

# Summer Village of Sunbreaker Cove Fall/Winter Newsletter

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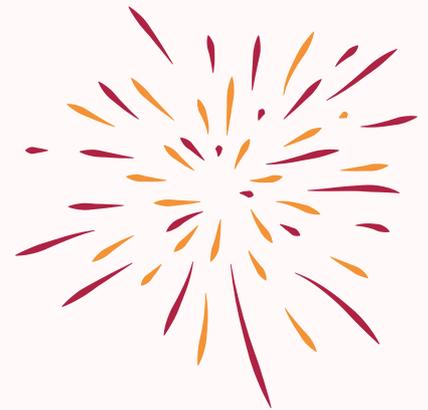
## Piers & Hoist Committee

Council and Administration will be preparing a draft policy, which provides suggested guidelines aimed at providing lake access for all residents, and will seek public input before releasing the policy in time for the next boating season. We would like to thank the Piers and Hoist Committee for their efforts.

## Regatta

With the summer season behind us, we would like to thank the volunteer families who once again organized the Annual Regatta weekend. This long-running event is the social highlight of the season providing all residents a chance to celebrate the lakeside lifestyle that keeps us all coming back to Sunbreaker Cove.

Special thanks to Peter Schmaltz our residents pyrotechnician for the spectacular fireworks display!



## Bollard Policy

As a reminder, motorized vehicles are generally not allowed on Municipal Reserve land in accordance with our Open Space Master Plan. Bollards were installed to control use of vehicles that have damaged the walkways and private yards by snowmobiles. The bollards do not restrict access for emergency vehicles as they are designed to break-away easily allowing access to the lakefront if needed. Residents may also submit a request to Administration to remove the bollards to accommodate special events or any other reason deemed necessary. The full Bollard Policy is available on our website.





## Off Highway Vehicle Use

Some residents have asked Council to review the current Off Highway Vehicle Bylaw for the village. A survey was mailed to residents requesting feedback on any proposed changes to how OHV's are regulated in the community.

Council will be reviewing the public feedback and assessing the need for any changes to the existing bylaw.

## Ice Hut Committee

With winter fast approaching, we expect ice huts to appear on the lake.

Abandoned ice huts continue to be a concern for all communities, and the "Take-it-off" initiative has been a successful program. The number of abandoned ice huts had dropped from twenty five prior to initiating the program in 2011 to zero by 2017, however in the spring of 2018 six huts were still on the lake after the March 31st deadline. One was removed by an owner, three were taken off with the assistance of others and two fell through the ice and are at the bottom of the lake. The Ice Hut Committee will again be volunteering their time to educate the public with pamphlets and speaking directly with ice-hut owners during the winter. This year the committee will be engaging Alberta Environment and Parks to see if we can get some direction of who would be responsible after the removal date has been past. As well we continue to lobby the provincial government to implement a mandatory registration and removal program. So please remember how important it is to keep our lake and environment debris free.



## Wastewater Project

The Sylvan Lake Wastewater Commission is presently managing the construction of a line connecting Sylvan Lake to the City of Red Deer wastewater treatment plant. The \$42 mm project is funded through the Provincial Government Water-For-Life program which covers 90% of the installed cost. The new regional leg is scheduled to come online in May 2019. In addition to the regional line, the commission has also applied for funding to construct the north shore lateral which will connect Sunbreaker Cove and County of Lacombe developments to the existing infrastructure in Birchcliff.

Although the province may defer provision of the funding for the north shore lateral, Council continues to ensure we are prepared to develop our Municipal wastewater system when the funding becomes available.

A project bulletin was distributed in March of 2018 that provided residents with information regarding the project. Specifically, the bulletin provided the rationale behind the regional wastewater collection system including environmental and public health initiatives. Information about the design and operation of the system, as well as the funding plan are discussed in detail. Finally, answers to many of the frequently asked questions residents have asked, including the estimated cost a homeowner can expect for initial capital cost, and ongoing operating costs.

The wastewater bulletin can be found here:  
[www.sylvansummervillages.ca/wastewater.html](http://www.sylvansummervillages.ca/wastewater.html)

In addition to the bulletin, Council held a "Coffee with Council" event and a presentation at the Annual Information Meeting to provide residents with an update on the project, and what to expect in the coming year. The AIM presentation can be found at this link:

<http://www.sylvansummervillages.ca/sunbreaker-cove.html>

If you have questions we encourage you to submit them to the Wastewater Committee email: [SBCwastewatercommittee@sylvansummervillage.ca](mailto:SBCwastewatercommittee@sylvansummervillage.ca)



## Online Payments

The Summer Village of Sunbreaker Cove is pleased to soon offer online payments for tax payments, utility payments etc. Effective January 2019 this payment method will be available to residents on our webpage.

## Cannabis Consumption

As Cannabis is now legal, a Cannabis Consumption Bylaw has been passed. This Bylaw addresses where the consumption of cannabis is permitted and fines for contravention.

### General Provisions:

- Consumption of cannabis is prohibited on Public Lands within the Summer Village unless consumed at a private residence. No person may consume at a private residence without permission of the property owner.

To view the full Cannabis Consumption Bylaw it can be found on our website at:

<http://www.sylvansummervillages.ca/bylaws--policies3.html>



# To Note...

## Crime Prevention

There has been some recent crime in Sunbreaker Cove, 3 known about break ins, one of them being very serious where the cabin was completely gutted. We encourage residents to look out for each other in order to help prevent these situations. One of the best ways to secure is to think like a criminal. - **CRAVED**

**Concealable** - Can I easily hide it until I sell it?

**Removable** - How easy is it for me to remove it?

**Available** - How likely is it I'll find what I'm looking for?

**Valuable** - How much money will I get when I sell it?

**Enjoyable** - Can I steal something that is desirable?

**Disposable** - How easy is it to sell it?

To learn more about CRAVED and crime prevention visit :  
<http://www.asva.ca/2018-asva-conference-presentations.html>  
and download the file "Crime prevention, what we can do".



## Safe Roads

To learn about safe roads, please visit:  
<https://saferoads.com/>



## Buoys

The Public Works department is currently working on inquiring quotes for buoy installation for the 2019 year. If you are interested in this please contact Chris at [cloov@sylvansummervillages.ca](mailto:cloov@sylvansummervillages.ca)



Regards,  
Summer Village of Sunbreaker Cove Council