LAGOON

By Bob Burnett

We are pleased to be able to say that the work on the new lagoon is progressing well.

We are confident that we will be able to start putting sewage in cell #1 very soon. Progress on cell #2 is moving right along and they are currently working on the last berm. The engineer has been out and the compaction passed with flying colors so we think that the environmental people will give us the green light soon. The costs for the lagoon its self are coming in close to what we thought but some of the other costs associated with the work have been a little higher. We know how important this project is to our village and this new lagoon will meet our needs for many years to come.

JULY 1 ACTIVITIES! (IN THE PARK)

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Old fashioned fun and games for the kids

BANDS:

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Len Gardica

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The Dead South with
Katepwa's Danny Kenyon

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Old Skool with
Katepwa's Murray Penny

10:00 p.m. Fireworks!

NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED IN THE PARK

AUGUST ACTIVITIES:

**LEE AND SANDY PALEY
return to Katepwa!**

We pleased they will once again host
fun and song for kids up to age 10.

Sunday, August 4th

11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
(45 minutes each)

Location:

Gazebo in the Park,
or Katepwa Centre, depending on weather.

From Friends of the Park:

PERCHFEST – SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH

“A Celebration of Spirit & Spoken Word”

Danny Jewitt is the builder of this festival, and is working with
Shane Bellegard to weave a First Nations component into the arts festival.

MORNING: Sunrise - Yoga in the park.

10:00 A.M.: The Katepwa Lake Run

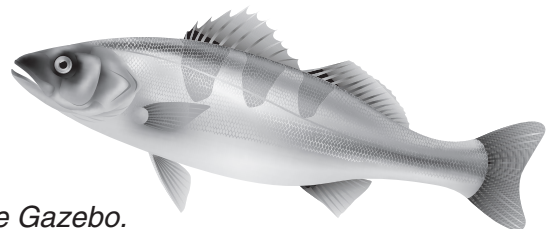
A 12km (approx.) run starting at the Beach and then going south along the Trans Canada Trail until Fort Ellis Road. Runners will then run up Snake Hill and over to the 619 grid and then back down the Balcarres Hill following the Trails again back to the Beach.

“All roads lead to the Lake.”

AFTERNOON: Of Perch & Poetry

Musical Guests: 12:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m.

Poets: 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.



All events will take place near the Gazebo.

Friends of the Park are hoping to create an annual community event showcasing the natural beauty of the Katepwa Provincial Park. **WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!**

Anyone interested in helping with any aspect of the day. (Race Registrations, Advertising, Race Checkpoints, Timer, Technical, aid station, merchandise, posters, decorating, networking, tourism, ideas...)

We are also looking for seed money to start this festival.

Please contact Aura Lee MacPherson at 306 539 6903 or email ofperchandpoetry@gmail.com

“Perch Be With You.”

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Every 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00pm
at the Katepwa Community Centre.
Public forum to follow for 15 minutes.

GARBAGE PICK-UP:

Garbage collection begins
on **MONDAYS** beginning **May 28th**.
Hot weather pick up starts at 6:00 a.m.
*PLEASE, keep garbage bag weight
to NOT more than 20lbs*

LANDFILL HOURS:

Beginning May 1st:
Friday, Saturday and Monday 9am to 5pm

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

May 1st to September 30th
Monday to Friday
9:00am to 12:00pm
1:00pm to 4:00pm
Closed on all STAT holidays.

Phone: 306-332-6645

Email: katepwabeach@sasktel.net

LIBRARY HOURS:

Same as office hours.
ADDITIONAL LIBRARY HOURS:
June 28th - July 28th
Friday, Saturday & Sunday
9:00am to 5:00pm

KATEPWA LIONS REPORT

Spring has arrived along with high water levels,
wood ticks, and visible debris along the highway.

Lion volunteers assisted with sandbagging and food donations
during those anxious days of "flood watch". We, along with all Katepwa
residents, were relieved to see the water damage kept to a minimum.

On May 22, the Lions, along with volunteers scoured the Highway 56
ditches collecting many bags of garbage. There were 11 volunteers and
10 Lions out (yes, the volunteers outnumbered us). Lions Len and Sharon
Blenkin hosted a BBQ for everyone. Dessert was provided by Shirlene
Mock. Thank you to the volunteers who came out with golf carts, tools and
enthusiasm to get the job done, and to the Blenkin's and Shirlene.

Our new President is Lion Dick Teece and our new Secretary is
Lion Elaine Chatterson. These two very committed Lions will
ensure our club will have another successful year.

We are printing our **Grey Cup Pool** tickets.
We are counting on the residents to support this fund raiser.

ONE AND ONLY TEXAS HOLDEM!

July 20th

Play begins at 4:00 PM. Buy in: \$40:00 Rebuy \$40.00.
Food and refreshments available.

Registration at the door: 3:00 PM
Registration limited to 50 players.

JULY 2013

Kids' Summer Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1-3 pm Canada Day Kids' Games	2 1-3 pm Hide & seek and capture the flag	3 1-3 pm Treasure hunt	4 1-3 pm Sports 	5 1-3 pm Nature walk and rock painting	6 12-3 pm Sand castle building 
7	8 1-3 pm Finger painting	9 12-3 pm Relay races	10 12-3 pm Mini sand castles	11 12-3 pm Bracelet/ necklace making	12 12-3 pm Sundae bar and colouring	13
14	15 12-3 pm Beach ball volleyball	16 12-3 pm Dream catchers	17 12-3 pm Frisbee and football	18 12-3 pm water relay races	19 1-4 pm Water gun games	20 1-4 pm Beach Olympics
21 	22 12-3 pm Make wind socks and paint flower pots	23 11-2 am/ pm Arts and crafts 	24 11-2 am/ pm Old fashioned games	25 1-4 pm Water war	26 12-3 pm Water games	27 
28	29 12-3 pm Arts and crafts	30 1-4 pm Treasure hunt	31 1-4 pm Beach Olympics return	This is the preliminary schedule for Katepwa beach activities during the month of July. Subject to change depending on the weather.		