

South of Town Events

June, July, & August, 2024

From the Area C Director....

I'd like to start by thanking the members of the Lang Bay Community Club for saving a space for me and my table full of pamphlets at their annual Spring Plant Sale. We got lucky with the weather and had a really nice time hanging out in the beautiful gardens behind the hall (if you haven't visited them, I strongly encourage you to do so). It's a great opportunity for me to provide information about the services that the qathet Regional District offers and speak to the residents of Area C about whatever comes to mind. Typical topics of interest included emergency evacuation, the FireSmart program, and recycling.

The drought and wildfire situation in BC was the topic of discussion at a recent meeting I attended and while I'm grateful that we are not currently facing those challenges, we could be at some point so it's good to keep abreast of the situation and be prepared. The Province has two websites that I'd like to direct your attention to – both of which deal with emergencies. The first is EmergencyInfoBC.gov.bc.ca – it includes information on current emergencies, how to prepare for emergencies and evacuation, and a map showing where in the province there are emergencies and the locations of Emergency Support Service Reception Centres. The second is PreparedBC.ca/emergencyready, which includes an online tool to build a personal emergency plan. I encourage everyone to check out them both out.

Coming up in June, the Board will decide on which local organizations we will support with grant funding. This **should** be a fun experience because giving money to worthy causes is a good thing, but it's actually very challenging as we have received applications to fund more initiatives than we can afford so some tough decisions need to be made. There are many factors that come into play when deciding where the money should go, some of which are:

- Who is paying for it, (electoral areas versus the entire qRD, for example)
- How much are they asking for,
- How many residents are affected by the initiative, and
- Can anyone in the community take advantage of the initiative?

I personally place a lot of importance on the last item on that list. I believe that projects supported with public money should include something that is available to a broad slice of the community, regardless of financial status. For example, the Pacific Region International Summer Music Association (PRISMA) holds many low-cost and free events, including the open concert that is held every summer at Willingdon Beach. These events, as well as the economic benefit that the qRD sees from the many attendees that visit our area during the festival, make it an easy one for me to support.

Have a great summer!

Clay Brander, qathet Regional District

Lang Bay Hall:

Tuesdays, 10:30 am-noon: Lang Bay Friends – Informal discussions, projects and pot luck lunches - everyone welcome. Contact Laural at lghascats@gmail.com for more info. ****NOTE – LAST MEET June 11th then we break for the summer****

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm: Yoga with Danielle - \$10.00 drop-in fee. For more information call or text Danielle at 604-223-9493. ****NOTE – LAST YOGA June 25th – We will start back up again in September****

Thursdays, 10:00 am (weather permitting): Fun with Plants! - Meet with friends to work in the hall gardens - everyone welcome. Bring your favourite small tools. Call 604-487-1259 for more details.

Saturday, June 15th, 10:00-1:00: LBCC's Monthly Market - Tables are \$25.00 each and are limited. To book a table contact 604-483-1440.

Saturday, June 15th, 2:30 pm: Set up for Father's Pancake Breakfast. Call 604-483-1440 if you'd like to help!

Sunday, June 16th, 9:00 am: LBCC's Annual Fathers' Day Pancake Breakfast - Bring Dad for breakfast - by donation. There will be a muscle car show & shine in the gardens, plus a raffle. Contact 604-483-1440 for details.

Saturday, July 20th, 10:00-1:00: LBCC's Monthly Market - Tables are \$25.00 each and are limited. To book a table contact 604-483-1440.

Saturday, July 20th, 3:00 pm: Stillwater Waterworks District AGM. All Stillwater water users are welcome to attend.

Friday, August 9th: Blackberry pie filling. Call 604-483-1440 if you'd like to help!

Saturday, August 24th, 10:00-1:00: LBCC's Monthly Market - Tables are \$25.00 each and are limited. To book a table contact 604-483-1440.

Mindful Moves Yoga & More will return in the fall. Enjoy your Summer!

Cribbage will return Sept. 12th for our 46th year! The Fall Crib Tournament is Sept 14th – 32 spaces, \$25 to play, lunch provided. Pre-registration required so sign up early. Send eTransfers to langbaycommunityclub.treasurer@gmail.com

Kelly Creek Community Church:

Sundays, 9:00 am: In-person Sunday services at 2380 Zilinsky Road. Also available on Facebook or YouTube. Contact 604-208-0446 or office.kellyck@gmail.com for more information.